

WISCONSIN SECTION NEWSLETTER

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From the Section Manager

February seems to be a fairly quiet month overall for amateur radio, but rest assured there's always a lot of work being done behind the scenes as well as local events, meetings and such. We are always eager to hear what your clubs or organizations are doing. As you have seen in the past, I will take anything from full articles to news releases, to short little blurbs. For example, **Tom Burger, KA9KJE**, reported that his group operated three radios at the Elkhorn Maker Fair on February 17th, from 9am to 4pm. They had several licensed attendees as well as other visitors who learned about ham radio, ARES/RACES, local clubs, and other information. Thank you, Tom, and all the other contributors to this newsletter.

Recently, I had a conversation with a fellow ham about artificial intelligence (AI). To me, this is

a scary topic, but I won't get into that. It seems that everything is automated these days, and the ability that people have, to do anything on their own, is fading. Of course, if it were up to me, I'd probably still have a manual transmission in my truck, so that's kind of my take on it. I do have to admit that a lot of the automation in the world can be useful, and it does add convenience, if we continue to know what to do if it is suddenly lost. That's probably what the mathematicians said when the calculator was invented. This concept of AI, however, is just the next step; the latest answer to the question of "what's next?" I wondered if AI would ever play a role in amateur radio, if it hasn't already, so for the fun of it, I decided to make it part of amateur radio



today. Using the website ChatGPT, I asked for a short summary on the benefits of ARRL to amateur radio. Much to my surprise, in about six seconds it spit out a nice summary ready to go. The result is as follows:

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) serves as a cornerstone for amateur radio enthusiasts, offering a plethora of benefits to its members. Firstly, it provides a sense of community, connecting radio operators across the nation through its extensive network of clubs, events, and online forums. Additionally, the ARRL advocates for the interests of amateur radio operators, ensuring their rights and frequencies are protected. Through its publications and educational resources, the ARRL fosters learning and skill development, empowering amateurs to explore the diverse realms of radio communication. Ultimately, the ARRL enriches the hobby of amateur radio, making it more accessible, enjoyable, and rewarding for enthusiasts of all ages and backgrounds.

There you have it. At least one contribution to amateur radio from AI! Now on to the rest of the news where there's a lot of natural intelligence and the automation is limited to the spell checker (AI isn't quite ready to write an entire newsletter).

The **Wisconsin QSO party is March 10th**. More information is available at: <u>Wisconsin QSO</u> <u>Party (warac.org)</u>

In case you missed it, here is some important news on the topic of HOAs:

U.S. Senators Roger Wicker, R-Miss., and Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn, introduced Senate legislation (S.3690) to give amateur radio operators the right to install their antennas and serve their community. The House introduced the same bill (H.R.4006) in June 2023.

Homeowner association rules prevent amateur radio operators from installing outdoor antennas on residential properties even though this communication method has proven to be essential in emergencies and natural disasters, such as hurricanes in states like Mississippi and Connecticut.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act of 2024 would require homeowner associations to accommodate the needs of amateur radio operators by limiting the scenarios in which they can ban, prevent, or require the approval of the installation or use of amateur radio antennas. Homeowner associations have often prevented installation and use through private lands restrictions, potentially hindering access to emergency communications.

Among other provisions, this legislation would:

- Prohibit homeowner association rules that would prevent or ban amateur radio antennas;
- Clarify the approval process for installing amateur radio antennas;
- Give amateur radio operators a private right of action.

For more details, please read the full article at Latest News on the ARRL website home page.

By the way....

I am still looking to fill one more section level position, **Affiliated Club Coordinator**. If you have an interest in working with clubs around the section, I would love to hear from you. The detailed position description can be found at <u>https://www.arrl.org/affiliated-club-coordinator</u> or you can contact me directly to discuss the position. Please submit a letter (email) of interest to me by February 15th to ensure consideration for the position. It will remain open until it is filled.

In other club related news:

• The awaited updates for the Club Commission Program have been posted to the ARRL website at <u>Affiliated Club Benefits (arrl.org)</u> under Club Commission Program. New forms and a description of the program are there.

- There will be another round of club grants this year. More information will be coming on this, but if your club or ARES organization has a project, you may want to consider this grant opportunity.
- If you are an ARRL affiliated club, be sure to update and renew your affiliated status. Visit <u>https://www.arrl.org/club-update</u> for further instructions.

