THE FEEDLINE

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A note from your editor:

This is a rather short issue due to multiple factors, mostly that I'm swamped. One spiffy way to avoid short issues is to write stuff that you think might be interesting to others and send it to me. I'll probably include it in a future issue if it isn't illegal, immoral or fattening.

NB4C recently sent me the <u>Feedline</u> issues from 1980. These will eventually be scanned and posted to the web. There are a lot of familiar callsigns (in some cases "old callsigns") mentioned and some familiar topics. Two of those topics are 1) the small percentage of local hams who are club members and 2) the need for members to be more active in club events. Some things never change. It's encouraging to me, however, that we currently have a pretty good number of club members and that includes quite a few new hams. We appreciate you!

I'm looking forward to seeing several of you at Field Day! N9JF

News from club Vice-President W9WE:

(Dave will be conducting the July meeting, which will include nominations for, and election of, individuals to fill the remaining terms of WM4D (President) and N9JF (Secretary) per the bylaws. Following is information regarding the proposed agenda for the July meeting).

I. Call to order Introductions / Callsigns on sign in sheet.

Secretary: The following persons are present: As follows. Do we have a quorum?

Order of Business:

Minutes from last month, call for corrections. Accepted as published.

Treasurer's report. Accept as presented. If no objections or corrections.

Committee report: Roster Updates / ARRL Club status is at 60.56%. Ask W9WE for a copy.

Repeater Board Report

Membership Committee: Applications for membership, Accepted on majority vote.

Contest Committee: Field Day reports.

Station Committee

Unfinished Business: President & Secretary Positions to be filled tonight. Nominations? VACANCY OF OFFICE. Vacancies occurring for any reason shall be filled by nomination and election at the next regular meeting. ARTICLE V, Section 2. HOW ELECTED. The officers shall be elected by secret ballot. No absentee balloting shall be allowed.

Vote on Accepting By law changes two-thirds majority, accepted with corrections: Numbers on Headers incorrect.

New Business: Club Dinner. Tracey is our contact at Sprouts, and we do have October 14th reserved for dinner. We need menu and prices before we can make the final selection of menu. Bob Mitchell has agreed to speak, and he has his own screen and projector. Refer to special committee: to finalize arrangements and collect fees for Treasurer as needed. Possible assistant treasurer needed.

Club Correspondence? I am John Nagel, W5EXJ, Dave Nagel's - W9EXJ (SK) son. I was at Hamvention and won a free ticket to the Kars fest (Kankakee). It is on Sunday July 16th at the Will County Fairgrounds. If someone from your club is interested in going, I can mail the ticket your way.

Net Control Stations June 21-N9JF, June 28-KD9TVM, July 5-W9DP, July 12-W9US, July 19-WB9EWM, July 26-W9WE, Aug 02-KD9PPJ, 2023 Aug 9-???? Aug 16-???? Aug 23-???? Aug 30-???? Sept 6-???? To be filled.

All Club meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the Roberts "Rules of Order, revised" as same may be revised from time to time.

WIARC BYLAWS ARTICLE XI, Section 1. This Constitution and these By-Laws may be amended. Any proposed amendment shall be presented in writing and presented to the membership for a vote. Such proposed amendments shall be passed by a two-thirds majority vote of the members in good standing and present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the Club. Take nomination from the floor. To fill the office of President and Secretary positions. The balloting shall close upon a majority vote of the membership present and voting.

Section 1. ROSTER. The officers of the Club shall be as follows: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President may appoint a Radio Officer, Assistant Secretary, Editor of the Newsletter, and such other officers as may be necessary or advisable to carry on the business of the Club.

Section 2. HOW ELECTED. The officers shall be elected by secret ballot. No absentee balloting shall be allowed. Section 3. TERM OF OFFICE. The term of office of all elective officers shall be for one year beginning with the annual meeting in January.

Section 4. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS. The President of the Club shall appoint a Nominating Committee of not less than three members at the regular meeting in November. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to report at least one nominee for each elective office of the Club at its regular meeting in December. The elective officers for the Club for the ensuing year shall be elected at the regular December meeting of the Club.

Section 5. ELECTIONS. Ballots shall be prepared by the Secretary. The President shall appoint three tellers who will distribute the ballots to the membership. After the ballots have been marked by the members and upon proof to the satisfaction of the tellers that they are in good standing with the Club, the ballots shall be collected. The balloting shall close upon a majority vote of the membership present and voting. The tellers shall then count the ballots. The nominee receiving the majority of the votes cast for each office shall be declared elected. QUORUM. Ten members in good standing, including at least one elected officer of the Club, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meetings, except for voting on membership, at which time at least two elected officers of the Club shall be present.

