



RRRC NEWS

MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE ROCK RIVER RADIO CLUB
From your friends in the Rock River Radio Club!



Volume 46 Number 8

www.rrrc.net

AUGUST 2025

AUGUST 2025 RRRC Meeting Minutes



The monthly meeting of the Rock River Radio Club was held on August 5th using Zoom meetings. by President Peter Frey, AD9DO. The meeting was called it to order at 7:05 pm CDT.

SECRETARY REPORT Ray Teschke, KD9QLE,
Secretary presented the minutes of the JULY meeting as published in the JULY Newsletter. Motion to approve by: Cameron Frey, KD9VGV. Second by: Len Buchda, KB9GDY. Motion Carried

TREASURER REPORT Dave DePover K9MKP.
Motion to approve by: Mike DeJager, KB9LXP.
Second by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL. Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service): Dale Marks, WB9ADB
Dodge County Emergency Management has asked the club to be more involved and to increase out public appearance, and group activities.

A discussion was held about the need for more members to become involved in ARES.

The 3 required courses to for BASIC ARES participation are:

From FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency):

Introduction to the Incident Command System IS-100.C
<https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-100.c&lang=en>

An Introduction to the National Incident Management System IS-700.B
<https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-700.b&lang=en>

From ARRL (Amateur Radio Relay League):

Basic EMComm

<https://learn.arrl.org/courses/67044>

Email your course completion certificates to Dale WB9ADB.

TRAILER: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Dodge County Emergency Management is replacing the destroyed EnComm trailer.

REPEATER: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Antique Power Show

Peter & Cameron Frey made 1100 contacts.

Dabe DePover made 60 contacts.

A lot of people stopped by the booth ot see the clubs setup.
There was a lot od DXing activity.

NEW BUSINESS

Fox Hunt Date Sept 20th 3pm, more info to follow.

Dave DePover made a request to move \$2000 to our money account.

Motion to approve by: Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE

Second by: Peter Frey, AD9DO

Motion Carried

MOTION TO ADJOURNED

President Peter Frey, AD9DO heard no further business and requested the meeting be adjourned.

Motion to adjourn by: Art Schregardus, N9TSC

Second by: Jerry Arndt ,NO9U

Motion Carried

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:51 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Raymond Teschke, KD9QLE

Secretary, Rock River Radio Club.

President

Peter Frey AD9DO 920-344-1378

Vice President

Ryan Klavekoske KB9OWD 920-356-8757

Secretary

Ray Teschke KD9QLE 920-210-9540

Treasurer

Dave DePover K9MKP 920-210-2209

Club Historian

Gary Pedersen KA9BAE 920-386-4666

2025 Officers



Emergency Coordinator

Dale Marks WB9ADB 920-485-4234

Assistant Emergency Coordinator

Ryan Klavekoske KB9OWD 920-356-8757

Repeater Directors

Dale Marks WB9ADB 920-485-4234 (Trustee)

Dave DePover K9MKP 920-210-2209

Keith Lodahl, WJ9L 920-387-4675

Ray Teschke KD9QLE 920-210-9540

Webmaster Lucky Lasanske K9LUK 920-216-4268

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL RADIO CLUB!

What does that mean?

- Come to club meetings and activities
- Pay your \$20/yr membership fee (\$25/yr for a family). See last page to join / renew for 2025
- Participating in club nets



THE NEXT MONTHLY MEETING OF THE RRRC WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd AT 7:00 PM AT MIKE DEJAGER'S PLACE, 111 N. HIGH STREET IN RANDOLPH.

If you are unable to join us in-person (we would love to see your smiling faces), a link to join via Zoom Meetings will be emailed out



The monthly RRRC breakfast get-together will be on Saturday, September 6th at the Village Garden Restaurant in Juneau. All are welcome, so join us at around 8:00 AM for a pleasant informal gathering.

