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## CEDAR VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

**Thursday, March 9th, 2006**

**7:30 PM**

**Dxpeditons – Going the Distance**

**KJ9I**

*POLICY STATEMENT: Renew your ads, or they get dropped at the end of the Month  
Any Ham can submit ads. You don't have to be a member. TNX.*

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### **CONTRIBUTORS WELCOME**

Have an idea you want to share? A better way of doing things? Comments on Summerfest?  
Then let us at BANDSPREAD know. Contact any board member listed in the directory on page 2.

Send items via e-mail to any board member at [cvarcbrd@rf.org](mailto:cvarcbrd@rf.org)

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# **BANDSPREAD**

*The Voice of the Cedar Valley Amateur Radio Club*

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146.745 MHz (alt. 145.15Ø-192.8PL)	Linn County ARES Net	7:00 p.m. Sundays
146.85Ø MHz (-6ØØ KHz)	Johnson County Sunday Net	7:30 p.m. Sundays
145.39Ø MHz (-6ØØ KHz)	Jones County ARES Net	8:00 p.m. Sundays
145.23Ø MHz (-6ØØ KHz)	Benton County ARES Net	6:30 p.m. Sundays
356Ø KHz	TLCN (CW Section)	6:30 & 10:00 p.m. Daily
397Ø KHz	Iowa 75 Meter Net (SSB)	12:30 & 6:00 p.m. Mon—Sat
3713 KHz	Iowa Code Net (Slow CW)	7:00 p.m. Mon.—Fri.

## **WWW Addresses**

CVARC Web Page: <http://cvarc.rf.org/>

ARES Web Page: <http://ares.rf.org>

**Want ads and articles are accepted from all amateurs, members or not, at no charge! Submissions must be sent to**

**CVARC  
PO Box 2352  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406  
Or to [kcønxn@arrl.net](mailto:kcønxn@arrl.net)**

Meeting place is indicated on the cover with program information.

For Club membership send, Name, Call, Address, Phone number, ARRL Status (Yearly, Life, or not a member), willing or not to be on call for Storm Watch and emergency situations and dues to CVARC PO Box Yearly Dues, PAYABLE JAN 1: \$10 Regular or Family, \$5 under 18yrs of age, After July 1: \$5 for all

## MARCH PROGRAM

DXpitioner Dave Schmocker, KJ9I

Peter I has shut down and is in the log. Why do people do that? What does it take to complete such an expedition? Can I be part of an expedition for DX?

Dave has been a DXpitioner. He has been licensed for over 25 years and has a tremendous passion for amateur radio. Dave is new to Cedar Rapids. Please come and welcome him to CVARC.

## FEBRUARY 2006 CVARC BOARD MINUTES

The February 2006 Cedar Valley Amateur Radio Club Board of Director's meeting was held February 9, 2006 at the Kenwood United Methodist Church. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by WA6GFD. Directors in attendance were: KC00OF, WT0D, KC0OX, N0XZL, KF0EC, K0AL, WA0ZZG, and N0LNO. Others in attendance were: W0NEW, N0UUS, WA0KHH, KB9CEF and KC0UMS.

The entire meeting was basically devoted to a discussion regarding nomination and election procedures. This stemmed from W0NEW's out of order nomination of N0UUS during the elections at the January 2006 General Membership meeting.

All attending acknowledged that the elections were advertised well in advance both at the General membership meetings and in the December and January issues of the Bandspread.

While NA0IA who served as the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee was not present, N0LNO was able to review the procedures the Committee followed in trying to meet its objective of providing at least two persons for each position up for election.

N0UUS felt that the Committee functioned in a manner that while meeting the requirements of the by-laws, that it did not foster volunteering of candidates nominees from the floor.

N0UUS and W0NEW both expressed feelings that the Nominating Committee should have examined the ARES "call list" for additional candidates for Emergency Preparedness Director.

WA6GFD asked that W0NEW and N0UUSA make written recommendations concerning process improvement to the nominating process for future elections.

N0XZL suggested that the Board review the entire election process prior to the 2007 elections.

WA6GFD wanted to state for the record that the

Cedar valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc. has NOT received and Federal grants or funding for equipment to be used at the Emergency Operations Center. KC0OX, as the CVARC representative to the Linn County Emergency Management did make recommendations as to equipment requirements and specifications.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM

Submitted by K0AL

## AMENDED JANUARY 2006 CVARC MEETING MINUTES

The January 2006 General Membership meeting was held Thursday, January 12, 2006 at 7:30 PM in the Kenwood United Methodist Church. Meeting was called to order by President WA6GFD. All attendees introduced themselves with 42 members and guests present.