Until next time... 73!

General Announcements and Events

The **Wisconsin ARES VHF Net** is looking to net control stations for each of the WeComm repeaters to run the monthly net. Currently the WeComm system is not linked, so the monthly net will run on each of the repeaters individually until the link is fixed. If you are interested in helping out, Contact <u>Tom Burger, Net Manager</u>.



If you're having issues renewing your **FCC Amateur Radio license**, check out this video to get directions from ARRL VEC Department Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM. You'll also hear from ARRL VEC "expert" Josh Nance on a few common issues he tends to help folks out with over the phone.

For more on how to register for FCC CORES (COmission REgistration System): <u>https://www.arrl.org/cores-uls-registration</u>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DI8nmjRJjg4

News From Around the Section

Waupaca county held a Winter Field Day last month complete with a Swapfest. Here are a few photos they shared from their event.







We could fit all the photos in, but lit looks like they had a good time. Thank you for sharing these!

Section Emergency Coordinator / ARES Report

Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, Wisconsin SEC:

This month we began using a new reporting tool for the old Form2 monthly EC and DEC reports. This form used to be a fillable PDF form and before that was a printable form that had to be scanned and sent (or mailed). The new Reporting form is an online fillable form that accumulates the data for the entire section automatically. It also allows data to be accumulated for the divisions and the ARRL as a whole. It also allows consolidation of data by state for those states which have multiple sections, which does not apply to our state. It also highlighted some areas where some additional training or guides to aid the filling of the forms may be useful. Dan Lenz, KB9IME and I are working to get those materials out to leadership to help facilitate a more uniform and consistent reporting.

The resulting data accumulation helps ARRL and our served agencies see in plain print what we as Amateur Radio Operators in ARES/RACES are doing to train, practice and respond to events within our communities. It shows our value to the people we serve.

We currently have 40 EC and 6 DEC appointments in the section with many of the ECs covering multiple counties for various reasons. For the first month of this reporting year, we had 38 of 46 appointments provide data for the reporting period (approximately 83%), which for a new system is a pretty good start. As with any new procedure there were some errors and some hiccups that had to be corrected but overall, it was an impressive first showing for our section. We would like to have all of our appointed positions reporting on a monthly basis to help bolster the reporting efforts of ARRL. I have shared the preliminary data with our WEM partners, and they were very glad to have such information to share with their peers. Following this report will be some of the details of the reports that I hope to continue to share with everyone on a regular basis. One of the details you will not find on this version of the report is the "Volunteer Value";

this is essentially the hourly "wage" value of your volunteer efforts across the state based upon the reported person-hours of service. For the month of January alone WI totaled \$88,152, which at the time of this reporting ranked us as the 6th in the nation. That is something to be proud of!

Thank you again for all you do and let's continue to strive for 100% reporting in the months to come.

[details of the January report are posted in the final pages of the newsletter]

Public Information Coordinator Report

From Myron Oestreich, KB9STB, Section Public Information Coordinator:

Happy February! It's been an adventure from the public information corner of the world. There's been a good bit of behind the scenes work with helping out with promoting ham radio events and doing logistical planning for an upcoming event at work. This month I'm going to talk about numbers, and how those numbers will play into a lot of the things we do from an outreach standpoint.

In the world of number rules and tricks, there are a few that come to mind. There's the 2x1 rule that a lot of bosses and trainers use to remind a person to listen twice as much as they speak. For Science Fiction buffs, the 42 rule means that the number 42 is the answer to life, the universe, and everything. For truck drivers, they have various numbers that dictate the hours they're able to legally work before being ordered to be out of service or have a reset period. For public safety professionals, 10 is the common multiplier to figure out the velocity weight of a propelled object when the actual weight of the object is multiplied by it.

Today, we're going to talk briefly about the 95/5 rule. Sorry central and northern Wisconsin people, we won't be talking about 95.5 WIFC radio in Wausau. That's a whole other topic. The 95/5 rule is rather simple. Quite loosely, it means that 95% of all things a Public Information Officer does during the course of their duties is related to non-emergency issues, while the other 5% is dedicated to when everything goes sideways. The vast majority of what we do is outreach initiatives that work to promote and grow amateur radio. Think media visiting Field Day, your group hosting a hamfest or a license workshop, promoting on-air events and things like that. Those events can be great fun to promote and help you think outside the box while growing your own abilities to help get the word out about what your group is doing that helps amateur radio both as a hobby and/or a service. When the other 5% of what a PIO does gets called into play, that's the opportunity to use the skills learned in the 95% of everything else to help deliver accurate information related to what's happening with techniques you've vetted and had success within prior times.

