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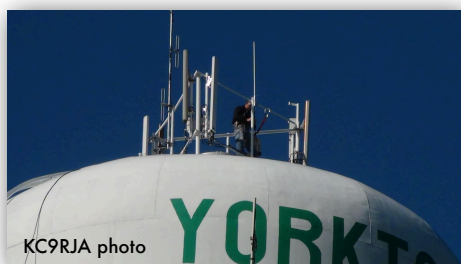
AMATEUR RADIO  
EMERGENCY  
COMMUNICATIONS  
IN DELAWARE COUNTY



## The EmComm ECI and Delaware County ARES and SKYWARN Newsletter

### New Repeater On the Air

EmComm ECI has a new 440MHz repeater on the air serving the greater Yorktown area. The W9YFD repeater operates on 441.700MHz with a standard +5MHz input and a 127.3 PL tone.



The repeater is located near the Yorktown Fire Department and easily covers the southwest quarter of Delaware County and into Madison and Henry Counties on an HT. Much larger coverage areas are possible with the use of mobile and base stations.

The W9YFD/R is the group's main backup repeater. EmComm ECI's primary repeater is the N9CZV/R on 441.825MHz, +5MHz input and a 110.9 PL. The group's weekly net at 9pm on Thursday nights as well as any SKYWARN or ARES emergency nets are conducted on N9CZV/R.

Both repeaters are open for use by all licensed Amateur Radio Operators and Membership in EmComm ECI is not required.

Please feel free to check them out and get on the air!

### Monthly Meetings

Third Saturday of every month at 10am at the Yorktown Fire Department, 8905 W Smith St. in Yorktown

Anyone interested in learning more about Amateur Radio, emergency communications, severe weather spotting, and how to help and be of service to the community is welcome!

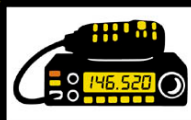
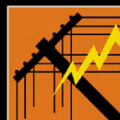
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[www.W9YFD.org](http://www.W9YFD.org)



## Membership:

EmComm ECI is looking for members.

Requirements for membership are...

1. Amateur Radio License

Technician class or higher amateur radio license. Don't have one? No problem. We hold regular classes to help you pass your FCC exam!

2. Membership in the ARRL

The ARRL (American Radio Relay League) is the national organization for amateur radio operators in the US.

3. Registration with ARES

ARES, the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, is an ARRL service organization that coordinates and supports emergency communications efforts at the local level. We have the forms to get you signed up!

4. NIMS Certification

The National Incident Management System was put in place after the attacks on 9/11 and certification is required for all public safety personnel. Completion of the introductory NIMS 100 and 700 are required during the first year of membership. Don't worry, it isn't that hard and we'll help you!

5. Dues

Annual dues of \$25 payable by cash, check or charge.



## EmComm ECI to Offer SKYWARN Spotter and Ham License Classes for Spring 2013

Are you ready to respond to a local communications emergency? Are you interested in helping with SKYWARN and providing advanced weather warning to the community? If your answer to either or both of these questions is yes, then EmComm ECI can help you get started.

We will be offering a Ham Radio Technician entry-level license class and test in March of 2013. The class is an intensive weekend-long opportunity for you to earn your FCC license. The class will be held at the Yorktown Fire Department from 6pm to 10pm on Friday March 22nd, 8am to 5pm on March 23rd, and 8am to Noon with testing at 1pm on Sunday March 24th.

We are also planning an advanced SKYWARN spotter class at the end of February/beginning of March. If you are interested in either of these two opportunities, please contact us at [w9yfd@w9yfd.org](mailto:w9yfd@w9yfd.org) and/or check our website, [www.W9YFD.org](http://www.W9YFD.org), for updates!

## Amateur Radio Video to Run on Comcast Ch. 60

EmComm ECI has put together a video showcasing the benefits and opportunities available in Ham Radio. From helping in disasters to building your own antennas and equipment, there's a lot to do and something of interest to almost everybody. There's even a special guest appearance by Muncie Mayor Dennis Tyler. Check listings for show times or go to our website, [www.W9YFD.org](http://www.W9YFD.org), to watch it on-line.

## Amateur Radio Classes

If you're interested in getting your Ham Radio license, EmComm ECI offers classes at various times throughout the year. Check our website at [w9yfd.org/News](http://w9yfd.org/News) or contact Joe Byrd (N9BRD) at [n9brd@me.com](mailto:n9brd@me.com) for info and details about upcoming classes!

