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**AUGUST 19**

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For details e-mail Fred Lloyd,  
[flloyd@qrz.com](mailto:flloyd@qrz.com) or see [http://www.qrz.com/qrz\\_sale.html](http://www.qrz.com/qrz_sale.html) .

**\*QSL card postage jumps a penny on July 1: It will cost another penny to mail a QSL card (postcard) after July 1.**

The US Postal Service announced in January that it would raise the postcard rate by one cent--to 21 cents. The complete postal rate schedule is available on the USPS Web site, <http://www.usps.com/> .

**Chet Atkins, W4CGP, SK**  
Guitar picker, music legend and Amateur Radio operator  
Chester B.

"Chet" Atkins, W4CGP, of Nashville, Tennessee, died June 30. He was 77.

Formerly WA4CZD, Atkins, a General licensee, obtained the vanity call sign W4CGP in 1998--the suffix standing for "certified guitar picker." He was an ARRL member. He won 14 Grammy awards during his career and was elevated to the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1973.

He was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1993 by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences in part to recognize his guitar-picking technique as well as his wide influence on music. He had more than 100 albums to his credit.

More information on Chet Atkins is on the Chet Atkins, Mister Guitar  
Web site <http://www.misterguitar.com/index.html> .

## **Board Meeting Topics Discussed**

At the June board meeting, the following was discussed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- FCARC equipment and books have all been located and accounted for.
- FCARC brochure has been re-typed and edited. Brian KB9LRD will be making copies to make them available for the next upcoming ham event and future events.
- Club bylaws still need to get burned on a CD.
- The updating of the VE testing dates on club website will be done by George Croy. No special software is needed. Steve N9SGG will be showing George how he can make the changes to the website.
- John Ensley N9RJZ reported the swapfest is on schedule no new news.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Brian KB9LRD discussed developing a meeting format and creating an agenda for board meetings and club meetings. Was suggested to put FCARC agenda in the QSO'er so members will know what will be discussed.
- EAA? – Steve Pelletier KB9OAL will contact Wayne Pennings WD9FLJ as to what the status is, if volunteers/operators were still needed for the event.

It was noted that the EAA is a club function and those participating should be club members. Only if we did not have enough club members to operate that non club members may participate .

- Was suggested that the FCARC website include a listing of silent keys and ham of the years(possibly include their pictures).
- The ham of the year plaque needs to be located. We believe Wayne Pennings WD9FLJ has it currently.
- Suggested to create a ham of the year award committee to help organize prior ham's of the year and take nominations etc.. Discussion was tabled for next board meeting.
- Suggested to have a presidents corner in the QSO'er – Brian KB9LRD is considering this not sure due to time constraints.
- Suggested to create a master calendar of FCARC events. This would help future board members and present be better organized and prepare for events. The calendar would include events, procedures, dates, roster, and duties, etc... Judy Van Dynhoven volunteered to start a list of club events and begin to gather information. It will be brought to the next meeting.
- FCARC corn roast for August – we don't believe that Plamman park was reserved. Jon AB9AH will check into parks available in Little Chute. A meeting may need to be called to help plan the corn roast.
- The membership application will be changed. It will include the family membership and a brief description of the associate member on the bottom of the form. Board approved of these changes they will appear in next QSO'er.
- Suggestion was made to start doing special "thank you" in QSO'er and also welcome any new members.
- Brian KB9LRD spoke with Sid at the Columbus Club and has offered to place an ad on the FCARC website for him in exchange for a few months rent free for our monthly meetings held there. Board approved this.
- The Elmers contact list will be printed in the QSO'er.
- FCARC license is due to expire in 2003 Jon AB9AH will begin the process of renewing it.
- It was mentioned that next meeting will be at Fritsch park in Menasha – Brian KB9LRD said he would drop off some maps at the Columbus Club in case people would show up there by mistake and then they could come to Menasha. We will put the talk in frequency in QSO'er.
- Next board meeting needs to discuss finding a new program director. Wayne WD9FLJ has said he will be stepping down from this position.

## Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

### A Note From Our New President:

I would like to thank all of you for your support with the unanimous vote for the office of President on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2001. For the last several years I was looking for a way to become more involved in the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club and Amateur radio in general. Well, I found that being president of one of the states largest amateur radio clubs was a real sure way to get my feet wet.

