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Next Meeting:

General Membership Meeting
Monday February 16th 7:00PM
Little Chute Civic Center

Executive Board
Monday February 23rd 7:00PM
Little Chute Civic Center

Please feel welcome to join us!



Next testing date: March 27, 2004
Other Amateur Radio Testing Sessions dates can be found at the FCARC web site:
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Membership Renewal Corner

(Also available on the web site)

If your call sign is below, your Membership is up for renewal!
Check out our web site for your renewal month.

<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
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K9IK		
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Club Member Attendance

Brian Long	KB9LRD
Karen Long	KC9BMH
Dan Vanevenhoven	N9LVS
Jon Oldenberg	AB9AH
Jon Ensley	N9RJZ
Lester Morse	KA9LAR
Bernie Hengels	N9YMC
Andy Palm	N1KSN
Darlene Hengels	KB9JGW
Bill Vincent	N9TNW
Chuck Hanson	N9OEQ
Hal Sieth	NQ8F
Mary Sieth	Guest
Jim Sheetz	K9OOO
Dominick Piekarczyk	KF6HCH
Maury Mead	W9FBC
Karen Thorne	WB9ZNA
Harry Hall	No Call
Georgia Hall	No Call
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Stan Piekarczyk	KE6IFC
Don Quinn	W9OVK
Dave Arnold	KA9NMK
Eric Bjorkquist	KG8RF
Dave Sprangers	N9ZHZ
Eric Johnson	ND0L
Bob Braun	K9OSH
Gary Stemple	KC9DJQ
Cory Dougherty	Guest

Help me run out of room here!

Is your I.D. missing in action, torn up, or just plain old unrecognizable? Request a new one and it will be made available as soon as possible. See Dominick KF6HCG

Everyone is welcome to submit articles, ideas or information into the newsletter. To do so just email me at kf6hcg@hotmail.com with your article and name. Thank you very much 😊

Board Member Attendance:

Brian Long	KB9LRD
Dan Vanevenhoven	N9LVS
Steve Lamers	N9SGG
Rick Kosiorek	W9RIC
Bill Vincent	N9TNW

Guest

Darlene Hengels	KC9JGW
Michael Hengels	KC9JGX

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.

<u>CALL/NAME</u>	<u>SPECIALITY AREA</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBER</u>
KB9OAL~Steve	APRS	205-1126
W9OVK~ Don	CW	725-2524
W9ZC~ Bob	Tech. Code	725-7974
N9OEQ~ Chuck	HF & VHF Digital Modes	788-5497
N9TNW~ Bill	HF & Satellite	739-6827
N9LVS~Dan	FCC Personal Data Changes	205-4899

If you would like to be included on this list, contact any board member

Join the FCARC during the Wisconsin QSO Party March 14th.

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club, Inc. General Membership meeting Minutes for January 19th, 2004

Board of Directors FCARC

President: Brian, KB9LRD; Vice-President: John, AB9AH; Treasurer: Karen, KC9BMH
Secretary: Dominic KF6CHG; Membership Coordinator: Dan, N9LVS
Members at Large: Steve, N9SGG; Bill, N9TNW; Rick W9RIC

Quorum count: Vice-President: John, AB9AH **Call to Order: 7: 10 PM Introduction of Members: Roll Call !!**

Correction to the published minutes: None

Minutes: Approval of the minutes from: December 15th, 2003 as published and/or corrected in the QSO'er.
(Motion to accept) **Bill N9TNW** (Second) **Dave N9ZHZ** (discussion) (Vote: P/F)

Welcome New & Renewed Members:

Old Business:

- A.) The Executive Board had approved \$200.00 to spend on a new computer, \$120.00 was spent.
- B.) John N9RJZ our 2004 Hamfest Chairman and committee has indicated that our next Hamfest will be November 07, 2004. For more up to date information please check out the web site. <http://www.w9zl.org>
- C.) 2003 fiscal year end report is due in May of 2004. We need volunteers to help with the budget committee.
- D.) Continuation of the nominations for the 2003 "Ham of the Year". Please state your nomination with a brief reason as to why you think that person should be "Ham of the Year". **1 addition: Brian KB9LRD**