RRRC AUGUST 2025 MEETING ATTENDANCE

(in alphabetical order)

Art Schregardus, N9TSC, Randolph
Bently, SWL
Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE, Ripon
Cameron Frey, KD9VGV, Beaver Dam
Dale Marks, WB9ADB, Burnett
Dave DePover, K9MKP, Juneau
David Odekirk, KA9DQK, Watertown
Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA, via Zoom
Fred DeJager, SWL, Randolph
Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE, Juneau, via Zoom
Jean DeJager, SWL, Randolph
Jerry Arndt, NO9U, Watertown
Evelyn Arndt, SWL, Watertown
Len Buchda, KB9GDY, Randolph
Mike DeJager, KB9LXP, Randolph
Peter Frey, AD9DO, Beaver Dam
Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, Oconomowoc, via Zoom
Ray Teschke, KD9QLE, Fond du Lac, via Zoom
Ryan Klavekoske, KB9OWD, via Zoom
Ted Neuburg, W9LUQ, Waupun, via Zoom

**CONGRATULATIONS
CAMERON
ON PASSING YOUR
EXTRA CLASS
HAM RADIO EXAM**

WANT TO JOIN IN ON THE C4FM / WIRES-X FUN ON THE KNOWLES REPEATER?

The Yaesu FT-70D 5 watt dual band HT is currently on sale for \$149 at Ham Radio Outlet, RandL Electronics and Gigaparts.

It does 2 meters and 70 cm as well as Yaesu System Fusion digital (C4FM) and WIRES-X.

If you decide to buy one, ask Brad KA9JDE for a "cheat sheet".



RRRC 56th Annual Dodge County Antiques Power Show

Special Event Station W9R

By Cameron KD9VGV

This past weekend, the Rock River Radio Club had an amazing time at the 56th annual Dodge County Antiques Power Show. For this event, we operated as W9R for a special event station. Lots of members attended to meet up with the club, add some contacts to the log, and explore everything the Antiques Power Show had to offer. For those who do not know, the power show is an event where many people bring their antique power tools, vehicles, equipment, etc. For example, tractors and old cars.

Although the numerous vehicles driving around created a problem on HF due to interference, we powered through. With the help of visitors and people operating from home, we were able to get 221 contacts, in six different modes, in 21 countries, and 40 out of the 50 states. The variety of modes helped us get so many contacts! We operated SSB, FM (Satellites), SSTV, FT8, FT4, and CW. We are thankful to all the operators who helped us out!

The big station attracted a lot of visitors, licensed and unlicensed. Many people saw us operating satellites or Morse Code and asked us, "Hey, what are you doing?" Many people learned about this amazing hobby just because they saw a station at a local event. All in all, I think this special event station was a big success, so I thank everyone who attended. I look forward to seeing you all there next year! 73! KD9VGV- Cameron

NOTE: See photos on page 4

PHOTOS FROM THE RRRC W9R SPECIAL EVENT STATION AT THE DODGE COUNTY ANTIQUE POWER SHOW - August 1st-3rd

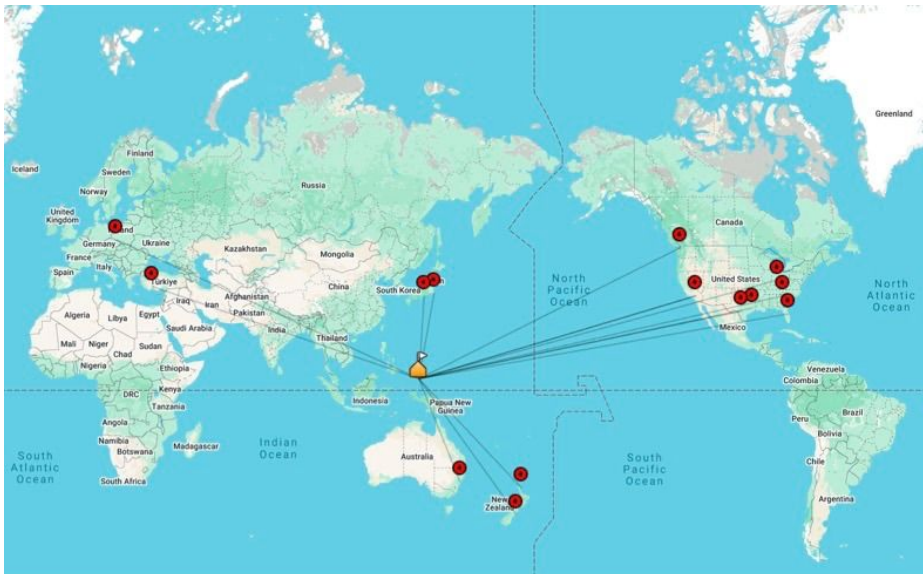


AROUND THE WORLD IN 42 DAYS (6 WEEKS)!

