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“SARA SLIP”



Newsletter of the Shawnee Amateur Radio Association

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COPY DEADLINE: is the 15th of the month preceding publication.
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 May meeting will be held on Friday, the 7 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 2	W9OWP
May 9	N9ADJ
May 16	KG9DD
May 23	KC9AJR
May 30	WA9RD

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL 2021

Beginning Balance:	\$ 2567.53
Credits: 50/50	\$ 25.00
Debits:	\$ 00.00
Ending Balance:	\$ 2592.53

MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes April 2nd 2021

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with 16 members present.

Secretary Report : Motion made by Leroy KB9JNO and seconded by Tom W9RY to accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed in The SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Buddy K9BJA and seconded by Gerry WG9Z to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Repeater Committee Report: Leroy KB9JNO reported that as of meeting time all repeaters were working ok.

Skywarn Report: Tom W9RY stated that on-line Elite Storm Spotter training is coming up soon and those that are interested need to pre-register on the Paducah Kentucky NWS web site.

Old Business: Tom W9RY asked members present how many months the SARA Slip should be kept on the SARA website. 12 months were suggested and was agreed on.

Kenny KB9KC reminded everyone again about the need for communications support requested by The Boy Scouts of America for the upcoming Last Scout Standing Event coming up on the weekend of April 17 and 18. Kenny indicated that there are still some spots that can be filled to give the event reliable communications in areas where the is poor or no cell phone service. Kenny stated that he and Bruce WA9APQ will be testing in the area to see if simplex can be used reliably. If interested in helping contact Kenny at kenkb9kc@gmail.com

New Business : Kenny KB9KC asked those present what events should be listed as official SARA activities to be listed on the associations liability insurance policy for this year and upcoming years. Those mentioned that should listed every year are as follows The River To River Relay Race, The Shawnee Hills 100 Race, The Pinckneyville Mardi-Gras Parade, Hospital Drills, State Exercises, Hamfests, Field Day events, regular sanctioned events, Winter Field Day and regular monthly meetings. This list of events will be voted on ever year . A motion

to vote on the list every year at the January meeting was made by Buddy K9BJA and seconded by Gerry WG9Z. Motion passed. Kenny KB9KC stated that your SARA dues must be paid every year in order for individual members to be covered by the liability policy when participating in activities.

Tom W9RY reminded everyone about the statewide Earthquake Exercise on May 1st and Tom and Bruce gave some examples of how messages will be passed. The Hospital Drill on May 7th being put together by N9ARK was also mentioned World Amateur Day on April 18, on-line boot camp for newly licensed operators on April 24 as well as many other events so check his web page for more dates and times.

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

50/50 - winner was Bill KD9MNX -\$38.00 total with Bill taking a payout of \$10.00 and returning \$28.00 to the SARA Treasury.

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

SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

May 9 KD4CAE	May 16 KD9EFB	May 23 K9BJA
May 30 KB9KC	June 6 AA9FS	June 13 KD4CAE
June 20 KD9EFB	June 27 K9BJA	July 4 KB9KC
July 11 AA9FS	July 18 KD4CAE	July 25 KD9EFB
Aug 1 K9BJA	Aug 8 KB9KC	Aug 15 AA9FS
Aug 22 KD9CAE	Aug 29 KD9EFB	Sep 5 K9BJA
Sep 12 KB9KC	Sep 19 AA9FS	Sep 26 KD9CAE

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 MARA Club will meet the 3rd Friday of each month at 7 pm at W9BA's State Farm Insurance Office, 808 West Main Street, Carbondale, Illinois. There is plenty of room for social distancing. Testing will be available. The next meeting is May 21st.

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.

News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY

Attention ALL Clubs BE SURE TO CHECK WITH YOUR RESPECTIVE CLUBS BEFORE MAKING THE TRIP TO A MEETING!

Carolyn KD9BUY

**The SEMO Amateur Radio Club meets the 1st Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Jackson Civic Center, 381 East Deer-

wood, Jackson Missouri Jackson, Missouri. The next meeting is May 3rd.

**Centralia Wireless Association monthly club meeting will be a Zoom meeting online on the 1st Monday of each month at 7 pm. Contact one of the officers for the link to "visit" their next meeting on May 3rd.

**The SARA Club meeting will be held the 1st Friday of the month at 7 pm, at the north side of City Hall (the old police station) at 300 North Park Avenue, Herrin Illinois. The next meeting is May 7th.

**The Union County Amateur Radio Club meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 pm, . The next meeting is May 10th at the Anna City Park. Testing will be before the meeting at 5pm!

**The SEMO Amateur Radio Association meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 pm at United Gospel Rescue Mission, 400 South Broadway in Poplar Bluff, MO. Ham testing follows the meeting. The next meeting will be May 13th.

**The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon The meeting this month will be LIVE!! They will be meeting in the banquet room at the Outland Regional Airport in Mt. Vernon Illinois. Masks are required and social distancing will be practiced. For those that can't attend the meeting there will be a call in option by calling 425-436-6316 and using access code 355636. The next meeting is May 18th!

**The MARA Club will meet the 3rd Friday of each month at 7 pm at W9BA's State Farm Insurance Office, 808 West Main Street, Carbondale, Illinois. There is plenty of room for social distancing. Testing will be available. The next meeting is May 21st.

**The Rend Lake College Amateur Radio Club will be hosting a Fox Hunt on Saturday, May 1st starting at 1:00 pm. There will be a check in at 12:50 for those wishing to participate on the RLCARC repeater (145.190 - PL 71.9). The "fox" will be located within a 5 mile radius of Benton, Illinois. There will be a prize for the first 2 people that find the fox! If you have any questions about the fox hunt, you can email them to: rlcarc@warriormail.com.

**The MARA Club is raffling off a Henry Golden Boy Rifle. The winner will have their choice of the rifle or \$400 cash. Tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. The drawing will be held at the May 21st MARA Club meeting... YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN! For more information call N9VKO at 618-357-8721 or K9LRE at 618-303-1224 or look in THE NEWS FROM MY HAMSTER HUT for information and printable tickets.

**ARRL Field Day June 26 – 27, 2021 if you would like your club's event announced, get the information to me asap.

BE SURE TO CHECK WITH YOUR CLUB TO MAKE SURE THERE IS A MEETING OR TESTING.

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 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

**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

**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

**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

**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 p
**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

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 Followed by the 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

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

SkyWarn Spotter Training Webinar Schedules

Click on the links to register

ELITE SPOTTER TRAINING CLASSES:

Tuesday April 20, 2021 6 pm

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://](http://www.shawneetrainingacademy.com/)

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://](http://hamradio.w0avq.org/repeaters)

hamradio.w0avq.org/repeaters

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

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

[nets.htm](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/](https://youtu.be/NmZemahwtzw)

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**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 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 11/03/1942-01/26/2020pp
**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
**KC0Vfy Clinton Fallin 09/05/1966-10/11/2020
**N9MRA Matthew Andrew 12/14/1952-12/07/2020
**W9YFA Robert Carter 1936-12/10/2020
**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

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, 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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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 3.925

BEFORE MAKING THE TRIP TO ANY MEETINGS OR
TESTINGS...
BE SURE TO CONTACT YOUR CLUB OFFICIALS TO
MAKE SURE THE EVENTS WILL BE HELD!

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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