

Favorite Rooms

Category: Popular Rooms

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People often ask which rooms to listen to. Over the years, I have developed my lists of favorites and I will share them with you. If you think your room or net should be added to the list, let me know.

Dave, W6DS, provides a history for some of the rooms on his HamRadio.Solutions website. To access the YSF histories directly, click on the Network Digital Monitor link. The NDR uses YSF to acquire the audio and data. The rooms use a WiRES-X to YSF bridge so that these YSF reflectors carry the same traffic as their associated WiRES-X rooms. If you would like to have your room/reflector added to the NDR, contact Dave directly.

FusionTech 21493 WiRES-X YSF

This is naturally my favorite as I'm an original founder from all the way back in 2014. It was originally founded out of Minnesota and a lot of people do check in from the upper midwest. The geographical limits have been removed since WiRES-X provides a global community where a friend just down the street is just as close as a friend from the other side of the planet. It is not a terribly busy room so it's a good place to let a node, repeater, or hotspot sit. We encourage those who are tuned in to apply the motto, "No call goes unanswered." If you hear someone put out a call, please answer it even if it is just for a quick "hello." You never know. You might have just met your next life-long friend.

The net encourages friendly conversations on subjects that are likely interesting to those listening. Technical discussions are

encouraged.

Nets

Fusion Technical Net Monday 7:30 PM Central

South Dakota Net Thursday 7:30 PM Central

Website

HamOperator.com

Room audio history is FusionTech Audio History.

Texas-Nexus 21636 WiRES-X YSF

We have a lot of friends in Texas and a lot of them are on this network. The founders of Texas-Nexus got their start when we were MNWis back in the day. They splintered off to form their own, highly successful, network. This is one of the most popular Rooms on WiRES-X. Stop in to enjoy a warm, friendly, Texas welcome!

Texas-SADRC 40324 WiRES-X and YSF

While we're on the subject of Texas, here's another really good group also headquartered out of San Antonio. The San Antonio Digital Radio Club. Also very popular.

Audio history is Texas SADRC.

The-DARC-Room 40012 Wires-X

Another “digital amateur radio club” with a rather clever name. This group is in Minnesota and was also part of MNWis way back in the day. A very friendly group who will be happy to tell you how great the weather is in Minnesota. Note: They will always try to make it sound cold and miserable except when it’s hot and muggy. Their fiendish goal is to make it sound so terrible you won’t want to move there! And if from that description you get the impression that they’re a great bunch of people, they are!

Nets

AUS-Repeater-Net 24160 WiRES-X and YSF

There is a certain “You think that’s a big knife, THIS is a big knife” about Australian hams. A great sense of humor if you can understand what they’re saying and a welcoming sort of nature. Pete, VK5JP, is one of the many instigators behind this group. You’ll find him always eager to teach foreigners how to speak “Aussie”. Make a friend from down under and check out this room. They have a great net which occurs on North America’s Saturday, their Sunday. The time varies between 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM Pacific, depending on the time of year.

Nets

Australia Net Saturday (US) Time varies from 4:00 PM to 2:00 PM Pacific. Check the time zone for South Australia. The nets are

9:30 AM and 6:00? PM local.

CQ-Canada-VE1A0 40678 WiRES-X

The most popular English-speaking net in Canada. And you know Canadian's. They're always very friendly. Check them out and make some new Canadian friends.

America-KC-Wide 28054 WiRES-X YSF

This is THE most popular Room in all of WiRES-X and YSF. There is always a net going on, a conversation, or someone to answer your call.

Nets

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

Website

KansasCityRoom-wide.com

Audio history is KC Wide.

CALNET-Group 83196 WiRES-X YSF

I'm an active member of this group. They have repeaters covering a good of Los Angeles, Orange County, San Bernardino, and San Diego counties. A friendly technically-oriented bunch. They also operate one of the largest FM repeater networks in the state

covering most of Southern California, San Francisco Bay Area and the California desert regions include Fresno, Bakersfield, and San Bernardino county. If you're in Southern California, check them out. Give me a call, there's a good chance I'll be listening here, to their analog service, or on FusionTech.

Here's where you can find them:

CalNet Repeaters

Pleasants Peak C4FM (LA, & Orange County) 449.600 – (PL for FM 151.4)

Sunset Ridge C4FM (LA, & San Bernardino County 447.020– (PL for FM 110.9)

Heaps Peak C4FM (San Bernardino, Riverside County and High Desert 445.740– (PL for FM 136.5)

Fowler Peak C4FM (San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Sacramento counties) 442.725+ (PL for FM 100.0)

Also on these non-owned repeaters:

Catalina Island Repeater 448.900 -5.00 C4FM (110.9 PL for FM only use)

Mt. Palomar (San Diego) 147.075 +.60 C4FM (107.2 PL for FM only use) I provide the WiRES-X feed for this one.

Website

Calnet.org

The CalNet audio history is CalNet.

SoCal Ham (LA Repeater) 21042 WiRES-X YSF

SoCal Ham operates a number of Fusion repeaters in and around Southern California. A current list of repeaters and other

information can be found on their website.

Website

SoCalHam.com Link not currently working as of 5 Sept 2025

Audio history is SoCal Ham.

Other rooms to check out are:

Text TBA

MVARC-Idaho 43210

This is a very friendly bunch of hams with a network that covers from Boise to Idaho Falls and points beyond.

Website

MVARC

Under development

IL-Chicago-Link 82483

Nevada-USA 21676

Wolf-Den 28941 Wolf-Den

NWFG 44222

CQ-NW 86403

Ohio-Link 40557

We're Now FusionTech

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MNWis has changed its name to FusionTech. Nothing else changes. The name was changed to better reflect the nature of the organization from Minnesota and Wisconsin midwest centric to global covering interests in technology and Fusion in particular.

The network is still reachable at Room and YSF 21493. The Fusion Technical Net is the same and the people running it are the same.

The FusionTech network is part of the Bakken Amateur Radio Society (BARS). BARS was formed as a club of amateurs who worked at Medtronic. Since that time the relationship with Medtronic employees has become less connected and subsequently most members are not from Medtronic.

The founders of FusionTech are: Chuck, K00RK; Pete, AD0MI; and Chris, K9EQ. The net started in 2014 and is the 2nd oldest net to be held using Fusion. (Milwaukee has the honor of being number one.)