

The Chicago FM Club's
Newsletter

"SQUELCH TALE"

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"THE PREZ SEZ"

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Officers, Board of Directors, Radio Expo Chairpersons, especially Jim WA9EMY for being Chairman, Steve K9VO for his great job as Manpower Chairman, and all the Radio Expo workers that made this year's hamfest a success. It was nice to see some new faces this year.

Many hours of planning went in to this year's Radio Expo and it sure paid off. With the help of Mother Nature we had two sunny days just perfect for a hamfest. Thanks again for making Expo 2005 a success.

October's general meeting is the last time nominations will be accepted for the 5 Board of Director's positions. The elections will be held in December. I'm also looking for some new people to help with Radio Expo. Some of the chairmen have been doing it for quite a few years and it's time for a changing of the guard. If anyone is interested give me a call.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our next general meeting.

73 de Phil N9PA



**FOR SECOND READING AT THE
OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING**

CRAIG DIECKMAN KC9 HWK (N9PA K9FFY)

FOR THIRD READING ANDVOTE

RANDY BARTOSIEWICZ KC9GXC (N9PA K9FFY)
CONRAD GRISKO N9HIZ (N9PA K9FFY)
RALPH BARZDITIS KE9NT (N9PA K9SX)

NEW MEMBERS

The Officers and Board of directors of the Chicago FM Club would like to welcome the following new members voted in at the September general meeting;

MATTHEW KAMINSKI KC9HPM (N9PA K9FFY)
ROBERT CHOI N9KOJ (N9PA K9FFY)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

The following CFMC members renewed during the month of September;

KC9EQP WD9FUW N9FXU KC9GGB KF9HE
N9HIN N9KTW W9LAZ K9OHT N9PRG KA9R
KA9RHS WB9UMK

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ELECTION NOMINATIONS**

Would you like to have a say in the direction the Club will take in the next two years? Put your name in nomination for the Board of Directors election.

The nominations will remain open through the October general meeting. If you would like an absentee ballot mailed to you, I must have your request either by mail or sent to my e-mail address. I will NOT honor phone requests.

The nominees are;

KC9ENZ Dennis Krawczak
WA9FTS Mike Brost
WA9KOD Joe Genovese
N9KTW Howard Goldberg
WA9KXZ Gerald Migely
K9VO Steve Bosnyak
W9XB Rick Duel

Treasurer's Report September 2005

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income		
Membership Dues	315.00	
Miscellaneous Income	1500.00	
Radio Expo	20829.00	
Total Income	22644.00	
Expense		
Amortization Expense	2369.00	
Contributions	500.00	
Equipment Rental	38.00	
Expo Advertising	715.30	
Meetings	471.79	
Miscellaneous Expense	1500.00	
Office Supplies	53.99	
Postage and Delivery	51.80	
Printing and Reproduction	66.70	
Prizes	1618.47	
Rent	10494.50	
Telephone	102.77	
Travel & Ent	2524.31	
Total Expense	20506.63	
Net Income	2137.37	
Available Capital	9/01/05	13928.26
Net Income	September	2137.37
Total Available Funds		16065.63

Respectfully submitted:
Bob Schiff KA9HHH
Treasurer

**DZV'S DITS AND BITS
By Tim, WD9DZV**

Note: I'd like to see more input from the members! If you get a new rig or antenna, received any type of award (WAS, DXCC, CQ-DX, WAC, etc), have a tech tip of any type, or a review of antennas/equipment, your results in any of the contests, **PLEASE** e-mail them to Dick (K9FFY) the editor or me. Nothing beats news from the membership, that's what a Club newsletter is all about!

AUTOPATCH CODES
KEEP THEM CONFIDENTIAL

Here are the present Auto-Patch codes. Each time the codes are changed, the new codes will be sent out. The three (3) CFMC Auto-Patch repeaters (2 Meters, 220MHZ North and 440MHZ) all have the same type controllers. They are all accessed in the following manner:

- 1] Identify your station
(WA9XYZ ACCESSING THE PATCH)

- 2] Enter the proper access code along with the Phone Number.
The Repeater will respond with "AutoPatch".
It will then repeat the phone number you entered.

