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March 2019

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New Plan Aligns ARES with the Needs of Served Agencies

02/19/2019

The new ARES Plan adopted by the ARRL Board of Directors at its Annual Meeting in January represents an effort to provide ARES with a clearly defined mission, goals, and objectives; specific training requirements, and a system for consistent reporting and record-keeping. The Board's Public Service Enhancement Working Group (PSEWG) spent more than 3 years crafting the ARES Plan which, ARRL officials believe, provides a much-needed update of the program's role in public service and emergency preparedness in the 21st century. Concerns focused on bringing ARES into alignment with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS), and creating more consistent and standardized ARES training requirements. Given dramatic changes and upgrades in national, regional, and local emergency and disaster response organizations, ARRL faced a major challenge, said ARRL Great Lakes Division Director Dale Williams, WA8EFK, who chaired the PSEWG.

“If we didn't address these issues, such as training standards and organizational management, ARES faced the very real possibility that it would no longer be viewed as a valid and valuable partner in emergency and disaster relief situations,” Williams said.

With input from ARES members and a peer review team, and the assistance of emergency response officials with some partner organizations, the PSEWG came up with a plan that provides guidelines to ensure that ARES remains a service of organized, trained, qualified, and credentialed Amateur Radio volunteers who can provide public service partners with radio communication expertise, capability, and capacity, Williams added.

A drafted ARES Plan was circulated among ARRL Section Managers

(SMs) and Section Emergency Coordinators (ECs) to gather feedback. During the comment period from August through October 2018, the PSEWG heard from 55 ARRL Sections, representing 40 states — more than 125 pages of feedback in all. The PSEWG expressed appreciation to all who submitted comments and ideas.

The PSEWG reviewed every comment and suggestion, identifying about a dozen key items commonly cited by those in the Field Organization to improve the plan.

Based on input from ARES participants, the training requirements in the final ARES Plan consist of the free FEMA Professional Development Series. The series comprises these independent study (IS) courses: 120.c, 230.d, 235.c, 240.d, 241.b, 242.b, and 244.b (as they may be amended), as well as the ARRL's EC-001 and EC-016 emergency communication courses. As part of adopting the ARES Plan, the ARRL Board approved a proposal to make the ARRL EC courses free for ARES members.

The plan highlights some additional training programs that ARES participants are encouraged to consider taking, but that are not required, such as AUXCOMM and training courses like ICS-300 and ICS-400.

The ARES Plan outlines a three-tiered membership structure based on increased responsibility levels and accompanying training requirements. Although the tiers are not a required path, they serve to define three distinct ways to participate in the ARES program; it's up to the participant to determine his or her level of involvement.

The ARES Plan points out that public service events such as parades and marathons are within the realm of ARES activity and are, in fact, a key part of it, because such events are an integral part of effective training. In recognizing the local and regional nature of emergency communication needs in disaster response activations, the Plan notes that training requirements are ultimately the responsibility of the Section Manager, with each SM approving training for local ARES teams, as local conditions and needs dictate.

The ARES Plan also highlights the relationship between ARES and the National Traffic System (NTS). The PSEWG indicated that it will continue moving forward with efforts to find ways to refine and strengthen that relationship.

While the intent of the ARES Plan is to align the ARES organizational

structure with the NIMS and ICS systems, Williams noted that, within the ARES structure, the Emergency Coordinator (EC) will continue to lead the ARES team locally during an incident, while the District and Section Emergency Coordinators will continue to serve as resources and support for the EC. (The emergency preparedness staff at ARRL is in the process of updating the EC manual.) The ARES Plan stresses that ARES participants are not first responders, and it encourages ARES leaders to develop and grow their group's partnerships with state emergency management agencies and officials. Williams said the adoption of the ARES Plan is not the end of this process.

“ARES cannot remain stagnant only to be updated once every few generations,” he said. “The ARES Plan, and the ARES program, must be able to evolve.” Williams added that the ARRL Headquarters emergency preparedness staff will review the program annually to ensure its continued relevance.



Presents



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Contact Jason for info at kb9lbc@gmail.com

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The Egyptian Radio Club will celebrate
it's 90th anniversary in September!!!!

The Egyptian Radio Club would like to thank

Holy Family Catholic Church for their

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St. Louis ARES Calander

March 2019

•9 - St. Louis Metro ARES® ARRL EC-001 class, session 1

When: March 9, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63141

[\(Click here for a map and directions.\)](#)

Who to contact: Peter Brisbane, NOMTH n0mth.pb@gmail.com

Details:

Introduction to Emergency Communication class (1 of 4)
Registration required

•11 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: March 11, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

•16 - St. Louis Metro ARES® ARRL EC-001 class, session 2

When: March 16, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Peter Brisbane, NOMTH n0mth.pb@gmail.com

Details:

Introduction to Emergency Communication class (2 of 4)
Registration required

•23 - St. Louis Metro ARES® ARRL EC-001 class, session 3

When: March 23, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Peter Brisbane, NOMTH n0mth.pb@gmail.com

Details:

Introduction to Emergency Communication class (3 of 4)
Registration required

•30 - St. Louis Metro ARES® ARRL EC-001 class, session 4 exam

When: March 30, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Peter Brisbane, NOMTH n0mth.pb@gmail.com

