Becoming a member of the Mid-State Amateur Radio Club is easy. Simply visit our website for an application! http://www.midstatehams.org

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Mid-State Amateur Radio Club has many benefits. Some of them include:

*Learning the Latest: *The Spark Gap*, our monthly newsletter, along with our monthly meetings and weekly nets, will help keep you informed of the latest club and amateur radio news and keep you connected to fellow hams.

*Club Activities: In some months, MARC may arrange a special guest or demonstration at a Saturday meeting. These give members firsthand access to some of the newest and most exciting facets of amateur radio. Additionally, our special club events give you the perfect chance to get out and enjoy the hobby with other operators and help the public at the same time!

*Help and Support: The Club's members are very diverse and bring a vast amount of knowledge with them to every meeting. Whether fixing an antenna or considering a new rig, you will find the experience of our group an invaluable asset. Our "Tuesday Tech Talks" on WebEx offer a great opportunity for you to learn about the latest technologies and get your technical questions answered!



The Mid-State Amateur Radio Club meets the THIRD SATURDAY of EACH MONTH at 8:00 am. Please check <u>www.midstatehams.org</u> or our Facebook page, Mid-State Amateur Radio Club, for locations.

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MARC is affiliated with the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the country's largest amateur radio organization, serving as a valuable information and support resource for anyone interested in amateur radio. Visit the ARRL at WWW.ARRL.ORG



Mid-State Amateur Radio Club

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What is the Mid-State Amateur Radio Club?

The Mid-State Amateur Radio Club is one of the bigger and most active amateur radio groups in Central Indiana. We exist to promote the hobby of amateur radio and provide a resource for new and existing hams to share their hobby with others.



We serve the community interest with emergency communications when called upon by the county officials and we are the eyes on the sky for the National Weather Service Skywarn Program for Johnson County.

CONTACT US!

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WHAT THE MID-STATE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB HAS TO OFFER.

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

The Mid-State Amateur Radio Club was founded February 1984 as a non-profit organization to promote amateur radio and provide resources for new and experienced hams alike. Since then, we have remained one of the largest and most active amateur radio organizations in this part of the state. Our club is changing and expanding constantly, and we expect to maintain our status of leadership well into the future. MARC provides many benefits and resources to area amateurs.

* MARC maintains two repeaters covering the Johnson County area. The 146.835 MHz repeater is an analog-only repeater and is the primary Skywarn repeater for Johnson County. The 443.525 MHz repeater is an Analog/ Digital system using the YAESU DR-1X C4FM/FM Digital Repeater. Both use a 151.4 Hz PL tone for input and output. These repeaters are open to all licensed radio amateurs.

* MARC maintains an APRS digipeater on the frequency of 144.39 MHz. This digipeater allows local hams to send packets to the worldwide APRS network.



*MARC sponsors a weekly traffic and social net on our VHF repeater. The net begins at 7:00 pm local time every Sunday, and features local news, announcements, and NTS traffic, as well as rebroadcasts of Amateur Radio Newsline. Feel free to join our net; it is open to all amateur radio operators.

*MARC provides recurring amateur radio license review and testing, to encourage new growth and participation in our hobby. For test preparation and study materials, visit our web page for links to multiple resources.

*The Tuesday Evening Tech Talks are held via WebEx and will keep you up to date on the latest technologies in ham radio and help you to get started using them if you want.

AMATEUR RADIO TESTING

THE SUNSPOTS ARE BACK!!

Interested in getting your amateur radio license? Perfect timing! Sunspot Cycle 25 is on its way and will bring lots of chances for long-distance communication. The Mid-State Amateur Radio Club can help you prepare for your exam and sponsors testing sessions after many of its monthly meetings.

This is the perfect opportunity for you or someone you know to get that amateur license or upgrade to a higher-class license. Of course, there is no longer a morse code requirement to get your license.

Our Volunteer Examiner team is Laurel VECaccredited and capable of giving any test necessary. Study hard, then come to the meeting...our VE Team is eager to serve!