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The Official Newsletter of the Egyptian Radio Club, Inc.

December 2018

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IL

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Merry Christmas!!!!!!

Greetings from the Egyptian Radio Club.

Don't miss our December meeting / Annual Christmas Party. It's
Thursday December 6th

at 6:30pm. Start arriving at 6pm. Don't forget to bring an unwrapped
toy for the Toys

For Tots toy drive.

Further, Club dues are coming due again. Club dues can be collected
at the Christmas Party, a regular club meeting, or if you choose to mail
them in;

Egyptian Radio Club

PO Box 562

Granite City IL 62040-0562

ATTN: Club Dues

\$36 Full membership

\$18 Associate Membership

or

\$24 Senior Membership (65 years or older)

Cash or check is fine, as usual. But, We even take plastic now.

Repeaters, Amateur TV Play Communication Role in California Fire Emergency

11/19/2018

Amateur Radio repeaters and TV (ATV) have helped to keep the broader community informed on the local status of widespread fires in Southern California, radio amateurs say. Benjamin Kuo, KI6YR, who had to evacuate but now is back home, said remote Amateur Radio Emergency Data Network (AREDN) mesh cameras captured video from fires across Southern California earlier this month, including the [early stages of the Woolsey Fire](#).

ATV cameras also offered views of some of the state's less prominent fires, including the [Briggs Fire](#) in Santa Paula, and the [Peak Fire](#) in Simi Valley.

“Another big success: When most of Southern California lost their internet and phone, local repeaters were used to relay information about the fire status to ham radio operators,” Kuo told ARRL. “We also used our AREDN mesh to enable some of our members to be able to access key public safety information on their computers via our high-speed network when they had no phone or Internet.”

Kuo said a near round-the-clock net, which secured on November 14, took place in Ventura County on the Conejo Valley Amateur Radio Club's BOZO repeater and the WD6EBY Repeater Network (PVARC) countywide, with updates, important evacuation information, and more. Kuo copied information from the repeaters and his scanner onto his Twitter feed, for broader dissemination.

He credited Stu Sheldon, AG6AG, and Zak Cohen, N6PK — the two primary net operators — for working to make sure everyone had current information on the fire. “Many others were also involved providing first-hand reports — in many cases, eyes on the fire and where it was at any point,” Kuo added. He said that with landline telephones, television cable, and internet service disrupted and cell phones intermittent, repeaters were often the only source of information.

“Personally, the whole disaster cemented for me how much more resilient Amateur Radio is in these kinds of situations, and how it's actually pretty critical to keeping informed and aware of what's going on,” Kuo said. Elsewhere, Scott Bastian, AK6Q, of the Catalina Amateur Radio Association (CARA) in Southern California, said a ham in Malibu used his

club's repeater to call for help at the onset of the Woolsey Fire that decimated Malibu and surrounding areas.

“This ham — and I do not have her call sign — used the CARA 2-meter repeater located on Catalina Island, calling for someone to make a phone call to the fire department as there was a large fire approaching her home, and she had no power or phone service due to our power company shutting off power due to the high winds and fire danger,” Bastian told ARRL. “Two of our members — Bob Parker, KI6UPJ, in Bellflower, and Gabriel Saldana, K6GLS, in Avalon were able to pull her information out of the ‘mud,’ as she had a poor signal. They were able to notify Los Angeles County Fire and get her aid.”

EGYPTIAN RADIO CLUB



CHRISTMAS PARTY

&



ANNUAL TOYS FOR TOTS

DEC 6 2018

LOCATION: UNCLE LINNYS
4112 E PONTOON RD
PONTOON BEACH, IL.

START ARRIVING BETWEEN 6:00 & 6:30 PM

WE WILL BE ORDERING FROM THE MENU

DON'T FORGET TO BRING NEW UNWRAPPED TOYS IN
OUR SUPPORT FOR THE US MARINE CORPS RESERVES
TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

There will be a short business meeting & the election of 2019 club officers will take place, then back to the food and fun.

Madison County

Traffic Net

Sundays 6:30 pm Local

146.79 repeater pl 127.3

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4. Subject:	5. Date:	6. Time:
7. Message:		
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9. Reply:		
10. Replied by: Name: _____ Position/Title: _____ Signature: _____		
ICS 213	Date/Time:	

Madison County

WinLink Net

Test message will be sent out
On or about the first of every month

Contact Bob

AA9FQ@ARRL.Net or via Winlink



2018 ST. LOUIS METRO ARES/RACES EVENT CALENDAR



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

NOVEMBER

12th – Regular Monthly Meeting

DECEMBER

3rd – Planning Committee Meeting

10th – 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*



From Dave Miller KORJL ARES EC KORJL@ARRL.NET

QST Madison County ARES:

I am accepting applications for those who may be interested in the position of Amateur Radio Emergency Service Emergency Coordinator (ARES-EC) for Madison County.

I am not quitting; I will not leave the position vacant. However, it is time that I move on. I did not intend to be in the position this long, but my exit plans did not come about. It has been an honor to serve and I have a great deal of job satisfaction in being your EC.

