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NEXT MEETING

The July meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2008. You are welcome to join all who want to eat, ordering off the Hallie Golf menu, at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will follow dinner at 7:00 P.M.

TRAINING

May 28th, 2008 Member and non Members of the CVARC underwent training for damage assessment put on by the State of Wisconsin.



This allows those that took the training which was free from the state to be able to go out and do damage assessment after tornados, floods and other natural disasters.

Because we have communications and a organization the Local Emergency Government Directors will be able to call upon us if needed.

Field Day June 28 -29

Traditionally the last full weekend in June is ARRL Field Day. This year the event will be on June 28 -- 29, 2008. With over 3,000 entries Field Day is the most participated on air activity in North America. For ARRL affiliated clubs Field Day is a great opportunity to puff out your chest, introduce new people to Amateur Radio and to bring club members together.

Like many other activities in Amateur Radio there are various ways to play the Field Day game. Some clubs treat Field day like an emergency preparedness drill with a few groups going to the extreme of keeping the operating location secret until the "starting whistle blows." For others Field Day is a contest, attempting to work as many stations as possible and collecting all of the ARRL and RAC sections. Many clubs make Field day a social event that includes lots of food and plenty of radio operating.

Whatever your interpretation of Field Day is, training exercise, radio sport or cookout, the most important thing is to have fun and do it safely.

Complete Field day rules can be found on the web at:
<http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2008/fd.html>

DX CORNER

TIMOR-LESTE, 4W. A group of operators will be QRV as 4W6R from June 10 to 24. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA4URE.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, 9Q. Phil, 9Q1TB is QRV from Kinshasa.

He is generally active on 20 meters between 0530 and 0630z. QSL via SM5DJZ.

CHINA, BY. Jack, WB8FSV will be QRV as WB8FSV/BA4IT from Qingdao from June 10 to 30 during his spare time. QSL to home call. In addition, look for BA4DR, BG4AJU, BG4CHO, BG4CJX, BG4CNB and BG4EIH to be QRV as homecalls/5 from Daqu Shan Island, IOTA AS-137, on June 7 and 8. Activity will be on 160 to 2 meters using SSB. QSL to home calls.

PORTUGAL, CT. Jose, CT2FFC will be QRV using special callsign CS2008FFC from June 9 to 14. QSL to home call.

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, E7. Dejan, E74DX has been active on 40 meters around 2330z. QSL via K2PF.

CANARY ISLANDS, EA8. Roland, HB9DPO will be QRV as EA8/homecall from La Palma Island, IOTA AF-004, from June 7 to 14. QSL to home call.

GUADELOUPE, FG. Several members of the RC ACRA Guadeloupe will be QRV as FG5KC/p from Petit-Terre Island, IOTA NA-012, on June 8.

This includes possible activity from Lighthouse ARLHS GUA-996.

Activity will be on all bands, and possibly VHF, using CW and SSB.

QSL via operators' instructions.

MAYOTTE, FH. Georg, DK7LX will be QRV as FH/DK7LX from June 11 to 23.

Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using mainly CW.

QSL to home call.

ISLE OF MAN, GD. Look for GD4IOM/p to be QRV from the Isle of Man, IOTA EU-116, during the RSGB National Field Day. QSL this operation via GD4IHC.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA, HL. A group of operators are QRV as 6M0W/4 from Paegya Island, IOTA AS-060, until June 8. QSL via HL5BMX.

ITALY, I. Special event stations II9LR, II1GA and II0MM are QRV until June

14 in commemoration of the 90th anniversary of the Premuda Venture.

Activity is on all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via operators' instructions.

JAPAN, JA. Operators JF6OID/6 and JK6IJE/6 will be QRV from the O and Naga Islands, IOTA AS-036, on June 7 and 8. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB. QSL to home calls.

BULGARIA, LZ. Special event station LZ17EXPO will be QRV from Kazanlak from June 7 to 30 to commemorate the 17th anniversary of the Hobby Radio Expo. QSL via LZ1YE.