Also, one volunteer needed from the general membership to assist the Ham of the Year committee (Required by the by-laws). This person will be called by phone (or email) to vote for the "Ham of the Year".
- E.) The FCARC web site has a new home and a new look. Check it out at: <http://www.fcarc.us>. There are surveys, advertisements and articles by fellow club members and Hams. Also a new member renewal corner, personal messaging and other useful information.
- F.) The new look of the "QSO'er" with the advertisements and new stuff. If you are interested in helping with the QSO'er, please feel free to step forward.
- G.) Field day 2004 will have very solid leadership to represent and manage this year's event for the FCARC. Thanks to Andy N1KSN and Stan KE6IFC, each has volunteered to be "Field Day Chairman's". Andy N1KSN and Stan KE6IFC were both appointed by the Executive Board. Field Day rules and regulations at: <http://www.arrl.org>

New Business:

- A.) Shall the FCARC general membership move its meeting location to the Little Chute Civic Center.
Motion by: Jon AB9AH / Rick W9RIC (2nd) **Bill N9TNW** (Disc.) (Close disc.) Brian KB9LRD(2nd) **Bill N9TNW** Vote: (P/F)

The "Hal Report":

Andy N1KSN: Field strength meter, Audio filter, portable antenna PAC-12 and a hand made paddle.
Hal NQ9F: Wow...1,000 watt amplifier, home made!!

Committee Reports: No Reports

Adjourn: (Accepting a motion to adjourn) **Bernie N9YMC** (2nd) **Bill N9TNW** (V:P/F)

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club
Executive Board
Minutes for January 26th, 2004

Call to Order: 7: 05 PM

Minutes: Approval of the Executive Board minutes from: December 22nd, 2003
(Motion to accept) **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote: M) P/F

Old Business:

A.) QSO'er advertising revenue for 2004.

B.) Communityfest planning committee is requesting our services at the Communityfest July 4th celebration in Neenah. Shall we accept? Introduced by: Darlene KB9JGW
Darlene KB9JGW stated: 3 operators @ Riverside Park, 1 operator @ Dotty Park needed.

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC** (Vote:P/F)

C.) Awards banquet door prizes, club hats, T-shirts, jackets or sweatshirts, how many?
Decision: 5 T-Shirts and 2 hats will be given away at the Awards Banquet.

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

D.) Awards Banquet February 21st at Sky Club East. Open @ 5:00PM, Dinner @ 6:00PM at a cost of \$12.00 each person. Awards ceremony to follow, 65 – 70 certificates & 10 Awards. 25 person minimum, expecting 30 plus.

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

E.) Presidential nomination Jeff KB9BYP as a “General Member” for the “Ham of the Year” committee. (By-Laws: Section 5)

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

F.) Presidential nomination Jon AB9AH as the “Committee Chairman” for “Ham of the Year” committee. (By-Laws: Section 5)

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

G.) WAPL / WHBY or the Woodward Radio Group, Inc. has asked to advertise a “Help wanted ad” in the QSO'er. Steve Brown W9APL is looking into the Woodward Radio Group, Inc as a possible advertiser in the QSO'er.

Decision: Help wanted ad will be free. Note: All ads are determined on 1 to 1 basis.

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

H.) Check out the web site <http://www.fcarc.us> , many new additions.

New Business:

A.) It will be determined that the FCARC will not give an “Award” to the Members at Large. Be it resolved that we will issue a “Certificate of Appreciation; instead.

Motion by: **Steve N9SGG (2nd) Bill N9TNW (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

B.) Executive Board Nomination of Darlene KB9JGW as Chairmen of the “Communityfest Committee.

Motion by: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Rick W9RIC (Disc.) (End Disc.) Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:P/F)

Adjourn: 8:15PM Motion to adjourn: **Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Bill N9TNW** (Vote:) P/F

