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Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society

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#### **About this issue**

This issue of the ACHN is devoted mainly to Field Day photos (with a few from the VHF QSO Party as well). Several people contributed photos so there were more than would fit into this newsletter. You will find them in several places on the following pages so just thumb through (or page through if you are reading it as a PDF) and enjoy. If you would like to see more Field Day photos take a look at the new photo gallery on the FWRC website:

http://www.fwrc.info/index.php/phoca-gallery.html

There are also some video clips posted on YouTube:

Al Burke's videos can be found by searching on "woffermom". The Field Day videos are "CLIP0001a.AVI" thru "CLIP0007a.AVI". (Note the "a" suffix). WB9UZA has posted a 9 min. video on YouTube.:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hdl\_OFb48Go or Search for "wb9uza". W9LW has a short video at http://www.yousendit.com/download/K0JTNU1EVEhTRTZ4dnc9PO.



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Field Day photos by WB9UZA

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#### **President's Corner**



As I write this month we have just had Field Day this past weekend. I want to thank everyone who worked to make our Field Day effort a success this year.

There are so many people that have worked together this year that I hesitate to start naming names for fear that I will forget someone, but I have to anyway. First I have to thank Steve Nardin, W9SAN, our club Communications Manager, for all the work planning and organizing this year's event. We had a number of setbacks early in the year as we thought we had the location settled and then the plans fell through each time due to circumstances outside our control. But I think that we ended up with a very nice location that meet most of our needs very well.

I also need to thank Joseph Lawrence, K9RFZ, for his work as well. Joseph made the initial contact with the Veterans National Memorial Shrine and initial site visit. Also, no one had come forward to volunteer to run the GOTA station, so on Saturday morning as set-up began Joseph volunteered to take responsibility for that task and did an excellent job through out Saturday.

Jim Moehring, KB9WWM, volunteered to handle the digital efforts this year. Jim is very active in digital modes and brought his camper with a very complete set-up to handle not only the digital contacts this year but also worked 160 meters on Saturday night, and made sure we copied the W1AW Field Day Bulletin.

Charles Ward, KC9MUT, has been storing and transporting the club trailer to and from all of the club activities for the last couple of years. So we need to thank him for all of that work as well the work he has done fixing the trailer and upgrading the lighting. All that work has made it safer to transport.

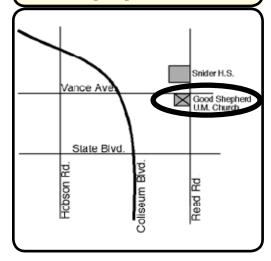
I do not have the results from Field Day yet; but they will be tabulated for the general meeting. The Veterans National Memorial Shrine personnel were excellent hosts with one of the caretaker's assistants helping put up the towers, logging and even getting on the air! Dozens of people came out for the setup and tear down and we could not have done it without any of them! Thanks again to everyone!

The weather was not perfect with rain at the start of setup and at the end of tear down and hot and humid in between; but, there was often a nice breeze to make the shade tolerable.

The July meeting will be held on Friday July 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church. The meeting will be our Field Day wrap up as well as a presentation by Woody Woodbury, KC9CGN, on his participation in the 2010 ARDF Championship event in Ohio in May. Woody tells me that the Radio Direction Finding contest was much different than our monthly Foxhunts. I am sure you will find the differences very interesting.

See you on the  $16^{th}$ . Tom / N9TB

# FWRC General Meeting July 16, 7:00 p.m. Program: Field Day wrap-up & ARDF



## Fort Wayne Radio Club Meeting Minutes - 18 June 2010



The June Meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club was held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on 18 June 2010 with club

president Tom Baker, N9TB serving as host. There were about 30 persons present.

#### **Old Business:**

Tom started the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and followed this by having all in attendance introduce themselves and their calls.

Since the May meeting was the Spring Banquet, there was no business meeting and thus no minutes.

Bob Streeter was absent but provided data for the Treasurer report. As of 18 June 2010 the club had realized an income of \$2,063.47 year-to-date, expenses year-to-date of \$2,827.16, \$70.30 cash in hand, and \$6,701.23 in checking/savings.

