

St Clair Amateur Newsletter

December 2024

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

Club Breakfast



Larry K9LWW offers a prayer for Wayne KC9ZYQ

AA2KF photo



Tip N9MVS

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Christmas Dinner



AA2KF photo



Larry K9LWW, Steve K9SHY, and Trent K9IVN AA2KF photo



Dennis KD9AIS and his wife Barb KE5BG Photo



Peggy and Wendy AA2KF photo



Dan KD9ADB, John WA0LIS, and Bob WA9TUG AA2KF photo

Winterfest is coming January 17th – 18th!



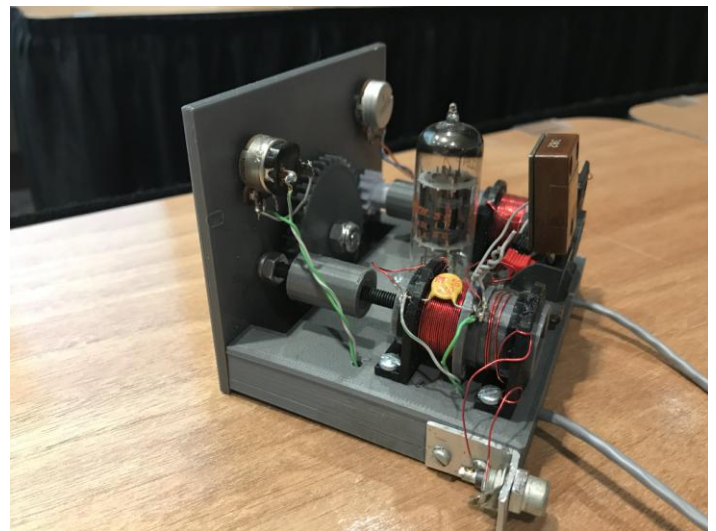
Keith and Dale setting up the table at last year's Winterfest. The club will have 3 tables this year. If you want to bring something to sell, be sure to have it priced and let Dale log your gear in.

KC9MZ photo



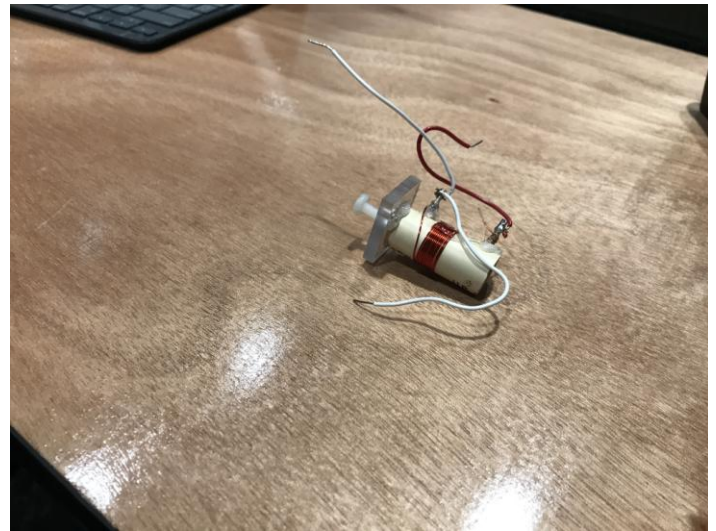
Bob W9RAN showing us one of his single tube 3d printed transmitters. This year his he will present "Pico SDR – a Simple SDR Receiver Anyone Can Build".

KC9MZ photo



Another of Bob's transmitters.

KC9MZ photo



Joe KONEB, shows one of the coils he printed.

