



WISCONSIN SECTION NEWSLETTER

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ARRL Wisconsin Section Manager: Jason Spetz, KC9FXE

From the Section Manager

Help Pass the Bill!

Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act

Whether you are an ARRL member or not, every amateur radio operator should participate in this grassroots campaign to protect amateur radio rights, specifically to eliminate HOA prohibitions, in this case.

They've made it simple – For licensed amateurs, scan the QR code below, or visit the associated website, enter your call sign, confirm your information, and submit! This will generate a letter to your US Senators and your Congressional Representative on your behalf. Our lobbyists will hand deliver these letters at the appropriate time. It literally takes 30 seconds of your time.



<https://send-a-letter.org/hoa/>

**** NOTE:** This is for individuals only. Clubs and ARES organizations should submit the club letter with the template provided **

For more detailed information on this, visit:

<https://www.arrl.org/current-legislation>

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Simulated
Emergency Test**

October 4

**Central Wisconsin
Swapfest**

October 4

ARES Conference

October 11

More details inside!

A specific notice for clubs and ARES organizations is posted on the last pages of this newsletter.



In other news, I had the pleasure of attending the Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club's hamfest yesterday. They always seem to pull off a nice event with a good turnout. As an interesting sidenote, ARRL student membership applications outnumbered the standard memberships at the event. It was nice to see involvement and enthusiasm of our younger population of hams. One of them even walked away with the grand prize, a \$200 DX Engineering gift certificate!

Great job, CVARC!

Finally, an announcement from the ARES side of things. **Kyle Van Hoogen, WX9KVH**, has been appointed as the District Emergency Coordinator for the East Central District. Thank you, Kyle, for stepping up!

That's it from me. Until next time, 73!

General Announcements, Event, and Reminders

Wisconsin Section Field Services Position Openings

The following positions are still waiting to be filled:

- District Emergency Coordinator – West Central District
- Net Control Station – Badger Emergency Net & Wisconsin Sideband Net
- Emergency Coordinator – Several

Contact the Section Manager for further information.



New Club Resources

There is a new version of the [Active Club Primer](#) posted on the ARRL website. This document offers a lot of good guidance for club success and is worth a look.

There is also a new [Convention and Hamfest Primer](#) that has been published.

Both are excellent and up to date resources for clubs!



ARRL announces a sweepstakes for those who [Join or Renew](#) their ARRL Membership in 2025. Click on the graphic for details.



New Ham? No problem!

If you are a new ham or know a new ham, the ARRL has a web page full of resources to help a new ham get started. The ARRL is also offering an Operating Manual to new members to help them get started.

Visit the new ham resources page at: <https://www.arrl.org/new-ham-resources>



If you're having issues renewing your **FCC Amateur Radio license**, check out these helpful resources:

- Easy to follow website with instructions and screenshots by W0IS: <https://w0is.com/LicenseRenewal/FCCRenewalInstructions.htm>
- ARRL Website: <https://www.arrl.org/cores-uls-registration>

- Video featuring 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: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DI8nmjRJg4>

News From Around the Section

Milwaukee's Historic Flooding Triggers ARES Activation

Volunteers from Amateur Radio Emergency Service Assist in Widespread Damage Assessment

By **Brian Jansen**

Emergency Coordinator, Milwaukee & Waukesha Co. ARES

Milwaukee, WI — On August 9, 2025, catastrophic flooding swept through Southeastern Wisconsin, inundating neighborhoods, damaging thousands of homes, and causing tens of millions of dollars in damage. In the immediate aftermath, Milwaukee County Emergency Management called on trained volunteers to assist with door-to-door damage assessments—an urgent need that prompted a response from the region's Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) members.

Though the request was not related to emergency communications, ARES volunteers answered the call without hesitation.

“Even though this wasn’t a communications-based task, ARES members from Southern Wisconsin responded quickly and effectively,” said **Tom Czaja**, Leader of the Southeast Wisconsin Incident Management Team (IMT). “They helped assess damage to over 2,000 homes. I’m incredibly proud of their professionalism, dedication, and community commitment.”

