



# MACON COUNTY ARC NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2024

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<https://www.maconcountymissouriarc.org/> (Link)



## THE NEXT MACON COUNTY ARC AND MACON AREA REPEATER MEETING WILL BE HELD JANUARY 25, 2023 AT 7:00 PM AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ON BRIGGS IN MACON, MO

### ITEMS FOR THE JANUARY AGENDA

At the January meeting we will be electing the 2024 Club Officers and collecting the 2024 Club dues. There has not been a dues increase for many years. The individual Ham's, dues are \$10.00/year and for a family of Hams \$15.00/year. Amateur Radio Operators who are 80 years old or older, membership dues have been eliminated.

You can give your 2024 dues to Charlie Roberts, WBØHLW or you can also be mailed to the dues payment to Macon County ARC at P.O. Box 13, Macon, MO 63552.

The first Order of Business will be to elect the officers that will lead the Macon County ARC and the Macon Area Repeater Council for 2023.

Current Officers of Macon County ARC are

President:	Larry Ballew, ABØHP.
Vice-President	Jesse Jones, KDØETU
Sec. /Treas	Charles Roberts WBØHLW

Current Officers of Macon Area Repeater Council

President:	Scott Bigham, NØDBM
Vice-President	Todd Anderson, AKØAK
Sec. /Treas	Charles Roberts, WBØHLW

### 2024 MACON COUNTY ARC ACTIVITIES WILL BE DISCUSSED.

The members will consider share their ideas about what the Radio Club can do to encourage Radio Club membership and attendance at meetings and at the Radio Club's operating activities. We will also discuss the possibility of adding an operating event or two where members can practice non-contest or special event QSOs using either their own calls or that of the Macon County ARC.

### VOLUNTEER EXAM SESSIONS 2024

We will also approve the dates of the Four Quarterly Volunteer Exam Sessions at our January meeting

### ARRL FIELD DAY 2024

The Club will be approving the location for the 2024 ARRL Field Day operation and the need to make some plans prior to the Field Day event.

### LESTER DENT-DOC SAVAGE SPECIAL EVENT

The 2024 Lester Dent WØD special event station operation date will be set and the members will discuss how we can get more operators to participate at the Round House on Saturday.

### RADIO CLUB FALL PICNIC

The date for the Radio Club's Fall Picnic will be selected at the January Club meeting and any changes that might be beneficial.

### ARES NET TIME PROPOSED CHANGE

We are going to discuss and vote on a proposal to change the time of the ARES Net that is on 146.805- on Wednesday evening from 8:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Some of our members have indicated that the earlier time would work better for them and they think that there would be more check-ins at the 7:30 time slot. Think about the proposal, come to the meeting, and let your thoughts about the change be heard.

### NON-CONTEST OR SPECIAL EVENT OPERATIONS?

We will also consider the possibility of adding an Amateur Radio operating event or two where a members can practice making HF contacts in a non-contest or non-special event mod. They can use either their own calls or that of the Macon County ARC NØPR. This might also be a good time to encourage a renewed interest in Ham Radio.

## UPCOMING DX INFORMATION

Compiled from ARRL DX Bulletins,  
DX-News, DX-World  
by Ron Harrison, NTØC



H40WA Soloman Islands Feb 22 - March 7 160-10m CW  
SSB FT8 QSL via MOURX, LOTW

TR8CR Gabon Dec 28 - End of Feb  
QSL via F6AJL

TX5S Clipperton Island Jan 18 - Feb 2 160-10m  
QSL via MOURX

H44MS Soloman Islands Mid Feb - End of April 80 - 6m  
SSB QSL via home call DL2GAC

XU7GNY Cambodia Feb 26 - March 15 160-6m CW SSB  
FT8 QSL via DJ6TF, LOTW, ClubLob, Eqsl

CB0ZA Robinson Crusoe Island Feb 10 - 24 160-2m CW  
SSB RTTY FT8 QSL via HA1AG

6W7/ON4AVT Senegal Feb - April 10 80-10m SSB  
DIGITAL QSL via Homecall ClubLog OQRS

ZD7Z Saint Helena Island Jan 16 - Feb 4  
QSL via IK2DUW, LOTW, ClubLog OQRS

7O2WX Yemen Jan 25 - Feb 12 160-10m  
QSL via IZ8CCW

CN2DX Morocco Jan 20 - Feb 10 40-6m CW SSB  
QSL via EA5GL

JD1/JG8NQJ Minami Torishima Jan 15- Mid April CW,  
FT8 QSL via JA8CJY

## MISSOURI QSO PARTY RESULTS 2023

After a long wait, the results of the 2023 Missouri QSO party have been released. The link to see all of the scoring is:

[https://w0ma.org/mo\\_qso\\_party/results/2023/reports/scoresbycat.html](https://w0ma.org/mo_qso_party/results/2023/reports/scoresbycat.html) On page three of this newsletter there is a print-out of the categories and scores of Amateurs that are associated with the Macon County ARC.

Rex Weatherford, KEØMHJ, placed seventh in the MO Fixed Single Operator Low Power category. Bill Schmidt, WAØJCO/WØU placed fourth in the MO Fixed Single Operator High Power category. Ron Harrison, NTØC, was the fifth highest operator in the Missouri Fixed Single Operator High Power category.

## TECHNICIAN HF OPERATION PROJECT

Ron Harrison, NTØC, thought that at this point in the sunspot cycle, it would be a great time for those in our club that hold a Technician License to have some fun on the Tech part of 10 meter band. They can make some interesting contacts all over the United States and the World for that matter. Ron built a 10 meter dipole and is in the process of testing it at this time. If you are a Tech and would like to operate some High Frequency QSOs on 28.300 MHz to 28.500 MHz come to our January Club meeting and we'll talk.



The 80m Dipole survived, the 40m dipole now has both legs on the ground. Hurry up spring.



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CHARLIE WBØHLW



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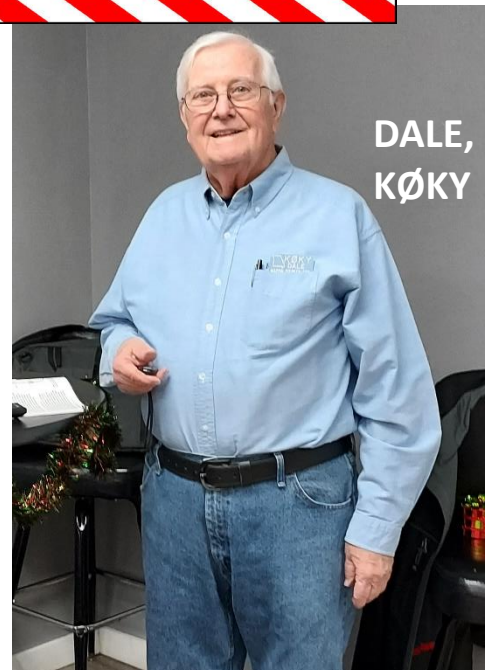
REX, KEØMHJ

DEC 6, 2023  
MACON COUNTY ARC  
CHRISTMAS DINNER  
AT THE APPLE BASKET



MICHELE  
KEØYGL

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DALE,  
KØKY



RON, NTØC

LARRY, ABØHP



IRA, AI7CH

LINDSEY



PATTY

STEVE, KCØAMJ



CHRIS, KFØGUS



WAYNE



KATHY



WALT KCØELC



Region 3  
CURTIS, KEØBCA

SANDY

JESSE KDØELC



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