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 7:30 PM on 146.760/R 100hz PL
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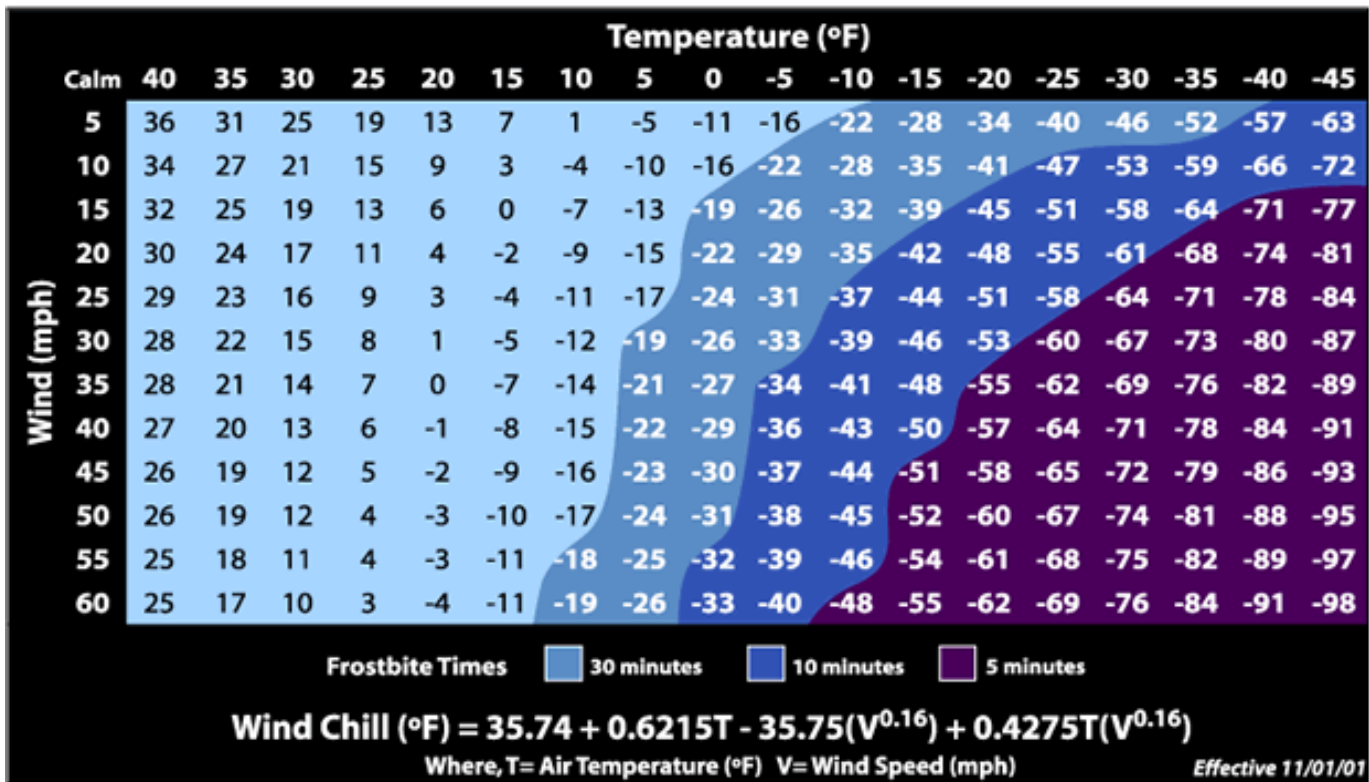
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Wind Chill Chart



<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/windchill/index.shtml>

February's Trivia Question:

When did the FCARC have its first "Hamfest"?

Answer: To be published in next month's newsletter.

The FCARC will be holding Technician Class study group on March 27 to April 20, 2004 at the Appleton Curling Club 307 N. Westhill Blvd. Appleton, WI. 54914. Doors open at 0730.
Cost will be: \$25.00 (\$10.00 Course book + \$12.00 Test fee + \$3.00 coffee snacks)
Our Instructors will be: Stephan Williams KB9RLF, Lester Morse KA9LAR For more information please call Brian KB9LRD @ 920-730-8485. Early sign-up can be sent to kb9rlf@arrl.net.

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Note: If you signed up for Jackets, Hats, and T-Shirts they will be ordered in late January after the General Membership meeting on the 19th. Please see Dan N9LVS for your order confirmation, payment is due when your item is picked up. dvaeven@athenet.net 920-205-4899.

For your convenience, we will be collecting payments in advance at each club meeting.

["Check out the opinion poll on our web site, vote on the new FCC proposed license!"](#)

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FOR SALE:

Ameriton AL-200 Linear Amplifier, serial number 275 w/3cx1200a7, ceramic/metal triode; Priced to sell at \$700.00. If interested contact Ralph Ballinger N9ECS at 920-225-1048

ARLB003: ARRL to Propose New Entry-Level License, Code-Free HF Access

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From ARRL Headquarters

Newington CT January 20, 2004

To all radio amateurs

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ARLB003 ARRL to Propose New Entry-Level License, Code-Free HF Access

The ARRL will ask the FCC to create a new entry-level Amateur Radio license that would include HF phone privileges without requiring a Morse code test. The League also will propose consolidating all current licensees into three classes, retaining the Element 1 Morse requirement--now 5 WPM-only for the highest class.

