RADIOWAVES



MARCI Newsletter

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From The President of MARCI

MARCI continues to grow with our membership as of the Jun 20th Board of Director's Meeting now at 119 members per the club treasurer, Jack Ham WG9X. I'm proud and glad to be able to bring you this news. However, bringing news of the club, present and future events, items for sale, etc. will soon come down to members such as yourselves tuning into our weekly nets.

<u>Radiowaves is soon to be a thing of the past.</u> I have <u>repeatedly</u> mentioned not only here in Radiowaves but on our nets that we are in need of a new editor. Brian Biery, N4BB who had taken on the project is moving on and we need his replacement. Brian as you know was also our club secretary the last few terms but was replaced this May by Tim Hostetler, WD8JTR. But as no one has offered to help out and take on the job of newsletter editor, it will no longer appear in your email each month as has been the tradition for as many years as I can remember.

Would anyone like to help?

Hurricane Season 2023 is here. (I had missed it so, hadn't you?) Bob Harrigan, Chief Meteorologist from Sarasota TV Channel-7, provided a wealth of information via a pre-recorded ZOOM presentation that Ed Skalecki, NI4MX recorded. Bob has agreed to allow us to post the recording of that meeting for those of you that were unable to attend the June General Membership Meeting. Ed is working on setting up a link on the MARCI Webpage. As soon as that has been done, I will alert everyone ON THE NETS and by email blast.

Last weekend was the Field Day Contest Weekend. Did ANYONE participate? Burch Akin, K4QXX had a great set up and I worked some contacts with him at a site in Wimauma. We were joined by Ken, Noah, and young Emily Olson who enjoyed working some stations. The HF bands were jammed full of stations from Maine to California and many stations from outside the US also participated. It's all about having fun and contacting all the stations you can over that weekend. Some keep score while others do it just for fun. Sorry you missed out.

All of you know by now that we don't have a General Membership Meeting this month. However, I hope to see all of you out at Bob Borsari's QTH on July 15th for the MARCI SOCIAL DAY.

An email blast was sent by Jack Ham with Bob's exact address, the start time, information about what's on the menu, and Jack's request for additional 'eats'. Jack has organized the menu and it sounds like everyone will have plenty to enjoy. For more details, drop Jack an email at jham58@tampabay.rr.com.

Finally, I hope that someone will offer to help continue a long-standing tradition within MARCI, that being our newsletter. You will have all the help you need to get you going.

As usual I'll close this month again as I always do by just saying *PLEASE* 'tell someone you love them'.

See you soon and '73, Mike Ryan K4CVL

From the Editor

[Note: As Mike mentioned, our monthly general membership meeting will NOT be held on Tuesday, July 4th. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month during the year, with the exception of July.]

MARCI Social Day – July 15th

Please see the information provided by Jack Ham – WG9X, about <u>additional items that are still</u> <u>needed</u> for our social day in July.

MARCI Board of Directors Election Results

Thank you to all the MARCI members who voted in the election for the MARCI Board of Directors for the June 2023-May 2024 term. At the time of the election, there were 114 current members, but only 105 email addresses on file for them. 81 ballots were cast, out of the 105 people notified, for a response rate of 77%. I must admit I was pleasantly surprised.

The results of the election were announced at the MARCI monthly general membership meeting on June 6, 2023.

Office	Elected	Call Sign
President	Mike Ryan	K4CVL
Vice President	Ken Olson	K4KEO
Treasurer	Jack Ham	WG9X
Secretary	Tim Hostetler	WD8JTR
Repeater Trustee	Ed Skalecki	NI4MX

We are VERY GRATEFUL to these members who are willing to serve, both for the first time and as continuing members, on our Board of Directors. Be sure to congratulate them and thank them for their service the next time you see them!

Radiowaves Newsletter Editor Needed

I regret that due to health and personal reasons, I will no longer be able to continue as the editor of our monthly *Radiowaves* newsletter. The editor's position is appointed by the MARCI Board of Directors; it is *not* an elected position. Some people have assumed that the MARCI Secretary is responsible for the newsletter, which is not the case, although it's coincidental that I held both positions for the past year or so.

