



WCRA Insider

The newsletter for the WCRA Community (November 1, 2022)

This Newsletter is a short burst of W9CCU's activities and their members.

I elected to do this until November 1, 2023.

If you have any input to the WCRA Insider, please send your items to kg9hfrank@gmail.com

Current officers

President – Open

Vice President - Roger Bassett/W9RAF

Secretary - Steve Peterson/N9OA

Custodian - Michael Wilson/N0MO

Treasurer - Carol Jongleux Schroeder/KB9FYL

The real website <http://www.w9ccu.org>

Repeaters – get on the air! - here are our repeaters available.

Frequency (MHz)	PL Tone (Hz)	Mode
145.310/144.710	107.2 (1B) PL Encode/Decode	Auto In/Auto Out
145.390/144.790	107.2 (1B) PL Encode/Decode	Analog Only Limited Range
224.140/222.540	110.9 (2Z) PL Encode/Decode	Analog Only Limited Range
444.475/449.475	114.8 (2A) PL Encode/Decode	Auto In/Auto Out

Nets Please find time to check into our nets (set a timer!) Sunday at 8:00PM, 145.31 (Every fifth Sunday on 444.475)

This Newsletter is based off of *your* input, not mine, it was created to motivate folks to participate well into their later years in the WCRA club and our community.

Contributors are asked to send input to kg9hfrank@gmail.com

To renew / join, etc

https://www.w9ccu.org/wordpressLimitless/?page_id=1161

Local hams looking for help: Some hams are in need of help, maybe soldering a PL-259, re-assembling their station, etc. Send your request to me and I will find folks to help you get back on the air.

I would like to feature one member or two every month, how about an older member and a newer member for next month?

A bit about me. I became a Ham operator at 16, upgraded to Extra when the FCC took away band privilege from General operators. You can see the rest of my page on QRZ.com

There is a large interest in Foxhunting. I did a lot of it when I just got my General and had a ball. Many clubs seem to do it with good success. Maybe WCRA? Certainly KC9YFI, AC9VW, N9CBA, etc would entertain this for WCRA! A good conversation for on-the-air?

On October 9, a group of hearty WCRA members worked communications for the Chicago Marathon and braved the 46 degree temperature. And dragged the CSA to this event This event was attended by many of our membership.

The October program was from DX Engineering on grounding and bonding. Did you attend?

Facebook here <https://www.facebook.com/groups/267873833946>

Website is <http://www.w9ccu.org>

Dues reminder dues are due! Payable in the month of January but can be accepted at any time. They can also be paid via a link on our website.

Our membership grew in 2022, from 41 in 2021 to 55 in 2022!

Some other frequencies of interest:

Our repeaters! (See above)

3.973 Breakfast Club – Early in the day

7.258 MIDCARS – all day till about 1PM

52.525 (yes that frequency!)

Next issue Members profile (oldest and newest? - Send to me!) Anchors? One line per call, this will not be a "Dealers Dream". So something like this.. KG9H, Kenwood TS-430S - \$200, 4BTV - \$100 Frank (630) 924-1600 No I dont have a TS-430 or 4BTV, LOL

A special thanks to Mark Spoo and Ken Kwasniewski for their past efforts for WCRA!

The executive board will be holding a meeting before the next regular meeting on Friday November 4th to discuss the President's position. The board will follow the club's Bylaws and can appoint someone to fill the position until the next election next spring.

If you have any interest in serving as President till the next election, please

contact the club's VP, Roger Bassett, W9RAF before 5pm on Monday, November 1 at bassettr@flash.net

Anyone up for going to a Forest Preserve to do a WCRA on the air? Let's talk it up on the repeater(s).

The **November meeting** program will be a Show & Tell program. Bring any new or old radio gadgets to show and tell about.

The monthly membership meeting of the Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs will be held Friday, November 4, 2022, at 7:30 PM.

The meeting will be held at our usual location of 418 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, IL. This is the office of the DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management which is a secure facility. I won't be there but maybe you can!

This page is <http://electronicinstrument.com/wcra.pdf>

Until next month! De KG9H