Tom Baker reported that the VHF QSO party held at the IPFW parking garage went well. The party-goers chalked up 182 contacts, 83 grid squares and garnered about 16,000 points. A good time was had by all, nobody got hurt, and the IPFW campus was left undamaged.

#### **New Business:**

Tom Baker announced that the subject of the July meeting will include a critique of Field Day, and the August meeting will feature the Tailgate Hamfest in the church parking lot.

Joseph Lawrence, K9RFZ noted that Allen County took first place in last October's Simulated Emergency Test as reported in the July, 2010 issue of QST. He also noted that there would be a statewide RACES drill on 17 July. Allen County RACES will activate its Comm. Center from the EOC with local activity commencing on the 146.940 MHz machine at 8:30 a.m., and statewide activity at 9:00 a.m.

Al Biddle, K9FW announced the availability of switching mode power supplies on eBay. They are spec'd at 115 VAC in, 10-13.8 VDC out @ 30 amps continuous and are brand new. He scanned the unit he procured over the VHF and UHF bands and found them free of birdies. They can be acquired at \$65.00 each, or at \$55.00 each if we purchase 10 or more. Al started a list of those interested and will get back to them if we get the quantity up to 10 or more.

Carole Burke, WB9RUS reported that she has organized the ever popular Hog Roast for Field Day again this year. The menu will consist of BBQ Pork, Baked Beans, Potato Salad and her world famous Sauerkraut. The club will proved plates and utensils. Attendees should bring drinks and a carry in desert. And you should bring a lawn or camp chair and if you can, a folding table because table facilities are limited at the

O'Day Rd. Field Day site. The meal will commence between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. and the cost will be a paltry \$10.00 per person. (What a deal).

Steve Nardin, W9SAN proposed that the club invest in a replacement trailer. The existing unit is too small and is in worsening shape. After some discussion, a motion from the floor was put forward to allocate \$1,000.00 from the treasury in anticipation of acquiring a suitable unit. The motion was seconded and put to a vote which passed in the affirmative. Tom Baker stated that the development of a set of specifications and steps toward procurement of a new trailer would be put on the Board of Directors agenda.

Steve Nardin gave an Echo-Link progress report. The Echo-Link software has been installed on the PC we will use at the node, and has been interfaced with a representative R/T at a test setup out at Jim Pliett's (K9OMA) QTH. A "W9TE-R" Echo-Link node has been authenticated with the folks at Echo-Link. What remains is to integrate the controller into the setup, check the controller programming, and then haul the whole thing up to the 146.910 site at IPFW.

Following the business meeting a presentation on Field Day plans and preparation was provided by Steve Nardin and Tom Baker.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Burke, WB9SSE Secretary, FWRC





Field Day photos by KU81

# STATE OF THE ARTS

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P.O. Box 10342, Fort Wayne, IN

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#### **President's Message**



REMINDER: NO MEET-INGS THIS MONTH. A few years ago we decide to not have meetings in July. A lot

of people are taking vacations, and there is the Three Rivers Festival. I would like to thank Jim, KB9IH and Dave W9LKH, for taking care of the meetings in my absence. I am getting ready for round two of my chemo treatments.

Now for a blast from the past. Many years ago we took an active part during the Three Rivers Festival. In those early years the festival was forming and growing. We helped provide communications during the parade and some of the events. We even had a display of Amateur Radio with a working station that was a official event. We also assisted the Red Cross at the First Aid Station. Over the years things changed as the festival grew and we we no longer needed. Those were fun times back then. In those days two way radios we expensive and were used for public service, and business communications. Today there are more options available for groups like the festival committee. Also you have cell phones.

A little from the Green Thumb. My strawberry patch produced a lot of berries that I could not eat. I can only have fruits that have a skin that can be washed real well or peeled during my chemo. Those tomato plants that grew by themselves from seeds that had fallen to the ground last year are doing well. A strange looking plant in garden has returned after a one year absence. It grows real tall with long narrow leaves that look like elephant ears. It has a long corn cob like top with small bright yellow flowers. This plant

only grows every year, and comes back in the same spot.

