March Business Meeting

Program: ARRL International Grid Square Contest and Canadian Parks on the Air

Friday, March 22, 2019, 7:30 PM at the Hazel Crest Village Hall. Evening will include business meeting, program by Brian Bedoe WD9HSY, raffle and refreshments will be available. Bring a friend!

April Business Meeting

Program: Fox Hunting

Friday, April 26, 2019, 7:30 PM at the Hazel Crest Village Hall. The business meeting will be followed by a program by John Krueger N9DWE, raffle and refreshments will be available. Bring a friend! John plans on a follow up to the meeting with a Fox Hunt on May 4th. Details to follow.

Tri-Town's Tentative 2019 Event Calendar

March 22, 2019, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall.

April 14, 2019, Folks on Spokes Bike Ride

April 26, 20119, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall.

May 17 -19, 2019, Hamvention

May 24, 2019, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall. (Hamvention is May 17-19)

June 15, Driving the Dixie (Date unpublished, estimate based on 2018)

June 22 and 23, Field Day at Bunker.

June 28, 2019, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall.

July 26, 2016, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall.

August 23, 2016, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall.

September 28, 2019, Picnic at Monee Reservoir in lieu of monthly meeting. (Tentative date)

October 25, 2019, 7:30 PM, Meeting at Hazel Crest Village Hall.

November 22, 2019, 7:30 PM, Meeting at the Bunker.

December 20, 2019, Christmas Party.

Board of Directors Meetings - Second Monday of the Month, 7:30 PM at the Club Station. Members always welcome.

Thank you!

I would like to thank all of those who supported me during my four years as President of Tri-Town. Thanks to my fellow Officers and Board members. An special thanks must go out to the membership for their support of meetings, special events and Field Day activities. The Club only succeeds by involvement in the Club. Please continue to give Brian, Officers, and the Board your continued support in 2019.

73, Todd, KA9IUC

Folks on Spokes

Tri-town will again this year provide communications for the Folks on Spokes annual ride. This year it take place on April 14, 2019 over a different route than past years. Bruce, WD9GHK, is heading up the communication team and can use some more help. Contact Bruce if you can help.

Internet at the Club Station

One of the things that has be lacking at the station is internet access. A recent newsletter from my local library indicated that they now have Wi-Fi Hot Spots to loan. I borrowed one and tried it out at home and it worked great, I have had the unit at the Club Station and it works just fine in the radio room with all the outside and inside doors closed. The unit is $3.5 \times 2.5 \times 0.5$ inches thick. It is battery powered but comes with a charger. It is made by Sprint and runs the LTE network. The cost is \$5 for a week and there is no on air fee. It could be borrowed for special event spotting, field day (satellite tracking info) and for whenever internet access is needed at the Club Station. It could also be used programs at meetings or when operating away from normal internet access such as parks on the air.

Todd, KA9IUC.

2019 Officers take Office

At the February Meeting, Past President Todd Schumann KA9IUC swore the new Tri-Town officers into office. They are President, Brian Bedoe WD9HSY, Vice-President, Matt Schumann N9OTL, Secretary, Jim Everard WD9GXU, Treasurer, Trish Jaggard N9WDG and Board member John Krueger N9DWE. Sharon Gunderson KA9IIT and Mac Kirkpatrick WA9CYL continue in their current Board positions.