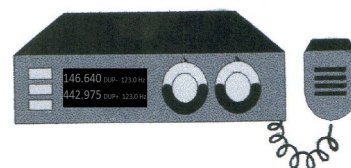




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MAY 2025 RRRC Meeting Minutes



The monthly meeting of the Rock River Radio Club was held on May 6, 2025 using Zoom meetings by President Peter Frey, AD9DO. The meeting was called it to order at 7:15 pm CDT

SECRETARY REPORT Ray Teschke, KD9QLE,
Secretary presented the minutes of the APRIL meeting as published in the APRIL Newsletter.
Newsletter.

Motion to approve by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL

Second by: Gene DeGroot, WB9QCC

Motion Carried

TREASURER REPORT Dave DePover K9MKP

Motion to approve by: Ray Teschke, KD9QLE

Second by: Art Schregardus, N9TSC

Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARES/REPEATER: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Several members attended the weather reporting class at Juneau County Building.

TRAILER: Len Buchda, KB9GDY

Nothing new to report.

REPEATER: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Juneau repeater has been sending out a lot of notifications lately.

FIELD DAY: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

See new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Antique Power Show is coming up soon.
Cameron is creating a tracking chart for signing up to operate during time slots.

NEW BUSINESS

Field Day—Saturday Meal will be at 5pm. Bring a dish to pass. More information to follow soon.
3 spots for campers and 1 spot for the trailer have been reserved.

Fox Hunt— May 24th. Backup date May 25th. Everybody is welcome to attend. Several other clubs have said their members might attend.

MOTION TO ADJOURNED

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

Motion to adjourn by: Mike DeJager, KB9LXP

Second by: Ralph Hasler, N9WBL

Motion Carried

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:33 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

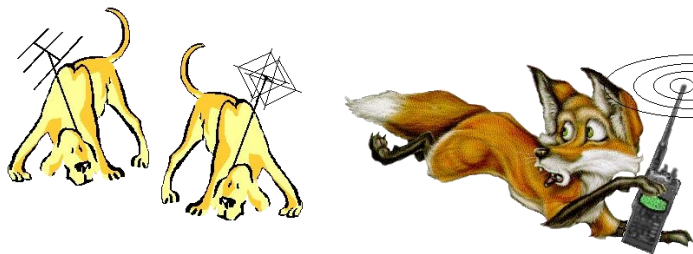
Dale Marks WB9ADB 920-485-4234 (Trustee)

Dave DePover K9MKP 920-210-2209

Keith Lodahl, WJ9L 920-387-4675

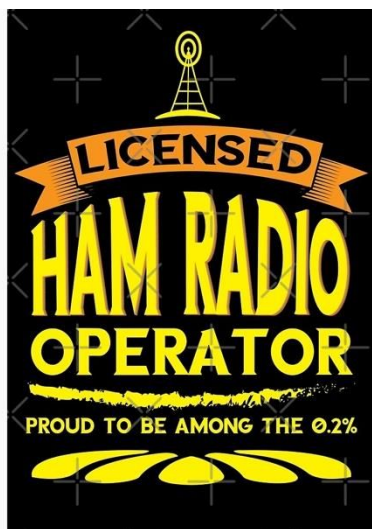
Ray Teschke KD9QLE 920-210-9540

Webmaster Lucky Lasanske K9LUK 920-216-4268



SAVE THE DATE!

**The RRRRC Spring Fox Hunt is
Saturday, May 24 at 4 PM.**



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 RRRRC
WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON ON TUESDAY,
JUNE 3RD 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
to you the day of the meeting.**