The primary business of the meeting is the election of officers for the 2006 year. With NA0IA representing the election committee, the slate was presented. Election of the officers as prescribed in the club By-Laws were held as follows.

NA0IA introduced WA6GFD as the candidate for President and called for any nominations from the floor. None were brought forth and on a motion by N0LNO and seconded by KB9CEF, which carried by voice vote nominations were closed. N0LNO made a motion which was seconded by W0SS to cast a unanimous vote for WA6GFD, motion carried by voice vote.

NA0IA presented the slate for Vice President as being KB9CEF and WT0D. NA0IA called for nominations from the floor. With none coming forth, on a motion by WA6GFD and seconded by NA0IA to close nominations was made. Motion carried by voice vote. Ballots were distributed and counted by NA0IA and W0GWK. NA0IA announced that WT0D was elected as Vice President.

NA0IA presented the slate for Secretary as being K0AL and KC0ORN. NA0IA called for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion by WA0ZZG and seconded by WA6GFD was made to close nominations. Motion carried on voice vote. Ballots were distributed and counted by NA0IA and W0GWK. NA0IA announced that K0AL had been re-elected Secretary.

NA0IA presented the sole candidate for Emergency Preparedness Director, KC0OX and called for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion by WA0ZZG and seconded by

NØLNO was made to close nominations. Motion carried by voice vote. KCØØOF made a motion which was seconded by WØEJ that a unanimous ballot be cast for KCØØX. Motion carried on voice vote.

***Amended: At the time there was a motion on the floor to cast a unanimous ballot for KCØØX as Emergency Preparedness Director, WØNEW attempted to nominate NØUUS for the position. This nomination was called out of order and voice vote was taken and the motion to cast a unanimous ballot was approved.***

NAØIA presented the slate for Information Director as WAØZZG and KCØNXN and asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, a motion was made by KØAL and seconded by WØEJ to close nominations. Motion carried by voice vote. Ballots were distributed and counted by NAØIA and WØGWK. NAØIA announced that WAØZZG had been elected.

***Amended: NØUUS asked for a show of interest in CERT from the persons in attendance at the January meeting.***

KCØØX announced that the National Weather Service will be providing Severe Weather Spotter Training. The training would be held in the auditorium of St. Luke’s Resource Center on Saturday, February 25, 2006. However, unlike previous year’s training, this will be given in two parts. The morning session will be from 10 AM – 12 noon and will cover basic spotter training. The afternoon session beginning at 1:30 PM and lasting for 2 hours will cover advanced spotter training. There will be no charge for this training.

KCØØOF gave a recap of 2005 Public Service activities and Field Day operations.

WAØZZG announced that classes to prepare interested persons for taking the amateur exams will begin Monday evening February 6 at 7:00 PM. The classes will be held at the Isaac Newton Christian Academy. The classes are without charge and text materials will be available for purchase.

WAØKHH announced that the Benton County ARC will begin VE sessions January 19 and will offer them each 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Those interested in taking an exam with this group should contact Al, KØHWE at 319/446-7570 for particulars.

New FCC fees went into effect and now vanity call fees will be \$21.90 and VE test exams are \$14.00. Effective July 1, there will be a new Technician exam question pool.

A CVARC VE session is scheduled for May and will be held in conjunction with the Rockwell Collins ARC “Pre Dayton Swap Meet” at the C Avenue facility of Rockwell Collins. Details will be coming at a later date.

A recap of Benton County ARC and CVARC VE session for 2005 are as follows:

	Benton County	CVARC
Sessions	8	3
Candidates	16	34
New Tech licenses	6	12
License upgrades	8	6
CSCE (no upgrade)		4

NØLNO gave a run down on coming programs: February—DXpedition, March—“Go Kits”, April—tour at Kirkwood campus.

KFØEC gave the checking account balance of \$6,635.04.

WØEJ gave a brief report on happenings at ARRL. President Haynie is NOT seeking reelection, and the FCC is accepting comments on ARRL’s proposal regarding bandwidth assigned band plans.

WA6GFD asked for (and got), a round of applause for the work of the Nominating Committee’s work and for those members who volunteered to seek office.

WA6GFD announced that a new Bandsread editor is needed as WB9CRG has changed employment and his new work schedule will not allow him to continue to serve the club in that capacity. NAØIA has agreed to serve in that capacity on an INTERIM basis.

