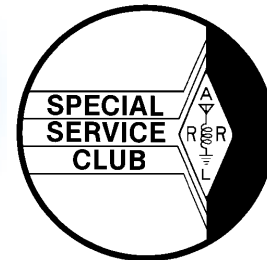




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2010 "Ham of the Year" Karen Thorne WB9ZNA

Field Day 2011

The FCARC will be hold Field Day at the South Greenville Grange, corner of Hwy 76 and CTY Rd BB. Field Day will take place on June 25th and 26th, however we will be doing some set-up on the afternoon of June 24th. Planned stations this year are HF CW, HF Voice and VHF/UHF. If you are interested in signing up to operate a shift, or have any questions about Field Day please fill out the form located at http://fcarc.us/modules/liaise/index.php?form_id=18

Club Election Results

The club elections were held at the May General Membership meeting and we would like to congratulate all of new board members.

President: Rich Kelly N9AQ

Secretary: Tim Hale KC9FSH

Membership Coordinator: Dan Vanevenhoven N9LVS

Member at Large: Mike Smith N9IAT

Member at Large: Lori L Smith KC9SCO

Member at Large: John Touzinsky K9KI

Immediately following the meeting the new board of directors met and appointed Bruce Otto W9BDO to the position of club treasurer.

FCARC Officers

- *President— Rich Kelly (N9AQ)*
- *Vice-President— Brian Long (KB9LRD)*
- *Treasurer—Bruce Otto (W9BDO)*
- *Secretary— Tim Hale (KC9FSH)*
- *Membership Co-ord—Dan Vanevenhoven (N9LVS)*
- *Technical Director—Andy Palm (N1KSN)*

Members At Large

- *Mike Smith (N9IAT)*
- *Lori Smith (KC9SCO)*
- *John Touzinsky (K9KI)*

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Dayton Report by: Tom N9UY

Tom N9UY and Jim WB9OJE traveled together to the 2011 Hamvention at Dayton. We had a good road trip there and back, working some HF mobile and listening to oldies along the way. We both got in some DX and Jim caught up with some old friends on the air.

Arriving in Dayton Thursday afternoon, we stopped at Hara Arena to buy what may have been the last advance sale tickets at 10 minutes before the ticket booth closed. We also stopped at a Dayton RTA transit center and purchased weekend bus passes. More on that later. Then on to the Day's Inn North and dinner.

On Friday, we got to the bus stop across the street from our motel early, which was a good thing as the bus got there 10 minutes ahead of schedule according to the timetable. On the other end, we were discharged right across the street from the Arena. The alternative was to drive and park off site at \$10 per car, as there is no on-site parking except for buses and vendors, so we were happy with the service. More on that later.

We decided to spend Friday at the flea market. Keep in mind that the flea market at Hamvention has over 4000 spaces. If you stop very long anywhere, you will not make it through in a day. I had not been there for 10 minutes before I bought a computer, and spent the rest of the day accumulating small items I didn't know I needed till I saw them. Jim, on the other hand, knew exactly what he wanted, and sought out and found good deals on a 2M/440 mag mount antenna and a 440 mobile radio. We did take a break around mid-day to go inside the arena and get some lunch and look around a little. We made it through about 2/3 of the flea market by the end of the day. One thing we noted was the distinct lack of crowds outside. There was a temporary river in the flea market when an underground sewer pipe evidently sprung a leak and its contents started bubbling up to the surface. This was disconcerting to vendors along the route of the "river"! After a bus ride back to the motel, we were pleased to find an actual fish fry (walleye) at the restaurant on the grounds of our motel. That was about it for the day, as we were both bushed.

Saturday morning found us waiting, along with a group of Asian gentlemen, again at the bus stop. And waiting. And waiting. After a half hour, we flagged down another bus and asked the driver what had happened to our bus. She replied that it had been around some time ago and it was not due again for some time yet. So rather than wait any longer, I said I would drive, and invited the other people at the stop to ride along with us. Well, as it happened, they were vendors at the show, and we got to use their vendor pass and park for free right in front of the Arena! P.S. We had been all been reading the bus timetable wrong.....

