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Two meter foxhunting in Chicago started in the early 1960s. One of the first hunts started on 147.30 MHz. The starting point was in Des Plaines near the Centel Building. With the introduction of 2 meter repeaters, it moved to the CFAR repeater. There were hunts on the WAFAR, ACL and CFMC repeaters with a simplex hunt sponsored by the RAMS on 146.34 MHz. Now the lineup is on CFAR, CMFC and two simplex hunts.



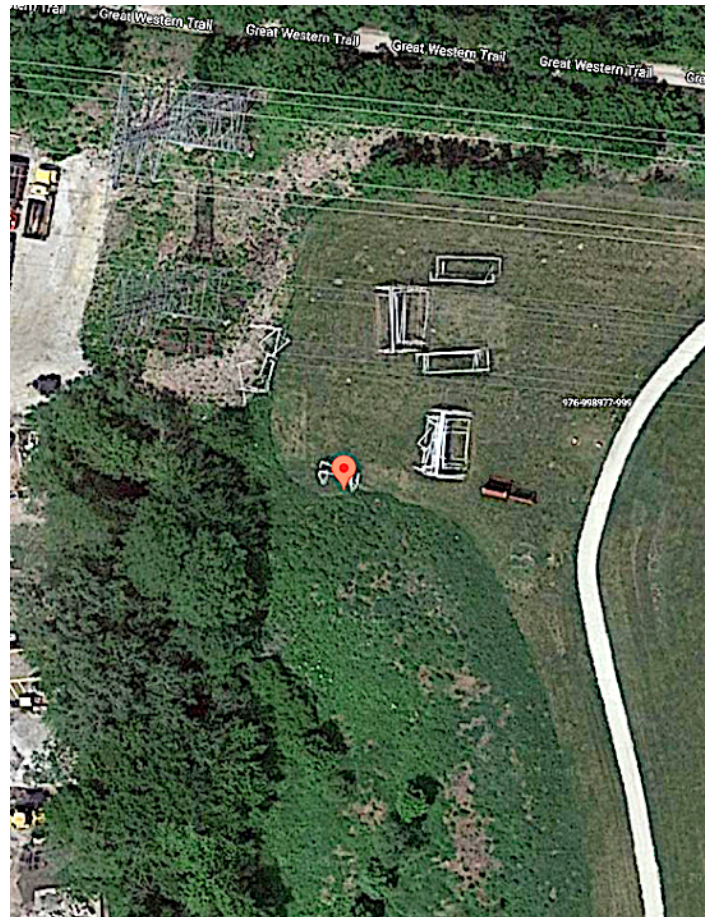
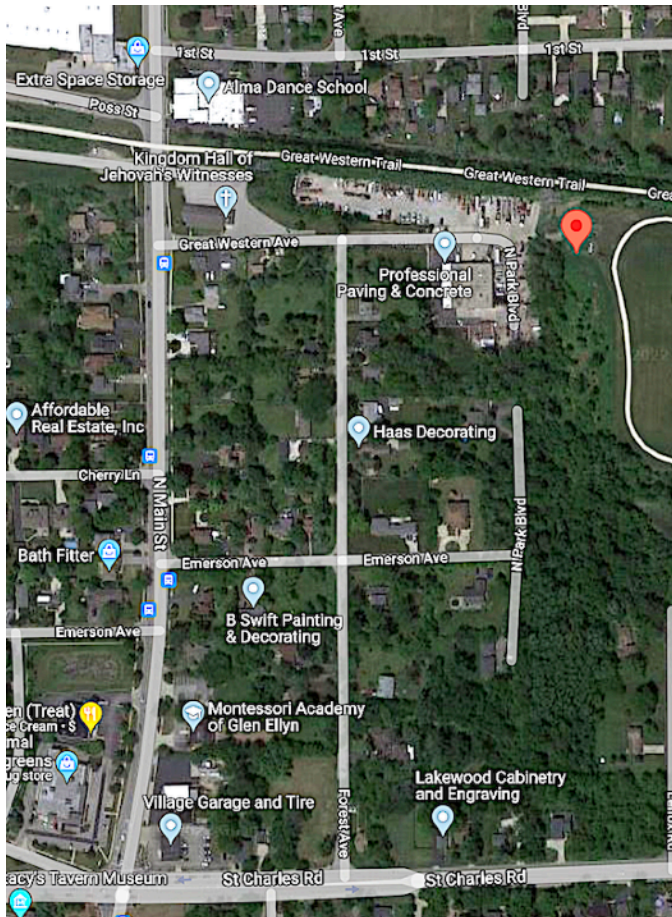
CFAR 2M Foxhunt - Oct 1st, 2022
by Mike WA9FTS - Matt
KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob
KD9VLF, Mac, Mike WA9FTS

Matt got the hunt started just after 8PM. Patty and Mac went back to their house. I got there about 8:10 and we walked to the park and found Matt and Jacob. Matt used a vertical up about 8ft on a metal bracket. Several hunters arrive but who would figure out where we were. We saw Tony first but he disappeared. Shortly John arrived for the win. Three minutes later Don walked up for 2nd. It took another 3 minutes and Tony arrive with added weight - burrs all over his jacket. This had to be a record for foxhunts. Tony and I did not join the rest of the hunters as they went to Portillo's on North Av.

