



RRRC NEWS

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



Volume 46 Number 9

www.rrrc.net

SEPTEMBER 2025

SEPTEMBER 2025 RRRC

Meeting Minutes



The monthly meeting of the Rock River Radio Club was held on SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 using Zoom Meetings by President Peter Frey, AD9DO. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm CDT.

SECRETARY REPORT Ray Teschke, KD9QLE,
Secretary presented the minutes of the AUGUST meeting as published in the AUGUST Newsletter.
Motion to approve by: Mike Dejager, KB9LXP
Second by: Art Schregardus, N9TSC
Motion Carried

TREASURER REPORT Dave DePover, K9MKP,
Treasurer presented his report.
Motion to approve by: Ray Teschke, KD9QLE
Second by: Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE
Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARES: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Nothing new to report.

EMCOMM TRAILER: Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE

Discussed under new business.

REPEATER: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Nothing new to report.

FIELD DAY: Dale Marks, WB9ADB

Discussed under new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Antique Power Show—A group of members made 1100 contacts and with 60 countries. Many attendees stopped by the booth to see and observe club operators making contacts and asking questions.

NEW BUSINESS

Fall Fox Hunt—October 11th at 3pm. See attached flyer. More info to follow.

Field Day 2026—a discussion was held about moving the location of Field Day 2026 to the Antique Power Show grounds near Burnett. The cost per individual to camp would be \$25 per night for 2 nights.. There would be electricity and bathrooms available.

A motion was made to move the RRRC Field Day location to the Antique Power Show grounds.

Motion to approve by: Mike Dejager, KB9LXP

Second by: Len Buchda, KB9GDY

Motion Carried

EMCOMM Trailer— Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE, gave us an update on the Dodge County ARES ENCOMM trailer. We received an insurance check for replacement of RRRC owned equipment in the previous trailer that was destroyed by a tornado. Dodge County Emergency Management is going to replace the trailer, but is expecting more involvement from the RRRC to promote awareness. At the end of the ENCOMM trailer

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

presentation, Brad made a motion to transfer the insurance money received into the trailer fund.

Motion to approve by: Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE

Second by: Keith Lodahl, WJ9L

Motion Carried

A handout was presented by the RRRC ENCOMM Trailer committee showing a list of items that the committee felt needed to be added to the trailer itself by either the factory or the dealer. This handout is shown later in this newsletter.

A motion and discussion was held about removing the 2nd window and adding front stabilizers.

Motion to approve by: Ray Teschke, KD9QLE

Second by: Art Schregardus, N9TSC

Motion Carried

A motion was made to add the additional items to the trailer as presented by the committee at a cost of \$3,770.

Motion to approve by: Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE

Second by: Keith Lodahl, WJ9L

Motion Carried

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

Motion to adjourn by:

Second by:

Motion Carried

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Raymond Teschke, KD9QLE

Secretary, Rock River Radio Club.



The next monthly RRRC breakfast get-together will be on Saturday, October 11th at the Village Garden Restaurant in Juneau. All are welcome, so join us at around 8:00 AM for a pleasant informal gathering.



THE NEXT MONTHLY MEETING OF THE RRRC WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7th 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 SEPTEMBER 2025 MEETING ATTENDANCE

(in alphabetical order)

Art Schregardus, N9TSC, Randolph
Brad Gehrt, KA9JDE, Rush Lake
Christopher Solon, W9PAW, Juneau, via Zoom
Dale Marks, WB9ADB, Burnett
Dave DePover, K9MKP, Juneau
David Odekirk, KA9DQK, Watertown
Dietrich Johnson, KE9DGH, Juneau and family
Diana Kraemer, KD9IXP, Juneau, via Zoom
Dennis Weigel, KC9ICA, via Zoom
Fred DeJager, SWL, Randolph
Gary Pedersen, KA9BAE, Juneau, via Zoom
Jean DeJager, SWL, Randolph
Jerry Arndt, NO9U, Watertown, via Zoom
Keith Lodahl, WJ9L, Mayville
Len Buchda, KB9GDY, Randolph
Mike DeJager, KB9LXP, Randolph
Peter Frey, AD9DO, Beaver Dam
Ray Teschke, KD9QLE, Fond du Lac
Ted Neuburg, W9LUQ, Waupun, via Zoom
Tim Norbury, W9LUB, Watertown via Zoom

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

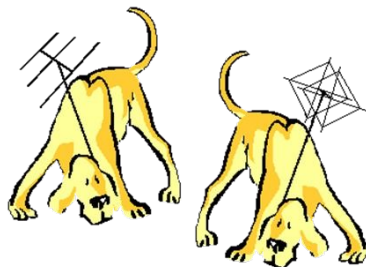
Members of the Rock River Radio Club, I hope this letter finds you well. As summer winds down and Autumn picks up I hope you are looking forward to the fall trees and cooler weather. Not to mention some of the higher bands coming to life.

