From the Coordination Desk

It has been a very busy spring season for me with quite a few new Coordinations and a few moves and/or deletions. Here is a list of the new Coordinations since February.

Friendship, WI 147.630/147.030 N9TD New Coordination, ARES Antigo, WI 147.855/147.255 N9TEV New Coordination Baraboo, WI 913.250/421.250 KB9SFS New Coordination, ATV Baraboo, WI 1252.000/421.250 KB9SFS New Coordination, ATV New Berlin, WI 449.325/444.325 N9CFG Move Bluff Siding, WI 426.250/1253.250 W5TWR New Coordination, ATV Appleton, WI 144.730/145.330 W9LIC Move Appleton, WI 447.125/442.125 W9LIC Move Oshkosh, WI 147.945/147.345 N9GDY Move and new Trustee Oshkosh, WI 447.075/442.075 N9GDY Move and new Trustee Merrill, WI 145.590/145.190 KX2DX New Frequency Genoa City, WI 448.925/443.925 K9XN Move

These two have been proposed to the surrounding states and are waiting for the 30 days for approval.

Siren, WI 146.025/146.625 N9PHS New Kenosha, WI 222.860/224.460 KB9KUT New, Explorer Post

Plus quite a few links have been coordinated with 2 more in the works as well as 3 applications for a 2 meter pair in SE Wisconsin.

With all this building activity, I would like to remind all that with all the desires to build & maintain their own system, I must space the systems closer and closer. I am now trying to maintain 90 miles for 2 Meters, 70 miles on 222 MHz and 60 miles on 440. I also look at terrain and possible ducting and the proposed ERP and HAAT when this info is given to me. WAR is requiring new systems to transmit a "PL" with "PL" on the input optional.

Here is something for builders, Hamfesters, Emergency situations and other Temporary needs for a Repeater. 144.630/145.230 is now available throughout the state, except in the Southeastern part of the state, as a "Shared Not Protected Low Power" Frequency. You could build a portable repeater for Emergencies, Hamfests, testing of various repeater components as long as it is a temporary use. Please do not use this frequency within 90 miles of Hales Corners. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Remember, this is for Temporary use only. As I write this, Commercial interests are asking the FCC to allow them to replace the Government as Primary users of 420 MHz to 430 MHz as well as 440 MHz to 450 MHz and share these Frequencies with the Amateur Radio Community who are secondary users. Talk about close spacing & interference complaints. Maybe we could accommodate them with 12.5 Khz spacing instead of the 25 Khz spacing we now enjoy. June 1st was the cut-off date.

And last but not the least, I would like to Thank Nels Harvey, WA9JOB, for all the work & devotion he has given to WAR, to all of us and to me. Nels and I have had some very good discussions on how to use and who can use various frequencies over the years & I like to feel that all of us are better off for all the thinking and planing that Nels has contributed to our interests in providing & protecting our interests. I would also like to welcome Gary Bargholz, N9UUR to our group as the Chairman of WAR. I have had the opportunity to have some lengthy discussions with Gary and feel very confident that Gary has the ability and desire to lead us in the desired direction.

Please join us at the next meeting in Tomahawk on June 13th.

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