

September 30, 2017



## ICARC NEWSLETTER

### Officers for 2017:

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

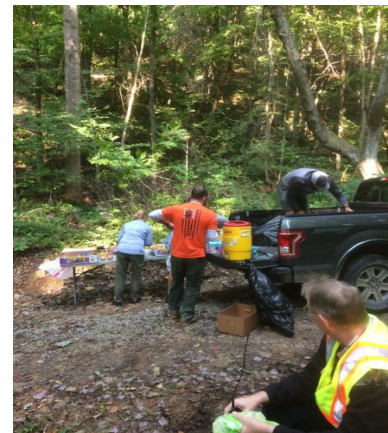
### Additional Board Members for 2017:

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:

Rodger Stivison, K3RAS, is now a silent key. February 5, 1944 - September 14, 2017 Rodger. Rodger, you are most certainly missed but you will never be forgotten.

The Crucible Walk: September 8, 9, 10. The walk went off without a hitch, at least as far as ICARC participants are concerned. The following show folks at various checkpoints: upper left at Foxtrot, upper right at Hotel, lower left at Charlie, and lower right at India. Thanks to Terry Carnahan, Fred Maize and Larry Freeman for providing and assisting in processing the photos.



Other happenings:

Dateline: 9/15/2017, ICARC Club history is made!

For the first time in ICARC history club members used a quad-copter for putting a wire antenna in trees. Thanks to Bill Wieserman for providing the copter and using his piloting skills, (learned as a helicopter pilot in the military) to precisely place all the drop lines. There were a few of us who aided in sighting and signaling for proper drop times and locations. It turned out to be a resounding success because the necessary lines are very close to power lines in the two available trees so the precision could not have been attained any other way, other than climbing the trees. Chris Edwards-N3VFK now has a nicely working G5RV antenna which can be used on all amateur bands from 80 m through 10 m. Good QSOing Chris! Thanks to all who participated: Bill Wieserman - K3ZYK, Fred Maize-KM3M, Dave Dzelsky-N3DZ, Doug Fitzsimmons and Loreda, Chris Edwards-N3VFK, and Larry Freeman-N3LT. It was much fun and very satisfying. Below is a photo of the drone on the ground courtesy of Dave Dzelsky-N3DZ.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesday, October 3, 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.

Breakfast at the Indiana Eat n' Park restaurant each Saturday starting at 8:30 am in the back room.

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

Read about the September 5, 2017 meeting of ICARC in the meeting summary 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](mailto:wd4hoz@gmail.com) ) 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.

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## Summary of September 5, 2017 ICARC Meeting

### Attendees:

Doug Fitzsimmons-K3LAB, President	Ernest Clark-KC3FVX	Walter Schroth-KC3FVU
Terry Carnahan-KB3JOD, Treasurer	Dave Steiner- W3CDH	Larry Freeman-N3LT
Jerry Kiehl-WB3DUD	Cass Fitzgerald-N3FLO	
Ian Bigler - KC3DTE	Bill Mc Millen-N3QM	
Dave Dzelsky-N3DZ	Fred Maize-KM3M	

Board Meeting: 7:00 - 7:30 pm

Call to Order: President, D. Fitzsimmons, 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: done

Role Call: done

Financial Report: Treasurer, Terry Carnahan presented it and it was approved by vote.

Monday Net Update: D. Steiner - 3 checkins. Dave suggested that we may need to discontinue the net. It's under consideration and will be discussed more.

### Old Business:

Repeater Site Visit: Doug F. suggested that once crucible event is over the club should schedule a time for work at the repeater shack. Inventory, take stock of what we have and what we would need to move to county EOC. Doug pointed out that he and Terry need to hookup with T. Stutzman pursuant to our discussion at last month's meeting concerning a possible repeater move to the EOC building.

Crucible Walk: Doug has final list of contacts from Dan Blevins. Reminded all to print the stuff out and keep with us on site. Cases of water will be available at Scorpion site. It is easier to just buy a case before going as a practical matter.

### New Business:

PA QSO Party – Oct. 14-15

Most folks are suggesting operation from home.

JOTA – Oct. 21: Touch on it again at the October meeting of ICARC. Cass has heard nothing from the scout council about it.

There is talk of doing it in the Galleria Mall suggested by Dave Hunter N3YFO

Dave Steiner: Suggested that Paul Morris write a small service and have one of the members read it at funerals as necessary just as a respectful, organized, gesture on the part of ICARC. Dave brought a rough example of what might be used. This would of course, be edited and personalized. It is given, unedited, below:

### RADIO AMATEUR REMEMBRANCE

Blessed are those who communicate. Our dear friend is now a silent key. Joining thousands of hams in heaven after a pilgrimage on earth. For our friend being on the air meant sharing time with another ham whether a few miles away or across an ocean. For our dear friend we pass along our best regards. Now the shack is empty the

soldering iron sits silent on the bench, the antenna no longer transmits a signal.

So we offer up this prayer as our final QSO of remembrance:

Dear Lord, embrace this ham who enjoyed like each of us a wonderful hobby. We thank you for his life and the many transmissions made by our friend. For the handshake and smile when we shared ow is the final "SK". His logbook is now complete. So receive him into the company of hams in heaven. May his call sign live on there. Jesus has called him home. His room there may look cluttered, but it is his new radio shack. Thank you Lord for his presence among us. May he truly rest in peace. Amen and 73

Bill McMillen asked about the possibility of classes for the future. There was some brief discussion but a more in-depth discussion will be had at the October meeting.

Chris' antenna is scheduled for Sept. 15, 2017.

Donations: \$27.00

Adjournment: 7:59 pm