Fast-Moving Call for Help

The request for ARES support came early on Monday morning, just days after the flooding. The Wisconsin IMT needed volunteers for all-day shifts on both Tuesday and Wednesday. With only a 90-minute deadline to submit a roster of available personnel for day 1, the clock was ticking.

By 11:30 a.m., Milwaukee County Emergency Management had officially authorized the activation of ARES.

Working quickly, I contacted our Assistant Emergency Coordinator, **Paul Gruetner WB9ODQ**, to begin calling volunteers. Simultaneously, we posted activation notices on our Facebook page and Signal messaging app. Mutual aid requests were sent out to neighboring counties, and within hours, the response began to take shape.



Rallying the Team

Recruiting proved to be a challenge—many ARES members were dealing with health

limitations, job obligations, or flood damage of their own. Ultimately, we secured two Milwaukee ARES operators for Tuesday and two more from Dane and Iowa counties through mutual aid. Additional volunteers came forward from Walworth, Racine, and Kenosha counties. ARES operators that volunteered include: WB9ODQ, KB9OIV, N9TWA, N9UNZ, KD9WSD, N9KCE, W9MRL, K9ILJ, KA9KJE, W9TDP, and KC9GMW.

Word of the mutual aid request spread fast—ARES teams from as far away as **Southern Illinois** and **California** offered support and equipment if needed.

Organized and Operational

Once the volunteer list was confirmed, the next task was ensuring clear communication and coordination. Volunteers were given their assignments, check-in times (6:45 a.m.), and the location of the command post. ID badges and team assignments were prepared by the Planning Section of the Wisconsin Incident Management Team.

On the ground, ARES operators were embedded with multi-agency task force teams that included firefighters, health officials, and building inspectors. Teams were dispatched to the hardest-hit neighborhoods, where they conducted door-to-door assessments using mobile apps like Survey123.

ARES volunteers used both amateur radio systems and Milwaukee's OASIS 800 MHz system for communication during the operation.

A Proud Moment of Service

Though I couldn't be out in the field with the teams, I met with volunteers both mornings at the command post to introduce them to their teams and make sure they had everything they needed. The professionalism of the ARES members stood out, and feedback from other agencies was overwhelmingly positive.

One task force, which included a retired fire chief, specifically praised the ARES members for their teamwork and efficiency.

Lessons and Looking Ahead

This deployment was more than a response—it was a learning opportunity. It reinforced the value of mutual aid, highlighted the importance of readiness, and exposed areas for internal improvement. One immediate takeaway was the need to clean up our membership roster to better reflect active participants. In response, our **September ARES meeting** focused on updating contact information and taking new ID photos.

The August 2025 flooding was a stark reminder that emergency preparedness isn't just about radios—it's about people, coordination, and community.

We're proud of the role we played—and we'll be even more ready next time.

Brian Jansen, KC9GMW

Emergency Coordinator

Milwaukee & Waukesha Co. ARES



Member Contributions

Ozaukee County Amateur Radio Club Swapfest

September 6, 2025

Tom Czaja, KG9EE, Wisconsin ARRL Assistant Section Manager



Tom, KG9EE, checking QSL cards for Steve, AC9A.



ORC Swapfest Vendor Row



Richard, N6NKO, (Left) and Tom, KG9EE, (Right)
Staffing the ARRL table

Although it was a cold start, September 6, 2025 turned out to be a beautiful fall day for the Ozaukee County Amateur Radio Club Swapfest. The Swapfest was held at the Cedarburg Firemen's Park. There were over 60 vendors and over 150 participants. The ORC is an ARRL Special Services Club and a Hiram Percy Maxim Club. The ARRL wishes to thank the ORC for their continued support. Tom, KG9EE, and Richard, N6NKO, staffed the ARRL table and it was a pleasure speaking with everyone who stopped at the table. Tom is also an ARRL Awards Manager and checked QSL cards (Yes – paper QSL cards are still used 😊) for two ARRL members. Overall, it was a great day with great bargains. Kudos to the ORC for another successful swapfest!

Public Information Coordinator Report

From Myron Oestreich, KB9STB, Section Public Information Coordinator:

Happy September! We've officially made it over the hills and ridges of summer, and it's become time to sit down with our favorite comfort food, hot beverage, bowling night, the Packer game on Sunday afternoon and what's left of the Brewers regular season and playoff run....and of course your favorite radio to operate your favorite mode(s) on.