KC9MZ photo

This Year's Presentations

The WWVH Story – Steve Johnson WD8DAS

The General Electric YRS-1 Single Sideband Slicer –
John Townsend

Pico SDR – a Simple SDR Receiver Anyone Can Build –
Bob Nickels W9RAN

We all Share the Same Bands – Rob Sherwood NCOB

Are You Considering a New Radio? – Rob Sherwood NCOB

What's New From 4 State QRP – Dave Cripe NM0S

Joe Batchelor – the Genius behind Central Electronics
Nick I Tusa K5EF

Meteor Scatter observations – Tim Urban N4WLO

Operating Events, Club Events and HAMFESTS:

January 4th - 5th ARRL RTTY Roundup see: <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>

January 17th – SLSRC Winterfest W9DYV Symposium 8 am Gateway Convention Center, Collinsville, IL

See: <https://slsru.org/2024/12/21/w9dyv-radio-symposium-at-winterfest-january-17-2025/>

Free admission but, please register

January 17th – SLSRC Winterfest DX/ARRL Banquet 5 pm Gateway Convention Center, Collinsville, IL

See: <https://winterfest.slsru.org/dx-arrl-banquet/>

January 18th – SLSRC Winterfest Gateway Convention Center, Collinsville, IL

See: <https://slsru.org/shop/> for tickets

January 18th – 20th ARRL VHF Party see: <http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf>

January 25th - VE Testing at the Moose, 9:30 am

January 30th - Club Meeting at the Moose

March 15th – Lewis and Clark Radio Club Hamfest 7 am – 12 pm, Lewis & Clark Community College,

Godfrey, IL see: <https://k9ham.org/2024/05/21/hamfest-2025/>

October 25th – Halloween Hamfest Kirkwood Community Center see: <http://halloweenhamfest.org/>

ARES HF Net the Illinois Section ARES HF Net meets on the first and third Sunday each month at 4:30 PM. The frequency is 7227 KHz +/- LSB. **Please note this is a change of frequency!**

K1USN Radio Club Slow Speed CW contest (20 WPM max) Mondays 1800-1900 CST

<http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

CWops Test (CWT) Every Wednesday at 1300-1400Z, 1900-2000Z, and Thursday 0300-0400Z 28 to 45 kHz from the band edges [CWops Tests \(CWT\) – CWops](#)

RRI Training Broadcast Schedule Wednesday 2000 CST (0200Z Thursday) 7060 kHz, and 2130 CST (0330Z Thursday) 3563 KHz, Thursday 1900 CST (0001Z Friday) 14060 KHz

Club Nets

Don't forget the "Good Morning Net" M-F, 7:30 – 8:30 am by Larry, K9LWW, and Julio, AA2KF. Also the 224.12 MHz Net is on Thursdays, 8 pm by Steve, W9ZS, Cassandra, KD9VLG is Net Control for the "Wavelengths" Net on 444.625 MHz at 7 pm on Wednesdays. Thank you guys for running these fine nets!

Club Dues

Bob WA9TUG, reminds us that Club dues are due. You may bring them to the next meeting on the 30th or mail them to the Club's PO Box 94, Belleville, IL 62222. You may choose to mail them to Bob's QTH at 5 Seven Iron Court, Belleville, IL 62220 also.

Regular Membership \$25

VE Testing January 25th

Our next test session will be January 25th. If you would like to test, or know of someone who would like to test, please email Randy KC9MZ at rbkc9mz---gmail.com. I'll get a VE team together and make sure we have space at the Moose.

Thanks to our VEs, Garry N8GIL, Larry K9LWW, Julio AA2KF, Garry K9RWE, Michael KA9HNT, and Randy KC9MZ!

Meeting Date, Time and Location: Next month's meeting will be on January 30th at 8 PM. It will be at the Swansea Moose Lodge. The meeting will be to the left of the bar area.

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 and prospective members and thank them for their interest in Ham Radio.

Here are some shorts

This month we lost two of our group, Wayne KC9ZYQ and Lou KB9UEF; our sympathy to their family and friends. Their obituaries are at the back of this new letter.

Thank you to Heil Sound for providing some of the attendance prizes for the Club Dinner.

Be sure to attend the SLSRC Winterfest. Our Club will have 3 tables. If you want to sell something, have it priced and let Dale log it in. That way you can walk around the Hamfest to find some more treasures!