Results:

1. John WD9EXW, Janet - 8:34
2. Don W9RA - 8:37
3. Tony AA9CC - 8:39
4. Tom N9CBA - 8:54





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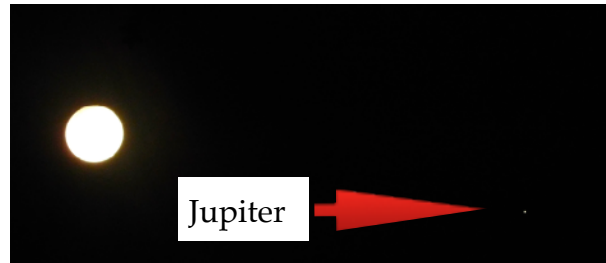
2nd Sat 2M Foxhunt - Oct 8th,
2022 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox -
Tony AA9CC

We started out with good news that Mac got her ham license and was now KD9VVU. Tony got the 4 hunters off with a very weak signal to the north - a little to the east. Don did not make it to the start point and was hunting unofficially. Most of the hunter took 355 north. Matt decided to get off at Golf and found that the other hunters were there also traveling east. We drove into a residential area with short roads - some very narrow. Tony put out several bullseyes but we did not see it until Matt saw it while on Bellaire Av. We got out and ran



down the driveway and back into woods to find Tony at his mother's house. Shortly John came in with Tom who got 3rd. Pete gave up along with Don. We headed to Omega on Golf Rd for the munch. Results:

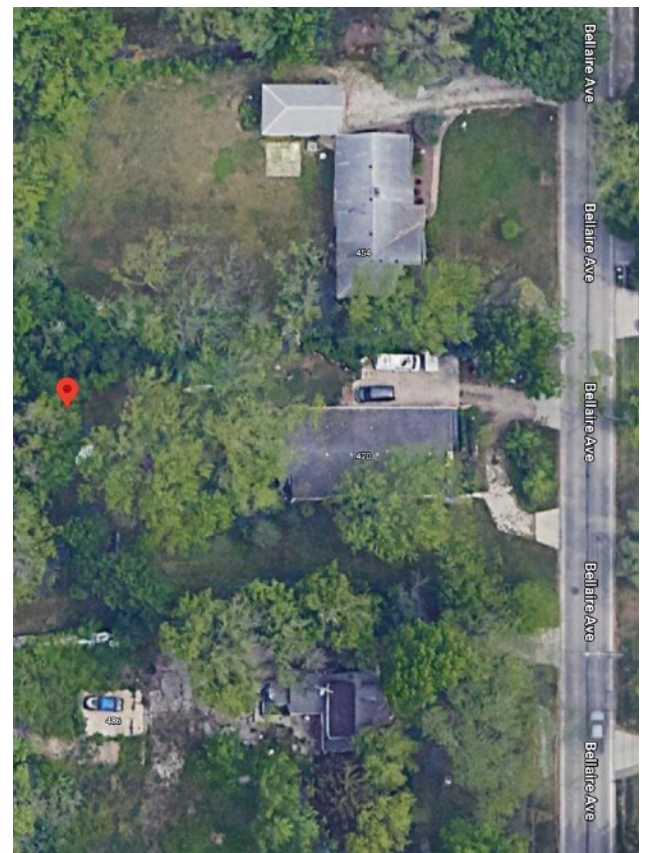
1. Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob KC9VLF, Mac KD9VVU, Mike WA9FTS
 2. John WD9EXW, Janet
 3. Tom N9CBA
- DNF - Pete K9PW
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Jupiter is closest to Earth in many decades.



