

The SPARK GAP



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THE AMATEUR'S CODE

The Radio Amateur is:

- CONSIDERATE...never knowingly operates in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others;
- LOYAL...offers loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs, and the American Radio Relay League, through which Amateur Radio in the United States is represented nationally and internationally;
- PROGRESSIVE...with knowledge abreast of science, a well-built and efficient station and operation above reproach;
- FRIENDLY...slow and patient operating when requested; friendly advice and counsel to the beginner; kindly assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the hallmarks of the amateur spirit;
- BALANCED...radio is an avocation, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community; and

- PATRIOTIC...station and skill always ready for service to country and community.

--The original Amateur's Code was written by Paul M. Segal, W9EEA, in 1928.

FROM THE PAST

Years ago, "Mobile" was without any repeaters and very little 2 meters. When I keyed my T-17 carbon mike, it started the dynamotor (12 volt) and a few seconds later, we had 385 volts at about 50 mills. This would power my home made transmitter using a 2E26 tube for the output. It worked very well on 29.620 MHz fox hunts. The receiver was a Gonset Super 6 connected to the car AM receiver. The antenna was home made from RG-8U coax - a loop on a stick held out the window. Did we ever get the looks from that one.

Jim Ahneman, W9FWQ

LIST OF NETS/FREQS/TIMES

- Badger Weather Net 3.985 - 0600
- Badger Emergency Net 3.985 - Noon
- Wisconsin Side Band Net 3.985 - 1715/1730
- ARES/RACES 3.977.5 - Sun - 1800

AREA HAMFESTS

25 Mar 2006

25th Annual Midwinter Madness
Robbinsdale ARC
Buffalo Civic Center
1306 Calder Avenue
Buffalo, MN
<http://www.k0ltc.org>

22 Apr 2006

Hamfest and Computer Show
Madison Area Repeater Association
Mandt Community Center
400 Mandt Parkway
Stoughton, WI
<http://www.qsl.net/mara>

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

(Summary)

Twenty-one members (66%) were in attendance. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were presented and approved.

Old Business included a report by the Photo/Text Directory Project committee and discussion of the progress on liquidation of John W9SWL's radio equipment. New Business included the formation of a Nominations Committee (Bert W9ZZI & Fred KC9NN), who will present nominations at the February meeting.

The 2006 Tail Gate event was discussed and the date of July 8, 2006 was chosen along with the time of 8 to 11 AM. The location will be the same as last year.

Future presentations currently scheduled include: 1.) *Fox Hunting Radio* (February); 2.) *Lightning and Proper Grounding* (March); 3.) *Signal Attenuators for HT's* (April); and 4.) *Field Strength Meters* (May). Additional programs for the coming year were also discussed.

The program on *Taking Better Pictures* was presented by Ron (Skip) W9JRW.

FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

(summary)

The Secretaries and Treasures (\$1,275.43) reports were presented and approved. Nineteen members and three visitors were in attendance. Old Business included report of the Photo / Text Directory Project committee and discussion about the News Letter, Nomination



Committee, and Tail Gate planning. A exciting program on Fox Hunting was presented by Orcy Lyle, W0QT, current President of the St. Paul Amateur Radio Club.

Future programs include Signal Attenuators for HTs (April), and Field Strength meters (May). Additional programs for the coming year were also discussed.

AREA REPEATERS

Albertville (link)	442.800	110.9
Albertville	444.350	110.9
Chippewa Falls	147.375	110.9
Eau Claire	146.91	110.9
Eau Claire	147.24	110.9
Eau Claire	443.300	110.9
Holcombe	145.47	110.9
Holcombe (link)	147.345	136.5
Holcombe	444.525	110.9
Menomonie	146.61	110.9
Osseo	145.33	110.9
Osseo	444.200	110.9

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