

HI VOLTAGE ARC NEWSLETTER
FOR THE
HIDDEN VALLEYS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
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NOVEMBER 10, 2006

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY NIGHT NOVEMBER 14, 2006 AT 7:30 PM IN THE ALLIANT ENERGY BUILDING LOCATED ON THE NORTH EDGE OF MINERAL POINT WI. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE.

KQ's Korner

The upcoming meeting is our annual election of officers. And with that in mind, if you are called on to serve in a leadership position, do so gracefully. We all have to take our turns. I certainly don't want lifetime officers and I don't think anybody else does either.

One of the shoes has dropped. We have been waiting for the FCC to act on a couple of things, and they have acted on the "Omnibus" proceedings. The Report and Order was adopted on Oct. 4 and released on Oct. 10, 2006. I have asked John to include a copy in the November newsletter and I will have a copy with me at the November meeting. There are several changes in the frequency allocations for all amateur bands.

With the changes in the band allocations, the Wisconsin CW nets have changed frequency. All CW nets, WNN, WSSN, WIN-E, and WIN-L will meet on 3555 until further notice. Until the Report and Order goes into effect, which will be 30 days after it is published in the Federal Register, novices and technicians will not be able to check into the novice net.

Hopefully, the other shoe will drop soon and we will know what changes will be made in the code requirements for amateur licenses.

73 & CUL

Art. N9KQ

HIDDEN VALLEYS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
October 10, 2006

The October meeting of HVARC was held in the Alliant Energy meeting room at Mineral Point. President John Kuntz called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM: Present: Henry Crapp KB9QBM; Charlie Campbell KA9BDX; Hap Daus KC9BGA; Art Evans N9KQ; Evie Evans KB9KVD; Jack Izzard KF9TN; John Kunz KB9RYI; Pam Kuntz KB9YHB; Tom Lauritis KB9SJC; John McFadden N9ZLK; Roy Shaver N9NUZ; Randy Stojan WV9T.

The secretary's report was moved and accepted (Hank/Tom). CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report. Randy reported a balance of 946.88. Move to accept. (Hap/John). CARRIED

Other reports.

Red Cross. Hank said the fire at Elmo Club was most important recent event. He told of a November disaster availability exercise which might involve opening a shelter, which would have to be staffed for at least 24 hours and have two staff assistants.

ARES. Hap reported on the statewide SET held Saturday October 7th at Southwest Health Center. With Roy taking notes, Hap communicated on Hollandale UHF, 146.655, Baraboo's 147.315, and of communicating with Nelson Kari KB9QDL the EC for Lafayette County from the Darlington Hospital on both 146.52 and Hollandale 146.655. He also accepted checkins from around the area, and had multiple contacts with Pete Sweeney our DEC and also N9UDO in Sauk County, who was running the most ambitious exercise. We had one assignment to get the available beds in Grant County, which took a bit of time, and report that. Also, three of our members Art N9KQ, Paul K9OT and Peg KB9LIE all made HF checkins to the exercise on 3985. Hap through the interoperability was a success, but we await the statewide report, intended to be available end of October. Hap also spoke of desirability of getting 501C6 status as nonprofit organization so as to facilitate acceptance of gifts.

Website. Jack spoke of having the newsletter in pdf format which looks nicer.

Repeater. Len N9QIP had visited the Hollandale repeater and it seems to be working well. The UHF was less useful to some of us in western Grant County.

Education. Randy thought we might offer some training in the spring, perhaps involving construction of antennas for younger hams (or wannabes). Roy asked about getting new literature for the entry level ham class. Suggestion was to recruit new hams from the skywarn classes.

OLD BUSINESS. There was none.

NEW BUSINESS. Hap reports that UWP has an IT employee (Ken Wiegman) who would be a good candidate for ham and is working on a presentation about the interface between computers and ham service modes. He is tentatively scheduled to give a talk to HVARC in February. Of special interest are [Winlink 2000](#), [Air Mail](#), and [Pack Link](#). Jack has finished 6 of 8 lessons on Winlink 2000 and recommended Googling WL2K for Dummies, which has a lesson plan for these modes.