I'm trying to see the future of the FCARC, and what I see is it's filled with a lot of fun, excitement and change. The FCARC has so many things that we can be proud of. We have a number of people who are committed to giving us their time and skills. The FCARC has many experienced club members that can guide us through the future by showing us the past. We have many technology based tools that we use to facilitate our club business, like the internet and e-mail. As for running a business, these tools are far superb to the communication methods used in the past. Our club weather spotters have the luxury of their net control operator reading the latest weather satellite image, and the image is only a few minutes old! The membership coordinator has the entire FCC data base available to use for a mass mailing or a demographic survey of who and how many are where. The treasurer has a computer program that will reconcile his accounts for him at a touch of a button or a click of a mouse. He can give us a hundred different reports by selecting them from his graphs button or a sort command.

The FCARC monthly publication, the "QSO'er", which I think is the best amateur radio club publication in the state! We're informed and humored by their creativity and hard work. The contributing articles are generous and superb. The soft and hard copies of this publication have changed many times, and are still changing. I'm looking forward with much pride, to the next generations of publications from our club secretary. We broadcast once a week to many local amateur operators, some of them get involved and many are involved by copying the mail. The "Hamdinger Net" is produced, broadcasted and sustained by a few dedicated amateur operators that love to contribute their skills and techniques. I believe the people in the members at large position, chairpersons and the different directors have all contributed to creating an environment that is exciting, promising and rewarding for all of us, the FCARC club membership.

The FCARC performs a variety of public service events, to include the events that the FCARC controls and the events that the FCARC provides operators to work with other amateur radio clubs or groups in the surrounding area. Some of these events deal with fireworks, crowd control, non emergency communications for organizational purpose, and emergency communications.

The FCARC has a strong and growing spirit of competition, the W9ZL call and member call signs that dx'ers have heard from around the state, nation. and to all parts of the globe. All we need is someone to keep us consistent and focused. That will be the other club member that sits next to you at the FCARC club meetings or the picnic, corn roast or the events that brings us together as one.

We all know that if there was no vice-president, we wouldn't have any one to run the meetings while I'm away. I feel like I've had the pleasure of working with the vice-president for a long time already. It's great to have a buddy that will help in any way at any time. I'm looking forward to working with all the FCARC members to maintain the pride that we all share each and everytime we represent our club through all the things we do as a member of the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club.

*Good luck to us all and God bless the FCARC and its membership with strength, pride and wisdom to reach the goals we all struggle to reach!*

73...

Brian, KB9LRD

Brian J. Long

President, Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

# WELCOME TO THE FCARC!

Our newest members:

Aaron Heise

Dominick Piekarczyk

Stan Piekarczyk

Rick Mandel

KB9QWC

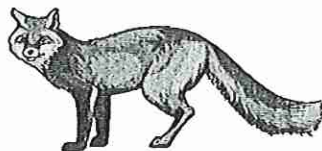
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KB9LRE

Callsign	Name	Claim to Fame Notes
WOORE	Tony England	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
K1JT	Joe Taylor	Scientist Nobel Prize in Physics
K1OKI	Mickey Schulhof	Heads SONY US
KB2GSD	Walter Cronkite	TV Journalist
K2HEP	John Sculley	former CEO of Apple Computer lapsed callsign
WA2MKI	Larry Ferrari	Musician/TV personality Silent Key
K2ORS	Jean Shepard	Author/Actor
W2TQ	Joel Miller	IEEE attorney
K2ZCZ	George Pataki	Governor of New York
W4CGP	Chet Atkins	Guitarist Silent Key (June 30th, 2001)
WB4KCG	Ronnie Milsap	Singer/Songwriter Spoke at Dayton Hamvention, 5/98
N4KET	David French	TV Journalist on CNN?
K4LIB	Arthur Godfrey	TV personality (Silent Key)
KC4OCA	Gordon Barnes	Meteorologist
N4RH	Ralph Haller	former FCC PRB chief
WA4SIR	Ron Parise	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
WD4LZC	Larnelle Harris	Country Music Singer 7 time Grammy winner
WD4SKT	Donnie Osmond	NOT the TV personality! Has same name...
KD4WUJ	Patty Loveless	Country Music Singer
W4ZG	Worth Gruelle	Author Raggedy Ann/Andy
K4ZVZ	Paul W. Tibbets	War Hero (via AA7OA) Pilot of Enola Gay
W5LFL	Owen Garriot	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
N5QWL	Jay Apt	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
KG6FZX	Dennis Tito	Earth's first space tourist also a multi-millionaire
WB6ACU	Joe Walsh	Guitarist/Singer/Songwriter Eagles
KD6BUP	James Treybig, Jr.	reportedly son of Tandem Computer CEO
K6DUE	Roy Neal	TV personality produces/stars in ham radio videos
W6EZV	Gen. Curtis LeMay	Military legend Silent Key
N6FUP	Stu Cooks	Baseball player
N6GGM	Laura Cooks	XYL of N6FUP
W6JKV	James Treybig	reportedly CEO of Tandem Computers see KD6BUP
N6KGB	Stewart Granger	Actor born James Stewart!
KB6LQR	Jeana Yeager	Pilot/Adventurer Voyager
KB6LQS	Dick Rutan	Pilot/Adventurer Voyager
AI6M	Barry Friedman	2-time World Champion Juggler
W6OBB	Art Bell	Syndicated radio personality Art Bell
KB6OLJ	Paul J. Cohen	Mathematician
KD6OY	Garry Shandling	TV Personality
W6QYI	Cardinal Roger Mahony	Los Angeles Roman Catholic Cardinal