As we get into the fall, there are some hamfests coming up that are worth taking note of. There are hamfests October 4 in Colby and October 19 in Lancaster. Both hamfests are really great opportunities to browse and chit-chat with fellow hams. Both sponsoring groups are top notch and work hard to make sure their fests are the best they can be.

The *third full weekend of October* (in this case October 18 weekend) is the annual Jamboree on the Air/Jamboree on the Internet (JOTA/JOTI) with scouts worldwide. This event is a tremendous learning experience for scouts and hams alike. The scouts can get firsthand experience with ham radio and work toward their radio merit badge if they so choose, and the hams get valuable Elmer time with youth to help them potentially become interested in getting their very own licenses. Many amateur radio operators and clubs participate in this event, and for that we thank you. During the week leading up to JOTA/JOTI, there will be a discussion thread started on the ARRL – Wisconsin Section Facebook page about the event. If you or your local group is participating in this year's event, please share where you may be on the air so we can look for you.

The other event that's coming up is the 27th annual Wisconsin ARES/RACES conference. There have been some logistical issues behind the scenes that have prevented us from going online with conference registration as soon as we hoped to, and for that we humbly apologize - but rest assured that the conference is absolutely happening, and we're hoping to have registration live by the time you're reading this. We have multiple confirmed speakers, have confirmed Savory for dinner after the conference on Saturday night (call them at 715-712-1330 to reserve your seat and order ahead of time – menu is at savorysteakhouse.com), have a room block at Hotel Mead in Wisconsin Rapids (their number is 715-423-1500 - if you reserve a room, please mention the Wisconsin ARES/RACES reservation block), and are still working on some door prizes and raffle items. A new addition this year, will be raffles at the conference, where the proceeds will go to aid WeComm in their mission to maintain and update repeater systems. Will there be a 50/50 raffle? Probably. Will there be other raffles also? Most likely. The box lunches will be available this year at the same rate as years past (\$15/each), and Kwik Trip has stepped up to donate Karuba Gold and donuts for the morning sign-up time. This year, we will again be recording the audio of the presentations to upload in podcast format. The podcasts will be available for anyone to listen to the presentations again or weren't able to attend the conference. The (tentative) conference agenda will be in this month's newsletter as well. As always, if you would be interested in helping with the planning of the conference, please contact KC9SDK, KD9GIY, KA9KJE, KC9YLK or me and we will get you the in the loop on planning meetings and all things conference.

The link for registration is: <https://wisconsinairesraces.regfox.com/wisconsin-ares-races-conference-2025> . We sincerely hope to see many of you in Rapids on October 11.

That's about all the news that's fit to print from the center of the state. Have a safe, enjoyable and rf rich fall!

Section ARES/RACES Report

From Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, Section Emergency Coordinator:



2025 Wisconsin ARES/RACES Conference

Tentative Schedule

9:00 AM to 9:30 AM – Registration Opens

9:30 AM to 9:45 AM – Welcome, Introductions: Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, SEC

9:45 AM to 10:45 AM – State of the Section: Jason Spetz, KC9FXE, SM WI; Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, SEC and Brent Walls, N9BA, Central Division Director

10:45 AM to 11:00 AM – Networking Break

11:00 AM to 11:15 AM – EC of the Year Award and Don Michalski Leadership Award

11:15 AM to 12:00 PM – Milwaukee Flood ARES/RACES Response After Action Review: Brian Jansen, KC9GMW, Milwaukee/Waukesha County ARES/RACES Emergency Coordinator

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM – Lunch. Door prize winners will be displayed on screen during lunchtime.

1:00 PM to 1:30 PM – ICS Planning and Forms Roundtable: Larry Dudzinski, K9LRD, State of Wisconsin

1:30 PM to 2:30 PM – Winlink Basics — Configuration to Operation: Joe Walesewicz, KD9USW, WI ARES/RACES Winlink Net Manager

2:30 PM to 2:45 PM – Network Break

2:45 PM to 4:15 PM – Weather Basics: Bob Wonderling, WB9WX, Consulting Meteorologist

TBD - Networking break during Weather presentation

4:15 PM – 4:30 PM – Closing remarks and final door/raffle prizes

Section Traffic Manager Report

STM Report Wisconsin Section August 2025

Try it; you'll like it.

