



**Indiana Section
American Radio
Relay League**

Newsletter

May 2026

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Friends we'll miss

For a Silent Key notice to be placed in the newsletter, and sent to the ARRL, please forward a copy of or a link to the obituary to the Bob Burns AK9R, ARRL Indiana Section Manager, at ak9r@arrl.org.

Technical Specialist Coordinator's Report

From Tom Busch WB8WOR, Technical Specialist Coordinator

Technical Specialists are urged to send their reports to Technical Coordinator Tom Busch WB8WOR (tc@inarrl.org).

Roger McEntarfer N9RM

For the month of May, I continued keeping busy with the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club and Tamiami Amateur Radio Club meetings, and VE Testing in Indiana, Venice, Florida and nationwide with multiple teams and VEC's.

I continued working with the Whitley County W5YI VE Team with virtual remote testing.

I helped to run an Amateur Radio Test session at the Towne House Retirement Community in Fort Wayne. We tested one student for free and eight seniors.

I attended the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club Board meeting on Saturday May 9, 2026 and helped plan for their Pico Balloon Launch and upcoming club meetings.

I attended the Dayton Hamvention Thursday May 14th through Sunday May 17th and had a great time seeing all the new ham radio toys, selling lots of excess ham radio items I had and buying new equipment.

I helped set up and operate the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Special Event Station - K9V held on May 22 – 23, 2026 at the Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum at 2122 O Day Rd, Fort Wayne, IN

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Mark Skowronski K9MQ

I helped a local ham with some SWR issues he was having with his dipole antenna. We ended up installing a 4:1 balun and it improved the SWR on most bands.

Jeff DeLucenay KB9QG

May 2nd - I had a W5YI testing session for the Technician class and 8 out of 9 students passed. Three were ladies in their 80's

May 6th - Retuned the Q202 Sinclair duplexer but did not get good results.

May 9th - Measured the new BCD 144250 duplexer and only saw -78 dB isolation at the notches. Installed the new duplexer. Set the repeater output to 20 Watts.

May 10th - Removed the old Sinclair duplexers from the metal cabinet. Replaced the harness and retuned the duplexer to get 81 to 83 dB isolation at the notches.

May 12th - Attempted another retuning of the duplexer however only got -74 to -75 dB isolation. Spec is -80 dB isolation.

May 13th - The DMR repeater went down due to failure of the output final. I had to remove the DMR repeater from the KD9QDL call sign to the W9OU. Also, the FCC had the W9OU FRN number was assigned to someone's personal call sign. The W9OU call sign now has a new FRN number assigned to it.

KD9QDK and I spent two weeks trying to get the DMR repeater working with no success. a decision was made to buy a BridgeCom repeater.

May 15th - We borrowed a 6 Can WaCom duplexer from the W9TE 146.91 repeater group and retuned the duplexer to 147.015/615. We could get -86 dB isolation at the notches.

May 20th- a set of DB Product duplexers were found at Dayton Hamvention thanks to Roger N9RM.

May 23rd- Replaced a VCO control in a XeiGu G90 for John WG9K.

May 25th- The DB Products 4048 duplexer was tuned to the 147.015 frequencies. However, the transmit notch isolation was only good to -80 dB.

May 28th- Helped Dave K9TZ install a new VHF/UHF antenna at his residence. Helped Joe W9HP with an antenna issue.

May 30th- The new BridgeCom DMR repeater came and was installed at the repeater site. The Wacom Duplexer replaced the DB Products since the isolation on the transmit was not deep enough for good performance.

Lou Kruizinga N7BBW

Gave several presentations to the Clark County radio club. One on RF power detection. Another on spectrum purity.

Also starting a study group for those wanting to upgrade to extra class.

Tom Busch WB8WOR

I corresponded with a ham in Sullivan County about setting up antennas at his new house.

Section Traffic Manager's Report

From Brian Jenks W9BGJ, Section Traffic Manager

To all Net Managers, please remember to turn in your reports to Brian Jenks W9BBJ, Section Traffic Manager, by the 6th of the month (stm@inarrl.org).