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WB6RER	Andy Devine	Actor Silent Key
N6YOS	Priscilla Presley	Actress (not sure about this!)
W6ZH	Herbert Hoover, Jr.	Son of U.S. President Silent Key
W7DUK	Nolan Bushnell	Inventor, Computer Pioneer, Founded Atari
KG7JF	Jeff Duntemann	Author
K7TA	Clifford Stoll	Scientist/Author/Actor "A Cuckoo's Egg"
NK7U	Joe Rudi	Baseball player
K7UGA	Barry Goldwater	late US Senator/SK 1998
W8JK	John Kraus	Astronomer
9K2CS	Prince Yousuf Al-Sabah	Royalty
9N1MM	Fr. Marshall Moran	Renowned Missionary Silent Key
EA0JC	Juan Carlos	King of Spain
FO5GJ	Marlon Brando	Actor aka Martin Brandeaux
GB1MIR	Helen Sharman	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
G2DQU	Sir Brian Rix	Actor/Philanthropist
G3TZH	Tony Dolby	brother invented Dolby Noise Reduction System
G3YLA	Jim Bacon	TV Meteorologist
HS1A	Bhumiphol Adulayadej	King of Thailand
I0FCG	Francesco Cossiga	former President of Italy
J3BB	Masaru Ibuka	Founder of SONY Silent Key
JA5FHB	Katsutsugu Sekiya	Minister of State
J11KIT	Keizo Obuchi	Prime Minister of Japan
JK1SIU	Norio Ohga	Chairman of SONY Tnx to JL1EEE (Hack)
JP1DPJ	Akio Morita	Founder of SONY Silent Key
JY1	King Hussein	King of Jordan SK
JY1NH	Queen Noor	Queen of Jordan American-born Lisa Halaby
JY2HT	former Crown Prince Hassan	King Hussein's brother
JY2RZ	King Hussein's cousin	Prince Raad
LU1SM	Carlos Saul Menem	President of Argentina
SU1VN	Prince Talal	Saudi Arabian royalty
UA1LO	Yuri Gagarin	First Cosmonaut Silent Key
U2MIR	Musa Manarov	Cosmonaut see also astronaut hams
VK2KB	Sir Allan Fairhall	Statesman
VK4HA	Harry Angel	Was Australia's oldest Ham (SK) 106
VU2RG	Rajiv Ghandi	late Prime Minister of India Silent Key
VU2SON	Sonia Ghandi	XYL of VU2RG
XE1K	Walter Cross Buchanan	ex-Minister of Communications Silent Key
XE1N	Manuel Medina	Built first spark transmitter in Mexico SK



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Suggestions, changes, additions for the site need to be submitted to Steve N9SGG – [stevel@itotl.com](mailto:stevel@itotl.com)  
The board will review request.

