



MACON COUNTY ARC NEWSLETTER

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**THE NEXT MACON COUNTY ARC AND MACON AREA REPEATER
MEETING WILL BE HELD MAY 29, 2025 AT 7:00 PM
AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (EAST DOOR) ON BRIGGS IN MACON, MO
PRE-MEETING DINNER AT APPLE BASKET AT 5:30, ALL WELCOME**

MACON CNTY ARC APRIL 24, 2025 MEETING REPORT

Jesse Jones, the Macon County ARC President conducted the Club meeting. Charles, WBØHLW gave the treasurers and secretary's reports.

Bruce Hawkins, AC6DN, was a guest at the meeting and he joined in all the discussions about our club and activities.



One of the principal topics for discussion was the planning for the NØPR operation of the ARRL Field Day on June 28th and 29th. We have made arrangements to use the Macon Educational Facility behind Crown Implement Company on Brees Industrial Drive. We have used that facility for Field Day since 2023. It has the advantage of separate rooms for stations to operate. The main downside is it is a little harder to set-up antenna. We discussed the number of operating stations we will set-up at Field Day and we thought that we would probably operate as 3 A with GOTA. At the May meeting we will make a determination. Jesse, KDØETU, will be creating the six 3 ft jumper cables ASAP. He is looking for brass metal PL-259s with adaptors for RG-8x coax.

Paul Poteet, ABØC, (SK) Newsletters were passed around to have a look back at what the MCARC was doing in 1976, the year that we celebrated Bicentennial by operating with special call signs that all began with the letter A.

Ira Huff, AI7HC, has updated the Website again with the latest Newsletter and added information about the Exam Session time.

Dale, KØKY, Volunteer Exam Liaison reminded members that on June 8, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. there will be a VE Exam at the First Christian Church on Briggs Drive. Those wanting to be tested need to bring photo I.D. \$15.00 and have obtained their FRN number prior to the exam. Business as usual for our VE Exam team will change somewhat in 2026 when the ARRL VEC goes totally Digital for exams. Stay tuned.

LATEST SOLAR WEATHER REPORT MAY 16, 2025

Further increases in solar activity in the northern half of the solar disk are still expected in the coming months but cannot be predicted more accurately. In modern times, however, we can monitor it closely - and prepare for it all the better and in good time."

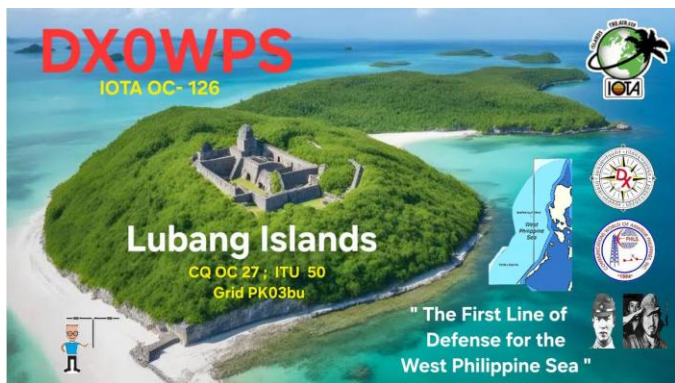
The latest solar report from Dr. Tamitha Skov, WX6SWW, can be found on YouTube at: <https://youtu.be/5hRRuaP-bT0?si=bQr5hSz0vc8WPepn> .

For more information concerning shortwave radio propagation, see

<http://www.arrl.org/propagation> and the ARRL Technical Information

Service web page at, <http://arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. For

tutorials on propagation can be found at, <http://k9la.us/> .



