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“SARA SLIP”



Newsletter of the Shawnee Amateur Radio Association

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SARA SLIP is published by the Shawnee Amateur Radio Association, Inc., of Marion, Il.

SARA WEBSITE: www.w9rnm.org. The SARA SLIP can now be found on the SARA website.

MEETING SCHEDULE: SARA regular meetings are held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM. at the Herrin City Hall..

NEXT MEETING: Our April meeting will be held on Friday, the 1st of the month.

SARA SUNDAY NETS

1. 3.925 Mhz (plus/minus QRM). Sundays; 8-9 AM. Net Manager: Fred, AA9FS.

Net Controls:

April 3	W9OWP
April 10	N9ADJ
April 17	KG9DD
April 24	KC9AJR

2. 147.090/.690 SARA Repeater Sundays, 9 PM. Net Manager: Bob Giacomo, N9VKO. Net Control: Bob, N9VKO.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT MARCH 22

Beginning Balance:	\$2638.52
Credits: Dues	\$ 60.00
50/50	\$33.00
Debits:	\$00.00
Ending Balance:	\$2744.52

MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes March 4th 2022

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with introductions by 20 members present.

Secretary Report: No meeting in February

Treasurer's Report: No new report since last meeting.

Repeater Committee Report: Leroy KB9JNO reported that the noise problem on the 147.090 repeater is still being monitored since it has not been determined at which repeater site of the linked system is creating the noise

.Bruce WA9APQ stated that the 146.640 SARA repeater remains off-air due to antenna problems at the repeater site. Alternate site possibilities for the 146.640 repeater are being explored with the tower at the old Herrin P.D. might be possible. Motion made by Steve WA9 SWW and seconded by Gerry WG9Z to proceed with discussion with city officials. Motion carried

Skywarn Report: No severe weather is in the forecast. Kenny KB9KC reminded everyone that the training will be starting up again soon so everyone is ready for spring storm season. Check the NWS Paducah web site for Skywarn training sessions.

Old Business : Bob N9VKO spoke briefly about the upcoming River To Relay Race on April 23 and gave a rundown as to the volunteers at meeting time as well as the need for more volunteers to fully staff the event.

New Business: Tom W9RY stated that all ARRL officers at Newington were re-elected to their positions Tom ran with no opposition. Steve WA9SWW has been appointed as assistant manager to serve with Tom W9RY.

Rick KD4CAE spoke about the Junior ROTC program at Marion High School with about 100 students involved in the program. Rick is working to see if Ham Radio could be used as a project. Rick also gave Show and Tell of some new communications gear that the V.A. Hospital has received for use in emergency or disaster.

Adjourn: Motion made by Steve WASWW and second by Leroy KB9JNO

50/50 - Winner was Chris K9LED - total of \$38.00 Chris accepted \$5.00 and donated \$33.00 back to SARA

Announcements

SARA MEETING LOCATION

The SARA meetings will be held on the first Friday of the month in the north side of the Herrin City Hall (old Herrin P.D.) 300 N. Park Avenue at 7:00 pm.

Net Schedule

146.850 PL88.5 M.A.R.A.Monday- Saturday 7:30 - 9:00 am
147.135 PL 88.5 ARCOM Mt. Vernon, Il.....Monday 8:00 pm
146.805 PL 88.5 LEARSMonday 8:30 pm
147.270 PL103.5 Centralia, Il.Wednesday 8:00 pm
147.345 PL 88.5 Best night netSaturday 7:00 pm
147.090 PL 88.5 District 11 ARES netSunday 8:15 pm
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA SkywarnSunday 8:45pm
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA.Sunday 9:00 pm
3.925 MHZ SARA 75m netSunday 8:00am
3.940 MHZ Illinois Phone Net Sunday at 8:00 am
3.905 MHZ State wide ARES net ..1st. and 3rd. Sunday 4:30 pm
3.905 MHZ Illinois Sideband Traffic Net Nightly at 6:00 pm
3.537 MHZ Illinois CW Net (ILN) Nightly at 7:15 pm
3.858 MHZ Illinois Phone Net Monday-Friday at 4:45 pm

The LEARS club will hold their monthly meeting on the second Tuesday 6:30 pm at the Franklin Hospital in the 1 st. floor conference room.

The MARA club will hold their meetings at the Murphysboro Township office in Murphysboro, IL. at 7:00 pm on the third Friday of the month.

SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

Mar 27 WA9APQ	Apr 3 AA9FS	Apr 10 KD4CAE
Apr 17 KB9KC	Apr 24 WA9APQ	May 1 AA9FS
May 8 KD4CAE	May 15 KB9KC	May 22 WA9APQ
May 29 AA9FS	June 5 KD4CAE	June 12 KB9KC
June 19 WA9APQ	June 26 AA9FS	July 3 KD4CAE
July 10 KB9KC	July 17 WA9APQ	July 24 AA9FS
July 31 KD4CAE	Aug 7 KB9KC	Aug 14 WA9APQ
Aug 21 AA9FS	Aug 28 KD4CAE	

News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY

**The SARA Club meeting will be held the first Friday of the month at 7 pm, at north side of City Hall at 300 North Park Avenue in Herrin, Illinois. Their next meeting will be April 1st.

**The SEMO Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Jackson Civic Center, 381 East Deerwood, Jackson Missouri. Ham testing is available. Their next meeting is April 4th.

**The Rend Lake College Amateur Radio Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month starting at 5 pm in the Rend Lake College student center to give us more exposure. If we need to demo something provisions can be made for that prior to the meeting. Parking will be on the east side of campus in the rings. The next meeting is April 5th.

**The Union County Amateur Radio Club will meet the second Monday of the month at 6 pm at the Anna Fire Department, 101

West Market Street, Anna Illinois. Ham testing is available. The next meeting is April 11th.

**The Centralia Wireless Association monthly club meeting is held on the 2nd Monday of each month, except when it falls on a holiday, in which case the meeting is the following Monday, at 7 pm. The club meets at the Centralia Historical Museum, 240 South Locust, in Centralia, Illinois. The next meeting is April 11th.

**The LEARS Club will meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria at Franklin Hospital in Benton, Illinois. Their next meeting is April 12th.

**The River Hills Amateur Radio Club of Perryville, Missouri meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm, in the Mauve Room at the Perryville Missouri American Legion. Their next meeting will be April 13th.

**The SEMO Amateur Radio Association meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm at United Gospel Rescue Mission, 400 South Broadway in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Ham testing follows the meeting. The next meeting is April 14th.

**The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Outland Regional Airport in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. The next meeting is April 19th.

**The MARA Club will meet the 3rd Friday of each month at 7 pm in the Murphysboro Township Office, 1410 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois. Ham testing will be available. The next meeting is April 15th.

**The SCAN Club will meet the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm, at the Municipal Building, 101 North Mill Street, in Carrier Mills Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting is April 26th.

**CONGRATULATIONS to the MARA Club raffle winner, Lance Newman (KD9GOY). He chose the \$400 cash.

**The MARA Club is needing donations to purchase a new, commercial antenna for the K9GOX Repeater in Alto Pass (146.850) to help alleviate the static problems the repeater has been experiencing during inclement weather. If you would like to help, every

donation, large or small would be greatly appreciated. Make your check payable to M.A.R.A, note in the memo line “antenna donation” and mail it to: Gerald Hofbauer, 2022 E. Creekwood Drive, Carbondale, Illinois 62902

**The 2022 River to River Relay is scheduled for April 23rd and Bob (N9VKO) is working on putting together his roster of volunteers to help with communications for the race. If you need more information or would like to add your name to the list, contact Bob at 618-357-8721 or by email at n9vkobob@frontier.com

**Whenever there is a problem with the MARA Club Repeater at 146.850, the first back-up plan is to utilize the MARA repeater in Carbondale, Illinois, frequency 145.310, PL Tone 88.5, WiresX connection 21824 or MARA LINK, Allstar link 40443. In the event that neither of these repeaters is operational, the old plan of using the SARA Club linked repeater system will be utilized on frequencies 147.090 at Ava, Illinois or 146.880 at Herod, Illinois (PL Tone 88.5 for both) A special thank you to the members of the SARA Club for extending this courtesy of the use of their system to the Get ‘Em Up & Off To Work Net!

