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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 March meeting will be held on Friday, the 6th of the month.

SARA SUNDAY NETS

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

Net Controls:

March 1	KB9APC
March 8	W9OWP
March 15	N9ADJ
March 22	KG9DD
March 29	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 FEBRUARY 2020

Beginning Balance:		\$2624.15
Credits: Dues	\$ 15.00	
20/20	\$ 36.00	
Debits: Sec. of State NFP	\$ 13.00	
Ending Balance:		\$ 2662.15

MINUTES

February 7st 2020

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with introductions by 22 members present and one guest.

Secretary Report: Motion made by Gerry WG9Z and seconded by Tom W9RY to accept report as printed in The SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Ed KD9FRQ and seconded by Leroy KB9JNO to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Repeater Committee Report: Leroy KB9JNO reported that 146.640 repeater has been working fine and the noise problem on the 147.090 repeater still remains an on and off thing that makes it very difficult to track down. Bruce WA9APQ also stated that he and Leroy KB9JNO were getting closer to solving the problem but weren't there yet.

Skywarn Report: Kenny KB9KC reminded everyone that it is time again for Skywarn Spotter training. Check the schedule for a class nearest you and contact info at the Paducah National Weather Service web site. Tom W9RY stated that his web site has links to check the schedule. At meeting time no one was certain of the March date at John A. Logan College.

Old Business: Kenny KB9KC asked all present if they had received a copy of the Shawnee Amateur Radio Association Constitution and By-Laws and also asked if anyone thought any changes needed to be made. There were no comments or suggestions.

Kenny KB9KC asked if anyone would like to move ahead with planning of a fox hunt in the spring or summer months. WA9APQ stated that there are 2 transmitters available to use as the fox. Bruce also mentioned tracking and retrieving high altitude balloons using Ham Radio APRS mode. Saturday March 21st was selected as the day for the fox hunt at 1:00PM on 146.595 simplex. The fox/hidden transmitter will be in located somewhere in Williamson County and operated by Kenny KB9KC.

New business: Bob N9VKO reminded everyone again that he was putting together the communications team again for the 2020 running of the Illinois River To River Relay Race which will take place this year on Saturday April 18th. E-mail is n9vkobob@frontier.com best phone

number is work number 618-357-8721

Bob N9VKO also stated that it would be good to get started putting together the teams to provide communication for the Shawnee Hills 100 which take place in August. Kenny KB9KC stated that this year's race will be on August 22nd. Cell phones do not work at the aid stations of the race with few exceptions.

Tom W9RY stated the ARRL was seeking comments/feedback about a new proposed band plan for Amateur Radio

Kenny KB9KC spoke about poor/rude behavior by some other Ham Radio operators while doing the Park activations on the HF bands.

Leroy KB9JNO spoke briefly about RF frequency interference as he was trying download a program from the internet. When he discovered the source it was a microwave oven operating in his home. Leroy explained the close proximity of the frequencies of the oven and the internet.

Motion to Adjourn made by Buddy K9BJA and seconded by Jim K9JIM

50/50 - winner was Steve WA9SWW -\$36.00 payout of \$18.00 was returned to the SARA Club

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.

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.

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 8:45 pm
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

SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

Mar 1 ,AA9FS;	Mar 8 ,KD4CAE;	Mar 15 ,KD9EFB;
Mar 22 ,K9BJA;	Mar 29 ,KB9KC;	Apr 5 ,AA9FS;
Apr 12 ,KD4CAE;	Apr 19 ,KD9EFB;	Apr 26 ,K9BJA;
May 3 ,KB9KC;	May 10 , AA9FS;	May 17 ,KD4CAE;
May 24, KD9EFB;	Jun 7 ,K9BJA;	Jun 14 ,KB9KC;
Jun 21 ,AA9FS;	Jun 28, KD4CAE;	July 5 ,KD9EFB

News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY

**Attention all members of the MARA CLUB, SARA CLUB and LEARS CLUB: Your 2019 club dues are due. You can pay them at the next scheduled club meeting or by mail to the following people.

