

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 6th,
2022 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox
Matt KC9SEM

Another hot evening with 5 hunter eager to find Matt and his family. The hunters were off to the west taking North Av. Several hunters got off and others stayed west. Choosing Bloomingdale Rd to Geneva got us close. John got a 6 on the sniffer and it was to the back of Planet Fitness. Don drove past us and we thought he had beaten us for the win. We found out he did not see Matt's car and came back for 2nd. A few minutes later we drove away and saw Tony on foot running in for 3rd. Later Tom and Mike ended the hunt and we headed for Culver's on Schmale Rd. Results:



1. John WD9EXW, Janet, Mike WA9FTS
2. Don W9RA
3. Tony AA9CC
4. Tom N9CBA
5. Mike N9MO

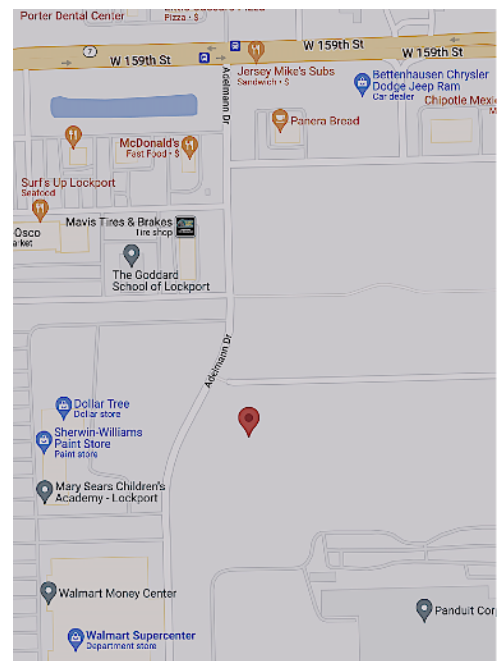
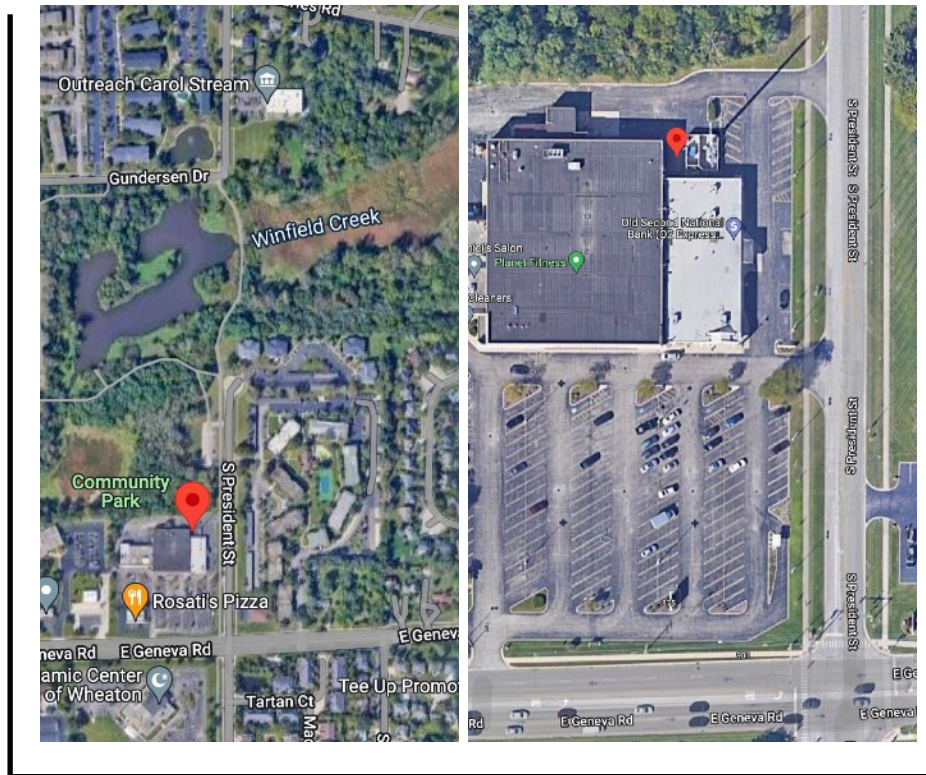
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2nd Sat 2M Foxhunt - Aug 13th,
2022 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox -
Tony AA9CC