INDIANA STM REPORT MAY 2026					
HF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
ITN	N9TU	1425	122	1470	62
QIN	NJ9S	104	32	310	31
INDIANA ARES HF	N9CJT	37	0	62	3
TOTALS					
NETS REPORTING					

INDIANA STM REPORT MAY 2026							
PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR ROLL							
STATION	SESSIONS	MESSAGES	APPTS	PUB SVC	EMG RES	DIGITAL	TOTAL
W9BGJ	40	40	30	0	0	20	130
AB9ZA	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
W9EEU	40	119	20	0	0	20	199
N9TU	40	40	20	0	0	10	110
TOTALS							
STATIONS REPORTING		4					

INDIANA STM REPORT MAY 2026						
ORS AND SAR STATION REPORT						
STATION	TYPE	ORIGINATED	RECEIVED	SENT	DELIVERED	TOTALS
W9BGJ	ORS	0	32	0	8	40
AB9ZA	ORS	0	46	39	3	88
W9EEU	ORS	0	56	59	4	119
W9PC	ORS	0	3	7	0	10
N9TU	SAR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
W9MGB	ORS	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

INDIANA STM REPORT MAY 2026					
VHF/UHF NETS					
NET NAME	SOURCE	QNI	QTC	QTR	SESSIONS
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY	N9CJT	17	0	90	3
CASS CO ARC	KA9BYN	NR	NR	NR	NR
CROSSROADS DMR	K9NQW	85	0	66	4
CLAY COUNTY ARES	W9EEU	45	1	80	4
D STAR NET	K9NQW	47	0	70	4
IMO NET	K9SKS	358	0	361	31
JEFFERSON CO	N9XVB	17	0	26	3
MID STATE ARC	KI6QOG	208	0	213	5
MONROE CO SKYWARN	KC9RPX	NR	NR	NR	NR
SCOTT CO ARES/RACES	WR9G	42	4	92	4
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA	KA9OPL	51	0	92	4
TARS EVANSVILLE	KE9YK	82	2	87	5
TRI STATE 2 METER	AG8O	290	0	520	22
WABASH VALLEY	KC9LDJ	103	0	181	5
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NETS REPORTING					

Monthly Report for D/Star and DMR							
DMR							
Date	Net Control	QNI	QTC	QTR	Time Began	Time Ended	Freq
05/04/26	KC9OYW	23	0	18	20:00	20:18	442.750(+)
05/11/26	KC9OYW	24	0	18	20:00	20:18	442.750(+)
05/18/26	K9NQW	17	0	15	20:00	20:15	442.750(+)
05/25/26	KC9OYW	21	0	15	20:00	20:15	442.750(+)
Sessions:	4	Total:	85	66			
Month of Report:	May 2026						
D-Star							
Date	Net Control	QNI	QTC	QTR	Time Began	Time Ended	Freq
05/07/26	K9NQW	13	0	15	20:00	20:15	443.400(+)
05/14/26	K9NQW	8	0	13	20:00	20:13	443.400(+)
05/21/26	KA9OPL	10	0	17	20:00	20:17	443.400(+)
05/28/26	KA9OPL	16	0	25	20:00	20:25	443.400(+)
Sessions:	4	Total:	47	70			
Month of Report:	May 2026						

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Public Information Coordinator's Report

From Barry Palencer KC9WMS, Public Information Coordinator

Public Information Officers are urged to send their reports to Public Information Coordinator Barry Palencer KC9WMS (pio@inarrl.org).

Whitley County PIO Roger McEntarfer, N9RM

I announced in the local news media: WANE TV News, WPTA 21 Alive News, WOWO, WFFT Fox 55 Media, WJHS 91.5 FM (Whitley County Joint High School) radio station, Ink Free News, Times Union News, The Post & Mail, The Hoot News of Whitley County, Adams Radio Group, Journal Gazette. HF Nets: Indiana Traffic Net and several of the local 2M and 70 CM nets around the northern Indiana area about the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on May 14, 2026, the Whitley County W5YI & ARRL Virtual Remote Test Sessions every Monday at 8:00 & 8:15 PM, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Special Event Station - K9V held on May 22 – 23, 2026 at the Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum at 2122 O Day Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46818 and the Whitley County Amateur Radio Club (WCARC) General Meeting on June 11, 2026.

