

St Clair Amateur Newsletter

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

Repeater Visit

A number of members visited the repeater site in July and then enjoyed a nice lunch at Eckert's restaurant. From left to right: Jim, KD9BLA; Mike, KB0WQJ; Gary, KC9UFD; Larry, K9LWW; Jim, KD9FQC; Dean, K9JDW; Curtis, W5DTR; Gary, N8GIL; and Fr. Von WB9KDY (not pictured).



MS Gateway Getaway Bike Ride September 9 – 10, 2017

I would like to extend an invitation for you to “Join the movement” against MS. The Express Scripts Bike MS Gateway Getaway Bike Ride is in planning and will take place September 9-10, 2017. The Gateway MS Chapter is expecting its highest number of riders yet at an estimated 3,800 bike riders.

In order to support this event, we need your help.

As a volunteer, you will be responsible for:

Having a winning attitude

Come prepared with the equipment necessary for your assignment

Following the directions and guidelines of Net Control and the MS Staff

Assignments may include the following:

Working with a Rest Stop

SAG vehicle

Situations

Medical

Please drop me an email to let me know you are interested, so that I can make sure you are on my list.

If you would like more information on the 2017 MS Bike Ride, please contact me at 314-496-7271 (Rebecca) or kc9cij@gmail.com. The MS Office is also available to answer your questions at 314-781-9020.

I look forward to working with you this year.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Carroll

MS Volunteer

Meeting Date, Time and Location: This month's meeting will be on August 31st at the Belleville Fire House #4. The meeting starts at 8:00PM. Many start to gather at 7:30PM. Hope to see you there....

New Members: New applications should be submitted to the Sgt. at Arms. Applications will be vetted by the Sgt. at Arms and will be brought forward for a vote at the next monthly meeting after being submitted. We look forward to meeting/greeting any new member because to grow our club, we must find people that love to talk (should not be too hard) and that would love to be on the radio. So putting the two together can make a dedicated enthusiast for HAM Radio. We welcome all new members and prospective members and thank them for their interest in Ham Radio.

HAMFESTS:

September 15-17, TAPR Digital Communications Conference, Holiday Inn Airport West, Earth City, MO, go to www.tapr.org/dcc for more info. This is a great chance to experience this event without the travel.

September 16, Peoria Superfest 2017, Exposition Gardens, Peoria, IL

October 28th, 26th Annual Halloween Hamfest, Kirkwood, MO

Make your plans now! Summer hamfest are a Ham Radio tradition and fun!

Want Ads...For SALE /Trade/ Give away...?

1952 MG TD replica on a VW chassis. (I don't know if this is a British Coach Works replica but, you can go here: http://www.caroholic.com/BCW_Information.htm to see what this looks like.) Call Harry, W0KXP.

Astron RS-35M and RS-20M from Bill's, WA9IUF estate. Call Randy, KC9MZ, or email jlr.bastian@norocm2000.com .

At the July meeting, Mike, KA9HNT, suggested that during the member introduction we each say a few words on how we got into Ham Radio. What a great idea! I hope everybody enjoyed the stories as much as I did. Here is a tally of the responses on "how I got interested in Ham Radio": Air Force 5, family 4, teacher 4, friends 3, and CB radio 3.

I've been reading a blog about broadcast engineering, written by Paul Thurst, for a little while now. Even though I'm not in the business, the blog's about *radio*. On the site's banner he says "When I was 10, I caught the radio bug, it appears to be terminal". That's how I feel about radio and electronics. Late last month the blogger announced he was going to pull the plug (or I guess in this case put down the pen). He will be missed. Here's the URL in case you would like to check it out before the site goes dark. www.engineeringradio.us/blog/

So if you have anything the group might enjoy, please send it to me for publication in SCAN. I'm at jlr.bastian@norcom2000.com.

I hope to see you on the 31st or maybe hear you on the "on the air meeting".

73,

Randy KC9MZ