If your group needs help with getting events promoted or needs assistance with brainstorming, please don't be a stranger. With a team approach, the work of getting the word out and/or planning an event becomes that much easier and more people can be reached. We have resources available to help you between social media (facebook.com/ARRLWisconsin) and

email lists. As time progresses, the plan is to grow the presence of the section on various media platforms to help keep everyone in the know on what's happening locally.



73 until next month when I'll be donning green and saying Erin go bragh to everyone.

If you have questions or comments for Myron, please don't hesitate to reach out to him. He can be reached at <u>kb9stb@arrl.net</u>.

Section Traffic Manager Report

STM Report Wisconsin Section January 2024<u>\</u>

Who is this ---- really?

FAQ #270 What's required for identification in nets? The FCC is clear about identification of amateur stations. Part 97.119 states "Each amateur station. . . must transmit its assigned call sign on its transmitting channel at the <u>end</u> of each communication, and at least every 10 minutes during a communication, for the purpose of clearly making the source of the transmissions from the station known to those receiving the transmissions. No station may transmit unidentified communications or signals, or transmit as the station call sign, any call sign not authorized to the station."

So what does that mean for traffic handling and net operation? It means during a net, a checkin identifies when first calling in, and at the end of a "second-go" if any. When an NCS asks check-ins to say the NCS call first, that helps avoid doubling – but the FCC *requirement* is just to say yours at the end. Luckily, it doesn't mean each station must identify every ten minutes *during* the net. If an operator establishes communication with another station off frequency to pass traffic, it's the same procedure – every ten minutes and at the end of the communication.

How about the net control? Same deal. The net control station only needs to identify every ten minutes and at the end of a series of transmissions with the net. True, it may help to identify the net and net control more frequently during the net operation, but it's only "required" every ten minutes and at the "end of the communication" with the net. For example, at the end of a "second go" the net control doesn't *have to* to say both the net member's call and his own although that's a polite recognition. The "goer" already should have identified.

During ARES nets and for public service operations, sometimes tactical calls are used. They help, but they don't substitute for the FCC requirement of the assigned call sign. That's right – every ten minutes during continuous communication and at the end of each.

A call sign is like an operator's name. Although we may occasionally misspeak, a call should be said correctly, remembered, and respected. Say your call at the end. That's it.

It may be nice to begin a transmission with our call sign –but it's not necessary as it is at the end. Technically, we don't need to say the call of the other station – just identify ours. If we spend too much time repeating call signs, we limit time for other content. We don't need the Department of Redundancy Department with calls.

Finally, we certainly don't have to say "For I.D." Why else would we identify? 73 - K9LGU/STM - WI

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		-		Net C	ontrol Stat	ions						
Name Of Net, Frequency, Local							8					
Time	Net Manager	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat				
<u>Badger Weather Net (BWN)</u> 3984 KHz, 0600	K9LUK	KB9GO	K9LUK	N9NBC	W9CPY	W9IHW	AG9G	WB9WKO				
Badger Emergency Net (BEN) 3985	NX9K	WJ9L	WJ9L	W9RTP	KB9IME	N9VC	NX9K	NX9K				
KHz, 1200 ALT 7270 KHz Wisconsin Side Band Net (WSBN) 3985 or 3982.5 KHz, 1700	AG9G	NX9K KA9BAE	N9VC	KC9FXE	KB9GO	WB9WKO	AG9G	N9VC AC9F K9ILJ				
Wisconsin Slow Speed Net (WSSN)3555 KHz, Daily 1800	KB9ROB	KB9ROB	N9VC	*	*	*	AG9G	*				
Wisconsin Intrastate Net - Early (WIN-E) 3555 KHz, 1900	WB9ICH	WB9ICH	K9LGU	ксэис	N9CK	N9VC	AG9G	WB9ICH				
<u>Wisconsin Intrastate Net - Late</u> (WIN-L) 3555 KHz, 2200	W9RTP	AG9G	K9LGU	ксэис	N9VC	N9VC	W9RTP	W9RTP				
ARES/RACES Net 3967 KHz, 0800 Sunday ALT 3977.5 or 7250	WB9WKO	*			1							
WI ARES/RACES Digital Net Tuesday on WINLink 7PM Mon - 7PM Tues	KB9MMC		квэммс									
WI ARES/RACES VHF Net on WECOMM Frequencies Last Thursday of the month 7PM	<u>KA9KJE</u>					KA9KJE						

* Net Control Operator needed. Contact Net Manager for information.

