ARES Meeting Agenda - 04/20/22

- Roster Update
- LPOTA – Event Review
- 2022 IL State ARES Spring SET
- Severe Weather Spotting – Possible Change
- Code Red Notifications
- Severe Weather Tabletop Exercise
- Emergency Expo
- Upcoming Zoom Sessions from RATPAC
- Winlink News
- Meeting Survey
- ARES Net Reminders

Welcome to any Guests

- Thanks for joining us tonight

ARES Roster Update

- We are currently at 28 on our team
- The latest Roster was emailed on Jan. 24th
- Please update your cell phones with names, call signs and mobile numbers

LPOTA – Event Review

- Local Parks on the Air - Summary
  - It was rather cold
  - I did not get to participate at all
  - As far as I know, only a 2 or 3 folks were on the air
  - Maybe we can schedule for another time when warmer

2022 IL State ARES Spring SET

- Saturday April 30 - on the air at 8:00 AM
- I will be out of the area that day
- I have little specific info (like a real event might be)
- Expect traffic on HF 80 meters – 3.905 +/-
- You can participate from home or in the field
- Follow any instructions given as best you can
- You might hear a County contact person – one may be named shortly before the event

Severe Weather Spotting

- Possible Changes Coming
- To improve the overall state of spotting & net
- No or minimal change for most of our spotters and the processes each follow
- We are considering having a liaison person at the Bunker – primary function to coordinate spotting locations among other spotters
- Net Control will remain wherever makes sense
- Would also like “home” spotters to monitor the Calling Frequency 146.520 for travelers who have spotting reports and can’t find the Net

Code Red Notifications

- Everyone on our Roster is now on Code Red
- In the event of severe weather requiring storm spotters, we will be notified via Code Red
- We have had no activations so far this year
- If you learn of an activation and do not get a Code Red notification, please contact Rich

Severe Weather Tabletop Exercise

- Held by the Peoria City/County Health Dept.
- Discuss ways to improve our Spotter Team
- Wednesday April 27, 2022 at 6:00pm
- At Peoria County Health Department, Room 125
- 2116 N Sheridan Rd, Peoria
- Register at surveymonkey.com/r/KW7DW75
- Food to be provided (so please register)

Emergency Expo

- We have been invited to participate (again) after a 2-year event hiatus
- Tuesday, July 12, 2022 – 4-7 pm
- Shoppes at Grand Prairie – between Dick's and the former Berger's (towards Rt 91)
- Emergency Responder – Touch-a-Truck Event
- Informational Booths on Safety-Related Topics
- Do we want to participate?

RATPAC Zoom Sessions

- Radio Amateur Training Planing Activities Committee
- RATPAC is a grassroots group of ARES leaders who are working together on common goals
- RATPAC uses a groups.io page to share information (called SEC-ARES) https://sec-ares.groups.io/g/main
- Providing twice a week Zoom presentations related to Ham Radio and ARES (Recorded for later review)
- List of past & future presentations - tiny.cc/ratpac-list

Upcoming RATPAC Sessions

Date	Topic	Category
Apr 20, 2022	Tools & Techniques for Tracking Down RFI	
Apr 21, 2022	Providing an Updated Intro to Emergency Communications for New Hams	Education
Apr 27, 2022	No Tools Troubleshooting	Technical
Apr 28, 2022	What's in YOUR Go-kit?	Public Service
May 04, 2022	History of SSB	History
May 05, 2022	WaveTalkers	Operating, Tech.
May 11, 2022	NetLogger Software	Operating
May 12, 2022	Using Ham Radio Communications to Support Medical Teams in Undeveloped Areas of Honduras (IHS)	Public Service
May 18, 2022	Mesh Networks --what/why/how (not just AREDN)	Technical, Operating

Typically 8:00 PM Central https://sec-ares.groups.io/g/main

Presentations: Published Format- http://tiny.cc/ratpac-list

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3) Click the Reply button along the top of this Winlink Express window.

