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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 August meeting will be held on Friday, the 2nd of the month.

SARA SUNDAY NETS

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

Net Controls:

August 4	WA9RD
August 11	AA9FS
August 18	KB9APC
August 25	W9OWP

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT JULY 2019

Beginning Balance:		\$2546.93
Credits: 50/50	\$ 5.50	
Debits:	\$ 0.00	
Ending Balance:		\$2552.43

MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes July 5th 2019

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with introductions by 14 members present.

Secretary Report: Motion made by Tom W9RY and seconded by Leroy KB9JNO to accept report as printed in The SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Tom W9RY and seconded by Gerry WG9Z to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Repeater Committee Report: Bruce WA9APQ and Leroy KB9JNO are continuing to work on the 147.090 repeater noise issue. The work continues with replacing and tuning cavities. No problems were reported that involved the 146.640 repeater. Leroy KB9JNO stated that after the failure of the SCAN Clubs 440 repeater a new Yaesu Fusion repeater had been installed at Williams Hill 444.800/449.800 with digital and analog modes in operation. Leroy suggested that radios need to have the 88.5 tone on for receive (tone squelch) to prevent unwanted digital signal from coming through on receive.

Skywarn Report: Kenny KB9KC commented that most of the recent severe weather seems to have missed many of us and reminded everyone to keep watching the sky.

Old Business: Kenny commented about Field Day activities and most comments were about rain and flooding and how it affected Field Day. Many gathered at the SCAN clubs site at Glenn-O-Jones Lake and The Union County site at the park in Jonesboro.

New business: Kenny KB9KC reminded everyone about the upcoming Shawnee Hills 100 Ultra Marathon Race, coming up on August 24-25. Let him know if you are interested in helping. Kenny KB9KC stated that the Jackson Falls access road was in very poor condition and a high clearance vehicle was needed to get in there. It is a 2 day communications event and more volunteers to help will shorten the time each person's shift at the aid stations.

Kenny KB9KC informed everyone that the annual SARA picnic will be at the Golden Corral on Saturday

September 21st at 2:00PM. Weather will not be a factor at this location and of course there is no covered dish needed for this party.

Tom W9RY publicly thanked all you participated in the COMM-EX

exercise by submitting County Status reports that had been requested. Tom indicated that he had received and passed status reports from 39 counties.

Tom W9RY indicated that at next meeting he will be giving a demonstration of WIRES-X.

Motion to Adjourn made by Bob N9VKO and seconded by Shawn K9PWW - meeting adjourned

50/50 - Was won by KC9RTQ The total was \$11.00 with a payout of \$5.50

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.

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.

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 SkywarnSunday8:45pm
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 MARA club will hold their meetings for 2018 at the Murphysboro Township office in Murphysboro, IL. at 7:00 pm on the third Friday of the month.

Amateur Radio Tower Foundation will hold their meeting quarterly after the MARA club meeting.

SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

Aug 4, KD9EFB; Aug 11, KB9KC; Aug 18, AA9FS;
Aug 25, KD4CAE; Sept 1, KD9EFB; Sept 8, KB9KC;
Sept 15, AA9FS; Sept 22, KD4CAE; Sept 29, KD9EFB;
Oct 6, KB9KC; Oct 13, AA9FS; Oct 20, KD4CAE;
Oct 27 KD9EFB; Nov 3, KB9KC; Nov 10 AA9FS;
Nov 17, KD4CAE; Nov 24, KD9EFB; Dec 1, KB9KC;
Dec 8, AA9FS; Dec 15 KD4CAE; Dec 22 KD9EFB;
Dec 29 KB9KC

News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY

**The SARA Club meeting will be held the 1st Friday of the month at 7 pm, at 300 North Park Avenue in Herrin, Illinois. Their next meetings are August 2nd and September 6th.

**The Union County Amateur Radio Club would like to invite you to their annual picnic and anniversary celebration, Saturday, August 3rd, at Lincoln Memorial Park in Jonesboro, Illinois. The club will provide meatloaf and the anniversary cake. It is potluck, so bring a side dish to share with everyone. Lunch will start at noon. Union County Amateur Radio Club members are asked to wear their club t-shirts. Everyone is welcome! Ham testing will be available. If you need more information, contact Ashley, KD9EFB, at 618-201-5813.

**The Scott County Amateur Radio Society will meet the first Saturday morning of each month at 9 am, at the Fathers Arms Fellowship Church on Main Street in Scott City, Missouri. Their next meetings are August 3rd and September 7th.

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club meets the 1st Monday of each month at 7 pm, at the Cape Girardeau County Office Building, 1 Barton Square, Jackson, Missouri. Ham testing follows the meeting. Their next meetings are August 5th and September 2nd.

**The Centralia Wireless Association meets the 1st Monday of each month, (except when it falls on a holiday. Then that meeting will be the following week) at 7 pm, at the Centralia Historical Museum, in Centralia, Illinois. Their next meetings will be August 5th and September 9th.

**KD9ASD will be conducting a Skywarn Training net Tuesday, August 6th, at 7 pm, on 146.805, pl tone 88.5. Echo Link will be available on node KD9ASD-R. For more

information contact KD9ASD at kd9asd@gmail.com

**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. Their next meeting is August 8th.

**The Union County Amateur Radio Club meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 pm, at Jus 10, 334 South Main Street, Anna, Illinois. Ham testing at 5 pm, BEFORE the meeting. Their next meeting is August 12th.

**The LEARS Club will meet the second Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 pm, in the cafeteria at Franklin Hospital in Benton, Illinois. Their next meeting is August 13th.