By Brad KA9JDE (aka 3D2JDE and VK2/KA9JDE)

Here are some highlights from my recent 27,219-mile trip around the world:

- Week 1: Operating as 3D2JDE on a remote, private, 35-acre island in Fiji in the South Pacific. My focus while there was scuba diving on the Great Sea Reef, the 3rd largest reef in the world. I had 57 QSOs in 10 countries, including friends Ryan (KB9OWD) in Beaver Dam, Brian (W7JET) in Arizona and Eve (W7EVE) in Arizona.
- Week 2: Again, operating as 3D2JDE from Tavenui Island, Fiji. 2 young lads saw my homebrew dipole antenna and asked what I was doing. We ended up making a SSB contact with a ham in Rhode Island. They couldn't believe it! The small island of Tavenui is split by the 180th parallel (opposite of Zulu time in the UK). ½ the island is in the western hemisphere and ½ is in the eastern hemisphere. In the photo my left foot it is Friday and my right foot it is Saturday!!! How cool is that?



←-----QSOs while operating in Fiji



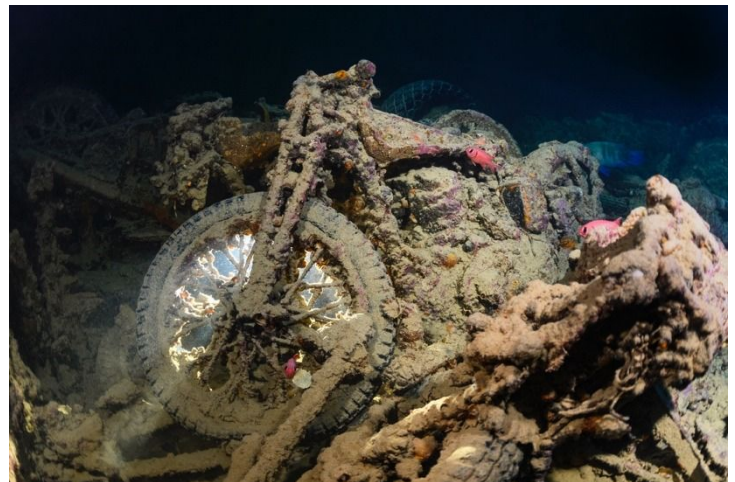
Plenty of sharks!!!

- Week 3: My third stop was in the Kingdom of Tonga, also in the South Pacific, east of Fiji. Visiting Tonga was like going back in time to the 50's. Airline boarding passes are handwritten. And you can't get a ham radio license without visiting their version of the FCC, in person! That just wasn't possible with my schedule. I did do some awesome scuba diving while there. It also was the beginning of Humpback Whale season. The whales come up from Antarctica, go past New Zealand and end up at Ha'apai Island where I was, in northern Tonga. I got to see tail slaps, blow holes, surface breaches and even heard them underwater while diving!
- Week 4: Next stop was Sydney Australia. December 21st is my least favorite day in Wisconsin since it is the shortest day of the year. Wouldn't you know that this year I experienced the shortest day of the year in Australia, June 21! Yes, it is winter there now. And when you flush a toilet, the water swirls in the opposite direction! I traveled to the beautiful Blue Mountains where it was just above zero and about a 60 mile per hour wind. Brrrrr! I did try to activate a POTA park in Sydney that had only been activated once before. No such luck as I only had 2 SSB contacts. But it was a lovely day to be in a beautiful park. One of my favorite parts of visiting Sydney was doing a night climb / hike to the top of the Sydney Harbor Bridge. A climbing

harness and suit are required. Doing it at night gave an amazing view of Sydney and what a great way to finish this leg of my trip!



- Weeks 5 and 6: I flew from Sydney to Dubai to Cairo to Marsa Alam, I boarded the Scuba Scene 160' liveaboard dive vessel in Egypt's Port Ghalib. The Red Sea is about 1,400 miles long and about 200 miles wide. The first week was spent in the far south region as well as the central region. The second week was spent in the northern region, near Sharm El-Sheikh. Foreigners are not allowed to do ham radio in Egypt, so this leg of the trip was all about scuba diving. Diving in the Red Sea is amazing. Plenty of shipwrecks as well as Hammerhead sharks and other fun critters. I dove one of the most famous shipwrecks in the world, the SS Thistlegorm. It is a 415' WWII British armored supply ship that was sank by the Germans in 1941. Over 100 BSA and Norton motorcycles are on board as well as ammunition, guns, trucks etc. Truly an amazing dive!



Top right and bottom left photos by Walt Stearns – Scuba Diving magazine. Bottom right by Mark Evans – Scuba Diving magazine.