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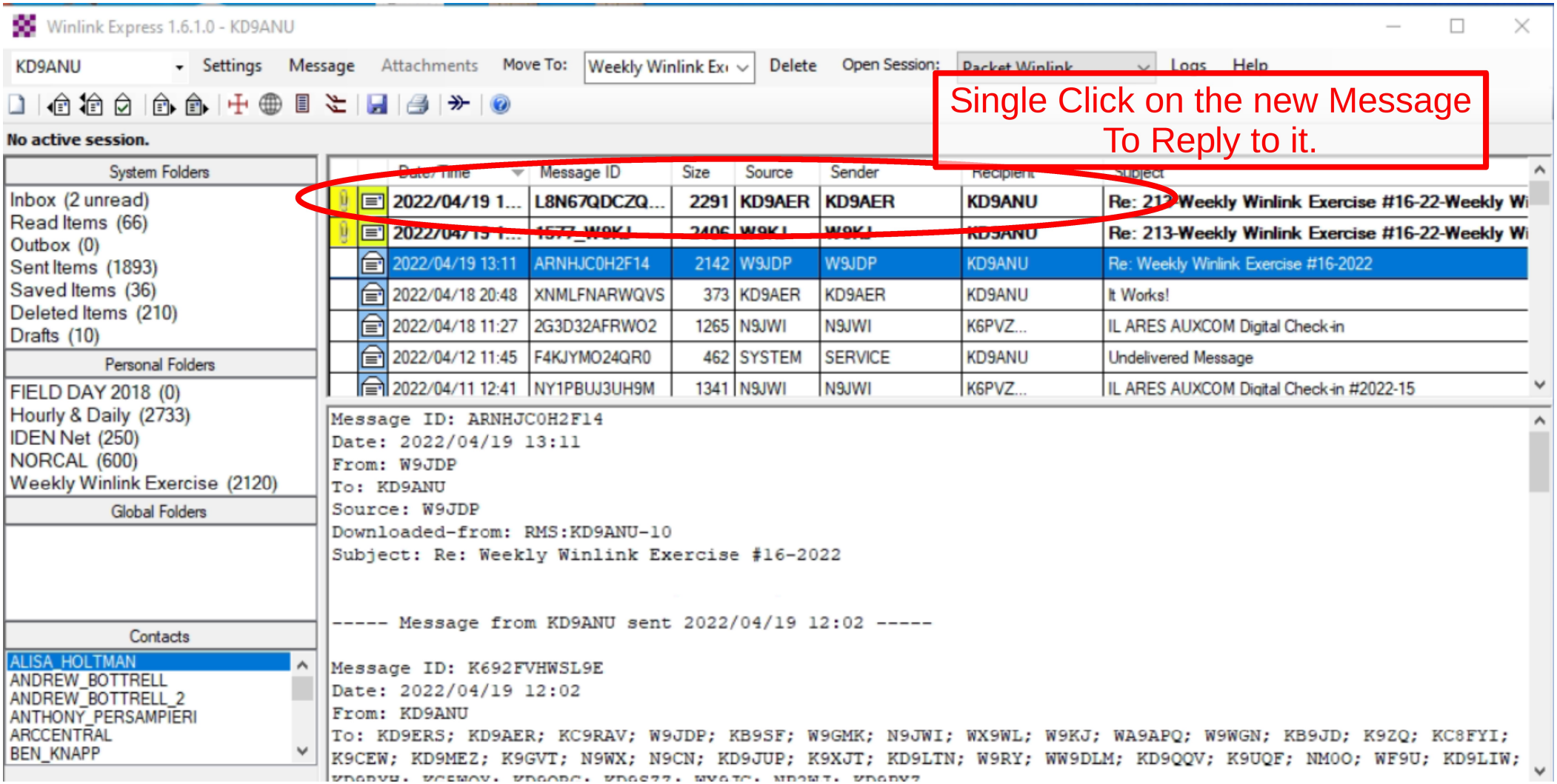

