

AMATEUR RADIO A NATIONAL RESOURCE

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A	FOX CITIES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB	A
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R	CLUB STATION "W9ZL"	R
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	APPLETON, WISCONSIN 54911	
	ARRL CLUB NO. 2132	

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The February 15, 1988 meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Larry Siebers, KD9IA. The meeting was held at Roosevelt Jr. High School.  
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were read and approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (BALANCE) \$1,306.08 as of February 15, 1988

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\*\*\*\*\* THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MARCH 21st \*\*\*\*\*

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FLASH \*\*\*\*\* FLASH \*\*\*\*\* FLASH  
SWAPFEST 88 is MARCH 12  
APPLETON EAST HIGH SCHOOL

WE NEED HELP SETTING UP FRIDAY AT 7:30 PM  
and again SATURDAY MORNING AT 7:30  
and finally AT THE END OF THE SWAPFEST

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INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. CORRECTION TO MINUTES - ARES Net for Outagamie County meets every other Wednesday at 7:00 pm on 146.76 repeater.

2. WINTER BANQUET - George, W9MDF reported on attendance (52), awards etc. Those who received awards displayed them at the meeting. It was moved and seconded that the next awards banquet be held on January 14, 1989 with W9MDF as chairman. Motion passed.
3. VOLUNTEER EXAMS -Next exam session will be at the Swapfest, then May 14 at Tri-Country Swapfest at Manitowoc. Larry, KD9IA presented certificates to the volunteer examiners who were not at the banquet and to Bob Ronk, KB9IE for the use of his repeater for club activities.
4. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Dave, WB9GBG reported on the emergency net. Wayne, WD9FLJ reported on the Red Cross sponsored emergency training sessions. Contact ARC office to sign up or contact Wayne for info.
5. NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Ade, K9DHR discussed the Wisconsin traffic nets - need more traffic handlers in the Fox Cities area.
6. SWAPFEST "88" - Don, NB9J gave a brief report. There will be two Forums - one on packet (8:30 AM) and the other on weather (10:00 AM). Tom Mahony CH 5 Meteorologist will lead the weather forum. A HT and a World Clock will be raffled at the swapfest (\$2.00 a chance). Food will be available. Auction will begin at 11:00 AM.
7. FIELD DAY - Hal, NQ9F reported that Field Day will be June 25/26. We will need a camper or tents to put equipment into, also need more HF gear. Contact Hal for more info.
8. SHOW and TELL - Jim, K9OQO described some of the antenna connector and feedlines used by the state radio and tv stations. He had examples of some good and defective connectors. He also reminded us that the public helps support Wisconsin Public Radio/TV and without support the network cannot continue to produce excellent shows.
9. ELECTIONS - Elections will be held in May. This year we are electing a Vice President and a Treasurer. The nominating committee will be Dave, W9NWY, Dick, W9TA and Dave, WB9GBG. Anyone interested in running for office should contact the committee.
10. NEWSLETTER LABEL - The date above your name on the label is the expiration date of your dues. Please check it.
11. The February prize winners were: Worldradio subscription by Ralph, N9ECS and 50/50 drawing for \$10.00 was Pat Baker.

12. Those present for the February meeting were the following:

W9NWX	KA9MPP	KA9JOL	K9DHR	N9GQK	WB9GBG
KA9YEM	KA9WCU	WB9BBI	AC9E	KA9GQR	WOOP
K9DAF	NB9J	KA9NNI	KI4DL	KD9GM	W9OUT
NQ9F	KA9YYQ	KC9ZS	KA9NMK	KA9TGR	KA9RKV
N9ECS	N9AYN	W9UVZ	KC9AA	WD9GOR	W9RNH
W9MDP	WB9GFX	K9OQO	KB9GI	WB9ZNA	N9ER
W9TA	WD9CYX	WD9CYW	N9DHY	P.BAKER	M.SIETH
F.CARR	39% of membership in attendance				

MISCELLANEOUS

1. The February program was a presentation of the video "DAYTON HAMVENTION 1987". Looked like lots of fun.
2. Old-Timers Club. In recognition of current amateurs who held an amateur licence 20 or more years ago (lapses permitted), the ARRL sponsors an Old-Timers Club (OTC) award. If you qualify, just drop a note to the ARRL HQ (225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111) with the date of your first amateur licence and your call sign then and now, for your certificate. There is no charge, but please include an SASE. QST
3. Looking for a neat international time wheel? They're handy around the shack for telling the time in various counties throughout the world. If you are in need of one, give AT&T a call at (800) 874-4000 and request an AT&T International Time Wheel! In no time at all, it'll be in your mailbox... and in even less time, in your shack. Worldradio