Section Youth Coordinator Report

From Etienne Robitaille, K9ZN, Section Youth Coordinator:

Wisconsin QSO Party:

The Wisconsin QSO Party, hosted by the West Allis Radio Amateur Club, is being held soon in the month of March. The contest specifically is being held on March 10th, from 1:00pm CST to 7:00pm CST. It's a contest that accepts all modes except for FT8 and FT4. For more specific details, visit <u>https://www.warac.org/wqp/wiqp_rules.htm</u>

This contest is an exceptional way to get youth onto HF Contests, especially by competing locally within the state. There are two main reasons as to why:

- Wisconsin QSO Party is a laidback contest, which lowers the level of skill required to make contests so that even a new contester could both easily make contacts with other newcomers and youth, as well as have an enjoyable time making contacts with experienced operators who help guide them through the process of making a contact.
- Wisconsin QSO Party has a dedicated category for rookies; this category gives the ability for newcomers to come and compete with other newcomers, with similar experience in making contacts.

The Wisconsin QSO Party is a great local contest to compete in to improve your skills as a ham radio operator and help bring youth and newcomers into HF contesting!

Why getting active School Radio clubs are vital - And how to support them:

One of the things I found when doing research about how to get youth into ham radio was that an overwhelming number (39%) of the youth that answered a survey I sent out last year said that they were introduced to ham radio via by a school club. School clubs, whether it be elementary, middle, high, or university level, are positioned directly to get youth into ham radio; schools. Therefore, it is clear that school clubs play a crucial role in attracting and engaging young people to ham radio. Getting active school clubs are vital for several reasons, such as:

Getting ham radio to kids consistently:

One of the biggest hurdles to get over in the 21st century is actually getting ham radio into schools. Modern day schools, even in Wisconsin, have large amount of security measures that make it extremely difficult for anyone to get in and present. Realistically, a curriculum regarding Amateur Radio that can be used in schools is far in its infancy (which I am currently working on with a team of amateur radio youth separate from the ARRL, but as it stands, is several years out). With both of those options ruled out, the only other option left is School Radio Clubs. This allows for youth to just sign up for the club which can be after school or during a newfounded program by Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction called "ACP" (Academic and Career Planning). Having a school radio club allows for exposure for amateur radio to kids on a consistent weekly or even daily basis.

Gives easy access for equipment:

It is agreed upon by many that one of the largest barriers to amateur radio is the price of equipment. When the survey was conducted, the second largest category for bringing youth into Amateur radio was reducing equipment cost (which was second to supporting school and local

clubs). Even the prices of an HF industry standard (Icom-7300) is about \$1,200, and without the resources to build an antenna, that rockets even higher with the prices of antennas. School clubs give the resources to give kids access to expensive radio equipment but also the ability to make their own antennas with the resources to do so (E.G. materials, soldering iron, etc.)

Helps provide resources for getting licenses:

One of the greatest challenges besides just equipment when it comes to youth getting into ham radio is the fact the barrier of entry for getting a license. While it is 100% possible to get a license at any age (I got my technician at 10 and my extra at 12, but I personally know people who got their technician licenses younger than myself), the challenge is immense; without proper guidance or resources to study, it can be ridiculously daunting to get their license. Having a mentor from a school club, which is often a trusted teacher, can help youth study for their license which can help them get their technician or even general class license.

With that being said, I believe that school clubs are really vital. It is a very exceptional way to get kids the resources and exposure to amateur radio that can push them into the hobby, and school clubs are easy to support as well.

Help volunteer for the club:

One of the best ways you can support a local school radio club is volunteering to assist! While this would need to have a school club already created, once it is, consider asking the school principal of the school in question if you can help out. Mentorship, as established by the aforementioned survey, is a great way to boost youth in amateur radio. Teaching kids how to operate radios, finding contests for them to compete in, and helping talk to the ARRL to get scholarships (which is surprisingly easy) for more equipment is a great way to volunteer for a club.

