

PODUNK HOLLOW NEWS

The Official Newsletter of the Egyptian Radio Club, Inc.

April 2017

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146.760 – PL 141.3 in downtown
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#541608

146.790 – PL 127.3 in Edwardsville,
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**Search for Special Events
Stations.**

AM Rally on April 1-3 Weekend an Opportunity to Try a Vintage Mode

03/24/2017

If you're not familiar with full-carrier amplitude modulation (AM) or have never used it on the air, you'll have a chance during the AM Rally during the April 1-2 weekend, on the bands between 160 and 10 meters (except 30, 17, and 12 meters) plus 6 meters.

Once the primary voice mode on the ham bands, AM eventually gave way to SSB, a form of AM. Yet AM has remained popular among dedicated radio amateurs who consider it their primary operating mode. Many modern transceivers include an AM button.

"Whether your rig is software defined, solid state, vacuum tube, hybrid, homebrew or broadcast surplus, you'll be a welcome part of the AM Rally," said Clark Burgard, N1BCG, who is spearheading the event with Steve Cloutier, WA1QIX, and Brian Kress, KB3WFV.

The AM Rally starts on Saturday, April 1 at 0000 UTC (Friday, March 31, in US time zones) and concludes at 0000 UTC on Monday, April 3. Certificates will be awarded to high-scoring stations in each of five power classes, both for most contacts and most states/provinces worked.

The AM Rally website has full details.

ARRL Reiterates its Case for New Band at 5 MHz

03/21/2017

In comments filed on March 20 with the FCC on its own January *Petition for Rule Making (RM-11785)*, ARRL reiterated its case for a contiguous secondary 15-kHz wide 60-meter band of 5,351.5 to 5,366.5 kHz in addition to the four existing discrete 60-meter channels that fall outside the requested band, with a permitted power level of 100 W EIRP and retention of current operating rules. More than 5 dozen comments, all supporting the proposed allocation, were filed on the League's petition, although some suggested more spectrum or higher power, or a combination. ARRL said,

however, that it does not at this time favor any changes in its initial request for a new band. The League proposal would implement a portion of the *Final Acts* of World Radiocommunication Conference 2015 (WRC-15) that provided for a secondary international amateur allocation of 5,351.5 to 5,366.5 kHz at a maximum of 15 W EIRP.

“Each component of this proposal is intended to maximize spectral efficiency by permitting amateurs to operate throughout a band as conditions and availability warrant; to give primary service operations certainty as to where radio Amateurs will be located within the broader fixed and mobile service band between 5.250-5.450 MHz; and it protects those primary users with the same successful interference avoidance techniques and protocols that have been used for the past 15 years domestically, with which radio amateurs have the technical training and experience to comply,” ARRL asserted in its comments.

The League said the WRC-15 power limit of 15 W EIRP “would render the band unsuitable for emergency communication, especially between the US mainland and the Caribbean Basin during summer storms and hurricane season, when atmospheric noise can be severe.

ARRL said there were good reasons for hewing to the proposal it initially crafted and filed with the FCC, most relating to the fact that the spectrum is shared with federal government users and radio amateurs must avoid interfering with them. The ARRL also pointed out that there is no “European Model” for 5 MHz, noting that the vast majority of European countries have held to the 15 kilohertz agreed to at WRC-15, and some even to the 15 W EIPR power limit. The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), which regulates government spectrum, would have to sign off on any proposal, and, ARRL noted, it has twice expressed concern about a contiguous allocation at 5 MHz and did not favor the plan agreed to at WRC-15.

“While ARRL understands and agrees that there is a long-term, justifiable need for an allocation at 5 MHz that is larger than the 15 kHz made available at WRC-15, and there is a very practical need for power in excess of the 100 W PEP requested in ARRL’s *Petition*, there are practical considerations inherent in the ARRL *Petition* that stem from an urgent and ongoing need to share the Amateur allocation compatibly with other, primary users,” ARRL said. “The Amateur Service must, of necessity, avoid interference to the primary users of this band (which it has, to date) in order to be permitted to operate there.”

