



WISCONSIN SECTION NEWSLETTER

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ARRL Wisconsin Section Manager: Jason Spetz, KC9FXE

From the Section Manager

Hello, everyone!

By now, most of you are aware that I am in my last few months as your Section Manager. At some point, last year, I started thinking about the possibility of a third term. Was a third term a good idea or was it time to turn it over to someone new? During that time, I asked **Myron Oestreich, KB9STB**, if he would be interested. I thought he would be a good candidate. Mayron didn't give a solid yes or no, so took the next logical step. I threw in a nomination for him. Now things had gotten serious! We would have to figure it out now and make some decisions. Of course, it was never the intent that we would run against each other. As it turned out, there were no other nominations submitted, so.... Congratulations, Myron!

I heard rumor that Mayron did give HQ a solid yes, so the Section will be in good hands. I mean that. Myron will do a fantastic job! I have already started preparing the transition process and will do whatever is necessary to be sure that Myron has everything he needs to hit the ground running, and I have offered my support after the transition is complete.

I'm still here for a couple months, so I will save my farewell speech for another time. Many have already reached out with some very nice comments since this news broke. I appreciate them all.



In other news, I received notice that our Section Youth Coordinator, **Etienne Robitaille, K9ZN**, will be resigning at the end of June. He will be pursuing his college career and will not have the time needed to continue in his role. I want to thank Etienne for his dedication to the section over the years. It has been a true pleasure getting to know and work with Etienne, and I can't wait to see what the future

UPCOMING EVENTS

Madison Area RC
Hamfest

April 18

Ozaukee RC Swap
Fest

April 25

ARAC Hamfest

May 2

Green Bay Hamfest

May 30

holds for him. Hopefully you have enjoyed his contributions to this newsletter and maybe even had a chance to meet him at a hamfest or two. Thank you, Etienne, and best of luck to you!



I attended the Mississippi Valley Amateur Radio Association's Spring Fever Swap Meet on March 7th. This was held in a new location at the American Legion in Holmen. Nice facility with good pizza! It was nice to get back out and see some fellow hams. Lots of door prizes! People commented a lot on that. Lots of good things for sale, too. I even managed to make a purchase! To the MVARA team... Great job!

Until next time, 73!



General Announcements, Event, and Reminders



2026 is the ARRL Year of the Club

In case you haven't heard, 2026 has been labeled the "Year of the Club" by the ARRL, and there are a lot of fun activities planned. They created a full webpage associated with the event which explains it better than I can.

[Year of the Club Website](#)

Wisconsin Section Field Services Position Openings



The following field positions are still waiting to be filled:

- **NEW LISTING:** Section Youth Coordinator
- District Emergency Coordinator – Northwest District
- 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!



New Ham? No problem!

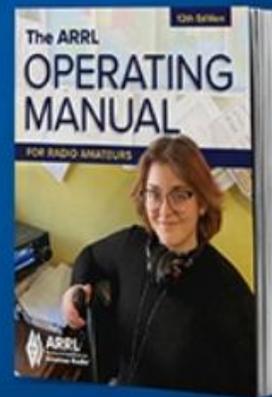
If you are a new ham or know a new ham, the ARRL has a web page full of resources to help a new ham get started. The ARRL is also offering an Operating Manual to new members to help them get started.

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

ARRL MEMBERSHIP CAN HELP YOU GET ACTIVE ON-THE-AIR

The *ARRL Operating Manual*
is our gift to you when you join!

Get this comprehensive guide to amateur radio operating with code **RESOURCE**



FCC Amateur Radio license Renewal Help

Check out these helpful resources to help you through the renewal process:

- 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>



Public Information Coordinator Report

From Myron Oestreich, KB9STB, Section Public Information Coordinator:

March has arrived, and spring *should* be here soon, although the weather right before St. Patrick's Day would tend to tell us much to the contrary. I do hope all of you made it through the storm no worse for wear.

With April coming up, and as a part of 2026 being the Year of the Club, ARRL is inviting clubs to participate in the second annual Ham Radio Open House in April. This event is a golden opportunity to show off what your club does either in a formal meeting setting or in an operating event, like a POTA activation or live demonstration of one (or some) of the many things you can do as a ham. As a sidenote to a possible club open house, April 18 is World Amateur Radio Day. World Amateur Radio Day celebrates the formation of the International Amateur Radio

Union's formation in 1925. Last year was the centennial celebration of it. This year it's celebrated in conjunction with Year of the Club. The ARRL website has resources and a locator for clubs that are having an open house and/or are looking for information to help with the event. The URL is www.arrl.org/world-amateur-radio-day .

