



Michiana Amateur Radio Club

Michiana Amateur Radio Club Wishes to invite the residents of the Michiana area to Winter Field Day. The club will be hosting an open radio for the public to engage in making radio contacts with other radio operators around the world during the ARRL Winter Field Day 2020. The club will be hosting this opportunity on Saturday, January 28th, from 2p.m. – 6p.m. The event will be hosted at the Lion's Club House, 402 W. Chestnut, New Carlisle, IN. Please Come, Everyone is invited.



Field Day is not just for summertime anymore. Winter Field Day, sponsored by the Winter Field Day Association (WFDA), will take place over the January 28-29 weekend, and it can be a terrific time to prep for ARRL Field Day in June. The annual event's stated purpose is to encourage emergency operating preparedness in the winter, but it's also an excuse to get out of the house and enjoy the great outdoors. According to the WFDA, getting ready for emergency communication in a winter environment is just as important as the preparations and practice that take place each June during ARRL Field Day, and — let's face it — it's not cold and snowy everywhere during the winter months. Your local

climate could be quite the opposite.

“Don't let those winter doldrums keep you locked up in the house,” the WFDA says. “Get out and play some radio!” The WFDA said it believes that maintaining operating skills should not be limited to fair-weather scenarios.

Amateur Radio operators provide a critical public service for our community; during times of disaster, we can provide reliable communications when the normal infrastructure is offline. Licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and trained in the art and science of radio communication and basic electronics theory, we own and maintain our own communications equipment and are prohibited by federal law from receiving payment for our services. ARRL, our national organization, has built relationships with several served agencies including FEMA, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, and many others.



This public service is easily extended during non-emergency civic events, such as parades, marathons, and street festivals. Currently many of our members man the route For the Beacon Hospital during the Sunburst, providing radio communications for administration and safety.

Please Join MARC: [MARC Wednesday Night Net, K9DEW Repeater, 7:00 PM, 147.330+](#)

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