

# FOX CITIES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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# Next Meeting:



## **General Membership Meeting**

Monday March15<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Little Chute Civic Center

#### **Executive Board**

Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00PM Little Chute Civic Center

Please feel welcome to join us!

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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!

February March April N9ZHZ PD WD9FLJ K9USN K9JEN PD KC9DJQ N9OEO N9VVB WB9ZNA

KB9RLF

Next testing date: March 27, 2004

2004 / 2005 FCARC Amateur Radio Testing Sessions dates can be found at the FCARC web

site: http://www.fcarc.us and page 5.

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### Club Member Attendance

Brian Long KB9LRD Dan Vanevenhoven N9LVS AB9AH Jon Oldenberg Jon Ensley N9RJZ Lester Morse KA9LAR N1KSN KB9JGW Andy Palm Darléne Hengels N9TNW Bill Vincent Chuck Hanson N90F0 Maury Mead Karen Thorne W9FBC WB9ZNA KC9FLG Harry Hall Georgia Hall Gertha Leacock No Call KC9BZR Don Quinn W90VK Eric Johnson Gary Stemple Bob Hamilton NDOL KC9DJQ KC5WKO KC9ECV Michael Stoop Anthony Mach AB910 KC9DEF KC9BVQ Dan Geddes Bill VanEckhout KB9IKO Steven Gasper N9SGG KC9EYA Steve Lamers Kevin Hinz Erick Jensen

Help me run out of room here!

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

Contact Brian KB9LRD for more information and forms for this event.

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club (W9ZL) Invites everyone to tune in on Wednesday evenings at

7:30 PM on 146.760/R 100hz PL to hear the Newsline broadcast.
Then stick around to check into the net immediately afterwards.

This is an open forum net and anything can be discussed, to include conversations on net, technical questions, equipment review and for sale items.

#### **Board Member Attendance:**

Brian Long KB9LRD
Dan Vanevenhoven N9LVS
Rick Kosiorek W9RIC
Karen Long KC9BMH

Guest

John Ensley N9RJZ
Darlene Hengels KB9JGW
Berine Hengels N9YMC

# **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	SPECIALITY AREA	PHONE NUMBER
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

# Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club, Inc. General Membership meeting Minutes for February 16th, 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: Member coordinator Dan N9LVS Call to Order: 7: 20 PM Introduction of Members: Roll Call !!

Correction to the published minutes: Darlene KB9JGW & Michael KB9JGX are the correct call sign.

**Minutes:** Approval of the minutes from: January 19th, 2003 as published and/or corrected in the QSO'er. (Motion to accept) John AB9AH (Second) Bob KC5WKO (discussion) (Vote: P)

Welcome New & Renewed Members: Brian KB9LRD, Karen KC9BMH, Gertha KC9BZR, Gary KC9DJQ, Eric ND0L, Ed WA6UWY, Stan KE6IFC, Dominic KF6HCG, Jeff KB9BYP, Dave N9ZHZ, Jen N9JEN, Georgia Hall No Call, John N9RJZ

#### **Old Business:**

- A.) The annual Awards Banquet will be held at Sky Club East in Neenah on the February 21st.
- B.) Should we continue to hand out plaques as an Award or should we issue paper certificates.
- C.) The Budget Review committee needs volunteers to assist in this year's Budget review (KC9BMH).
- D.) Technician study classes will be held starting March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Appleton Curling Club. Instructors are needed and welcome to assist Stephan KB9RLF.
- E.) The FCARC web site demonstrated by: Steve N9SGG.

( REMOVED from the Agenda )

F.) Sign-up sheets for this year's events are on the sign-up table.

**Discussion: Old Business** 

**New Business:** 

**Discussion: New Business** 

The "Hal Report": Brian KB9LRD Wisconsin QSO Party 2004, March 14th.

Andy N1KSN cell phone microphone conversion and more.

Announcements: FCARC Jackets, T-shirts, sweatshirts and hats sign-up sheet is here, if interested see Dan N9LVS.

We would like to send in the order after the January 19, 2004 meeting. Do we have your correct size for your order?

We have a sheet for you to double check.

Harry Hall, Anthony March Newly licensed and members of the FCARC!

What are you doing from now until March 14<sup>th</sup>, getting ready for the WQSO Party?

