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http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/

From the President

Hello everyone.

Well, the months were flying and Christmas is just around the corner.

Can't wait to see everybody at the Christmas party.

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving.

We had a few people test in October and November.

Can't wait to see what 2023 brings for the club. Would like to see a lot more members of this club come to the monthly meetings. I think the club is moving in the right direction.

Let's make 2023 the best to come. Please if you have any ideas on what the club could do as far as activities, please come to the Meetings and we can talk about them.

Hope everyone has a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From your Club President Mitch Miller - W9DDX GCARC

Grant County ARC Nets

What: 2 Meter Net

When: Every Sunday Evening Time: 2030 hrs Local Time Freq: 146.790- (PL 141.3)

Alternate Freq. 147.195+ (PL 141.3)

What: DMR Net - Indiana Crossroads Net

When: Every Monday Night Time: 2000 hrs Local Time Freq: 442.750+ (Color Code 1)

What: Dstar Net - Indiana Statewide Dstar Net

When: Every Thursday Evening Time: 2000 hrs Local Time

Freq: 443.400+ {(W9EBN) (Reflector 24b)}



The American Radio Relay League 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111 or phone (860)594-0200 or fax (860)594-0303



Notes from the Editor

Well here it is, the month of December already. Where did the year go.

First of all I want to thank everyone that took part in the monthly Siren Test. It is greatly appreciated. We are constantly looking for more volunteers. The Siren Test takes place every 2nd Saturday of the month, from 11:45 AM to about 12:15 AM. This is part of a program called RACES. We work with the Grant County EMA office on reporting which Sirens work and do not work. We also would be working with the EMA office should a Natural Disaster (Severe Weather, Tornado's) ever hit Grant County. If you are interested in becoming a RACES member please see me about the application form.

I would like to remind all members that the election of Officers for the club will take place on December 17th at the Christmas party. The following positions are open for nominations: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. The Officers of 2022 are President: Mitch Miller - W9DDX; Vice President: Scott Oyer - K6SJO; Secretary: Nick Nickerson - K9NQW; and Treasurer: Bob McFarland - AD9AW. These Officers have said that they will continue in their present position for the 2023 year. If you have someone you would like to nominate for any of the Officers positions please email me at k9nqw1979@gmail.com or grantcountyamateurradioclub@gmail.com. The nominations need to reach me by December 15th.

The last thing I want to talk about is the membership dues for 2023. The dues are due on January 1st 2023. If you are already a member and the information that we have on file has not changed, you do not need to fill out a Membership Application. If you are not a member and wish to join the club please print and fill out the application and mail it with your membership fees to the address on the application form.

Here's wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

L. B. Nickerson – K9NQW Editor.







Grant County Amateur Radio Club

Membership Application 2023

Please complete this form and return it with your dues. Make all checks or money orders payable to **GCARC**. Send the printed form with your dues to the Treasurer at the address below. You may also return this application at one of the club's meetings. Please either mail or bring this application and dues to the next meeting.

Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at EMA Office located at 3921 South Garthwaite Road, Gas City, IN. Directions: From Gas City: Take Main Street to 10th Street, Go North about 3 miles. Located on east side by the County Highway Dept. From Marion: Take 38th Street East to Garthwaite Road, Turn right. Go South about 2 miles. Located on east side by the County Highway Dept.

Mailing Address: Grant County Amateur Radio Club P O Box 1786 Marion, IN 46952 Name: Call Sign: _____ Address: Street Address or Post Office Box **Street Address Line 2** City: _____ State: ____ ZipCode: ____ Phone Number: (____)_____ Email: Current ARRL Member? Yes_____ No___ Dues: Full Annual Membership: \$20.00 per person. • Family Annual Membership: Full membership + \$5.00 per person, maximum of \$30.00 per household Associate Membership: \$10.00 per person. Limitations on Associate Membership: 1. No voting privileges 2. Cannot hold Office Partial-Year Membership: After July 1st dues are reduced to ½ the normal rate for Full or Associate Membership. Please make sure you sign the form.

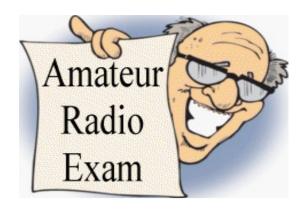
I agree to abide by and support the Constitution and ByLaws of the Grant County Amateur Radio Club. NOTE: Please fill out a seperate form for each family member.

