

# W9JOZ

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**Meeting at Library at 5 pm on:  
January 20th 2022**

**Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year!**

**Hope to see you at the meeting.**

**73  
John, W3ML**



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?**

## **QSL CARDS**

**If you have QSL Cards that need to be checked for an ARRL Award, contact me and I will put you in contact with an ARRL Card Checker in our area.**

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## Events

**Next Meeting is at the Knox Library  
January 20th at 5 pm.**

## Birthdays

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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## Several New Items Added to the List

Very Few Items Left From Last Collection of K9QA Gear.

If you see something on his list that you would like make me an offer.

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.

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# Notice for 2022

\*\*\*\* Dues for 2022 remain at only \$12.00 a year. \*\*\*\*

## Paid Members for 2022:

1. Bob, KD9IHY
2. Jack, WA9ZTP
3. Linda, KC8PKY
4. Bryan, KE9ML
5. Levi, WA9CAO
6. Paul, N9QYK
7. David, KC9OBH - President
8. John, W3ML - Secretary/Treasurer

Please stay a member and pay your dues for 2022.

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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**New Year Dues 2022 still only \$12.00**

**We had over a dozen members not pay dues in 2020 & 2021. It would be nice to have them back in 2022.**

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***For Sale***

Signalink USB Sound Card Interface-\$75.00

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**NEW** in open box. Includes cables for Elecraft K3-K3S. (Compatible with other rigs with proper cables) Supports all computer program digital modes and digital voice modes, **WITHOUT** using your computer sound card. Retail for \$125 up.

### **Collins 30L-1 HF Amplifier (Winged Emblem)- \$695.00**



The Collins 30L-1 is a grounded grid linear amplifier using four 811 A or 572B triode tubes. The amplifier is rated to deliver 1000 watts PEP power input on SSB and 1000 watts average on CW for all bands. It can be driven by most 70-100 watt exciters. Finished in the same light gray as Collins' classic S/Line equipment and the KWM-2A. Can operate off of 120 or 220 volt service.

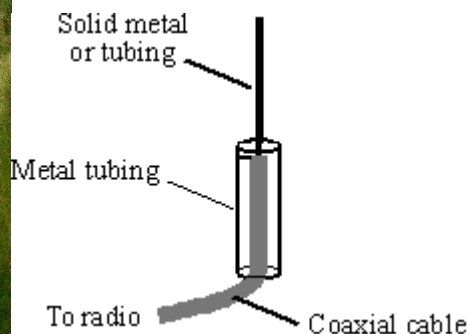
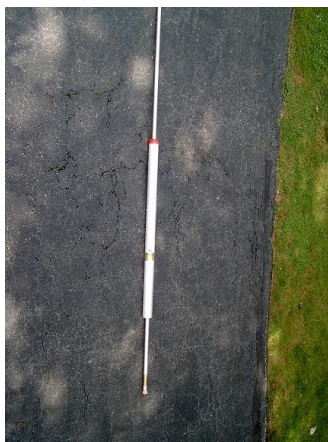
The 30L-1 provides SSB and CW operation and covers the 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meter bands; however, provisions were made for general coverage operation. Automatic load control provides maximum talking power without over-driving and distortion, resulting in a cleaner signal.

The tubes can be replaced without removing the unit from the cabinet. With the meter switch in tune position, the 30L-1 tunes by simply adjusting the loading and tuning controls to zero the meter.

This unit is in **VERY GOOD** condition. Four matched 572B tubes are installed. A matched set of 811A tubes are included.

### **Andrew 2-Meter VHF Antenna- \$110.00**

Andrew Corp. Type 161-3 coaxial type wide band VHF vertical antenna. 144-150.8 MHz Mil-Spec, very heavy duty construction for intended for commercial service. Never used. Andrew Corp. sold these for approximately \$800.00 each. Unit is about 114 inches long.



**Contact Steve Mollman-KD9HL**

[KD9HL@arrl.net](mailto:KD9HL@arrl.net)

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Wayne K9KFT has two items for sale.

