



March 2021 ICARC NEWSLETTER

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President - Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB
Vice President - Harry Dushac K3FSE
Treasurer - Terry Carnahan KB3JOD
Secretary - Chris Edwards N3VFK

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1. Dave Dzelsky N3DZ
2. Craig Bigler AB3XA
3. Gary Miller KC3NHE
4. Cass Fitzgerald, N3FLO
5. Larry Freeman N3LT
6. Terry Carnahan KB3JOD
7. Harry Dushac K3FSE
8. Chris Edwards N3VFK
9. Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB

LOCAL HAPPENINGS:

The March monthly meeting was held over the WB3CGY Blue Spruce Park Repeater due to the current Health Crisis. The minutes for the meeting can be found at the end of this document.

National Events:

While we are all still mostly staying home now would be a good time to sharpen your contest/operating skills. Two major SSB contests taking place this month. Both Worldwide; the first one is the ARRL DX Contest being held March 6-7 which is the first full weekend in March. <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>. The second one is at the end of the Month. The CQ World Wide DX Contest being held March 27-28. <https://www.cqwp.com/rules.htm> This would be a good way to up your country contacts for awards or just for fun to see how many countries you can QSO with. Follow the links for rules & formats for both.

We are looking for articles for print. Either something you find interesting or something you may have written yourself. If anyone would like to include information or write an article for the Newsletter please let Chris Edwards know by email at: chowhowa@gmail.com. The only caveats are: The editor reserves the right to alter the format for publication purposes. The content may also be modified contingent upon accuracy and appropriateness of the contained material. The latter would, of course, be subject to the approval of the original author.

Indiana County Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes

(Held over the WB3CGY Blue Spruce County Park Repeater)

ICARC Secretary Chris Edwards, N3VFK

March 2nd, 2021

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Club Secretary Chris Edwards, as the President & Vice President were unable to attend. Chris read the Roll Call. Seven answered roll call with an additional check-in after the meeting started.

Reports: Chris was unable to read the minutes from the Feb. meeting due to a computer hardware malfunction & Chris said they would be retrieved for approval at the April meeting. Terry Carnahan **KB3JOD** read the financial report but had trouble getting into the repeater & was unable to be heard. Gary Miller **KC3NHE** gave the ARES report for the month. He said he was working on getting go kits built as a club activity & if anyone had any donations for the kits. Chris said he had a Yaesu mh-48 microphone to donate. Gary also mentioned that he is looking into having fundraising such as a small game of chance as a non profit organization.

Old Business: No old Business.

New Business: A discussion took place on whether the April meeting should be held in-person at the local Eat-n-Park Restaurant. Some members said they would probably still not attend in person, others were undecided. A decision would be made later in the month. Dave Steiner **WB3CDH** offered his residence again to hold the meeting there, as the weather is improving, as a possibility. The next discussion took place on the possible fundraising. Concerns were expressed on people still not getting out to actively participate due to the virus & the fact that being a club in general with older membership, members just aren't out in the general public overall enough to contribute. Gary said he will be sending out an email on this with further details.

End of Business/Adjournment: Having no further business, Chris entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeffrey Tobin **KC3NJE** made a motion. Seconded by Dave Steiner. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm

Attendance: 8

Chris Edwards N3VFK (Sec.)

Terry Carnahan KB3JOD (Tres.)

Jeffrey Tobin KC3NJE

Phil Kopczyk K3PJ

Gary Miller KC3NHE

Dave Steiner WB3CDH

Paul Morris K3VAR

Tom Livingston KC3GZX