The ARRL Board of Directors overwhelmingly approved the plan January 16 during its Annual Meeting in Windsor, Connecticut. The proposals--developed by the ARRL Executive Committee following a Board instruction last July--are in response to changes made in Article 25 of the international Radio Regulations at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03). They would continue a process of streamlining the amateur licensing structure that the FCC began more than five years ago but left unfinished in the Amateur Service license restructuring Report and Order (WT 98-143) that went into effect April 15, 2000.

'Change in the Amateur Radio Service in the US, especially license requirements and even more so when Morse is involved, has always been emotional,' said ARRL First Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, in presenting the Executive Committee's recommendations. 'In fact, without a doubt, Morse is Amateur Radio's 'religious debate.'

The entry-level license class--being called 'Novice' for now--would require a 25-question written exam. It would offer limited HF CW/data and phone/image privileges on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters as well as VHF and UHF privileges on 6 and 2 meters and on 222-225 and 430-450 MHz. Power output would be restricted to 100 W on 80, 40, and 15 meters and to 50 W on 10 meters and up.

'The Board sought to achieve balance in giving new Novice licensees the opportunity to sample a wider range of Amateur Radio activity than is available to current Technicians while retaining a motivation to upgrade,' said ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ. Under the ARRL plan, current Novice licensees--now the smallest and least active group of radio amateurs--would be grandfathered to the new entry-level class without further testing.

The middle group of licensees--Technician, Tech Plus (Technician with Element 1 credit) and General--would be merged into a new General license that also would not require a Morse examination. Current Technician and Tech Plus license holders automatically would gain current General class privileges without additional testing. The current Element 3 General examination would remain in place for new applicants.

The Board indicated that it saw no compelling reason to change the Amateur Extra class license requirements. The ARRL plan calls on the FCC to combine the current Advanced and Amateur Extra class licensees into Amateur Extra, because the technical level of the exams passed by these licensees is very similar. New applicants for Extra would have to pass a 5 WPM Morse code examination, but the written exam would stay the same. Sumner said the Board felt that the highest level of accomplishment should include basic Morse capability. Current Novice, Tech Plus and General licensees would receive lifetime 5 WPM Morse credit.

'This structure provides a true entry-level license with HF privileges to promote growth in the Amateur Service,' Harrison said.

Among other advantages, Sumner said the plan would allow new Novices to participate in HF SSB emergency nets on 75 and 40 meters as well as on the top 100 kHz of 15 meters. The new license also could get another name, Sumner said. 'We're trying to recapture the magic of the old Novice license, but in a manner that's appropriate for the 21st century.'

The overall proposed ARRL license restructuring plan would more smoothly integrate HF spectrum privileges across the three license classes and would incorporate the 'Novice refarming' plan the League put forth nearly two years ago in a Petition for Rule Making (RM-10413). The FCC has not yet acted on the ARRL plan, which would alter current HF subbands.

The ARRL license restructuring design calls for no changes in privileges for Extra and General class licensees on 160, 60, 30, 20, 17 or 12 meters. Novice licensees would have no access to those bands.

See 'ARRL to Propose New Entry-Level License, Code-Free HF Access' on the ARRL Web site, www.arrl.org/news/stories/2004/01/19/1/, for the specific subband allocations ARRL is proposing for each class.

Article from: ARRL

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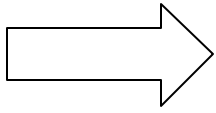
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Nominations for "Ham of the Year"



Andy Palm N1KSN

John Ensley N9RJZ

Steve Lamers N9SGG

Brian Long KB9LRD

Karen Long KC9BMH

We wish all of you the best of luck in your quest of "Ham of the Year" for 2003.



FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Thank you all who helped with the corrections and additions to the "Awards Banquet List". Its important to me that I include all of you who helped the FCARC in 2003. I'm currently trying to improve the beta (test) data method of keeping track of all things, people and places. As you can see by the number of events and people who helped with those events, we have a lot to keep track of. Thanks for the tremendous effort by all of you in 2003, I'm looking forward to a very productive 2004.

73..de Brian J. Long KB9LRD President, Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