Pix submitted by Tom N9CBA



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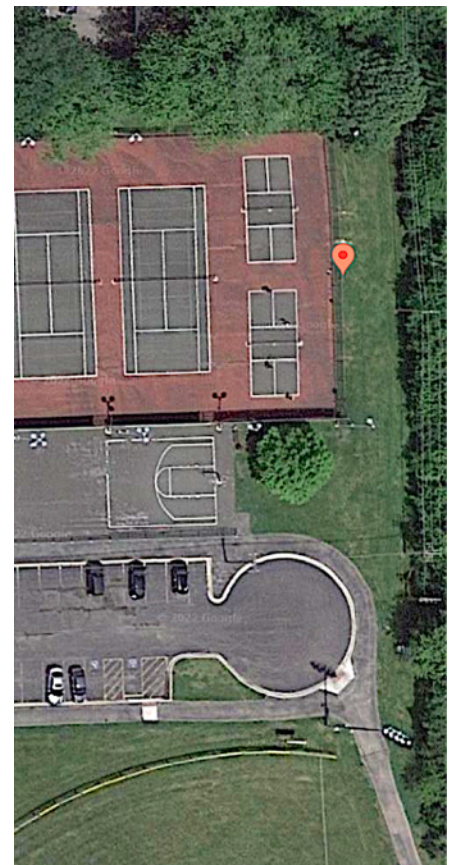
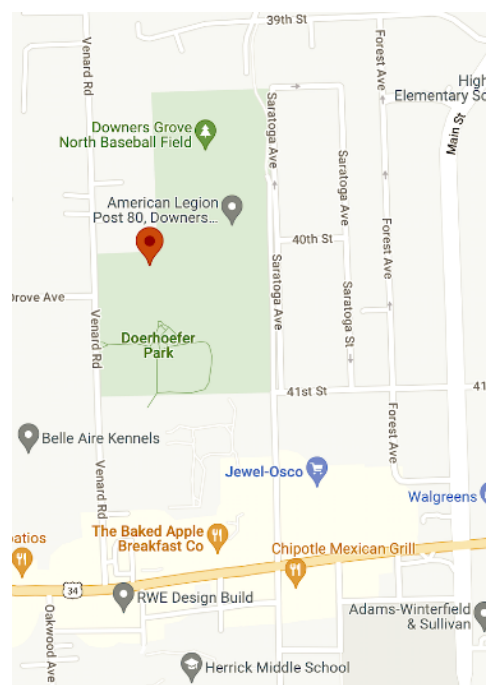
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CFMC 2M Foxhunt - Oct 15th, 2022
by Mike WA9FTS - Fox - John
WD9EXW

Fall is here and winter is not far away. Four hunters showed up to find John and me. We headed for Downers Grove and John picked out a spot in Doerhoefer Park. We sat on a bench next to tennis and pickle ball courts. In the distance young people were playing basketball. At the start of the hunt Janet drove the Caravan off as John started the hunt at 8:08. At about 8:35 Pete arrived and then drove off. He quickly came back and walked in to find us for the win. Four minutes later Tom came from the south for 2nd. It took another 12 minutes and Mac ran up with Matt and Jacob behind her. It was after 9 and Don said he was done and going to munchies which was announce at Portillo's near Finley and Butterfield Rd. Results:

1. Pete K9PW - 8:40
2. Tom N9CBA - 8:44
3. Mac KD9VVU, Matt KC9SEM,
Jacob KD9VLF, Patty N9PLS -
8:56

DNF Don W9RA - 9:01

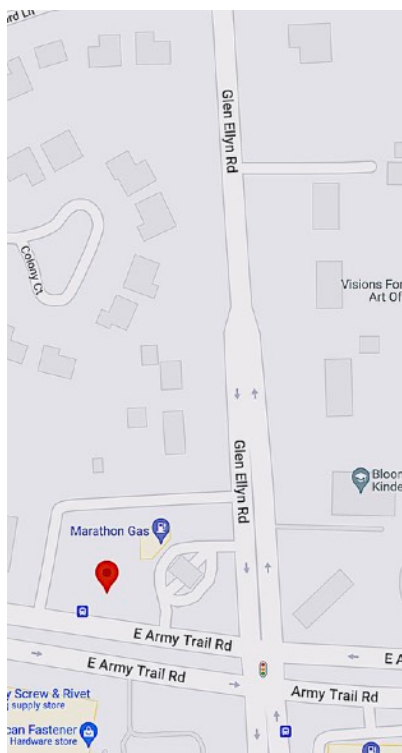


34 2M Foxhunt - Oct 22nd, 2022 - by Mike WA9FTS - Fox - Patty
N9PLS, Jacob KD9VLF, Mac KD9VVU

It was a warm day and in the upper 60s as the hunt was about to start. Patty and the kids started the 6 hunters off with a good signal to the SW. Several of the hunters took 290/355 south. I was with John and Janet and we decided to get off at Army Trail Rd and head west as fast as we could. We found Patty's car at the Walgreen's at Glen Ellyn Rd. I went around the large building west

and across Army Trail Rd. John took a more direct path and found Patty and the kids on the south side of a building behind trees and brush for the win. I got there a minute later. Several of the hunters were spotted driving past on Army Trail. Twenty minutes later 3 hunters came in on foot to score within a minute of one another. John K9JK gave up a few minutes later. Don did not give up and ended the hunt just before 9PM. We went to Generoso Pizza west at Bloomingdale Rd. & Army Trail Rd. Results:

1. John WD9EXW, Janet, Mike WA9FTS - 8:26
2. Pete K9PW - 8:46
3. Tim KC9YFI, Michelle KD9DJT - 8:46
4. Tom N9CBA - 8:46
5. Don W9RA - 8:58 DNF John K9JK



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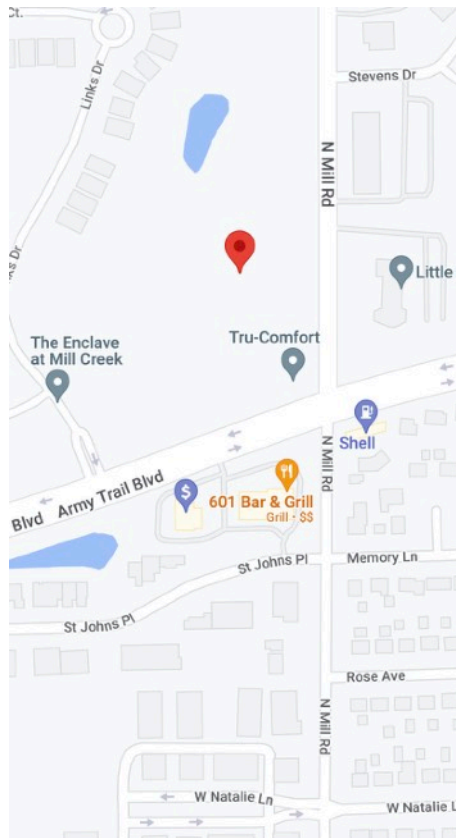
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5th Sat 2M FOXHUNT - Oct 29th, 2022 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox -
Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob KD9VLF, Mac KD9VVU,
Mike WA9FTS

Another cool but clear evening. We were surprised to be told there was 8 hunters eager to find us. They were not allowed to put antennas on top of their vehicles but had to get out and take readings. We found a spot previously used by John EXW. It was being changed as it no longer was a open dirt road off Army Trail Rd. Roads were being built for homes that will be built later. The Jeep was parked by Matt behind a Caterpillar and we were ready for the hunters. At 8:02 the hunters were released. At about 8:20 Pete drove by. Three minutes later he came back and walked up to us for the win. A minute later John arrived for 2nd followed by Don. Marty also drove past and walked back for 4th. Shortly Mike N0MO scored with John JK getting 6th. It took Tim and Michelle 15 min to find us for 7th. We saw Tom drive past us much earlier but disappeared to ??? Finally he got in the area and scored to end the hunt. We all met at Portillo's at Army Trail on Lake near Addison. Results:

1. Pete K9PW - 8:23
2. John WD9EXW, Janet - 8:24
3. Don W9RA - 8:25
4. Marty N9LTE - 8:30
5. Mike N0MO - 8:33
6. John K9JK - 8:34
7. Tim N9YFI,
Michelle - 8:49
8. Tom N9CBA - 9:16



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1st	8 PM	Rt 83 north of St. Charles Rd, Elmhurst across from Whole Foods	147.750 MHz CFAR Input
2nd	8 PM	Downers Grove Fitness & Rec Center parking lot off Belmont Rd south of Odgen Av	146.565 MHz
3rd	8 PM	Centennial Park, Addison 0.4 miles south of Lake St	146.160 MHz CFMC input
4th	8 PM	WoodDale Jr HS parking lot, south of Sievert Rd between Thorndale Rd and Irving Pk Rd,	146.340 MHz
5th	8 PM	TBD by the fox Pete K9PW Next hunt - Apr 29th	TBD by the fox
	Start Time	Starting Location	Foxhunt Frequency

Hunter	1st	2nd
KC9SEM/N9PLS/KD9VLF/KD9VVU/WA9FTS	12/12/6/1/4	2/3/0/0
N9LTE, Bill	2	4
AA9CC	6	7
WD9EXW/Janet / WA9FTS	7/4	8/2
N9CBA/AC9VW	0/0	4/4
WA9FTS	0	1
N9CBA	3	2
K9PW	5	3
W9RA	1	3
KC9YFI/KD9DJT/N0MO	0/1/2	4/4/1
5th Saturday hunts are not included in hunt results		

VK3YNG Sniffer

All of our hunter use the VK3YNG Sniffer when we have to get out on foot to find the fox. We all use one in the vehicle also and W9RA uses his from start to finish.

