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# “SARA SLIP”



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SARA WEBSITE: [www.w9rnm.org](http://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 Hospital..

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

## SARA SUNDAY NETS

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

### Net Controls:

May 6 .....	WA9RD
May 13 .....	AA9FS
May 20 .....	KB9APC
May 27 .....	K9YAW

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

## TREASURER'S REPORT

April 2018

Beginning Balance:	\$3043.94
Credits: Dues	\$10.00
Debits:	0
Ending Balance:	\$3053.94

# MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes April 6th 2018

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with 20 members present and 3 guests

Secretary Report: Submitted as printed in The SARA Slip. Motion made WG9Z Gerry and seconded by K9YAW Rick. Motion passed

Treasurer Report: Submitted as printed in The SARA Slip. Richard not present due to illness. Motion to accept was made by KD9FRQ Ed and seconded by WG9Z Gerry. Motion passed

Repeater Committee Report: Leroy KB9JNO reported that things on the linked repeater system were not perfect but running smoothly as of meeting time and he and Bruce WA9APQ would be attempting more fine tune/touch up the 147.090/147.690 repeater as weather will allow. The 146.640 seems to be working ok.

Skywarn Report: KB9KC Kenny stated that there would be an Elite Spotter Training class on April 12th at 6:00PM at the VA Hospital in Marion. Repeater talk in frequency is 146.640. People will be present to help all find the right room. Kenny KB9KC said to be sure and check the National Weather Service web site for other times and locations.

Old Business: Bob N9VKO advised all volunteers for the River To River Relay race that there were errors on the roster sheet and he had received an extra un-needed roster with all race packets and was unaware of the mistake prior to meeting time. An ICS 205 form was included the mailings also. Also noted was that KC9KOI will be at stage 14 not at stage 4.

WG9Z Gerry indicated that the Big Muddy Air Race organizing team will meet soon to further discuss planning for the race which will take place this year on Saturday June 9th. The organizers are very interested in have ham radio again for spotting the turns of the race course.

New Business: Ed KD9FRQ asked if the SARA club members had any interest in putting together a field day activity that would not last all night long at Ray Fosse Park in Marion. Permission from the city had not yet been granted as of meeting time. No interest was shown.

Ed KD9FRQ spoke briefly about some of the capabilities of the statewide ARES system that is being built to support communications during an emergency and indicated he will bring some equipment to next meeting.

Kenny KB9KC had three Chinese built handheld radios for those present to inspect. Leroy KB9JNO mentioned that some of the features (siren) should never be activated when using a repeater Also make sure to adjust settings to transmit only on the ham bands.

Motion to adjourn made by WG9Z Gerry and seconded. No 50/50 winner tickets were not available

# Announcements

## SARA MEETING LOCATION

**The SARA meetings will be held in the auxiliary conference room at the Herrin Hospital 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.

To help support the MARA repeater the annual dues are \$15.00 plus \$5.00 for each family member. Dues may be sent to Mt. Ava Repeater Assn.: Gerald Hofbauer, 358 Lavern Road, De Soto, Illinois 62924. MARA is now on face book.

## SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

April 29 KB9KC    May 6 AA9FS    May 13 KD4CAE  
May 20 KB9KC    May 27 AA9FS    June 3 KD4CAE  
June 10 KB9KC    June 17 AA9FS    June 24 KD4CAE  
July 1 KB9KC    July 8 AA9FS

### 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 net .....Sunday 8:15 pm  
3.925 MHZ SARA 75m net .....Sunday 8:00 am  
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA Skywarn .....Sunday8:45pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA. ....Sunday 9:00 pm  
146.805 PL 88.5 LEARS .....Monday 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

\*\*Thanks to another fine job from Dennis (N9TAK) and Jerry (K9LRE) the K9GOX repeater on 146.85 is back on the air and sounding wonderful after a nearly 2 week long absence. The members of the MARA Club along with Bob (N9VK0) and all the other net control operators for the Get 'Em Up & Off To Work Net would like to express our gratitude to all the members of the SARA Club and the SCAN Club for their kindness and their patience during the outage and would also like to thank them for allowing us to use their linked system for broadcasting our net every morning.

\*\*The Trico Amateur Radio Club will meet the first Tuesday of each month, at 6 pm, in the basement south side meeting room at the Missouri Delta Hospital in Sikeston, Missouri. The next meetings will be May 1st and June 5th.

\*\*The SARA Club meetings will be held the first Friday of each month, at 7pm, in the auxiliary conference room at Herrin Hospital. Their next meetings will be May 4th and June 1st.

\*\*The Scott County Amateur Radio Society will meet the first Saturday morning of each month, at 9 am, at the Scott City Fire Department. Their next meetings will be May 5th and June 2nd.

\*\*The Centralia Wireless Association monthly club meeting the first Monday of each month, at 7 pm, except when it falls on a holiday, in which case the meeting is 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 meetings will be May 7th and June 4th.

\*\*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 will be May 7th and June 4th.

\*\*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. Their next meeting is May 8th.

\*\*The SEMO AMATEUR Radio Association meeting is the second Thursday of each month, at 7 pm, at 400 South Broadway, in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Their next meeting is May 10th.

\*\*The REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB meets the second Monday of each month, at 5 pm, in the Advanced Technology Center, Room ATC 165, 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 14th.

\*\*The UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will meet the second Monday of each month, at 7 pm, at the Union County Information Office, room 115, 309 W. Market Street in Jonesboro, Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting is May 14th.

\*\*The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will meet the third Tuesday of each month, at 7pm, at the Outland Regional Airport in Mt. Vernon. Their next meeting is May 15th.