Remember to put August 21<sup>st</sup> on your calendar. That is the date of our Family Picnic. The picnic replaces or general meeting. It will be at the QTH of Jim Boyer, KB9IH.

Well that is all I have for this month.

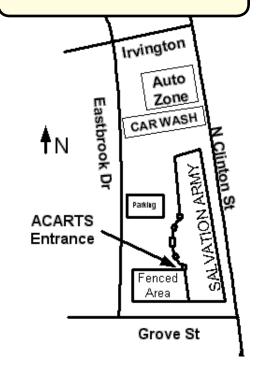
73, Vic, KA9LTV



#### **Meeting Schedule**

**ACARTS General Meeting:** No July meeting

**Next Board Meeting**: No July meeting



## June 2010 ACARTS Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Dave Lindquist, W9LKH.

Dave announced that the June program would be a presentation on antennas by Adolpf Wozniac, WA9WTJ. He added that there would be no ACARTS meetings in July, and that the August meeting would be the annual picnic on August 21st at the QTH of Jim, KB9IH.

Dave stated the he and Jim, KB9IH, and been to the repeater site on the the previous Friday to turn on the air conditioning and see why the 443.800 MHz repeater was intermittently self-keying. The repeater was not keying up upon their arrival, but the temperature in the shack was 90 degrees before the air conditioning was turned on. The controller was warm to the touch and it was discovered that the motor in one of the two fans at the top of the cabinet, a couple of inches above the controller, was jammed and very hot. The faulty fan was disconnected to help reduce the ambient temperature in the cabinet.

Dave added that they restapled some of the ceiling insulation in the shack.

Jim, KB9IH, stated that a non-functioning telephone line splitter was removed so that the telephone connection to the 146.88 MHz repeater is now functional. He added that he took measurements and determined that three sheets of siding would be required to repair the holes in the west side of the shack.

Howard, N9ADS, and Jim, KB9IH, discussed the status of Hamfest vendor mailings and updating of other Hamfest letters that need to be sent out in the next couple of months.

No other business was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by Dave Lindquist, W9LKH

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Dave announced that there would be no ACARTS meetings in July, and that the August meeting would be the annual picnic on August 21st at the QTH of Jim, KB9IH.

After refreshents, an interesting presentation on antennas was given by Adolph Wozniac, WA9WTJ.

Submitted by Dave Lindquist, W9LKH

#### VHF QSO Party Photos









# Correlation Between Solar Indices and F2 Region Ionization - Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA



#### Ft Wayne DX Association

Last month we looked at the correlation between sunspot number and 10.7 cm solar flux. We found

out that the correlation factor, R-squared, for daily values was around 0.5 - which indicates some, but not good, correlation.

Next we looked at the correlation between monthly means (averages). R-squared was better - around 0.7. But we saw it could get even better by using smoothed values. We ultimately found out that R-squared was around 0.93 (1.0 is perfect correlation) when using a second-order polynomial to convert between smoothed sunspot number and smoothed 10.7 cm solar flux. Equations were given to convert from smoothed sunspot number to smoothed 10.7 cm solar flux, and vice versa.

This month's column will look at the correlation between these solar indices and what the ionosphere's F2 region is doing. As we did last month, we'll first look at the correlation between daily 10.7 cm solar flux and the daily maximum useable frequency (MUF) for a 3000 km hop. The data we'll use is the daily solar flux for December 1982 and the daily MUF over the Canberra (Australia) ionosonde for that same month and year (I already had this data worked out from another project, so I used it here). The result of this exercise is shown in Figure 1.

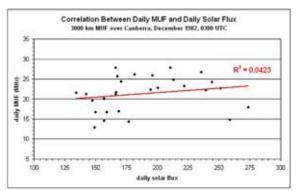
It's obvious the correlation is extremely poor, with an R-squared of 0.04 (no correlation is 0.0). The data even shows the MUF varying by a factor of almost 2 at a solar flux of 170. I could have used the daily sunspot number and daily MUF with the same result - extremely poor correlation. And I could have used either solalr index with other ionsonde data, again with the same result - extremely poor correlation.