**Heathkit 6 meter Amplifier 900 - 1000 watts. \$800.00**



**Daiwa CN-801 20 and 2000 watt SWR/Power Meter \$100.00**



Christmas Dinner was held at King's Buffet in Plymouth.  
In attendance were 8 from the Starke County Club and 8 from the  
Marshall County Club.









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ARLB029 Senator Blumenthal Supports Amateur Radio at Senate  
Confirmation Hearing

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From ARRL Headquarters  
Newington CT  
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, 2021  
To all radio amateurs

SB QST ARL ARLB029  
ARLB029 Senator Blumenthal Supports Amateur Radio at Senate  
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Senator Richard Blumenthal (CT) received an affirmative reply from FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel when he asked her to commit to providing his office "an update on the steps that the FCC is taking to support amateur radio operators." The Senator posed the written question as part of Rosenworcel's renomination hearing conducted by the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee.

Blumenthal took note specifically that "Radio amateurs voluntarily provide an array of public services, especially emergency and disaster-related support communications when infrastructure has been destroyed by a hurricane or similar disaster. Their contributions in this area are regularly recognized by local and state authorities."

"ARRL is grateful to Senator Blumenthal for his support and recognition of radio amateurs," said ARRL President Rick Roderick, K5UR. Blumenthal has previously co-sponsored legislation supporting amateur radio, and his staff was recently briefed by ARRL on pending amateur radio matters at the FCC. Roderick added, "We need the partnership of the FCC and Congress to ensure our rules and spectrum continue to support the march of technological innovation in our vibrant Amateur Radio Service."

Multiple proceedings to update or change the FCC's amateur Part 97 rules to account for changes in technology and operating practices have been languishing at the FCC, some going back five or more years. ARRL is hopeful that these will be addressed soon.

The Senate Committee approved Rosenworcel's renomination with a bi-partisan vote on

December 1, 2021. She has served on the FCC since 2012, and the Committee's vote to approve her nomination for an additional term sends it to the full Senate for final consideration.

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## Why Are Amateur Radio Operators Called “Hams”?

Have you ever wondered why amateur radio operators are called “HAMS”? Well it goes like this: In 1908 the word “HAM” was the call sign of the first amateur radio station operated by amateurs of the Harvard Radio Club. They were Albert Hyman, Bob Almy and Pogie Murray.

At first they called their station “Hyman-Almy-Murray”. Tapping out such a long name in code soon became tiresome and called for a revision. They changed it to “HY-AL-MU”, using the first two letters of their names. Early in 1910, some confusion resulted between the amateur radio station “HYALMU” and a Mexican ship named “HYLAMO”. They decided to use only the first letter of each name and the station became “HAM”.

In the early days of unregulated radio, operators picked their own frequency and call letters. Then, as now, some amateurs had better signals than commercial stations. The resulting interference came to the attention of Congressional committees in Washington, and Congress gave much time to proposed legislation designed to critically limit amateur radio activity.

In 1911, Albert Hyman chose the controversial Wireless Regulation Bill as the topic for his thesis at Harvard. His instructor insisted that a copy be sent to Senator David L. Walsh, a member of the committee hearing the bill. The Senator was so impressed with the thesis that he asked Hyman to appear before the committee. Albert Hyman took the stand and described how the little station was built and he almost cried when he told the crowded committee room that if the bill went through, they would have to close down the station because they could not afford the license fees and all of the other requirements that the bill imposed on amateur stations.

Congressional debate began on the Wireless Regulation Bill and the little station “HAM” became the symbol for all the little amateur stations in the country crying to be saved from the menace and greed of the big commercial stations who didn’t want them around. The bill finally got to the floor of Congress and every speaker talked about the “...poor little station “HAM”. That is how it all started. You can find the whole story in the Congressional Record.

Nationwide publicity associated “HAM” with amateur radio operators. From that day to this, and probably until the end of time, a radio amateur is a “HAM”!

*(From the Florida Skip Magazine-1959)*

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If you have something for the newsletter, please send it to me before the 25th of the month.

See you at a meeting.

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*John*, W3ML