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 NOTICE

Bill Johnson, N9CNO 494-8948 Has the following for sale  
 Kenwood TS 140S Gen coverage receiver with  
 Astron 35 amp power supply  
 Kenwood TM 2570 mobile 2 meter 70 watt  
 Yaesu FT203R 2 meter HT with TT pad  
 Uniden Pres. Washington SSB base converted to 10 Meters  
 28.270 to 28.700  
 Uniden AC145XL 10 band 16 channel programable scanner

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Respectfully Submitted,  
 David P. Boland, W9NWX  
 Secretary/Newsletter Editor  
 FOX CITIES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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DX NEWSLETTER by KA9JOL

GETTING BETTER RESULTS FROM YOUR QSLing

There are many ways of getting better results from your QSL cards. There are two ways to do this:

1. You can send your cards through the ARRL QSL BUREAU. You must be a member of ARRL to use this service. The fee is \$1.00 per pound of cards. This amounts to about 150 cards made from regular stock. You must send them in numeric and alpha order, i.e. 4X4ABC, 5T5XYZ, 6Y4ABC, CT4ABC, D44BC, etc. After you have sent your cards to the ARRL, YOU MUST SEND a minimum of 3 SASE envelopes to the local bureau: NORTHERN ILLINOIS DX ASSOCIATION PO BOX 519 ELMHURST, IL 60126. This will assure you of getting cards from your DX contacts since the ARRL Bureau sends them to the local Bureau for distribution. Do not be surprised if it takes over a year to receive cards back for those you have sent. If you send cards to the USSR it will take over one year. I have had cards take as long as three (3) years to be returned from the USSR.

2. You may also send your cards through a QSL Manager for those DX stations who have a stateside QSL manager. You can find these listed in all of the HAM magazines. W6GO LIST is a paper which comes out monthly and lists over 5000 QSL managers to whom you can send cards along with a SASE. For those who have Commodore computers there is a program that lists over 7300 calls, QSL Managers as well as the beam heading for the station. This can be obtained from N7CTY PO Box 738 Corenious OR 97113 for \$19.95. Updates are available every 6 months for \$5.00. For more information contact KA9JOL.

If you have a rare DX card that you want, you can send your card direct via AIR MAIL to that station and include a "GREEN STAMP" (\$1.00 bill) so that the DX station can return his card via AIR MAIL. Before you send money be sure that foreign money can be spent in that country (personally, I have had no trouble in sending money and getting a card back - return rate is 100%.) The only time I "GREEN STAMP" is if the card is one I really want and isn't from a regular type DX station like Germany or Italy. You can also send IRC's (International Reply Coupon) which cost \$.85 each. When sending IRC's you must send at least two. There is still another way to send out cards: send the cards directly to the station with a SASE with enough stamps from that country already on it. Look in the magazines for hams who sell foreign stamps.

DX PLACES AND DATES

IS1 - Spratly Island (Mid-March ???)  
VK0ABC - Heard Island (now thru March) 14.215 1630 UTC  
South Orkney and South Shetlands (now)

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DAYTON HAMVENTION BUS TRIP

brought to you by the boZO's

For those hams interested in the DAYTON HAMVENTION, there will be a 47 passenger bus leaving Kaukauna on April 28, 1988 at 7:00 AM and arriving in Dayton at about 6:00 PM. The return trip will leave Dayton at approximately 10:00 AM Sunday May 1. For those of you who have never been to a Dayton Hamvention, it would be a real pleasure and a surprise, a shock, or whatever.

The cost of the trip will be approximately \$80.00. This covers the bus fare, most of the 807's or soda you want to drink, the admission ticket for 3 days, and flea market stall space. Motel fees are about \$20.00 per night per person (based on double occupancy). Single rooms can be arranged, if so desired.

For further information contact either Bob Ronk, KB9IE or Jack Biglow, KA9JOL.

Ask some of the hams or yl's who went last year how they enjoyed the trip. It's a great time had by all.

The bus is a 47 passenger motor coach type bus with a restroom on board. We will be taking only 35 people, so if you are interested sign up soon. There will be other surprises and memories that will last forever. Bring the XYL or OM along - this trip is for everyone. If you want, there are free shuttle buses that will take you to the Air Force Museum, shopping or wherever.

If you have anything you want to sell bring it along for the flea market. Last year there were over 30,000 people who walked through the flea market. You will also be able to see all of the new gear on the market. There are 4-5 buildings that house the manufacturers and dealers of Ham radio gear. You will have chances to win all sorts of door prizes (ask N9ACP about the YAESU FT 101 he won a few years ago as 3rd prize). For DXers you can meet and talk with people that you have made contact with on the air. There are Forums on all types of different radio related topics, such as antennas, county hunting, packet, DX and oscar, to name a few.

IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN THERE, HAVE A HOLIDAY !!

DAYTON HAMVENTION '88 or BUST

73's to all KA9JOL (boZO #6)

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