



Welcome to,

America's Kansas City Wide

Thanks to you Kansas City Wide has really been growing. It is now one of the most popular Yaesu and digital rooms in the world. Thank you for all your help and support. Our goal is to be a useful Ham Radio resource and connect like-minded people together all over the globe.

Even this little email goes out to almost 3,500 hams all over the world.

We only send out this Kansas City Wide newsletter every month or so. We don't want to spam people or be a nuisance. It includes news and updates of our nets and repeaters, etc. You can always stop by the web Site at www.kansascitywide.com for updated information.

Facebook, as an incentive to join us on our Facebook page:

Between February 1 and March 1st, we will be giving away a \$50 gift certificate to a lucky new person that joins our Facebook page. Simply signing up gets you in that prize pool. You do not need to do anything else. No need to comment or post any pictures if you don't care to. Jennifer N0VVX and the "Hammette" ladies will select that winner by randomly mixing up all the new people that month in a hat and picking the winner.

Not everybody likes Facebook, myself included, but Ham Radio Facebook pages are quite different. I look at a lot of Ham Radio Facebook pages and rarely comment. But I like reading what other hams are doing and like to learn. If you have not checked out our Facebook page please consider doing so. You might be pleasantly surprised. We will never sell or pass on your name or information. We keep that stuff private. We are just a bunch of hams working together to try and provide a useful resource.

Additionally, **Between February 1 and March 1st**, Jennifer N0VVX of our "Hammettes" Net are running a contest to pick the best Facebook picture. **They will be giving away a \$50 gift certificate to the best picture they like that month.** Jennifer and some of the "Hammette" ladies will decide that winner. Congratulations to Ryan Crawford KI5YTK who won a \$50.00 gift certificate for his picture last month.

We would love to have pictures of your shack, latest POTA experience or ham gear on the Facebook page. If you have pictures and would like to share them please consider posting them on our Facebook at **Kansas City Wide** or at:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/837520033824624>

Jennifer N0VVX, Brian WQ0A, Emmett KI5SPL and Chris KB2IDX have been doing an excellent job in helping Rick W0FH and Brad W8WBW keep our Facebook page up to date.

Please consider joining our Facebook page or posting your pictures on our Facebook page and we might be sending you a gift card soon.



Scouts on the air. Chris K0GYP and David KE0DSV have been working on a program to help scouts become familiar with Ham Radio. Recently on a Saturday afternoon in February several scouts got on KC-Wide and talked with people all over the world while working on a merit badge. It was a treat to hear young people becoming familiar with Ham Radio. If you have interest in scouting and would like to grow that KC-Wide program please contact David KE0DSV at: albrightav@yahoo.com

Hamshack Hotline (HH). The Fusion elves have been busy and one of our latest projects is to learn more about Hamshack Hotline and have it become a doorway into KC-Wide.

Jennifer N0VVX and David KE0DSV are learning about this and are helping people that have interest in buying a HH phone and getting it connected to KC-Wide and many other analog and digital repeaters around the world. You can contact them at:

feedback@kansascitywide.com

This is a wonderful way for people to get on Digital and Analog repeaters all over the world at an inexpensive price point. Some used VOIP phones on eBay or Amazon are available for \$40.00 to \$50.00. Please note the power cord may be an option because the phones can be powered off a POE ethernet switch or router if you have that equipment already.

Users simply connect their VOIP phone to the Internet and get registered at (HH) for free and start talking. You press *99 to transmit and # to receive. There is no computer needed. Just a VOIP phone and internet connection. The sound quality is very good, and the delay is small since the digital conversion is already built into the VOIP phone.

Rick W0FH has connected KC-Wide to (HH), and it is available at the **(HH) PBX Extension 94077**. See: <https://hamshackhotline.com/>

For a list of some HH repeaters please see: <https://apps.hamshackhotline.com/links.php>

New Audio Announcements, maybe you have noticed our audio informational bulletins sound much better... We are lucky to have some great voices. One new voice is Todd W9CCQ in Chicago that is a pro. He has gotten with Rick W0FH and has been doing many of the audio announcements. Todd is a professional announcer and works at the biggest and best radio stations in Chicago WCCQ 93.3 and WERV 95.9.

Thank you Todd...

We Need Help, as we continue to grow we could use some help and additional talents. It always amazes me the skill and talents Ham Radio people have. Like any organization we need all kinds of help in making this a useful and sustainable resource.

If you have talents or interest in helping please contact Jerry, KC0KW at: jerrydixonkc@gmail.com

We also need additional help hosting nets or to fill in occasionally.

If you have an interest in helping host a net on **KC-Wide** in the US please contact David, KE0DSV at: albrightav@yahoo.com

If you have interest in helping host a net in the UK on the **Northwest Fusion group** please contact Ian G0VGS at maudeij@gmail.com

Comments and Suggestions, we appreciate and need your comments, suggestions, and complaints. All your thoughts and ideas are helpful in trying to do a better job and in becoming a better resource for the Ham Radio Community.

Please send your comments to feedback@kansascitywide.com

Special Thanks: We have been fortunate to keep KC-Wide functioning only due to the support, work, and endless hours of many.