Note: The August issue of Radiowaves will be my last as the editor. I will gladly work with a newly appointed editor on the September issue starting in mid-September.

If you have a few hours a month to devote to producing the newsletter, please let me know.

When I took over last year as newsletter editor from Geoff Haines, N1GY, Geoff gave me a USB drive will all the material for all the previous newsletters. I will update the USB drive to include all the material I have used in the newsletters I have published. I will also work with the new editor during a transition phase until they are comfortable with the process.

Please consider volunteering for this important position to help keep our MARCI members informed! Thank you for your consideration!!

Ride Needed to Monthly MARCI Meeting

Barry Yoder, W8SJO, needs a ride to our monthly meeting this coming Tuesday evening. If you can help Barry, please contact him:

Barry Yoder 508 44th Ave E, Lot A16 Bradenton, FL 34203 Phone: 941-932-0088 Email: jaclanG27@aol.com

His address is about 1/2-mile SE of the Desoto Mall.

Member Updates

If you joined or rejoined in the last few months, upgraded your license, or changed your call sign, and you are not listed above or in a recent issue of *Radiowaves*, please let me know and I will be sure to add your name in the next issue.

Please welcome the following individuals who were recently approved as new or returning members by the MARCI Board of Directors:

Jenkins, Michael	KQ4MEJ
La Fond, Maria	KQ4JJV
Pence, Robert (Bob)	KD4OZV
Sligowski, Scott	KQ4JIK *

[* Scott has applied for vanity call sign W4GEM which is pending approval by the FCC. That call sign became available on 03/15/2022 so there is every expectation that it will be assigned to Scott in mid-July.]

By the way, an excellent website for looking up available calls, applications, and call sign information is <u>https://www.radioqth.net</u>. You may also search the FCC database by going to their Universal Licensing System website at https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/searchLicense.jsp.

Bob Harrigan – WWSB ABC7 Chief Meteorologist Reporter – Our June Special Speaker

Please be sure to see the article on <u>Bob Harrigan's excellent presentation</u> via a pre-recorded Zoom session with Mike Ryan – K4CVL, and Ed Skalecki – NI4MX.

Article by Jim Zientara – W4MAN – on the ITU Phonetic Alphabet

Be sure to look at the article provided by Jim on the preferred pronunciation of the letters in the <u>ITU Phonetic Alphabet</u>. Have YOU been pronouncing them clearly in your on the air conversations and QSO's?

MARCI Radiowaves Newsletter

MARCI and DLARC

MARCI was contacted in early June about including our Radiowaves newsletters in the DLARC repository. "What is DLARC?", you may ask. It is the Digital Library of Amateur Radio & Communications. DLARC is a project of the Internet Archive (the not-for-profit online library best known for The Wayback Machine). DLARC is growing to be a massive online library of the past and present of ham radio and related communications. It is funded by a grant from Amateur Radio Digital Communications. To visit the DLARC website, follow this link: https://archive.org/details/dlarc

Ms. Kay Savetz, K6KJN, Internet Archive's Program Manager, Special Collections, wrote: "I am writing to ask permission to include your Radiowaves newsletter in the archive. They would be in a sub-collection of their own, with a link to your official site. This will provide a long-term backup of your content and increase its visibility to new readers. They will also be full-text searchable. It would look a lot like this archive of the Quarterly Century Wireless Association's newsletters: <u>https://archive.org/details/qcwa?sort=-date</u>.

"Here's more information about the DLARC project: <u>https://blog.archive.org/2023/05/03/dlarc-75000/</u>."

The MARCI Board of Directors gave permission to Ms. Savetz to include our Radiowaves newsletters. The first group, going back to January of 2021, may be found here: <u>https://archive.org/details/manatee_arc</u>.

You can use the search "text contents" field to do a full-text search on all issues or click "Date Published" to see them sorted by publication date.

Earlier editions of Radiowaves will be made available to DLARC in the future as time permits.

MARCI Facebook Page

If you are a Facebook user, be sure to check out our MARCI Facebook page at <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/966175460080399</u>.