Citing its decades-long effort to obtain operating privileges in the vicinity of 5

MHz, ARRL said there's "not really much room for debate about the size of the band and the power limit domestically at the present time, given the allocation status of the band (domestically and internationally) and the necessary interference protection requirements for primary users."

"It is hoped that as regular Amateur operation in this contiguous band develops, with the operating parameters recommended in ARRL's *Petition*," the ARRL comments continued, "such operation will continue to demonstrate compatible sharing with federal and other users and the operating parameters and the band can be re-examined and adjusted equitably at a later time."

ARRL said the most important thing is to have the FCC grant an allocation before offering initiatives to alter the plan it proposed in January. It urged the FCC to adopt the rule changes it's proposed "at the earliest possible time, if at all possible in advance of the 2017 hurricane season."



2017 ST. LOUIS METRO ARES/RACES EVENT CALENDAR



CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION! WWW.STLARES.ORG

FEBRUARY

- 6th – Planning Committee Meeting
- 13th – Regular Monthly Meeting
- 18th – Multi-Faceted ARES Exercise

MARCH

- 4th – Intro. to Emergency Comm Class #1
- 11th – Intro. to Emergency Comm Class #2
- 13th – Regular Monthly Meeting
- 18th – Intro. to Emergency Comm Class #3
- 25th – Intro. to Emergency Comm Class #4 & Field Exam

APRIL

- 3rd – Planning Committee Meeting
- 10th – Regular Monthly Meeting
- 29th – 4 Zone Simplex Exercise

MAY

- 5th – Effective & Efficient Communicating Class
- 6th – Basic/Advanced Winlink Express Class
- 8th – Regular Monthly Meeting

JUNE

- 3rd – Tour de Cure, Alton, IL*
- 5th – Planning Committee Meeting
- 12th – Regular Monthly Meeting

- 24th & 25th – Field Day (overnight) @ Jefferson Barracks Park

JULY

- 10th – Regular Monthly Meeting

AUGUST

- 5th – Lupus Bike Ride, Eureka, MO*
- 7th – Planning Committee Meeting
- 12th – Net Control Operator Boot Camp
- 14th – Regular Monthly Meeting

SEPTEMBER

- 9th & 10th – MS Bike Ride, Godfrey, IL*
- 11th – Regular Monthly Meeting

OCTOBER

- 2nd – Planning Committee Meeting
- 7th & 8th – Simulated Emergency Test
- 9th – Regular Monthly Meeting

NOVEMBER

- 13th – Regular Monthly Meeting

DECEMBER

- 4th – Planning Committee Meeting
- 11th – Regular Monthly Meeting

All meetings, exercises and classroom training sessions are open to everyone. Classroom training sessions require registration. Check STLARES.ORG website for info.

**Public Service Events, may require additional training / registration outside of St. Louis Metro ARES/RACES*

7th Annual April Fools' Fest 2017

Ham Radio Flea Market and Convention

Saturday April 1st

West Richland Center
IL-250 East, Noble, IL

Admission \$4
12-under Free

8am-Noon

Big Ham Radio Grand Prize ■ Tailgating ■ Hourly Radio Prizes ■
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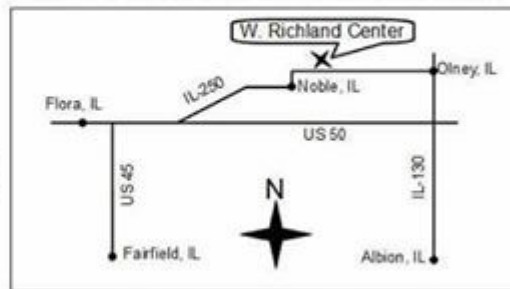
Directions:

From Flora, take US Highway 50 East 12 miles to IL Highway 250. Turn Northeast on IL 250 and follow this highway through Noble. The hamfest will be on your left on the east edge of Noble.