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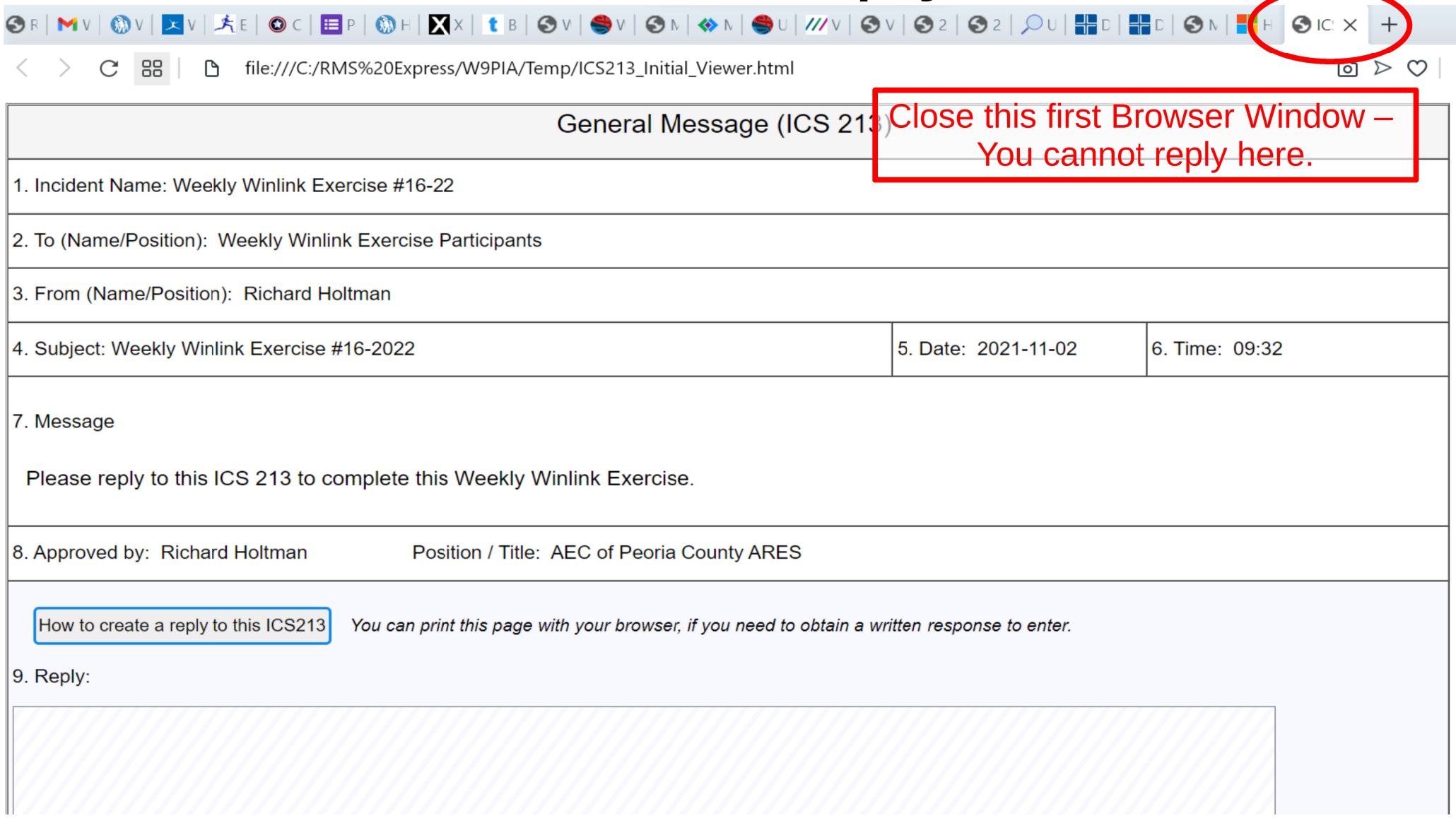

