



# Hamgram

Newsletter of the Winona Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

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## Meeting Notice

### Tour of La Crosse National Weather Service Station

The May meeting of the Winona Amateur Radio Club will feature a tour of the National Weather Service facility in La Crosse. The tour will begin at 7:30 PM Thursday, May 15, at the NWS facility. Car-pooling from the Winona Fleet Farm parking lot (south of car wash) will be available at 6:30 PM for those interested in riding with others.

The NWS has often commented on the value of storm spotting and reporting performed by area hams. Severe weather information reported by trained hams is consolidated with other NWS weather sources in order to maximize the accuracy of severe weather announcements. The tour will cover general facility capabilities and operations.

All amateur radio operators and other interested persons are encouraged to attend. It is not necessary to be a member of the Winona Amateur Radio Club to participate. There will be a short business meeting at the NWS facility after the tour.

Persons interested in learning more about the Amateur Radio Service and local amateur activities might explore the club website, [www.W0NE.org](http://www.W0NE.org).

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### Minutes of the April 17, 2008 meeting of the Winona Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

#### Program

#### NVIS Propagation for Emergency Nets

By Red Haines, WOØW

Red again made a very professional and thorough presentation. His discussion of Near Vertical Incidence Skywave (NVIS) propagation included an informative handout and Power Point.

#### Business Meeting

The business meeting was called to order at 2009. The Minutes of the March meeting and the Treasurer's Report were approved as published in the April *Hamgram*. Jim, KBØTHN noted that \$125 in new membership dues had arrived since the report was published.

#### Old Business

**Summer Picnic (Ken, NØJP)** - The Lion's Pavilion has been reserved for the summer picnic, which will be held on Thursday, July 17 beginning at 6:00 p.m. (1800). Attendees are asked to bring a dish to pass and their own meat. The club will furnish soft drinks, grills, and cooking utensils.

**Minnesota Sesquicentennial Stamp Special Events Station (Dick, WØRIF)** – The stamp issue day celebration will be held in St. Paul, not Winona. Events in Winona have been superseded by the Capital for a Day events. The Capital for a Day events are not well organized and it appears that it would be very difficult to set up a station for the stamp issue ceremony or any other “special” event on that day.

**Jim (KBØTHN) moved and Paul (KØZYV) seconded: The club should not set up a special events station during the Sesquicentennial stamp issue day and the Winona Capital for a Day celebrations.** The motion passed by a show of hands.

#### New Business

**Les (KØBAD) moved and Jim (KBØTHN) seconded: The club shall limit the publishing of member information on the club WEB site to that contained in the FCC ULS database.** The motion passed by a voice vote.

**Les (KØBAD) moved and Tom (WØMK) seconded: Members should have the right to opt out and thus prohibit the club from publishing their personal information on the club WEB site.** The motion passed by a voice vote.

**Paul (KØZYV) moved and Carol (KCØGHY) seconded: Members shall have the right to opt in and thus allow their telephone number(s) to be published on the club WEB site. Opt out and opt in rights must be executed by informing the club Secretary.** The motion passed by a voice vote.

**Les (KØBAD) moved and Jim (KBØTHN) seconded: That the Hamgram U. S. Postal mailing be discontinued.** At the time the motion was seconded, the lights turned off (2100). The motion was tabled by acclamation and the meeting was immediately adjourned. This motion can be removed from the table at a future meeting as **Old Business**.

There being no light, the meeting was adjourned at 2100.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Leslie D. Hittner*

Leslie Hittner, KØBAD

#### Attendance:

Paul - KØZYV	Akshy - KDØDCE	Tony - WØIU
Jim - N9MFI	Tom - WØMK	Red Haines - WOØW (Presenter)
Harro - KG6RLM	Ken - NØJP	Terry - WØEUU
Art - WØJDC (V)	Len - KCØRSX	Judy - KCØLLK
Bert - W9ZZI	Steve - WØSTV	Bob - ABØBW
Matt - KFØQ	Dan - WKØW	Carol - KCØGHY
Jim - KBØTHN	Les - KØBAD	

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**All newly licensed hams are invited to the Thursday (May 15) night meeting of the Winona Amateur Radio Club to be held at the La Crosse Weather Bureau. Carpools will leave the east end of the Fleet Farm parking lot at 6:30 p.m.**

**If anyone else has some extra equipment laying around, we have a lot of new hams in the area that could make use of it. Three of them are young teenagers without a lot of financial resources.**

## Most Recent Treasurer's Report

Date	Document #	Description	Amount	Balance
1/1/2008		Balance Forward		\$ 680.10
1/3/2008	712	Postage	\$ (41.00)	\$ 639.10
1/28/2008	11177	Dues, 2008	\$ 185.00	\$ 824.10
1/28/2008	11177	Donations	\$ 75.00	\$ 899.10
1/28/2008	11177	Holiday party and petty cash	\$ 71.00	\$ 970.10
2/5/2008	1036	Deposit slips	\$ (8.75)	\$ 961.35
2/21/2008	713	Ken Spittler, Holiday part expenses	\$ (28.50)	\$ 932.85
2/25/2008	12089	Dues, 2008	\$ 105.00	\$ 1,037.85
3/11/2008	11134	Donation from N0PDD	\$ 12.50	\$ 1,050.35
3/11/2008	11134	Dues, 2008	\$ 30.00	\$ 1,080.35
4/17/2008	Meeting	Dues , 2008	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,130.35
4/17/2008	Meeting	Dues, 2008	\$ 75.00	\$ 1,205.35
		<b>Balance Forward</b>		<b>\$ 1,205.35</b>

This is last month's Treasurer's Report with the addition of the two items of additional dues as reported by the Treasurer at the April business meeting.

## Activities Calendar

Cannon Falls Bicycle Race	Communications Support activity	Thursday, June 12, 2008
WARC June meeting	Dick, NØVV's river cabin	Thursday, June 19, 2008
ARRL Field Day	Winona Rod & Gun Club	June 28 & 29, 2008
GRSF Special Event	WSU campus quadrangle	July 5 & 6, 2008
WARC Summer Picnic	6 pm - Lion's Pavilion - Lake Park	July 17, 2008

Watch the club WEB site and monitor WEPNet for further details of these activities.

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Dues: \$25.00 per calendar year per license holder.  
\$30.00 per calendar year for all licensed members of the same family within the same household.

Dues should be sent to: Jim Jefferson Jarvis, Treasurer

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