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Membership Renewal Corner

If your call sign is below, your
Membership is up for renewal!

Month of **May** – KB9TLM W9OVK N9TNW

Month of **June** – K9GRL K9HID K9MOO
KC9BMH W9FBC KC9BQK

Committee Meeting Date:

Field Day Committee

Thursday May 8th

(Always the 2nd Thursday of the month)
YMCA downtown Appleton 7:00 PM

Meeting Date:

Monday May 19th

(Always the 3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM)
Columbus Club 2351 North Richmond Street

Board Meeting Date:

Monday May 26th

(Always the 4th Monday of the month)
YMCA downtown Appleton 7:00 PM

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
ANY MEETING!**

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Elmer's Contact List

This is a listing of HAMS who are willing to help other HAMS out in special areas.
Feel free to contact these fellow HAMS with any questions.

CALL/NAME

KB9OAL~Steve
W9OVK~ Don
W9ZC~ Bob
N9OEQ~ Chuck
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If you would like to be included on this list, contact any board member

Board Member Attendance:

Jon Oldenburg	AB9AH
Robin Cleveland	K9MOO
Steve Lamers	N9SGG
Bill Vincent	N9TNW
Don Quinn	W9OVK
Steve Palletier	KB9OAL
Chuck Hanson	N9OEQ

Club Attendance

Unavaliable

Newsletter Options

How do you get the QSO'er
snail mail or Email?

To change how you get the
QSO'er:

Call Robin at 470-6194

or

Email Robin at

Whipstaff@yahoo.com

Robin (K9MOO)
Secretary/Newsletter Editor

New Club Members

We would like to welcome our
newest and renewed
members to the
Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

KC9WKO
Charles K9NH

*Please make them feel
welcome!*

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club
Minutes for April 24, 2003

Board of Directors FCARC: President: Brian (KB9LRD) -- Vice-President: John (AB9AH) -- Treasurer: Karen (KC9BMH)

Secretary: Robin (K9MOO) Membership Coordinator: Steve (N9SGG) Members at Large: Steve (KB9OAL), Bill (N9TNW), Chuck (N9OEQ)

Quorum count: Vice-President: John, AB9AH

Call to Order: 7:08 P.M.

Introduction of Members: Roll Call !!

Correction to the published minutes: **Minutes:** Approval of the minutes from: March 17, 2003 as published and or corrected.

(Motion to accept) (Second) (Vote: M)

Welcome New & Renewed Members: Bob KC9WKO, Charles Luyster K9NH,

Special Announcement: 2003 Officers elections will be held during the May's meeting.

The 145.330 R is working very well after Richard W9UVZ turned off the "Screen Saver". Please try again!

Old Business:

- A. Fund raising events for 2003, Brat fry's at both Cops food centers. For sign-up see Karen KC9BMH
- B. Field Day committee needs a Chairperson for the 2003 Field Day Event.. Many volunteers are ready to assist the chairman. Please see Jon AB9AH or Brian KB9LRD for more details.
- C. The December social will be held at the UW Fox Valley Barlow Planetarium Dec. 15th at 7:00 PM. For coordination and more information, please contact Richard W9UVZ 733-0609
- D. Certificates will be issued to non club members who "Affiliate" the FCARC as their club choice for the WQP.

So far for 2003 we have recorded: Dick Lemme K9FA, Karl Bruehl KC9AA, Dan Lenz KB9IME.

Thanks for the points !

- E. The JMAST group will be looking for individuals to help out as instructors for the current technician classes being taught at the Navy / Marine Corp. Reserve center. MARS program is also developing at the reserve center. Next class will be May 4th @8:30AM. A special thanks to Stephen KB9RLF for his power Point presentation. JMAST technician class will not be held in June.
- F. WQP. In 1999 we had our highest score of record at 277,421 points, so far we have 267,446 and not all points are counted or final.
- G. The FCARC will be looking into holding class in 2004 at the YMCA in downtown Appleton for those interested to earn a technician or an upgrade license form the public.
- H. QSO'er. How is the calendar looking? We'll have extra's at the club's general membership meetings.

Discussion: Old Business

August 3, 2003 Corn roast Sunset Park.

New Business:

- A. American Cancer "Sole Burner" is a new event for the FCARC. Please sign up early. May 10th is the event.
- B. The FCARC is proud to sponsor the Memorial Day Parade in Menasha on May 26th. Chairman Bob K9HID.