We split Saturday between the flea market and the show. All the major vendors had their new radios on display, but the only new product introduced at the show was the Elecraft KX3 all-mode compact transceiver, and we only heard about that third-hand later from Andy N1KSN who heard it from Scott KB0KFX who was there. The show was busy but, again, no really heavy crowds. The most impressive item at the show was a 168 foot crank-up tower from LUSO America, which goes for a cool \$53K. But hey, we heard they were dealing! It was basically most of the same people in the same places as I remembered. ARRL had a huge exhibit, with a lot of their staffers on hand. We observed a lot of poor souls taking license exams standing in a corridor with the exam on a clipboard, because there was no place for them to sit down. We also noted that Hara Arena is getting really long in the tooth; it looks like they haven't stuck a nickel into it for at least 10 years. We took in part of one forum; you could spend all day Friday and Saturday at forums and seminars if you wanted to.

So after making a last minute deal for that Kenwood SP-31 speaker I had been looking at all weekend, we bid farewell to the event Saturday and repaired to our motel to eat and pack. We were in no hurry to leave Sunday morning and took our time on the trip back (it's almost exactly 500 miles from my QTH to our motel). No problem coming or going and only a little bit of road construction. All in all, a good trip that we hope to repeat maybe in a couple of years. For a change, the weather was perfect throughout the show, with only a small shower on Saturday evening.

We should note that we saw some of our people there, including but not limited to Jack KK0I, Jim K9OQO, and Gary KB9AIT. Even though we were in the same party at the same motel, we never did hook up with Mark W9OP and Joan W9PIP.

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
General Membership Meeting
Agenda for May 16th, 2011

Board of Directors FCARC

President: Tony AB9IO; Vice-President: Brian KB9LRD; Treasurer: Frank N9LT
 Secretary: John K9KI; Membership Coordinator: Dan N9LVS; Technical Director: Andy N1KSN
 Members at Large: Rich N9AQ, Mike N9IAT, Neil KC9MLD

“Karen Thorne WB9ZNA is our 2010 “Ham of the Year””

Presiding Official: Anthony Mach, AB9IO

Call to Order and Opening Remarks: President, Anthony Mach, AB9IO

Quorum count: Vice President, Brian Long, KB9LRD

Introductions / Roll Call

Welcome to Our New and Renewed Members!

KD5NGY, KB8HMA, KC9UDR

Old Business:

- A.) MS Walk final wrap-up – ND9DW
- B.) Soleburner final wrap-up – KB9LRD
- C.) Wisconsin Parent’s Association presentation final wrap-up – AB9IO

Discussion: Old Business

New Business:

- A.) JDRF is May 21st, 2011 – Contact Judy, WJ9K at judy@kosiorek.com or 735-9565 – WJ9K
- B.) Claytonfest is June 11th, 2011 – Contact Karen, WB9ZNA at kthornezna at gmail.com or 725-7374 – WB9ZNA
- C.) Field Day is June 25th & 26th, 2011 – Contact Rich, N9AQ at kc9myl at yahoo.com or 284-8082 – N9AQ
- D.) Communityfest is July 4th, 2011 – Contact Tim, KC9FSH at kc9fsh at gmail.com or 213-4242 – KC9FSH
- E.) Final Board of Directors Nominations – AB9IO
- F.) Board of Directors Elections! – AB9IO
- G.) Any other business which may come before the membership – AB9IO

Discussion: New Business

Committee/Coordinator Reports:

Financials – N9LT

Hal Report:

Micro R1 Audio Amplifier – N1KSN

Announcements: JDRF Walk – May 21st, 2011. Claytonfest – June 11th, 2011. VE Testing – June 18th, 2011. Field Day 2011 – June 24th, (Setup) June 25th & 26th, 2011. Communityfest – July 4th, 2011.