While we're on the topic of Year of the Club, please remember there are different club focused activities going on throughout the year that your group may want to partake in. One is simple. There is an ongoing club submission promotion for local groups to send photos with a small write up about events to showcase in QST what local groups are doing. The biggest things they're looking for is a high-resolution photo, names (and calls) of the operators participating, take your photos in vertical and horizontal fashion (let them do the edit work), and list the name and callsign of the organization. Submissions can be sent to qst@arrl.org. There is also the Marconi program and the Amateur Radio Activity Report that can be sent in to ARRL Headquarters whenever you do an event. www.clubs.arrl.org is the website that has all the information club related.

As we get into April as well, we have two hamfests that will be taking place. One is April 18. That one is the Madison Area Repeater Association hamfest at the Mandt Community Center in Stoughton. The fest goes from 8:00 a.m. until high noon (at ten paces). Here's a link for the information: <https://w9hsy.org/mara-hamfest-2026/> .

Seven days later (or just enough time to catch your breath and ponder any gadgetry that would look oh so nice in the shack), the Ozaukee Radio Club has their 46th annual Spring Swapfest at the Ascension St. Mary's Center (a.k.a. the Milwaukee Curling Club) on Washington Avenue in Cedarburg. This fest also runs from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Here's a link to their hamfest page: <https://ozaukeeradioclub.org/april-25-2026-46th-annual-spring-indoor-swapfest/> .

Section Youth Coordinator Report

From Etienne Robitaille, K9ZN, Section Youth Coordinator:

What is "Mentorship?"

As members of the American Radio Relay League, we spend a lot of time thinking about growth how to not just bring new people into amateur radio but how to keep them involved once they arrive. Time and time again, I use the word "mentorship" as a magical cure-all to the lack of in-flow for new young amateur radio operators. What is mentorship?

I've realized that I've never truly gone and defined the word.

In many cases, mentorship starts well before any technical conversation takes place. It begins in the moment someone decides whether they feel comfortable stepping in or staying on the outside. That first impression carries more weight than we sometimes realize, and it often determines whether anything else follows. If that initial interaction feels approachable and open, there's a much better chance that curiosity turns into engagement. If it doesn't, the opportunity can pass just as quickly... that's where the idea of mentorship starts to shift. It's easy to think of mentoring as something that happens once a person is ready to learn the technical side of the hobby, but in practice, it starts earlier than that. The first conversation, the first welcome, and

the first time someone feels included are all part of the mentoring process. Before anyone is ready to understand how a system works, they need to feel like they have a place within it. That sense of belonging comes from interaction.

Once that initial connection is made, the way we continue the conversation matters just as much. The way people approach learning today is different from how many of us were introduced to amateur radio. A lot of new learners are used to exploring technical topics in a flexible, self-directed way, supported by platforms like YouTube. They're comfortable experimenting, picking things up in pieces, and asking questions as they go rather than sitting through a structured explanation from the start.

At the same time, communication itself has become more immediate and informal. Tools like Discord have shaped expectations around how people interact and collaborate. Participation tends to happen right away, and learning is often something that happens alongside doing, not before it. When those expectations meet a more traditional amateur radio setting, the difference can be noticeable. That doesn't mean one approach is better than the other, but it does mean we have an opportunity to bridge that gap.

Bridging that gap often comes down to something simple: being intentional about how we engage. It's easy to assume that interest will naturally lead someone to step forward, ask questions, and get involved. Sometimes it does, but often it doesn't. Not because the interest isn't there, but because there's a level of uncertainty about how to enter the space. A small effort to start a conversation, extend an invitation, or simply acknowledge someone's curiosity can make that step much easier.

Those small moments are where a lot of opportunities are either created or missed. When someone is invited to try something, even in a simple way, their role shifts from observer to participant. That shift changes how they experience amateur radio entirely. It becomes something they are part of, not something they are watching from a distance. Once that happens, the technical side of the hobby has a much more natural place to fit in.