After our last meeting, I want to say how pleased I am that we could come together and make some great decisions on our new trailer. I cannot wait to see it. This is a great opportunity for us to come together as a club and see its full potential realized. At our next meeting I believe we'll begin voting on interior items so come with ideas and plans for the club to review.

Our next upcoming club event will be our Fall Fox Hunt. This will be held on 10/11 and begin at 3pm. The particulars have not been finalized quite yet but maps, frequency info and initial meeting place will be sent out a week or so in advance. I really hope to see as many of you there as can make it. It truly is a great time.


All the best,
Peter AD9DO






ROCK RIVER RADIO CLUB


Fall Fox Hunt – October 2025

 **Date & Time: Saturday, October 11, 2025 – 3:00 PM**

 **Location:** Somewhere in Dodge County (Exact starting point to be announced)


What is a Fox Hunt?


A Fox Hunt is an amateur radio event where participants use radio direction-finding techniques to locate a hidden transmitter—known as “The Fox.” **You do not need to be a ham radio operator to participate!**


 This fall’s foxes: Peter AD9DO and Cameron KD9GV (our Spring Fox Hunt winners).

Why Do We Hunt the Fox?

Fox Hunts are fun activities, but they also prepare operators for real-world situations where direction-finding is essential:

 Tracking interference sources (2005 - hams helped identify and eliminate sources of interference on critical frequencies after hurricane Katrina)


 Finding lost or injured people (Stanislaus National Forest, CA — July 11, 2025 - a mom and her 9-year-old were overdue from a Sierra trip. Ham radio played a key role in locating them; coordination over ham frequencies helped SAR (Search And Rescue) narrow the search and make contact).

 Locating downed aircraft (assisting Civil Air Patrol and local authorities)

Event Highlights

 Test your radio direction-finding skills

 Enjoy the beautiful fall scenery of Dodge County

 Meet and learn from fellow radio enthusiasts

 Open to everyone—members, friends, and newcomers!

 **Stay tuned for more details – the starting location will be announced soon!**

Item #	Dealer pricing for Dodge County Emergency Management ARES trailer	Cost	Notes
1	Provide and install grab bar on the passenger side door	\$ 20	We have the previous grab bar
2	Provide and install a slide out step for the passenger side door	\$ 190	
3	Provide and install Step LED light at base of passenger side door	\$ 95	
4	Provide and install ceiling vent with hood 14" X 14" Roof Vent (2)	\$ 190	
5	Maxx Air Roof Vent Cover (hood) (2)	\$ 210	
6	15,000 BTU heat pump/air conditioner with electric resistance heat element	\$ 1,560	Includes frame and wire (\$220)
7	Provide and install REAR and FRONT stabilisers. Scissors type (2 pair)	\$ 420	Added
8	Provide and install Insulation in walls and ceiling	\$ 860	Walls (\$560) Ceiling (\$300)
9	Spare tire and rim	\$ 225	
	Dealer / factory installed options	\$ 3,770	to be paid for by the Rock River Radio Club
	Version 9-4-25		

UPCOMING HAMFESTS

CVARC 2025 Hamfest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

09/20/2025

Start Date: 09/20/2025

End Date: 09/20/2025

Location: Bloomer Fair Grounds

1609 9th Ave.

Bloomer, WI 54724

Website: <https://w9cva.org/hamfest>

Sponsor: Chippewa Valley Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

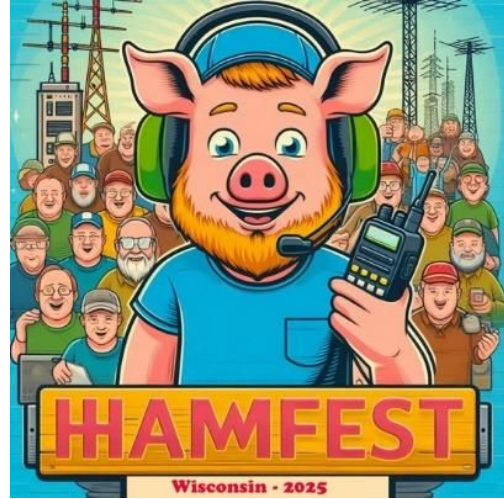
Talk-In: 147.375/975 110.9

Public Contact: Hamfest Committee , W9CVA

5855 197th St., Suite 73 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Phone: 715-600-1332

