

W9JOZ

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Meeting

Next meeting is on February 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Knox Community Center on Lake Street, Knox, IN.

Fox Hunts are weather depending. Check into the Saturday night nets to find out if there will be one.

2023 Dues are being accepted. Still \$12.00 per year.



Meetings are at the Knox Community Center on the third Thursday of each month, with the exception of December.

The Community Center is located on the corner of Lake and Pearl Street.



Are you on the air?

QSL CARDS

If you have QSL Cards that need to be checked for an ARRL Award, contact John and he will put you in contact with an ARRL Card Checker in our area. Steve, KD9HL is the card checker.

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Events

Meeting at Knox Community Center

Corner of Pearl and Lake Street

February 16, 2023

Time will be 7:00 pm

Birthdays

Feb 4 - Bill, K9BZM

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

**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

For Sale Items

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.

Notice for 2023

****** Dues for 2023 remain at only \$12.00 a year. ******

Please be a member and pay your dues for 2023. Dues are used to pay for insurance, website, and incorporation fees.

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

HRO does Good for Ham

At the February meeting, Tom, W9QN told of his experience with the Ham Radio Outlet in a purchased that he made online. He wanted a LDG tuner to go with a small Yaesu radio he had so that he could work portable. He saw they had one as an open-box, so he chose that one and added the cable to go with it to attach to his radio. The cable was almost 15 dollars more.

It wasn't long after placing the order he received a telephone call from HRO. The individual told Tom that while preparing his order to ship, he noticed that Tom had ordered a cable for the radio.

He went on to tell Tom that he didn't need that cable as all the cables came with the tuner and he had verified that the one for the Yaesu was indeed in there with the tuner. Now this is what you call service beyond the sale. He did not have to make that call and could have the just let the sale go through as placed. But instead, he took the cable off the order and credited Tom back the money.

Bravo Ham Radio Outlet for outstanding service to hams.

Nice story on the Ft Wayne Radio Club.

<https://www.wane.com/news/the-dits-and-dahs-of-morse-code-in-the-digital-age/>

Can My Coax Freeze? Nice article by ABR Industries on this topic.

<https://abrind.com/can-my-coax-freeze/>

“VOTA” EVENT RUNNING ALL YEAR

If you enjoyed the ARRL’s 2014 “Centennial QSO Party”, you’re going to enjoy this year’s “Volunteers on the Air” operating event. It runs all year, with ARRL appointees, volunteers, staffers, and members worth points (ranging from 300 points for the ARRL president to 1 point for ARRL members) in this year-long contest. Each state will be featured for two weeks during the year, with registered stations signing “W1AW/portable”.

Indiana will be featured in July and December (signing W1AW/9).

If you’re interested in operating as one of the Indiana stations, contact Mark Williams K9GX at k9gx@thepoint.net or Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA at k9la@arrl.org to volunteer and coordinate your on-the-air time. For more information on the program, point your browser to <http://www.arrl.org/volunteers-on-the-air>.

Amateur Radio Events Celebrate the Universe

In Poland, from February 17 - March 5, 2023, the [Polish Amateur Radio Union](#) (PZK) will operate nine special event stations honoring the 550th anniversary of the birth of Nicolaus Copernicus. Copernicus mapped the universe and formulated a model that placed the sun, rather than Earth, at its center.

The nine special event stations will operate from February 17 at 00:00 UTC to March 5 at 23:59 UTC, using the following call signs: SN550K, SN550O, SN550P, SN550E, SN550R, SN550N, SN550I, SP550K, and SN550NC.

All amateur operators can participate, and QSL cards and other awards will be available.

<http://arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-events-celebrate-the-universe>

For Sale

Selling Everything - It All Must Go

Paul, N9QYK is selling off all his stuff he has collected over the years. If you are interested in knowing what he has, give him a call at 574-772-2021.

There are still items for sale on the website. www.w9joz.org

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

See you at a meeting.

73

John, W3ML