From there, the learning process tends to take care of itself. When someone is engaged and curious, they start asking better questions. They begin to look for deeper understanding because they have a reason to. The technical depth that defines amateur radio doesn't need to be simplified or reduced — it just needs to be introduced at the right time, after that initial interest has taken hold.

Looking at mentorship this way broadens it beyond instruction. It becomes less about delivering information and more about creating an environment where people feel comfortable stepping in, staying engaged, and continuing to explore. That doesn't require major changes to how we operate. It comes down to being aware of the role we play in those first moments and recognizing that engagement itself is part of the mentoring process. If we can consistently create those entry points — where curiosity is met with openness and participation comes easily — we give more people a chance to discover what makes amateur radio meaningful. Over time, those individual interactions add up, strengthening both our local communities and the future of the hobby as a whole.

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.

Section ARES/RACES Report

From Kyle Schaefer, KC9SDK, Section Emergency Coordinator:

No Report.

From Dan Lenz, ASEC:

Why Every ARES Group Should Use a PACE Plan

In emergency communications, reliability is everything. Systems fail, power goes out, and infrastructure becomes unreliable. For that reason, the **Primary, Alternate, Contingency, and Emergency (PACE) plan** is a fundamental concept used throughout emergency management, the military, and professional communications operations. It is a planning method that ensures communications can continue even when systems begin to fail.

For **Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)** groups, adopting a PACE plan helps ensure that our capabilities remain dependable for the agencies we serve, such as Emergency Management, hospitals, and public safety partners.

What is a PACE Plan?

A **PACE Plan** establishes four levels of communication methods:

Primary – The normal and preferred method of communication.

Alternate – A second system used if the primary fails.

Contingency – A third method used if both primary and alternate systems fail.

Emergency – The last-resort method used when all other communications are unavailable.

Each layer provides redundancy so that if one system becomes unavailable, operators can quickly transition to the next option without confusion or delay.

Example PACE Plan for ARES Operations

A typical PACE structure for an ARES deployment might look like this:

Primary:

- Local repeater network
- DMR or linked repeater systems
- WISCOM or other statewide interoperability systems

Alternate:

- Winlink over RF (VARA HF or VARA FM)
- Packet radio networks
- Digital voice systems such as D-Star or System Fusion

Contingency:

- HF voice nets (regional or statewide frequencies)
- Simplex VHF/UHF voice operations

Emergency:

- HF NVIS voice
- Direct operator relay via portable stations
- SHARES or MARS interoperability if available

The exact methods will vary depending on local infrastructure, geography, and the served agency's needs.



Section Traffic Manager Report

STM Report Wisconsin Section February 2026

Who knows what lurks...

FAQ #295 With apologies to Lamont Cranston and Margo Lane (probably before your time) training yourself to be a good net control station is not an impossible task. It can start by being a shadow, listening and modeling. So an easy way to teach yourself is to *shadow* (See what we did there?) a good net control.

Basics: The Net Control Station controls the net -- the sequence, the protocol, the speed, the efficiency, and the friendliness. A good NCS is essential for a good net. Here are some guides you'll hear from those who serve as NCS and for willing volunteers to step into the NCS slot when needed.

Training yourself to be a good NCS

A. Become familiar with the other stations on the net. Knowing correct call signs, names, and locations is a good idea. Even if you never perform as an NCS, it's good to know with whom you're working and where they live. Check out the current QNI Index on the Wisconsin ARRL

Section site, <https://wi-arrrl.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/QNI-LIST-NOV-2025.pdf>

B. Make some notes. Pay close attention to the stations that go off frequency to pass traffic. What frequencies does the net use to move traffic? Up to 90? Down to 77? UP 4? DWN 5? Usually the NCS knows the open spots, where adjacent nets are, etc. You'll get a feel for the NCS action by keeping track of what's happening.

C. Try to guess what the NCS will do next. Sometimes, different types of traffic will appear on a net and the NCS will have to rank them in importance. For example, you may notice that out-of-state or "thru" traffic gets higher priority than a message bound for a city usually represented on the net. Of course, formal traffic will take precedence over "informal" exchanges.