Encourage local schools to create clubs:

Many schools do not have an amateur radio club. If you have grandkids or kids in school, encourage them to ask about creating an amateur radio club. Many teachers are happy to support this type of club, and it looks great on college resumes. Also, the ARRL offers plenty of scholarships, where creating a club would be a huge impact on attaining those scholarships.

Donate old equipment:

If you have old equipment lying around collecting dust, consider donating it to a local school club! While the option of applying for funds from the ARRL exist, things such as tuners, antennas, radios, or even minor things such as coax can be extremely expensive for a school club and donating even a small amount of equipment can greatly help out a local school club.

In conclusion, school clubs are a powerful and effective way to introduce and engage youth in ham radio. They offer many benefits for both the students and the ham radio community, such as providing consistent exposure, easy access to equipment, resources for getting licenses, and opportunities for volunteering. By supporting the creation and maintenance of school clubs, we can help to ensure the future of ham radio and inspire the next generation of ham radio enthusiasts.

Contact Me:

Please email me at <u>et.k9zn@icloud.com</u> if you have any questions or issues about my Section Youth Coordinator work. Response times can range from an hour to a day.

Member Contributions



In Memoriam

We have been made aware of the following members who have become silent keys since the last publication.

- John Enigl, K9HJL view obituary
- William "Bill" Spellman view obituary
- David Barrow III, N9UNR <u>view obituary</u>
- Frank Sepic, W9GKS view obituary

On behalf of the Wisconsin Section, our condolences go out to the family and friends of our fellow hams who have passed. May they all rest in peace.

If you become aware of a silent key, from our section, please contact the <u>Section Manager</u> or Assistant Section Manager, <u>Tom Czaja, KG9EE</u> with the details.

Upcoming Fests and Conventions

March 2, 2024 – Spring Fever Swapfest Location: Onalaska, WI

Sponsor: Mississippi Valley Amateur Radio Association Website: <u>https://mvara.net/</u>

March 17, 2024 – Tri-County WI Hamfest 2024

Location: Jefferson, WI Sponsor: Tri-County Radio Amateur Club Website: <u>http://www.w9mqb.org</u>

April 13, 2024 – Madison Hamfest

Location: Stoughton, WI Sponsor: Madison Area Repeater Association Website: <u>https://w9hsy.org</u>

April 27, 2024 – ORC 44th Annual Spring Indoor Swapfest

Location: Cedarburg, WI Sponsor: Ozaukee Radio Club, Inc. Website: <u>https://www.ozaukeeradioclub.org</u>

May 4, 2024 – ARAC Hamfest

Location: Superior, WI Sponsor: Arrowhead Radio Amateur Club Website: <u>https://www.thearac.org/</u>

June 1, 2024 – Green Bay Mike and Key Club Hamfest

Location: Green Bay, WI Sponsor: Green Bay Mike & Key Club Website: <u>www.k9eam.org</u>

August 10, 2024 – CVARC 2024 Hamfest

Location: Chippewa Falls, WI Sponsor: Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>https://w9cva.org/hamfest</u>

August 24, 2024 – Circus City Swapfest

Location: Baraboo, WI Sponsor: Yello Thunder Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>http://yellowthunder.org</u>

September 7, 2024 – ORC Annual Regional Fall Swapfest

Location: Cedarburg, WI Sponsor: Ozaukee Radio Club Website: <u>http://www.OzaukeeRadioClub.org</u>

September 20-21, 2024 – HRO Superfest

Location: Milwaukee, WI Sponsor: Ham Radio Outlet Website: Not Provided

November 2, 2024 – ARES Conference / State Convention

Location: Wisconsin Rapids, WI Sponsor: Numerous Website: <u>https://wi-arrl.org/events/</u> *** See these items and additional Section information on the ARRL WI Section website. ***

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WISCONSIN SECTION MONTHLY NET ACTIVITY JAN 2024

NET	QNI	QTC	QTR	SSNS	NM
	CHECK-INS	TRAFFIC	TIME	SESSIONS	
BWN	1247	1815	3215	31	K9LUK
BEN	369	311	514	31	NX9K
WSBN	562	256	791	31	AG9G
WSSN	186	64	404	31	KB9ROB
WIN/E	151	338	315	31	WB9ICH
WIN/L	197	89	281	31	W9RTP
WI ARES/RACES HF	76	12	139	4	WB9WKO
WI ARES/RACES VHF	31	0	41	1	KA9KJE
WI ARES/RACES DIGITAL	206	1486	5760	4	KB9MMC
totals	3025	4371	11460	195	