Nominations. The following persons were nominated for office commencing January 2007:

President: Hap Daus Vice President: John Kuntz Treasurer: Open (Randy may go until
person is found. Secretary: Roy Shaver Directors: John K.; Charlie; Henry Crapp.
EC: Need replacement for John (Hap working on it...)

ADJOURN. Hap moves (Hank) to adjourn. CARRIED AT 8:20 PM.

/s/ Roy Shaver, Secretary

HAMFESTS/COMPUTERFESTS

<http://www.qsl.net/aa9ro/index.html> **November 2006**

January 6, 2007

WAUKESHA, WI – 34th Annual Midwinter Swapfest, sponsored by the West Allis RAC. Waukesha County Expo Center Forum, Waukesha, WI. For information contact: <http://www.warac.org>, WARAC Swapfest PO Box 1072, Milwaukee, WI 53201 or Phil, W9NAW, 414-425-3649.

March 11

STERLING, IL – Sterling Hamfest, Challand Middle School, 1700 16th Avenue, Sterling, IL. Sponsor: Sterling/Rock Falls ARC. Talk-in: 146.85 (114.8). Contact: Jack E. Stout, KR9Q, 1784 Mound Hill Road, sterling, IL 61081; phone: 815-625-6185; e-mail: jacksradio@hotmail.com; <http://www.sterlinghamfest.com>.

March 17

EAU CLAIRE, WI – 16th Annual Equipment Auction. Sponsor: Eau Claire ARC. Grace Lutheran Church, 202 West Grand Avenue, Eau Claire, WI. Talk-in: 146.91 (110.9). Contact: Jim Statz, KI9H, W5414 Progressive Road, Tony, WI 54563-9695; phone: 715-532-5903; e-mail: ki9h@arrl.net; <http://www.ecarc.org/auction07.htm>.

March 18

FORT ATKINSON, WI – Tri-County ARC presents Hamfest 2007, your spring favorite. Contact: TCARC, 213 Frederick St., Fort Atkinson, WI 53538; phone: 920-563-6381; <http://www.cmdline.com/tcarc>.

April 21, 2007

STOUGHTON, WI – Madison Area Repeater Association Swapfest, Stoughton, WI. Mandt Community Center, 400 Mandt Parkway, Stoughton, WI. Inquiries can be directed to: w9hsy@execpc.com or write to MARA, PO box 8890, Madison, WI 53708-8890, Phone: 608-245-8890. Website: <http://www.qsl.net/mara>.

July 7

SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WI – Swapfest 07, American Legion Park, 9327 S Shepard Avenue, South Milwaukee, WI. Sponsor: South Milwaukee ARC. Contact: SMARC, P O Box 102, South Milwaukee, WI 53172; phone: 414-762- 3235 (ask for Verne); e-mail: ryatex@aol.com

HVARC CLUB INFORMATION

Club dues are \$15.00 per year for individual, and \$20.00 per year for a family membership. We also recommend a \$20.00 per family yearly donation for support of the repeaters. To support your club please send your dues to Randy Stojan WV9T, 2029 Vaassen Ln, Platteville, WI 53818.

The Hidden Valleys Amateur Radio Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Alliant Energy building on the north edge of Mineral Point Wi. The meeting is at 7:30 PM and anyone with an interest in radio is welcome to attend. We meet each Sunday evening at 7:30 PM on the KC9KQ Repeater, at 146.655 mhz. with a PL tone of 123. Everyone is welcome to check in.

Please check out the club web site at: www.gsl.net/kc9kq/

A special THANK YOU to our web-master. Jack Izzard KF9TN

Should you wish to be removed, or know of someone who wants this News letter emailed to them, Please advise John at: kb9ryi@tds.net

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