W-C Amateur Radio Communicator



New YouTube Channel Created!

February 2023

We have a club YouTube channel for our videos to be shared on.

Please check it out and Subscribe Today

https://www.youtube.com/@waupacacountyaresraceswi

New AEC for Our Club:

February 2023

Rick Hutchison (KD9QQR) has been added as a new Assistant EC for our club.

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Special points of interest

Website URL:

https://www.waupacacountyareswi.org

Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/W9WAP

YouTube Channel:

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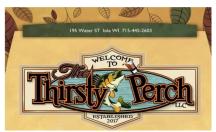
- EC, Chuck Fritz
- AEC: Rick Hutchison, Dave Chroninger, Leighton Trice
- Treasurer: Mary Trice



December 2022 Meeting and Christmas Exchange

Members enjoyed our December 2022 Christmas Gift Exchange during our monthly meeting held in December.

It was a lot of fun and great seeing interesting gifts that each member received.



W-C Ares Members Gathered at the Thirsty Perch in Iola for a January Gathering!

On January 12th, 2023, we had a large gathering at the Thirsty Perch in Iola. Everyone had good food and a great time. Visit our Website Photos page to see pictures of the attendees and their family members. We look forward to more gatherings in the future.

Waupaca County ARES/RACES

Winter Field Day 2023

Amateur Radio Participation Worldwide

During the last full weekend of January, the Winter Field Day Association (WFD) holds a communication exercise that is available to participants throughout the world. This year's exercise was held on Saturday, January 28th through Sunday, January 29th, 2023, from 1 pm Saturday to 1 pm Sunday.

Amateur radio operators used radio frequencies on HF, VHF, and UHF bands to transmit exchanges with other amateur radio operators. While operating, they were allowed to invite their friends, family, or the whole club to be involved and to work from home, indoors, outdoors, or mobile.

WHEN DISASTER HAPPENS:

Waupaca County ARES operators provide emergency communications to the Waupaca County Emergency Management and the National Weather Service. Therefore, participating in Field Day exercises is vital to ensure that their station equipment, antennas, cables, and operations work appropriately when they are needed to answer a call.

Waupaca County ARES also provides safety monitoring at community events throughout Waupaca County. Some of the safety monitoring events held include the Iola Bump and Jump Bike Race, the Waupaca Triathlon, the Taste of Norway in Iola, and being present nearby this year's "Manawa Area Veterans' Freedom Park Ice Fisheree".

During the Winter Field Day 2023, Waupaca County ARES stationed their safety monitoring shelter near the Manawa Veterans' Freedom Park in Manawa, WI. On Saturday, January 28th, 2023, Manawa Area Veterans Freedom Park was filled with a very large crowd of people and ice fishermen. Some of the crowd dropped into the Waupaca County ARES Winter Field Day station to discover what services are provided and learn more about amateur radio communications.



The Waupaca County ARES members that participated on Saturday made 52 contacts with other amateur radio operators through the United States.



Bob (KA9EOK) and Carl (KD9RMZ) operating WFD.

However, the main purpose of the event was to test equipment and operation in cold weather conditions with portable generators and portable heat sources. With the cold, frigid weekend temperatures, the portable heat source used was definitely helpful during the Saturday operations from 1-7 pm.



Dean (KD9VLH) and Carl (KD9RMZ) WFD 2023

About W-C ARES:

Waupaca County Emergency Management coordinates effective response and recovery efforts relating to natural and technological disasters within Waupaca County, Wisconsin.

We are a diverse group of trained emergency communications operators striving to provide assistance to our local served agencies.

We also aim to provide members about Amateur Radio Communications. Our forum is made up of a community of talented and forward-thinking amateur radio operators who are always striving to learn or teach something new to those around them.

Net Control Operators for Sunday Night Net

Remember to send your Net Reports to Dave WB9GBG . Also, please contact Dave for the newest net control scripts to use for Net Control Operations.

Rattlegram Demonstration Held at February 2023 Meeting

Rick (KD9QQR) demonstrated how Rattlegram works with amateur radio communications through digital modes and concepts. Check Out the YouTube Videos on Our Waupaca County YouTube Channel

Meeting Minutes

Our meeting minutes are posted on our website Meeting Minutes page in pdf format for reviewing and printing.

Visit Our Website: https://www.waupacacountyareswi.org/

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