## UPCOMING TESTING DATES

17-Jul-2001

Sponsor: SHEBOYGAN COUNTY ARC

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: MICHAEL J MUSIEL (920)946-1476 Email: [MMUSIE@EXCEL.NET](mailto:MMUSIE@EXCEL.NET)  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: RED CROSS/BOY SCOUT BLDG 2032 ERIE AVE  
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED [K9SJ@ARRL.NET](mailto:K9SJ@ARRL.NET)  
SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081

28-Jul-2001

Sponsor: MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB

Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: JOHN G KRAAK (262)797-6722 VEC: Milwaukee VEC  
Location: AMATEUR ELECTRONIC SUPPLY 5710 W GOOD HOPE RD  
MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

28-Jul-2001

Sponsor: TOMAHAWK ARRL VE TEAM

Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: TERRY M COLLINS (715)453-4633  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL AUDITORIUM 110 N 7TH ST & SOMO AVE (HWY 86), TOMAHAWK, WI 54487

04-Aug-2001

Sponsor: FOUR LAKES ARC

Time: 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: TIMOTHY J CZERWONKA (608)233-9829  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: SPACE PLACE 1605 S PARK ST [WO9U@ARRL.NET](mailto:WO9U@ARRL.NET)  
MADISON, WI 53715

18-Aug-2001

Sponsor: FOX CITIES ARC

Time: 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: GEORGE R CROY (920)730-0967  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: RED CROSS BUILDING

CALL AFTER 4:00 PM

[W9MDP@ARRL.NET](mailto:W9MDP@ARRL.NET)

NO WALKINS AFTER 9:00 AM

APPLETON, WI 54911

25-Aug-2001

Sponsor: TOMAHAWK ARRL VE TEAM

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VEC: ARRL/VEC

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### Morse Code testing procedures to change July 1

Changes Effective July 1 New Morse code exam standards go into effect July 1 for all Volunteer Examiner Coordinators. The new standards call for Farnsworth character speed in the 13-to-15 WPM range and the end of multiple-choice questions for routine Morse code exams.

In the wake of restructuring and the establishment of 5 WPM as the sole amateur Morse requirement, the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators voted last July to set up the revised standards for the administration of Morse code examinations in the US. ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, points out the required change to the Farnsworth protocol replaces the 18-WPM character speed ARRL VEC has used since 1989. "Standard 5 WPM messages with 5 WPM characters are available as an accommodation," he said. "Standard (non-Farnsworth) speed messages are available upon special request from the ARRL VEC for ARRL VE teams."

In addition, the Morse exam audio frequency range should be between 700 and 1000 Hz for routine exams. Consistent with the revised standards, Jahnke said, ARRL VEC has set 15-WPM characters as its Farnsworth setting and 750 Hz as its audio-frequency standard.

Code practice transmissions from Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will reflect the new Farnsworth standard. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, says transmissions using the new protocol will begin Monday, July 2. Code transmissions at speeds below 18 WPM will drop from 18 WPM to 15 WPM character speed.

W1AW Web code practice files, at <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/morse.html>, will mirror the new standards too. The new Morse examination standards also affect test administration. After July 1, Morse examinees will have to supply fill-in-the-blank answers for the 10-question Element 1 quiz. Multiple-choice type examinations no longer will be acceptable. Under the new testing regime, Morse code examinees must either correctly answer seven of the ten fill-in-the-blanks questions or correctly copy 25 consecutive characters. Changes are on the horizon for the written examinations as well. Revised Amateur Extra question pool will go into effect July 1, 2002. Reworked Technician and General question pools will become effective on July 1, 2003 and 2004 respectively.

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Judy Schneider	N9PBM
Greg Schneider	W9IEI
Karen Thorne	WB9ZNA
Jeff Schmeichel	KB9BYP
Gary Keating	ND9Z
Cathy Keating	N9FZL
Mike Pagel	KB9YUB
Larry Wilfer	N9WNS
Richard Kosiorek	W9RIC
Eric Jensen	KB9TLM
Dominick Piekarczyk	KF6HCG
Stanley Piekarczyk	KE6IFC
Jon Oldenburg	AB9AH

#### Board Meeting Attendants

Jon Oldenburg	AB9AH
Steve Lamers	N9SGG
Al Van Dynhoven	KB9BYQ
Judy Van Dynhoven	
Brian Long	KB9LRD
Steve Palletier	KB9OAL
Judy Schneider	N9PBM
Greg Schneider	W9IEI
John Ensley	N9RJZ
Don Quinn	W9OVK

**QRZ.com is for sale:** The QRZ.com Web site is for sale. Owner and webmaster Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, says he wants to retire. "After eight years work on this project, I've simply decided to pursue other interests," he said. "When I started QRZ, I also became a certified flight instructor. Now I would like to spend more time teaching people how to fly." Lloyd said the Web site is being offered as a running business.