Thanks you to our photographers, AA2KF, Linda, KC9MZ, K9JDW, N9EOD, Jill, and Janet. Julio, that's a great wide angle shot of the Golden Coral with the Club members in the windows!

Please send anything you might have for SCAN to rbkc9mz---gmail.com.

I hope you can attend our January meeting on the 30th at 8pm.

Please pray for peace in the World!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

73 es gud DX,

Randy, KC9MZ



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Wayne KC9ZYQ

Wayne Agles Obituary

Wayne Agles, age 78, of Lebanon, died Thursday, December 6, 2024 at his residence.

He was born December 24, 1945 in Belleville, the son of the late Maurice and Dorothy (Battoe) Agles.

He is survived by two nephews: Anthony (Nancy) McDonald of San Diego, CA and Scott D. McDonald of Baltimore, MD.

Wayne was a veteran of the Viet Nam War (Army) and was an avid amateur radio enthusiast.

No services will be held.

From: <https://www.kalmermemorialservices.com/obituaries/Wayne-Agles?obId=34017553>



Lou KB9UEF

Louis Rodhouse Stark, 95, of Fairview Heights, IL, passed away peacefully on December 4th, 2024. A beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Louis lived a life dedicated to the service of his family, neighbors, and community.

Louis was born to William Stark and Elizabeth Rodhouse on March 7, 1929, in New Franklin, Mo. After being raised on farms in Missouri, Iowa, and Illinois with his two brothers, Louis graduated from Edina Public School and attended the University of Missouri, Columbia where he graduated with a degree in engineering and was part of the marching band. During his years at Mizzou, he met his wife, Fannie, whom he married on September 2, 1951. Immediately after graduation, Louis accepted a position with Monsanto in St. Louis, MO where he worked for 40 years as a chemical engineer before retiring in 1991.

Throughout his life, Louis was involved with several civic societies and community organizations. While raising his children, Louis served many years as an Assistant Scoutmaster to Troop 510. He was a member of Mizzou Alumni associations and chemical engineering fraternities. After retirement, he began his second career as an amateur horticulturist by volunteering at the Missouri Botanical Gardens several times each week for over 30 years. He enjoyed camping and sailing, was a ham radio enthusiast, and later in life participated in a handbell choir. Louis was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of East St. Louis, then the First United Presbyterian Church of Belleville, IL where he served in many capacities since the 1950s.

Mr. Stark was preceded in death by his:

- Parents: William Stark and Elizabeth, nee Rodhouse, Stark
- Brothers
 - James Stark
 - Robert Stark
- Wife: Fannie, nee Hanchett, Stark
- Daughter: Nancy (Ron), nee Stark, Bonica

Louis leaves behind his:

- Three sons
 - Dr. Mark (Karla) Stark of Fernandina Beach, FL
 - Paul (Kris) Stark of St. Louis, MO
 - Timothy (Dawn) Stark of Sarasota, FL
- Thirteen grandchildren

- Kathleen Safi
- Adam Stark
- Samuel Stark
- Martin Bonica
- Dorothy Bonica
- Kathryn Wiggins
- Wayne Arment
- Greg Arment
- Lydia Stark
- Michael Stark
- Isabelle Stark
- Dennis Stark
- Rebekah Stark

- Twelve great-grandchildren
 - Cyrus Safi
 - Maryam Safi
 - Kayvan Safi
 - Madelyn Stark
 - James Stark
 - Luke Stark
 - Devon Morrow
 - Wybie Wiggins
 - Dominik Arment
 - Jasper Hamilton
 - Mitchell Wiggins
 - Gauge Arment
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Memorials: Memorials may be made to the Missouri Botanical Garden.

Visitation: Friends may call from 9 to 11 A.M. Saturday, December 14, 2024, at Kurrus Funeral Home, 1773 Frank Scott Parkway West, Belleville, IL 62223

Funeral: Funeral services will be held at 11 A.M. Saturday, December 14, 2024, at Kurrus Funeral Home with the Rev. Rob Dyer officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights, IL.

From: <https://kurrusfh.com/obituaries/louis-rodhouse-stark/>