From Olney, take IL Highway 250 west 8 miles to Noble. The hamfest will be on your right as you come in to Noble.

Featured Vendor
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Talk-In: 146.760- PL 94.8 (Noble 2m Repeater)



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The Egyptian and St. Louis & Suburban Radio Clubs
Are proud to continue our cross river cooperation
By offering an Extra Class license review and tests session

The review will follow the Gordon West power point review session

Classes will be held at the Egyptian Club room

At Holy Family Catholic Church

2600 Washington Ave. Granite City, Il

Class will be held the evening of April 7, all day April 8,

A half a day on April 9 with testing taking place at apx 2-3pm.

To register and for more information contact

Contact Bob Evans AA9FQ@ARRL.NET or

Cliff Rozar KC0SDV@SLSRC.ORG

Amateur Radio Links Search for Amelia Earhart's Plane with ISS Crew, Classroom

03/23/2017

One of the enduring mysteries of the 20th Century was the disappearance in 1937 of famed aviator Amelia Earhart and her flight companion and navigator Fred Noonan, while she was attempting to circle the globe. It appeared that Earhart's plane went down in the South Pacific, in the vicinity of Howland Island; her last-known radio transmission came from there. On February 18, a team from [Nauticos](#) — with stratospheric explorer Alan Eustace and aviation pioneer Elgen Long, WF7T — departed Honolulu for the vicinity of Howland Island, some 1,600 miles to the southwest, to complete the Eustace Earhart Discovery deep sea search for Earhart's lost Lockheed *Electra*. Nauticos provides ocean technology services to government, science and industry. The team now is conducting a sonar survey of about 1,800 square miles of sea floor where it's believed the aircraft may rest, and Amateur Radio has provided a means to link the crew of the research vessel *Mermaid Vigilance* with youngsters following the expedition, as well as with the International Space Station (ISS) crew.

Among those involved in the Earhart search is ARRL Midwest Division Director Rod Blocksome, K0DAS, of Iowa. Earhart was born and raised in Kansas and lived in Iowa and Minnesota. Bryan McCoy, KA0YSQ, of Iowa, also is on the *Mermaid Vigilance*, which is carrying out the deep-water sonar search for the lost aircraft. The team is using autonomous underwater technology provided by the [Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution](#) to image the ocean floor nearly 18,000 feet below. On March 17, the team launched the REMUS vehicle to search the depths of the Central Pacific.

On March 20, another Midwesterner — Tom Vinson, NY0V, of Minnesota — joined other crew members in [making contact](#) with US Astronaut and ISS Commander Shane Kimbrough, KE5HOD, who was at the controls of NA1SS aboard the ISS. A couple of Russian-speaking crew members also had the opportunity to speak with one of the cosmonauts onboard the ISS.

Earlier, on March 15, Vinson assumed Kimbrough's role to host a [question-and-answer session](#) of his own, with Virginia 5th graders in the classroom of teacher Kathy Lamont, KM4TAY, an alumna of ARRL's Teacher Institute. The contact was routed over 20 meters from the vessel to Hawaii, and then via *EchoLink* to Virginia. "My kids had a lot of fun," she recounted later. Vinson said that promoting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education "is what we're all about," with support from Rockwell-Collins.

According to *The Daily DX*, Vinson has been on 7.027 and 7.165 MHz around 0600 UTC “and whenever I am up on the sunrise across the US.” Blocksome will join him in Majuro, where they will operate April 5-7 using the V73 prefix with their home call signs.



