

AMATEUR RADIO A NATIONAL RESOURCE

FC-ARC QSO'ER DECEMBER 1988

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	ARRL CLUB NO. 2132	

***** 1988 - 1989 BOARD *****

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The November 14, 1988 meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Larry Siebers, KD9IA. The meeting was held at Roosevelt Jr. High School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were read and approved .

TREASURER'S REPORT: (BALANCE) \$1425.88 as of November 14, 1988 plus \$ 600.00 in special Hamfest account

***** THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE DECEMBER 19th *****

IT'S ALMOST CHRISTMAS AND THE CANNED FOOD BOX IS STILL ALMOST EMPTY

The second annual canned food drive sponsored by FCARC will end with the December meeting and it appears that many of us have forgotten to bring a can to each meeting. Maybe we can double up this month and bring an extra can to help those less fortunate than us have a better Christmas.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. VOLUNTEER EXAMS -Larry, KD9IA reported that the New Extra tests will begin November 1988. Next exam session will be December 10 at Roosevelt.

2. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Wayne, WD9FLJ discussed the Red Cross Simulated Disaster Test .The ARC was very pleased with the communications provided - over half of the volunteers were hams. A critique followed the drill, so that things can run smoother next time.

Outagamie ARES net meets every other Wednesday 7 PM on the 146.76 repeater. Beginning in January 1989 the net will meet weekly and NEC will rotate through the whole membership list . Mention was made that the 145.19 repeater is currently out of service and that another radio may be installed at the Neenah Radar Station to cover other repeaters, which Wes, W9PKT offered to donate.

The Red Cross is again looking for 4X4 drivers and radio operators to assist hospital personnel/emergency situations this winter during heavy snow storms. Call the Red Cross office if you want to help.

3. NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Don, NB9J reported that K9BXG from Green Bay had contacted him about the club assisting with the establishment of a 450 Mhz repeater. The FCARC will not assist but individual club members, if interested, may contact him.
4. HAMFEST 89 - It was reported that the Hamfest date will be March 4th at Appleton East HS commons. Raffle tickets are available - see Les, KA9MPP to get yours. This year all the prizes are cash.
5. BUDGET - Mike, WB9BBI presented a proposed annual budget for FCARC which indicated expenses of \$3185.00. Income from club dues is estimated at \$950, leaving a balance of \$2235 from other sources like the Hamfest. A discussion followed his presentation.
6. EAA - Wayne, WD9FLJ reported that there were 443 certificates sent out - a few club members helped him prepare them. Wayne mentioned a few things that would help for next year. Also he discussed how we could draw more attention to the operating site - possibly a large tethered balloon.

There will be a meeting on Dec 10 at the Country Kitchen in Oshkosh at 9 AM with a group from Oshkosh to discuss/brainstorm ways to coordinate the two groups and provide better service for those attending EAA or working the Special Events Station.

Since we are out of Special Event Station certificates a motion was made and seconded that the club purchase another 1000.(we still need some for this year.)

7. CLUB LIBRARY - A list was distributed with the current items in the club library. All items will have cards. When you check something out give the card to Don, NB9J. Checkout period is from meeting to meeting. Anyone who has items they would like to donate please bring the to a meeting and give the to Don.
8. WINTER BANQUET - Date and place still undecided. George, W9MDP is in charge of arrangements.
9. The November prize winners were: 50/50 drawing for \$8.50 - Larry, KD9IA and a mobile speaker - Dave, W9NWY.
10. Those present for the November meeting were the following:

KA9JOL	W9NWY	WD9HID	KD9IA	NB9J	KA9MPP
W9PKT	N9HOS	W9UVZ	WD9GOR	WD9FLJ	KA9RKV
N9CSG	W0OUT	KA9VEM	N9GRX	WB9QFX	KA9NNI
KA9YYQ	N8IOJ	WA9GON	WB9BBI	KB9AMW	W9TA
KA9JAC	KA9TVT	K9OQO	J.KOEFFLER		

22% of membership in attendance

MISCELLANEOUS

1. The November program was a presentation by Jim Sheetz, K9OQO entitled "Electronics/Broadcasting/Communications". It was a very interesting presentation which discussed the early AM State Radio Network. He then covered the original FM network and how it has expanded into todays FM and TV network. Jim demonstrated with some equipment how sidebands in FM work.