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Affiliated Club Coordinator's Report

From Jimmy Merry KC9RPX, Affiliated Club Coordinator

Affiliated clubs across Indiana are encouraged to send a note to Jimmy Merry, ARRL Indiana Section Affiliated Club Coordinator, each month. Please include the following:

- Please be sure to send me any club news. Example: Historical events, Upcoming events, Outstanding member, etc. Include captioned photos.
- Regular updates about your club, its events, special occasions, club news, outstanding members, and other newsworthy items.

This information could let hams across Indiana know what is going on in your club. Assist hams in your area know about your club. Help membership. And assist other clubs across Indiana with ideas. Please send to kc9rpx@arrl.net.

Section Emergency Coordinator's Report

From Brian Sexton KD9EDR, Section Emergency Coordinator

Report: Form4

Division: Central

Section: Indiana

Month/Year: May 2026

History: Reported by Brian Sexton, KD9EDR, SEC on 2026-06-29 09:25:15 UTC

Number of DECs/ECs reporting this month:	27
Total number of DECs/ECs appointed in section:	45
4. Total number of ARES members:	503
Difference in ARES members from previous month:	N/D
5. Number of ARES net sessions held:	127
6. Number of ARES net sessions held with NTS liaison:	33
7. Number of participants in nets:	1,865

	Number	Person-Hrs
8. Exercises this month:	12	63.50
9. Training events this month:	20	217.80
10. Public service events this month:	5	194.00
11. Community service events this month:	4	496.00
12. Emergency events this month:	1	7.00
13. SKYWARN events this month:	15	207.50
14. Meetings this month:	34	225.20
15. Unclassified events this month:	6	26.00

Call signs of DECs/ECs reporting:

K9WG, KA9AMP, KB9QG, KB9WWM, KC9JAV, KC9RVL, KC9VRA, KD9BKU, KD9DPA, KD9MRM, KD9PMT, KP4CI, KV9N, N1PJ, N9CAD, N9CJT, N9CWW, N9GTL, N9JIN, N9JPX, N9LAA, N9UN, NM9R, W9DRB, W9EEU, W9SOX, WR9G

Activity Details:

DISTRICT 2-----

D2 conducted its monthly net on 5-3-26. There was no NTS traffic passed.

DISTRICT 3-----

ARES supported the Fort For Fitness Spring Cycle event. The event was coordinated through Allen County but included operators from other counties in the district. Hours were reported on the EC reports.

DISTRICT 5-----

No activity for the month of May.

ALLEN -----

The Allen County ARES Team supported the Fort 4 Fitness Spring Cycle event on May 30th. This event included 5 courses up to a metric century ride and covered 3 counties in District 3. We had 20 operators working the event, some as mobile SAG vehicles and some at safety check points. The event went very well for all involved.

Our quarterly meeting was held with training included. The training involved the ARES Team deployment actions with the dept of emergency management and the Red Cross/

BARTHOLOMEW -----

Five simplex nets. One training event reviewing ICS-700. One SKYWARN severe thunderstorm net.

CASS-----

No activity in this area

CLARK-----

Nothing to report

CLAY -----

Group participated in INQP using our group call N9CCA from a local shelter in Clay County. We set up 3 stations.

DEKALB -----

ARES topic covered: Public Service Events, Operating a Tactical Net, Heat Stress-Heat Related Illness, and Vacation Go-Kits.

DELAWARE -----

3 weekly Nets held each on 441.899, 146.730 and 146.490 Simplex

FULTON -----

Monthly meeting was held at one of the parks in Fulton County. We deployed our portable gear for HF and 2 meters plus 70cm communications exercise.

GRANT-----

Still working on the quality of our linking system. Mediocre county coverage right now.

HAMILTON-----

we had our meeting on the second Saturday of the month, we moved it to the Sheriff's complex, and we

meet before the EOC COMMS group meeting now.

HANCOCK-----

Monthly ARES meeting discussing antenna theory, portable antennas, VSWR, and feedline.

HARRISON-----

85 mins of air time

HOWARD-----

No significant activities to report for the month.

JENNINGS-----

Preparation for first fair event and field day.
Portable HF antennas bought to be set up and trained on next month.
City park morning coffee break started.

