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MARHALL COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OPERATORS TO PARTICIPATE IN A WORLD WINTER FIELD DAY EXERCISE

Winter Field Day is a communications exercise. WFD is held on the last full weekend in January. WFD can be worked from the comfort of your home or in a remote location. You can participate by yourself or get your friends, family, or whole club involved. Winter Field Day is open to participants worldwide. Amateur radio operators may use frequencies on the HF, VHF, or UHF bands and are free to use any mode that can faithfully transmit the required exchange intact. Like the ARRL's Field Day, bonus points are earned in several ways, including using non-commercial power sources, operating from remote locations, satellite contacts, and more.

The Amateur Radio operators of the Marshall County Amateur Radio Club will be participating in the Worldwide Winter Field Day event, at the Cornerstone Church located at 11525 State Road 10, Argos, Indiana 46501. The twenty-four-hour event starts at 1:00 PM on January 28 and runs till 12:00 AM on January 29, 2023.

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.

Field Day is our chance to show the science, service, and skill we can offer to our community free of charge. We would love the opportunity to show you our capabilities in person. For further information or to be present as an observer, please contact Ruth Dilts, K9RLD, (ARRL Public Information Officer) at k9rld.21@gmail.com or 574-216-5041.

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