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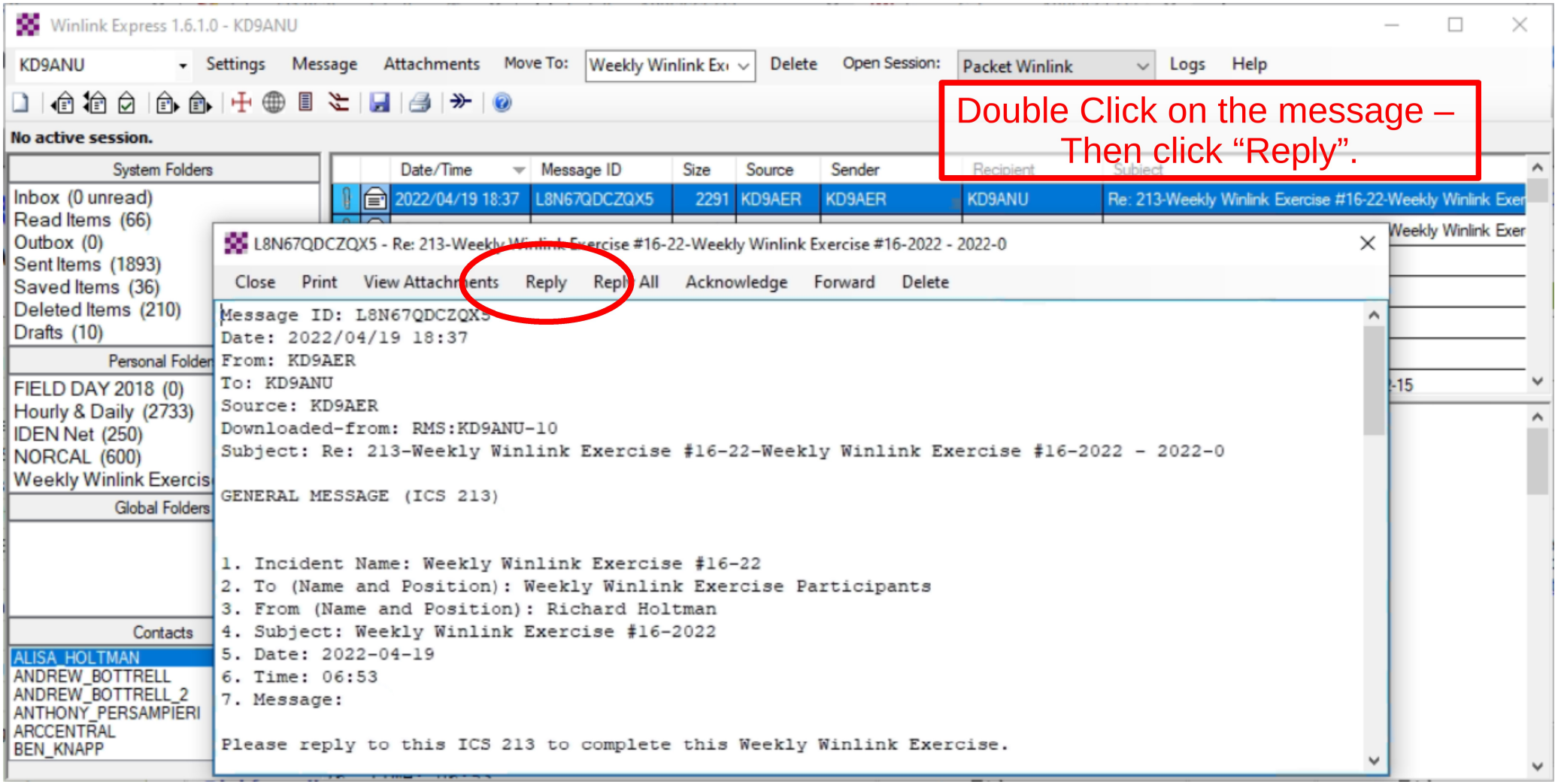

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Enter your Position/Title
Enter the Date/Time
Click on "Submit"

8. Approved by: Richard Holtman Position / Title: AEC of Peoria County ARES

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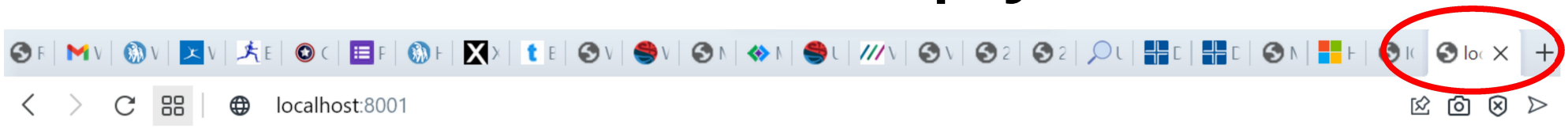