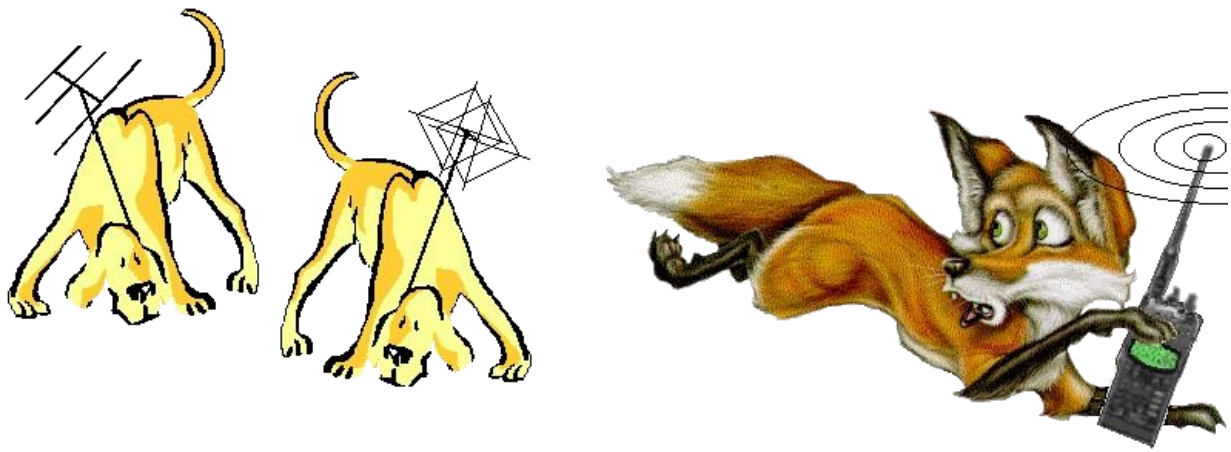
RRRC MAY 2025 MEETING ATTENDANCE

(in alphabetical order)

Art Schregardus, N9TSC, Randolph
 Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE, Gold Canyon AZ
 Cameron Frey, KD9VGV, Beaver Dam
 Christopher Solon, W9PAW, Juneau
 Dale Marks, WB9ADB, Burnett
 Dave DePover, K9MKP, Juneau
 David Odekirk, KA9DQK, Watertown
 Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA, Horicon
 Diane Kraemer, KD9IXD, Juneau
 Fred Dejager, SWL, Randolph
 Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE, Juneau
 Gene DeGroot, WB9QCC, Randolph
 Jean Dejager, SWL, Randolph
 Jerry Arndt, NO9U, Watertown
 Len Buchda, KB9GDY, Randolph
 Mike Dejager, KB9LXP, Randolph
 Peter Frey, AD9DO, Beaver Dam
 Ralph Hasler, N9WBL, Oconomowoc
 Ray Teschke, KD9QLE, Fond du Lac
 Ted Neuburg, W9LUQ, Waupun



The monthly RRRRC breakfast
get-together will be on
Saturday, June 7th at the Village
Garden Restaurant in Juneau.
All are welcome, so join us at
around 8:00 AM for a pleasant
informal gathering.



RRRC SPRING “FOX HUNT”

The Rock River Radio Club's Spring Fox Hunt is an exciting event that promises a fun-filled afternoon for all participants. Starting at 4 PM on 5/24, the hunt will take place somewhere in Dodge County, adding an element of mystery and adventure to the activity. A rain date is set for 5/25.

Enthusiasts will gather to track down hidden transmitters, known as "foxes," using their radio direction-finding skills. This event is a great opportunity for members to test their abilities, enjoy the camaraderie of fellow radio enthusiasts, and experience the thrill of the chase in the beautiful surroundings of Dodge County. Whether you're a seasoned hunter or a newcomer, the Spring Fox Hunt is sure to be an unforgettable experience. All are welcome to participate. The actual location in Dodge County is still undetermined. General location will be provided once decided upon.

More details to come. Stay tuned!

For anyone not familiar with fox hunts:

In ham radio, a fox hunt is a fun activity where amateur radio operators locate a hidden radio transmitter (the "fox") using direction-finding techniques. It's essentially a radio-based game of hide-and-seek, often combining outdoor activities with the hobby. You don't have to be a seasoned ham radio operator to participate. Feel free to show up at the event and we get you placed with one of the groups of vehicles that are participating!

What's the purpose of a fox hunt:

The Fox Hunt is an informal hunt held on irregular intervals for the enjoyment of the participants, and to train amateur radio operators to learn, refine, and use direction finding skills. These hunts are a fun activity, and everyone is invited to participate. However, they are preparation for serious business. Direction finding skills would be necessary for the following situations:

- Locating a downed aircraft
- Locating either a technological or human signal source which is interfering with a radio system.
- Locating lost or injured people. This would include hikers, hams during emergencies, public service employees and others that may have a transmitter.

ARRL FIELD DAY 2025



Be a part of the **most popular on-the-air operating event** in amateur radio. Join your local community and get in on the action!

PARTICIPATE IN YOUR LOCAL ARRL FIELD DAY JUNE 28-29, 2025

**We welcome the public to come
learn about ham radio!**

**We will be setup at
Dodge County's Derge Park**

**Field Day is ham radio's open house.
Every June, more than 40,000 hams
throughout North America set up
temporary transmitting stations
in public places to
demonstrate ham radio's science,
skill and service to our communities
and our nation.**

**It combines public service,
emergency preparedness,
community outreach, and
technical skills all in a single event.**



www.arrl.org/FieldDay

What is ARRL Field Day? You're Invited!