KNOX-----

Fox Hunt 30 MAY 2026. Six participants for 3 hours. AD9GF KE9CWS KE9BGE N9TQQ KD9USI NM9R

KOSCIUSKO-----

Members supported the Indy 500 Mini Marathon and the 500 Parade

MARION-----

This month, in preparation for the 500 Festival Mini and Parade events we held an on air training net. We also held a brief Winlink practice to re-familiarize us with its use. Over the next few months we will increase practice events with forms and reporting uses. As mentioned we supported the 500 Festival Mini Marathon with 51 amateurs and the 500 Festival Parade.

MORGAN-----

SkyWarn Net 5/18. No reports of severe weather or damage...

NOBLE-----

No activity

PUTNAM-----

Had PCAUXCOM Members meeting with 7 members attending. 4 Tuesday Evening ARES 2 meter net. with average check ins of 6.

RANDOLPH-----

We had no Skywarn activations but we did go in to stayed by mode once this month for a Thunderstorm Watches 19 May 26.

SCOTT COUNTY-----

In May, there were 4 scheduled ARES nets conducted on the Scott County EMA repeater (146.610) with 42 check-ins and a total of 92 minutes providing operators an opportunity to check and test their equipment.

SPENCER-----

4 NETS ANALOG, 4 DIGITAL

STARKE -----

No activity to report.

TIPPECANOE-----

April ended with a one day crash course for D4 medical staff, the following day a Test session took place. Several people became Hams, a few others had to retake their test a few weeks later and passed. There are more that will take their test as soon as they feel comfortable with the material. The month of May started with the Tippecanoe Co. EME and the monthly Siren Test on Saturday May 2nd. TEMA has started to reach out to the community through social media to help cover the siren test. On Monday's the 4th, 11th, and 18th TCARES had it's Training and Information Net. Monday the 25th being Memorial Day, TCARES did Not have a net. The monthly Meeting took place at The Community Room of the Franciscan Hospital Cancer Center. We had a representative for the hospital giving information for the 11th 5K Walk Run to benefit the NICU department. In attendance also was Jeff Wolf from IU hospital. On May the 30th, Bobby KP4CI represented TCARES at the Imagination Station for the Emergency and Disaster Preparedness Day. The focus was on kids. TCARES had CW practice keys, kit to show Lenz's Law, and other gadgets.

TIPTON-----

We had an on the air event at our local city park on May 9

Administrative and Other Comments:

DISTRICT 2-----

D2 participated in a Table top exercise. The exercise included notification, deployment, and PACE plans. D2 is also reviewing Volunteer Ham records management platform to see how beneficial it could be.

DISTRICT 3-----

2 new ECs were appointed this month. Jerry Etnier, KD9QHI was appointed EC for Noble County and James Elliott, KD9IWX was appointed EC for DeKalb county.

ALLEN -----

We tested the radios at the EOC in the Dept of Emergency Management office. We have also checked into Statewide nets from the office to verify performance.

The ARES Team Leadership met with the Emergency Manager to discuss our future deployment with the Dept of Emergency Management. Thos was a successful meeting and we look forward to future meetings.

BARTHOLOMEW -----

Have a nice day!

CASS-----

All activity this month from the regular weekly net. For the 4 nets we had a total of 46 check-ins and a total of 103 minutes

CLARK-----

No severe weather.

CLAY-----

Conducted training on formal traffic handling at our monthly meeting. First such training that most of our

group had on this topic. Passed radiogram traffic on our local VHF net the next week.

DELAWARE -----

The Regular Monthly meeting for May was not held due to concurring with Dayton Hamvention

FULTON -----

Have the Mast base for EMA built and planning to install and finish the build by the middle of June.

GRANT-----

Routine siren test/report along with Skywarn & GCARC mtg.

HAMILTON-----

we had 2 weather warnings - on May 18th and May 19th.

HANCOCK -----

Hancock County SkyWarn net activated on 18MAY2026 with K9DET as NCS. No severe weather noted in county.

KNOX -----

N/A

MARION -----

In addition to planning for the normal monthly things time was spent planning for the 500 Festival events, monitoring for the Indy 500 and planning for the Morgan Monroe Forest 100k.

MORGAN-----

None.

NOBLE -----

Working to build an ARES team. There are currently zero ARES members in this county.