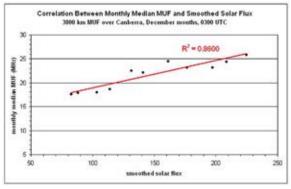
It didn't take the developers of our propagation prediction programs very long to realize this problem. Since the daily correlation was not acceptable, they turned to a statistical correlation between what the Sun was doing and what the ionosphere was doing. They found the best correlation to be between the smoothed sunspot number (or smoothed solar flux) and monthly median (median implies 50% probability) ionospheric parameters. Figure 2 shows the correlation between smoothed solar flux and the monthly median MUF

over the Canberra ionosonde for eleven years of data in the month of December.

As can be seen, the correlation is extremely good. This correlation is why our propagation prediction programs use a smoothed solar index (either sunspot number or solar flux), and output monthly median ionospheric parameters. Perhaps some day we'll have a physical model of the ionosphere that takes many inputs (the daily solar flux, the 3-hour K index, and other as-of-yet undefined parameters) to come up with what the ionosphere is doing right now.

But we're not there yet, so we'll just have to understand the statistical nature of propagation - which we'll look at in next month's column







Field Day photo by KU8T

Field Day photos by WB9UZA



















#### For Sale & Wanted

For Sale:

From the estate of Terence M Lee, N9ZNZ:

- 5 rechargeable battery packs for HTX-202, condition unknown
- 12 V, 2.5 A power supply, Radio Shack Cat. No. 22-120A make offer.

Books & tapes:

- ARRL Opererating Manual, 5th edition
- Novice & Tech Class Theory, 2nd edition by Gordon West
- General Class FCC License Prep., 2nd edition by Gordon West
- General Class FCC License Prep. cassette tapes (goes with above book)
- 1995-96 ARRL Repeater Directory
- Fort Wayne Radio Club Handbook

Make offer, contact Vic, WB9UZA, 260-485-7472, wb9uza (at) arrl.net

For Sale:

\$120+ worth of slightly out of date ARRL books for \$35.00. Not dogeared and in nice condition. Disabled ham needs to dispose of them.

1989 ARRL Handbook

1991 ARRL Antenna Book

1989 Operating Manual

1991 Radio Buyers Sourcebook

1997 Hints and Kinks

1991 Now Your Talking (with Tech exam)

1991 RSGB Practical Wire Antennas

Wm. I Orr, "VHF Handbook"

A very useful library of ARRL publications for the Novice or aspiring ham at an attractive price!

Francis Barr, W9ETT for Lowell Yohe, WA9DRQ, 260-982-0607 or efbarr@gmail.com

For Sale:

Rohn HDBX-48 Extra Heavy Duty 48' free standing tower. \$450

includes cross boom for beam mounting, cross boom for discone & center of dipole, and 12 foot of very heavy duty mast pipe.

Cushcraft A449-11 11 element 70cm beam \$55 Cushcraft A147-20T 20 element (10V & 10H) dual phase beam \$110

Cornell-Dubilier CDE HAM  $\,$  II rotor with  $\sim 120$  ft of  $\,$  R&L  $\,$  1816

8 conductor (2/16 6/18) rotor cable \$75 Discone antenna (50-1200 Mhz) \$10

4 - 120 foot runs of Beldon 8214 equiv (R&L JT2008) coax \$50

2 – 120 foot and 1 - 70 foot runs of RG8X coax \$25

The entire package for \$650

Everything is believed to be in good working order, and is in the air at this time. Note that the antenna's and coax will not be available until the tower sells and is taken down. Tower can be tilted over for "easy" takedown and disassembly.

Don Gagnon WB8HQS (260) 484-3317 wb8hqs(at)arrl.net

For Sale:

40 ft. tower, with 3 element beam, also Dish Network dish. \$100 or best offer.