Five hunters got a weak but hearable signal to the south. Most hunters took 355. How far was the question. It became clear that Tony was quite a ways south. Marty and Bill, John & Janet had the same idea as they took 355 also. We passed one another along the way. Matt decided to get off at 159th St. Three hunters arrived off Adelmann Dr in a parking lot near several large stores - Dollar Tree and Sherwin-Williams. Tony was to the east in a heavily-wood area between two large ponds. The hunters pushed through without much luck until Matt saw an antenna high in the sky on a long and thin pole. He scored for the win as I got there after he walked out. John went in to get 2nd as Marty and Bill were close by for 3rd. Don quit. Tony's battery ran out of charge as Tom arrived. He had no signals from Tony and could not continue. It was a good thing Tony had a great antenna and was running 5w. It was a good signal for such low power. We went to Mod Pizza on 159th St in Lockport for munchies. Results:

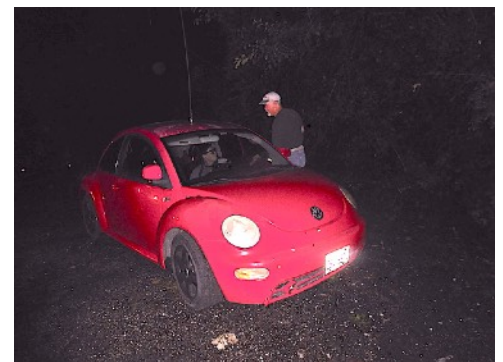
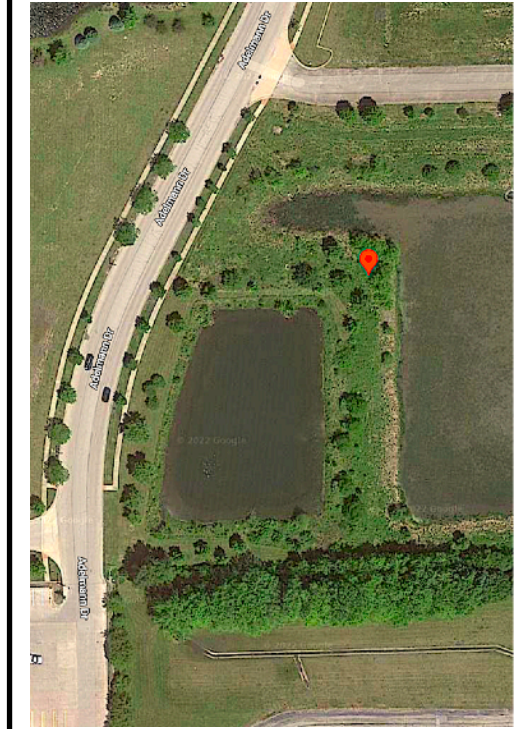
1. Matt KC9SEM, Jacob KD9VLF, Mike WA9FTS, Patty N9PLS, Mac
 2. John WD9EXW, Janet
 3. Marty N9LTE, Bill
- DNF Don W9RA, Tom N9CBA