PUTNAM -----

First Friday night out on the town square from 4:30pm to 9:00pm

RANDOLPH-----

N/A

SCOTT -----

The Scott County EMA Group will host a VE testing session Saturday, June 13th at 11:00 AM. Sessions are normally held on the 2nd Saturday of every even numbered month. Walk-Ins are welcome, but all new candidates must be registered in the FCC CORES system and have received their FCC Registration Number (FRN) before exam day. The testing location is at the Bacala Center, 69 E Wardell St, SE Corner of Courthouse Square, Scottsburg IN 47170 and is ADA accessible. For more info email: steve@wr9g.net or visit www.wr9g.net/links. 73, Steve WR9G

TIPPECANOE-----

Training for digital modes has continued as talks. Equipment to be used has not been completed and is not in working order to have on hand training. Several hams are indicating on nets that they are TCARES ARES

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members. We are notifying them that they are not, and have to attend meetings as well as fill out appropriate paperwork and get an ID card. They believe that since they did many years ago, that it is still valid. Future talks arranged to talk to Franciscan and IU Hospital and TEMA.

Section Manager's desk

Note: Each week, I send out an Indiana Section News email for that week. If you are an ARRL member, log into your profile on the ARRL website to make sure you have "Division and Section News" selected in the "Opt In/Out" section in order to get those weekly emails. The items you see here in the "From the Section Manager's desk" section of the monthly section news are taken from the weekly emails.

Field Day

I noticed a post on social media a few days ago from a ham looking for Field Day sites in his area. "That's interesting," I thought. "I know of at least two clubs in his area that usually plan to do Field Day. Why is this information hard to find?"

Well, it shouldn't be.

If your club is planning to do Field Day, there are two easy things you can do to help get the word out:

1. Make sure your Field Day information is on your club's website. Show the dates, times you plan to operate, where you'll be setting up, whether or not you'll have a GOTA station, and any other info that might help someone who would like to stop by.
2. Enter your site on the ARRL Field Day Locator page. Log into the ARRL website using your membership login. Go to the Field Day Locator page at: <https://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> Click on "Add a Station" and enter the info.

Do these things as soon as your plans are firmed up. Make sure people can find you.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Special Event Station

Ham radio operators will be activating special event station K9V from Friday, May 22, at 6:00pm EDT through Saturday, May 23, at 6:00pm EDT. The special event station recognizes the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Fort Wayne. They plan to operate SSB and FT8. More information on their QRZ.com page at: <https://www.qrz.com/db/K9V>

INQP results are in

Indiana QSO Party results have been tabulated and are available online at: <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/scores.php>

Congratulations to the winners!

And, thank you to everyone who participated and submitted a log.

ARRL Kids Day

ARRL Kids Day, summer edition, is coming up on June 20. This is your opportunity, or your club's opportunity, to share the excitement of amateur radio with your kids or grandkids, a Scout troop, a church or the general public! Suggested frequencies and a suggested exchange can be found here: <https://www.arrl.org/kids-day>

Let Congress know how you feel

You can ask your Congressional representatives to support S.459 and H.R.1094 by pointing your browser to <https://send-a-letter.org/hoa/>, enter your amateur radio callsign, and click the "Send My Letters" button. The form will fill in your address information from the FCC license database and use your ZIP Code to determine the correct Senate and House members. That's all there is to it.

Upcoming Hamfests in Indiana

The up-to-date hamfest listing for Indiana, and the entire U.S., can be found on the ARRL's website at: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/search> Note: Hamfests must be submitted to the ARRL in order to appear on the ARRL website. For more information, see: <http://www.arrl.org/hamfest-convention-application>

If your hamfest is not listed here, please contact Bob Burns AK9R, ARRL Indiana Section Manager, at ak9r@arrl.org

Auburn Hamfest

Start Date: 07/18/2026

End Date: 07/18/2026

Location: Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum

1600 Wayne Street

Auburn, IN 46706

Website: <http://w9ou.org>

Sponsor: Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.015 with 141.3 tone

Public Contact: John Maag , KD9QDL

5501 Bear Creek Pass Auburn, IN 46706

Phone: 260-438-6588

Email: jdmaag6101@gmail.com

LaPorte Tailgate Hamfest

Start Date: 07/18/2026

End Date: 07/18/2026

Location: Outdoor venue

3354 W. Shultz Rd.

LaPorte, IN

Website: <http://www.lpcarc.org>

Sponsor: LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.970 repeater, 131.8 pl

