# St Clair Amateur Newsletter

# **June 2019**

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ARES/RACES net is a Directed Net and is normally conducted by Gene Kramer, WA9TZL (Tuesdays following the Club "onthe-air" meeting.)

## **K9GXU FD**



A view of the main operating position at Pleasant Ridge Park KC9MZ photo



Early in the test we had some rain

**KC9MZ photo** 

Last month SCAN featured Jim, KD9FQC, and his "Tinker Toy" antenna. Some of you might remember seeing the antenna at the April meeting. Bob Heil, K9EID, saw the newsletter and asked Jim if he would like to be on "Ham Nation". So here it is: Ham Nation episode 407, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MeD\_xzhd84U</u> Great job Jim, we look forward to some more of your antenna projects!



Jim, KD9FQC, sharing the screen with Bob, K9EID; Gordon, WB6NOA; and Don, AE5DW

Ham Nation screenshot

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Every weekday, Larry's, K9LWW, "Good Morning" net, 7 – 8 am.

Illinois Section ARES HF Net meets on the 1st and 3rd Sunday each month. On or about 3905 KHz, LSB, 4:30 pm CST.

Jun 27<sup>th</sup>, club meeting with VE testing at 7 pm.

July 21<sup>st</sup>, Zero Beaters Hamfest, Elks Hall, 1459 West 5<sup>th</sup> St, Washington, MO

August 3<sup>rd</sup>, West Central Illinois Hamfest, (Carlinville), Macoupin County Fairgrounds, Carlinville, IL

August 11<sup>th</sup>, St. Charles Amateur Radio Club Hamfest, Elks Lodge, O'Fallon, MO

September 21<sup>st</sup>, Peoria Superfest and Illinois State Convention, Exposition Gardens, 1601 West Northmoor Road, Peoria, IL

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I'm sad to report one of our former members has pasted, WB9SDQ, Michael J Pegg Sr. It's my understanding that he was a past president. Our sympathy goes out to Michael's family and friends.



The Shriner's Parade was held on May 31<sup>ST</sup> and there was a team from SCARC to help with communications – Larry, K9LWW; Bob, WA9TUG; Travis, N9EOD; Steve W9ZS; Eric, KD9MRZ; Dean K9JDY; Darla, KD9JOY; Jan, N9NJW; Len, N9HKG; John, KE0YI; Sean, KB0VER; Tip, N9MVX; Gary, K9RVE; and Mark, W9MTG. Thanks everyone for helping with this worthwhile project. Thank you too, Larry for coordinating this effort.

Next year Larry says he's going to try for a group picture!

## What am I?



- 1. What am I?
- 2. Where was I born?
- 3. What project was I first used on?

Hint: I'm a product of the Cold War

Here are some short thoughts:

Don't forget to check in to Larry's, K9LWW, "Good Morning" drive time (7 – 8 am) net on our 2 meter repeater. Stop in and say Hi!

Thank you Doug for running the club shirt project. I'm told the shirts will be available at the June meeting.

Field Day was great! Setup and tear down was wet, but we were lucky not to have an all night rain. K9GXU ran class 3A with a GOTA and VHF Station. The numbers haven't been computed, but I know the digital station ran by Rich, K7DZE, made 200 contacts. There was good activity on the SSB stations too. Dean, K9JDW, says there are about 400 total contacts. I notice that 10 meters was open to Connecticut (Sun spots?). Participation was wonderful, 17 Hams and 17 visitors! That's the largest FD crowd in recent memory. Look for more pictures and a complete run down of the score next month.

Hope to see you at the meeting or hear you on the air.

Remember to send anything you might have for SCAN to <u>kc9mz@arrl.net</u> Your input is needed to make this a good news letter!

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Randy, KC9MZ

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