D. A good NCS notices the order of things. Who's asked to check in first? Liaisons? 9RN representative? Listen for the jargon, the pacing, and the phrases that make things flow. "Additional stations please call . . ." "NEED MKE, LAX, QNI K" Under poor conditions, hear how the NCS has the the receiving station call the station holding the traffic and establish contact on the net frequency before moving.

What the NCS does.

The NCS keeps order, calls up the net at the right time and announces the purpose and procedures that apply. It's easy to follow a script, and net managers gladly provide the wording.

Makes a list. As stations check in, the NCS gets their calls right and doesn't forget to say or send the call of each station acknowledged. They won't know they've been heard unless the NCS says so.

The NCS is friendly but efficient, a facilitator, not a lecturer. Keeps things moving. Handles all formal traffic first.

As the good NCS takes comments (or second-goes), he remembers to stand by frequently for additional check-ins. He doesn't need to respond at length to each comment. The time for the NCS's second go is on a different net. Here, he's just the traffic cop. The outstanding traffic is listed each time there's a stand-by. If the NCS has traffic, it can be sent on frequency, sending it properly to set an example.

When band conditions are noisy, the NCS doesn't hesitate to ask specific stations for relays and assistance from stations who check in. Bad conditions might also prompt handling more traffic on net frequency. Stations are thanked for checking in, for relays, and for their liaison duties. The net is closed when the work is done.

The good NCS times the entire operation for a net report and includes the time it takes to send the net report to the NM at the end of the net, since that's net activity, too. When the net is over, the NCS sends that net report to the Net Manager and includes the name of the net, the date, the number of stations who participated (including the NCS), the number of pieces of traffic cleared, the total time of the net (including traffic sent after the check-ins are excused), and which stations served as liaisons to or from other NTS nets such as 9RN or WIN.

The Wisconsin Section Nets need more stations to serve as NCS. Follow along as you listen to a net. Please volunteer when you can. Who knows what a fine net control you can be? *The Shadow knows... heh, heh, heh.* 73 -- Denny K9LGU/ STM

WNA Meeting March 7,2026

The quarterly meeting of the Wisconsin Nets Association, Ltd. was called to order by NX9K at 12:18 on 7268KHz. The purpose of the WNA was reviewed.

Roll: Chair: NX9K, Secretary: KB9ROB, Treasurer: N9VC, Members-at-Large: WB9ICH, KB9CBL SM: KC9FXE/M STM: K9LGU, ASTM:N9VC.

BWN: AG9G – DELEGATE -

BEN: NX9K/NM -

WSBN: AG9G/NM -

WSSN: KB9ROB/NM –

WIN/E: WB9ICH/NM -

WIN/L: NONE -

WARES HF: N9VC reporting for K9STN

WARES VHF: NONE

WARES DIGITAL: NONE

VISITORS: KB9IME, AC9F, WB9WKO, K9OT

KB9ROB: Minutes from the meeting of 12 -13 -25 have been emailed. Motion to approve minutes (N9VC, K9LGU) – Carried

NX9K, Chair - The next quarterly meeting will be JUNE 6.

Secretary's Report – KB9ROB – No reports since last meeting

N9VC: Treasurer's Report- Balance \$350 has not changed. Motion to accept (KB9ROB, AG9G) – Carried.

KC9FXE report via N9VC. Wisconsin Section nets are top notch. Why is that?

First, it's because we have section level leaders who really care. They care about good net protocol, they care about efficient traffic handling skills, and they care about setting a good example for our newer members.

Second, it's because we have net managers who take care of the day-to-day net operations and make sure that they are on the air each time they are scheduled.

And third, it's because we have net members who want to be part of a good net, want to learn proper procedures, want to help the traffic get passed, and want to be part of the overall success.

From time to time our leadership may question or critique. They may even ask for adjustments to be made. Don't take it personally, but instead, embrace it. It's just a direct result of the first point that I just made... They care!

Thank you to Denny, Jim, our net managers, and all of our net members for making our nets so successful. I could easily make an argument that they are some of the very best in the nation.

K9LGU: Section Traffic Manager Report –

Sometimes my report is all about what we could do better. Today, I have a list of some things I'm pleased we're hearing or not hearing on the nets.