**Technician Classes for Ham Radio, will be held at the Metropolis, Illinois Fire Department on Wednesday and Thursday, August 14th and 15th, at 3:45 pm each afternoon. Classes are free, however a \$14 fee will be charged to take the test. Anyone interested in taking the class should contact Charlie Richey (K9DUE) at: 270-816-5551 or 618-309-6911.

**The annual MARA Club Picnic/meeting will be Saturday, August 17th, 11am-2 pm, at Riverside Park, in Murphysboro, Illinois There will be a tailgate swapmeet beginning at 11 am. Chef extraordinaire, K9LRE, will be grilling up the hotdogs. It is pot luck, so everybody bring a covered dish with something tasty to share with everyone!

**The MARA Club is selling raffle tickets for a Henry Golden Boy, model H004, lever action rifle. The winner will be drawn at the Saturday, August 17th picnic. You do not have to be present to win. The winner will be notified. Tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. Raffle tickets are available at: Giacomo Automotive in Pinckneyville 618-357-8721 Jerry Giffin (K9LRE) 618-303-1224 (call or text) Carolyn Cremeens (KD9BUY) 618-893-4242 (call) or 618-534-3360 (by text only)

**The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Outland Regional Airport in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. (Except October and December). Their next meeting will be August 20th.

**The SCAN Club will meet the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm, at the Fire Station in Carrier Mills, Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting will be August 27th.

**Communications volunteers for the Shawnee Hills 100 race are being gathered. That race will be run August 24th and 25th at Camp Ondessonk in Ozark, Illinois. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, contact: Kenny, KB9KC at kenkb9kc@gmail.com Or Bob, N9VKO at 618-357-8721 or n9vkobob@frontier.com

**The Union County Amateur Radio Club will be raffling off an ICOM IC-2730-A VHF/UHF Transceiver. Ticket sales will be limited to 100. After 100 tickets are sold the drawing for the winner will be held at the following Union County Amateur Radio Club meeting. Updates on the amount of ticket sales will be available on the Union County Amateur Radio Club's Facebook page. Tickets are \$10 each or three for \$20 and may be purchased by: sending your check made out to Union County Amateur Radio Club, 507 Williams Street, Lot #4, Anna, Illinois 62906. By phone: Ashley at 618-201-5813 or Lee at 618-434-6262 or by Pay Pal at kd9evl@gmail.com

Ham Testing

**Following the 7 pm, August 5th, meeting of the Semo Amateur Radio Club, at the Cape Girardeau County Office Building on Barton Square in Jackson, Missouri.

**At 5 pm, BEFORE the August 12th meeting of the Union County Amateur Radio Club, at Jus 10, on South Main Street, Anna, Illinois.

**The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will be offering ham testing, Saturday, Au-

gust 17th, at 9 am, at the Outland Regional Airport, 100 Aviation Drive in Mt. Vernon Illinois. Pre-Registration is required by August 12th. Registration info can be found at <https://www.qsl.net/arcom/exams.html>

**Following the 7 pm, August 27th, meeting of the SCAN Club at the Carrier Mills, Illinois Fire Station.

Special Events & Fund Raisers

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

NOTEWORTHY WEBSITES

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

**Topographical Maps heywhatsthat.com

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

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

**Walker Communications wcradios.com

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

**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 Archives <https://archive.org/details/callbook?&sort=-downloads&page=2>

**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 ASSOCIATION semohams.net

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

**The following organizations can be found on Facebook.

(1) MARA Club

(2) SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AMATEUR RADIO

(3) ARRL

(4) RADIOW9GH

(6) REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

(7) SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

NIGHTTIME NETS

(All times central unless otherwise indicated)

Mondays

- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Association net at 7 pm on 145.350 pl 100.0
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Association net at 8 pm on 146.910 pl 100.0
- **Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon Net at 8 pm on 147.135 pl 88.5.
- **LEARS CLUB Monday Night Rag Chew at 8:30 pm on 146.805 pl 88.5

Tuesdays

- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- **R.A.D.I.O. NET at 9 pm on 146.940 pl 94.8 . EchoLink access N9MWK-L

Wednesdays

- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- **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 (No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- **SEMO 5 State Net Thursday nights at 7:30 pm on 147.330 pl 100.0
- **SCAN CLUB Thursday Night Rag Chew at 8 pm on 146.880/147.090 linked system pl tone 88.5

Fridays

- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0

Saturdays

- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0

Sundays

- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200(No pl tone needed.)
- **SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- **ARES Net at 8:15 pm on 147.090 & 146.880 linked system. Pl tone 88.5
- **SARA Net at 9 pm, on 147.090 & 146.880. pl tone is 88.5

FORMAL, TRAINING & ROLL CALL NETS

- **Illinois Sideband Traffic Net nightly at 6 pm (must have a general or higher license) on 39.05
- **Tri-State Emergency Net, 8 pm Wednesdays on 146.79
- **The PBW-Net humanitarian is each Sunday at 6 pm on simplex 146.495
- **ARES Net at 8:15 pm on 147.090 & 146.880 linked system. PL tone 88.5
- **SARA SKYWARN Net, each Sunday at 8:45 pm on linked repeaters 147.090 & 146.880 pl tones 88.5

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 05/03/1947-12/02/18
**KB0ZDG Howard A. Mc Artor Jr. 06/26/1928-exact date unknown
**N9XWO Lou Dean Spurlin 05/29/1942-03/17/2019
**WA9HAB Bob Morefield 10/10/1938-04/11/2019

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 boogerinosmom@gmail.com

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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

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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