

# W9JOZ

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## Next Meeting is on the Air Dec. 17th at 7 pm.

Greeting fellow amateurs,

Seasons greetings to one and all. We have had a remarkable year to say the least.

Let's stay in touch on the repeater.

Don't forget the Saturday night net and our virtual club meetings on the third Thursdays.

This weekend is Skywarn recognition day Friday night until Saturday night. See the ARRL and NOAA websites for details.

Dave  
Kc8obh



Meetings are at the Henry F. Schricker Library on the third Thursday of each month, with the exception of December.

The library is located on west Culver Road, two blocks west of Highway 35.



Are you on the air?

Library Door locks at 7:00 p.m. so if you are late, knock loud.

**Still no in-person meetings.  
But, we do meet on the  
repeater.**

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## Events

**Meeting is on the air, Dec. 17th. 7:00 pm  
on the 145.410 repeater**

## Birthdays

Dec. 7th - Nita, KC9PM

If your birthday has not been listed, it is because I do not have the date for it. If you would like it to be included in a newsletter, please email me the date. Thanks w3ml@w3ml.com

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**Starke County Amateur Radio Club Weekly 2 Meter Net is  
on every Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Central time.**

DAY OF WEEK: Saturday 8:00 p.m. Central time

HOST: KN9OX Repeater

FREQUENCY: 145.410 - 600

PL TONE: 131.8

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## New Items Listed

See all the For Sale Items at

<http://www.w9joz.org/forsale.htm>

There are a lot of them there. Updated regularly.

See the For Sale Page on the Club website. If you have items to sell email me a list with prices and contact information.

\*\*\*\* There are several items on Doc's SK Listing that should be on someone's want list.

If you see item on there that you are interested in, contact me and we can work out deal on it.

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# Notice for 2021

Even though we are not meeting in person at this time, it is imperative that we keep the Club together and active. We have a 2 meter net every Saturday at 8 p.m. on the 145.410 repeater. President David, KC8OBH also runs a net on the repeater on the evening of the Club Meeting at 7 p.m.

This way we can keep in touch with each other and know what we are doing and how we are doing.

Dues for 2021 remain at only \$12.00 a year. Without dues we can not meet our obligations of insurance, the website/email address, and State Corporation Registration, which keeps each of us safe from any lawsuits brought on the Club. Without this corporation registration, they could sue each and every member.

The website was renewed this month. It was \$120.40. This is for Hosting and Domain Renewal.

So, please stay a member and pay your dues for 2021. Hopefully, before too long we will be able to meet again at the library.

Dues may be mailed to John Poindexter 204 South Main St. Knox, IN 46534  
Checks can be made out to the Starke County Amateur Radio Club. \$12.00

John W3ML

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## Universal Radio, Inc.

Dear Friends of Universal Radio,

Time waits for no one, and that includes Barbara and myself. We have decided to retire and our current location in Worthington will close on November 30, 2020. Even though the store is closing we will fulfill all existing customer orders and have a large amount of inventory to close-

out. The Universal Radio website will be maintained for the foreseeable future to sell this remaining stock, publications and some select products. Unfortunately the lack of a store front showroom will preclude us from carrying some manufacturers' products.

I am very fortunate to have been in the radio business for over 50 years, 13 at Radio Shack and 37 at Universal Radio. We have met many wonderful people along the journey who have supported me personally as well as Universal Radio. It has been a privilege to have a continuous career in the fascinating field of radio since 1969. Please accept our sincere "Thank You" for your support of Universal Radio for these many years, and for the months to come.

Our new address for correspondence and mail order is below. This is not a storefront.

Universal Radio Inc.  
752 N. State St. Unit 222  
Westerville, OH 43082

Phone: 614 866-4267

Thank you.