1. No one has been speaking of politics, religion, or arguments.
2. Sending stations have not been labeling the parts of the preamble.
3. Operators checking in to nets are listening before checking in.
4. People who use "73" don't say it with an "S" after it.
5. Proper prowords like "I spell" and "I say again" are being used correctly.
6. Use of ITU phonetics for callsigns and spelling is common.
7. Nets are starting on time.
8. Net managers have been very prompt with their reports.
9. Numbers are introduced as "figures" and said individually.

10. Nets are staying efficient and welcoming.

These are all good qualities. We're proud of all the traffic handlers.

So far this year there were 5200 check-ins passing 8277 messages.

Voice and CW nets have handled 4648 individual messages on our nets in the first two months.

The WAR Digital net passed 3629.

N9VC : ASTM Report: no report

N9VC :MBO report Last 3 months board totals

TOTAL RCVD/5976

TOTAL SENT/7234

TOTAL/SENT/RCVD/13210 / 4403 per Month

The board is running good as evidenced by the East coast relaying messages through the system here to go out to the west coast. But traffic is down for a few reasons.

One is the main traffic generator, VE1AAC, had suffered serious antenna and tower damage and another, W8MAL, concentrates sending traffic mainly to West coast.

Last, but not least is the search sites we obtain phone numbers from have been periodically locking us out preventing searches.

With storm season approaching, there may be periods when the board will be down. I try to keep it to a minimum.

BWN Report – AG9G Delegate – The net continues from 5:30 to 7:15 AM daily. Averages are 35 stations per session, 58 messages, in 108 minutes. The totals for the last three months were 3151 check-ins, 5262 messages, in 9749 minutes. No sessions were missed. Stations from all around the country and Canada participate so it provides a good synopsis of weather conditions. Thanks to K9STN for filling in as new Tuesday net control for long-time NCS, N9NBC, who needed to retire for health reasons. This net has been running since the 1960's and many participants have been with the BWN for 50 years.

BEN Report NX9K/NM Kris indicated the Dec report showed 400 check-ins, 267 messages, 539 minutes in 31 sessions. The 2025 Jan-Dec grand totals show 3811 check-ins, 2932 messages, in 5086 minutes of 358 sessions. The Jan-Feb numbers are 689 check-ins, 487 messages in 986 minutes of 59 sessions. Thanks to K9STN and KB9CBL for their volunteering as net controls. Nets are holding their own.

WSBN Report AG9G/NM – This daily net has been starting at 4:50 Dec-Jan-Feb averages per session were 16 stations, 6 messages in 22 min. Totals for Dec., Jan., Feb. were 1434 check-ins, 534 messages, 1958 minutes with all sessions covered. Glad to hear AC9F back on Saturdays. Thanks for rotating net controls on Sunday nights i.e. K9STN, KB9CBL, KC9FXE, K9LGU, NX9K. The net will now shift back to 5:00 PM for starting. Thanks for help from all liaison stations.

WSSN KB9ROB/NM – The Wisconsin Slow Speed Net is the first of the daily CW nets on 3555 starting at 6PM. Net is doing well. Feb report of 152 check-ins, 52 messages, in 377 minutes of 28 sessions is typical. Numbers are very steady. All are invited for CW net practice on a net.

WIN/E WB9ICH/NM – Early WIN still meets at 7 local on 3555. Thanks to NCS and 9RN reps. For their consistent good service. We could surely use new members. Check-ins are down a little. Come and learn. Net controls will slow to the speed of any check-in if needed.

WIN/L W9RTP/NM – no report

ARES/RACES HF Net – K9STN/NM –The Wisconsin ARES/RACES HF Net (WAHFRN) is holding steady at this time. January we averaged 12 check ins per week. February was 11. We have added KC9OGB as an alternate NCS. We have usually two formal traffic messages per week, with some use of the ICS 213. We are encouraging more traffic by assigning members to convert ARRL Radiograms into iCS 213 messages.

I would like to add more net control stations, and have put some requests to operators who check in frequently to consider coming on board as NCS.

WB9WKO has set up a thorough Net subject list for 2026 before retiring and it is being well received.

ARES/RACES VHF Net – NO REPORT

ARES/RACES DIGITAL Net – NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS – NONE

NEW BUSINESS – Comments were invited from visitors.

ADJOURNMENT (WB9ICH, AG9G) Carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:58.