FAQ # 289 How do we keep our interest? Change. We handle messages in diverse modes – since they can all do the job. If you're practiced and comfortable on voice, now might be the time to try your hand at CW or some other digital mode. Traffic handling protocol varies a bit but learning the QN signals and characters for a double dash or a new line in a message can be satisfying. Knowing where and how to send a radiogram via WINLink, packet, or any of the many digital modes is another weapon against adverse conditions, another tool of your traffic trade.

If you haven't listened to the Badger Weather Net or tuned in to a session of the Wisconsin Slow Speed Net, check 'em out. Sure, voice communication and informal conversations are fun, and they work well at times, but perhaps it's time to broaden your horizons, try a new traffic trick or two. Try it; you'll like it. And keep the change.

What *doesn't* change is what we are training ourselves to do --- accurately, I say again, **accurately** – pass messages. There is no excuse for accepting a message when you haven't copied it correctly. If there is any question at all about any part of the message – preamble, addressee, text, signature, op note, etc. – the receiver must ask for clarification or confirmation. Is it what you heard or what you think you heard? There is no shame in asking for a repeat. It's the sign of a good operator. Since the service we offer is exact transfer of messages, not having them exact on reception is defeating the purpose. Notice the handling instructions. Please pay close attention and question anything you suspect may be unclear or in error.

We pride ourselves in precision. If it's worth doing – it's worth doing well. 73 –
K9LGU/STM

*Still searching for a Saturday BEN Net Control.
Your STM would be willing to job share with
any two or more volunteers.
Contact NX9K if you can help.*

...and don't forget about our nets:

WISCONSIN TRAFFIC NETS

Updated 9/7/2025

Name Of Net, Frequency, Local Time	Net Manager	Net Control Stations						
		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Badger Weather Net (BWN) 3984 KHz, 0600	K9LUK	KB9GO	K9LUK	N9NBC	W9CPY	W9IHW	AG9G	WB9WKO
Badger Emergency Net (BEN) 3985 KHz, 1200 ALT 7270 KHz	NX9K	WJ9L	WJ9L	W9RTP	N9VC	K9STN	NX9K	*
Wisconsin Side Band Net (WSBN) 3985 or 3982.5 KHz, 1700	AG9G	NX9K KA9BAE	N9VC	KC9FXE	KB9GO	WB9WKO	AG9G	AC9F
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	KC9UC	N9CK	N9VC	AG9G	WB9ICH
Wisconsin Intrastate Net - Late (WIN-L) 3555 KHz, 2200	W9RTP	AG9G	K9LGU	KC9UC	N9VC	N9VC	W9RTP	W9RTP
ARES/RACES Net 3967 KHz, 0800 Sunday ALT 3977.5 or 7250	WB9WKO	*						
WI ARES/RACES Digital Net Tuesday on WINLink 7PM Mon - 7PM Tues	KD9USW		KD9USW					
WI ARES/RACES VHF Net on WECOMM Frequencies Last Thursday of the month 7PM	KA9KJE					KA9KJE		

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

9/7/2025

Section Youth Coordinator Report

From Etienne Robitaille, K9ZN, Section Youth Coordinator:

Contact Me

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

In Memoriam

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

- Louis Golembiewski, W9GSV, [view obituary](#)
- Logan Michels, KE9BBF, [view obituary](#)
- Bernard Golownia, AA9CI, [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 [Section Manager](#) or Assistant Section Manager, [Tom Czaja, KG9EE](#) with the details.