Public Contact: John Phillips , KA9PGC

625 Esther St. LaPorte, IN 46360

Phone: 219-878-3543

Email: ka9pgc@arrl.net

East Central Indiana Hamfest

Start Date: 07/25/2026

End Date: 07/25/2026

Location: Jay County Fairgrounds

806 East Votaw Street

Portland, IN 47371

Website: <http://inhamfest.com>

Sponsor: Jay County ARC, Whitewater Valley ARC

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 443.475 +5, PL. 100.0, 145.210 -0.6 PL 97.4

Public Contact: Doug Skinner , W9KED

805 Indiana Avenue Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: 765-977-1874

Email: w9ked@comcast.net

Burning Ham!

Start Date: 08/01/2026

End Date: 08/01/2026

Location: American Legion

412 N New Albany St.

Sellersburg, IN 47172

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

Sponsor: The Clark County Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.85- no tone

Public Contact: Dan Evans , K9ZF

5028 Tunnel Mill Road Charlestown, IN 47111

Phone: 812-786-9410

Email: k9zf@yahoo.com

Elkhart East Hamfest

Start Date: 08/01/2026

End Date: 08/01/2026

Location: Northern Indiana Event Center

21565 Executive Pkwy

Elkhart, IN 46514

Website: <http://www.elkharthamfest.com>

Sponsor: Northern Indiana K9DEW Repeater Network

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.330 PL 131.8

Public Contact: Dewey Thrash , K9DEW

53464 Baywater Place Bristol, IN 46507

Phone: 574-370-2436

Email: elkharthamfest@gmail.com

Hendricks County Tailgate Fest

Start Date: 08/08/2026

End Date: 08/08/2026

Location: Avon United Methodist Church
6850 East Hwy US 36
Avon, IN 46123

Website: <http://kc9sqd425@gmail.com>

Sponsor: Ham Emergency Radio Operations

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.130 MHz, W9HCA Repeater 88.5 Hz

Public Contact: Kenneth Kayler , KC9SQD

3090 Clover Dr. Plainfield, IN 46168-6933

Phone: 317-874-7068

Email: kc9sqd425@gmail.com

ARANCI Hamfest

Start Date: 08/15/2026

End Date: 08/15/2026

Location: Christ Presbyterian Church
7416 E. 109th Ave.

Winfield , IN

Website: <http://aranciradio.com>

Sponsor: Amateur Radio Association of Newton County Indiana

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.33 PL 131.8 and 444.250 PI 131.8

Public Contact: Michael Swiader , KA9E

PO Box 215 Lake Village, IN 46349

Phone: 815-409-5070

Email: ka9e@usa.com

MARC Tailgate Hamfest

Start Date: 09/12/2026

End Date: 09/12/2026

Location: Indiana Department of Natural Resources Parking Lot
7970 South Rowe Street

Edinburgh, IN 46124

Website: <http://midstatehams.org>

Sponsor: Mid-State Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.520 Simplex

Public Contact: Jim Adams , KB9JMU

15 Briar Patch Road Bargersville, IN 46106

Phone: 317-499-5451

Email: secretary@midstatehams.org

The Hoosier Hills Hamfest

Start Date: 10/10/2026

End Date: 10/10/2026

Location: Lawrence County 4H Fairgrounds
11265 US-50

Bedford, IN 47421

Website: <https://hoosierhillshamfest.com>

Sponsor: Hoosier Hills Ham Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.73 107.2

Public Contact: Justin Elliott , KD9IGT

4470 W. Walnut Ridge Rd. Salem, IN 47167

Phone: 812-896-8002

Email: kd9igt@w9qyq.org

Hamtober Fest

Start Date: 10/17/2026

End Date: 10/17/2026

Location: Lynnville Community Center
316 IN-68

Lynnville, IN 47619

Website: <http://hamtoberfest.com>

Sponsor: Tri-State Amateur Radio Society in Evansville Indiana

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.790 PL 88.0

Public Contact: John Van Vorst , N9oL

8640 Sunny Brook Dr. Evansville, IN 47725

Phone: 812-305-4100

Email: n9ol@arrl.net

Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (WVARA) Turkeyfest

Start Date: 11/28/2026

End Date: 11/28/2026

Location: Clay County 4-H Fairgrounds
6550 North State Road 59

Brazil, IN 47834

Website: <https://www.w9uuu.org/hamfest.php>

Sponsor: Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (WVARA)