**Announcements from the floor:** 

Adjourn: (Accepting a motion to adjourn) Chuck N9OEQ (2nd) Karen WB9ZNA (V: P)

#### **Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club**

#### **Executive Board**

## Minutes for February 23rd, 2004

#### **Board of Directors FCARC**

President: Brian, KB9LRD Vice-President: John, AB9AH Treasurer: Karen, KC9BMH Secretary: Dominic KF6HCG Membership Coordinator: Dan N9LVS Members at Large: Rick W9RIC; Bill, N9TNW; Steve, N9SGG

Call to Order: 7: 25 PM

Minutes: Approval of the Executive Board minutes from: January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2003

(Motion to accept) Karen KC9MBH (Second) Dan N9LVS (Vote: M) PASS

#### **Old Business:**

A.) Plaques at the Awards Banquet will given along with the VE pins and certificates to chairpersons and special event coordinator also certificates to members who participated in events.

Motion by: Brian KB9LRD 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen KC9BMH (Discussion)(M. to end D.) Brian KB9LRD (2<sup>nd</sup>) Dan N9LVS (Vote:P)

B.) Certificates, 95lbs paper and Ink cost to be reimbursed to Brian KB9LRD of \$57.39 for the 2004 Awards Banquet. (Note: Appleton Trophy's invoice to follow)

Motion by: Brian KB9LRD 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen KC9BMH (Discussion)(M. to end D.) Rick W9RIC (2<sup>nd</sup>) Brian KB9LRD (Vote:P)

C.) EAA communication: simplex traffic will not be handled, the 146.760R will be the club sponsored repeater and the HF special event station will be what the FCARC will promote.

Motion by: Brian KB9LRD 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen KC9BMH (Discussion)(M. to end D.) Brian KB9LRD (2<sup>nd</sup>) Rick W9RIC (Vote:P)

D.) Should we require Committee's to have meetings with dates established in advance by the Executive Board for all members to have adequate notice.

Motion by: Brian KB9LRD 2<sup>nd</sup> Karen KC9BMH (Discussion)(M. to end D.) Brian KB9LRD (2<sup>nd</sup>) Dan N9LVS (Vote:F)

E.) Should the FCARC send a check for \$25.00/yr to Newsline as long as we use their product during our Wednesday 2 meter net..

 $Motion \ by: \ Brian \ KB9LRD \ 2^{nd} \ Karen \ KC9BMH \ (Discussion) (M, to \ end \ D. \ ) \ Brian \ KB9LRD \ (2^{nd}) \ Dan \ N9LVS \ (Vote: P)$ 

Discussion: Old Business (None)

**New Business: (None)** 

**Discussion: New Business: (None)** 

**Announcements:** Awards Banquet 2004 will move to a different location

Adjourn: Accepting a motion to adjourn. Brian KB9LRD (2nd) Karen KC9BMH (Vote: P) 8:20 PM

## Extra...Extra...Read all about it!!

Darlene Hengels KB9JGW is a candidate for the office of Alderperson for the 3rd District in the City of Neenah. The election will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2004. To help support Darlene KB9JGW with promoting her candidacy for Alderperson in the 3rd district of Neenah check out her web site: www.darlenehengels.com.





## Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

Schedule of Amateur Radio TESTING 2004 -2005

**Location**: Red Cross Building

1302 E. Wisconsin Ave. Appleton

Start time: 8:00 a.m.

Walk-ins until 8:30 am

# **Testing Dates:**

Saturday, February 7, 2004. Saturday, March 27, 2004 Saturday, May 15, 2004. Saturday, August 14, 2004 Sunday, November 7, 2004. (Hamfest/Waverly Beach)

Saturday, February 5, 2005. **George Croy W9MDP** 





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 Instructor will be Stephan Williams KB9RLFemail kb9rlf@arrl.net. For information as a volunteer instructors, please call Brian KB9LRD @ 920-730-8485.

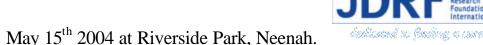


Race Date: September 26, 2004











Celebrating their 53rd show, May 14 - 16, 2004, Hamvention® is the world's largest amateur radio gathering and trade show. http://www.hamvention.org/

The Bozo's bus will be heading to this years "Hamvention®", for more information and or reservations for the bus, please call Mark Michel W9OP (920)-722-4034 or email to:w9op@athenet.net



April 18<sup>th</sup> 2004 at Appleton East High School



"Communityfest 2004" July 04th Neenah Riverside Park"



http://www.qsl.net/ylrl/ Or http://www.ylrl.org/

#### What is YLRL

Organized in 1939, YLRL (Young Ladies' Radio League) is a nonprofit organization of women Amateur Radio Licensees. With a membership of approximately 800, it is international in scope with about 100 of those members who are DX YLs.

#### YLRL Encourages

YLRL exists to encourage and assist YLs (Young Ladies) throughout the world to enter into the Amateur Radio Service. There are a variety of interests to offer licensed YLs from traffic handling, public service, contests, Awards, etc., Of course, there are the infinite benefits derived from just plain gal-to-gal ragchewing or eyeball QSOs at YL conventions and the resulting friendships. You are always welcome in any YLRL activity. Come on in - the YLs are anxious to meet you!