AAØII announced that he will be holding VHF / UHF nets as follows and asked for persons interested to give a listen.

Fridays at 8 PM on 114.190 MHz

Saturday at 6 PM on 50.140 MHz

Tuesday at 8 PM on 432.110 MHz

All operations on SSB and horizontally polarized antennas.

KCØNXN announced the coming (March) Eastern Iowa Science and Engineering Fair and asked for CVARC’s support for this project. NAØIA made a motion which was seconded by WØEJ that CVARC provide support of up to \$50 for this event. Motion carried on voice vote.

NØUUS led a discussion concerning changes by FEMA and Homeland Security that could potentially limit amateur participation. There is mandated some special training to allow participation in these activities. More will be coming forth on this matter.

Door prize (new ARRL Handbook) winner was announced as KCØPON.

Business meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

After lunch break a program by NØLNO on contesting was presented.

Submitted by KØAL, Secretary

## **FEBRUARY 2006 CVARC MEETING MINUTES**

The February 2006 General Membership meeting was held Thursday, February 9, 2006 at 7:30 PM in the Kenwood United Methodist Church. Meeting was called to order by President WA6GFD. All attendees introduced themselves with 33 members and guests present.

KFØEC reported a checking account balance of \$6,821.60.

A motion to approve the January minutes was moved by KØLYP and seconded by NØUUS. NØUUS asked the minutes be amended to show: a) that WØNEW attempted to nominate NØUUS for the position of Emergency Preparedness Director, but the nominations had closed and in fact there was a motion on the floor to cast a unanimous ballot and, b) that NØUUS had asked for a show of hands of persons interested in CERT. The motion to approve the minutes with the amendments was carried.

President, WA6GFD, presented outgoing Vice President, KB9CEF, a certificate recognizing his many past services to the club.

KCØOOF reported that KCØNXN will be preparing posters and they will be displayed at the Storm Spotter training scheduled for February 25 at St. Luke's.

WAØZZG asked the hams who were going to the Storm Spotter training to go out of their way to welcome non hams and encourage them to learn more about amateur radio and invite them to coming club events and meetings.

KCØOX reported on the Storm Spotter training and wanted to emphasize that there will be a departure from previous classes in that that there will be two

sessions, a elementary session starting at 10 AM in the morning and an advanced session starting at 1:30 PM in the afternoon. To attend the afternoon session, you need to have attended a beginning session within the past two years.

KCØNXN is the new Bandspread edition. Material should be submitted to him in plain text. His e mail address is: mike\_miller@acm.org.

NØLNO reported on coming CVARC programs:

**March:** KJ9I will present a program on DXpeditions

**April:** At Kirkwood Community College

**May:** Swati Dandekar

**June:** Field Day Preparation

**July,** Hamfest Preparation

**August:** Hamfest recap

**Sept:** Field Trip

WAØKHH reported that a VE session was scheduled at Moline, IL on Saturday 2/11 and that the Vinton ARC will offer VE testing the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month . VE testing fees remain at \$14 for 2006. He also advised us that the Technician Class license test pool will change effective July 1, 2006.

WA6GFD reported that a few members had raised questions concerning the nominating process and that the Board of Directors had asked those persons to submit suggestions for process improvements.

WØSS, WAØZZG and KCØNXN all made pleas for persons to serve as judges for the East Iowa Science and Engineering Fair to be held Saturday, March 18 at Lindale Mall.

KØLYP reported that KØLYQ, a former CVARC member had become a Silent Key.

On a motion by NØLNO and seconded by WØSS, the business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

After refreshments Gary Bishop, NQØV gave a program concerning preparing "Go-Kits" for emergency response.

Submitted by KØAL

## **ARES Planning Committee Meeting Minutes**

*(No ARES Planning Minutes will be in this issue.  
Please watch this space next issue.)*

**From the President's Desk:**

Welcome to the March addition to the Bandspread. Not only is March the turning point for the Winter-Spring season, it is also the month that the Board will present the yearly budget to the membership. While the budget is a fluid document as the year unfolds, it is important that each member know where and how funds will be expended and so I encourage each of you to attend the March Meeting.

As spring approaches, so will some of the Clubs traditional Radio Support Events. These include the Marion 5K run, the Pigman Events, as well as Field Day and the HAMFEST. The success of each of these events is determined by the support of and the participation of the General Membership. By each of taking a little bit of each of these tasks, we can not only reduce the size of the task but also have a lot of fun in the meantime. Time to start dusting off those HT's, charging those batteries and getting those special antennas ready to go!

