MACON COUNTY ARC NEWSLETTER



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THE NEXT MACON COUNTY ARC AND MACON AREA REPEATER MEETING WILL BE HELD MARCH 27, 2025 AT 7:00 PM AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ON BRIGGS IN MACON, MO PRE-MEETING DINNER AT APPLE BASKET AT 5:30, ALL WELCOME

MACON CNTY ARC FEB. 27, 2025 MEETING REPORT

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER

Ron Harrison, NTØC, The Macon County ARC Vice-Pres conducted the Club meeting due to President Jesse Jones, WDØETU, being scheduled for work on our meeting night. Charles, WBØHLW gave the treasurers and secretary's reports.

STORM SPOTTER TRAINING CLASS

Members discussed the upcoming Storm Spotter Training Session that will be held at the Apple Basket on March 1, 2025. The Training Session will be presented by Joe Dietrick, KCØNOX at 10:00 a.m. and be completed before noon. Chris Clark, KFØGUS, was able to contact Joe Dietrick and he will be holding the Spotter training session on the Date Scheduled. We will continue to encourage interested people to attend the training session.

MACON COUNTY ARC POLO SHIRTS ARE HERE

The Radio Club shirts have been made and are available at the February Meeting. Those that are unable to attend can pick their shirts up at the February meeting or at the Saturday March 1st Storm Spotter Training session. There are 5 shirts that will be available for pick-up at the meeting on March 27th, 2025.

UPDATE ON WALT SLOVER JR, KCØELC HEALTH

I talked to Walt's wife Kathy at Loch Haven and he is doing much better. He's in room 406 in the South Wing of Loch Haven Nursing home for a while. Plans are for him to go home in about a month.

DX INFORMATION FROM NEWSLETTER

Thanks to Ron Harrison, NTØC we have up to date information about cool contest, DXpeditions and IOTA operations.

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NØPR WEBSITE UPDATE

Ira Huff, AI7HC, the Radio Club has updated the NØPR website recently to include information about the upcoming Storm Spotter Training, Awards Information for NØPR and the most recent Newsletter.

When you get a chance, You should check out the new impressive Macon County ARC – NØPR website at: <u>www.n0pr.org</u>. I know that everyone appreciates the amazing job that Ira has done as the NØPR.org webmaster.



CLUB TO GET ADDITIONAL OPERATING EVENT SIGN

The Field Operation sign that we used at Field Day in 2024 will only work for one direction, The Radio Club bought an additional sign to allow people passing the entrance into the Field Day site to view it regardless of their direction of travel. That should double the impact and hopefully more hams and interested individuals will join us at Field Day.

CHARLES "CHUCK" PORTER, WBØZHB SILENT KEY

Chuck Porter, 72, of Kirksville, Missouri, passed away Sunday (March 16, 2025) at Boone Hospital in Columbia, Missouri. He was a good friend of all the hams in NEMO and the son of Charlie Porter, one of the founders of the NEMO ARC with Lester Dent, WØCBL.

STORM SPOTTER TRAINING SESSION BY JOE DIETRICK, KCØNOX, MARCH 1



Joe Dietrick, KCØNOX, from Livingston County, MO presented a very interesting and informative training program about Weather behavior, Storm spotting and Spotter Safety. The training was held at the Macon Apple Basket on March 1st from 10:00 until noon. Joe's power point illustrations of weather structure, with videos showing the dynamics of tornadoes and images illustrating the danger to spotters and others of flooding large hail stones.



There were 16 individuals attended the Spotter Training plus the speaker. Those attending included Dale, KØKY, Ron, NTØC, Charlie, WBØHLW, Chris, KFØGUS, Kay, WAØWOF, Don, KDØHHN, Steve Mallett, KCØAMJ, Don, KFØJFL, McKinna, Larry, ABØHP, Paul Stidham, KEØPMR, Jill, Dan Will, WØPN, Doug Buckman, Wayne Clark, and Curtis, KEØBCO.

APRIL HAMFEST 2025



Grand Prize is a Yaesu FTM-500DR valued at \$650.00!!!