Discussion: New Business

The "Hal Report": Andy N1KSN

Committee Reports:

Announcements: FCARC Club Roster is available. Thank you Robin K9MOO

Check the FCARC web site for the latest photo's of the 2003 WQP.

Program: None

Adjourn: Accepting a motion to adjourn: Bill (N9TNW) 2nd: Pat (KB9OAL) Vote: Passed
Program to follow:

FYI ~ A club financial report, agenda and printed copies of the QSO'er are available for all members at the directors table before each meeting, also other information of interest. For the consideration of others, during all business meetings please refrain from side conversations.

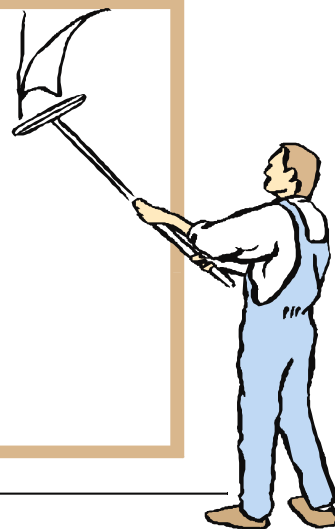
Please... we ask all of you, No Smoking, MUTE you're cell phone and/or pager please. Thank You!

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club
Executive Board
Minutes for April 28, 2003

Board of Directors FCARC: President: Brian (KB9LRD), Vice-President: John (AB9AH), Treasurer: Karen (KC9BMH), Secretary: Robin (K9MOO), Membership Coordinator: Steve (N9SGG), Members at Large: Steve (KB9OAL); Bill (N9TNW); Chuck (N9OEQ).

There was no board meeting this month.

The FCARC is looking for someone to help coordinate programs for the monthly meeting. You would be responsible for 6-8 simple 10 min presentation. If you are interested in helping out the club in this position, please contact *Brian Long (KB9LRD)*



Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors

Positions for (re) Elections:

President

Secretary

Membership Coordinator

Members at Large

Any club members are welcome to run for these positions.

The job descriptions can be found in the By-laws or you may contact a board member to inquire about the positions. Many of the job duties are being changed and will be reflected in the updated by-laws (once completed).



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Omro Testing Session

Test sessions are presently being given at the Community Center in Omro, WI. The sessions start at 8:00 am and end at noon. Tests are always given the 2nd Saturday of the month. There is a \$12.00 fee

~~February 8, 2003~~

April 12, 2003

~~March 8, 2003~~

May 10, 2003

FCARC Testing Session

Test sessions are presently being given at the American Red Cross Building in Appleton, WI. The sessions start at 8:00 am and no walk-in candidates are accepted after 9:00 am. Sessions are held on Saturdays. There is a \$12.00 fee.

~~February 1, 2003~~

August 16, 2003

~~March 29, 2003~~

February 7, 2004

May 10, 2003

November 2, 2003 (Hamfest)

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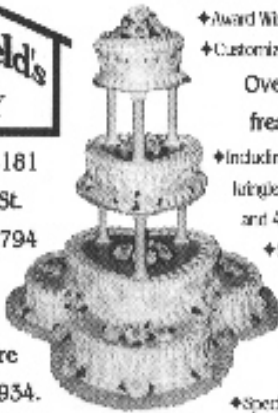
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FCARC Calendar of Events

May

- 03 JMAST Technician no-code VE Testing at the Navy / Marine Reserve Center in Green Bay
- 08 Field Day committee meeting - Appointment Pending
- 10 VE Testing - N9TNW
- 10 American Cancer "Sole Burner" - Appointment pending
- 17 JDRF Walk - N9SGG
- 19 **FCARC General Membership meeting**
- 26 Memorial Day Parade - K9HID
- 26 **FCARC Executive Board meeting**

June

- 12 EAA Committee meeting - WD9FLJ
- 16 **FCARC General Membership meeting**
- 28 Field Day - Appointment pending
- 23 **FCARC Executive Board meeting**

July

- 10 VHF Association meeting
- 21 **FCARC General Membership meeting** (picnic)
- 22 Start EAA - WD9FLJ
- 27 End EAA - WD9FLJ
- 28 **FCARC Executive Board meeting**