I look forward to seeing each of you at the Meeting and other upcoming Club events!

WA6GFD

### **From Communication Activity Director, Phil Shook**

Looking at our current activity schedule not much is happening this month, March. Except for St. Patrick's Day. (*Don't forget the St. Joseph's Day Parade, ed.*) However, I have on the corner of my desk the files for the upcoming activities that CVARC has participated in. They are:

- **May 22**, Marion 5K run
- **June 6**, Pigman Sprint Triathlon, Pleasant Creek Park
- **June 24** Field Day, Regis Middle School
- **June 24**, Dragon Boat Races, Pleasant Creek Park
- **July 4**, Freedom Festival
- **August 22** Pigman Race, Pleasant Creek Park
- **October 7**, Alzheimer's Walk, Noelridge Park

If there are any other events that you feel we should participate in please let your Director know about them, and will do the best we can to assist.

Now comes the pitch! The Club needs ALL HANDS to Participate. All of these projects are fun and rewarding (debriefing at Star Light). I was

looking over the sign in sheets and it seems that the same people participated. So I am requesting that we make each event a Club event. If you haven't worked one of these events please sign up. We sure can use the help!!

As a side bar we are again planning the BBQ Friday Evening June 23, after we have set up the radios. We had food left over last year, and the meat will be provided, my wife will bring Nelson's grill and will have good selection of hot dogs, hamburgers, grilled chicken and any special meat if requested. Also the suggestion has surfaced to have pancakes and fixens either Saturday Morning or Sunday Morning. Will ask all the Lady Hams to help this year.

OK enough for this month. I am looking forward to making the above events better and more fun than last year; all I need is your help.

KC000F

### **Spotter Training on February 25<sup>th</sup> Has High Turnout**

Thank you to everyone who attended the annual Storm Spotter Training in Cedar Rapids, IA.

Two sessions -- basic and advanced training--were offered. The instructors, Donna Dubberke, KC5MDO, and Mike McClure, each have 11 years of experience with the National Weather Service which includes time at the Storm Prediction Center in Norman, OK. Both have been at the Quad Cities Office for over 7 years.



Meteorologists Donna Dubberke, KC5MDO, and Mike McClure, photo courtesy Dave Maley WA0ZZG

The basic class included safety, storm cloud identification, tornado identification, and reporting. The advanced class included a brief handling of basic

class with added depth on the products available from the NWS, radar interpretation, and wind speed estimation.

One point to remember is that storm reports are still useful up to two months after the storm event. Damage reports are especially useful. A report generated on each storm is not completed for up to two months after the event.

The class attendance was 161 for basic and 168 for advanced. There were roughly 40 people who attended the advanced who did not attend the basic training. Roughly 200 attended training this year. If you were not able to attend, please go to <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/dvn/?n=dvnoutreach> to find a class that you can attend.

Thanks go to Dave Maley for public relations, Steve Sawyers for handout preparation, and Ron Breitwish, Scott Haney, and the Linn County ARES Planning Committee for coordination, registration, and outreach.

NØLNO

### **K-12 Corner**

#### **Poster Displayed at Spotter Training**

Over 200 people registered for Spotter Training right next to a poster on ARES and CVARC.

The poster – the first in the "Poster project" series -- contained information about ARES in general, and had specific information on the Iowa districts. It also had information on becoming an amateur radio

### **Correction to ARRL Contest Contacts**

ARRL Contest Advisory Committee

*Jon Jones*, NØJK

DXCC Card Checkers

Thomas Kueny, KØDX; Donald Schmidt, WØANZ

### **Questions About Newsletter?**

Please let us know if there are any errors or omissions that we can correct. If there's something you'd like to see, please also let us know. Would ARRL news be redundant for most people? Is there a Q and A column you would like to see? Is there something that you think you can contribute?

KCØNXN & KCØNXO

operator, and had pictures of people in action on their rigs.

The big problem was that we didn't have any images of local Hams. This poster was made so that it can be easily edited and reworked. If you have any photos of Field Day or any of our community projects, please let us know. We can scan existing photos, and send them back to you by return mail. We're also happy to accept photos by e-mail. It would be great if we could have some lively posters by the GOTA station on Field Day.

