

Chicagoland Foxhunters Report

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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 - Aug 7th, 2021 by Mike WA9FTS

Another day rain was scheduled by the weather report. We had a dry hunt. Five hunters showed up to find John WD9EXW. After changing antennas to improve the signal level, the hunters were off to the NW. Most of the hunters got to Irving Pk and Roselle Rd. Tom got to Parkside Pk and was off on foot. Matt's team arrived right behind with Matt getting out to pass Tom for the win - only seconds between them. Marty and Jeanall drove in and 10 min later secured 3rd. I arrived from the south on Ardmore Ave 5 min later for 4th. Don, not giving up, drove in and ended the hunt at 9PM. Jacob and Mac had fun at the Roselle Skate Pk while the hunters were arriving. We met at the Italian Pizza Kitchen less than a mile away on Irving Pk Rd. Results:

1. Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob, Mac - 8:25PM
2. Tom N9CBA - 8:25PM
3. Marty N9LTE, Jeanall - 8:35PM
4. Mike WA9FTS - 8:40PM
5. Don W9RA - 9:00PM





2nd Sat 2M Foxhunt - Aug 14th, 2021 by Marty N9LTE

We were located in the cell phone lot at ORD. We were sitting in the truck at the corner of the lot in "plane" view transmitting off a 5/8 wave omni directional with a power of 2.5 watts. the only way to get in there was to follow the arrivals road and then enter off the ramp. We ended up with a variety of munchie choices at the intersection of Mannheim and Touhy. Some went to subway, Culver's, and Panda Express. The arrivals were as follows:

Start of hunt 8:05PM

1. Tony AA9CC 8:58

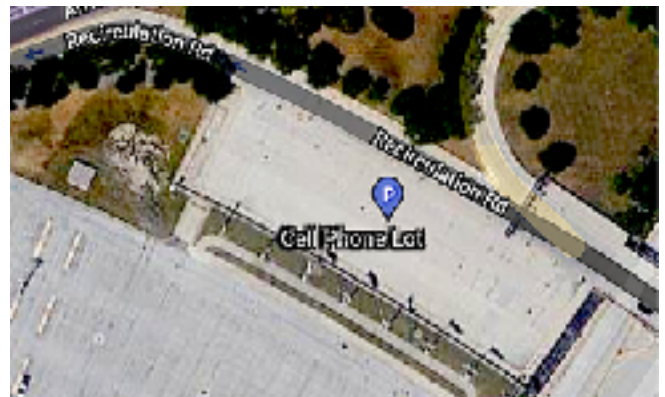
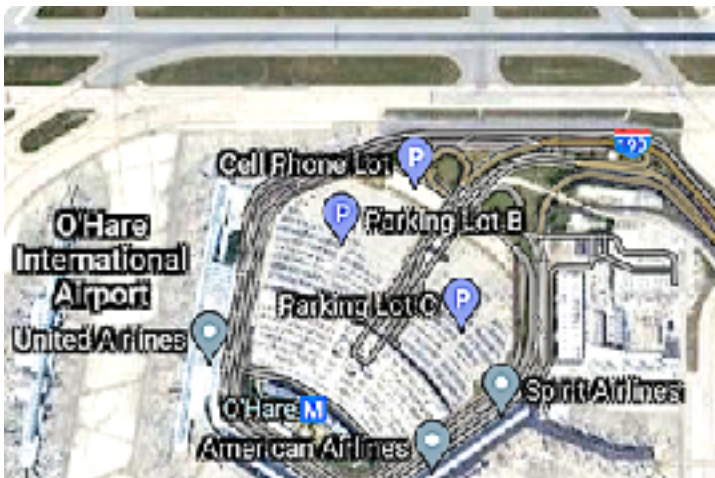
2. John WD9EXW/Janet 9:26