"Swap & Drop" Table at Our AUGUST Monthly Meeting

Remember to bring items that you are no longer using but may still be of use to other MARCI members, to the "Swap & Drop" table at the back of the meeting room. You may find something that you'd really like to have for use in your shack!

Monthly MARCI Board of Directors Meetings

The MARCI Board of Directors meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month starting at 7:00 p.m. The meetings are held via Zoom. ALL members are invited to join the meeting. The next meeting is on July 18th. The link for the Zoom meetings stays the same each month.

Use this link to join the Zoom meetings: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4340953241?pwd=Qm52YWJGaWF4U29SMGk3bWVzRk1Ddz09 *Please note that you do NOT have to have a ham radio license to attend the lunch!* Attention Ladies! The first Wednesday of each month is "Ladies' Day." A special table is available for all the ladies attending the lunch. Ladies may come every week, of course!

Consider joining these great folks at the Ham Radio Lunch at Beef 'O' Brady's every Wednesday at noon. The restaurant is located at 1795 Lakewood Ranch Blvd, Bradenton, FL, near the corner of Lakewood Ranch Blvd & SR 64 (Manatee Ave). It is in the Publix strip mall on the far south end of the mall. Here's a link to the menu: https://www.beefobradys.com/menus.aspx.



Until next month, continue to enjoy our fascinating hobby, and stay safe!

Brian Biery, N4BB, Radiowaves Editor N4BB.brian@gmail.com

MARCI Social Day – Jack Ham – WG9X

Note: We are still looking for deviled eggs - 40 halves, Cole slaw, strawberry shortcake with fixings, and whatever else folks want to bring for potluck.

The MARCI Social Day this year will be held on Saturday, July 15, 2023. We will gather again at Bob Borsari's house (at the south end of the Fort Hamer Bridge). The festivities will start around 4 PM. Eats will be an hour or two after that time.

Bob's address:

11208 Upper Manatee River Rd Bradenton, FL 34212

MARCI will provide the meats (maybe chicken, hamburger, and pulled pork). Attendees will be asked to bring "Pitch in Stuff" such as a variety of salads, desserts, and drinks.

By the way, members are asked to sign up and bring their respective significant other. Be thinking of what wonderous, delectable dishes you may provide. You may also get a tour of Bob's amazing ham shack and antenna systems.

Social Day Contact is:

Jack-WG9X. Email: WG9X@arrl.net Phone: 941-567-6716 (No Texts but answering machine).

ARRL Field Day – June

Repeating the comments from Mike's message on Field Day...

Last weekend was the Field Day Contest Weekend. Did ANYONE participate? Burch Akin, K4QXX had a great set up and I worked some contacts with him at a site in Wimauma. We were joined by Ken, Noah, and young Emily Olson who enjoyed working some stations. The HF bands were jammed full of stations from Maine to California and many stations from outside the US also participated. It's all about having fun and contacting all the stations you can over that weekend. Some keep score while others do it just for fun. Sorry if you missed out.



Mike Ryan, K4CVL



Burch Akin, K4QXX



Noah Olson, W4NKO Emily Olson, W4ERO Ken Olson, K4KEO



Noah & Emily



Emily Olson

Bob Harrigan - WWSB Chief Meteorologist - Guest Speaker

The guest speaker at our June general membership meeting was Bob Harrigan – WWSB ABC7 Chief Meteorologist Reporter. Bob was unable to be with us in person, so he participated in a Zoom session prior to our meeting with Mike Ryan – K4CVL, and Ed Skalecki – NI4MX.

Bob gave a very interesting and timely presentation with a lot of historical information on recent hurricanes (Hurricane's Ian and Irma), as well as some of the major hurricanes in the past which affected Florida. Bob discussed the various models used in hurricane forecasting he answered questions from Mike and Ed during the presentation, and afterwards.

A link will be available on the MARCI website in the near future so you may watch the Zoom presentation. You will be notified by email from <u>k4ggmarci@gmail.com</u> when the link is available. Make sure that emails from our club are not going into your spam folder!