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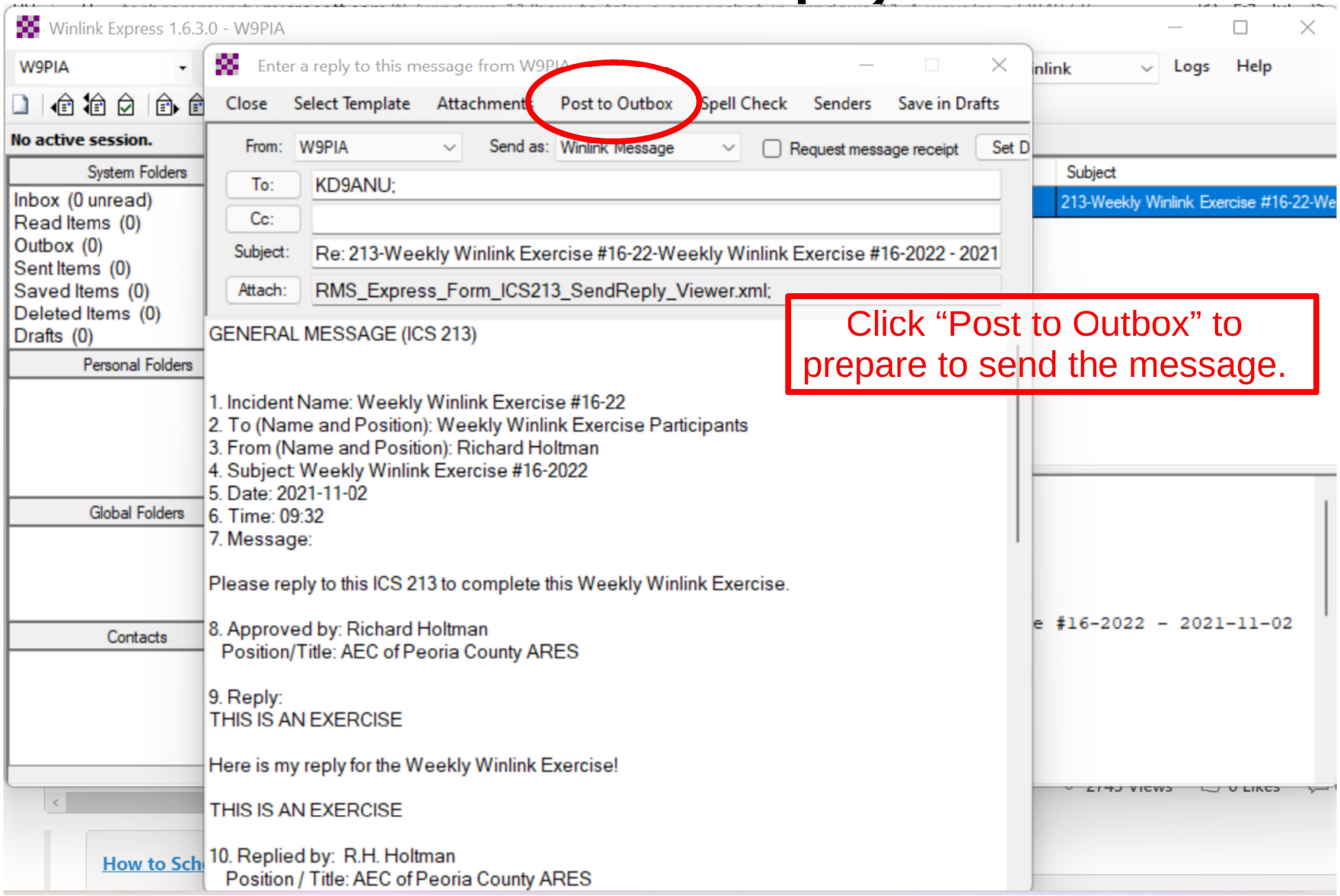