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

1. SVRC celebrates their 69th anniversary
2. York Radio Club host classes
3. 10 Meter articles for QST
4. PAARC host balloon launches
5. Searching for an SEC
6. Severe Weather Preparedness Week
7. Hamfests

I am still struggling with the Section newsletter format, Ron, AD9I

1. Sangamon Valley Radio Club celebrates their 69th anniversary. It was my please to get an invitation to the March 4th dinner and a chance to speak to their organization. The min topic of the night was the activity around the installation of a new club repeater and the hours that went into that particular project. Joe Armstrong, K9ATG introduced my XYL and I to the group although I did recognize few faces from my hamfest time. My first talk was short, passing along information about my appointment, the efforts to recruit members into the ARRL Field Organization and lastly a bit of a biography about the new Section Manager.

2. York Radio Club of Elmhurst is hosting an amateur radio class on March 18th and 19th. Todd Benson, W9YK forwarded a local newspaper article outlining this event. I for one will looking for additional information about class attendance. For additional information <http://yorkradioclub.com/training>

3. This note came from Scott, K7ZO who is the author of the QST Magazine and ARRL Web articles on the 2016 10 Meter Contest. He is looking for good stories and photos to include in the article. If you know of club members who would be interested and willing to contribute, he is interested in contacting them. This is a good opportunity to get your club members mentioned in a contest article. You may contact Scott directly at – k7zo@cableone.net

4. The Peoria Area Amateur Radio Club provided High Altitude Balloon launches for two local area schools. The first launch was held in February at the Illinois Central Christian School (ICCS). The balloon reached an altitude of 92,000 feet before the crew lost contact. The last known position for the baloon was near Alvin Illinois, just north of Danville. They are hoping for a good set of eyes to located their payload. The school enjoyed the APRS tracking and the training classes given by Fritz Bock, WD9FMB. The second launch for this year is scheduled for March 17th at Washington Gifted School in Peoria.

5. Brad has asked that until such time as a new SEC is identified and appointed, please direct any ARES-related administrative questions to Curtis Williams, W5DTR, Illinois ARES ASEC or to your District Emergency Coordinator. Your new SM is looking for the right person to fill this vacancy

6. Severe Weather Preparedness Week was Mar 5-11, 2017. The following information about this event came from Curtis, W5DTR: There was no statewide ARES net planned for severe weather week. There are many local nets and a few regional ones matching the area covered by the NWS office. One example is the March 7 at 10 am alert and siren test in the Illinois part of the St. Louis NWS. This is followed at 10:30 am on Starcom 8B by a roll call of the county EMA offices, hospitals, dispatch centers, and many first responders in Region 8. Should the Starcom system be down, this of course demonstrates what amateur radio operators might need to duplicate. The St. Louis weather forecast office has access to the Starcom system. WB9QPM is often the net control for statewide drills. Gene, WA9TZL reported that St. Clair Co. ARES will be conducting the March 7,2017 Statewide NEW Tornado communication test as well on the SCARC and if necessary, on the PRIME repeaters (147.120 and 145.110 respectively). Monitoring also Ill. ARES 3.905 MHZ .

7. Hamfests and club meetings are a great venue for ARRL elected officials to meet your group and discuss areas of interest. My apologies to the Sterling Rock Falls Hamfest for being absent. I have attended this event a few times in the past and always enjoy meeting with the local amateurs. Typically, my XYL would prefer that I was in church with her on Sunday mornings which limits my activity. I do manage to break away for a few events. That said, if it is your desire for us to attend, make the invite so that your event is on my calendar. It is also nice to have a guest admittance ticket but not required. ARRL officials are not allowed to place anything into the prize barrel, so the prize stub could be removed.