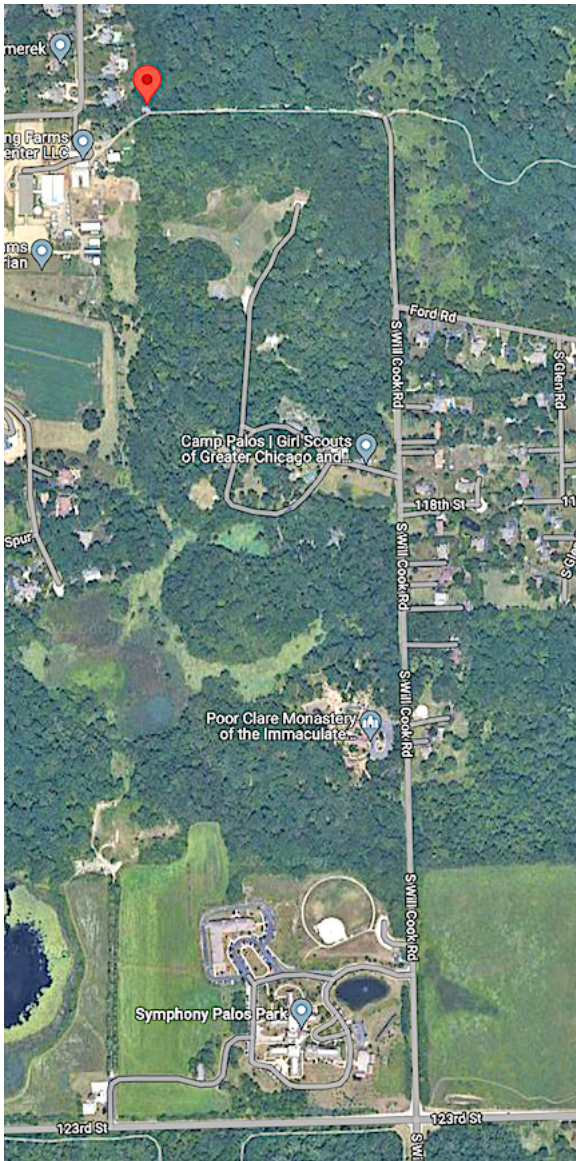


CFMC 2M Foxhunt - Aug 20th, 2022 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox - Tony AA9CC

Six hunters were ready to find Tony for the 2nd hunt in a row. Tony got the hunters off with a weak but hearable signal to the SE. Most of the hunters took 355 south with some taking 88 and 294. Tony seemed to be in a residential area and near commercial buildings. We could not legally enter so how do we get to him? Janet drove in on S Will Cook Rd to Ford Rd. Matt's team arrived and drove back south. We did also. Later we decided to try the Will Cook Rd again and went all the way to the north end to see a dirt path (Sag Vally Trail). We drove west to find Tony in his VW for 2nd as Matt's team returned about 10 min earlier for the win. Tom arrive later for 3rd. The other 3 hunters were not so lucky. Early in the hunt Mike N0MO had his antenna blow off his vehicle with damage to a car following behind him. Tim KC9YFI had his antenna driven over by Marty. Three hunters did not finish but made it to Portillo's on 83 north of 75th St. Results:

1. Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob KD9VLF, Mac
 2. John WD9EXW, Mike WA9FTS, Janet
 3. Tom N9CBA
- DNF N0MO, Wyatt
DNF Marty N9LTE, Andy
DNF Tim KC9YFI, Michelle KD9DJT

