

July Fox Hunt!

Hi TBARC members and Friends,

Our monthly meeting for July, (7/22/2025) will be a Fox Hunt and the weather looks like a good evening to find the Fox. We will **start at 5:30 PM** because the fox will be up and about at that time. We will meet as a group to get started in the **Tractor Supply parking lot** on Ripley near the end **by the old Western Auto**. You can work by yourself or with others. You also can communicate the others on the repeater to compare direction headings, but do not transmit on the Fox's frequency (146.550 MHz). If you made a "tape measure beam" that will be a help for you as well as "paper clip" antenna. A map of the local area will be a help too. It might be a good scheme if we could divide into 3 groups and get a heading from each location that could be reported back to a net control. This may locating the fox easier and faster.

The Fox will start transmitting a few minutes past 5:30 PM and stop transmitting at 7:30 PM.

If you haven't already paid your dues for the 2025 -2026 year you can at the Fox Hunt. Also, remember if you pay yours dues before the end of July you will get a colorful printed membership certificate.

If you would want to "fine tune" your fox hunting equipment, I will have the fox talk (transmit) from my front porch on **Thursday, 7/17/25, Friday, 7/18/25 and Monday, 7/21/25 form 2:00 PM through 7:00 PM.**

Hope to see all of the Fox Hunters on Tuesday!

Dick, W1UP, TBARC Treasurer (and keeper of the Fox!)

PS: the link below gives directions to build a tape measure beam that should aid you in finding the "Fox" and this email info is also on <https://ThunderBayARC.org>

<https://www.jpole-antenna.com/2017/02/07/build-it-2-meter-tape-measure-yagi-beam-antenna/>

or this link which has a few more details

<https://xwarn.net/2022/01/04/joe-leggio-wb2hol-tape-measure-antenna/>