Debbie Miller 260-490-3056







Field Day photos by KC9HIU and WB9UZA

#### **Test Points**

07/08/2010 | Goshen IN 46525 Sponsor: Goshen ARC Location: www.goshenarc.org/

ve\_testing.html

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)



07/27/2010 | Marion IN 46952-9999 Sponsor: Grant County ARC

Location: Marion Community Science and Tech Building

Time: 5:00 PM (No walk-ins)

07/31/2010 | Archbold OH 43502-1252 Sponsor: Fulton Cty Radio Club Location: Archbold Police Department Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

07/31/2010 | Columbia City IN 46725-2040 Sponsor: W5YI-VEC -- Whitley County ARC

Location: Eagles # 1906

Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

07/31/2010 | Berne IN 46711-1134 Sponsor: Adams County ARES Location: Church os the Nazarene Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

08/24/2010 | Marion IN 46952-9999 Sponsor: Grant County ARC

Location: Marion Community Science and Tech Building

Time: 5:00 PM (No walk-ins)

08/28/2010 | Archbold OH 43502-1252 Sponsor: Fulton Cty Radio Club Location: Archbold Police Department Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

09/11/2010 | Van Wert OH 45891-1876

Sponsor: Unsponsored

Location: Van Wert County EMA Time: 2:00 PM (No walk-ins)

09/25/2010 | Archbold OH 43502-1252 Sponsor: Fulton Cty Radio Club Location: Archbold Police Department Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

09/28/2010 | Marion IN 46952-9999

Sponsor: Grant County ARC

Location: Marion Community Science and Tech Building

Time: 5:00 PM (No walk-ins)

10/07/2010 | Goshen IN 46525

Sponsor: Goshen ARC

Location: www.goshenarc.org/ve\_testing.html

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/26/2010 | Marion IN 46952-9999

Sponsor: Grant County ARC

Location: Marion Community Science and Tech Building

Time: 5:00 PM (No walk-ins)

10/30/2010 | Archbold OH 43502-1252 Sponsor: Fulton Cty Radio Club Location: Archbold Police Department Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/30/2010 | Columbia City IN 46725-2040 Sponsor: W5YI-VEC -- Whitley County ARC

Location: Eagles # 1906

Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

11/06/2010 | Saint Marys OH 45885-9999

Sponsor: RARA

Location: Noble Community Center Time: 2:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

11/23/2010 | Marion IN 46952-9999 Sponsor: Grant County ARC

Location: Marion Community Science and Tech Building

Time: 5:00 PM (No walk-ins)

#### 2010 Foxhunt Schedule

Jan.	No hunt	12 July	6:30 pm
14 Feb	1:30 pm	9 Aug	6:30 pm
7 Mar	1:30 pm	13 Sep	6:30 pm
11Apr	1:30 pm	3 Oct	1:30 pm
3 May	6:30 pm	7 Nov	1:30 pm
7 June	6:30 pm	Dec.	No hunt

All foxhunts start at off track betting parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.

#### **Regional Hamfests**

<u>Date</u>	Location	Contact Phone	<u>URL or E-mail</u>
10 Jul 2010	Indianapolis, IN	317-261-6658	http://www.indyhamfest.com
17 Jul 2010	Elyria, OH	216-398-8858	http://www.noars.net
18 Jul 2010	Van Wert, OH		http://w8fy.org
25 Jul 2010	Randolph, OH	330-274-8240	http://Hamfair.com
15 Aug 2010	Lafayette, IN	765-446-7747	http://w9reg.org/hamfest/index.htm
21 Aug 2010	Osgood, IN	812-689-3161	http://www.441775.com
For more complete	e information go to http://www	w.acarts.com/hamfests.htm	m or http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html#listing



## The Foxhunt Chronicles June 2010 – Al Burke, WB9SSE

The 5<sup>th</sup> Foxhunt of the 2010 season was held on Monday evening, the 7<sup>th</sup> of June. The weather was threatening rain, but otherwise was quite pleasant, perfect for a foxhunt.