Here's a link to Bob's biographical information, along with some current and recent weather information:

https://www.mysuncoast.com/authors/bobharrigan/

Get Ready to Deploy - Geoff Haines - N1GY

[Note: the following article from Geoff was published in a previous issue of Radiowaves. The information is still relevant and timely, and it's being reprinted for your information.]

As I write this, the early days of April are here, along with the occasional rainstorm with its associated lightning and high winds. We all tend to think of the dangerous time of year being June through November, the traditional Hurricane Season. Every year there are "Hurricane Expos" and regional and national "Hurricane Conferences." All with the stated objective of preparing both the responders and the general public to better deal with the results of severe weather.

The truth is that dangerous weather can hit any time, any place, not just a particular season. Just last night, the Technical Net was interrupted by a priority announcement of a Tornado Warning for several counties within the West Central Florida Section. For the amateur radio operators in the section, it is very important to not file away our response plans and equipment until June arrives. Luckily, no Tornado touched down and no significant damage was reported, but what if it had? What would our response be if the EOC in one of our counties reported severe damage to an area? Would our "GO-Kits" be stocked with new materials and supplies, or would we have to madly dig through the storage shed just to find the backpack we usually put our stuff in?

Severe weather occurs frequently enough in this part of Florida that our "Go-Kits" should always be ready. They should always have up to date materials and supplies in them and we should be able to grab them and head out the door in as short a time as possible.

Building a Go-Kit is just like any other project. There is a list of components, an enclosure (the backpack or duffle), and a certain order of assembly. As with almost any project, there are some areas that are vital and common to all Go-Kits, and there are some areas where one will customize the kit to fit the specific needs of your response task. The most important thing is to build it and have it ready when it is needed.

On the next page you will find a handy checklist for a Go-Kit "Recipe" that has worked well for many hams for many years.

EQUIPMENT LIST FOR EMERGENCY DEPLOYMENT

ARES/RACES ID Handy-Talky (HT) with Flexible Antenna Speaker Mike or Headset for HT Magnetic Mount Antenna to match HT Any Necessary Adapters to connect HT to Magnetic mount Antenna Power cord to power HT from Vehicle Cigarette Lighter Socket Adapter to use power cord direct to battery Gel Cell or Motorcycle Battery 13.8 Vdc Trickle Charger for Battery Street Map of County 25 feet of Coaxial Cable with connectors installed "Barrel" Connector to mate coax to Magnetic mount Antenna Small Tool Kit Flashlight and spare batteries for it Pen and Paper Personal First Aid Kit Personal Medications and Hygiene Items Sunscreen Change of clothes Rain Gear Insect Repellant

All of this equipment should fit in a moderately sized gym bag or backpack. The electronics and electrical devices should be routinely tested and cycled on a regular basis so that when needed, sometimes at a moment's notice, they will be ready to use.

Useful additions might be items such as a "Hard Hat," a flashing personal light such as bicyclists use when riding at night, and Trail Mix or other easy to store food items. Another useful item is a short list of important frequencies, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses for local police, fire, hospitals, EOCs, weather service, relief agencies and the like. This should be laminated for all weather protection.

We should always be ready to respond to any emergency at any time, not just during hurricane season.

73, Geoff Haines, N1GY

ITU Phonetic Alphabet – Jim Zientara – W4MAN

Jim Zientara – W4MAN, provided this handy chart showing the preferred pronunciation of each of the letters in the ITU phonetic alphabet. Thanks, Jim, for providing this excellent aid to help us enunciate our letters better in our on the air conversations!

Letter to be Code word to be transmitted used		Spoken as *				
A	Alfa	AL FAH				
В	Bravo	BRAH VOH				
c	Charlie	CHAR LEE or SHAR LEE				
D	Delta	DELL TAH				
E	Echo	ECK OH				
F	Foxtrot	FOKS TROT				
G	Golf	GOLF				
Ĥ	Hotel	HOH TELL				
i	India	IN DEE AH				
J	Juliett	JEW LEE ETT				
к	Kilo	KEY LOH				
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P	Papa	PAH PAH				
Q	Quebec	KEH BECK				
R	Romeo	ROW ME OH				
S	Sierra	SEE AIR RAH				
т	Tango	TANG GO				
U	Uniform	YOU NEE FORM or OO NEE FORM				
v	Victor	VIK TAH				
w	Whiskey	WISS KEY				
x	X-ray	ECKS RAY				
Ŷ	Yankee	YANG KEY				
ż	Zulu	200 LOO				

ITU Phonetic Alphabet

* The syllables to be emphasized are underlined.