VACANCY OF OFFICE. Vacancies occurring for any reason shall be filled by nomination and election at the next regular meeting. Notice of such election shall be given at the previous regular meeting and sent by US Mail or by electronic means to each member in good standing at least five days before the date specified for such election. The term of the replacement officer shall end at the time the original officer's term would have ended.

Special rules of order, rules contained in the <u>parliamentary authority</u>, the <u>standing rules</u> of the assembly, and rules of order contained in the <u>bylaws</u> or <u>constitution</u> may be suspended.¹²¹ In addition, the bylaws may provide for a specific rule to be suspended.¹²²

Depending on the type of rule being suspended, a <u>motion</u> to suspend the rules could be adopted with a <u>two-thirds vote</u>. In many cases, suspension of the rules may take place with <u>unanimous consent</u>. Typically, a member will make a request to consider a particular business item. or take a special action not permitted by the rules. The chair will ask if there is any objection; if there is no objection, the rules are suspended.

Moved and Seconded: Minutes of the June 2023 WIARC Meeting

The June 2023 meeting of the Western Illinois Amateur Radio Club was held Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at the American Red Cross building.

The following members and guests were present: W9WE, N9JF, K9VXD, WB9EWM, W9US, KD9VUW, KB9FIN, KB9GIY, W9MDB, K9AJC, KD9YGE (ZOOM), KD9SIW (ZOOM)

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Vice-President W9WE.

Announced resignation of WM4D as President and N9JF as Secretary.

Per by-laws, nominations will be accepted for the two offices an elections will be held at the July regular meeting.

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed in *The Feedline*.

Treasurer's report by K9VXD:

A. Checking Balance = \$2,770.83 B. Savings Balance = \$4,712.30

C. May Income = \$145.00 from Dues, 2.73 interest

D. " = \$98.70 from sale of scrap

1135.23 income for year 463 expense for year E. Expenses = NONE this month.

F. Total Assets = Approx. \$20,000.00 Treasurer's report was approved

Repeater Board report from WB9EWM: John spoke to Yaesu rep at Dayton suggested increasing carrier delay. Still adjusting....

Station Report: WB9EWM reports that WA9GBC is at Blessing

Contest Report: Last weekend was POTA event, Field Day coming up

Membership report: 69 paid members so far for 2023

Applications for membership: none

Old business: By-laws changes and schedule for voting: (July meeting) All club emails will receive notification prior to July meeting

Equipment being offered for sale: (sealed bids in person at July meeting

Resignation of officers and schedule for re-election (July meeting)

New business: offered ticket to Karfest from John Nagel

Field Day: 3F

NCS stations: Jun 14 KD9PPJ, need Jun 21 N9JF sub for WM4D, Jun 28 KD9TVM, Jul 5

W9DP Jul 12 W9US Jul 19 WB9EWM Jul 26 W9WE Aug 2 W9WE

WB9EWM announced that K0RL is SK as of last September
WB9EWM suggests an outside antenna when using simplex
Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm motion W9MDB second WB9EWM carried

DX news shamelessly borrowed from <u>ARRL DX News:</u>

QST de W1AW DX Bulletin 24 ARLD024 From ARRL Headquarters Newington CT June 15, 2023 To all radio amateurs

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by JG7PSJ, LU4AAO, The Daily DX, 425 DX News, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

MALAWI, 7Q. Jerry, W1IE and Bill, K4CD will be QRV as 7Q7WW from June 21 to July 3. Activity will be in their spare time on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, and FT8 in DXpedition mode. QSL via operators' instructions.

NORTH COOK ISLANDS, E5. Warwick, E51WL has been QRV on 12 meters using FT8 around 0700 to 1100z, and on FT4 between 2100 to 2200z. QSL to home call.

SUDAN, ST. Sudan Amateur Radio Union ST0HQ has been QRV on 20 meters using SSB between 0050 and 0200z. QSL via ST2M.

MACAO, XX9. Leong, XX9ET has been QRV on 20 meters using FT8 around 1400z. QSL via LoTW.

MYANMAR, XZ. Akio, JE2QIZ is QRV as XZ2B from Yangon until the end of September. Activity is on 15, 12, 10, and 6 meters using CW. QSL via JH3SIF.

Please see June QST, page 69, and the ARRL and WA7BNM Contest web sites for details. NNNN /EX

Link to Roberts Rules of Order for those interested in minutia: https://www.qutenberg.org/cache/epub/9097/pg9097-images.html

ARRL and FEMA Sign Agreement: Ham Radio is as Relevant as Ever

ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio® has entered into an updated Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The agreement will enhance cooperation between ARRL's emergency communications program, the Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (ARES®), and FEMA in providing disaster communications. The agreement emphasizes the importance of skilled Amateur Radio Operators in times of crisis and the role of ARES leadership within the emergency communications space.