For details e-mail Fred Lloyd,  
[flloyd@qrz.com](mailto:flloyd@qrz.com) or see [http://www.qrz.com/qrz\\_sale.html](http://www.qrz.com/qrz_sale.html).

**\*QSL card postage jumps a penny on July 1: It will cost another penny to mail a QSL card (postcard) after July 1.**

The US Postal Service announced in January that it would raise the postcard rate by one cent--to 21 cents. The complete postal rate schedule is available on the USPS Web site, <http://www.usps.com/>.

**Chet Atkins, W4CGP, SK**

**Guitar picker, music legend and Amateur Radio operator Chester B.**

**"Chet" Atkins, W4CGP, of Nashville, Tennessee, died June 30. He was 77.**

Formerly WA4CZD, Atkins, a General licensee, obtained the vanity call sign W4CGP in 1998--the suffix standing for "certified guitar picker." He was an ARRL member. He won 14 Grammy awards during his career and was elevated to the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1973.

He was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1993 by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences in part to recognize his guitar-picking technique as well as his wide influence on music. He had more than 100 albums to his credit.

More information on Chet Atkins is on the Chet Atkins, Mister Guitar

Web site <http://www.misterglassuitar.com/index.html>.

## **Board Meeting Topics Discussed**

At the June board meeting, the following was discussed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- FCARC equipment and books have all been located and accounted for.
- FCARC brochure has been re-typed and edited. Brian KB9LRD will be making copies to make them available for the next upcoming ham event and future events.
- Club bylaws still need to get burned on a CD.
- The updating of the VE testing dates on club website will be done by George Croy. No special software is needed. Steve N9SGG will be showing George how he can make the changes to the website.
- John Ensley N9RJZ reported the swapfest is on schedule no new news.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Brian KB9LRD discussed developing a meeting format and creating an agenda for board meetings and club meetings. Was suggested to put FCARC agenda in the QSO'er so members will know what will be discussed.
- EAA? – Steve Pelletier KB9OAL will contact Wayne Pennings WD9FLJ as to what the status is, if volunteers/operators were still needed for the event.

It was noted that the EAA is a club function and those participating should be club members. Only if we did not have enough club members to operate that non club members may participate .

- Was suggested that the FCARC website include a listing of silent keys and ham of the years(possibly include their pictures).
- The ham of the year plaque needs to be located. We believe Wayne Pennings WD9FLJ has it currently.
- Suggested to create a ham of the year award committee to help organize prior ham's of the year and take nominations etc.. Discussion was tabled for next board meeting.
- Suggested to have a presidents corner in the QSO'er – Brian KB9LRD is considering this not sure due to time constraints.
- Suggested to create a master calendar of FCARC events. This would help future board members and present be better organized and prepare for events. The calendar would include events, procedures, dates, roster, and duties, etc... Judy Van Dynhoven volunteered to start a list of club events and begin to gather information. It will be brought to the next meeting.
- FCARC corn roast for August – we don't believe that Plamman park was reserved. Jon AB9AH will check into parks available in Little Chute. A meeting may need to be called to help plan the corn roast.
- The membership application will be changed. It will include the family membership and a brief description of the associate member on the bottom of the form. Board approved of these changes they will appear in next QSO'er.
- Suggestion was made to start doing special "thank you" in QSO'er and also welcome any new members.
- Brian KB9LRD spoke with Sid at the Columbus Club and has offered to place an ad on the FCARC website for him in exchange for a few months rent free for our monthly meetings held there. Board approved this.
- The Elmers contact list will be printed in the QSO'er.
- FCARC license is due to expire in 2003 Jon AB9AH will begin the process of renewing it.
- It was mentioned that next meeting will be at Fritsch park in Menasha – Brian KB9LRD said he would drop off some maps at the Columbus Club in case people would show up there by mistake and then they could come to Menasha. We will put the talk in frequency in QSO'er.
- Next board meeting needs to discuss finding a new program director. Wayne WD9FLJ has said he will be stepping down from this position.

## Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

### A Note From Our New President:

I would like to thank all of you for your support with the unanimous vote for the office of President on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2001. For the last several years I was looking for a way to become more involved in the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club and Amateur radio in general. Well, I found that being president of one of the states largest amateur radio clubs was a real sure way to get my feet wet.

I'm trying to see the future of the FCARC, and what I see is it's filled with a lot of fun, excitement and change. The FCARC has so many things that we can be proud of. We have a number of people who are committed to giving us their time and skills. The FCARC has many experienced club members that can guide us through the future by showing us the past. We have many technology based tools that we use to facilitate our club business, like the internet and e-mail. As for running a business, these tools are far superb to the communication methods used in the past. Our club weather spotters have the luxury of their net control operator reading the latest weather satellite image, and the image is only a few minutes old! The membership coordinator has the entire FCC data base available to use for a mass mailing or a demographic survey of who and how many are where. The treasurer has a computer program that will reconcile his accounts for him at a touch of a button or a click of a mouse. He can give us a hundred different reports by selecting them from his graphs button or a sort command.

The FCARC monthly publication, the "QSO'er", which I think is the best amateur radio club publication in the state! We're informed and humored by their creativity and hard work. The contributing articles are generous and superb. The soft and hard copies of this publication have changed many times, and are still changing. I'm looking forward with much pride, to the next generations of publications from our club secretary. We broadcast once a week to many local amateur operators, some of them get involved and many are involved by copying the mail. The "Hamdinger Net" is produced, broadcasted and sustained by a few dedicated amateur operators that love to contribute their skills and techniques. I believe the people in the members at large position, chairpersons and the different directors have all contributed to creating an environment that is exciting, promising and rewarding for all of us, the FCARC club membership.

The FCARC performs a variety of public service events, to include the events that the FCARC controls and the events that the FCARC provides operators to work with other amateur radio clubs or groups in the surrounding area. Some of these events deal with fireworks, crowd control, non emergency communications for organizational purpose, and emergency communications.

The FCARC has a strong and growing spirit of competition, the W9ZL call and member call signs that dx'ers have heard from around the state, nation. and to all parts of the globe. All we need is someone to keep us consistent and focused. That will be the other club member that sits next to you at the FCARC club meetings or the picnic, corn roast or the events that brings us together as one.

We all know that if there was no vice-president, we wouldn't have any one to run the meetings while I'm away. I feel like I've had the pleasure of working with the vice-president for a long time already. It's great to have a buddy that will help in any way at any time. I'm looking forward to working with all the FCARC members to maintain the pride that we all share each and everytime we represent our club through all the things we do as a member of the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club.

*Good luck to us all and God bless the FCARC and its membership with strength, pride and wisdom to reach the goals we all struggle to reach!*

73...

Brian, KB9LRD

Brian J. Long

President, Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

# WELCOME TO THE FCARC!

Our newest members:

Aaron Heise

Dominick Piekarczyk

Stan Piekarczyk

Rick Mandel

KB9QWC

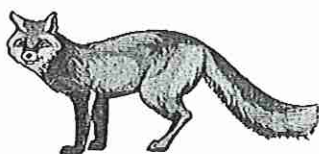
KF6HCG

KE6IFC

KB9LRE

Callsign	Name	Claim to Fame Notes
WOORE	Tony England	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
K1JT	Joe Taylor	Scientist Nobel Prize in Physics
K1OKI	Mickey Schulhof	Heads SONY US
KB2GSD	Walter Cronkite	TV Journalist
K2HEP	John Sculley	former CEO of Apple Computer lapsed callsign
WA2MKI	Larry Ferrari	Musician/TV personality Silent Key
K2ORS	Jean Shepard	Author/Actor
W2TQ	Joel Miller	IEEE attorney
K2ZCZ	George Pataki	Governor of New York
W4CGP	Chet Atkins	Guitarist Silent Key (June 30th, 2001)
WB4KCG	Ronnie Milsap	Singer/Songwriter Spoke at Dayton Hamvention, 5/98
N4KET	David French	TV Journalist on CNN?
K4LIB	Arthur Godfrey	TV personality (Silent Key)
KC4OCA	Gordon Barnes	Meteorologist
N4RH	Ralph Haller	former FCC PRB chief
WA4SIR	Ron Parise	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
WD4LZC	Larnelle Harris	Country Music Singer 7 time Grammy winner
WD4SKT	Donnie Osmond	NOT the TV personality! Has same name...
KD4WUJ	Patty Loveless	Country Music Singer
W4ZG	Worth Gruelle	Author Raggedy Ann/Andy
K4ZVZ	Paul W. Tibbets	War Hero (via AA70A) Pilot of Enola Gay
W5LFL	Owen Garriot	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
N5QWL	Jay Apt	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
KG6FZX	Dennis Tito	Earth's first space tourist also a multi-millionaire
WB6ACU	Joe Walsh	Guitarist/Singer/Songwriter Eagles
KD6BUP	James Treybig, Jr.	reportedly son of Tandem Computer CEO
K6DUE	Roy Neal	TV personality produces/stars in ham radio videos
W6EZV	Gen. Curtis LeMay	Military legend Silent Key
N6FUP	Stu Cooks	Baseball player
N6GGM	Laura Cooks	XYL of N6FUP
W6JKV	James Treybig	reportedly CEO of Tandem Computers see KD6BUP
N6KGB	Stewart Granger	Actor born James Stewart!
KB6LQR	Jeana Yeager	Pilot/Adventurer Voyager
KB6LQS	Dick Rutan	Pilot/Adventurer Voyager
A16M	Barry Friedman	2-time World Champion Juggler
W6OBB	Art Bell	Syndicated radio personality Art Bell
KB6OLJ	Paul J. Cohen	Mathematician
KD6OY	Garry Shandling	TV Personality
W6QYI	Cardinal Roger Mahony	Los Angeles Roman Catholic Cardinal

Callsign	Name	Claim to Fame Notes
WB6RER	Andy Devine	Actor Silent Key
N6YOS	Priscilla Presley	Actress (not sure about this!)
W6ZH	Herbert Hoover, Jr.	Son of U.S. President Silent Key
W7DUK	Nolan Bushnell	Inventor, Computer Pioneer, Founded Atari
KG7JF	Jeff Duntemann	Author
K7TA	Clifford Stoll	Scientist/Author/Actor "A Cuckoo's Egg"
NK7U	Joe Rudi	Baseball player
K7UGA	Barry Goldwater	late US Senator/SK 1998
W8JK	John Kraus	Astronomer
9K2CS	Prince Yousuf Al-Sabah	Royalty
9N1MM	Fr. Marshall Moran	Renowned Missionary Silent Key
EA0JC	Juan Carlos	King of Spain
FO5GJ	Marlon Brando	Actor aka Martin Brandeaux
GB1MIR	Helen Sharman	Astronaut see also astronaut hams
G2DQU	Sir Brian Rix	Actor/Philanthropist
G3TZH	Tony Dolby	brother invented Dolby Noise Reduction System
G3YLA	Jim Bacon	TV Meteorologist
HS1A	Bhumiphol Adulayadej	King of Thailand
I0FCG	Francesco Cossiga	former President of Italy
J3BB	Masaru Ibuka	Founder of SONY Silent Key
JA5FHB	Katsutsugu Sekiya	Minister of State
J11KIT	Keizo Obuchi	Prime Minister of Japan
JK1SIU	Norio Ohga	Chairman of SONY Tnx to JL1EEE (Hack)
JP1DPJ	Akio Morita	Founder of SONY Silent Key
JY1	King Hussein	King of Jordan SK
JY1NH	Queen Noor	Queen of Jordan American-born Lisa Halaby
JY2HT	former Crown Prince Hassan	King Hussein's brother
JY2RZ	King Hussein's cousin	Prince Raad
LU1SM	Carlos Saul Menem	President of Argentina
SU1VN	Prince Talal	Saudi Arabian royalty
UA1LO	Yuri Gagarin	First Cosmonaut Silent Key
U2MIR	Musa Manarov	Cosmonaut see also astronaut hams
VK2KB	Sir Allan Fairhall	Statesman
VK4HA	Harry Angel	Was Australia's oldest Ham (SK) 106
VU2RG	Rajiv Ghandi	late Prime Minister of India Silent Key
VU2SON	Sonia Ghandi	XYL of VU2RG
XE1K	Walter Cross Buchanan	ex-Minister of Communications Silent Key
XE1N	Manuel Medina	Built first spark transmitter in Mexico SK



Don't forget about the club sponsored **Fox Hunt**  
**Every3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.**  
**Come join the fun!**

*Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club W9ZL*

**HAMDINGER NET**

*145.330/R 100hz PL*

*Wednesday eve at 7:30pm*

*Everyone is Welcome to check in!*



CLUB WEBSITE ADDRESS:

<http://www.w9zl.ampr.org/>

Suggestions, changes, additions for the site need to  
be submitted to Steve N9SGG – [stevell@itol.com](mailto:stevell@itol.com)  
The board will review request.