Email: hamfest@w9cva.org



20th Annual Central Wisconsin

SwapFest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

10/04/2025

Start Date: 10/04/2025

End Date: 10/04/2025

Location: Colby Lions Pavilion

103 W. Adams St.

Colby, WI 54421

Website: <n/a>

Sponsor: Black River Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.750 / 147.150 (+600Hz, 114.8 HzPL)

Public Contact: Dean Hommel , KB9WNZ

N4540 Division Dr Medford, WI 54451

Phone: 715-785-8025

Email: hommelsd@tds.net

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

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.

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>



Janesville WI 53545-3024

EXAM SESSION

09/20/2025

Sponsor: Wisconsin Area VEs (WAVE)

Date: Sep 20 2025

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

Contact: Scott A. Fry

(608) 751-3996

Email: n9fry@arrl.net

VEC: [ARRL/VEC](https://www.arrl.org/vec)

Location: Saint John Lutheran Church

Basement - Lower Entrance

302 N Parker Dr

Janesville WI 53545-3024

Milwaukee WI 53223-4736

EXAM SESSION

09/20/2025

Sponsor: MRAC VEC, INC.

Date: Sep 20 2025

Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Tom Fuszard

Email: mracvec@gmail.com

VEC: [Milwaukee WI](https://www.mracvec.org/)

Location: Ham Radio Outlet

5710 W Good Hope Rd

Milwaukee WI 53223-4736

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

Fond Du Lac WI 54935-2884

EXAM SESSION

09/27/2025

Sponsor: Fond du Lac ARC

Date: Sep 27 2025

Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Douglas J. Schultz

(920) 922-3088

Email: schultz74@charter.net

VEC: [ARRL/VEC](https://www.arrl.org/vec)

Location: Moraine Park Technical College

235 N National Ave

Room 0-122

Fond Du Lac WI 54935-2884

Website: <https://fdlham.com/>

Madison WI 53715-2143

EXAM SESSION

10/04/2025

Sponsor: Four Lakes ARC

Date: Oct 04 2025

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

Contact: Frederick Baguhn

(608) 437-8937

Email: w9goc@arrl.net

VEC: [ARRL/VEC](https://www.arrl.org/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!

September

RRRC - 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Club Meeting – 7pm	3	4 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	5	6 Club Breakfast – Village Garden (Juneau)
7	8 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	9	10	11 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (AD9DO)	12	13
14	15 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (W9LUQ)	16	17	18 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KB9UNY)	19	20
21	22 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KB9OWD)	23	24	25 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	26	27
28	29 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KA9BAE)	30				

October

RRRC - 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (ADgDO)	3	4 Club Breakfast – Village Garden (Juneau)
5	6 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KBgUNY)	7 Club Meeting – 7pm	8	9 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KDgVGV)	10	11 Autumn Fox Hunt – 3pm
12	13 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (ADgDO)	14	15	16 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (ADgDO)	17	18
19	20 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (WgLUQ)	21	22	23 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KBgUNY)	24	25
26	27 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KBgOWD)	28	29	30 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KDgVGV)	31	

November

RRRC - 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Club Breakfast – Village Garden (Juneau)
2	3 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KA9BAE)	4 Club Meeting – 7pm	5	6 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (AD9DO)	7	8
9	10 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KB9UNY)	11	12	13 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	14	15
16	17 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	18	19	20 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KB9UNY)	21	22
23	24 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (W9LUQ)	25	26	27 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (AD9DO)	28	29
30						

December

RRRC - 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KB9OWD)	2 Club Meeting – 7pm	3	4 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	5	6 Christmas Party – Location TBD – 1pm
7	8 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KA9BAE)	9	10	11 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (AD9DO)	12	13
14	15 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (KB9UNY)	16	17	18 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KB9UNY)	19	20
21	22 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (AD9DO)	23	24	25 70cm Net – 442.975 – 7:30pm (KD9VGV)	26	27
28	29 2m Net – 146.640 – 7:30pm (W9LUQ)	30	31			

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