Upcoming Fests and Conventions

October 4, 2025 – 20th Annual Central Wisconsin Swapfest

Location: Colby, WI

Sponsor: Black River Amateur Radio Association

Website: Not Provided

October 11, 2025 – Wisconsin Section Convention / ARES Conference

Location: Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Sponsor: WI ARES & WeComm

Website: wi-arrrl.org/events

October 18, 2025 – Hidden Valley ARC Free Hamfest

Location: Lancaster, WI

Sponsor: Hidden Valley Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://kc9kq.net>

November 2, 2025 – FCARC Annual Hamfest

Location: Oshkosh, WI

Sponsor: Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

Website: <https://fcarc.club/>

*** See these items and additional Section information on the [ARRL WI Section website](http://arrrl.org/wisconsin). ***

ARRL Wisconsin Section

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COMPLETING THE CLUB LETTER FOR CONGRESS

Thank you for participating in the ARRL legislative grass roots campaign supporting H.R. 1094 and S. 459, the Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act. Please follow the instructions below very carefully. It is very important that the correct individuals are selected and addressed, and that appropriate references to each person and each bill are correct. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact ARRL Director John Robert Stratton, N5AUS. His email is n5aus@n5aus.com. His telephone number is 512-445-6262.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. The purpose of the enclosed letter is to create three letters: one to the Club's appropriate U.S. Representative and one to each of the two Senators.
2. The first step is to determine the correct name of the U.S. Representative for the Congressional District in which the Club has its official address, or if it does not have an official address, the address of its primary meeting location. You will also need to determine the correct name of each of the Senators for the state in which your Club is located.
3. Determining the correct names of the Club's Representative and Senators is easy. Go to: <https://www.congress.gov/members/find-your-member>. Enter the Club's address and the website will identify the Representative and both Senators.
4. The enclosed letter, in Microsoft Word format, has alternative entries highlighted in RED. If your letter is to a Representative, chose U.S. House of Representatives, H.R. 1094 and Representative as the salutation.
5. If your letter is to your Senator (you create a separate letter for each Senator) use U.S. Senate, S. 459 and Senator as the salutation.
6. If your club has a letterhead or a logo, please insert it at the top of the letter. Insert the date of your letter.
7. The letters may be signed by one officer or multiple Club officers — that is your choice. Please ensure that the letter has the name, signature, email address, and phone number for each officer that signs the letters.
8. Make sure all of the highlighted entries in RED have been resolved. After you have finished editing, make sure you have removed any remaining RED text.
9. Print out each of the three letters.
10. Ensure that all signatures are signed in ink on the letter.
11. Use a scanner or a smartphone scanner app (such as TurboScan for iPhone) to create a PDF scan of each letter.
12. Email the three PDF's to: Director John Robert Stratton at n5aus@n5aus.com for review and delivery to Congress.

13. Please do not send these three letters directly to Congress — for security reasons it is likely the letters will not reach their intended addressee for months — thus rendering your efforts useless.

14. The contents of this letter were created and approved by the ARRL's legislative team and the ARRL's lobbyists. Except for the "red highlighted" options no part of this letter may be modified. It is designed to address the matters our lobbyists believe must be addressed for the letters to be effective.

15. If you have any questions, please contact ARRL HQ or Director Stratton (N5AUS@n5aus.com).

WNA Meeting September 13, 2025

The quarterly meeting of the Wisconsin Nets Association, Ltd. was called to order by NX9K at noon on 7268 and moved to 3985 KHz. The purpose of the WNA was reviewed.

Roll: Chair: NX9K, Acting Secretary: KB9ROB, Treasurer: N9VC, Members-at-Large: K9STN, WB9ICH, KA9BAE SM: KC9FXE STM: K9LGU, ASTM: N9VC.

BWN: AG9G – DELEGATE -

BEN: NX9K/NM -

WSBN: AG9G/NM -

WSSN: KB9ROB/NM –

WIN/E: WB9ICH/NM -

WIN/L: W9RTP/NM -

WARES HF: WB9WKO/NM

WARES VHF: NONE

WARES DIGITAL: NONE

VISITORS: KC9KRX, KC9UC, KD9USN, K9NY

KB9ROB: Minutes from the meeting of 6-7-25 have been emailed. Motion to approve minutes (K9LGU, N9VC) – Carried

NX9K, Chair - Thanks to K9STN for accepting appointment as Member-at-Large of the WNA. The next quarterly meeting will be DEC 13, 2025. Secretary's Report – K9LGU – No reports since last meeting

N9VC: Treasurer's Report- Balance \$350 has not changed. Motion to accept (WB9ICH, AG9G) - Carried.