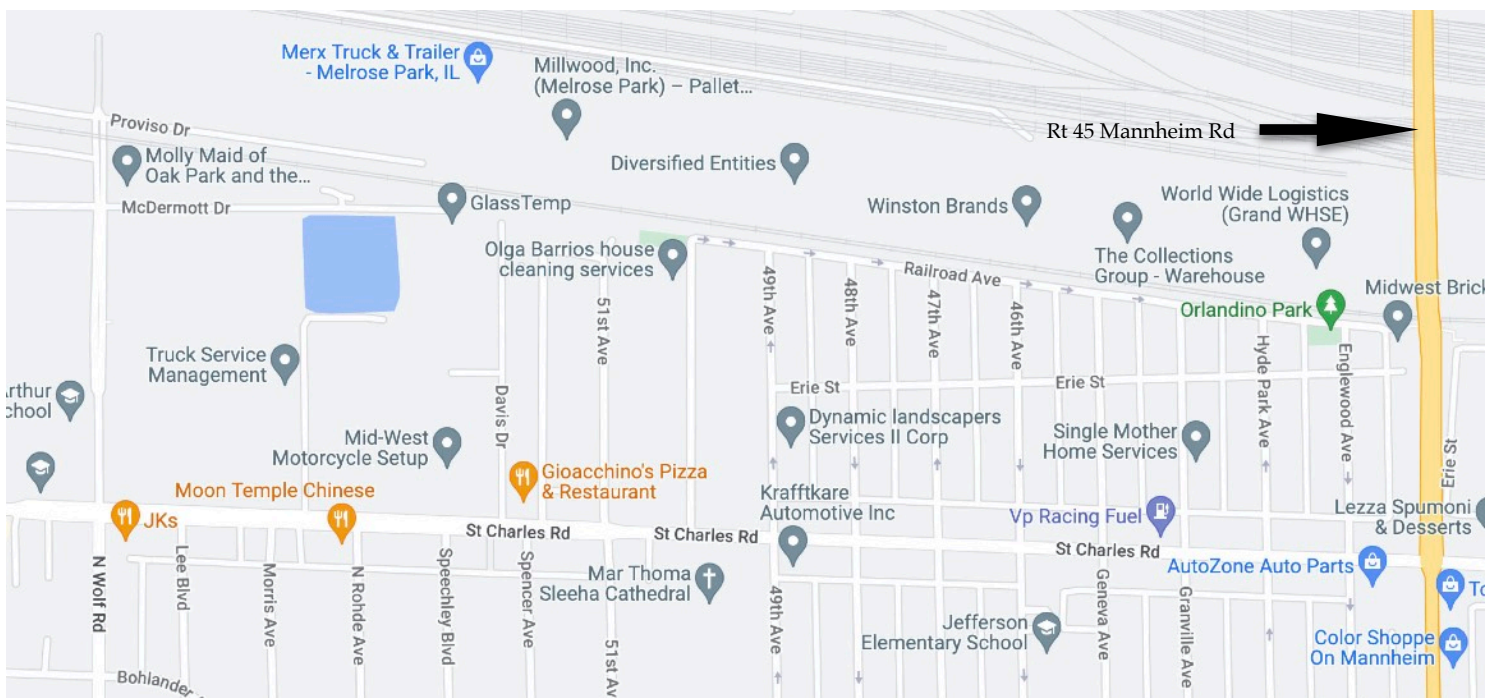
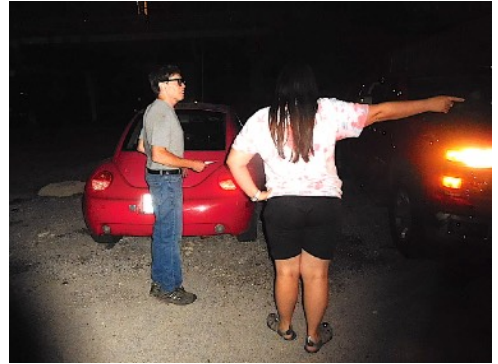




34 2M Foxhunt - Aug 27th, 2022 by Mike WA9FTS - Fox Tim KC9YFI and family

Tim was hiding for Mike N0MO and he brought his family to hide with him. There were 5 hunters to find them. Tim got the hunters off with a signal to the SE. A few of the hunters took 290 to St. Charles Rd. Several hunters - Tony and John were spotted walking around on St Charles. They were close but could not find a way to the north where the signal was coming from. Matt, Patty and I finally found a way around by taking Wolf to Proviso Dr east. We did not notice a small "No Trespassing" sign and head east to the end and a large open parking spot where Jacob spotted Tim's truck. We were very surprised to find out we were the first there for the win. Five minutes later Tony drove up for 2nd. Three minutes after that John and Janet drove up with Pete two minutes later. Tom saw another sign on the west half of Proviso Dr and did not want to go through and quit. The hunt was over. We went to Portillo's on North Ave. Results:

1. Matt KC9SEM, Patty N9PLS, Jacob KD9VLF, Mike WA9FTS, Mac - 8:50
2. Tony AA9CC - 8:55
3. John WD9EXW, Janet - 8:58
4. Pete K9PW - 9:00
- DNF Tom N9CBA - 9:20



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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 Matt KC9SEM Next hunt - Jul 30th	TBD by the fox
	Start Time	Starting Location	Foxhunt Frequency

Hunter	1st	2nd
KC9SEM/N9PLS/KD9VLF/WA9FTS	10/10/4/3	2/3/0/0
N9LTE, Bill	2	4
AA9CC	5	6
WD9EXW/Janet / WA9FTS	4/2	5/2
N9CBA/AC9VW		4/4
WA9FTS	0	1
N9CBA	2	1
K9PW	4	1
W9RA	1	2
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.

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