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Newsletter of the Shawnee Amateur Radio Association

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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 Hospital..

NEXT MEETING: Our May meeting will be held on Friday, the
5 th of the month.

SARA SUNDAY NETS

1. 3.925 Mhz (plus/minus QRM). Sundays; 8-9 AM. Net Manager: Fred, KA9VBB.

Net Controls:

May 7	KA9VBB
May 14	K9YAW
May 21	KB9APC
May 28	W9OWP

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 2017

Beginning Balance:		\$2819.64
Credits:		
Dues:	\$10.00	
20/20:	\$35.00	
Debits:	0	
Ending Balance:		\$2864.64

MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes April 7th 2017

Meeting called to order by KB9KC at 7:00PM with introductions by 32 members and 3 guests present.

Secretary Report: Submitted as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion to accept made by Rick, K9YAW, and seconded by Raymond, KB9COL, motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Submitted as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion to accept made by Gerry, WG9Z, and seconded by Jeff, KA9EJL, Motion passed.

Repeater Committee Report: Neither Bruce, WA9APQ, or Leroy, KB9JNO, were present at meeting so no report was available. Others commented that all repeaters seem to be working ok at meeting time.

Skywarn Report: Kenny, KB9KC, reminded all that we are into the peak season for storms to develop quickly and to be alert as much as possible.

Old Business: Tom, W9RY, requested anyone interested in helping with the August 21st solar eclipse to sign up on his web page W9RY.com allowing a database to be built whether your interest is in the special event station or public service communications. Tom is looking for coax and wire to build antennas at the W9E site and rigs to operate and operators to run the rigs during the special event station times. Field day activities at the site will be a good trial run for the eclipse activities

Bob, N9VKO, reported that all spots have been filled for the River to River Relay but there are still about 4 spots available and stressed the importance of two ham radio operators being present at each staging area in case of emergency. The comm. team is ready to go and info packets were given out to members that were present. Contact info is: n9vkobob@frontier.com or 618-357-8721

New business: Gerry, WG9Z, spoke about the upcoming Big Muddy Air Race hosted at the SIU airport by The Experimental

Aircraft Association on Saturday June 10th this year. The course will follow the same path as last year and volunteers to observe the planes to make sure turns are made properly are needed once again. More info will be available at the May SARA meeting.

Raymond, KB9COL, made the announcement that the Best Night Net that is held on The 146.880/147.090 at 8:00PM on Saturday nights will be off air From April to October since summer is a busy time outdoors for all during longer daylight hours.

Tom, W9RY, mentioned that he is running JT65, JT9, whisper, RTTY, and PSK modes on a Raspberry Pie. One can be purchased for about \$35.00

Ken, KB9KC, and Bob, N9VKO, mentioned that they both have packet stations running on 145.01 MHz

Rick, KD4CAE, spoke briefly about an exercise by Air Force MARS on HF at a 20 watt power similar to field day to see many contacts could be made.

Motion to adjourn: by Tom, WD9ARU, seconded by Raymond, KB9COL, Meeting adjourned

50/50 drawing winner of \$17.50 was Tim Maloney, N9RRM, a total of \$35.00 donated back to SARA

THE PLAN B RADIO GROUP will be holding an event (Sat. June 3rd) at the Alto Pass Civic Center Alto Pass 53 Elm St. Alto Pass, Illinois 62509 beginning at 11:00am and running into the evening. "POTLUCK STYLE BUFFET" There will be Food of all kinds being served at this event . There will be several entrees, deserts and drinks. If you want to bring a covered dish or desert would make it even more enjoyable. "PRIZES" there will be drawings every 30 min for free door prizes to any licensed ham operator with a call sign. There will also be drawings for 8 brand new yaesu radios totaling over \$1200.00 in value. (THIS WILL BE AN EXTRAORDINARY EVENT) "SWAP MEET" tables will also be available for anyone with ham equipment they are looking to part with. What better customer base for something you are trying to get rid of than a room full of hams? "PICKING SESSION" Several hams will be displaying their musical talents at this event. If you play an instrument and wish to participate you are more than welcome. There is no charge to enter this event, Just bring yourself, an appetite, and any ham radio equipment you may want to sell or trade. This event will be like no other Ham Radio Event in this region. Mark your calendar for Saturday June 3rd 11:00am and look forward to seeing you there.

Announcements

SARA MEETING LOCATION

The SARA meetings will be held on the first Friday of the month in the auxiliary conference room at the Herrin Hospital 7:00 pm.

