

Email from Gary - WT0B

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Cc:Bill Richter

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Although I have said that 2 Meters (VHF-hi) is the most common band that all hams can use in common, 2 Meters is not the lowest frequency common band that all hams can use in common. It's the HF band for 10 Meters!

TECHNICIANS: Are you tired of running that ***puny 5 watt HT***, and only get to talk to local hams? Step up to 10 meters, feel the joy of ***up to 200 watts*** of power that can ***propagate all over the world!*** A 10 Meter antenna can be smaller than the 11 Meter CB antenna. (Some hams have converted CB antennas for 10 meters, since 11 meters are fairly common.)

Bill, Extra Class - **W5YAR**, would like to start a weekly round table "schedule" (not a formal net) on 10 Meters in the segment which is also authorized for Technicians. This schedule would be a good way to test out your equipment and antenna system, learn some of the differences in operating practices that are used in VHF/UHF, and feel the thrill of reaching out beyond our local area.

Currently there is a group of hams in the "9" land that meet weekly on Tuesday and Thursday on 28.450 MHz with whom Bill has made contact, and they are doing similar to what we are thinking about. They said Wednesday would be good for us to have our own schedule as far as they were concerned, but they said this frequency at times is problematic for them as it is a popular local net frequency. They suggested an odd frequency would have less chance of QRM.

Bill will be on (or around) 28.433 MHz on Wednesday nights at 8PM, beginning next week! Give him a call on 10 meters! Don't be shy about trying out this band! Propagation has been great!

Thanks for starting this up Bill!

- Gary (WT0B)

PS: Ask if you need help getting started on 10 Meters!

PPS: Exercise your PTT muscles daily!