\*\*The MARA Club will meet the third Friday of each month, at 7 pm, at the Murphysboro Township Office in Murphysboro, Illinois. Their next meeting will be May 18th.

\*\*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. Their next meeting is May 22nd.

\*\*The Union County Amateur Radio Club is having a raffle for a Yaesu FTM-100DR VHF/UHF C4FM Digital Dual-Band Transceiver. The sale of raffle tickets will be limited to 100. After 100 tickets are sold, the drawing will take place at the Union County Amateur Radio Club meeting. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25 and may be purchased at Union County Amateur Radio Club meetings, or by calling Lee (WA9LM) at 618-434-6262, or you may purchase tickets through PayPal by sending an email with your name, address, and phone number to kd9evl@gmail.com.

\*\*WG9Z, Gerry, is looking for volunteers to help with spotting the turns of the race course for this year's Big Muddy Air Race. The race will be Saturday, June 9th. If you would like to help out, contact Gerry (WG9Z) at 618-534-1600.

\*\*If you haven't paid your MARA Club dues yet, you need to get that done as soon as possible. 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, Illinois 62924

### **Ham Testing**

\*\*Following the 7 pm Union County Amateur Radio Club meeting at 309 West Market Street in Jonesboro Illinois on May 14th.

\*\*Following the 7 pm SCAN Club meeting at the Carrier Mills Illinois fire station on May 22nd.

### **Hamventions, Conventions, Parties, & Special Events**

\*\*Hamvention 2018, will be May 18 – 20, at the Greene County Fairgrounds in Xenia, Ohio. For tickets in advance or more information go to [hamvention.org](http://hamvention.org)

\*\*Southern Indiana 1st Annual Hamtoberfest 2018, October 27th, from 7 am – 5pm, at the Lynnville Community Center, in Lynnville, Indiana. Admission is FREE! Sponsored by the Tri-State Amateur Radio Society. For more information: [hamtoberfest.com](http://hamtoberfest.com)

\*\*For a complete list of ARRL Hamventions and Conventions go to [arrl.org/hamfests/search](http://arrl.org/hamfests/search)

### **NOTEWORTHY WEBSITES**

\*\*NWS SKYWARN SPOTTER TRAINING schedule [weather.gov/pah/spottertraining](http://weather.gov/pah/spottertraining)

\*\*ARRL Hamfest and Convention list [arrl.org/hamfests/search](http://arrl.org/hamfests/search)

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

\*\*WB0VTM & K9YAW putting up an antenna [WB0VTM & K9YAW](http://www.wb0vtm.com)

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

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

\*\*Build an antenna on a small budget [hamuniverse.com/fourdollarspecialw1gfh.html](http://hamuniverse.com/fourdollarspecialw1gfh.html)

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

\*\*LEARS CLUB [learsradio.org](http://learsradio.org)

\*\*MARA CLUB [k9gox.webs.com](http://k9gox.webs.com)

\*\*LEARN CW ONLINE [lcwo.net](http://lcwo.net)

\*\*TRICO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB [tricoarc.weebly.com](http://tricoarc.weebly.com) \*\*SEMO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB [semoarc.com](http://semoarc.com)

\*\*W9RY SOUTHERN IL. AMATEUR RADIO PAGE [w9ry.com](http://w9ry.com)

\*\*SARA CLUB [w9rnm.org](http://w9rnm.org)

\*\*CENTRALIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION [w9cwa.net](http://w9cwa.net)

\*\*UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB [kd9evl.com](http://kd9evl.com)

\*\*TRI STATE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY [w9og.net](http://w9og.net)

\*\* SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION [semohams.net](http://semohams.net)

\*\*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) (5) RADIOW9GH
- (6) REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
- (7) SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

#### **NIGHTTIME NETS**

- \*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Assn net on Monday at 7 pm on the 145.350 pl 100.0
- \*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Assn net on Monday at 8 pm on the 146.910 pl 100.0
- \*\*ARCOM Monday night net at 8:00 PM on the 147.135 pl 88.5.
- \*\*LEARS CLUB Monday Night Rag Chew at 8:30 pm on 146.805 pl 88.5 EchoLink node N9RBE-R (The LEARS EchoLink will be accessible at 8 pm & will be disconnected after the net)
- \*\*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 EchoLink node W9CWA-R
- \*\*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 (no pl tone needed for digital but pl of 100.0 needed for vhf)
- \*\*SCAN CLUB Thursday Night Rag Chew at 8pm on 146.880/147.090 linked system pl tone 88.5
- \*\*Best Night Net Saturday evening at 8 pm on frequency of 145.250 PL 88.5
- \*\*ARES Net at 8:15 pm and SARA Net Sunday nights at 9 pm, on 147.090 & 146.880. pl tone is 88.5
- \*\*SEMO 2 Meter Net Saturday & Sunday nights at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- \*\*SEMO 440 Net week nights at 6:30 pm on 444.200/449.200 (No pl tone needed.)

### **FORMAL, TRAINING & ROLL CALL NETS**

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

\*\*SARA SKYWARN Net, each Sunday at 8:45 pm on linked repeaters 147.090 & 146.880 pl tones 88.5

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

\*\*Illinois Sideband Traffic Net nightly at 6 pm (must have a general or higher license) on 39.05

### **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 04/08/1921-12/26/2016

\*\*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

### **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 boogerosmom@gmail.com

REMEMBER THE "GET 'EM UP & OFF TO WORK NET" 7:30 am Monday - 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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