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

The MARA Club will meet the fourth Monday of the month, at 7 pm, in the Murphysboro American Legion, 1700 Gartside Street, in Murphysboro, Illinois 62966. The next meeting will be May 22nd. MARA is now on face book.

To help support the MARA repeater the annual dues are \$15.00 Active. Dues may be sent to Jerry Giffin, Treasurer, Mt. Ava Repeater Assn, 138 McDowell Rd., Murphysboro, IL

W1AW Code practice schedule from QST Mag.

8 am. Fast Tu., Th. Slow We., Fr. 3 pm. Fast Mo., We., Fr.
Slow Tu., Th. 6 pm. Fast Tu., Th., Slow Mo., We., Fr. 9 pm.
Fast Mo., We., Fr. Slow Tu., Th. Freq. 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475,
14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675, 28.0675.

SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

May 7, KB9COL; May 14, KA9VBB; May 21, KD9EFB;
May 28, KD4CAE; June 4, KB9KC; June 11, KB9COL;
June 18, KA9VBB; June 25, KD9EFB; July 2, KD4CAE;
July 9, KB9KC; July 18, KB9COL; July 23, KA9VBB;
July 30, KD9EFB; Aug 6, KD4CAE; Aug 13, KB9KC;
Aug 20, KB9COL; Aug 27, KA9VBB;

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
147.270 PL103.5 Centralia, Il.Wednesday 8:00 pm
147.300 Carmi, Il.Thursday 8:00 pm
147.090 PL 88.5 District 11 ARES netSunday 8:15 pm
3.925 MHZ SARA 75m netSunday 8:00 am
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA SkywarnSunday8:45pm
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA.Sunday 9:00 pm
146.805 PL 88.5 LEARSMonday 8:30 pm
3.905 MHZ State wide ARES net ..1st. and 3rd. Sunday 4:30 pm

News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY

**The Amateur Radio Tower Foundation will meet the third Friday of each month, at 7 pm, in the Murphysboro Township Hall, 1410 Walnut Street, in Murphysboro, Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting will be May 19th.

**The MARA Club will meet the fourth Monday of the month, at 7 pm, in the Murphysboro American Legion, 1700 Gartside Street, in Murphysboro, Illinois. The next meeting will be May 22nd.

**The 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. Their next meeting is May 1st.

**The Centralia Wireless Association's monthly club meeting is held at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of each month, except when it falls on a holiday, in which case the meeting will be the following Monday. The club meets at the General Martin building, on the southwest corner of East Commercial & North Broadway in Sandoval, Illinois. Their next meeting is May 1st.

**The Trico Amateur Radio Club will meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6 pm in the basement south side meeting room at the Missouri Delta Hospital in Sikeston, Missouri. The next meeting is May 3rd.

**SARA Club meetings will be held the first Friday of each month at 7pm in the auxiliary conference room at Herrin Hospital. The next meeting is May 5th.

**The Tunnel Hill Breakfast Group will meet the first Saturday of each month at 9 am at the Vienna Diner in Vienna, Illinois. Everyone is welcome! Their next meeting will be May 6th.

**The REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB meets the second Monday of each month at 6 pm in the Advanced Technology Center, Room ATC 177, on the Rend Lake College campus. meet the second Monday of each month at 6 pm in the Advanced Technology Center (Room ATC 177)

on the Rend Lake College campus. You do not have to be a student or a licensed ham to become a member of the club. The next meeting is May 8th.

**The UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will meet the second Monday of each month at 7 in the meeting room of the Union County Information Officer, room 115, 309 W. Market Street in Jonesboro, Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. Their next meeting is May 8th.

**The LEARS Club will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the 1st floor conference room at Franklin Hospital in Benton Illinois. The next meeting will be May 9th.

**The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Outland Regional Airport in Mt. Vernon. Their next meeting is May 16th.

**The Scan Club meeting will be held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Carrier Mills fire station. Ham testing follows the meeting. The next meeting will be May 23rd.

**Gabe, KA9GHW, is looking for volunteers from the ham radio community to help with the Boy Scout's eclipse event, August 18th – 20th at the Pine Ridge Boy Scout Camp at Little Grassy Lake, off Giant City Road, southeast of Carbondale. You will be helping the scouts earn their Amateur Radio Merit Badges. For complete details or to volunteer, contact KA9GHW, at 618-889-7542, as soon as possible so that he can get you set up through the Boy Scout Council.