ARRL Field Day is a radio communications event that brings together amateur radio operators (also called “hams”) within your community. The theme for 2025 Field Day is “Radio Connects” – highlighting the many ways that wireless technology connects people across distances near and far. The event is part picnic, campout, practice for emergencies, informal contest, and most of all, fun! ARRL Field Day is the most popular ham radio activity held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend in June each year, more than 31,000 hams get together with their radio clubs, schools, or friends to operate from remote locations.

For many radio clubs, ARRL Field Day is one of the highlights on their annual calendar. A typical Field Day site will showoff many aspects of amateur radio and its many roles.

Some groups use Field Day as an opportunity to practice their emergency communications readiness. ARRL Field Day is an annual demonstration and invites the general public and organizations to see how amateur radio can serve in an emergency, **When All Else Fails®**. Hams are well-known for their communications support in real disaster and post-disaster situations. Despite the development of very complex, modern communications systems — or maybe because they are so complex — ham radio has been called into action, again and again, to provide communications in crises when it really matters.

Amateur radio also inspires the next generation of technical leaders by providing a hands-on sandbox where students gain experience in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

For those with a competitive spirit, Field Day stations compete to make radio contacts with as many other stations as possible while learning to operate radio equipment in challenging situations and less-than-optimal conditions. These same skills are used by hams who volunteer to help with large, preplanned, non-emergency events such as marathons and bike-a-thons; fundraisers such as walk-a-thons; celebrations such as parades, and exhibits at fairs, malls, and museums.



Who is ARRL?

With more than 137,000 members, ARRL is The National Association for Amateur Radio in the US. Our mission is to promote and protect the art, science, and enjoyment of amateur radio, and to develop the next generation of radio amateurs. ARRL and our affiliated radio clubs provide benefits to members to discover radio, to develop new skills, and to serve your local community.

What is Amateur Radio?

Often called “ham radio,” the Amateur Radio Service is a worldwide community of licensed operators using the airwaves with every conceivable means of communications technology. It is made up of people who enjoy learning and being able to transmit voice, data, and pictures through the airwaves to places near and far without depending on commercial systems. The amateur radio frequencies are the last remaining place in the usable radio spectrum where an individual can develop and experiment with wireless communications. Not only can hams build and modify their equipment, but they can also create new ways to communicate via the airwaves — and do it as a globally connected community. Many people in the hobby form lifelong friendships with people they wouldn't have otherwise met. Many rock stars, Hollywood actors, and heads of state (and even your neighbor down the street) are ham radio operators. You can be, too! Get started at ARRL Field Day!



ARRL The National Association for
Amateur Radio®

www.arrl.org/FieldDay

Order Official ARRL Field Day Gear
www.arrl.org/shop/FieldDay

*The 56th Annual
Dodge County
Antique Power Show
August 1st, 2nd, & 3rd, 2025*



SAVE THE DATE!

Special Event Station

W9R

*Operated by the
Rock River Radio Club
Dodge Co., WI, USA*



K9MKP

<u>Date</u>	<u>UTC</u>	<u>MHz</u>	<u>RST</u>	<u>Mode</u>
8/3/25	16:30	14.242	59	SSB



We Need Your Help



We are looking for volunteers to do the following at the Rock River Radio Club's SPECIAL EVENT STATION at the Dodge County Antique Power Show on August 1st, 2nd and 3rd. We need volunteers to help with:

- Initial setup on Friday
- Getting the RRRC Emergency Trailer to the event
- Setting up antennas
- Station operators and assistants throughout the entire event
- Takedown on Sunday
- Getting the RRRC Emergency Trailer back to the storage yard Sunday

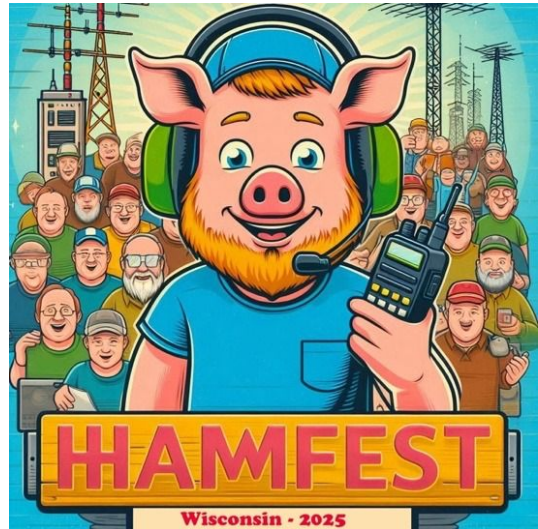
Contact Peter AD9DO at alphadelta9deltaoscar@gmail.com