73,

Fred Osterman N8EKU  
Barbara Osterman KC8VWI

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**Barry Keating WD4MSM**  
**President Pro Tem**  
**Michiana Amateur Radio Club**  
*Professor*  
*Finance*  
*University of Notre Dame*

**Barry sent me the notice on a new net out of Mishawaka. Notice is below.**

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# NEW: MARC Wednesday 7:00 PM Net



- Beginning **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** MARC will begin a weekly net.
- The Net will take place every Wednesday at 7:00 PM Eastern Time.
- All amateurs are welcome on the Net.
- The Net will take place on the **K9DEW Repeater (147.330+ MHz)**
  - The K9DEW Repeater has a PL tone requirement of 131.8
  - This is the highest repeater in Northern Indiana.
  - The 1,000' commercial broadcast tower on which it is located is in Mishawaka.
  - This repeater affords MARC the most complete coverage over an **85 mile range!**
  - The K9DEW Repeater will be the permanent home for this Net.

**MARC: WHERE WE PLAY RADIO, HAVE FUN, AND KEEP THE SQUELCH LOOSE.**

## IN QSO 2020 Party Results

Indiana Stations					
Single Operator - High Power					
Call	QTH	PH Qs	CW Qs	Mults	Final Score

W3ML*	Starke	31	19	41	2829
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Single Operator - Low Power					
Call	QTH	PH Qs	CW Qs	Mults	Final Score

KC8OBH*	Starke	31	0	23	713
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## FCC to Require Email Addresses on Applications

12/02/2020

Amateur radio licensees and candidates will have to provide the FCC with an email address on applications, effective sometime in mid-2021. If no email address is included, the FCC may dismiss the application as defective.

The FCC is fully transitioning to electronic correspondence and will no longer print or provide wireless licensees with hard-copy authorizations or registrations by mail.

A *Report and Order (R&O)* on “Completing the Transition to Electronic Filing, Licenses and Authorizations, and Correspondence in the Wireless Radio Services” in WT Docket 19-212 was adopted on September 16. The new rules will go into effect 6 months after publication in the *Federal Register*, which hasn’t happened yet, but the FCC is already strongly encouraging applicants to provide an email address. When an email address is provided, licensees will receive an official electronic copy of their licenses when the application is granted.

Under Section 97.21 of the new rules, a person holding a valid amateur station license “must apply to the FCC for a modification of the license grant as necessary to show the correct mailing and email address, licensee name, club name, license trustee name, or license custodian name.” For a club or military recreation station license, the application must be presented in document form to a club station call sign administrator who must submit the information to the FCC in an electronic batch file.

Under new Section 97.23, each license will have to show the grantee's correct name, mailing address, and email address. “The email address must be an address where the grantee can receive electronic correspondence,” the amended rule will state. “Revocation of the station license or suspension of the operator license may result when correspondence from the FCC is returned as undeliverable because the grantee failed to provide the correct email address.”

<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-to-require-email-addresses-on-applications>

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## RadioShack Purchased by Online Retailer

11/30/2020

**RadioShack**® is back as an online retailer of electronics, offering some parts in its inventory that largely consists of radios, batteries, telephone gear, drones, computer accessories, and even cameras. The iconic company was recently purchased from General Wireless by Retail Ecommerce Ventures (REV).

No plans are in place to reopen RadioShack-owned stores, although some 400 brick-and-mortar outlets not affiliated with REV are operated by franchisees. REV, which specializes in online retail, has previously revamped the internet presence of such bankrupt businesses as Pier 1 Imports and Dressbarn, according to a news release.

During its heyday, RadioShack has some 8,000 retail outlets and once offered some amateur radio equipment, including some popular handheld transceivers and a 10-meter transceiver. RadioShack came out of its second bankruptcy in January 2018 with 400 dealers, an online retail presence, and a distribution center.

<http://www.arrl.org/news/radioshack-purchased-by-online-retailer>

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If you have something for the newsletter, please send it to me before the 20th of the month.

See you at a meeting.

Sometime in the Future

73

*John*, W3ML