NIGHTTIME NETS

(All times central unless otherwise indicated)

Mondays

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200

**SEMO Amateur Radio Association Net at 7:30 pm on 145.350 pl 100.0

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0

**Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535 pl

**SEMO Amateur Radio Association Net at 8 pm on 146.910 pl 00.0

**Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon Net at 8 pm on 147.135 pl 88.5

**L.E.A.R.S. Club Monday Night Rag Chew 8:30 pm on 146.805 pl 88.50

Tuesdays

SEMO ARA Learn Morse Code Net about 6 pm on 145.350 pl

100.0

SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl

100.0

**Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535

**River Hills Amateur Radio Club Net at 7:30 pm on 147.315

(+) pl 100.0

**R.A.D.I.O. Net at 9 pm on 146.940 pl 94.8 . EchoLink access

N9CJS-L

Wednesdays

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl

100.0

**Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535

**Centralia Wireless Association Net at 8 pm on 147.270 pl

103.5 EchoLink node

W9CWA-R

Thursdays

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl

100.0

**Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535

**SCAN CLUB Thursday Night Rag Chew at 8 pm on

146.880/147.090 pl tone 88.5

**Digital Thursday Net about 8:15 pm on 145.13 & 145.31(no pl tone needed)

Fridays

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl

100.0

**Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535

Saturdays

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl

100.0

****Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535**

Sundays

****SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200**

****SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0**

****Barefoot Bullfrog Net at 7:30 pm on simplex 146.535**

****SARA Net at 9 pm, on 147.090 & 146.880. pl tone is 88.5**

****PARA Club Net at 9 pm, on 147.06. pl tone 179.9**

FORMAL, TRAINING & ROLL CALL NETS

****Illinois Sideband Traffic Net nightly at 6 pm (must have a general or higher license) on 3.905**

****Tri-State Emergency Net at 8 pm Wednesdays on 146.79**

****The PBW-Net Humanitarian is each Sunday at 6 pm on simplex 146.495**

****ARES Net Sundays at 8:15 pm on 147.090 & 146.880 linked system. PL tone 88.5**

****SARA SKYWARN Net Sundays at 8:45 pm on linked repeaters 147.090 & 146.880 pl tones 88.5**

****The Missouri ARES District E Training and Traffic Net is 7 pm Monday on 147.330 pl tone 100.0 (Bloomfield)**

****Union County Amateur Radio Club ARES Net 7:15 pm, Monday on 145.250, pl tone 77.0**

Union County Amateur Radio Club SkyWarn Net at 7:30 pm.

(EchoLink will be available only during the nets WA9LM-R or node # 203684)