"Assistance is needed:" Coming up on Saturday, 18 March is the Eastern Iowa Science and Engineering Fair at Lindale Mall in Cedar Rapids. We need help from CVARC hams to help judge for the "Cedar Valley – Collins Amateur Radio Club Award for Outstanding Achievement." This will take about two and a half hours on that morning. Contact us if you can help.

We need your help! If you have photos of amateurs helping out during storms or other emergencies, or just amateurs with rigs, we could sure use copies of those photos!

As always, if you have tips, success stories or questions about working with K-12 students, we'd like to hear about them. Please contact us at [kcønxn@arrl.net](mailto:kcønxn@arrl.net), or 377-5929.

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# Amateur Radio Information Sheet

## BENTON County

Club: Benton Co. ARC  
Contact: [ka0wjz@arrl.net](mailto:ka0wjz@arrl.net)  
Meetings: irregular, Benton Co. Courthouse  
Net: Benton Co. ARES Net, Mon, 6:30 PM, 145.230, 141.3 Hz  
Repeaters: Garrison 145.230, 141.3 Hz  
Van Horne 444.400, 136.5 Hz  
VE Testing 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., Jan, Feb, March, April, May, Sept, Oct, Nov.  
N0EGV (319) 233-5739

## BLACK HAWK County

Club: Northeast Iowa RAA  
Contact: [w0mg@arrl.net](mailto:w0mg@arrl.net)  
Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 7:00 PM, Red Cross Bldg., Waterloo  
Net: Black Hawk Co. ARES Net, Sun., 9:00 PM, 146.940, 136.5 Hz  
Repeaters: Cedar Falls 146.655, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 146.820, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 146.940, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 224.900, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 443.750, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 444.000, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 444.550, 136.5 Hz  
Cedar Falls 444.650, 136.5 Hz linked  
Waterloo 444.900, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 444.925, 136.5 Hz  
Waterloo 444.975, 136.5 Hz

## BUCHANAN County

Club: Buchanan Co. ARC  
Contact: [info@bcarc.net](mailto:info@bcarc.net), [kc0rfn@arrl.net](mailto:kc0rfn@arrl.net)  
Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 7:00 PM, EOC – near Independence  
Net: None  
Repeater: Independence 145.330, 103.5 Hz sometimes

## CLINTON County

Club: Clinton. ARC  
Contact: [K2DRH@arrl.net](mailto:K2DRH@arrl.net)  
Meeting: Unknown  
Net: Clinton ARC Net, 145.430, 100.0 Hz  
Repeaters: Clinton 145.130  
Clinton 145.430, 100.0 Hz  
Clinton 146.730-

## DELAWARE County

Club: Delaware Co. ARC  
Contact: [kd0yz@mchsi.com](mailto:kd0yz@mchsi.com)  
Meeting: Last Mon., 7:30 PM, Manchester Airport Visitors' Center  
Net: Delaware Co. ARES Net, Sun., 8:30 PM, 147.300  
Repeater: Manchester 147.300

## DUBUQUE County

Club: Great River ARC  
Contact: [krispy\\_critter@earthlink.net](mailto:krispy_critter@earthlink.net)  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Mon., 7:00 PM, Red Cross Center, Dubuque  
Net: GRARC Net, 147.240, 114.8 Hz, Sun., 9:00 PM  
Repeaters: Rickardsville 146.895 (currently off)  
Dubuque 147.030  
Dubuque 147.240, 114.8 Hz  
Dubuque 444.225, 114.8 Hz (Linked)  
Dubuque 444.275, 114.8 Hz

## JACKSON County

Repeaters: Preston 146.985

## JONES County

Club: Jones Co. ARC  
Contact: [wherry398@mchsi.com](mailto:wherry398@mchsi.com)  
Meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Wed., 7:00 PM, Jones Co. Courthouse, Anamosa  
Net: Jones Co. ARES Net, Sun., 8:00 PM, 145.390  
Jones Co. Technical Net 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues 8:00 PM 145.390  
Repeaters: Anamosa 145.390  
Monticello 147.180 (currently off)

JOHNSON County

Club: Iowa City ARC

Contact: [carc@icarc.org](mailto:carc@icarc.org),  
[william-robison@uiowa.edu](mailto:william-robison@uiowa.edu)

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7:30 PM, Grant Wood AEA  
building, Coralville

Net: Johnson Co. Sunday Evening Net, Sun., 7:30 PM,  
146.850

Repeaters: Iowa City 145.470  
Iowa City 146.850  
Coralville 147.150, 100.0 Hz  
Coralville 444.750