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.685 MHz – PL 151.4 Hz

Public Contact: Mitchell McCord , K9FDA

8356 E. Sunset Ave. Terre Haute, IN 47805

Phone: 812-241-7518

Email: hamfest@w9uuu.org



The Northeastern Indiana Amateur Radio Association

AUBURN HAMFEST

Saturday, July 18, 2026

Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum

1600 S. Wayne St. Auburn, IN 46706

OPEN 9 AM TO 2 PM • TALK-IN: 147.015 (141.3) 7:00 AM • LOAD-IN: 7 TO 9 AM

FREE Admission

6,000 SQ. FT. INDOOR DISPLAY



FREE AUBURN CORD DUESENBERG
Museum

View an amazing collection of classic motor vehicles.

FREE Parking

More Parking and Handicap Spaces available this year.



FOOD VENDOR

On the parking lot. Provided by Dave K9TZ

NEED MORE INFO?

VE Testing starting at 10:00 AM

Early load in, Friday 2pm to 4pm

E-MAIL: auburnhamfest@w9ou.org

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT W9OU.ORG

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Indoor Vendor Tables: \$10 ea.

Order online now at www.w9ou.org

Outdoor Sales - One raffle ticket purchase for each parking space.

Contact: auburnhamfest@w9ou.org

Raffle Prizes:

1st-YAESU FT 891

2nd-XIEGU G90 HF 20W SSB/CW/AM/FM

3rd- ICOM IC-T10 Handheld

And more drawing prizes

Ticket Prices \$5.00 - Buy 2, get 1 Free!

July 18th 2026



\$5 admission per Car for Sellers or Buyers

Trailers will be an extra fee!

Setup will begin at 8am for vendors. BYOT (bring your own tables) or set up out of the back of your car/truck

Admission for Buyers will start at 10am

Talk-In 146.610 (131.8) and 146.970(131.8) negative offsets

3354 W. Schultz Rd, LaPorte, IN 46350 Under the Tower

Visit <http://lpcarc.org> for updates and more information

Sponsored by La Porte County Amateur Radio Club



Radios - Deals - Community - Fun



East Central Indiana HAMFEST 2026

Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, Indiana

• FREE PARKING • FREE VENDOR SPACES • FREE ADMISSION •
• FREE DOOR PRIZE TICKET WHEN YOU REGISTER •

EXTRA DOOR PRIZE TICKETS AVAILABLE TALK-IN: 443.475+ PL: 100.0
 SIMPLEX: 147.54 | GMRS CH-1

Local Motels
Special rates for our out-of-town guests
Motel 6
 1147 US-27 North, Portland IN 47371
 Local Phone: 260-361-8879
Holiday Inn Express
 100 Holiday Dr, Portland IN 47371
 Book a Reservation: 1-888-465-4329
 Front Desk: 260-726-6688
Just mention the East Central Hamfest for discounted rates.



Samples of Grand Prizes won in our Grand Prize Drawings at past events!



Door Prize Drawings at least every HALF HOUR

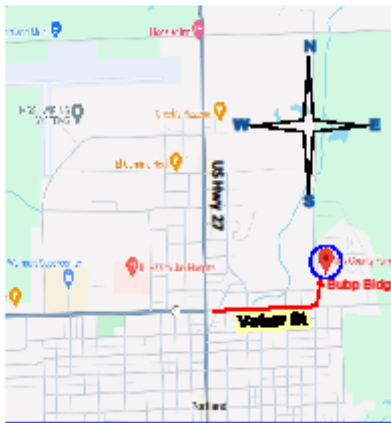


Fabulous Foxhunts!
 Experience the thrill of the chase and maybe snag a great prize. With spirits high and plenty of smiles, we'll hunt down the sneaky hidden "fox" and stir up lots of fun. We'll run one hunt in the morning and another in the afternoon, pending approval from the Fox Workers Local 146 which prohibits a fox from working during a thunderstorm. Have fun!