****The Missouri ARES District E Training and Traffic Net 7 pm Thursday on the 146.910 pl tone 100.0 (Poplar Bluff)**

Special Events & Fund Raisers

****For a complete list of ARRL Hamventions and Conventions go to arrl.org/hamfests/search**

****Missouri QSO Party April 2-3, 2022**

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NOTEWORTHY WEBSITES

**NWS SKYWARN SPOTTER TRAINING schedule
weather.gov/pah/spottertraining

**SEMO Amateur Radio Association SEMOHAMS.NET

**Carolyn's Coffee Break Program

**Carolyn's Sunday Gospel Program

**American Thresherman Bluegrass Programs

**Shawnee Training Academy <http://www.shawneetrainingacademy.com/>

**Topographical Maps heywhatsthat.com

**Super-elastic Signal Stick signalstuff.com

**Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon <https://qsl.net/arcom/>

**W0AVQ's Repeater Overlay on Google Earth <http://hamradio.w0avq.org/repeaters>

**ARRL Hamfest and Convention list arrl.org/hamfests/search

**Ed's (AD0WN)Tri-State Repeater list <http://semoarc.com/nets.htm>

**WB0VTM & K9YAW putting up an antenna WB0VTM & K9YAW

**Ham Radio Call Book Archive <https://archive.org/details/callbook?&sort=downloads&page=2>

**KB9COL Build an R6 Meter-Plus antenna <https://youtu.be/NmZemahwtzw>

**SARA CLUB w9rnm.org

**CENTRALIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION w9cwa.net

**TRI STATE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY w9og.net

**SEMO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB semoarc.com

**W9RY SOUTHERN IL. AMATEUR RADIO PAGE
w9ry.com

**SARA CLUB w9rnm.org

**The following organizations can be found on Facebook.

(1) MARA Club

(2) SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AMATEUR RADIO

(3) ARRL

(4) RADIOW9GH

(5) REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

(6) SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

(7) SOUTHERN COUNTIES AMATEUR NETWORK

WS9CAN

Silent Keys

**W9YRY August “Augie” Campanella 06/09/1920-07/19/2016

**WD0CYP Rev. Dr. Harold “Hal” Landwehr 03/10/1940-
12/27/2016

**W9CJW Michael “Mike” Hoshiko 04/08/1921-12/26/16

**WB9HEB Jonathan “John” Kraatz 04/08/1950-04/07/2017

**KA9TTP William “Bill” Hertter 11/07/1944-05/20/2017

**WA0ZNI Joseph “Joe” Lorberg 03/09/1939-07/29/2017

**KB9KCV Charles “Charlie” Conwell 11/11/1953-08/12/2017

**K9YP William “Bill” Stevens 08/12/1955-09/04/2017

**KB9COL Raymond Jackson 12/16/1945-07/16/2018

**WA9GYH Ronald Hunter 05/03/1947-12/02/2018

**KB0ZDG Howard A. Mc Artor Jr. 06/26/1928-exact date n/a

**N9XWO Lou Dean Spurlin 05/29/1942-03/17/2019

**WA9HAB Bob Morefield 10/10/1938-04/11/2019

**KC0UCF Richard Bundy 02/09/1968-09/17/2019

**WB0TYV Larry Huey 08/18/1943-10/24/2019

**KD9JOR Steve Cremeens 03/21/1952-10/31/2019

**W0PLW Ronald Hale 11/03/1942-01/26/2020

**K0VKE Earl Chasteen 06/01/1933-05/04/2020

**AA9TJ David Shurtz 12/22/1955-08/26/2020

**W9MXM Ray Melhorn 07/22/1929-09/08/2020
**WK9W LeRoy McDuffie 09/09/1931-09/28/2020
**KC0VFX Clinton Fallin 09/05/1966-10/11/2020
**N9MRA Matthew Andrew 12/14/1952-12/07/2020
**W9YFA Robert Carter 1936-12/10/2020
**KB5SQO Richard Hoyt 07/24/1941-12/25/2020
**KC9PII Charles “Charlie” Colp 03/10/1952-01/04/2021
**K9GDV Michael “Mike” Hamilton 07/04/1940-11/24/2020
**K9AFV Martin Buchanan 10/18/1933-01/19/2021
**KF4QWH Charles “Bob” Kilpatrick 04/01/1943-02/17/2021
**KC9TVI Sandra Colp 08/08/1954-05/09/2021
**WA0KLC Kenneth Crowell 04/27/1963-06/06/2021
**WI9X James “Jim” Stoeber 11/18/1969-08/05/2021
**KE0NSG Robert Stephens 12/23/1942-09/11/2021
**KD0WXY Gary Foglietta 08/27/60-01/03/2022
**KA9EJL Jeffery Carver 10/28/1953-01/29/2022
**K9SYB William “Mr. Bill” Gollhofer 08/04/1943-01/03/2022

Special Notes

**For all the work you need done on your antennas or towers, get the work done right the first time by calling Dennis Karnes (N9TAK) at 618-967-0924.

** EchoLink is running on 146.850. To connect to the system use the following

EchoLink Node Call sign : K9GOX-R

EchoLink Node Number : 817516

Allstar Node Call sign : K9GOX

Allstar Node number : 45525

**Anyone that has anything they want included in Saturday’s emailing of the News From My Hamster Hut, Hamster Hut Shop & Swap, or any photos they might like to submit to the Hamster Hut Picture Place must get them to me by Wednesday evening! Email your submissions to kd9buy@gmail.com

**If you have something you would like for me to submit to Fred, AA9FS, for the SARA Slip, you must have the information to me

before the 20th of the month prior to publication.

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God bless each of you,
Carolyn Cremeens, KD9BUY
Publisher/Editor

REMEMBER THE "GET 'EM UP & OFF TO WORK NET"

7:30 am Monday through Saturday

146.850 pl 88.5

Echo Link K9GOX-R

Remember the Sunday Morning SARA Net at 8 am Sunday mornings on 3.925

CLASSIFIED ADS

Free to SARA Members— Rates to others on request.
All ads will be placed for 3 consecutive issues and then removed unless the editor is advised in writing to continue, modify, or cancel the ad.

FOR SALE: SARA arm patches \$5.00 ea.; Skywarn patches \$5.00 ea. Contact: Diana Cash, KC9FDC, 13876 Jeffery mine Rd, Johnston City, Il. 62951. e-mail renegade2274@frontier.com. Phone (618) 694-2335.

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