SWEDEN, SM. Several members of the SK0QO club are QRV as 7S0SFJ and 8S0HRA from the ships Finngrundet and from the first Swedish offshore icebreaker S/S Sankt Erik, respectively, until June 8, and during the Museum Ships Weekend. QSL both calls via SK0QO.

TURKEY, TA. A group of operators will be QRV as TC0W from Kefken Island, IOTA AS-159, from June 7 to 11. Activity will be on 40 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. They will also look for Es openings on VHF. QSL via OK2GZ.

ICELAND, TF. Ric, DL2VFR will be QRV as TF1/TF5/TF6/homecall from June 10 to 19. In addition, he also plans to be QRV as TF5/DL2VFR from Hrisey Island, IOTA EU-168. QSL all calls to home call.

MONTSERRAT, VP2M. Graham, M0AEP will be QRV as VP2MDD from June 7 to 19.

Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters. QSL to home call.

SOUTH AFRICA, ZS. Phillip, ZS6PVT has been active on 40 meters around 2000z. QSL to home call.

UP COMING HAMFEST WIS.

July 6, 2008, 6 a.m. - South Milwaukee ARC Swapfest, American Legion Post 434, Shephard Av., Oak Creek. [Verne Teske, W9RYA](#), 414-762-3235.

August 9, 2008, 8 a.m. - [YTARC Circus City Swapfest](#), Sauk County Fairgrounds, Baraboo. [Steve Schulze, N9UDO](#), 608-356-2313.

August 23, 2008, 8 a.m. - [Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club](#) Tailgate Swapfest at the Eagle's Club in Lake Hallie. Ronald M. Anderson, W9RMA, 715-723-1729.

September 6, 2008, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. - [Ozaukee Radio Club HAM & Hobby Outdoor Swapfest](#) at Fireman's Park, W65 N796 Washington Av., Cedarburg. [Gabe Chido, WI9GC](#), 262-377-2784.

November 1, 2008 - [Milwaukee Repeater Club](#) Amateur Radio Fest, Elks Lodge (across from AES, 5555 W. Good Hope Rd., Milwaukee). [Info](#), 414-507-8939.

January 3, 2009, 8 a.m. - [West Allis Radio Amateur Club](#) Hamfest at the Waukesha County Expo Center in Waukesha. [Phil Gural, W9NAW](#), 414-425-3649.

To Be Announced - South Milwaukee ARC Auction, American Legion Post 434, Shephard Av., Oak Creek. [Verne Teske, W9RYA](#), 414-762-3235

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TwinsLAN Tailgate Swapfest	Sat Jun 7
Brainerd Area Amateur Radio Club	Sat Jul 12
Magic Repeater Group Yardsale	Sat Jul 26
Dakota Division Convention (Midwest Summer HamCon)	F,S,S Aug 8-10
Rush City Radio Rendezvous	Sat Sep 6



K9BRM

K9BRM Brian Moris just became a EXTRA and was recognized at the June meeting. Should be noted that he went through all three test in a very

short time.

EDITORS NOTE

Last month I had indicated that I was going to do a series of articles on self supported towers. Well it had come to my attention that there will be a program in a few months just

on this subject so I have decided not to do the series.

So if anyone had a idea on some type series that you like to see please contact the editor.

UP COMING TRAINING

West Central Wisconsin ARES/RACES District

Sponsors/Hosts

“WinLink 2000 Data Communications” Seminar

(Introduction/Orientation to “WinLink 2000 and data communications including getting started, needed equipment/software, how to get ‘connected’ and application for emergency communications. CD with MS PowerPoint presentation and software will be available for \$ 5.00.)

Who: All “Licensed” Amateur Radio Operators

Where: Eau Claire, WI
Chippewa Valley Technical College Auditorium Room103
820 West Clairemont Avenue

When: Saturday, June 21, 2008

Time: 9:00 a.m. starting – approximately 1:00 p.m. (depending on questions) (lunch on your own after seminar)

Instructor: Mr. James Darrow, KB9MMC
Wisconsin ARES/RACES

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 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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