3. Tom N9CBA 9:31

Mike WA9FTS DNF

Don W9RA DNF

Matt KC9SEM/Patty N9PLS/Jacob/Mac DNF



CFMC 2M Foxhunt - Aug 21st, 2021 by Mike WA9FTS

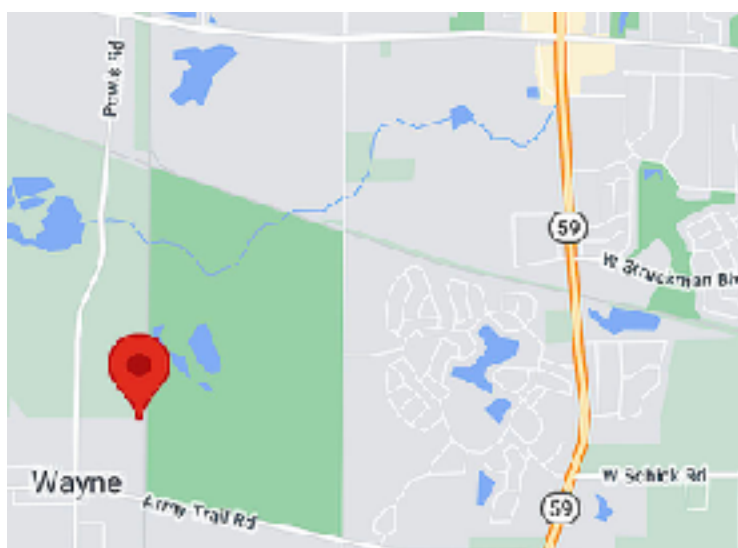
We had rain earlier in some places but it was clear and dry for the hunt. Five hunt teams arrived for the chance to find Tom N9CBA. The hunters left shortly after 8PM with many heading west. John and Janet took Lake St west to County Farm Rd and I agreed with the path. We headed south and John kept going past Schick Rd - maybe to Army Trail. I went west to 59 and west on Army Trail Rd. I missed the opening north under the electric towers and circled around Powis - Sterns, Munger and back to Army Trail Rd. John did not as he found Tom and David AC9VW in Tom's car for the win. Matt's team arrived 2 min later for 2nd. Seven min later Don secured 3rd. I found the hunters

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gathering around Pietanza's at Army Trail Rd and 59. I said I could not get a good reading but Matt said I should try but relax. He went with me and as I headed west on ray Trail I got a good reading the swung to the north around the electric tower. I drove up to find the foxes for 4th. We waited as Marty and Bill arrived on foot from the west to end the hunt. We all went back to Pietanza's for food and drink. Results:

1. John WD9EXW, Janet - 8:42PM
2. Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob, Mac - 8:45PM
3. Don W9RA - 8:49PM
4. Mike WA9FTS - 9:21PM
5. Marty N9LTE, Bill - 9:26PM



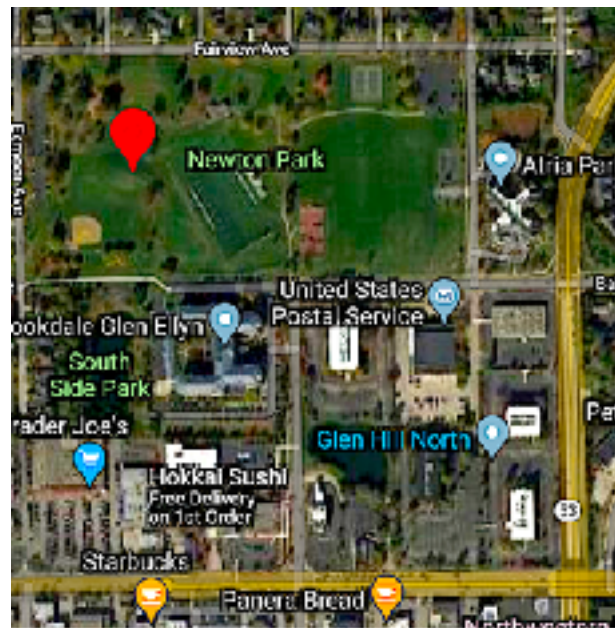
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34 2M Foxhunt - Aug 28th,
2021 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox
Tony AA9CC

Heavy rain and lightning were up north but not at the starting point and south were we expected Tony to be hiding. Tony and I exchanged hiding as I will hide on the Sep 2nd Sat hunt. Seven hunters were off shortly after 8PM. Tony was south and slightly to the west. Most of the hunters took 290E to 355S. The best road to take west was Roosevelt Rd. John and Janet took that route and to Park St to Newton Park. John was off on foot to the top of a hill to find Tony for the win. He was sitting next to his antenna with 5 watts and yagi oriented between vertical and horizontal. Next to find Tony was Matt's team with Tom and Don following. I drove past several times and then in for 5th. I stayed with Tony and we saw Marty and Bill drive up and came in on foot to find us for 6th. I left for Culver's west on Roosevelt Rd. Shortly Pete ended the hunt. Results:

1. John WD9EXW, Janet
2. Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob, Mac
3. Tom N9CBA
4. Don W9RA
5. Mike WA9FTS
6. Marty N9LTE, Bill
7. Pete K9PW



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	Start Time	Starting Location	Foxhunt Frequency
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 W9RA Next hunt - Oct 30th	TBD by the fox

Hunter	1st	2nd
KC9SEM/N9PLS	6/6	5/5
N9LTE	2	5
AA9CC	6	3
WD9EXW	6	8
N9CBA	2	1
AC9VW		3
N9CBA/AC9VW	3/3	
W9RA	1	2
K9PW	3	2
KC9YFI		2
WA9FTS		1

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.

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