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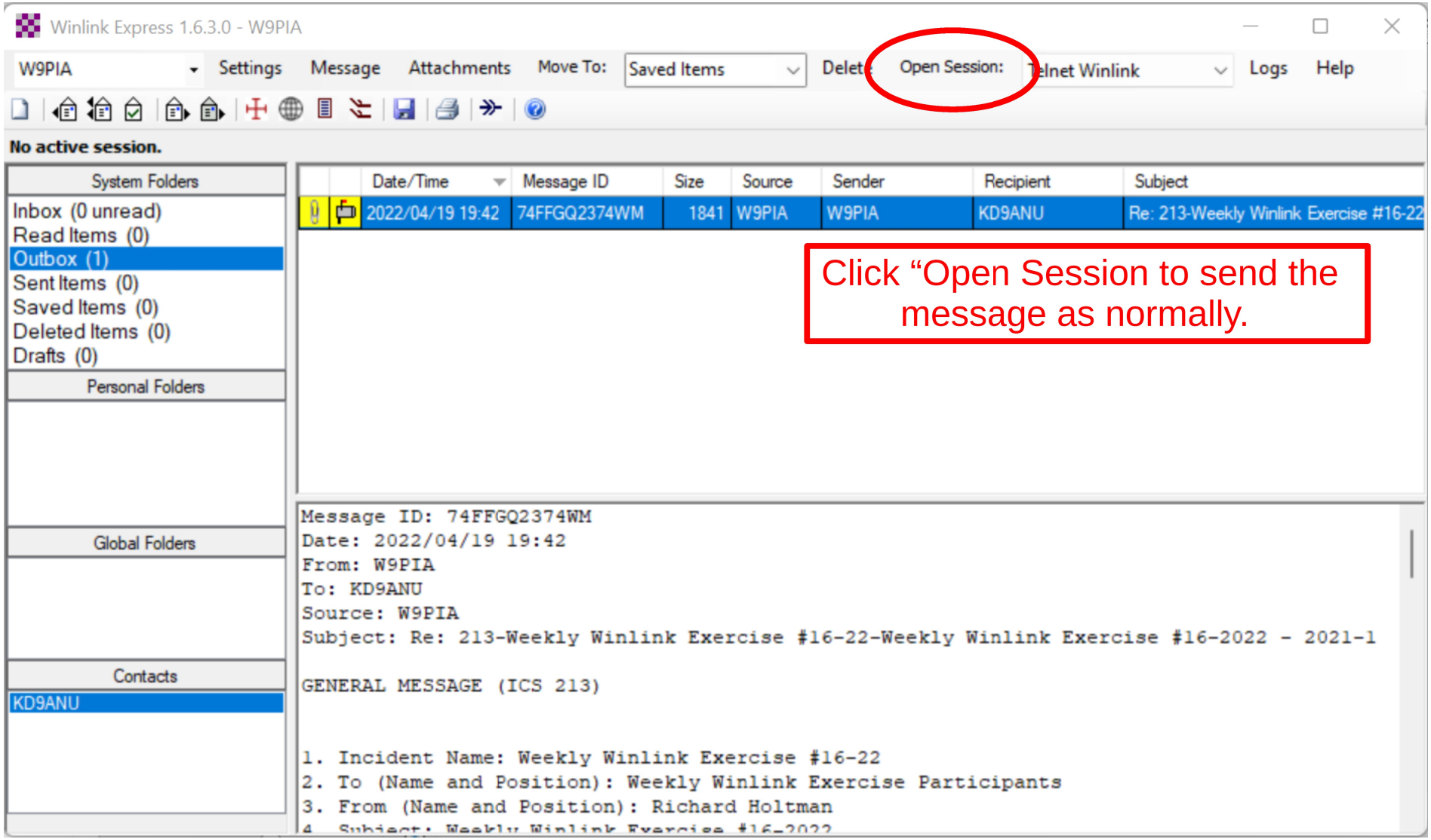

