



# The Indianapolis Radio Club Newsletter

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## *October 2009 Newsletter*

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### **Upcoming Meetings:**

November 13: Calibration, presented by Dick Chance.

December 12 (**SATURDAY**): Annual Holiday dinner/meeting West 86<sup>th</sup> Street MCL.  
**This is different from the information presented in the September newsletter.**

January 8: Signal Propagation, presented by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA. Chili cook-off also!

February 12: Legacy Radio

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### **Highlights from the October Meeting:**

Called to order at 7:26 by Ron Cooper, WB9DKL. There were 45 present at the meeting

Next, Chuck Crist, W9IH, gave the hilltop report. Chuck explained the change in the rules this year was to talk to the hilltops. It was a very close contest this year. Tanager hill had 26 hill 29 total points. K9DY 29 hill, 32 total. Danville 25 hill, 59 total. Pritchard 29 hill, 37 total. Craig hill 26, 106 total. Morrison hill 9 hill, 28 total. Donald's knoll 24 hill, 29 total. Independence 20 hill, 39 total. Weedpatch, 16 and 29. Single Op award winner was Donald's hill.

Dave Miller, K9RTT, announced that the Christmas dinner is going to be Saturday, December 12 at the 86<sup>th</sup> Street MCL. Each paid up member will receive a \$10 meal

voucher for the meal. The next meeting will be on calibration, presented by Tom Chance's dad, Dick. January meeting will be the chili cook-off. Meeting will be K9LA on propagation. February meeting will be legacy radio on CW. March tentatively on SDR. April is kit building. May is antenna meeting. Dave said the club is going to get information on reserving the bus to Dayton again. Dave solicited input from those present about anyone interested in serving as officers of the club.

Antenna shoot out results were presented by Tom Chance, K9XV. John Lee DID NOT win this year! 3<sup>rd</sup> place was Dave Jarvis, N9KZJ, with -41 dB. 2<sup>nd</sup> place was John Lee, W9GRE, at -40.6 dB. 1<sup>st</sup> place was Ron Cooper, WB9DKL, at -39 dB.

Jerry, KC9DTB, talked about his next ship adventure. He will be out November 13 until December 13. Look for more information later in this newsletter.

Jay KK9L made some announcements about past and upcoming testing sessions. December 9 will be awards night for Hendricks county hams.

Jeff, N9NIC, solicited MARS members, said Indiana is lagging behind other states in membership.

Next, Dave Miller introduced the evening's speakers on alternative energy. Terry Black from Greenway Supply, and Eric presented a very interesting program on renewable energy.

## **Ham Radio News:**

### **USS INDIANAPOLIS OFFICIAL OPEN HOUSE 11/7/09**

U.S.S. Indy Radio Room"

INDIANA WAR MEMORIAL Museum's  
Newest EXHIBIT;  
Dedicated to USN WWII Radiomen.  
Official Open House announcement

Saturday Nov. 7th 2009, from 2-5pm  
At 431 N. Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN

"Visit WWII Navy communications restored history"

Go to <http://www.ussindyradio.org/ussindyradiormexhibit.htm> or <http://www.ussindyradio.org/> for more information

Sincerely ;  
USS Indy Radio  
Volunteers

## **KC9DTB's NEXT "MARITIME ADVENTURE"**

### **From Jerry Skoll, KC9DTB:**

As discussed at the October Indy Ham Club meeting I have a sailboat voyage scheduled beginning November 5th, continuing to November 14th. Again, we'll be sailing aboard the superb Hylas 54' Blue Pearl, the same boat brought up from the Bahamas in May. The voyage plan is to depart Oxford, Maryland (on the Eastern Shore of Upper Cheasepeake Bay on/about the 5th, a 2-day transit South to the mouth of the Bay, await a favorable weather window for a run for a Gulf Stream crossing and then proceeding to Bermuda. Blue Pearl will pause for the later half of November in Bermuda before resuming on/about December 2nd her Southbound trek to Antigua. While I'll be the only HAM aboard, the entire crew is eager to make many Maritime Mobile contacts and I will be pleased to send QSL cards post-voyage reflecting ocean square contacts.