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STATIO	DN AC	TIVITY	SUMN	IARY .	Janua	ary 2024						
STATION	ORIG	RCVD	SENT	DLVD	ATT	TOTAL						
NX9K	703	161	1316	0	0	2180 - BPL						
N9CK	0	443	436	0	0	879 - BPL						
WB9WKO	0	491	355	3	0	849 - BPL						
N9VC	0	643	41	2	0	686 - BPL						
AG9G	0	277	204	0	0	481						
KB9GO	0	277	122	1	0	400						
KC9UC	0	119	144	1	0	264						
WJ9L	0	80	86	2	0	168						
K9LGU	0	47	73	0	0	120						
KC9FXE	0	9	45	7	1	67						
KB9ROB	0	48	10	8	0	66						
KB9IME	0	18	14	13	7	52						
KA9BAE	0	22	20	1	0	43						
K9STN	0	8	31	0	0	39						
W9RTP	0	23	5	0	0	28						
WB9ICH	0	22	2	0	0	24						
W9RNA	0	14	2	2	3	21						
KA9KJE	2	5	2	0	0	9						
KK9D	0	3	1	3	0	7						

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POSSIBLE	40	40	30	5 /hr.	5 /hr.	10ea	
POINTS ->	nets	tfc	appt	sked	emrg	bbs/	
				events	events	web pg	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Т
N9VC	40	40	30	315	0	20	445
KB9IME	40	40	30	15	30	0	155
KC9FXE	40	40	20	40	0	10	150
AG9G	40	40	30	25	0	0	135
K9LGU	40	40	30	5	0	0	115
WB9WKO	40	40	30	5	0	0	115
NX9K	40	40	20	0	0	0	100
KB9GO	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
KC9UC	40	40	10	0	0	0	90

ARES Form 4 Raw Data

Report: Form 4 Division: Central Section: Wisconsin Month/Year: January 2024 History: Reported by Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, SEC on 2024-02-18 03:15:38 UTC Total number of ARES members: 409 Difference in ARES members from previous month: N/D Number of DECs/ECs reporting this month: 38 Total number of DECs/ECs appointed in section: 46 Number of ARES net sessions held: 145 Number of ARES net sessions held with NTS liaison: 33 Number of participants in nets: 745 Number Person-Hrs Exercises this month: 31 393.90 Training events this month: 47 595.80 Public service events this month: 1.231.00 10 Community service events this month: 3 14.50 Emergency events this month: 0 0.00 SKYWARN events this month: 10 42.80 Meetings this month: 45 352.10 Unclassified events this month: 142.00 20 Call signs of DECs/ECs reporting: AA9WP, AB9CQ, AC9F, AC9X, AG9G, K9HAH, K9ILJ, K9LRD, K9XB, KA9KJE, KB9CBL, KB9IME, KB9MMT, KB9TYC, KC9NVV, KC9UNZ, KC9YLK, KD9BDL, KD9OSV, KD9PCD, KG9MK, W9AH, W9BBF, W9GRB, W9QJQ, WB9ADB, WT9Q, WX9KVH, KC9SDK, KC9SDK, N9TUU, N9ZWZ Activity Details: DEC EC KB9IME------I have attended several county meetings. We also had a blizzard. DUNN/PIERCE COUNTY------Had our monthly net on (1/4) and the following week meeting was a pot luck and Christmas party(1/11). EAU CLAIRE COUNTY------Net Control Operator for January was called away for an EMS First Responder Call just prior to theNET time. Will have a back up operator scheduled to prevent this in the future. EAU CLAIRE COUNTY------