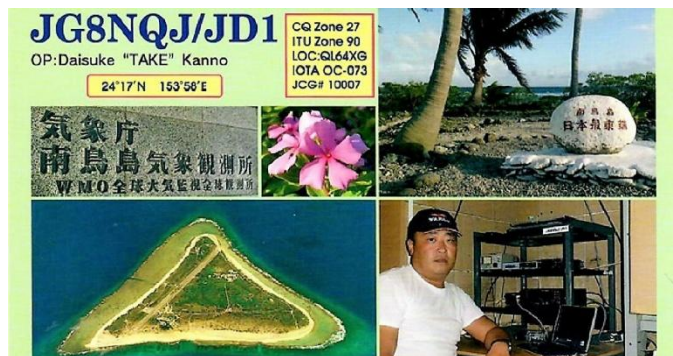
DX0WPS. Edward Soriano, 4F1OZ planning to be active as DX0WPS from Pag-asa Island, Spratly Islands, Lubang Islands, IOTA OC- 126, Philippines, 27 - 31 May 2025. He will operate on HF Bands. QSL via home call. EDWARD SORIANO, 42-E, F.REYES STREET, CARIDAD, CAVITE CITY, 4100, Philippines. QTH Locator - PK03bu.



John, W2GD will be active as P44W from Santa Cruz, Aruba Island, IOTA SA -036, 20 - 27 May 2025. He will operate on HF Bands, including activity in CQ WW WPX CW Contest, 24 - 25 May 2025



Chusuke, T88TJ will be active from Koror Island, IOTA OC - 009, Palau, 6 - 11 June 2025. He will operate on 40 - 6m, SSB, RTTY, FT8. QSL via JR1FKR, LOTW.



Take, JG8NQJ will be active again as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island, IOTA OC - 073, Minami Torishima, 17 April - 20 June 2025. He will operate on HF Bands CW, FT8. QSL via JA8CJY, LOTW.



OY6A Team will be active from Faroe Islands, IOTA EU – 018, 1 – 10 June 2025. Team – WB2REM, W9MK, K4LT, W2WCM, G6TFL, K3BAB, W4VKU. They will operate on 160 – 6m, CW, SSB, FT8, FT4, including activity in ARRL VHF Contest. QSL via WB2REM direct, ClubLog OQRS.

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Dave, G4WXJ will be active as ZC4RH from Cyprus, IOTA AS - 004, 14 - 20 June 2025. He will operate on 40 - 6m Bands, FT8, FT4, SSB, CW. QSL via DK6SP, LOTW, ClubLog OQRS.

Kay Eyman, WAØWOF, RADIO SHACK PROGRESS REPORT



Kay Eyman, WAØWOF, moved back to her hometown of La Plata in the fall of 2024 but it has taken some time to get on the air. Her tower and antenna didn't arrive until mid-March and then it was hit with a lightning strike a week and a half later. Rick's Tower and satellite helped her get everything back up and running. Two La Plata Hams, Becky Belfour NØBEX and Dave Belfour, ADØB, helped with the 80 m antenna rescue. Kay also got some tech help from Ron, NTØC.

Kay's main station is an Icom 7300, with an Icom PW-1 amplifier, and a 3-element SteppIR. She also has a Kenwood 930 on the operating table, which is usable and a Kenwood TL-922A amplifier. They are meant to be a separate 80m station and she has a Carolina Windom for 80m. One of the many highlights of Kay's Dxing was her participation in activation of Greenland as part of the OX5YL, DX-pedition during August 2013. In 2018, Kay also operated with her friend Mio, JR3MVF as A52YL in the Kingdom of Bhutan at the Dochula Eco Retreat. They had three radios, two of which were dedicated to FT8 and the third was used for 17-meter CW and 20-meter SSB at an altitude of a bit over 10,000 ft. In the past, Kay has held the callsigns KR6HB and



KA6HB, and she has held EI7HQ since 1991. She has also operated from China, Malaysia, New Zealand, Canada, Hawaii, Sweden, Germany, Norway, Switzerland, England, and the Isle of Man, as GT6IA.

Kay is a member of several Amateur Radio clubs and interest groups and since she moved to Macon County, she has been active in both the Macon County ARC and the Northeast MO ARC.