



# RRRC NEWS

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am working on finalizing some details for the National Wildlife Refuge week special event and hope to have more information available at the meeting next Tuesday. If everything works out, the event would be held on Saturday, October 14. I hope to have everything firm to present the final details at our regular meeting on September 5.

At the upcoming meeting, I would also like to pick a final date for our Christmas Party in December. The first Sunday of December is the 3<sup>rd</sup> and unfortunately I have a conflict that date. We could possibly make it happen and I am working on getting it squared away. I would like to make a call to confirm our date after the meeting!

Sadly in August, we lost our longtime friend John, KA9OIF. John was a one time member of the club and had participated in a lot of club functions over the years and got to know many of us. John's services were held in Watertown and I got a chance to attend the visitation and meet with John's family. I passed along the condolences of the RRRRC.

I am hoping to put together a program for the November meeting on the current digital modes. This will include some of the traditional modes as well as some of the new modes to include MSK144 and FT8. If

there is any information you would like addressed please feel free to send me an e-mail and I will research and include it.

See many of you at the meeting this coming Tuesday!

73,  
Ryan KB9OWD  
RRRC President



## Annual RRRRC Auction

The annual RRRRC Club Auction will be following the October Monthly Meeting on Tuesday October 3. Round up your unneeded items to bring along. You may also find something there that you have been looking for as well. Jack Bremer, K9WC, will be Auctioneer as usual, so be prepared for a lively good time.

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## 2017 Officers



**Program Director**  
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Dale Marks WB9ADB 920-485-4234

**Assistant Emergency Coordinator**  
Open Position

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## August 2017 RRRRC Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Rock River Radio Club was called to order on Tuesday, August 1, 2017, by RRRRC President Ryan Klavekoske, KB9OWD, at 7:05 PM.

### \*\* Committee Reports \*\*

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report covering June and July, 2017, was presented by RRRRC Secretary Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA. All financial transactions were presented and reviewed by the group. There were no additions or corrections. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, and seconded by Jerry Arndt, NO9U. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes for the June, 2017 meeting were presented by RRRRC Secretary Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA. There were no additions or corrections. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, and seconded by Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

**Trailer Committee:** There was no Trailer Committee report, but Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, noted that Dave, K9MKP, had installed the new air conditioner in time for use during the Field Day weekend. Excellent job by Dave and the new unit worked great.

**Repeater Committee:** Dale Marks, WB9ADB, reported that there was nothing new over the last month.

**Field Day Camp Sites:** Dale Marks, WB9ADB, reported that all of the regular sites have been reserved by the Club for 2018 with one exception. Site 25 was flooded and unusable due to the heavy rains this year, so as a precaution it was replaced in the group with site 14. We also received a credit for Site 25 that was applied toward the 2018 cost, so we lost nothing due to the flooding.

**A.R.E.S.:** Dale Marks, WB9ADB, reported that he received an email from our ARES Regional

Director that they are requesting updated information for all of the hospitals in each area of the state. As he went around to gather the data, he found that it is very difficult to obtain from most of the hospitals in our area. Wau-pun Hospital has always been very good for us. Beaver Dam and Watertown are both not interested in cooperating with volunteer organizations, but instead want everything done for pay. They are not even interested in providing access to the areas where the equipment is set up.

### \*\* Old Business \*\*

**RRRC Brat Fry Events:** The Brat Fry events were discussed. Our first one was June 4th on Sunday. Sundays are always slower, but we did well considering that. The weather was good. The second event was on Saturday June 8th. The weather was perfect and even with competing with Lake Days, we did very well. It was agreed to go for May and June for next year; it seems that keeping them early in the season works out better for us.

**Field Day:** Our 2017 Field Day event was discussed. We had one sight that was flooded due to the rains, but we were able to work around that, and we got our money back for it. We changed our 2018 reservations to include a different site. Things went well, including the pot luck dinner, which is always a popular part of the weekend's activities. The trailer was set up and several people operated with activity in both operating positions. The new air conditioner worked great to keep the interior comfortable. Dale Marks, WB9ADB, has reserved the sites for 2018, so we are ready to go for that.