Adjourn: (Accepting a motion to adjourn) (2nd) (V: M)

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	Specialty Area	Phone #
N1KSN- Andy	CW	720-0617
N9OEQ- Chuck	HF & VHF Digital Modes	788-5497
N9TNW—Bill	HF & Satellite	739-6827
N9LVS—Dan	FCC Personal Data Changes	205-4899



Membership Renewal Reminders

As a reminder, all memberships expire in January.

You must be a member in good standing (current paid dues) to participate in the May elections.

If you have not done so already, you can renew your membership prior to the elections at the May meeting.

See page 7 for the current membership renewal and application form.

For Sale/Wanted

For Sale:

National HRO w/ all plug-ins \$200
 National NC-57 \$125
 National NC-156-1 Navy CNA46188 \$226
 E.H. Scott HF Rec Navy -rch w/ enclosure \$150
 E.H. Scott HF Rec Navy w/ rack mount \$125
 Scott Labs 800B HiFi Rec and AMP!!! 1947 \$450
 R390A/URR ALL MECHANICAL FILTERS
 RACK \$450
 Collins 75A3 w/ mechanical filters \$400
 Collins R-388 /URR \$300
 Hallicrafters S-36-A \$500
 Hallicrafters SX-28 \$400
 Hallicrafters S-30 Late 30's model \$200
 Contact John Marker, WA8HBE
 340 Omaha Ave.
 Neenah, Wis

Wanted:

Looking for a cheap 2 meter vertical for the W9ZL APRS station.
 Thanks,
 Dave ND9DW

Have something Ham related to sell?

If so, contact the [Newsletter Team](#) via our website to arrange for its insertion in the next issue of this newsletter.

We will run it in the newsletter and on-line at www.fcarc.us

•Club Information

Meeting information & location

We meet at [UW-Fox Valley](#)
1478 Midway Road
Menasha, WI 54952.
Room 1346
Meetings start at 7:00 PM every
third Monday of the month.

VE Testing Dates

Interested in Amateur (HAM) Radio? Need to upgrade your license? The FCARC can help you with both of these.

With the exception of the November test date, all testing is done at the Red Cross Building at 1302 E. Wisconsin Ave. in Appleton. Test check in is from 8:00 am until 8:30 am. The cost is \$15.00.

Here are the tentative dates (subject to change) for 2011:

February 12th April 9th
June 18th August 13th
Nov 6th at the Ham Fest

•Upcoming Events

June 13th	Board Meeting at Goodwill in Menasha 7:00 pm
June 18th	VE Testing Red Cross Appleton
June 20th	General Membership meeting 7:00 pm
June 25th –26th	Field Day 2011
July 4th	Communityfest in Neenah Contact Tim Hale KC9FSH
July 27th-31st	EAA Airventure in Oshkosh Contact Jon Oldenburg AB9AH

If you are interested in net control, contact Eric KG8RF for the 2 meter net and Tom N9UY for the 6 meter net to sign up!

Wednesday 2 Meter Net Net Control Operator schedule

June 8	Brad W9HAN
June 15	Tom N9UY
June 22	Tony AB9IO
June 29	Eric KG8RF

Thursday 6 Meter Net

Day: **Thursday**
Time: **8:00 pm**
Frequency: **52.570 FM**

Join me in welcoming the following new members and thank the renewing members

KD5NGY, KB8HMA, KC9UDR

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Membership Application Form

Check one:

New Membership **Renewal** (for existing members)

DATE_____

NAME_____

ADDRESS_____

CITY_____ STATE_____ ZIP_____

PHONE_____ CALL SIGN_____

LICENSE CLASS_____

E-MAIL ADDRESS_____

ARRL Member Yes No

Membership dues for one year:

*Full - \$15.00 *Associate (non ham) \$15.00 *Student - \$10.00 *Retired - \$10.00

**Family – Member dues plus \$5.00 each additional family member residing at the same address

* A prerequisite to the family membership **see by-law's Article IV section1

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Mail to: **FCARC P.O. Box 2346 Appleton, WI 54912**

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