**You can learn & practice Morse Code, free of charge, online at lcwo.net. You must set up an account but there is NO CHARGE.

Hamfests & Conventions

**2017 Dayton Hamvention May 19th-21st Greene County Fairgrounds & Expo Center in Xenia, Ohio For more information : 937-276-6930
info@hamvention.org

**Alto Pass Mini Fest June 3rd 11:00 am till the evening Alto Pass Civic Center 53 Elm Street (just down the street from The Farmers State Bank) Alto Pass, Illinois Admission is FREE! Door Prizes (drawing for free door prizes every 30 minutes) Special drawings for 8 Yaesu radios (totaling over \$1200 in value) Free tables to display any ham equipment you may want to sell or swap Potluck Style Buffet Pickin' Session (bring your instruments & join in) For more info: <http://kd9evl.com/SpecialEvent.html>

**Pennington Folk Music Festival & Princeton Hamfest June 3, 2017 8am-1pm Princeton Kentucky Fire Training Center 2001 Training Center Drive Princeton, Kentucky (Exit 79 off I 69 to hwy 62 W) Admission is \$5 at the gate Tables are free if you would like to sell or trade items. To reserve a table, e-mail n4mhtc@mchsi.com VE testing at 9am Prize drawing about 1pm. You do not have to be present to win. For more information:w4kbl.org or call 270-365-7777

HAM TESTING & CLASSES

**Ham license testing will be held following the 7 pm Union County Amateur Radio Club meeting on May 8th, at their new location in the meeting room of the Union County Information Officer's office at 309 West Market Street in Jonesboro, Illinois.

**Ham testing follows the 7 pm meeting of the SCAN Club, at the Carrier Mills Fire Station, on May 23rd.

**Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will hold a ham license test session Saturday, June 17th, at 9 am at the OUTLAND REGIONAL AIRPORT in Mt Vernon. YOU MUST CALL ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE TO SCHEDULE YOUR TEST! Call Jim Hertenstein at 618-242-7527.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARTF

You can make donations to the ARTF at the following website <https://www.crowdrise.com/artf>

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

NOTEWORTHY WEBSITES

??MARA CLUB k9gox.webs.com

??LEARN CW ONLINE lcwo.net

??W9E Eclipse website w9ry.com/w9e or w9e.w9ry.com or qrz.com

??TRICO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB tricoarc.weebly.com

??SEMO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB semoarc.com

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

??SARA CLUB w9rnm.org

??CENTRALIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION w9cwa.net

??UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB kd9evl.com

??The following organizations can be found on Facebook.

- (1) MARA Club
- (2) SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AMATEUR RADIO
- (3) KD9EVL UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
- (4) ARRL
- (5) RADIOW9GH
- (6) REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

NIGHTTIME NETS

(all times are Central unless otherwise indicated)

#LEARS CLUB Monday Night Rag Chew at 8:30 pm on 146.805 pl 88.5

#RADIO NET Tuesday at 9 pm on 146.940 pl 94.8 . EchoLink access
N9MWK-L
#Centralia Wireless Association net at 8:00 pm Wednesday on 147.270 pl
103.5
#SEMO 5 State Net, Thursday nights at 7:30 pm on 147.330 pl 100.0
#Fusion Cruisin' digital net Thursday nights at 8 pm on 146.820 pl 100.0
#ARES Net Sunday nights at 8:15 pm
#SARA Net Sunday nights at 9 pm, are both on the linked repeater system,
147.090 & 146.880. pl tone for both is 88.5

SPECIAL NOTES

**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.

**For all your information regarding the upcoming eclipse go to w9ry.com/w9e
or w9e.w9ry.com . You'll find a link for a form to schedule your partici-
pation, a schedule of events, and general information regarding the eclipse ac-
tivities. The W9E site may also be found on QRZ.COM. Creek Pentecostal
Church Family Center, 4212 Goreville Road, Goreville, IL is the W9E Operat-
ing Site there is a link at the bottom of the website with detailed directions to
find the church.

** EchoLink is running on 146.850. To connect to the system use the follow-
ing

EchoLink Node Call sign : K9GOX-R

EchoLink Node Number : 817516

Allstar Node Call sign : K9GOX

Allstar Node number : 45525

**Anyone wishing to have something added to the weekly announcements, I
will be happy to include those for you. I must have the information at least 2
weeks prior to the event. E-mail the information to me at [boogerinos-
mom@gmail.com](mailto:boogerinos-mom@gmail.com) .

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

7:30 am Monday through Saturday

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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