December 2022 **Grant County Amateur Radio Club**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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				Indiana D-Star Weekly Net 8 PM Net Control K9NQW			
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2 meter weekly net 8:30 PM Net Control KC9RAX	KC9OYW			Indiana D-Star Weekly Net 8 PM Net Control K9NQW		Monthly Breakfast Meeting 8:30AM Kammy's Kafe Monthly Siren Test 11:45 AM	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
8:30 PM Net Control K9NQW	KC9OYW 19 DMR Weekly Net 8	20	21	Indiana D-Star Weekly Net 8 PM Net Control KA9OPL Indiana D-Star Weekly Net 8 PM Net Control KA9OPL	23	GCARC Christmas Party 6:00 PM See Note below 24	
No 2 meter net 25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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NOTE: Meeting this month is the Christmas Party. The party is at the 1st Church of the Nazarene on the corner of Kem Rd and Quarry Rd

Note: There will be no Sunday Night 2 meter Net - Merry Christmas



12/12/22

Sponsor: Whitley County ARC

Time: 8:00 PM (No Walk-ins Allowed)

Contact: Roger L. McEntarfer

(260) 503-9008

Email: n9qcl@arrl.net VEC: W5Yl VEC Location: On Line

717 E 400 N

Columbia City, IN 46725-8612

12/19/2022

Sponsor: Marshall County ARC

Time: 8:00 PM (

Contact: Richard J. Basham

(574) 216-6080

Email: rjbasham@yahoo.com

VEC: W5YI VEC

Location: Cornerstone Chr

11525 State Road 10

12/20/2022

Sponsor: Anderson Repeater Club **Time:** 7:00 PM (**Walk-ins Allowed**)

Contact: Stephen M. Riley

(765) 425-4627

Email: wa9cwe@arrl.net

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Madison County EOC

200 Delaware Street Anderson, IN 46016-2238

12/27/2022

Sponsor: Grant County ARC (No Testing this Month)

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, please verify with your VE team that the exam session is being held.





FCARC WinterFest

Start Date: 12/03/2022 **End Date:** 12/03/2022

Location: Ruihley Park Pavilion

320 W. Holland Street Archbold, OH 43502

Website: https://k8bxq.org/hamfest

Sponsor: Fulton County Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-IN: 147.195+ (PL Tone 103.5)

Public Contact: Bryan Patterson, KB8ELG

8202 County Rd 6-2 Delta, OH 43515

Phone: (419) 250-6694

Email: kb8elg@hotmail.com









Contestin



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December 2022

Date: 02-04 160 Meter 10-11 10 Meter

18 Rookie Roundup - CW

ARRL.org webpage

Also for other contest that are available go to the above webpage and look under Contest Corral.

Special Event Stations

<u>Date</u> 12/02 to 12/04	Name of Special Event 81 st Anniversary of Civil Air Patrol	Webpage www.qrz.com/db/w9cap
12/03 to 12/06	Celebrating the 21 st Amendment to the US Constitution	www.breweriesontheair.com
12/03	Christmas in Bethlehem	https://facebook.com/w9wwi
12/24	W8MRM Motor City Radio Club 90 th Anniversary	www.w8mrm.net

More info on these Special Events Stations go to: http://www.arrl.org/special_events/

Ham Radio Trader

This is a new section of the newsletter. Items on this page are for sale by hams. The following rules will apply for items to be listed on this page.

1. All items must be Amateur Radio related:

Example: Ham radio gear and computer items.

2. Ads must be submitted by the 15th of the month for the following month.

Example: For the January Newsletter must be submitted by December 15th.

Items must include the following:

Item description, picture of item in jpg form, selling price, email of seller.

You can send your ad to k9nqw@yahoo.net

Amateur Radio Equipment For Sale Mike Kasrich – AJ9C <u>aj9c@indy.rr.com</u>

The following equipment is up for sale. Will accept PayPal, cash, MO, or personal check. Shipping is available for additional cost. For more information on any of the listed items please email me at aj9c@indy.rr.com. Prices are listed below the pictures.



INRAD 2.1 kHz filter for R4C Asking Price: \$75.00



Alliance HD-73 Rotor with Control Box Asking Price: \$150.00 Shipping Extra



Remote Antenna Tuner



Remote Antenna Tuner Picture 2

I purchased this to make a remote antenna tuner. There is a vacuum variable capacitor with a motor and a ribbon inductor with the motor. The unit is complete. **Asking Price: \$125.00**

Note: Reasonable offers entertained. Shipping/Insurance extra Delivery within an hour or so from Marion, IN

If interested in any of the above items please email me at aj9c@indy.rr.com

Alinco DJ-580T Handheld Transceiver with drop-in charger and extra battery

The Alinco DJ-580T is a powerful 2 meter / 70 cm twinband HT with great sound. You get Features galore including 40 memories, three RF power levels, full duplex and dual watch, Independent VHF/UHF controls, sophisticated scanning and illuminated keypad. Transmit coverage is: 144-147.995 and 440-449.995 MHz. Receive coverage is: 130-173.99 and 400-519.995 MHz. Frequency resolution is 5, 10, 12.5, 20 and 25 kHz. High power output with the supplied EBP-20N is 2.0 watts and 1.5 watts UHF. Medium power is 1 watt and low power is 0.3 watts. High power output is 5 watts VHF and UHF. Comes with extra battery and drop-in charger.









Asking Price: \$90.00

Contact Nick – K9NQW at k9nqw@yahoo.com or grantcountyamateurradioclub@gmail.com