If you look at our webpage at www.kansascitywide.com in the **Acknowledgements** section there is a lengthy list of people, clubs and companies that have made and continue to make this Ham Radio network happen.

Please join me in thanking all our volunteers for their efforts in keeping this Ham Radio network fun and operational.

America's Kansas City Wide, Nets

The nets have been gaining popularity. Thank you for your support.

The **POTA** net moved from 8:00 PM CST to 6:00 PM CST on Monday. Steve KC0VYS the net host has decided to keep it running over the winter season.

We have a new net called the **HF/Antenna Net** that is quickly becoming extremely popular at 7:00 PM CST on Sunday. It is about HF and antennas. It is a great vehicle to introduce new hams working on a license upgrade to HF and antennas. It is hosted by Brad KB0LSM and Jaimie AD0AB. Please bring your HF or antenna knowledge to the net and share your experiences with us all...

Experimenting with our friends at SkyHub we have been doing some testing at 8:00 pm CST on KC-Wide. Jack KE0VH does a great net on SkyHub at that time. We have been trying to find an effective way to interconnect SkyHub and KC-Wide together and carry Jacks net. With all the technical formats and various delays, it has been a technical challenge. So, if you hear some testing or funny things, rest assured it is just us evaluating, learning, and looking to push the limits of interconnection options. Part of our objectives in learning and optimizing interconnections is having options should we need to interconnect for a regional need or emergency.

Overnight Net, we would like to provide a late night or insomniac's net happening between 11 pm and 4:00 am CST. We need a host. If you have interest please let us know. Please remember while we may be sleeping in Kansas much of the world is up and active.

International Net, we have an International Net series at 10:00 am CST. It is hosted by Brian G0RDH in the UK on Monday and Ian G0VGS in the UK on Friday. We would like to expand the International Net series to add additional day a week. If you would like to host an international net please let me know.

Kansas City Wide Net schedule, please join us for any of the nets...

Monday, 4 am, CST, "The Diner", Lance AD0GA, in KC
7 am, CST, "David KE0DSV and Friends", KCMO in KC
9 am, CST, "Texas Roundup", David R. WA0URJ, in Texas
10 am, CST "The Bay International Net" Brian, G0RDH, in the UK.
4:30 pm till 5:30 pm, CST, "Windy City Net", David W9DJM, in Chicago
6 pm, CST, "POTA (Parks on the Air) Net", Steve, KC0VYS, in KC,
7 pm, CST, "Worldwide Trivia" Ron AC8MA, of the Cincinnati
provided by the Milford Amateur Radio Club

Tuesday, 4 am, CST, "The Diner", Lance AD0GA, in KC
9 am, CST, "2nd Cup of Coffee Net", David A. KE0DSV, in KC
4:30 pm till 5:30 pm, CST, "Evening Check-In", Jaimie AD0AB, in KC
7 pm, CST, "Fish Sticks", David A. KE0DSV, in KC
8 pm, CST, "Hammettes", Jennifer N0VVX, Kristal KR1STL, in KC

Wednesday, 4 am, CST, "The Diner", Lance AD0GA, in KC
9 am, CST, "Anything Goes Net", Jon KZ4JON, in The Villages, Florida
4:30 pm till 5:30 pm, CST, "Alice's Restaurant" Alice KI5ERV, of Texas
SADRC, San Antonio Digital Radio Net
7 pm, CST, "Raytown Fusion Net", Ron KD0HOY, IN KC
8:30 pm, CST, The Hotspot PI Net, With hosts
Steven KC9SIO and Ted VE7LE

Thursday, 4 am, CST, "The Diner", Lance AD0GA, in KC
9 am, CST, "Wake Up with Terri & Ray", Terri KF0HFI and Ray KF0EBI,
Live from Omaha, NE
6 pm, CST, "JOCO ARES Net", Mike WB0ZPW, in KC
7 pm, CST, SE Kansas ARC, "Four States Net", in SE Kansas
Jeff KA0EGE, Steve N0SLT, David WA0URJ
8 pm, CST, "Let's Talk Digital" Net with Bucky and friends
in Denver.

Friday, 4 am, CST, "The Diner", Lance AD0GA, in KC
9 am, CST, "2nd Cup of Coffee Net", David A. KE0DSV, in KC
10 am, CST, 1600 GMT," International Net" with Ian G0VGS, in the UK.
4:30 pm till 5:30 pm, CST, "Windy City Net, David W9DJM, in Chicago
8:00 pm, CST, St. Louis Gateway to the West", JCARC, John N0HKK,
Chris KE0TTE, Gerry KB8QAV, Dolores, KD0CIV, in St. Louis

Saturday, 5 pm, CST, "Food for Talk", Bob K6OWF, in Boise, ID,
6 pm, CST, "Radio Check", Chris KB2IDX, in Cape Coral, FL,

Sunday, 7 pm, CST, The HF/Antenna Net, with Brad KB0LSM and
Jaimie AD0AB

New Repeaters,

We are excited to announce some new repeaters that are joining the team.