Other great prizes include: Yaesu FT-70 Handheld A PreppComm Morse Code Transceiver **Bob Heil's Amateur Radio Guide Book** \$100 Gift Certificate from DX Engineering \$99.95 Gift Certificate from HamRadioDeluxe (5) \$50.00 Gift Certificates to Alpha Antenna Gift Certificate from N3FJP Logging Software Multiple Gift Certificates from the ARRL! **Gift Certificate from RT Systems** (7) Gift Certificates Mastrant Antenna Guying 20/40 Trap Dipole Kit from Pacific Antennas (6) License Test Prep books Wall Wart Tamer Kit from Pacific Antennas **ARRL Grounding and Bonding for the Radio Amateur Book** Other amazing prizes still in the works!

HOPE TO SEE A GREAT TURNOUT AT THE MARCH 27TH RADIO CLUB MEETING. SEVERAL HAMS HAVE INDICATED AN INTEREST IN OUR RADIO CLUB.

Upcoming DX Information Compiled from ARRL DX Bulletins, DX-News, DX-World by Ron Harrison, NTØC

Bernhard, DL2GAC will be active as H44MS from Honiara, Guadalcanal Island, IOTA OC - 047, 9 February - 7 May 2025 on 40 - 6m SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. Bernhard M. Stefan, Moeggenweilerstr. 18, 88677 Markdorf, Germany. C5R Team will be active from Gambia, 19 April - 2 May 2025. They will operate on HF Bands. QSL via YU5R.



Bud, AA3B will be active as V26K from Antigua Island, IOTA NA - 100, 25 March - 2 April 2025. He will operate on HF Bands, including activity in CQ WW WPX SSB Contest, 29 - 30 March 2025. QSL via AA3B, LOTW, ClubLog OQRS. JOSEPH TRENCH, 10 SENIA LN, BOYERTOWN, PA, 19512, USA.

TANZANIA, 5Z. Maurizio, IK2GZU will be QRV as 5H3MB from March 18 to April 8. QSL to home call.

Jean-Luc, F1ULQ will again be active from Guadeloupe (QTH: FG8OJ) as TO1Q starting March 24th for 2 weeks.

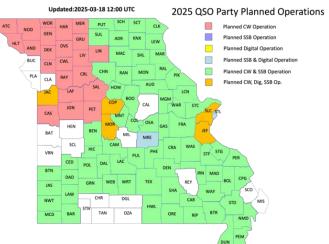
QRV on HF bands + 6m; SSB & Digi. Participation in the CQWPX contest. Possibly SAT operations too. QSL via H/c, direct / buro, LoTW.

Janusz, SP9FIH announces he plans to be active from St Barts again during March 24 to April 4, 2025. QRV initially as FJ/SP9FIH

then will change to TO1P callsign prior to and during the CQ WPX contest. Has LOTW certificate for both callsigns.

David OK6DJ together with Milan OK7GU, Palo OK1CRM and Ruda OK2ZA will be active from Rodrigues Island as 3B9DJ during March 24 to April 5, 2025. QRV on 160-10m; CW, SSB & FT8. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS, LoTW.

MISSOURI QSO PARTY 2025



The weekend of the Missouri QSO party is quickly approaching. This year it is April 5th and 6th. The website with all the information about the QSO party is https://www.w0ma.org/index.php/missou ri-qso-party It's a fun contest and can be as low pressure or intense as you want to make it. Operation is on SSB, CW and digital. If you operate in the party please submit your log, and when you do there is an entry on the submittal form for a club name. enter Macon County Amateur Radio Club on this line, and if there are at least 3 members that submit logs their scores will be totaled and credited to the club, and the club doesn't have to have a station entered to get this credit. Give it a try, it's a lot of fun and you never know, you may find that hidden contester in you that you didn't know was there.

Go check out the website and look over the info and give it a shot.

73 and good luck, Ron Harrison, NTOC

The 2025 Missouri QSO Party is April 5 and 6, 2025 coordinated by the Boeing Employees Amateur Radio Society St. Louis (BEARS-STL)