**Juneau Airport Fly-in Breakfast:** We had a conflict this year between the Airport Fly-in Breakfast and our first RRRRC Brat Fry, as they both wound up to be on the same day. We took the trailer out to the airport and then split our resources between the two events, with Dennis Druেকে, K9DLD, operating and providing PR from the trailer. Everything went well, so both events were successful.

### \*\* New Business \*\*

**Meeting Programs:** We are still in need of programs for our monthly meetings. Ryan, KB9OWD, said he will try to put together a program on some of the new digital modes for

either the September or November meeting.

**National Wildlife Refuge Week:** Ryan, **KB9OWD**, will contact the **Horicon NWR** and verify that we are invited to set up our **ARES** trailer for a **Special Event Station** at the **Visitor Center** again this year. If so, it will be on **Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup>**.

**Donation Request:** Jerry Arndt, **NO9U**, reported that he has received a letter from the **P.A.V.E.** organization asking for a donation again this year. He will bring the letter to the next meeting so we can act on it.

**HamCation event in Orlando:** Clive Frazier, **K9FWF**, reminded everyone about the annual **HamCation** held in **Orlando, Florida**, each year around the **2<sup>nd</sup> week of February**. He will let us know when the actual dates are published.

**Soda & Chips For Sale:** Ryan, **KB9OWD**, reported that we have some cans of soda and individual bags of chips left over from the **brat fry and field day events** that can be purchased at the next meeting. Dale, **WB9ADB**, will bring the gate key for access to the **Club trailer** as that is where the items are stored.

The monthly **RRRC** breakfast will be held as usual at the **Village Garden Restaurant** in **Juneau** on **Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>**, at **8:00 AM**.

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**Business was concluded and a motion to adjourn was made by Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, and seconded by Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE. The motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA  
Secretary, Rock River Radio Club**

THE NEXT REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ROCK RIVER RADIO CLUB WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th AT 7:00 PM IN ROOMS 1H AND 1I OF THE DODGE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN JUNEAU. EVERYONE IS WELCOME; SEE YOU THERE!

**RRRC AUGUST 2017 MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Dennis Weigel	KC9ICA	Burnett
Ryan Klavekoske	KB9OWD	Beaver Dam
Dale Marks	WB9ADB	Burnett
Gary Pedersen	KA9BAE	Juneau
Clive Frazier	K9FWF	Hustisford
Evie Arndt	Guest	Watertown
Jerry Arndt	NO9U	Watertown
Ralph M. Hasler	N9WBL	Oconomowoc
Len Buchda	KB9GDY	Randolph

**Rock River Radio Club Mailing Addresses**  
**Club Dues / Bills / Club Business**

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## Announcement!

RRRC member Rod Fritz, WB9KMO, is now the publisher of atvquarterly magazine. Here is a link to the site:

[http://www.atvquarterly.com./](http://www.atvquarterly.com/)

You may recall that Rod donated the Yaesu cross-band repeater that the club has had in operation.

Rod gets back to this area a couple of times a year. Be sure to give him a call when you hear him on our repeater.



The monthly RRRC breakfast get-together will be on Saturday, September 9th, at the Village Garden Restaurant in Juneau. All are welcome, so join us at around 8:00 AM for a pleasant informal gathering.

### **RRRC Weekly Nets**

**Mon. ARES 146.64 MHz 7:30 PM**

**A.R.E.S. Net Control Stations:**

September 4 Dennis, K9DLD

September 11 Dennis, KC9ICA

September 18 Ryan, KB9OWD

September 25 Dennis, KC9ICA

**Sat. 3.947 MHz 10:00 AM**

**Wed. 1.908 MHz 7:30 PM**

**Repeater Backup 147.585 MHz Simplex**



**THE SUBMISSION DEAD-  
LINE FOR ITEMS FOR THE  
OCTOBER 2017 ISSUE OF  
THE RRRC NEWSLETTER IS  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th**



Upcoming dates:

Friday 09/29/2017

HRO Superfest in Milwaukee  
(Former AES Building)

Thursday 10/05/17

SET (Simulated Emergency Test) 2017

Saturday 10/14/17

US Wildlife Refuge Week/Amateur Radio  
Special Event at Horicon Marsh

Saturday 0/21/17

ARES/RACES Annual State  
Conference - Wisconsin Rapids

Dale WB9ADB