MISSOURI SECTION NEWS

Cecil Higgins, ACOHA, MO SM

The news this Tuesday March 7th was filled with reports about a storm system moving across KS, MO, and IA, and causing damage to buildings and injury to some of those that lived in the path of this powerful storm. One of the hardest hit communities was Oak Grove, which is about 25 miles east of Kansas City. Missouri Governor Eric Greitens, visited Oak Grove and saw the 483 damaged homes and 10 or so impacted commercial buildings. He declared a Missouri State of Emergency to deal with the issues related to the storm. It is very clear to me that Amateur Radio Emergency Services is a vital part of the Emergency Services effort to provide protection and evaluate the damage after an event has occurred. Missouri is fortunate to have so many of its Amateur Radio Community that are also active ARES members. Jeff Young, KB3HF, is doing a great job leading the Missouri Section ARES program. He is assisted by nine District Emergency Coordinators and an amazing number of Emergency Coordinators. If you want to become part of the Missouri ARES program, it would be a good idea to check with your County Emergency Coordinator. If you don't have a County EC, you might give the District EC a call. A good place to start would be the Missouri ARES website <http://ares-mo.org/>.

MARCH HAMFEST 2017

The Ozarks Amateur Radio Society is holding their Spring Hamfest on March 25, 2017 at the Mount Vernon Arts and Recreation Center located on 822 W. Mount Vernon Blvd. There are several great forums this year including one by Bob Heil, K9EID, at 9:00 Glenn Schulz, W9IQ, will give the low down on SWR & Feedline Loss. A program on using an Antenna Analyzer will begin at 10:15 and at 11:00 the District D ARES meeting will be held. There are some great Commercial Vendors planning to attend and there will be lots of Flea Market tables to look over. Contact Mike Sanders K0AZ at K0AZ@centurytel.net or Bob Myers at bhmyer@suddenlink.net for more information and check out the Website about the Hamfest at <http://W0OAR.com>.

APRIL HAMFEST 2017

The Four State QRP Group will be holding their annual Conference on April 7th and 8th at the Stone Castle Hotel and Conference Center 3050 Green Mountain Drive in Branson, MO 65615. To get the latest information, check out their website <http://www.ozarkcon.com>. Pre-registration is starting soon. You can also contact Ed Meyer, WG5F 1350 S. 99th E. Ave. Tulsa, OK 74128 Phone 918-232-5194 or by e-mail 4SQRP-Ed@meyertribe.com.

The Ararat Amateur Radio Shrine Club is holding their Hamfest on April 17, 2017 at the Ararat Shrine Temple 5100 Ararat Drive Kansas City, MO 64101 Public Contact: Joseph Russell, KØWVU, 1600 S. Skyline Drive Liberty, MO 64068, Phone: 816-215-9836 Email: araratshrinearc@gmail.com.

AFFILIATED CLUB NEWS KEITH HAYE, WE0G, ACC

The Boeing Employees Amateur Radio Society has updated their website with the new information about the Missouri QSO Party. If you are planning to activate a county you can register your efforts and check to see what counties will have operations. You can look at the website link at <http://w0ma.org/index.php/missouri-qso-party>. Check out the 2017 rules and you will find suggested operating frequencies, how to get the SHOW ME 1x1 certificate, the correct codes for each county or Canadian province, the various categories for competition and much more. Mark your Calendar for April 1st and 2nd and be part of the biggest Party in Missouri.

Craig Schley, KA0FSP, HARC Vice-President announced that the Heart of America Radio Club will be hosting their annual "Chili Cook-off and Membership Drive". Craig noted this is one of our favorite Club activities and the event is a great place to make new friends, have a wonderful dinner, and fellowship. Amateurs are invited to attend and bring your chili and your appetite! The Meeting will be held Tuesday March 21st, 7:00pm at the American Red Cross Headquarters, 211 W Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111 Prizes will be a \$25 Gift Certificate to Associated Radio for 1st Place, and a \$15 Gift Certificate for 2nd place. If you need further information on the location of the meeting you can use the Talk-in on the 146.97 repeater, call W0RR. There is free parking in the rear of the building. If you would like to enter the Chili-Cook-off please contact Craig, KA0FSP at cschley1960@gmail.com

At the Macon County Amateur Radio Club and the Macon Area Repeater Council February meeting Scott Bigham, N0DBM, was elected as the new President of M.A.R.C. and Matt Chambers, NR0Q, will be the Repeater group's Vice-President. Charles Roberts, WB0HLW, was selected to continue as Secretary/Treasurer. The MCARC has reserved W0D, for the Lester Dent – Doc Savage Special event on October 7th and 8th 2017. This will be the 5th year for their LD-DS Special Event and it will be held at the Macon, MO Brees Park Roundhouse this year. If a contact is made you can send a SASE and get their 2016 Lester Dent-Doc Savage Certificate. The MCARC Volunteer Exam Session will be held March 19th at the Macon City Community Development Building on Rollins Street at 1:00 p.m.