Or Dave K9MKP at djdepover2209@gmail.com

UPCOMING HAMFESTS

Green Bay Hamfest

Start Date: 05/31/2025
End Date: 05/31/2025
Location: Our Saviour Lutheran Church
120 South Henry St.
Green Bay, WI 54301
Sponsor: Green Bay Mike & Key Club
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Talk-In: 147.120 PL 107.2
Public Contact: Todd Clausen , W9GRB
3082 Nicolet Drive Green Bay, WI 54311
Phone: 414-455-6374
Email: toddw9grb@gmail.com



FCARC Sunshine Swapfest

06/21/2025
Start Date: 06/21/2025
End Date: 06/21/2025
Location: Sunnyview Exposition Center Parking Lot #2
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

Riverland ARC Swapmeet

06/21/2025
Start Date: 06/21/2025
End Date: 06/21/2025
Location: American Legion Onalaska
731 Sand Lake Rd.
Onalaska, WI 54650
Website: <http://rarc.qth.com>
Sponsor: Riverland Amateur Radio Club
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Talk-In: 146.97
Public Contact: David Peters , KB9EWG
321 Wagon Drive #430 West Salem, WI 54669
Phone: 608-799-6908
Email: kb9ewg@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:

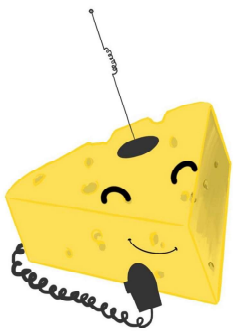
Some hamfests also host volunteer examiner teams (VEs) who administer amateur radio license exams.

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.



Green Bay Hamfest

Saturday May 31, 2025
from 8 'til Noon

At the Our Saviour Lutheran Church
120 South Henry St.



On Green Bay's East Side, just off Main St. at the corner of Deckner Ave. and Henry St.

Entrance tickets \$5 per person

Great Commercial Vendors Featuring Tower Electronics

Your one stop shop for all the radio and antenna accessories to keep you on the air.

Wolf River Coils offering a variety of products for mobile, portable, and base station needs.

C3 Electronics providing Bandpass Filters for your favorite HF bands.

OTHER COMMERCIAL VENDORS INVITED

Huge parking lot for trunk sales/tailgating, PLUS plenty of space indoors with tables available for only \$10 a piece!
(Parking lot and facility open for set up at 6:00 AM)

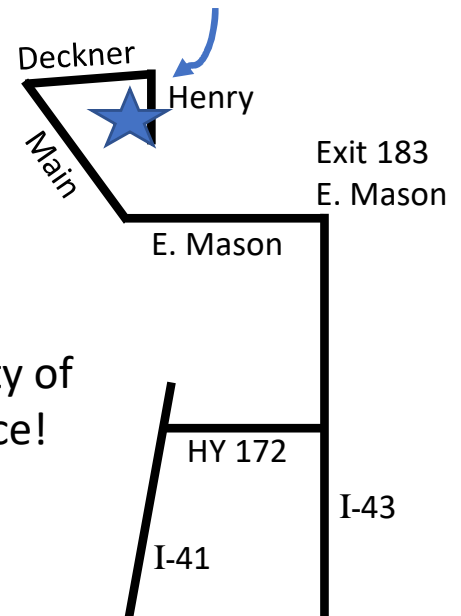
Be part of the fun!

- ✓ Food available on site
- ✓ 50/50 Raffle
- ✓ "Bucket Drawings" \$50 Gift Cards From HRO and DX Engineering,
Powerwerx Power Pole Tool Package,
Baofeng UV-5R 2M/440 5 watt H/T, and more!
- ✓ Meet our ARRL Section Manager
- ✓ DXCC Card Checking
- ✓ Amateur Radio Youth Lounge...BRING THE KIDS!
- ✓ Great Door Prizes \$25 & \$50 ARRL Gift Certificates,
Craig Buck Books, RT Systems Software, **PLUS Surprises!**
- ✓ Commercial Vendors
- ✓ Learn About the Next Bouvet DXpedition
- ✓ Lots of Vintage Electronics
- ✓ Grand Prize Drawing...\$150 HRO Gift Card (Must be present to win all prizes.)
- ✓ Trunk Sales/Tailgating
- ✓ FCC License Testing (Registration 8:45; must be registered by 9:00. Testing promptly at 9:00. Contact ks9wi@mail.com prior to May 26 to register.)

