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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 City Hall..

NEXT MEETING: Our November meeting will be held on Friday, the 1st of the month.

## SARA SUNDAY NETS

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

### Net Controls:

November 3 .....	KC9AJR
November 10 .....	WA9RD
November 17 .....	AA9FS
November 24 .....	KB9APC

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

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### TREASURER'S REPORT OCTOBER 2019

Beginning Balance:		\$2582.43
Credits: 50/50	\$ 8.00	
Dues	\$ 10.00	
Debits: Website	\$ 136.28	
Insurance	\$ 200.00	
Ending Balance:		\$2264.15

It is recommended that all ham radio operators who operate transceivers while mobile need to download and print Illinois General Assembly Public ACT 100-0858 and keep a copy along with a copy of your ham radio license in each vehicle that you drive as it shows Ham Radio Operators are allowed to use radio gear while driving. Sub-section 8 should be highlighted.

Info courtesy of Thom, W9RY.

# MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes October 4th 2019

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with introductions by 13 members present.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion made by Tom W9RY and seconded by Fred AA9FS to accept the Treasurer's report as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion passed.

**Repeater Committee Report:** Bruce WA9APQ stated that he had attempted to swap out the cavities at the 147.090 repeater site to try and eliminate the chirping noise that occurs in the evening hours but was turned back by shoulder high weeds and grass and will attempt that job later.

**Skywarn Report:** Kenny KB9KC reminded everyone that since the weather has been so warm the possibility of severe weather will increase if the temperature drops quickly. Tom W9RY stated that there will be an upcoming webinar Skywarn class during the month of October. See the Paducah web site for details.

Tom W9RY also mentioned that the SCAN Club would be going to the NWS office in Paducah on the last Tuesday of October to tour the facility at 6:00PM. Also be aware that December is 1st Ham Radio Day at the National Weather Services offices to make contact with other offices as well as other Ham Radio operators around the country using Ham Radio frequencies.

**Old Business:** Bob N9VKO stated that the communications support team for the Pinckneyville Illinois Mardi Gras night time parade has been put together and read the volunteer list. He stated he would soon be e-mailing out the highlighted map and letter. The comm team will meet with The Chamber of Commerce at the fairgrounds/city park at 5:00PM on Saturday October 26th.

**New business:** Bruce WA9APQ reminded everyone about the upcoming ARES exercise that will take place at the Marion Illinois Veteran's airport on October 25th and 26th beginning each day at 8:00AM and ending at 5:00PM on Friday and 3:00PM on Saturday. Many modes of operation are expected to be used. The exercise is being led by The Department of Homeland Security. All Ham Radio Operators are welcome.

Tom W9RY mentioned that everyone who wishes to participate look up and print to keep with you a copy of IFOG and NFOG forms showing possible radio frequencies that might be used. Tom also stated that everyone needed to download and print Illinois General Assembly Public ACT 100-0858 and keep a copy in each vehicle that you drive as it shows Ham Radio Operators are allowed to use radio gear while driving.

A motion was made by Tom W9RY and seconded by Shawn K9PWW to nominate the existing slate of officers to serve in that capacity next year.

Motion passed.

Tom W9RY spoke about SARA getting blanket liability insurance from The ARRL to cover club activities at a reasonable cost. Motion made by Shawn K9PWW and seconded by Gerry WG9Z to spending of \$250.00 to purchase a policy. Motion passed . Tom W9RY also mentioned that he will be applying for ARRL Illinois Section Manager.

Shawn K9PWW stated that he had started Ham Radio Classes at his school and that the Boy Scout Jamboree on air Saturday October 18th.

Motion to Adjourn made by KD9FRQ and seconded by Shawn K9PWW - meeting adjourned

50/50 - Winner was Ed KD9FRQ - total of \$16.00 with a payout of \$8.00

50/50 - last month's winner was Gerry WG9Z

## 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.**

### 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 LEARS .....Monday 8:30 pm  
147.270 PL103.5 Centralia, Il. ....Wednesday 8:00 pm  
147.345 PL 88.5 Best night net .....Saturday 7:00 pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 District 11 ARES net .....Sunday 8:15 pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA Skywarn .....Sunday8:45pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA. ....Sunday 9:00 pm  
3.925 MHZ SARA 75m net .....Sunday 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:

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

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.

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

### **News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY**

#### **November 2019 News From My Hamster Hut**

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

\*\*The Scott County Amateur Radio Society meets 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 will be November 2nd and December 7th.

\*\*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 November 4th and December 2nd.

\*\*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 will be November 4th and December 2nd.

\*\*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 by November 5th. Call Lee Massey (WA9LM) at 618-434-6262. Next test is November 8th.

\*\*KD9ASD will be conducting a Skywarn Training net the first Tuesday of each month , 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 next training courses will be November 5th and December 3rd.

\*\*The REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will only meet the second Mondays of the month at 5 pm in the months of September, November, February and April. Their next meeting is November 11th.

\*\*The Union County Amateur Radio Club meets the second Monday of each month at 6 pm, at Jus 10, 334 South Main Street, Anna, Illinois. Ham testing at 5pm before the meeting. Their next meeting is November 11th.

\*\*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 November 12th.

\*\*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 November 14th.

\*\*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 November 15th.

\*\*The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will have a meeting the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Outland Regional Airport in Mt. Vernon. (Except October and December )The next meeting is November 19th.

\*\*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 November 26th.

\*\*The Trico Amateur Radio Club will have NO MEETING IN NOVEMBER!

#### **Ham Testing**

\*\*Following the 7 pm, November 4th, meeting of the Semo Amateur Radio Club, at the Cape Girardeau County Office Building on Barton Square in Jackson, 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 November 8th.

\*\*At 5 pm before the November 11th meeting of the Union County Amateur Radio Club at Jus 10 on South Main Street in Anna Illinois.

\*\*Following the 7pm, November 15th, meeting of the MARA Club at the Murphysboro Township Hall on Walnut Street in Murphysboro, Illinois.

\*\* Following the 7 pm, November 26th meeting of the SCAN CLUB, at the Fire Station in Carrier Mills, Illinois.

#### **Special Events & Fund Raisers**

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

## NOTEWORTHY WEBSITES

- \*\*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](http://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](http://wcradios.com)
- \*\*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
- \*\*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](http://w9rnm.org)
- \*\*CENTRALIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION [w9cwa.net](http://w9cwa.net)
- \*\*TRI STATE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY [w9og.net](http://w9og.net)
- \*\*SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION [semohams.net](http://semohams.net)
- \*\*W9RY SOUTHERN IL. AMATEUR RADIO PAGE [w9ry.com](http://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  
\*\*KC0UCF Richard Bundy 02/09/1968-09/17/2109

### **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 Echo-Link 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

### **A Note From The Editor**

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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.

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