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

WISCONSIN TRAFFIC NETS		Updated 9/22/2025						
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	K9STN	W9CPY	W9IHW	AG9G	WB9WKO
Badger Emergency Net (BEN) 3985 KHz, 1200 ALT 7270 KHz	NX9K	WJ9L	WJ9L	W9RTP	N9VC	K9STN	NX9K	NCS ROTATES
Wisconsin Side Band Net (WSBN) 3985 or 3982.5 KHz, 1700	AG9G	NCS ROTATES	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	K9STN	*						
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.

2/13/2026

In Memoriam

No news is good news!

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

April 18, 2026 – Madison Area Repeater Association Hamfest

Sponsor: Madison Area Repeater Association

Location: Stoughton, WI

Website: <http://w9hsy.org>

April 25, 2026 – ORC 46th Annual Spring Indoor Swapfest

Sponsor: Ozaukee Radio Club Inc

Location: Cedarburg, WI

Website: <https://ozaukeeradioclub.org>

May 2, 2026 – ARAC Hamfest

Sponsor: Arrowhead Radio Amateur Club

Location: Superior, WI

Website: <http://thearac.org>

May 30, 2026 – Green Bay Hamfest

Sponsor: Green Bay Mike & Key Club

Location: Green Bay, WI

Website: <http://www.k9eam.org>

June 6, 2026 – Riverland ARC Swapfest

Sponsor: Riverland Amateur Radio Club

Location: La Crosse, WI

Website: <http://rarc.qth.com>

June 20, 2026 – FCARC Sunshine Swapfest

Sponsor: Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

Location: Oshkosh, WI

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

July 11, 2026 – WI9SM Hamfest

Sponsor: South Milwaukee Amateur Radio Club

Location: Oak Creek, WI

Website: <http://wi9sm.org>

August 29, 2026 – CVARC 2026 Hamfest

Sponsor: Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club

Location: Bloomer, WI

Website: <https://w9cva.org/hamfest>

August 29, 2026 – Circus City Hamfest

Sponsor: Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club

Location: Baraboo, WI

Website: <http://yellowthunder.org>

*** See these items and additional Section information on the [ARRL WI Section website](#). ***

ARRL Wisconsin Section

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WISCONSIN SECTION P S H R SUMMARY FEB 2026

POSSIBLE POINTS >	40 nets	40 tfc	30 app t	5 /hr. sked events	5 /hr. emrg events	10ea bbs/web pg	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	T
N9VC	40	40	30	245	0	0	395
AG9G	40	40	30	80	0	0	190
K9LGU	40	40	30	15	0	0	125
WB9W KO	40	40	30	10	0	0	120
KC9FX E	35	24	20	23	0	10	114
NX9K	40	40	20	0	0	0	100
KC9UC	40	40	10	0	0	0	90

WISCONSIN SECTION MONTHLY NET ACTIVITY

FEB 2026

NET	QNI CHECK-INS	QTC TRAFFIC	QTR TIME	SSNS SESSIONS	NM NET MANAGER
BWN	1015	1456	3049	28	K9LUK
BEN	316	221	457	28	NX9K
WSBN	436	175	607	28	AG9G
WSSN	152	52	377	28	KB9ROB
WIN/E	115	211	297	28	WB9ICH

WIN/L	124	96	248	28	W9RTP
WI ARES/RACES HF	39	7	89	4	K9STN
WI ARES/RACES VHF	29	0	45	1	KA9KJE
WI ARES/RACES DIGITAL	284	1814	8640	5	KD9USW
totals	2510	4032	13809	178	

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STATION ACTIVITY SUMMARY Feb 2026

STATION	ORIG	RCVD	SENT	DLVD	ATT	TOTAL
NX9K	313	94	551	0	0	958 BPL
WB9WKO	0	252	263	8	0	523 BPL
AG9G	0	278	185	0	0	463
KC9UC	0	150	167	0	0	317
N9VC	0	262	31	0	0	293
WJ9L	0	57	40	20	4	121
K9LGU	0	44	56	0	0	100
KB9ROB	3	51	14	10	6	84
W9RTP	1	22	5	1	1	30
KC9FXE	0	5	15	4	0	24
WB9ICH	0	22	2	0	0	24
W9RNA	0	4	6	2	3	15
KA9KJE	1	7	1	0	0	9