LINN County

Club: Cedar Valley ARC

Contact: [WA6GFD@aol.com](mailto:WA6GFD@aol.com)

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday., 7:30 PM, Kenwood Park  
United Methodist Church

Net: Linn Co ARES Sunday Evening Net Sun 7:30PM,  
146.745, none

Club: Collins ARC

Contact: [ljtaylor@rockwellcollins.com](mailto:ljtaylor@rockwellcollins.com)

Meeting: Quarterly 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday., 7:30 PM, Collins  
Main Plant

Net: None – Membership Restricted to Rockwell Collins  
Employees and Retirees

Club: Eastern Iowa DX Club

Contact: [gary2730@earthlink.com](mailto:gary2730@earthlink.com)

Meeting: Varies: Quarterly 7:30 PM, Kirkwood  
Comm College

Net: None

Club: Linn County CERT RC

Contact: [LCcertRC@aol.com](mailto:LCcertRC@aol.com)

Meeting: Varies

Net: Unknown

Repeaters: Cedar Rapids 146.745- none  
Cedar Rapids 145.150-. 192.8Hz  
Cedar Rapids 145.190- 192.8Hz  
Cedar Rapids 147.090+ 192.8Hz Linked  
Marion 147.210+ 192.8Hz Limited  
Cedar Rapids 224.940- 192.8Hz Linked  
Palo 443.800+ 192.8Hz  
Cedar Rapids 444.075+ none  
Hiawatha 444.300+ 192.8Hz

MUSCATINE County

Club: Muscatine ARC

Contact: [jericsen@machlink.com](mailto:jericsen@machlink.com)

Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 7:00 PM, Muscatine Community  
College or Trinity Episcopal Church,  
Muscatine

Net: Muscatine Amateur Radio Service Net, Sun., 8:30  
PM, 146.910

Repeaters: Muscatine 145.370 , 100.0 Hz  
Muscatine 146.910  
Muscatine 147.225  
Muscatine 443.250  
Muscatine 444.275

TAMA County

Club: Tama ARS

Contact: [ecrosby@pcpartner.net](mailto:ecrosby@pcpartner.net)

Meeting: Last Sat., 7:00 PM, various locations

Net: Unknown

Repeater: Montour 442.500

WASHINGTON County

Club: Washington Area ARC

Contact: [vanced@iowatelecom.net](mailto:vanced@iowatelecom.net)

Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 7:00 PM, Alliant Energy,  
Washington

Net: Washington Area ARC Net, Mon., 7:00 PM,  
147.045

Repeater: Washington 147.045

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**About CVARC:**

The Cedar Valley Amateur Radio Club is a regional group promoting amateur radio activities in the Cedar Rapids, Iowa area. CVARC is a non-profit corporation registered in the state of Iowa. CVARC meets on the second Thursday of each month in the Kenwood Park Methodist Church at 7:30 PM, Central Time. The meeting consists of club business and a program. The programs tend to be Amateur oriented but we occasionally host a general interest topic. Watch the website at [cvarc.rf.org](http://cvarc.rf.org) or the Bandsread newsletter for the topic.

All are welcome at these meetings, neither membership nor amateur radio license is required.

**CVARC affiliations:**

- Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL)
- Linn County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)
- Linn County Emergency Management Agency

**CVARC Activities:**

- Sponsor and present the premier Hamfest of eastern Iowa, in August
- Participation in the Annual ARRL Field Day Event
- Publish a monthly newsletter known as the Bandsread
- Participate in a number of Public Service Activities in the Cedar Rapids area
- Support and Participate in the Storm Watch Net operated by the Linn county ARES organization
- Hold social functions during the year, including the annual Holiday Party and Picnic
- Sponsor a complete ham station at Linn County Emergency Management HQ.
- Conduct classes for Technician and higher licenses each year
- Sponsor VE testing three times a year
- Maintain the 146.745 MHz repeater in Cedar Rapids

**Cedar Valley Amateur Radio Club  
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Call \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Call \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members' Call and Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL Member? Yes( ) No( )

Do you wish to be included on the Emergency Call List? Yes( ) No( )

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in participating in Public Service Events? Yes( ) No( )

Dues Regular or Family: \_\_\_ \$10/year; Under 18 years of age: \_\_\_ \$5/year Half year after July 1 \_\_\_ \$5

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**Bandsread:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Emergency Director:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Comm. Act. Director:** \_\_\_\_\_