

Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services

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Newsletter

June 2006

Celebrating 50 Years of Field Day!

2006 marks the 50th year that the Anoka County Radio Club has been participating in the ARRL Field Day event. Taking a look back in time, here is an excerpt from the club's first newsletter, dated February 1956:

From the President

...With summer not too far off, lets all give field day a thought and come up with a good program ... I am sure whether we gather on hill or in a valley we will have a great time whether we work up a large score or not.

*73's
Wayne W0DXZ*

The first Field Day site consisted of three army tents along with several antennas and a tower for two meters. Members supplied three state-of-the-art Viking II transmitters along with three National NC 183D receivers. They worked on 80 through 40 and 15 meters and worked the new two-meter mode on a GE FM rig. Our Field Day events have gotten bigger and better over the years. Some of the gear we will have this year include an Icom IC-706MKIIG, Yaesu FT-897D, a 33 foot Rohn tower, a Three-element 20-meter beam antenna and a 2-meter beam antenna. To read more on the account of the club's first field day operation, go to our website and click the *Field Day 2006* button, then click the *Field Day 1956* button. For pictures of field days and other events, click on the *Club Photos* button on our webpage and look for the photo albums made by Phil Dejarlais - W0JHS. The originals were scanned by Tim Neu – KC0LQL to preserve them for all members to see. Take a look thru the history of the club and compare Field Day and other activities - then and now. It's quite a journey over the last 50 years!

ACRC Now Affiliated with Anoka County ARES

As listed in our long name, the Anoka County Radio Club also provides supplemental communications support in times of need. In February, the board members approved a reciprocal agreement with Anoka County ARES to support and coordinate drills and events throughout the year.

Members are encouraged to register with Dave Runkle – KC0KEP, the Anoka County Emergency Coordinator, to be put on the Anoka County ARES roster. If you are looking for more information on Anoka County ARES, please take a look at the Anoka-ARES web site at <http://www.anoka-ares.org>.

Mutual Aid Agreements

The ACRC Board Members accepted Mutual Aid agreements with both the Gopher Amateur Radio Club and the Minneapolis Radio Club. Under these agreements, when requested, Anoka County Radio Club will make available, on a voluntary basis, available member hams and equipment as needed for Gopher Amateur Radio Club and Minneapolis Radio Club's events and emergencies. They, in turn, agree to do the same for our events and emergencies when requested. These mutual aid agreements open the opportunity of helping out at events outside our own and provide a great way to help build a network of experienced hams providing public service in times of need. Look for and welcome members from these clubs at our upcoming events!

Meeting Minutes are now on the ACRC Website

The Anoka County Radio Club's Board and General Meeting Minutes are now posted on our website. Navigate to: <http://www.anokaradio.org> and click the *Club Documents* button. There is a link on that page to take you to the various documents.

New Members

The new members since the last newsletter (September 2005) are:

- Rebecca Brown - KCØUUU (Technician)
- Scott Bryant - KBØTTI (Technician)
- Dana Dickson - KCØUKJ (Technician)
- Ann Foster - KØANN (Extra)
- Matthew Genelín - NØYNT (General)
- Thomas Holleran - KCØVXC (Technician)
- Edwin Johnson - KCØVMS (Technician)
- David Lampert - KCØWQU (Technician)
- Terry Moravec - KCØWKM (Technician)
- Steven Ulrich - NWØC (Extra)
- Ann Wakeman - KCØWEN (Technician)
- Sandra Wakeman - KCØWEL (Technician)
- David Warwick - KCØWEP (Technician)
- Everett Washington - KCØUWV (Technician)
- Robert Youcha - KCØWEO (Technician)

Welcome to the Anoka County Radio Club!

ACRC Net

The Anoka County Radio Club hosts a net every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. on the 146.670 Repeater. Club members Parry Brown KCØTWB and Scott Hash KCØBZG are sharing the role of Net Control. Check in and show your support and try to answer the practice exam question in *Steve's Corner*. If you have any ideas for content on the net, contact either Parry or Scott.

Join Us on a Fox Hunt!

Come join us once a month on a Fox Hunt! Club member Scott Hash KCØBZG is coordinating a monthly hidden transmitter locating event. For more information, click on the *Fox Hunting* button on our website!