20 Meter Schedule: As usual we will attempt to check in daily with Maritime Mobile Service Net (14.300). We try to accomplish this as soon as possible after noon (1200 EST). In our end of transmission message we'll announce that we're changing frequencies to accept contacts. On even numbered days (for example, November 8th) we'll move to 14.285 and on odd numbered days (for example, November 7th) we'll move to 14.315. For antenna positioning our last recorded MMSN position may be obtained by going to their website, clicking upon "Ship Trak" and entering my call (KC9DTB).

40 Meter Schedule: We'll work 40 & 80 for MM contacts primarily in the gray zone evening hours (1800-2100 EST). Our primary frequency will be 7263.0. If in use, we will go down band (7258.0, 7255.0, etc.) and call our CQ.

80 Meter Schedule: On any evening 2000-2100 period, depending on traffic destiny & conditions, we'll be working either 40 or 80 meters. Our primary 80 meter frequency will be 3915.0. If in use, we try to stay between 3905.0 to 3925.0.

Looking forward to filling our logbook with lots of contacts.

## **W1AW WINTER OPERATING SCHEDULE**

Morning Schedule:

Time	Mode	Days
1400 UTC (9 AM EST)	CWs	Wed, Fri
1400 UTC (9 AM EST)	CWf	Tue, Thu

Daily Visitor Operating Hours:

1500 UTC to 1700 UTC - (10 AM to 12 PM EST)  
1800 UTC to 2045 UTC - (1 PM to 3:45 PM EST)

(Station closed 1700 to 1800 UTC (12 PM to 1 PM EST))

Afternoon/Evening Schedule:

2100 UTC (4 PM EST)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
2100 " "	CWs	Tue, Thu
2200 " (5 PM EST)	CWb	Daily
2300 " (6 PM EST)	RTTY	Daily
0000 " (7 PM EST)	CWs	Mon, Wed, Fri
0000 " "	CWf	Tue, Thu
0100 " (8 PM EST)	CWb	Daily
0200 " (9 PM EST)	RTTY	Daily
0245 " (9:45 PM EST)	VOICE	Daily
0300 " (10 PM EST)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
0300 " "	CWs	Tue, Thu
0400 " (11 PM EST)	CWb	Daily

Frequencies (MHz)

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CW: 1.8025 3.5815 7.0475 14.0475 18.0975 21.0675 28.0675 147.555  
RTTY: - 3.5975 7.095 14.095 18.1025 21.095 28.095 147.555  
VOICE: 1.855 3.990 7.290 14.290 18.160 21.390 28.590 147.555

The W1AW Operating Schedule may also be found on page 102 in the October 2009 issue of QST or on the web at, <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html>.

## **INDIANAPOLIS VE Testing Schedule for remainder of 2009**

Sponsor: Indianapolis Radio Club (W9JP)

Where: All testing is at The Indianapolis Training Center, 2820 N. Meridian St, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46107.

Liaison: Gale Wuollet (317-849-8449) email: indy33windy@comcast.net

When: November 7, 2009

Time: All testing starts at 9:00 AM; Walk-ins allowed

Stay tuned for additional session times.

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Bruce Craig, KC9KUS

Doug Rose, N9DR

## **FEEL FREE TO SHARE OUR NEWSLETTER**

If you belong to any other radio groups, please feel free to share our newsletter with them. They can also sign up to be on our mailing list by filling out the form available at <http://www.indyradioclub.org/rqstnewsletter.htm>.

## **SEND ME YOUR HAM RADIO NEWS**

If anyone has any items for the newsletter, please send them to Ken Bandy at [kj9b@arrl.net](mailto:kj9b@arrl.net)

## **Signals from the Past:**

**From the October, 1978 *Amachewer*:**

Club Trustee Ron Williams, W9JVF, has kindly accepted the post of Trustee for the Club Station license for another 5 years, which came up for renewal recently. We are pleased to see our legal responsibilities handled by this very capable old timer and DXpeditioner.

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## Upcoming Area Radio Events:

- November 14 – 15: Fort Wayne Hamfest Go to <http://www.acarts.com/hfmain.htm> for more info.
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## 2009 Officers:

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