

# St Clair Amateur Newsletter

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### Emergency Comm Committee

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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.)

## Field Day 1967

Red, WA9MGX, was gracious to share some of his past FD pictures with us. From left to right: Bert Allwood W9TRO, Red Becker WA9MGX, Kenny Becker WA9LED, Ed Matysik W9RQR, Rudy Stroutman WA9RKI, and George Hawk WA9CEO.

Bert was the club's secretary for many years, Red was activities manager and sergeant of arms many times. Ed ran the 2 meter storm warning net back when it was in the AM mode while he was the County RACES officer and County CD Communication Supervisor (scheduled the County CD dispatchers and trained them on the consoles). This was when the RACES call was K9KHN and operated on 145.65 MHz (AM). When the County RACES license was renewed, FM mode became more popular and affordable, so Ed met with the SCARC repeater committee as one of the designated RACES frequencies was 147.120 MHz FM mode and as such the SCARC petitioned and obtained the frequency pair of 147.72/12 MHz for K9GXU and Ed renewed the RACES license and obtained a completely different call sign, WC9AAE, which later became KC9NPN when the FCC no longer "renewed" RACES licenses. Rudy served as club president and vice president. Rudy was also one of the volunteers that Ed relied upon to operate K9KHN. George was the activities manager many times and ran the club's Novice training classes when we meet at the County CD building (the old county hospital). I was in one of George's Novice classes and he was one of my mentors in my Novice days (the other is K9ZHN). The rig was a Drake 4-Line. The photo was by BND from WA9MGX.



**Meeting Date, Time and Location:** This month's meeting will be on August 30<sup>th</sup> at the Belleville Fire House #4. The meeting starts at 8:00PM. Many start to gather at 7:30PM. There will be testing this month at 7 PM.

**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.

Thank You to Harry Church, W0KXP, for his very generous donation to the K9GXU repeater fund.

Field Day 2001 Red didn't miss too many FDs!

SUNDAY  
June 24, 2001  
LOCAL NEWS



TIM VIZER/News-Democrat

Mike Cornwall used a laptop computer to record contacts. Behind him, Skip Mize spoke to a Colorado amateur. From left are Aaron Kenney, Elmer Smith, and Red Baker.

## Radio club tests ability in nationwide field day

BND clip supplied by WA9MGX

## Upcoming Hamfests:

Peoria Superfest September 15, Exposition Gardens Peoria, Il  
Halloween Hamfest October 27, Kirkwood Community Center, Kirkwood, Mo

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!

The Western Illinois Amateur Radio Club (ILQP) has announced "The Illinois Bicentennial Challenge". This special event will start August 26<sup>th</sup> and end December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Here is a link if you are interested: <http://www.w9awe.org/Challenge.html>

Isn't that a great picture on page one of SCAN? That particular group of guys really "gave back" to the hobby. If you have any pictures of the club you'd like to share with us, get a hold of me and I can get them copied and put into the newspaper. One of these day's we'll put them on the web site too.

Thanks to Red, WA9MGX for providing the picture and Gene, WA9TZL for giving us the background on Ed and Rudy. Gene serves as a "fact checker" for me. Thank you guys.

Don't forget the club picnic September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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

Remember to send anything you might have for SCAN to [kc9mz@arrl.net](mailto:kc9mz@arrl.net)

73 es gud dx,

Randy, KC9MZ

P.S. What do you get when you cross a centipede with a parakeet?

I forgot to tell you the answer last month: a walkie-talkie!



## · · · · ILLINOIS SECTION NEWS · · · ·

July 24, 2018

The ARRL Illinois Section pages have not changed since July.



## MISSOURI SECTION NEWS

The ARRL Missouri Section pages have not changed since April.