#### **YLRL Provides**

YLRL provides a monthly newsletter to their members, *YL Harmonics* which highlight news about YLs in the US and DXYLs as well as news that may be of interest to both.

YLRL provides 2 scholarships to worthy YLs to continue their educations, with preference given to those in the academic study of communications and electronics or related arts and sciences.

YLRL also offers a program of specialized service to blind YLs through the Tape Topics program. *YL Harmonics* is sent to the visually impaired members upon request. For more information, contact the Tape Topic Librarians

#### YLRL—Who Are They?

Organized in 1939, YLRL is a nonprofit organization of women Amateur Radio Licensees. With a membership of approximately 1100, it is international in scope with about 200 of those members who are DX YLs. The original founding mothers of YLRL are:

Lida, W1GQT: Marjorie, W7GXI, SK: Jean, W5HYF, SK: Enid, KH6IHW: Ethel, K4LMB, SK: Lenore, W6NAZ, SK: Jean, W9NLW: Genevieve, W6RGX, SK: Mary, W8SMM, SK: Anita, W8TAY, SK: Loretta, exW0UA, SK: Carol, W6WSV, SK: Ethel, VE2HI, SK

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#### YLRL Sponsors

YLRL sponsors and otherwise carries out programs to promote YL interest, appreciation, and understanding of radio communications and electronics. Through these programs, it encourages YLs to advance and improve their skills as Amateur Radio operators.

#### YLRL Contributes to International Goodwill

YLRL offers YLs the opportunity to host foreign YLs during their visits to the United States and to sponsor their participation in YLRL activities.

#### YL Nets

You man know about local YL nets in your area, listen in, and join up. YL nets are fun. Among the larger nationwide nets are YL Open House, Wed., 1900 UTC (1800 spring and summer) on 14.288 MHz; YL Tangle Net, Thurs., 1800 UTC on 14.298 MHz; and YL Roses Net, Mon., 1800 UTC on 28.433. Of course, these frequencies are approximate. Tune around the band and you will hear YLs chatting away. If you miss the call for your area, break in between transmissions and DON'T GIVE UP if you're not heard the first time. We Want YOU!

Nets provide the easiest way for you to meet other YLs and give you a chance to qualify for the various YL awards.

#### **Competition Awaits**

YLRL encourages Amateur Radio competition between YLs by offering certificates, trophies, etc., for demonstrated excellence in such operating competitions. All the dates and rules are published in *YL Harmonics*. Following is a list of our <u>contests</u>, giving the length of the contest and the months in which they are usually held:

- YL/OM—24 hours—February
- DX YL to N. American YL—24 hours—April
- Howdy Days—24 hours—September
- YL Anniversary Party—24 hours—October

#### **Specialized Services Offered**

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#### **Cooperation Appreciated**

Each year, more than 30 members give their time and energies to the necessary jobs of administration, publicity, editing and writing for YL Harmonics, contest log checking, certificates custodianship, acting on <u>committees</u> and as <u>District Chairmen</u> in the different areas. Since the administration of YLRL (a nonprofit organization) is by unpaid volunteers it is always appreciated when members cooperate.

Your talents are always appreciated:

- To reach prospective members, YLs introduce the hobby to friends and relatives.
- To fill an office, YLs say "Yes" when the Nominating Committee asks them to run for an office. This is a good way to become a working part of YLRL.
- Constructive criticism is always welcome when you have any such suggestions to offer, just contact the YL in charge of that area. All officers and committee chairmen are listed inside the front and back covers of YL Harmonics. Just forward your ideas to one of them. Don't be surprised when you are invited to participate in the development of your idea. Who would be better to implement an idea than the one who conceived it?
- The membership list is updated almost daily. In order to assure a place in the Directory each year, pay your dues before March 1st. Reminder notices are published in *YL Harmonics* every year.

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December's Trivia Question: When did the FCART have its first "Hamfest"?

Answer: We don't know! Please help with this answer!



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**Andy Palm N1KSN** 

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Thank you all who helped with the Awards Banquet, your contribution made this the most exciting Awards Banquet to date. Thanks for the tremendous effort by all of you in 2003, I'm looking forward to a very productive 2004. I'm also looking forward to next years Awards Banquet to be a strong rival to this year's banquet. We will be looking into relocating to another facility that is quieter and on the first floor.

I also have the pleasure of introducing to you the 200 Ham of the Year, Please give him a thumb's-up, an "attaboy" and a warm welcome. With a unanimous vote, and great pride, your 2003 Ham of the Year is:

Andy Palm N1KISN

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