2003 MS Walk

N9ZHZ Net Control

W9OVK Pierce Park

WB9ZNA Jaycee Park

KC9BMH YMCA

KB9LRE Sag Wagon

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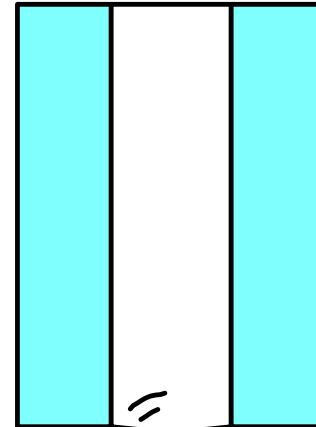


*David Sprangers ~N9ZHZ
Don Quinn ~W9OVK
Mark Heimmermann ~KF9CS*

*For helping out some
fellow hams!*

Boys' and Girl's Brigade

Anyone who is interested in donating any Equipment you may donate it to the Boys' and Girls' Brigade. Anyone who donates will receive a tax deductible donation receipt. All those who are interested may contact Brent Thiel KC9BQK or the Boys' and Girl's Brigade.



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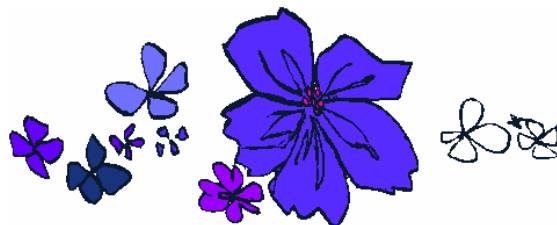
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May 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 JMAST @ 8:30 am
4	5	6	7 Net Control Jon AB9AH @ 7:30 pm	8 Field Day Committee mtg YMCA @ 7 pm	9	10 Omro & FCARC VE Testing @ 8:00 am Sole Burner Walk
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14 Net Control Brent KC9BQK @ 7:30 pm	15	16	17 JDRF Walk
18	19 General member mtg @ 7 pm	20	21 Net Control Steve N9SGG @ 7:30 pm	22	23	24
25	26 Board mtg YMCA 7 pm Memorial Parade Menasha	27	28 Net Control Jon AB9AH @ 7:30 pm	29	30	31



AT THE REQUEST OF THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES THIS SPECIAL BULLETIN IS SENT TO ALL EMCOMMWEST SUBSCRIBERS -

Homeland Security Threat Advisory: Suspicious Activity

We have received information from APCO (Associated Public Safety Communications Officers, Inc.) members that they have received numerous calls of a suspicious nature from people describing themselves as college students performing research. The questions have included specific communications infrastructure location information requests. Additionally, there have been reports of people recording and photographing public safety communications towers.

While there has been no evidence to suggest these are not legitimate actions, APCO advises you to pay close attention to such activity and report anything suspicious according to your local Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). APCO further advises not to release information to persons of unknown origin at this or any other time. Additionally, APCO recommends that you re-evaluate your internal Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for procedures on handling these types of calls to ensure this issue is addressed specifically for communications related information during this time of heightened security.

Subject: FYI...Use caution

This afternoon, I receive a suspicious call from a gentleman claiming to be long distance and representative of a "study of a Western College", desiring to speak to the person who could best answer questions concerning the radio repeater system we operated on in Rockdale County, Georgia.

He volunteered he had gotten my name and address from APCO Int. and that this research was for a college paper.

He spoke and sounded middle-eastern and was very disappointed when I told him I did not give "any" information out concerning my radio system to anyone by phone, and he could place his request in writing... He started to stammer and ask how he would do that, and I informed him he had my name and number and he should have my address and I ended the call.

I do not expect to receive anything in the mail from this individual. Recently, a discovery in Virginia upon a routine traffic stop it was found that a map of the entire state's radio system (towers etc) was found in the possession of a suspicious individual. WE DO NOT NEED TO ASSIST IN THE COMPILATION OF THIS INFORMATION.

Please DO NOT give out any information to inquiries about your communications system, 911 switches, or other type of surveys that could furnish information to wrong people.

I wish I had been able document the caller's phone number, as I have caller ID, but it was not retrievable on my system. If any of you receive these calls, if you can get a call back number or more information, please do so and forward to GEMA. I am notifying GEMA at this time.

Thanks

Carolyn H. Hunter

(Communications Director - Rockdale County GA)