Amateur Radio Emergency Service® [ARES®]



The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)

Amateur Radio Operators use their training, skills, and equipment to provide communications during emergencies When All Else Fails®. The ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) consists of radio amateurs who have voluntarily registered their qualifications and equipment, with their local ARES leadership, for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes.

ARES volunteers provide communications for:

- Government agencies
- Disaster relief organizations
- Public service events
- Emergencies or disasters
- Training exercises

ARES radio operators receive training in:

- Message handling
- Communication technology
- Administrative procedures
- Disaster preparedness



ARRL's volunteer amateur radio operators help their communities in good times and bad through community events, disaster response, and various programs.

Get Involved in ARES

- Ask local hams about involvement
- Contact your Section Manager or Section Emergency Coordinator, www.arrl.org/sections
- Join local radio clubs, www.arrl.org/clubs
- Be "radio active" — Get on the air as often as possible
- Attend SKYWARN® training, weather.gov/SKYWARN
- Learn more about ARES, www.arrl.org/ares
- Reach out to ARRL for assistance, email ares@arrl.org

Contact Your Local ARES Group or ARRL Affiliated Club

Join ARES® Today!



ARES STANDARDIZED TRAINING PLAN TASK BOOK

Name: _____ Call: _____ License Class: _____

Home Group: _____ Date: _____

ARES® TRAINING LEVEL			
Basic			
<p>This is the primary level for those who choose a non-leadership role as well as those new to Amateur Radio or emergency communications. This introductory training is conducted by the local ARES group to meet its needs and those of its served agency or partners. This training could be formal or informal and would introduce the ARES participant to the fundamentals of emergency communications and provide instructions on how participants are to conduct themselves while serving in the field or otherwise activated. Participants are encouraged to complete Level 1 and advance to level 2 as soon as practical.</p> <p>R = Required, O = Optional, E = Encouraged</p>			
TASK	R-O-E	COMPLETION DATE	EC SIGN OFF
Education			
IS-100 Intro to Incident command System*	R		
IS-700 Introduction to National Incident Mgt. System*	R		
IS-200 Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response*	E		
IS-800 National Response Framework, An Introduction*	E		
SKYWARN - Spotter Basic Training (Biennially)	O		
Basic EmComm Course	R		
Comment: *Sets initial baseline requirements. Will likely be insufficient for deployment at an incident. All FEMA IS Courses are current version. These IS courses are online courses and will require you to obtain a FEMA student ID.			
Participation			
Obtain Task Book	R		
Join an ARES® group	R		
Comment:			
Proficiency/Skill			
Obtain Technician class or higher Amateur Radio License	R		
Comment:			

NOTE:
Only items with an “R” are required
Contact Dale WB9ADB
for more information

RRRC Weekly Nets

Monday A.R.E.S. Net 7:30 PM

RRRC 2-Meter Repeater 146.64 MHz

Net Control Stations

August 11, 2025 Ted - W9LUQ

August 18, 2025 Ryan - KB9OWD

August 25, 2025 Gary - KA9BAE

September 1, 2025 Jeff - KB9UNY

Repeater Backup 147.585 MHz Simplex

160-Meter HF Net Wednesday 7:00 PM

1.908 MHz Lower Side Band

(1.920 MHz backup frequency)

**70-Centimeter Net RRRC Knowles
Repeater 442.975**

Thursdays at 7:30 PM

75-Meter HF Net Saturday 10:00 AM

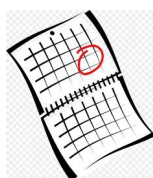
7.278 MHz Lower Side Band

Alternate Frequency 3.947 MHz

Calendar 2025

FOX HUNT, SEPT 20TH, 3PM

HOLIDAY PARTY, TBD



RRRC Repeaters

2-Meter Located in Juneau, WI

146.640 MHz Output

146.040 MHz Input

(Duplex, Standard Negative Offset)

123.0 Hz PL Tone

70-Centimeter Located in Knowles, WI

442.975 MHz Output

447.975 MHz Input

(Duplex, Standard Positive Offset)

123.0 Hz PL Tone

Standard FM and

Yaesu System Fusion (C4FM) Capable

Rock River Radio Club Mailing Addresses

Club Dues / Bills / Club Business

R.R.R.C.