Net Control Operator for January was called away for an EMS First Responder Call just prior to

theNET time. Will have a back up operator scheduled to prevent this in the future. EC BR-KW W9GRB------5 training nets, participants in 4 Winlink nets and statewide VHF net EC CA WX9KVH------Winter Field Day - 7 Participants for a total of 35 hours(Line 10). Monthly Meeting - 8 Participants for a total of 16 hours(Line 15). EC DEC KB9IME------Winter field day and a blizzard kept us busy. EC DO WB9ADB------Weekly Nets EC DR K9HAH------Local area VHF Net EC WI AC9X------4 Weekly nets, 1 Weather net with three checkins and about 1 hour total of prep time. Two hours of NWS chat prep/monitor time. Winter field day with three participants for three, three, and twohours. Monthly training with seven people for two hours, plus one hour prep. EC WP AC9F------None FD 039-----NO WECOMM for Nets MT-----Five weekly voice nets held this month, in addition to weekly Winlink net. NC LI W9QJQ------NONE NE DEC KC9YLK------DEC checking into area nets NE ON-VI KB9CBL------Winter Field Day NE PC KC9YLK------WINTER FIELD DAY. NEW REPEATER PUT ONLINE NE WO------Winter Field Dav NW AL-BA KD9OSV------Wednesday evening NETS & 2 planning meetings. NW BN KB9TYC-----4 nets happened. NW DEC KC9NVV------No activities this month PRICE-----none SB 117-----Had nets, Did ICS-213 discussed up coming activities for the year. SE JE KD9BDL-----weekly net SE MC-WK KC9GMW------Winter field day at Ottawa Lake Campsite # 396 SE OZ AA9WP------

Several members participated in Winter Field Day activities in Port Washington, WI. SE RA-KE KA9KJE------3 ea Simplex Nets 1st,2nd,4th,5th Wednesday 7:30pm 1 ea Lake Shore Repeater 3rd Wednesday 7:30pm 1 ea RKARES Club 1st Thursday Meeting In Person/Zoom Winter Field day with W9WK (Milwaukee / Waukesha Club) SE WA WT9Q------4 ea Net with 7 participants each. 1 ea Net was a weather practice net. SE WW K9ILJ------12 ea Participants per Net on average. SW DA-IO KC9UNZ------Announcements, Local Traffic and Events SW JU K9LRD------Just a couple of nets SW SA KD9PCD------Nets only this month. WALWORTH CO-----Makers fare in Febuary WASHINGTON COUNTY-----Total attendees for 4 different nets at 15 minutes each. Plus 6 attendees for .5 hour Zoom training.Mostly SulCom Severe Weather related training. WAUSHARA COUNTY WISCONSIN, EAST------Amateur Radio Testing Session - 10 participants, 4 - VEs from Mississippi Valley ARC and 4 -VEsfrom Fox Cities ARC, and two support people. Winter Field Day - Swapfest -- Tri-County ARES (Waushara, Waupaca, and Winnebago Counties) WINNEBAGO------4 Weekly nets, 1 Weather net with three checkins and about 1 hour total of prep time. Two hours of NWS chat prep/monitor time. Winter field day with three participants for three, three, and two hours. Monthly training with seven people for two hours, plus one hour prep. SW DEC N9TUU------DEC report SW VE N9ZWZ-----no nets this month Administrative and Other Comments: DEC EC KB9IME------Winter field day and a blizzard kept the EC district bysy. EAU CLAIRE COUNTY------Unclassified, Working with local group COBRA to assist with communications for 2024 Events.Snowshoe Nationals, 3 bicycle races/rides. EAU CLAIRE COUNTY------Unclassified, Working with local group COBRA to assist with communications for 2024 Events.Snowshoe Nationals, 3 bicycle races/rides. EC BR-KW W9GRB------1 Participant in Tulsa Co OK WFD SET, Unclass is EC/AEC Planning and admin time EC DEC KB9IME------

Great winter field day activity! EC DR K9HAH------County LEPC mtg, County Communications Advisory Tech mtg (CATS), County WebEOC Trng by WEM EC WP AC9F------ARES County VHF Net, Tech Net and ARRL Winter Field Day FD 039----sent emails to all ARES members stating to monitor WECOMM for ARES Nets MT-----Winter Field Dav NE DEC KC9YLK------Working on building groups in counties presently not represented NE PC KC9YLK------WINTER FIELD DAY, NEW 146.985 REPEATER ONLINE AND TESTING NE WO-----Administrative 1hr NW AL-BA KD9OSV------No comments. SB 117-----ARES Members participated in WFD SE MC-WK KC9GMW------None SE RA-KE KA9KJE------None SE WA WT9Q------None SE WW K9ILJ------None SW DA-IO KC9UNZ------Public Service includes Hospital Radio testing and Wisconsin Emergency Management Support; Meetings Include ARES Presentation to SCWIHERC and Interhospital Emergency Preparedness and Monthly County ARES In-Person Meeting; Unclassified Events Include preparation of mailing to IowaCounty Hams to determine interest in ARES Service WAUSHARA COUNTY WISCONSIN, EAST------Working with the Waushara County Emergency Manager to coordinate and build a working relationship. Drafted an M.O.U. and socialized it with EM and the Waushara County Sheriff's office. SEC-----Adjustments were made to EC DEC incorrectly filed report. he filed a corrected report with the appropriate totals for DEC activity which is included.