Egyptian Radio Club General Membership meeting

March 2 2017 UNAPPROVED

Members present: Bob Evans AA9FQ, Bill Dusenberry N9OQK, Nolan Zobrist KA9VKC, Jean Wilson KC9MDC, Pat Walkup KC9MDC, Marty Schultz N9PPJ, Justin Garbe WA9JTG, Terry Bell N9BEL, Larry Unfried WA9KJV, Randy Werner KD9BQK, Michael Phillips NORSP, Jim Williamson KD9FQC, Geoff Brenton N9CMD, Tom Green KD9RX, Bill Schmidt WA0JCO, John Sundstrom WA0LIS, Jack Leverich, John Fuesting KD9DXD, Bob Young W9MO

Treasurer's report given by John Fuesting February general meeting minutes submitted by Bob Evans, both accepted without exception.

Repeater committee given by Marty Schultz: The FTM100V Yaesu Fusion is here. The club will use it to shut down the Fusion repeater if needed. Cost was \$300.

The 76 repeater is getting noisy when the wind blows, it may need some work.

The club has two System Master UHF antennas and one System Master VHF antenna in Marty's basement they might work for repeater antennas.

220 Repeater

John Sundstrom contacted Bridge Com the 220 repeater will cost \$995 including software programming total cost \$1100. John has offered to donate 10% of the cost.

Some members stated they did not get the email survey regarding the 220 repeater. Over 80 emails were sent out, we only received eight replies. Seven were in favor of purchasing the repeater, one thought it was unnecessary but had no objections.

Bob Young questioned that if the club purchased the repeater would the club still retain enough funds should something catastrophic happen to another repeater or if we are going to have to pay someone to climb the 76 to replace its antenna.

The question of equipment insurance was brought up, Mike Philips reported the club had a one time two million dollar liability policy. Larry Unfried suggested the club look into equipment insurance through the ARRL. Any climber the club hires must have their own insurance and be bonded, and the club will require a copy of such, before hiring.

Jack Leverich estimates a climber for the 146.76 repeater would cost about \$1,000 plus they would require a ground assistant.

Larry Unfried made a motion that the club purchase from Bridgecom a 220 repeater for \$1,100, seconded by John Sundstorm motion passed unanimously.

Jack Leverich reported that KDNL had an opening for a 440 repeater, that antennas for a UHF remote receive are located at the 500 foot level with coax terminating next to our current 146.76 repeater.

John Sundstrom will check to see if there is UHF frequency pair available. Mike Phillips stated the club received an email from the Missouri Repeater coordinating group about a year ago, he will look to see if the contact information is still good.

Bob Evans questioned if the antennas will tune to the amateur band, Marty and Jack will check into that.

The club will table the decision on the 440 repeater until more information becomes available.

Hamfest

Larry Unfriend suggested that we check with Big Frog to see if they would be interested in embroidery at the Hamfest. Big Frog screen prints T-shirts \$20 if you want in two hours \$6 if you can wait up to seven days.

Bill Dusenberry reported we have a glitch with PayPal on the website, people can reserve tickets and tables, but can not pay

Pat Walkup asked about food at the hamfest, Mike Philips reported that Dennis is willing to cook again for the hamfest, it was decided that the club would invite Dennis to cook again this year.