There is a new Repeater in **Grove Oklahoma** now on KC-Wide thanks to Monte W0MRB, Emmett KI5SPL, Glen WN5J, Ryan KI5YTK and the club members. It is on 442.625 MHz.

There is a new repeater in **Sedalia MO** on 444.150 MHz, this was made possible thanks to Ernie WA0HBX and Brad KB0LSM. It covers I-70 very well.

Thanks to Adam KC0EHQ there is a now a new repeater in **Wentzville, MO** on 442.800 MHz. This is right along the path on I-70 from KC to Saint Louis.

Richard VE5RH and his associates in Canada just joined KC-Wide. This is our first repeater in Canada. It is in **Saskatoon, SK, Canada** on 442.000 MHz. What an excellent group of hams.

To make all this work takes a lot of sundry things. Brad KB0LSM just provided a new site for a major linking station near downtown KC. Some of the local repeaters do not have internet at the tower sites. So, this is one of several sites that have equipment to link the repeaters to KC-Wide via the Internet and RF interconnections.

Kansas City-Wide transmitting from the center of the Universe,,, as we know it...

If you have a repeater and would like to join us in connecting the Universe please let us know or email me at jerrydixonkc@gmail.com. If you have a repeater that allows people to select various rooms but defaults to KC-Wide we would like to advertise your repeater on our webpage.

If you need help in putting a repeater together perhaps we can help.

KC-Wide Repeaters:

Below is a list of the Kansas City Wide group of digital repeaters. The Kansas City Wide group of digital repeaters are all linked together to provide a larger coverage area. If you talk on one you come out of them all. You will find that other repeaters and hot spots often link to the room, but the list below is typically available 24/7.

"America's Kansas City Wide" Ham Radio network is only possible thanks to the support of several ham radio clubs, a couple private individuals and some special local

companies. By this collective working together the coverage of the "Kansas City Wide" coverage group continues to grow as it becomes a better community resource.

Ainsworth, NE, 147.360
Omaha, NE, 444.050
St. Joseph North, MO, 444.000
St. Joseph South, MO, 442.750
Atchison, KS, 442.725
Smithville, MO, 146.925,
Excelsior Springs, MO 443.825
Tiffany Springs, MO, 444.550
Sedalia, MO, 444.150
Lone Jack, MO, 443.750
Odessa, MO, 443.650,
Lee's Summit East, MO, 442.825
Lee's Summit West, MO, 147.410
Raytown, MO, 442.400
Stadium, MO, 145.490
Plaza, MO, 443.275,
KC Zoo, MO, 444.700,
North Kansas City, MO, 145.110
KCMO DTWN, 146.940
KU Med, MO, 442.325,
Kansas City, KS, 442.300
Shawnee, KS, 442.00,
Overland Park, KS, 146.910
Olathe, KS, 444.250,
Basehor, KS, 145.390
Basehor, KS, 444.625
Spring Hill, KS, 442.250,
Harrisonville, MO, 443.700
Paola, KS, 444.475
Louisburg, KS, 145.315
Lawrence, KS, 444.875
Topeka North, KS, (Hoyt), 444.725
Topeka South, KS, 443.625
Topeka South, KS, 146.805
St. Mary's, KS, 146.955
Colby, KS, 444.625
Fort Scott, KC, 444.275
Walnut, KS, 147.180
Nevada, MO, 444.225,
Pittsburg, KS, 442.6750
Edwards, MO 145.310
Warsaw, MO, 147.300
Springfield, MO, 146.6850
Springfield, MO, 443.900

Willow Springs, MO, 146.670
Cole Camp, MO, 145.110, CC-3, TS-1, TG-313136
Wentzville, MO, 442.800
St. Charles, MO, 443.259, CC-2, TS-2, TG-313136
St. Louis, MO, 147.105
St. Louis, MO, 443.550, CC-2, TS-1, TG-313136
Murphysboro, IL, 145.310
Grove, OK, 442.625
Mountain View, AR, 146.700
Cincinnati, OH 146.760
Gainesville, FL, 444.050
Gainesville, FL, 146.640, CC-1, TS-2, TG- 313136,
Fort Myers, FL, 442.175, CC-1 TS-1, TG-313136
Portland Oregon, 443.050
Saskatoon, SK, Canada, 442.000

Doors into KC-Wide: Rick W0FH and Kris KU0S have been working hard to expand our ability to welcome most digital modes. Additional doors into Kansas City Wide are listed below.

Yaesu Fusion Wires-X # 28054

YSF reflector: YSF32453 - US-KCWide - WiresX28054,
Back up reflector YSF 28054 XLX458

DMR-BM Talk group: 313136

P-25 Talk group 31313 (Experimental not 100% yet)

D-Star, Reflectors, REF458A, XRF458A, DCS458

Hamshack Hotline (HH) 94077, <https://hamshackhotline.com/>

EchoLink Call: W0FH-L, Node # 746258

Broadcastify: <https://www.broadcastify.com/webPlayer/30282>

Webpage <https://www.kansascityroom-wide.com>

Facebook groups, Kansas City Wide,

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/837520033824624>

On behalf of all of us at "America's Kansas City Wide"

Thank you for all your help and support in making America's KC-Wide a useful Ham Radio resource.

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