7 of the reporting ECs have 2 county jurisdictions.

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Jurisdiction	4.Mem	5.Net	6.NTS	7.Part	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs	Num	Hrs
DEC EC KB9IME	1	0	4	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	8.0	1	9.0	0	0.0	1	4.0	4	6.0	0	0.0
Dunn/Pierce County	15	1	2	11	0	0.0	2	5.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	29.3	0	0.0
Eau Claire County	15	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	30.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	6.0	1	15.0	1	6.0
Eau Claire County	15	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	30.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	6.0	1	15.0	1	6.0
EC BR-KW W9GRB	17	10	1	14	1	6.0	5	17.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	15.0	4	15.0
EC CA WX9KVH	10	4	0	28	0	0.0	1	35.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	16.0	0	0.0
EC DEC KB9IME	130	42	6	130	31	282.7	31	282.7	0	0.0	6	707.0	0	0.0	4	22.0	10	115.0	0	0.0
EC DO WB9ADB	7	5	0	49	0	0.0	5	32.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
EC DR K9HAH	5	1	0	3	0	0.0	2	4.0	2	4.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	6.0	0	0.0	1	2.0
EC WI AC9X	13	5	0	25	4	7.0	1	8.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.0	1	15.0	0	0.0
C WP AC9F	28	4	4	55	4	29.4	1	170.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	24.0	4	16.0
D 039	8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1T	14	10	0	47	0	0.0	6	27.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	5.0	1	40.0
IC LI MƏĞIĞ	3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
IE DEC KC9YLK	1	8	0	8	1	23.0	1	6.0	0	0.0	1	3.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	10.0	1	9.0
E ON-VI KB9CBL	11	4	4	55	1	10.0	4	28.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	28.0	0	0.0
E PC KC9YLK	12	8	0	42	2	96.0	2	102.0	1	682.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	36.0	1	35.0
E WO	10	10	0	32	0	0.0	1	5.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	5.0	0	0.0
W AL-BA KD9OSV	1	4	0	9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	3.0	0	0.0
W BN KB9TYC	6	4	0	8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
W DEC KC9NVV	1	4	3	3	0	0.0	1	4.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
rice	1	1	1	3	0	0.0	3	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
B 117	8	2	0	6	1	63.0	1	63.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
SE JE KD9BDL	18	5	5	34	5	11.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
E MC-WK KC9GMW	48	5	5	33	1	120.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	8.0	0	0.0
E OZ AA9WP	13	3	0	15	0	0.0	1	5.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	8.0	0	0.0
E RA-KE KA9KJE	15	5	1	27	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	9.0	0	0.0
E Wa WT9Q	15	5	0	35	4	9.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.3	1	2.0	0	0.0
E ww K9ILJ	11	5	0	48	1	5.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	1.5	1	5.0	0	0.0
W DA-IO KC9UNZ	22	4	0	33	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	19.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	35.3	1	5.0
W DEC N9TUU	1	0	0	1	1	3.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
W JU K9LRD	8	2	0	5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	0	0.0
W SA KD9PCD	10	4	0	25	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
W VE N9ZWZ	5	0	0	0	1	3.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
/alworth Co	11	5	0	32	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	6.0	0	0.0
ASHINGTON COUNTY	15	5	0	33	0	0.0	4	9.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.0	0	0.0
/aushara County Wisconsin, East		5	1	0	0	0.0	1	3.0	2	515.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	12.0	0	0.0	4	6.0
Vinnebago	- 13	5	0	25	4	7.0	1	8.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.0	1	15.0	0	0.0
Adjustments	-130	-42	-6	-130	-31	-282.7	-31	-282.7	0	0	-6	-707	0	0	-4	-22	-10	-115	0	0
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Section Totals	409	145	33	745	31	393.9	47	595.8	10	1231.0	3	14.5	0	0.0	10	42.8	45	352.1	20	142.0

*Activities not included in area subtotals or corrections to overall totals. Entries may be positive or negative.