## UPCOMING TESTING DATES

**17-Jul-2001**

Sponsor: SHEBOYGAN COUNTY ARC

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: MICHAEL J MUSIEL (920)946-1476 Email: [MMUSIE@EXCEL.NET](mailto:MMUSIE@EXCEL.NET)  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: RED CROSS/BOY SCOUT BLDG 2032 ERIE AVE  
PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED [K9SJ@ARRL.NET](mailto:K9SJ@ARRL.NET)  
SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081

**28-Jul-2001**

Sponsor: MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB

Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: JOHN G KRAAK (262)797-6722 VEC: Milwaukee VEC  
Location: AMATEUR ELECTRONIC SUPPLY 5710 W GOOD HOPE RD  
MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

**28-Jul-2001**

Sponsor: TOMAHAWK ARRL VE TEAM

Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: TERRY M COLLINS (715)453-4633  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL AUDITORIUM 110 N 7TH ST & SOMO AVE {HWY 86}, TOMAHAWK, WI 54487

**04-Aug-2001**

Sponsor: FOUR LAKES ARC

Time: 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: TIMOTHY J CZERWONKA (608)233-9829  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: SPACE PLACE 1605 S PARK ST [WO9U@ARRL.NET](mailto:WO9U@ARRL.NET)  
MADISON, WI 53715

**18-Aug-2001**

Sponsor: FOX CITIES ARC

Time: 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: GEORGE R CROY (920)730-0967  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: RED CROSS BUILDING

CALL AFTER 4:00 PM

[W9MDP@ARRL.NET](mailto:W9MDP@ARRL.NET)

NO WALKINS AFTER 9:00 AM

APPLETON, WI 54911

**25-Aug-2001**

Sponsor: TOMAHAWK ARRL VE TEAM

Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: TERRY M COLLINS (715)453-4633  
VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL AUDITORIUM 110 N 7TH ST & SOMO AVE {HWY 86}  
TOMAHAWK, WI 54487

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### Morse Code testing procedures to change July 1

Changes Effective July 1 New Morse code exam standards go into effect July 1 for all Volunteer Examiner Coordinators. The new standards call for Farnsworth character speed in the 13-to-15 WPM range and the end of multiple-choice questions for routine Morse code exams.

In the wake of restructuring and the establishment of 5 WPM as the sole amateur Morse requirement, the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators voted last July to set up the revised standards for the administration of Morse code examinations in the US. ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, points out the required change to the Farnsworth protocol replaces the 18-WPM character speed ARRL VEC has used since 1989. "Standard 5 WPM messages with 5 WPM characters are available as an accommodation," he said. "Standard (non-Farnsworth) speed messages are available upon special request from the ARRL VEC for ARRL VE teams."

In addition, the Morse exam audio frequency range should be between 700 and 1000 Hz for routine exams. Consistent with the revised standards, Jahnke said, ARRL VEC has set 15-WPM characters as its Farnsworth setting and 750 Hz as its audio-frequency standard.

Code practice transmissions from Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will reflect the new Farnsworth standard. W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, says transmissions using the new protocol will begin Monday, July 2. Code transmissions at speeds below 18 WPM will drop from 18 WPM to 15 WPM character speed.

W1AW Web code practice files, at <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw/morse.html>, will mirror the new standards too. The new Morse examination standards also affect test administration. After July 1, Morse examinees will have to supply fill-in-the-blank answers for the 10-question Element 1 quiz. Multiple-choice type examinations no longer will be acceptable. Under the new testing regime, Morse code examinees must either correctly answer seven of the ten fill-in-the-blanks questions or correctly copy 25 consecutive characters. Changes are on the horizon for the written examinations as well. Revised Amateur Extra question pool will go into effect July 1, 2002. Reworked Technician and General question pools will become effective on July 1, 2003 and 2004 respectively.