KC9FXE: Section Manager Report – No report . KC9FXE could not hear any stations after meeting moved to 3985 khz

K9LGU: Section Traffic Manager Report –

1. Thanks to everyone who originates, takes, and delivers messages especially for some places in the section that might not have regular outlets on the nets.
2. We're very grateful to everyone who understands that when they take a message for relay or delivery it comes with an obligation to handle it in a timely fashion.
3. The net frequency is where the net control is. If the NCS shifts up or down, changes bands, or changes sidebands, just be flexible.
4. Net controls are reminded to check the frequency before the net with enough time for stations to adjust or re-tune.
5. As a net control, when conditions are poor don't hesitate to try other bands. When you can't hear any signals anywhere, make some calls and contact the net manager even via telephone if needed. Sometimes the solar storms just win.
6. Remember, the net control is boss. Always get recognized before your net contribution, even if it's a relay. Just say your call and get recognized first.
7. If a net control directs a station to handle a second-go from another station, the station assisting automatically has the frequency to ask for and respond to the comments before turning control back to the NCS.
8. To the end of May, we had 2,557 check-ins to our section nets and handled 5,376

messages in 194 net sessions despite some poor propagation. Good work.

N9VC : ASTM Report:

MBO REPORT

JAN - AUG TOTAL 36981

AVG 4623 PER MONTH

The BEN HF net will hold special sessions to support the 2025 S.E.T. on October 4th. More info to be released in coming weeks. I want to thank K9LGU, AG9G, K9STN, and WJ9L for volunteering to be net controls.

I attended a zoom meeting Friday SEP 12th with other traffic generators and ARRL leadership. One station, not sure of his title, reported that Wisconsin will not accept traffic. Needless to say I engaged the group and said that statement was false. It had started with a former Section Manager in Iowa.

N9VC : Digital Report: The digital message board is doing fine. Jan-Aug 36,981 messages passed through the board, averaging 4,623/mo. It's picking up.

BWN Report – AG9G Delegate – The daily Badger Weather Net meets on 3984. It runs from 5:30 to 7:15 AM . Jun-Aug figures are 3138 check-ins, 4169 messages, 9723 min. 92 sessions. Averaging 34 check-ins/ 51 messages/106 minutes per session. Relay stations support us well under poor conditions. The same established format for reports will continue with snow depth reports this winter. K9LUK is net manager, keeps the records, maintains the BWN web site and submits the reports. All days are covered by NCS from 0530am to 0715am. Have help every day from relay stations. We pick up wx traffic in the following format: Msg #, 24 hour High Temp, 24 hour Low Temp, Current Temp, 24 hour precipitation. During winter months we add 24 hour snowfall and Snow depth on the ground. Checkins have ticked back up towards 40 per session now that summer is coming to an end

BEN Report NX9K/NM reported for June, July, and August check-ins of 721, 528 pieces of traffic, time:1442 minutes in 81 sessions. The grand totals (Jan.- Aug.) for this year are 2329 check-ins;1963 messages in 3459 minutes of 232 sessions. Traffic handlers are doing a great job keeping messages moving. We still need a Saturday NCS.

WSBN Report AG9G/NM – The 3-month totals for the Wisconsin Side Band Net were Stations: 1299 Traffic: 439 Time:1951 minutes Sessions: 92. The net averages 14 check-ins per session, 5 messages per session and 21 minutes per session. The net met all scheduled sessions. Band conditions have been poor so credit goes to the net controls and those assisting. AC9F is still recovering so special thanks to WB9WKO and N9VC for filling in for Chuck on Saturdays. Everyone's participation is appreciated. Winter conditions approach. We may have to start the net earlier as propagation changes. Sep 20 and 27 may not have a net session.

Thanks to the following:

All stations who participate on the WSBN.

Stations who take traffic and deliver the messages to their final destination.

The Heavy Haulers and other stations who bring traffic to the WSBN.

N9VC and K9LGU for assisting with liaison duties for Thru traffic that needs to go to WIN/E.

NX9K, N9VC, KC9FXE, KB9GO, WB9WKO, and KA9BAE who have acted as NCS over the last 3 months

Suspending WSBN for Sat Sept 20 and Sept 27. Will decide whether we will do the same for Saturdays in October.