The June hunters consisted of five teams including Jim & Annie Pliett, K9OMA & WB9YYI plus Carole & Al Burke, WB9's RUS & SSE along with Tehachapi, California visitors Irene & Elliot Oseas, KS6I & K6EO (houseguests of the Burke's), Woody Woodbury, KC9CGN, Charles Ward, KC9MUT plus John Martin, N9UWR, Renee & Carl Thomas, KC9KTG & WB9YBI plus (new to Ft. Wayne ham) Mark Berke, KC7EHE, and finally Debby & Brian Jenks, KB9ZQG & W9BGJ plus Chad Beech, W9GGA.

The role of fox was provided by Kim & Jim Machamer, KB9's DOS & DOT. They hid the crossband HT fox in a tree just above a fence bordering the parking lot of Haley Elementary School over by Georgetown Shopping Center.

The foxhunters started out as usual from the Off-Track Betting Parlor parking lot at Lima and Washington Center Roads. Jim & Kim at first

pumped about 50 watts into their Jeep's roof mounted monopole. When the first foxhunters localized them at Haley Elementary they then alternated between the 50 watts signal and the actual fox signal transmitted via the cross-band HT. (Our first set of cross bearing DF readings pretty much identified the Georgetown area as the likely location of the fox).

As it turned out, Renee Thomas was the first to actually locate the fox itself (much to the delight of Kim Machamer who was heard to proclaim "Girls rule"). The Charles Ward/John Martin team was the 2<sup>nd</sup> to locate the fox followed by the Pliett/Burke/ Oseas team, Woody Woodbury, and the Jenks/Beech team in that order.

Following the hunt, everyone proceeded to the Steak-N-Shake on Maysville Road to partake in a delicious after-hunt meal.

The next hunt is scheduled to take place on 12 July starting at 6:30 p.m. from the Off-Track Betting Parlor parking lot. Carl and Renee Thomas will serve as the wily fox. See you there!

Respectively submitted,

Al Burke, WB9SSE

#### **Year To Date Foxhunt Scores**

K9OMA 15.5	KA9YYI 15.5	WB9SSE 15.5	W9SAN 4		KC9KTG 5		KB9DOT 13.5
KC9AFE 4			KB9ZQG_			KC9EZP	



photo by WB9UZA



more Field Day photos

Membership Application for □ ACARTS - and/or - □ FWRC						
Name: Ca	ll sign: Licens	se class:				
Street address:						
State: ZIP :4 Phone #: () _	Unlist	ed? □ Yes				
Email address:	ARRL Membe	er? 🗖 Yes				
(ARRL membership helps your club maintain affiliation.) May we list your name, call & email address in our membership roster and on our club web site? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No						
Both clubs now offer this newsletter as a downloadable (Adobe Acrobat) PDF file, in lieu of a paper copy sent through the mail. For FWRC a mailed paper newsletter is a \$17.00/yr. premium.  How would you like your newsletter delivered?						
A.C.A.R.T.S. Dues		adio Club Dues				
Regular membership Additional family members <sup>1</sup> \$12.00 / year  \$6.00 / year	Regular membership Family membership <sup>1</sup>	□ \$15.00 / year □ \$21.00 / year				
Student membership <sup>2</sup>	Student membership <sup>2</sup>	□ \$6.00 / year				
Associate membership <sup>3</sup>	Associate membership <sup>3</sup>	□ \$15.00 / year				
(New Regular memberships are \$1/month)	Student membership <sup>2</sup>					
<ol> <li>Please list all names and calls on an attached sheet.</li> <li>K-12 or full time student</li> <li>digit ZIP code required for US bulk mail</li> </ol>						
Please attach a check (number) for the appropriate amount and bring to a club meeting or mail to:						
ACARTS PO Box 10342 Fort Wayne, IN 46851	Fort Wayne Radio Club. PO Box 15127 Fort Wayne, IN 46885					
For dual membership, fill out both sides and send 2 checks to either club. Payment by check is strongly encouraged!						

#### **ACARTS Voice Repeaters**

146.880 (-) General use / Skywarn priority

147.255 (+) General use / Autopatch priority\*

443.800 (+) General use

(All repeaters have autopatch, but 88 has only speed dial emergency #'s.)