**MARA Club members: Individual membership is \$15. Family membership is \$15 for the initial fee and \$5 for each additional member.

Make your checks payable to M.A.R.A and mail them to:

Gerald Hofbauer 358 Lavern Road De Soto, IL 629242

**SARA Club members: Individual membership is \$10 per year. Family membership is \$15. You can pay your dues at the next meeting or by mailing your check, payable to S.A.R.A. to the club treasurer. Richard Yancey 1416 South 14th Street Herrin, IL 62948

**LEARS Club members: Individual membership \$10, Family membership \$15 Make checks payable to L.E.A.R.S Mail to: Fred Sample, Treasurer 11326 Lincoln Road Benton, Illinois 62812

**SEMO Amateur Radio Club meets the first 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 March 2nd and April 6th.

**The Centralia Wireless Association meets the first 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 are March 2nd and April 6th.

**The SARA Club meeting will be held the first Friday of the month at 7 pm, in the meeting room on the north side of City Hall (the old police station) at 300 North Park Avenue, Herrin Illinois. Their next meetings will be March 6th and April 3rd.

**The Scott County Amateur Radio Society meets the first Saturday morning of each month at 9 am at the Fathers At Arms Fellowship Church on Main Street in Scott City Missouri. Ham testing follows the meeting. Their next meetings will be March 7th and April 4th.

**The Union County Amateur Radio Club meets the second Monday of each month at 6 pm, at The Anna Fire Department 101 Market Street in Anna, Illinois. Ham testing at 5 pm before the meeting. Their next meeting is March 9th.

**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 March 10th.

**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. Their next meeting is March 12th.

**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. (except October and December). Their next meeting is March 17th.

**The MARA Club will meet the third Friday of each month, at 7 pm, at the Murphysboro Township Hall, 1410 Walnut Street in Murphysboro, Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting is March 20th.

**The SCAN Club will meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 pm, at the Fire Station in Carrier Mills Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting is March 24th.

Ham Testing

**Following the 9 am, March 7th meeting of the Scott County (Missouri) Amateur Radio Club at Fathers Arms Fellowship Church on Main Street in Scott City, Missouri.

**Following the 7 pm, March 2nd 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 March 9th meeting of the Union County Amateur Radio Club at the Anna Fire Department, 101 Market Street, in Anna Illinois.

**Following the 7 pm, March 12th meeting of the SEMO Amateur Radio Association at United Gospel Rescue Mission, 400 South Broadway in Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

**Union County Amateur Radio Club will have testing every second Friday of each month at Union County Emergency Management Agency, 301 W Mississippi St., Jonesboro, Illinois. You MUST pre-register three days prior to testing date. Call Lee Massey (WA9LM) at 618-434-6262. Next test is March 13th.

**Following the 7 pm, March 20th meeting of the MARA Club at the Murphysboro Township Hall on Walnut Street in Murphys-

boro, Illinois.

**Following the 7 pm, March 24th meeting of the SCAN Club at the Fire Station in Carrier Mills Illinois.

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 Association net at 7 pm on 145.350 pl
100.0

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

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

**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 (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

**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 3.905

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

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

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

**SARA SKYWARN Net, Sunday 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)

**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

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
**CENTRALIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION w9cwa.net
**TRI STATE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY w9og.net
**SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION semohams.net
**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

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 un-
known
**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

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.

**Ed (AD0WN) has compiled a list of repeaters in the Southeast Missouri/southern Illinois/western Kentucky region. It can be found at semoarc.com and click on the “nets” link.

** 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

**If you have something you would like for me to submit to Fred, KA9VBB, for the SARA Slip, you must have the information to me before the 20th of the month prior to publication.

A Note From The Editor

This newsletter “News From My Hamster Hut” is a production/publication of my own making. It is not affiliated in any way, shape or form with any club or organization. I gather the information, pictures, etc. to help keep those in the ham community informed of upcoming events and to add a little interest to the hobby.

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And finally, I am not a non-profit organization. I am simply one individual that is homebound and publish this newsletter simply for what it is, a labor of love and a way to keep my brain active and my friends informed.

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 3.92

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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