Our Repeaters

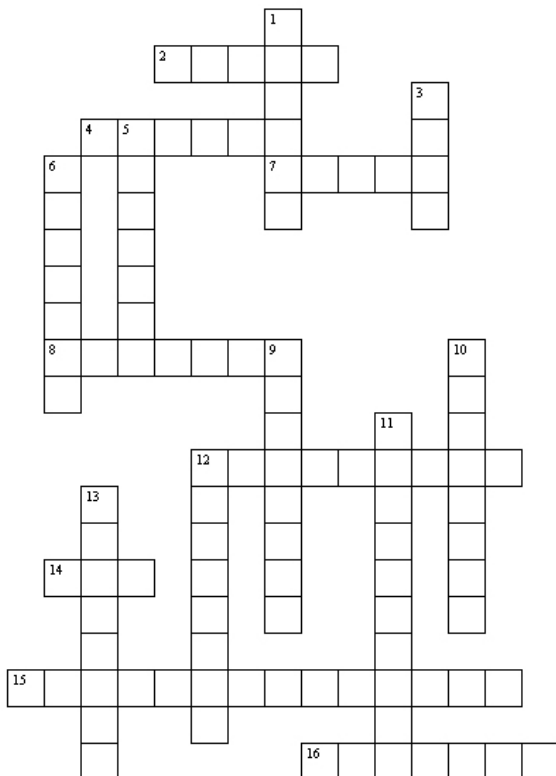
Anoka County Radio Club owns and operates two repeaters:

146.670 / 146.070 with a 114.8 PL Tone

224.940 / 223.340 with a 100.0 PL Tone

For more details on our club's repeaters, click the *Repeater Status* button on our website.

Ham Terms Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 2 A common term for the electronic device used to communicate.
- 4 One of the digital modes a ham could use.
- 7 The class of a General Amateur that has just passed element 4.
- 8 The formal term for "Ham".
- 12 The type of modulation used on our repeater.
- 14 Common three letter word referring to an Amateur.
- 15 The service available when two or more ham stations are setup and running.
- 16 The class of a Technician-Plus Amateur that has just passed element 3.

DOWN

- 1 Can be used to reduce noise.
- 3 What you need to pass in order to become a ham.
- 5 The radiating element of a transceiver.
- 6 A "rock".
- 9 146.670 is one of these.
- 10 144 to 148 MHz occupies 4 MHz of radio ____.
- 11 The class of an Amateur that has passed element 2 and received their call sign from the FCC.
- 12 Connects a transceiver to an antenna.
- 13 Press the PTT button to ____.

The answers will be printed in the next newsletter.

Your Board Members

President:

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Board Member at Large:

Dan Peitso – NØPIY
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Becoming A Member

Ready to join the Anoka County Radio Club? Becoming a member is easy! Download a membership form from our website at: <http://www.anokaradio.org>. Click on the *Membership* button for more details.

Some of the common membership options are:

Membership	Annual Cost
Individual	\$25
Senior	\$15
Family	\$35
New Ham	Free for one year *

* See more membership details on our website.

Send the form and payment to:

Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services
PO Box 982
Anoka MN 55303

Calendar Of Events

June 2006

ACRC Net

Every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. on the 146.670 Repeater (114.8 PL Tone). Check in and try to answer the practice exam question in *Steve's Corner*.

Anoka County ARES Net

Last Wednesday of each month after the ACRC Net (about 8:00 p.m.) on the 146.670 Repeater (114.8 PL Tone). See the Anoka-ARES website for more details.

ACRC General Membership Meeting

Friday, June 2nd starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. This month we will cover the details for the upcoming ARRL Field Day event on June 24th and 25th. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

VE Testing

Saturday, June 10th at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall.

ACRC Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome to attend.

ARRL Field Day

Setup begins on Friday, June 23rd at 5:00 p.m. in the southeast part of the Blaine City Hall parking lot. Field Day begins on Saturday, June 24th at Noon and continues until Sunday, June 25th at Noon.

Blaine Blaz'n 4th (BB4) Parade

Saturday, June 24th starting at 10:00 a.m. This event will be running around the same time as our Field Day activities.

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Blaine Blaz'n 4th (BB4) Fireworks & 5K Fun Run

Tuesday, July 4th. More information to be posted on our website.

VE Testing

Saturday, July 8th at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall.

ACRC Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome to attend.

Check out our website for more details and new events!

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