If you are interested, please apply to me in the form of a letter with any attachments you may consider useful: resume, training records, experience, etc. Although one does not have to be a member of ARRL to serve in ARES, full ARRL membership is required to serve as EC.

The position is an ARRL field appointment. Therefore, any final selection needs to be endorsed by the District Emergency Coordinator, Section Emergency Coordinator, and Section Manager before receiving final approval and appointment by the ARRL

I am leaving the application period open until the end of November. The final selection will be made in December with an anticipated start date of January 1, 2019.

Again, I will remain in the position until a suitable replacement can be made. It has been an honor to serve.

73,

Dave Miller

KORJL/OES-IL

Madison County ARES-EC

December is Youngsters on the Air (YOTA) Month

11/09/2018

December is Youngsters on the Air Month (YOTA Month). Listen for stations on the air with YOTA as the call sign suffix.

“The idea for this is to show the Amateur Radio hobby to young people and to encourage youngsters to be active on the amateur bands,” said Tomi Varro, HA9T. “This is a great moment to show Amateur Radio to the world and to invite newcomers.”

YOTA is primarily an International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 1 (Europe and Africa) activity, but youngsters from the US in Region 2 (the Americas) have attended YOTA summer camps, which are held in a different country each year. Varro said both licensed and unlicensed youth will be making contacts. “Be helpful on the bands — maybe these young operators are just making their first ever contacts,” he advised.

YOTA stations are, in general, operated by individuals 25 or younger. The operating event takes place for the entire month of December UTC.

As part of YOTA month, Bob Johnson, W9XY, and Ken Claerbout, K4ZW, will travel to Ethiopia to team up with the club at the Addis Ababa University, Institute of Technology and club station ET3AA. For more updates, visit YOTA's [Facebook page](#).



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November 1 2018 general meeting

Present: Bill Schmidt WA0JCO, John Sundstrom WA0LIS, Larry Unfriend WA9KJV, Nolan Zobrist KA9VKC, David Miller KF9EV, Justin Garbe WA9JTG, Randy Werner Kd9BQK, Terry Bell N9BEL, Bob Madoux KB9JE, Tim Nichols N9FUE, Bob Young W9MO, Brian Matejka, Christian Manning, Jennifer Cato, Jason Cato KB9LBC, Chuck Hoxsey KD9JKP, Lisa Hoxsey, Mike Phillips N0RSP, Bob Evans AA9FQ, Marty Schultz N9PPJ, Ron Wright, Jack

Open by Bill Schmidt

Minutes approved without objection motion Jason Cato, seconded Larry Unfried

Treasurer report given by Mike Phillips

Old Business

Justin Garbe wanted to know if the club was going to sell the 756. The club will decide this in January. Bill Schmidt reported that most used gear has dropped in price and that the 756 may bring less than \$500.

Antenna on the roof the skid is rotten and will have to be replaced , Larry Unfried offered a pallet.

Bill Schmidt would like to get the vertical up

New Business

Bob Reported the Effingham deployment of amateur radio operators from Madison county as part of the SET.

Herb has an antenna party this Saturday at his Alton home.

220 repeater swap out the controller two months ago, the repeater went back down a week later.

Nominations for 2019 officers

President Bill Dussenberry

Treasure Mike Phillips

Assistant Treasure Jennifer Cato

Vice President Bill Schmidt

Secretary Bob Evans

1 year board member at large Jason Cato

The 2 year board member at large John Sundstrom will up for reelection in 2019

Mike Phillips asked we bring a toy for the Marine Corp Reserve Toys for Tots toy drive with us when we meet at Uncle Lenny's December 6. The Toys for Tots drive is something the Egyptian Radio Club does every year in conjunction with Beltline Chiropractic in Collinsville.

Reminder we will meet December 6 at Uncle Lenny's in Pontoon Beach between 6-6:30, everyone is on their own in ordering off the menu.

Meeting adjourned motion by Terry Bell Seconded by Jason Cato

Submitted by

Bob Evans AA9FQ ERC Secretary

Announcements

We are looking for volunteers for the 90th Anniversary Celebration March 9th 2019, and for EgyptianFest on June 9th, 2019. Please feel free to contact me, (Jason Cato KB9LBC) at kb9lbc@gmail.com to volunteer or with ideas!!!

For those of you that have any announcements, please feel free to email me at kb9lbc@gmail.com so I can include them in the newsletter.

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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 December 6th, at 6:30pm at Uncle Linny's Restaurant, 4112 Pontoon Road, Pontoon Beach IL. This is our annual Christmas Party.

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.

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Class of membership desired: Full Associate Senior (must be 65 or older) (circle one)	
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I hereby apply for membership in the Egyptian Radio Club, Inc. and agree to accept and follow its By-Laws. Further, I agree to operate my Amateur Radio Station in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission Part 97, of the United States of America.

EGYPTIAN RADIO CLUB 2011 DUES STRUCTURE
I am enclosing one year of dues, pro-rated,
based on the number of months remaining in the calendar year.
(Calendar year, January 1 to December 31)

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