73, JIM ZIENTARA

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Ham Shack of the Month - Bob Borsari - W4WRS

This month's "shack of the month" belongs to Bob Borsari, W4WRS. As you can imagine, this equipment, along with Bob's outside antenna farm, has allowed him to "work the world!"

For those of you attending our Social Day on Saturday, July 15th, you may have an opportunity to see Bob's vast array of equipment for yourselves!





Bob has easy access to the wiring behind his equipment. "Let's see, I know there's a loose black wire in here somewhere?!?"

Here's a list of the equipment in Bob's radio room:

Icom 781 HF/6mtr Transceiver	MFJ-1261 Microphone Control Switch
Icom 7600 HF/6mtr Transceiver	RIG BLASTER Computer Control Interface Unit
Icom SP-20 External Speaker	Yaesu FTM-100D Dual Band C4FM/Analog
	2mtr/440 Transceiver
Kenwood R-1000 General Coverage Receiver	KLM 2mtr Linear Amplifier
Ameritron ALS-1306 Linear Amplifier	HyGain HG-70D 72Ft Motorized Crank-up Tower
Ameritron ATR-30 Antenna Tuner	G5RV Multi-band HF Dipole
Drake W-4 Watt Meter	Mosley TA53M 5 Band HF Beam
Heil PR-78 Microphone (foot switch operated)	6 Element / 6mtr Beam
Kenwood SM-220 Station Monitor/Scope	Cushcraft R-9 Multi-Band HF Vertical
MFJ-4725 Antenna Switch	HyGain T2X "Tailtwister" Antenna Rotator

July Puzzle — Geoff Haines — N1GY

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Items for Sale

Mike Ryan - K4CVL - mryan001@tampabay.rr.com

ASTRON 35A Power Supply

A nice clean Astron 35-amp linear power supply from the estate of Dave Henderson, NR1DX. This was owned by a devout NON-smoker and is in excellent condition. Price is \$75.

From the estate of Dave Henderson NR1DX, there are three laptop computers for sale by Dave's widow. These are older, somewhat outdated computers but still may have some value to an individual with less than optimum needs. These could be used for radio contact logging, FT8, or just something for the kids to play with. At only \$25 each how can you go wrong?

The battery in each would need replacing (if you want to run them on battery power) but each will run on the supplied power supply just as well. These are sold 'as is' of course with no refunds or exchanges. All three laptops were recently run for testing purposes to be sure that they operate on their included power supply. Contact Mike Ryan, K4CVL (941) 376 - 6453

#1 DELL D830 LAPTOP

PROCESSOR:	INTEL CORE DUO 1.20 GHz
MEMORY:	1 GB
HHD:	80GB
SCREEN:	15.4" XGA
RESOLUTION:	1280 x 800
OPERATING SYSTEM:	WINDOWS XP SERVICE PACK 3
#2 HP PAVILION d	v6 LAPTOP
PROCESSOR:	INTEL CORE DUO T6400 2.00 GHz
MEMORY:	4 GB
HHD:	285GB
SCREEN:	15″
RESOLUTION:	1280 x 768
OPERATING SYSTEM:	WINDOWS VISTA – HOME VERSION PACK 2
#3 HP2000 LAPTOF	
PROCESSOR:	AMD E-450 1.65 GHz 64BIT
MEMORY:	4 GB
SSHD:	500 GB
SCREEN:	15"
RESOLUTION:	1366 x 768
OPERATING SYSTEM:	WINDOWS 7 HOME PREMIUM
PASSWORD - 12345	

Contact Mike, K4CVL (941) 376 – 6453. (Mike can pick up and deliver to the buyer.)