#### **ACARTS Digital Repeaters (digipeaters)**

144.390 (s) APRS - wide

145.530 (s) W9INX-1 Digipeater and Node

#### Fort Wayne Radio Club Repeaters

Voice: 146.76 (-) General use

146.94 (-) General use with autopatch 146.91 (-) EchoLink connection repeater

Node number 16636

ATV: 439.25 In, 910.250 Out, 144.340 Audio & control

#### **Area Traffic Nets**

(please submit any changes or corrections to the editor)

444.875 (+) General use

**IMO**: meets nightly at 6:30 p.m. on 146.88-

Tri State Two Meter Net: meets daily at 7:00 p.m. on 147.015+

**21 Repeater Group:** Wed. at 7:30 p.m. on 147.150 **Help and Swap Net:** Mon. at 9:00 p.m. 146.94(-)

**6 Meter SSB/AM Net:** Tue. at 8:00 p.m. on 50.580 MHz

Daily Indiana Traffic Net 3.910 @ 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. local

times

Daily (QIN) Indiana Section CW net 3.535 @ 9:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. local times

#### **Miscellaneous Nets**

**Allen Co. ARES Training Net:** Tue. at 9:00 p.m. on 146.94-**Emergency Preparedness Net:** Thu. at 9:00 p.m. on 146.88-

Huntington ARES: Sat. at 8:00 p.m. on 146.685-

Whitley Co. ARES: Wed. at 8:00 p.m. on 145.270 (Note 131.8 PL disabled for all nets)

Whitley Co. Sunday: Sun. at 8:00 p.m. on 444.550+, 131.8 PL

"No-Name" Net: Sun. 9:00 p.m. Indiana time 1..968 MHz., Wed. 9:00 p.m. on 3.768 MHz. Cross-band link on 146.91 MHz. Contact Larry Temenoff, KB9OS for more info.

Little Red Barn Net: M, W, F @ 8:30 a.m. on 3820 kHz. Net control is K9ODF

Northeast Indiana Packet Net: Sunday at 9:00 p.m. on 145.530 @ 1200 baud. We use unconnected converse mode to communicate for a roundtable net setting. Use your "UNPROTO" command or equivalent to set Digi path(s) through the strongest station(s) needed between you and your destination. Only use those that are necessary! Have all your "Monitor" settings on so you can see everyone.

FWRC YL Net: Wed. 7:00 p.m. on 146.76-

**FWRC 6 Meter Net:** Tue. 8:00 p.m. on 50.580 USB FW Area Student Net: Wed. 10:00 p.m. on 146.94-

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### **Activities Calendar**

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<b>Date</b>	<u>Time</u>	<b>Event</b>		<u>Place</u>
7/6/10	7:00 PM	FWRC Boar	d Meeting	GSUMC
7/12/10	6:30 PM	foxhunt	off track betting	g parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.
7/16/10	7:00 PM	FWRC Mee	ting	GSUMC
8/6/10	>	deadline for	Aug. ACHN items	
8/9/10	6:30 PM	foxhunt	off track betting	g parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.
8/10/10	7:00 PM	FWRC Boar	d Meeting	GSUMC
8/10/10	7:00 PM	ACARTS B	oard Meeting	Salvation Army Center
8/20/10	6:00 PM	FWRC Tailg	gate Hamfest	GSMC parking lot
8/21/10	12:00 PM	ACARTS Fa	amily Picnic	QTH of Jim Boyer, KB9IH
8/27/10	>	deadline for	Sep. ACHN items	
9/1/10	7:00 PM	FWRC Boar	d Meeting	GSUMC
9/13/10	6:30 PM	foxhunt	off track betting	g parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.
9/14/10	7:00 PM	ACARTS B	oard Meeting	Salvation Army Center
9/17/10	7:00 PM	FWRC Me	eting	GSUMC
9/21/10	7:00 PM	ACARTS G	eneral Meeting	Salvation Army Center
10/1/10	>	deadline for	Oct. ACHN items	
10/3/10	1:30 PM	foxhunt	off track betting	g parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.