DECEMBER PROGRAM
CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Spouses/Friends are invited
If you didn't sign up to bring something but would like to
please do so

Respectfully submitted,
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Secretary/Newsletter Editor
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DX NEWS LETTER

DECEMBER 1988

MORE ON QSL'ING

I have written before about qsling, but I want to refresh some ideas about the subject. Now that the bands are really opening up and you will be making more contacts, you will be sending out more and more qsl cards.

If you belong to the ARRL they have the out going qsl Bureau. This is a system where you send your OUTGOING cards to them, they in turn send them out to the countries that you have contacted. You can send them your cards at the rate of \$1.00 per pound. This equals about 150 qsl cards. You must send them to the Bureau in numerical and alphanumeric order., include your last mailing label and \$1.00. It will take at least one (1) year to get cards back from the countys that you are sending to. If you are sending the cards to Russia expect at least 1-3 yrs for return on your cards.

If you are sending cards to a DX station and he is for instance in Russia and he states that he has a qsl manager in Germany, on the back of the card put (VIA DL1XXX) or what ever the qsl managers call is. If you had ever seen the amounts of cards the bureau gets they do not have time to sit and figure out who each and every one is that has a manager. What its great is to have a DX station that has a state side manager.

There are many places to buy your QSL cards, you can have them printed locally or send away for them. The few around here are Mech Printing in Kaukauna and The Kaukauna Times, in Kaukauna do a real good job on cards and their prices are also good. This is where I have had my cards printed since the old CB radio days. When you have your cards printed, you can have a ready made design or you can design your own. That may cost a little more money but you will have something that is personal. If you design your own, take a look at some of the personal cards that you have received, take the best ideas from all of them and make your own. But be sure that you get all the information needed on the card. So later you won't be griping that you goofed or the printer goofed. Also have all the important info on the front of the card: The call of the station - the frequency - Date - Time in GMT - RST - MODE - and asking or thinking for a QSL card. You can also brag a little on the card if you have WAS DXCC, WPX or any other awards have it printed on the face of the card. On the back of the card you can have a place for your rig, antenna etc. also leave a place for Remarks where you can give the DX station a little message. on the Right side of the card



have the area for Addressing the card.
Make sure you have enough room for a long address for over seas, some of the address can get really long.
Like I stated personal cards are going to cost you a little more and if you have art work on them its going to be more. If you want a general type card their are many places in the Ham Radio magazines that you can order them for as little as \$30.00 per thousand. If you work a contest like I just did and worked over 100 countries on 10 meters and a total of over 500 contacts, or like W9OP Mark worked over 1000 contacts and you want to send them all cards, your not going to send them cards that cost you \$75.00 a thousand. Send them the cheap one.

If you are interested in looking at some sample cards I will try and remember to bring some to the meeting and show you the different types. If you really want to get fancy and have the money get color cards Hi Hi.

When filling out the cards use the standard format for the date and time. The date goes DD/MM/YY and all times are in GMT. REMEMBER REMEMBER REMEMBER to make sure the date is right if you talk to someone at 7:30 p.m. CST its the NEXT DAY in GMT TIME. so if you talk to someone on December 01,1988 at 7:30 p.m. it would be 02/12/88 00:30 gmt. What you don't want is to see your card come back with NOT IN LOG.....

GOOD LUCK AND GOOD DX

FUTURE DX:

New DXCC country Malyj Uysotskiy Island. M-U island is located in the Bay of Uyborg in Western Russia. Call sign 4J1

XW Laos Dxpediton is off, They could not get permission to operate.

SU1EE - Egypt is on the air most every day Qsl via WAGOWU.

3WBDX is still on the air and he is now working stations on DX nets

EP2ASZ EP2HZ and EP2MKN (Iran) are on the air around 14.156 at 1500 GMT
(taken from QRZ DX bulletin)

FOX CITIES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB WINTER BANQUET
JANUARY 28,1989
LIBERTY HALL, KIMBERLY WIS.
6:30 P.M.
\$7.50 PER PERSON

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