

February 28, 2017



ICARC NEWSLETTER

Officers for 2017:

President - Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB
Vice President - Ernest Clark KC3FVX
Treasurer - Terry Carnahan KB3JOD
Secretary - VACANT

Additional Board Members for 2017:

1. Dave Dzelsky N3DZ
2. Craig Bigler AB3XA
3. Jerry Kiehl WB3DUD
4. Phil Kopczyk K3PJ
5. Joe Rankin KC3CDG
6. Larry Freeman N3LT

LOCAL HAPPENINGS:

Important notice: March meeting date has been moved to March 14, 2017

The IUP Monster Concert was held on Saturday, February 25, 2017 and our own Ian Bigler was a participant. He performed magnificently. Congratulations Ian! Ian's Mother, Sandy and his piano teacher, Dave Dzelsky along with the newsletter author attended and it was truly an enjoyable event. It was a very nice way to spend a Saturday afternoon.

OTHER LOCAL NEWS:

Marcia Malcolm has injured her back! Marcia, take it easy and get well soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, March 14, 2017 ICARC meets in the back room of Indiana Eat n' Park restaurant. The board meeting starts at 7:00 pm and the general meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

The General Level Amateur Radio License upgrade class starts March 1, 2017. Six consecutive Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Location: Indiana County Emergency Management, 85 Haven Dr., Indiana, PA. The exam is given at the 6th session. **There is a \$15.00 charge for administrative services. (This fee goes to ARRL not ICARC.)**

My most recent information from Doug indicates that there are currently 11 students registered. Very Good!

Breakfast at the Indiana Eat n' Park restaurant each Saturday starting at 8:30 am in the back room. Attendance has been sparse of late so we need to step that up a little bit if possible.

OTHER INFORMATION

Read about the February meeting of ICARC in the meeting minutes courtesy of Terry Carnahan, KB3JOD at the end of this document.

(If anyone would like to include information or write an article for the Newsletter please let Larry Freeman, know by email at: wd4hoz@gmail.com or wlf@auxmail.iup.edu) The only caveats are: The editor reserves the right to alter the format for publication purposes. The content may also be modified contingent upon accuracy and appropriateness of the contained material. The latter would, of course, be subject to the approval of the original author.

ICARC meeting minutes for February 7, 2017 (Courtesy of Terry Carnahan-KB3JOD)

Doug K3LAB called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Terry KB3JOD read the financial report. It was approved by the membership.

Dave W3CDH gave a review of the Monday night Net. More net control operators are needed. Dave also stated that Indiana County is in need of an A.R.E.S. Emergency Coordinator.

Repeater update;

Phil K3PJ picked up 2 instrument racks from IUP (1 large and 1 small) to be used at the repeater shack. He also got a 140ac variac for the club. Phil also mentioned that there is an IUP auction on February 16 & 17.

Old Business:

General License class; starts Wednesday March 1 and will run every Wednesday in March (5 total).

There are 6 people from the club confirmed plus 1 tentative. There is also 1 tentative from Worthington.

New Business:

Field Day; Pavilion 4 at Blue Spruce is reserved. We will also have access to the Lake Side Lodge on Friday night if we need it.

Airport Awareness Days:

- ♦ Need a small committee (Ernie KC3FVX volunteered to be in the committee)
- ♦ Ernie gave a brief summary of the last airport meeting
- ♦ It was suggested that we have someone mingle with the crowd with a 2 meter hand held to get the youth interested by working 2m simplex back to our station.

Up coming ideas for the year:

- ♦ Doug asked to have presentations at the meetings to get more member involvement
- ♦ Phil suggested we have a Technician class this fall
- ♦ Skywarn class is March 7 (5 members present have signed up for it)
- ♦ A motion was made to move the March meeting from the 7th to the 14th. It was voted on and passed
- ♦ MS Walk is coming up at the end of April
- ♦ Crucible Walk – we will need to be invited to help
- ♦ PA QSO Party – will be discussed at a later date
- ♦ JOTA – will be discussed at a later date

Doug adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Attendance Sheet:

Terry KB3JOD

John KC3FVT

Cass N3FLO

Alton N3PHL

Phil K3PJ

Walter KC3FVU

Ernie KC3FVX

Dave W3CDH

Dave KC3DTH

Fred KM3M

Bill N3QM

Jerry WB3DUD

Doug K3LAB