Winter months are around the corner and as the band conditions stretch out will probably need to start the WSBN at 4:50pm after the time change so that we can get traffic handled.

WSSN KB9ROB/NM – The Wisconsin Slow Speed Net meets as the first of the daily CW nets daily on 3555 at 6PM. August saw 143 check-ins, 55 messages and 360 minutes in 31 sessions. Numbers are consistent. Thanks to the net controls. Ten of those at our meeting today have checked in to the WSSN. Your support is appreciated. Please encourage even more to participate.

WIN/E WB9ICH/NM – Three month totals show 397 check-ins, averaging 4 per session, 558 pieces of traffic, taking 792 min in 92 sessions. July traffic was down a little. Additional net controls could really help lighten the load.

WIN/L W9RTP/NM

Late/WIN summary for June, July, and August 2025:

Net meets daily at 10:00 PM nightly on 3555 kHz , usually bringing traffic from a session of 9RN and passing it on to a SSB rep for phone nets the following day. Band conditions have generally been good during the three months and we have held a net for each of the 92 days.

QNI: 500 (5.4) QTC: 73 (2.2) QTR: 261 (9) ...(nightly averages in parentheses).

Hats off to our faithful NCS guys: AG9G/Sunday, K9LGU/Monday, KC9UC/Tuesday, N9VC/ Wednesday and Thursday, and W9RTP/Friday and Saturday. All stations are welcome to check in. Listen a few nights if you are unsure of procedure and use whatever code speed you are comfortable with, the NCS will accomodate. 73

ARES/RACES HF Net – WB9WKO/NM – This net meets every Sunday at 8 AM on 3967. It usually runs less than 30 minutes and includes some message-handling practice and current ARES/RACES activities. The past three months had 466 check ins, 78 messages, in 869 minutes of 35 sessions. Looking for more check ins and net control volunteers.

ARES/RACES VHF Net – NO REPORT

ARES/RACES DIGITAL Net – NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS – NONE

NEW BUSINESS – NONE

ADJOURNMENT – (AG9G, KB9ROB) Carried. Meeting closed at 12:49 PM

WISCONSIN SECTION MONTHLY NET ACTIVITY**AUG 2025**

NET	QNI CHECK- INS	QTC TRAFFIC	QTR TIME	SSNS SESSIONS	NM NET MANAGER
BWN	1066	1587	3268	31	K9LUK
BEN	251	140	401	26	NX9K
WSBN	440	109	654	31	AG9G
WSSN	143	55	360	31	KB9ROB
WIN/E	128	229	289	31	WB9ICH
WIN/L	171	70	283	31	W9RTP
WI ARES/RACES HF	66	9	116	5	WB9WKO
WI ARES/RACES VHF	31	0	55	1	KA9KJE
WI ARES/RACES DIGITAL	272	3458	7200	5	KD9USW
totals	2568	5657	12626	192	

WISCONSIN SECTION

STATION ACTIVITY SUMMARY August 2025

STATION	ORIG	RCVD	SENT	DLVD	ATT	TOTAL
NX9K	521	112	544	0	0	1177 - BPL
WB9WKO	0	355	225	1	0	581 - BPL
N9CK	0	254	254	0	0	508 - BPL
AG9G	0	285	163	0	0	448
KB9GO	0	231	118	0	0	349
KC9UC	0	91	127	0	0	218
N9VC	0	133	37	0	0	170
K9LGU	0	60	76	2	0	138
WJ9L	0	47	40	5	1	93
KB9ROB	0	40	13	2	2	57
W9RTP	0	26	3	1	0	30
WB9ICH	0	23	2	0	0	25
KC9FXE	0	6	12	5	0	23
W9RNA	0	7	1	4	3	14
KA9KJE	2	6	1	0	0	9

WISCONSIN SECTION

P S H R SUMMARY AUGUST 2025

POSSIBLE POINTS >	40 nets	40 tfc	30 appt	5 /hr. sked events	5 /hr. emrg events	10ea bbs/ web pg	
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N9VC	40	40	30	250	0	20	380
K9LGU	40	40	30	50	20	0	180
AG9G	40	40	30	20	0	0	130
KC9FXE	39	23	20	25	10	10	127
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