



Madison County Amateur Radio Club

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JULY 2024

The JULY meeting will be held July 1st.



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From the President

Greetings,

By now everyone has heard that Lynn Edens has resigned as president. I want to express my sincere appreciation for the contribution that Lynn has made to our club. For the past year and a half, Lynn has tirelessly served MCARC. His organizational skills and his passion for amateur radio has helped move our club forward. I trust Lynn will continue to stay involved and participate in the activities of our club.

This time of the year brings opportunities for our club to get connected with our community. The outreach efforts not only let people know who we are, but it gives us a chance to introduce them to amateur radio. I encourage you to sign-up to work the booth at our upcoming summer events.

Whether it is on HF or our local repeaters, take time to get on the air!

73

Tim Kd9psr@gmail.com

From the Vice-President -

-TBD-

Technical Committee July 2024

The bulk of the tech committee activity in June revolved around Field Day. All radios were checked out prior to the event. After the decision to move Field Day to the EOC because of concerns over the heat, the Tech Committee prepared the ECC. N1MM logging software was set up for Field Day on all 3 computers. The software communicates between all stations to synchronize logs for individual radios into a single file.

In addition to checking existing equipment and antennas, the Tech Committee set up the extra half wave end fed antenna on the tower trailer. The tower trailer was set positioned at the northwest edge of the Health Dept. parking lot, with the end fed antenna configured as an inverted vee. The antenna was fed at the north end, close to the ground, using the existing coax run under the parking lot. This configuration proved to be very good. Standing wave was below 2.0:1 across all bands, including WARC bands. Only the very top of the 75M band was above 2.0:1, but it was well within the capabilities of the internal tuners in the radios. Performance was good. By placing the antenna in the Health Dept. parking lot, the interference issues encountered during Winter Field Day were eliminated. Future projects include further testing on the Off Center Fed 160M dipole and continued work on the tower trailer.

Submitted 25June2024

Dennis Owen,

W9DO Tech Committee Chair

MCARC

Meeting Minutes

Date June 3, 2024

Opening:

The monthly meeting of the Madison County Amateurs' Radio Club was called to order at 7:00 PM by Lynn K9RLE on June 3, 2024 at the EOC with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: 33. We had two applications Brian Englehardt KD9ZHH and Dominic Fetta KE9AMM.

Treasurer Report – Gerald K9GDH gave a balance as of June of \$2,112.72 and the repeater balance of \$1,113.11. Motion to accept report was by Dale and seconded by Gary S.

Secretary Report –Paula KD9SZJ nothing new to report. Motion to accept the previous report was 1st motion was Mark and second by Gary S.

VP Report– Tim KD9PSR had nothing to report.

Trustee Report –Doug N9DR had nothing new to report.

Activity Report – Field Day June 22- 23. Please check the calendar for upcoming events.

Points Report – Jeff Stewart AK9JS reported, Mike KC9DJU is in first place, Frank WA9JWL is in second place, and Ike N9IKE is in third place.

Sick Report- none reported.

New Business-

New antenna was table to discuss when Mike returns

Merging meeting to be held Monday, June 24 at 7pm.

Show and Tell- Charlie, KD9RZG discussed his contact with several ships during Museum Ships Event. Greg Hunt K9ALC show a presentation about the Raspberry and what all it can do.

Next Month's Meeting will be Monday, July 1, 2024

Motion to Adjourn Meeting: Majority of the club.

UPCOMING EVENTS TO BE AWARE OF:

2024 Public Outreach Festival Dates

Madison County 4-H Fair Sunday July 21, Monday July 22, Tuesday July 23, Wednesday July 24, Thursday July 25, Friday July 26, Saturday July 27

Elwood Glass Festival Friday August 16, Saturday August 17, Sunday August 18

Frankton Heritage Days (Public Safety Party) Friday September 20, Saturday September 21, Sunday September 22

Pendleton Public Safety Day Sunday August 25 from 1pm to 4pm

I have decided to step down as secretary due to health reasons effective July 31. It has been a pleasure to serve you and I am confident that the next secretary will go above and beyond our expectations. It was not an easy decision, but one that I needed to take, to take care of myself.

73,

KD9SZJ

EMA COMM DIV.

	<u>Y-T-D</u>	<u>JUNE</u>
MCU	20	0
Active Storm Net	123	0
Outreach	295	244
Comm Div	53	13
Nets	405	49
Training	837	219
EMA Activation	188	0
Total	1733	525

THE EC SHACK

Gary-W9GNR



I've got nothing

YL - KD9SZJ - Paula



-FOR SALE-

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w9vcf.mcarc@gmail.com with your Item, asking price and preferred contact info!!

EVENTS

Every Wednesday	MCARC 2M Net 8:00 PM - 145.390 pl 151.4 Followed by an informal ragchew on 28.465
Every Thursday	Donut Meeting 09:00 AM at the EOC
Every Saturday	Breakfast at Anderson Grill 09:00 AM at 2038 S Scatterfield Rd, Anderson
July 1st	MC ARC Meeting at the EOC, 7pm
July 11th	MC UHF Net 8pm - 443.350MHz, PL tone 110.9Hz WA9CWE
July 16th	VE Testing at the EOC 7pm
July 25th	MC UHF Net 8pm - 443.350MHz, PL tone 110.9Hz WA9CWE

SPECIAL EVENTS

July 1st - July 8th	13 Colonies 1300z - 0400z All Bands except 60m
July 6th	Colonial Williamsburg 1400z - 2000z 7.265 14.265
July 20th	Railroad Rendezvous 1300z - 2100z 7.250 14.200
July 28th - July 29th	Buffalo Soldiers 1400z - 0100z 7.200 14.290 18.1400

Have something to contribute to the newsletter?

- Participated in any recent contest?
- Have an interesting QSO?
- Try an experimental antenna?
- Get a new piece of equipment you'd like to offer a review about?

We'd love to hear about it. You are more than welcome to write a piece about something above or something else you feel worthy of sharing. If you would like to write a piece for the newsletter, please submit your article, along with any pictures that you'd like included to the club email, w9vcf.mcarc@gmail.com.

Also, if you have anything for sale that you would like to advertise in the club newsletter, please send it to the above email.

Thank you, Gary - W9GNR

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Meetings are at the Madison County EOC

200 N Delaware Street

Anderson, IN 46016

HAMFEST

Auburn Hamfest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

07/20/2024

Start Date: 07/20/2024

End Date: 07/20/2024

Location: Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum

1600 Wayne Street

Auburn, IN 46706

Website: <http://w9ou.org>

Sponsor: Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.015 with 141.3 tone

Public Contact: John Chalmers , W9GOO

P.O. Box 145 Auburn, IN 46706

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East Central Indiana Hamfest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

07/27/2024

Start Date: 07/27/2024

End Date: 07/27/2024

Location: Jay County Fairgrounds

806 E. Votaw Street

Portland, IN 47371

Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/ecindianahamfest/home>

Sponsor: Jay County ARC, Whitewater Valley ARC, Randolph County ARC,

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 443.475+ PL. 100.0, 145.210- PL 97.4

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