ARES (see the ARES fact sheet at www.arrl.org/ares) is a network of trained Amateur Radio Service licensees organized across the country to provide communications and other support to served agencies, such as local governments, hospitals, and disaster response charities. More than 20,000 ARES volunteers actively participate in the ARRL program. In 2022, they provided more than 420,000 labor hours of service saving local officials \$13.4 million in personnel costs.

Each member of ARES has specialized training in emergency communications. Many have also completed training in the National Incident Management System (NIMS) in order to integrate with local officials during an emergency response.



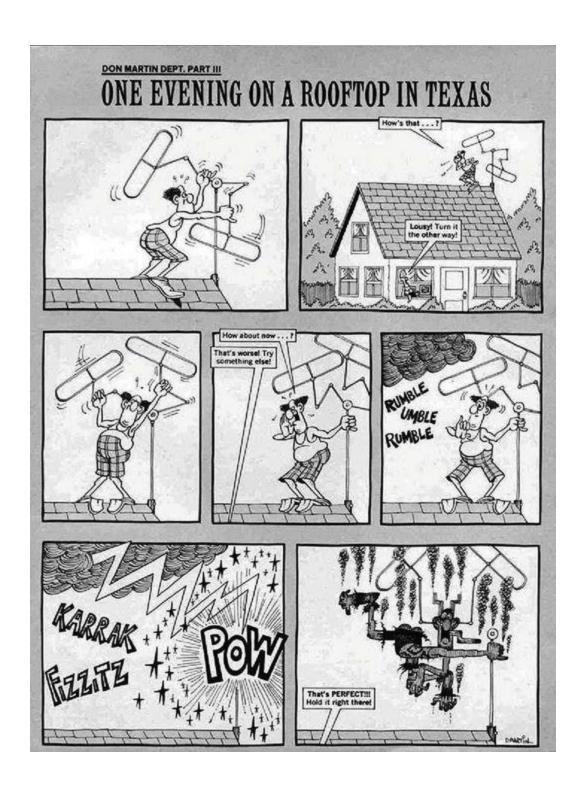
In March 2023, FEMA released the final version of the NIMS Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Functional Guidance, which <u>includes radio amateurs</u> in the <u>response ecosystem</u> and national emergency preparedness.

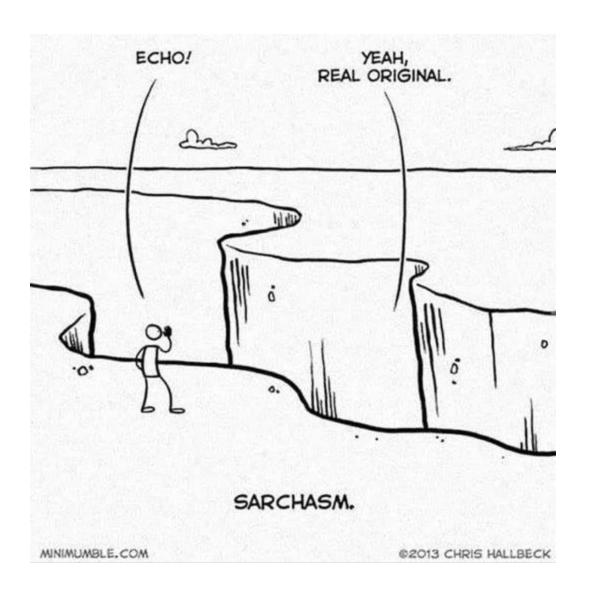
"The agreement is representative of the continued commitment and cooperation between FEMA and ARRL," said ARRL Director of Emergency Management Josh Johnston, KE5MHV. "Serving our country during emergencies is an important service provided by ARES volunteers and a principal purpose of our Amateur Radio Service. Our well-equipped volunteers bring their training, use of innovative technologies, and community partnerships together to serve before and during disasters."



FEMA announced the new agreement on <u>Twitter</u> stating, "We recently signed a new MOA with @arrl -- establishing our partnership with licensed, voluntary amateur radio operators to support response [and] recovery efforts. We're honored to work side-by-side to meet the needs of millions in the wake of disasters."

Read the full story on the ARRL website.





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July meeting: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 7 pm Adams County American Red Cross Building, 24th and Koch's Lane, Quincy (west ½ block from intersection then north on driveway)

W9AWE - W90AB

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Newsletter input due by the 20th of the preceding month Editor Jim Funk N9JF n9jf@arrl.net