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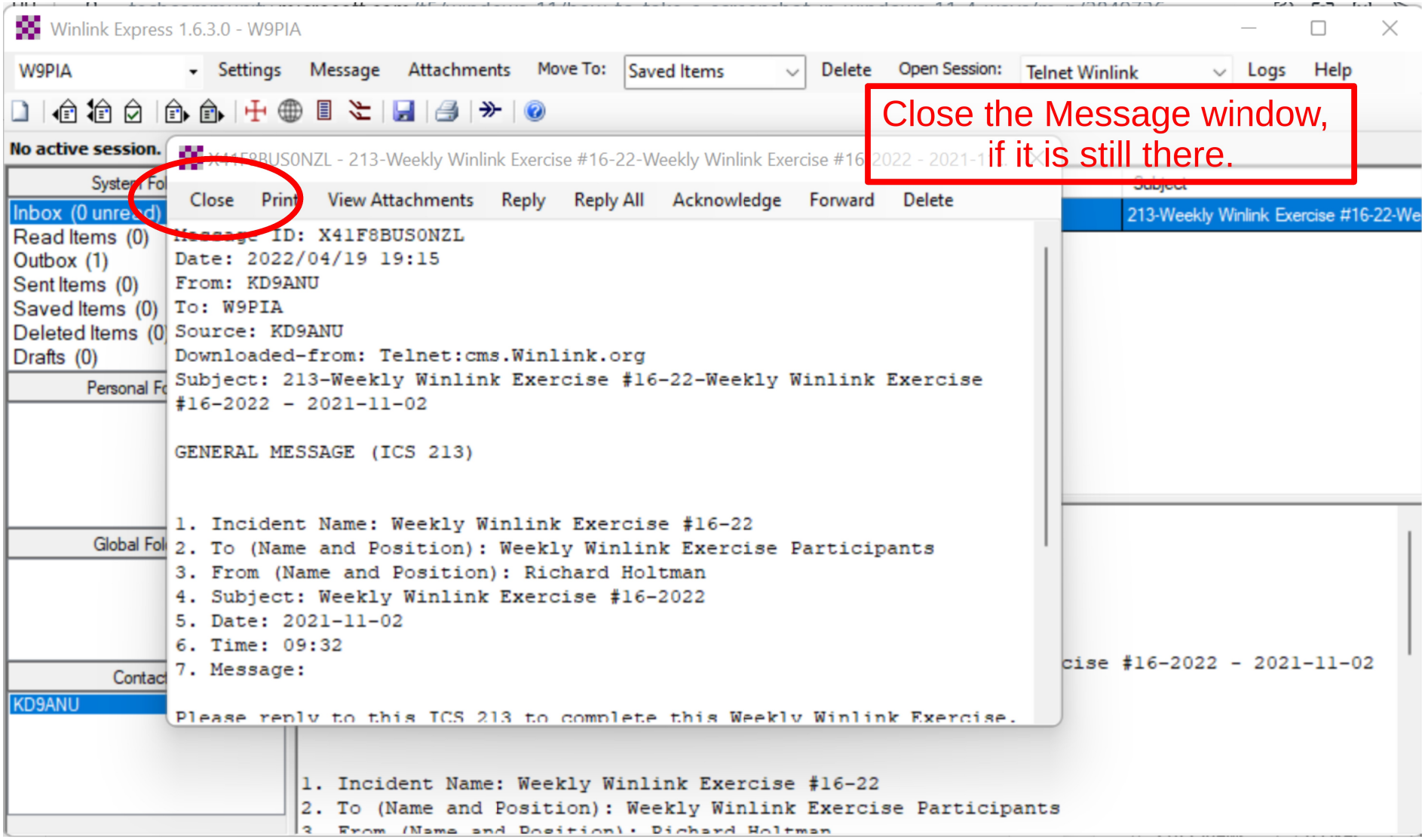

Meeting Survey

- Thanks to the many who took the short survey
- Results are divided regarding preference to meet in-person vs meet virtually
- High degree of willingness to meet in-person
- We do have options for meeting in-person:
  - Bartonville American Legion
  - Apparently the Peoria Red Cross recently reopened
- May do a mix of in-person and virtual meetings
- Might change the day of the week
- So watch your email for more information

ARES Net Reminders

- Illinois State ARES HF Net
  - 1st and 3rd Sundays of month at 4:30 PM CST
  - 3.905 MHz LSB (alternate 7.230 MHz LSB) & Echolink 824404
  - **NEW! – informal 60M & 40M check in - (7230 KHz) at 4:10 PM**
  - **60M check at 4:20 pm (5403.5 kHz Channel 5, if busy then 1, 2, 3, 4)**
- Illinois Digital Net every Wednesday 8:00 PM on Illinois Link
  - WIRES X 21565
  - Brandmeister DMR 31171
  - TGIF DMR 31171, DMR+ Reflector 4636
  - NXDN 3117
  - P25 31171
  - YSF Reflector Illinois Link 83132
  - D-Star XLX 334G, DCS 334G, XRF 334G, and XLX 312G
  - Allstar Link 42810

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