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ICARC NEWSLETTER



**Officers for 2023:**

President – Jeffrey Tobin KC3NJE  
Vice President – Cass Fitzgerald N3FLO  
Treasurer – Gary Miller KC3NHE  
Secretary - Chris Edwards N3VFK  
\* Officers also serve on the Board

**Board Members for 2023:**

1. Harry Dushac K3FSE
2. Craig Bigler AB3XA
3. Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB
4. Dave Steiner W3CDH
5. Larry Freeman N3LT

**LOCAL HAPPENINGS:** Happy New Year Everyone! Did anyone get any new Amateur Radio related equipment for Christmas? If so, please tell us about it or write a review for next month's newsletter...The Holiday Christmas Party was held at Hoss's Restaurant on Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup>. There were over 30 + members & family attending. Fun conversations, both radio & non-radio related. HiHi. This was the first Holiday season get-together in over two years. Cancellations were due to Covid & other factors. Nice to see everyone again...The club will be taking part in Winter Field Day the weekend of January 21-22 at the Club Shack Location on Rhine Road. The first time in recent memory that the club has taken part in this event. It will be nice to try our Communication Skills in the dead of Winter at such an event. A report on this activity will be forthcoming in the February newsletter...Please see in the above letterhead the new Officers for 2023. Some new names as well as some familiar ones... Thanks everyone for your present & past service.

**NATIONAL NEWS:** Found this interesting story that made National News here in the US as well as in Canada. Mysterious Antennas have been popping up on Public Land in the State of Utah & nobody seems to know why. Some speculate that the antennas are part of a cryptocurrency mining operation. They originally thought it was a cell phone booster because it has a router. Could it be ham radio related? Give us your thoughts. [Mysterious antennas keep popping up in Utah's foothills and no one knows why - National | Globalnews.ca](https://www.globalnews.ca/news/mysterious-antennas-keep-popping-up-in-utahs-foothills-and-no-one-knows-why)

We welcome your contributions: If anyone would like to include information or write an article for the Newsletter please let Chris Edwards know 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 & 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**

ICARC Secretary Chris Edwards, N3VFK  
**December 6th, 2022**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with Roll Call & the Pledge of Allegiance led by Club President Doug Fitzsimmons. K3LAB

**Reports:** The minutes of the October & the November 2022 monthly meetings were read by Club Secretary Chris Edwards N3VFK. Doug entertained a motion to accept the minutes, a motion was made, seconded & then approved. The monthly Treasurer report was presented by Gary Miller KC3NHE. Doug entertained a motion to accept the minutes. A Motion was made to accept the minutes. It was seconded. The motion was carried. Gary Miller then gave the EC report. He said he was looking into holding local EC classes & was looking into becoming an instructor.

**Old Business:** No old business.

**New Business:** It was agreed that a Christmas Holiday Dinner Party will be held. Chris will look into holding it at Hoss's Restaurant in Indiana on Saturday January 7th at 6pm. The election of officers was held for the upcoming year. Jeffrey Tobin was elected Club President. Cass Fitzgerald was re-elected Vice President. Chris Edwards was re-elected Secretary. Gary Miller was re-elected Treasurer. Board Members At Large elected were Craig Bigler, Harry Dushac, Larry Freeman & Dave Stiner. All current elected officers & outgoing President Doug Fitzsimmons are automatically on the Board. Taking part in Winter Field Day was discussed.. Larry made a motion that we should hold Winter Field Day at the club site & of course we will be using the club call sign W3BMD. Motion was seconded by Cass & approved. It will be held Sat. Jan 28 1900 (2pm) UTC to Sun. Jan 29, 1900 (2pm) UTC. Jeffrey thanked Doug for his dedication to the club as President for the past few years & offered condolences on the passing of his wife Vickie. A

flower donation was made by the Club in memory of Vickie to the "Guiding Eyes for the Blind" organization.

**End of Business/Adjournment:** Having no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded & approved at 8:04pm.

**Attendance: 16**

Chris Edwards  
Ed Wilson  
Jeffrey Tobin  
Aaron LaMantia  
Gary Miller  
Dave Steiner  
Paul Morris  
Doug Fitzsimmons  
Cass Fitzgerald  
Harry Dushac  
Larry Freeman  
Fred Maize  
Craig Bigler  
Dave Dzelsky  
Jerry Kiehl  
Phil Kopczyk