Geoff Haines – N1GY – (941) 447-8579 (cell) or (941) 752-3696 (home)

- Offer to build: Custom extension cables for any remote-able radio such as the Yaesu FTM-300, 350, etc.
- Anderson Powerpole Power Distribution Blocks in 4+1, 6+1, and 8+1 sizes for \$20, \$30, and \$40 each respectively. Can custom build to suit.

VE Exam Sessions

When you're ready to take the Technician, General or Amateur Extra license exams, you may take them locally.

VE Exam Sessions: 3rd Saturday of the month, every two months. Testing starts at 9:00 a.m.

2023 VE Exam Schedule:

08/19 10/21 - Plus MARCIFEST 12/16

Location:

Bible Baptist Church of Bradenton 2113 57th St E Bradenton, FL 34208

Contact: James E. Woodson (941) 301-8703

Sponsor: Manatee Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Websites of Interest

Our MARCI website: Manatee-ARC.org

The ARES website: MCESG.org

Manatee County Public Safety: https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/public_safety

SKYWARN: https://www.weather.gov/skywarn/

ARRL: <u>ARRL.ORG</u>

Club Meetings

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Monthly MARCI Club Meeting

General membership meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month (**except July**) at 7:00 p.m. at the Bible Baptist Church located at 2113 57th St E, Bradenton, FL 34208. Please join us on Tuesday, August 1st. Remember to bring items that you are no longer using but may still be of use to other MARCI members, to the "Swap & Drop" table at the back of the meeting room. You may find something that you'd really like to have for use in your shack!

Monthly MARCI Board of Directors Meeting

The monthly MARCI Board of Directors (BOD) meeting is held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. All members are welcome to attend (you don't have to a member of the BOD). The next meeting will be on July 18th.

The link to the Zoom meeting does NOT change each month. Please join the meeting using this link: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4340953241?pwd=Qm52YWJGaWF4U29SMGk3bWVzRk1Ddz09</u>

Monthly ARES Meeting

General membership meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday each month. The next regular general membership meeting in July will be on Tuesday, July 25th at 7 p.m. at the Bible Baptist Church located at 2113 57th St E, Bradenton, FL 34208.

Clubs and Other Nets

MARCI Info Net	Sunday 7:00 p.m.	146.820 - 100 Hz
ARES Net	Monday 7:00 p.m.	146.820 - 100 Hz
MARCI Traders Net	Wednesday 8:00 p.m.	146.820 - 100 Hz
Manatee SKYWARN Net	Thursday 8:00 p.m.	146.820 - 100 Hz
WCF Eagle Net (Local NTS Net)	Nightly 8:30 p.m.	145.43 - 100 Hz or
		442.95 + 100 Hz
WCF Technical Net (tech assistance)	Thursday 9:00 p.m.	145.43 - 100 Hz or
		442.95 + 100 Hz

PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN ALL OF THE NETS ON OUR REPEATER

Our Manatee Amateur Radio Club Net every Sunday night at 7 p.m. on the K4GG repeater, 146.820, is an excellent opportunity to learn about all the fun amateur radio activities that are happening in our club and across our ham radio community.

Our Club Net on Sunday night is often very poorly attended. Our club has over 115 members. Surely at least 15 or 20 of you can take 20 minutes out of your Sunday evening to check into your own club net!

On Monday evenings, feel free to drop in on the Manatee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) Nets at 7 p.m. They are a bit more tactical and an easy way to improve your own operating skills.

On Thursday evenings at 8 p.m., we host the National Weather Service SKYWARN Net. Everyone is interested in the weather and SKYWARN is an easy way for you to contribute to this popular public service program.

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DON'T FORGET about the Regional Nets on NI4CE on 145.430 and 442.950. The Eagle Net, the National Traffic System Traffic Net, is on every night at 8:30 p.m. Whether you are interested in "Traffic Handling" or not, everyone is welcome to check in and enjoy putting your radio to good use. They also host the regional SKYWARN Net on Tuesdays at 9 p.m.

The ARRL West Central Florida Technical Net is a very popular and informal activity held every Thursday at 9 p.m. or immediately after the end of the Eagle Net should that net run a little over.

With so many opportunities to listen in and participate, you are sure to meet new folks and discover many more of the interesting ways to use and enjoy your amateur radio license!