- 3] If you do not wish the number transmitted over the air, key up the
repeater for a second after "AutoPatch".
This will mute the repeated number.

- 4] After the call is completed, enter the drop code.
The Repeater will say "Call Completed" and hang up the phone line.

- 5] Sign off with the repeater
(WA9XYZ Clear with the WA9ORC Repeater).

- 6] The Emergency number that is included is complete as you see it. Just enter that code
and you will be connected with the Cell *999 Service. Identify yourself as a mobile Amateur
and give the operator the information. They will pass it along to the proper authorities

Access Code - 9*5

Drop Code - *33

Emergency Access Code - 7*09

RADIO EXPO 2005 PICTURES



TAKING A BREAK
WD9DZV WA9FTS N9LXF N9PA N9KTW



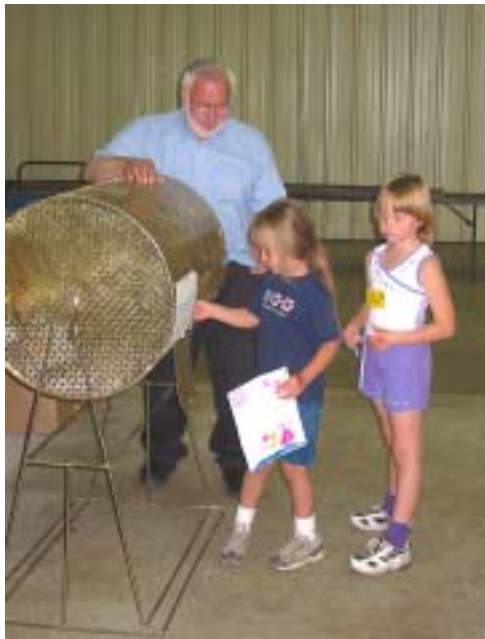
ANNOUNCING THE WINNERS
WA9EMY WA9AYQ K9FFY



VE TESTING TEAM
KC9ENZ KD9EW NK9A N1LA KG9C



THE "BOSSSES"
K9VO WA9EMY N9PA



GRAND PRIZE DRAWING



THE OFFICE
WD9DZV WB9PTA

November 2005

What's Happening This Month at CFMC!

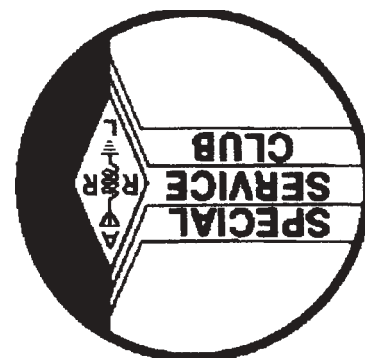
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Members Celebrating Their Birthdays This Month!

*** TBA = To Be Announced**



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CHICAGO FM CLUB

The Chicago FM Club is a not for profit Amateur Radio Club operating the WA9ORC/R repeater systems. Membership is open to all licensed Amateurs and is encouraged of those who use the repeaters. Annual dues are \$25.00 (\$15.00 65 years or older).

For information on the Chicago FM Club and its repeater systems, call the club "Ham Help" line (773) 262-6773 and leave your complete name, address and call sign. Ask for the Info Pack and it will be sent out shortly in the mail or can be sent via e-mail.

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REPEATERS

146.16/.76MHZ PL Access 107.2 (1B)

The Transmitter is located on the Aon Center in downtown Chicago with an antenna height of 1300 feet. The nine receiver sites are located in Chicago, Park Ridge, Schaumburg, Worth, Waukegan, Barrington, Downers Grove, Lake Calumet and Joliet. Short QSO's are encouraged during morning and evening rush hours. AutoPatch and EchoLink are available to members in good standing. Write for details and access codes. Breakers should be allowed immediate access.

222.50/224.10MHZ Carrier Access

On site located 3 miles north of Chicago's Loop. AutoPatch is available to members in good standing. Breakers should be allowed immediate access.

222.58/224.18MHZ Carrier Access

On site in Worth, IL. Breakers should be allowed immediate access.

448.75/443.75MHZ PL Access 114.8 (2A)

On site at the Aon Center. AutoPatch and EchoLink are available to members in good standing. Breakers should be allowed immediate access.