P.O. Box 26

Juneau, WI 53039-0026

Newsletter Related Items:

Raymond Teschke

617 Mohawk Cir.

Horicon, WI 53032

rkteschke@att.net

Website: www.rrrc.net

Webmaster: Ray (Lucky) Lasanske K9LUK

k9luk@sbcglobal.net

UPCOMING HAMFESTS

Circus City Swapfest

08/23/2025

Start Date: 08/23/2025

End Date: 08/23/2025

Location: Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club Property
S3347 Sand Road
Baraboo, WI 53913

Website: <http://yellowthunder.org>

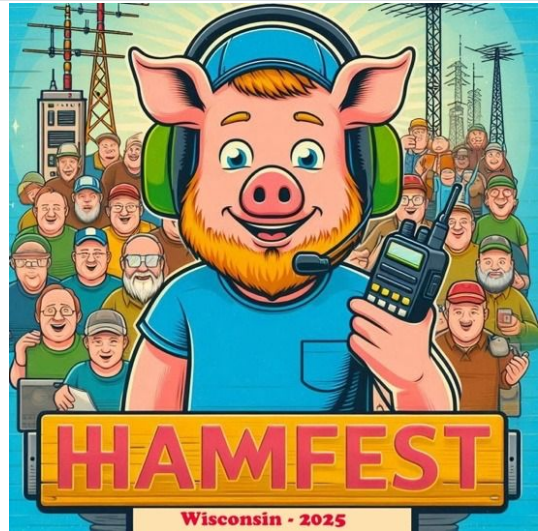
Sponsor: Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.315 PL123.0

Public Contact: Mathew Toussaint , KD9DZT
3835 County Road A Stoughton, WI 53589-3913
Phone: (608) 205-1994

Email: kd9dzt@yellowthunder.org



ORC Annual Regional Fall Swapfest

09/06/2025

Start Date: 09/06/2025

End Date: 09/06/2025

Location: Firemans Park (Cedarburg, WI)
W65N796 on Washington Ave.
Cedarburg, WI 53012

Sponsor: Ozaukee Radio Club (ORC)

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.97 PL 127

Public Contact: Tom Ruhlmann , W9IPR
465 Beechwood Drive Cedarburg, WI 53012
Phone: 262-377-6945

Email: teruhlmann@wi.rr.com

FCARC Annual Hamfest

11/02/2025

Start Date: 11/02/2025

End Date: 11/02/2025

Location: Sunnyview Exposition Center
500 E. County Rd. Y
Oshkosh, WI 54901

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

Sponsor: Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.76 pl 100

Public Contact: Carol Young , W9PIO
E5869 Clark Street Weyauwega, WI 54983
Phone: 920-915-8960

Email: W9PIO2024@gmail.com

Phone: 414-578-0492

Email: kc9wqj@gmail.com

WHAT IS A HAMFEST?

A "hamfest" is a gathering, often a weekend event, for amateur radio operators (or "hams") to socialize, buy, sell, and trade amateur radio equipment, participate in forums and seminars, and potentially take amateur radio license exams.

Here's a more detailed breakdown:

Social Event:

Hamfests are primarily social events where hams can connect with each other and share their passion for amateur radio.

Flea Market:

A significant part of a hamfest is a flea market where attendees can buy, sell, and trade a wide variety of amateur radio equipment, from vintage to modern, and related accessories.

Seminars and Forums:

Many hamfests feature seminars and forums covering various aspects of amateur radio, including technical, operational, and legal topics.

License Exams:

Some hamfests also host volunteer examiner teams (VEs) who administer amateur radio license exams.

Commercial Exhibits:

Some hamfests include commercial exhibits where manufacturers and vendors showcase and sell their amateur radio equipment.

Amateur Radio Clubs:

Hamfests can also serve as a venue for meetings of amateur radio clubs.

Annual Membership Dues
Rock River Radio Club of Wisconsin
PO Box 26, Juneau WI 53039-0026



Last Name: _____

First Name(s): _____

Call(s): _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Email: _____

ARRL: YES NO

State: _____ Zip: _____

Description	\$ Each	Quantity	Total
RRRC 2025 Membership - Family	\$25.00		
RRRC 2025 Membership - Individual Regular	\$20.00		
RRRC 2025 Membership - Individual Associate	\$10.00		
RRRC Badge	\$10.00		
A.R.E.S. Communication Trailer Fund Contribution			
GRAND TOTAL:			

Send to: Dave DePover
 Attn: RRRC treasurer
 W7657 Stone Rd.
 Juneau, WI 53039