Bob Evans reported on contacts he has made, so far we only have firm commitments from D&L antenna and Jim's engraving, RadioWavz and Dit and Dash gave verbal commitment at Winterfest, but follow up letters have not resulted in any further communications. A Boafeng dealer who was at Egyptian fest last year also gave a verbal at winterfest, but there is no contact information available at this time for follow up.

Field Day

We need operators, food, and drink. Mike Phillips and Marty Schultz have agreed to chair Field Day. Bill Dusenberry said he is willing to have food for the overnight shift.

Newsletter

Jason Cato would like to receive emails on what is going on and stories. He picks up bits and pieces from Facebook, but would prefer direct email contact for stuff to go in the newsletter

Nolan Zobrist reported that there will be Skywarn training 8:30 am at Lewis and Clark College

Nolan also asked if the club wanted to run a special even station for the eclipse that will occur in August. The club would need to apply for a special event call and possibly print up QSL cards. The club decided it would be discussed at the April meeting.

Illinois QSO Party

Bill Schmidt reported that the Egyptian won the Illinois QSO party and set a record for a four corner station.

Minutes Submitted by

Bob Evans AA9FQ

ERC Secretary .

Announcements

Lewis and Clark Radio Club Hamfest April 22
Godfrey, IL Lewis and Clark College
<http://www.k9ham.org/>

April 7 Branson, Mo OzarkCon QRP Conference
(Operating Specialty Convention)
www.ozarkcon.com

Recent Illinois ARES appointments
Illinois Section Manager Ron Morgan AD9I
Assistant Section Manager Scott DeSantis
KB9VRW
Section Emergency Coordinator Fritz Bock
WD9FMB
Official Emergency Station Bob Evans AA9FQ

 American Diabetes Association.
Tour de Cure

Saturday, June 3, 2017
Liberty Bank
Amphitheater
Alton, Illinois

Sponsored by the
Heartland Region of the
American Diabetes
Association

This event attracts about 1,000 riders of all levels and abilities, and is one of the Diabetes Association's key fundraisers. There will be five routes in Calhoun and Jersey Counties, Illinois and I am recruiting volunteers for the Route Support Team.

Drivers and communicators are needed for ten SAG vans, two route trucks (pickup trucks) and one supply truck. Additionally, communicators are needed for nine rest stops.

I'm trying to eliminate multiple requests for information, so if you are able to volunteer, please e-mail the following information to me at gatewaysag@gmail.com:

- Full name
- E-mail address
- Cell phone (for day of ride use only)
- T-shirt size
- Call sign
- Desired assignment - mobile communicator (SAG or truck), driver (SAG or truck) or Rest Stop communicator

- For mobile communicators--
 - Do you have your own wiring harness, or do you need us to provide one? If so, power pole or T-connector?
 - Do you have an APRS tracker or do you need us to provide one?
- New questions this year--
 - Do you have any physical or other restrictions that might affect the assignment you are given?
 - Report times vary between 5:30 am and 10:00 am- do you prefer an early or late assignment? In the past, the last volunteers have been released around 5:00 pm.

There will be a training session for all drivers and communicators in early May - details to follow. Final assignments are usually made about two weeks before the event.

The web site for the ride is

http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR/TourdeCure/TourAdmin?pg=entry&fr_id=11732

For more information, contact:

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General Club Information

The club holds a monthly meeting on the first Thursday of the month and is open to all. Visitors are always welcome at the meetings. The next meeting is April 6th, at 6:30pm at the Holy Family Community Center at 2600 Washington Ave in Granite City, IL. Members tend to arrive early to socialize, and the actual meeting starts at 6:30pm. After the meeting, there is usually a social gathering at a local restaurant. "The meeting after the meeting."

The club has a informal net every Tuesday at 8:00pm on 146.76. The PL and time-out timer are turned off for the net. You do **NOT** need to be a member to participate or use the repeater, as it is open to **ALL** licensed Amateurs. Be sure to "stop in" and say hi!

Anyone interested in joining the Egyptian Radio Club will find an application at the end of this newsletter.

Contact us;

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