Don't miss out!

For more information and to reserve a table or parking lot sales space,
contact Todd Clausen, W9GRB, toddw9grb@gmail.com or 414-455-6374.

Sponsored by the Green Bay Mike & Key Club



TALK-IN: 147.120 PL 107.2



HAM RADIO LICENSE TESTING DATES

If you are looking to get your ham radio license or upgrade your current license, here is the info you need. Tests can be taken In Person or Virtually via Zoom in the comfort of your home. The choice is yours!

UPCOMING NEARBY "IN PERSON" EXAMS:

More can be found at:

<https://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>



Plymouth WI 53073-2032 EXAM SESSION

05/20/2025

Sponsor: Sheboygan Cty WI VE Team

Date: May 20 2025

Time: 7:00 PM (No Walk-ins / Register or Call ahead)

Contact: Michael B. Gottsacker
(920) 565-2672

Email: mgottsac@tds.net

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Salem United Church of Christ (Enter from East parking lot, off Kensington Ave)

217 Salem Dr (Handicap Accessible)

Please put "VE Exam" in the email subject line

Plymouth WI 53073-2032

Delavan WI 53115 EXAM SESSION

05/24/2025

Sponsor: N9RK VE Team

Date: May 24 2025

Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Richard C. Kardos
(262) 728-3615

Email: N9RK@VintageSSB.net

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Community Center

FRN Required

Contact in advance

826 E Geneva St

Delavan WI 53115

Milwaukee WI 53223-4736 EXAM SESSION

05/31/2025

Sponsor: MRAC VEC, INC.

Date: May 31 2025

Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Tom Fuszard

Email: mracvec@gmail.com

VEC: Milwaukee WI

Location: Ham Radio Outlet

5710 W Good Hope Rd

Milwaukee WI 53223-4736

Website: <https://www.mracvec.org/>

Madison WI 53715-2143 EXAM SESSION

06/07/2025

Sponsor: Four Lakes ARC

Date: Jun 07 2025

Time: 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Frederick Baguhn
(608) 437-8937

Email: w9goc@arrl.net

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Univ of WI Space Place

2300 S Park Street

Villager Mall Lower Level

Must have FRN at time of exam.

Madison WI 53715-2143

Website: www.w9jz.org/exam/

UPCOMING VIRTUAL EXAMS:

Brad, KA9JDE, is a member of the AA7HW Volunteer Examiner Team under the W5YI VEC. With over 40 Volunteer Examiners on the team, we offer virtual testing via Zoom. The cost of the exam is \$14. For more info or to schedule an exam, go to aa7hw.org.

Testing is done virtually via Zoom usually Monday-Thursday at 4pm and Friday at 8:30pm. To schedule your exam session, go to: aa7hw.org
Also, feel free to contact Brad KA9JDE with any questions at ka9jde@gmail.com.

The best way to get your ham radio license is to use <http://hamstudy.org/> Be certain that you are in STUDY MODE. This mode asks you test questions you are NOT getting right, to avoid a false sense of security. It really works!



AA7HW^{VE} Team

Yes, you CAN take your License Exam Online using Zoom

from the comfort of your own home or office

Our team of Volunteer Examiners has administered nearly 2000 friendly, efficient online amateur radio license exams since May 2020

- We offer online exams most weekdays.
- We can often schedule exams at other times if our existing schedule does not meet your needs.
- New license or upgrades.
- Take multiple exams for the same low price.
- Friendly and efficient.
- You can generally have your license two days after passing your exam.
- Our Portland-based team is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.



<https://www.aa7hw.org>

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W5YI Volunteer Examiner
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(920) 210-1620

RRRC Weekly Nets

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

RRRC 2-Meter Repeater 146.64 MHz

Net Control Stations

May 12, 2025 Gary - KA9BAE

May 19, 2025 Jeff - KB9UNY

May 26, 2025 Peter - KD9UVX /

Cameron - KD9VGV

June 2, 2025 Ted - W9LUQ

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

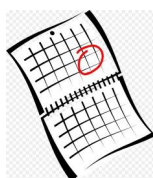
Alternate Frequency 3.947 MHz

Calendar 2025

Fox Hunt May 24th, Rain Date May 25th

Field Day June 27-29

**Special Event Station at the
Antique Power Show August 1-3**



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.

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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