VE Testing Session at 11:00 AM

Also Available:

- ◆ Breakfast
- ◆ Lunch
- ◆ Camping - \$20
Includes electric service and water
- ◆ Showers
- ◆ Dump Station



**806 E Votaw Street
 Portland, Indiana 47375**

All scheduled events subject to change without notice.

**Saturday, July 25, 2026
 8 AM — 2 PM Eastern**



Reserve your space
 INhamfest.com
 or call Dave at 419-733-0867

2026 ELKHART EAST HAMFEST
SATURDAY AUGUST 1, 2026
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Northern Indiana Event Center
21565 Executive Parkway - Elkhart, IN 46514

More details are available on our website
at: <https://www.elkharteasthamfest.com>.

The Northern Indiana Event Center is
a state-of-the-art convention facility
located at the MH/RV Hall of Fame in
Elkhart, Indiana. (Toll Road at Exit 96)

Questions? elkharthamfest@gmail.com



Welcome and Join us!

Indoor 20,000 sq ft of Amateur Radio, Hobby Electronics, and More Convention.
150 table flea market of retail and consumer vendors, HAM radio license exams for all classes.
\$9.00 admission includes discounted admission to the RV Hall of Fame

\$15.00 per table (\$20 the day of event)
Includes 120v/220v electric service.

One free admission per vendor / children under 14 free.

Talk-In: K9DEW Mishawaka Repeater (147.330+ 131.8pl)

Additional Reservation Info: elkharthamfest@gmail.com
Northern Indiana Event Center - 21565 Executive Pkwy - Elkhart, IN 46514





**Amateur Radio Association of
Newton County Indiana
COMMUNICATION**



HAMFEST

When: Saturday, August 15, 2026
Set -Up 6 AM Doors open 8 AM - 2 PM CDT
Where: Christ Presbyterian Church
7416 E 109th Avenue ~ Winfield, IN 46307

HOURLY RAFFLE PRIZES

VE testing and food will be available

Costs: Admission, \$5 ea. in advance (see website) or at entrance.

The vendor list will be on the website as soon as information becomes available. Tables, \$10 ea.

**For updates & Pre-Pay information @ aranciradio.com
Questions? Call Mike @ 815-409-5070!**

TALK IN ON 145.330 – OFFSET PL 131.8

WEBSITE: WWW.ARANCIRADIO.COM

Location:

The location can be reached from I 65 or US 30.

From I 65, take exit 249, 109th Ave, go east approximately 5 miles and turn left into church parking lot; If coming from the north on I 65, US 30 is exit 253, or 109th Ave is exit 249.

From I 65 & US 30, go EAST 5 miles to Randolph Street, Merrillville, IN and go south 3 miles to 109th Ave. in Winfield. Turn right (west) at the light and go about ½ mile and turn right into the church parking lot.

If coming from the east (Valparaiso area) on US 30, the distance from IN 49 and US 30 to Randolph Street, Merrillville, is 11 miles. Randolph St. is the next traffic light past the Deep River Water Park. Turn left from US 30, go south on Randolph 3 miles to 109th Ave. in Winfield. Turn right at the light and go approx. ½ mile and turn right into the church parking lot.

Hamtober Fest 2026



Southern Indiana 8th Annual HamtoberFest

OCTOBER 17, 2026

LYNNVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

LYNNVILLE, IN

7:00 AM - Noon CST

GPS 38.19453 -87.30147

----->>**FREE ADMISSION** << -----

DONATIONS ACCEPTED AND APPRECIATED!

**** HamtoberFest Raffle! Drawing at Noon! ****
Fabulous prizes To Be Announced!

Raffle Ticket cost: \$10 each. Raffle Drawing held at approx Noon at HamtoberFest.

Tickets available for purchase in advance or the morning of the Hamfest!

Need not be present for the noon Raffle Drawing to win!

Door prize drawings throughout the event!

Attendees must fill out door prize entry when entering HamtoberFest - one entry per attendee!

Must be present when door prize is drawn for or we draw again!!

INDOOR TABLES \$10 EACH -- LIMITED AVAILABILITY-RESERVE YOURS NOW!!

FREE Outdoor Flea Market, Food, Fellowship