Details:

Introduction to Emergency Communication class (4 of 4) plus exam
Registration required

April 2019

•1 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Planning & Development meeting

When: April 1, 2019 (Monday), 7:00 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)

Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

Planning & Development meeting

•6 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Repeater switching exercise

When: April 29, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)

Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open exercise, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

To be announced

•8 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: April 8, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)

Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

May 2019

•11 - Winlink class

When: May 11, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)

Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Peter Brisbane, NOMTH

Details:

Winlink class

•13 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: May 13, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

June 2019

•3 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Planning & Development meeting

When: June 3, 2019 (Monday), 7:00 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

Planning & Development meeting

•8 - Tour de Cure Diabetes Bike Ride

When: June 8, 2019 (Saturday)

Where: Alton, Illinois

Who to contact: Contact [Rebecca Carroll, KC9CIJ](#) to volunteer to help with Amateur Radio communications.

Details:

[Tour de Cure Web site](#)

This is not an ARES exercise, however, St. Louis Metro ARES believes that participating in this event will provide invaluable experience to anyone interested in emergency communications.

•10 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: June 10, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

•22-23 - Field Day

When: June 22-23, 2019 (Saturday-Sunday)

Where: You can operate from any location

Who to contact: Contact Steve Wooten, KC0QMU at kc0qmu@yahoo.com if you would like to operate at the St. Louis Metro ARES® post at Jefferson Barracks Park

Details:

Field Day is sponsored by the Amateur Radio Relay League and is open to Amateur Radio operators everywhere. See ARRL.org for more information.

Everyone is welcome to visit the St. Louis Metro ARES site at Jefferson Barracks Park.

July 2019

•8 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: July 8, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

August 2019

•5 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Planning & Development meeting

When: August 5, 2019 (Monday), 7:00 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

Planning & Development meeting

•10 - St. Louis Metro ARES® exercise (TBA)

When: August 10, 2019 (Saturday), 9:00 AM

Where: TBA

Who to contact: TBA

Details:

Exercise (TBA)

•12 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: August 12, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

September 2019

•7-8 - MS Bike Ride

When: September 7-8, 2019 (Saturday-Sunday)

Where: Godfrey, Illinois

Who to contact: Contact [Rebecca Carroll, KC9CIJ](#) to volunteer to help with Amateur Radio communications.

Details:

This is not an ARES exercise, however, St. Louis Metro ARES believes that participating in this event will provide invaluable experience to anyone interested in emergency communications.

•9 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: September 9, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

October 2019

•5 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Simulated Emergency Test

When: October 5, 2019 (Saturday)

Where: To be announced

Who to contact: To be announced

Details:

Yearly ARES Simulated Emergency Test, details to be announced

•7 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Planning & Development meeting

When: October 7, 2019 (Monday), 7:00 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

Planning & Development meeting

•14 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: October 14, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

November 2019

•11 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: November 11, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)
Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital
12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting

December 2019

•2 - St. Louis Metro ARES® Planning & Development meeting

When: December 2, 2019 (Monday), 7:00 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)

Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

Planning & Development meeting

•9 - St. Louis Metro ARES® general meeting

When: December 9, 2019 (Monday), 7:30 PM

Where: Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

Private Dining Room (go through the downstairs cafeteria)

Barnes-Jewish West County Hospital

12634 Olive Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63141

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Who to contact: Open meeting, you do not need to contact anyone.

Details:

General meeting



Hatch Wing-
Ground Floor-
Meeting Rooms
1& 2

Hatch Wing
Entrance

Parking: Hatch
Wing Lower Lot

Contacts:
Hospital Operator:
618 463-7311

Emergencies, internal
phone: *1355

ARES Upcoming events, please RSVP AA9FQ@ARRL.NET

All events are open to non-ARES members as well.

March 14 7-9 pm Alton Memorial Hospital

Basics of emergency communication. We will go over best practices, Tactical traffic, ICS 213 213RR traffic, ICS 214 and 309 forms, see map for location details

April 10 7pm Simplex message exercise

146.540. To make this a challenge limit power to 30 watts. More details to follow.

April 27 Illinois SET and Madison County EMA Volunteer Reception Center exercise. 7:30 am -4 pm 101 E. Edwardsville Rd Wood River behind the warehouse

May 4 9am ARES general meeting Madison County EMA. 101 E Edwardsville Rd Wood River second floor

June 8 Tour De Cure Alton

August 28-September 2 Bethalto Labor Day Event, Amateur radio Support has been requested

September 3-5 IEMA Summit in Springfield

September 7-8 MS Bike-A-Thon Godfrey

US Amateur Radio Population Grows Slightly in 2018

02/14/2019

The US Amateur Radio population once again grew by about 1%, based upon 2017 and 2018 year-end FCC database statistics provided by Joe Speroni, AH0A. The 755,430 total licensees represent nearly 7,300 more ticket holders than those that were in the database at the end of 2017. Nearly 51% of the Amateur Radio population in the US — 384,145 — hold a Technician license. Generals are second with 175,949, and Amateur Extras number 147,369. Advanced and Novice licensee populations continue to decline, with 39,607 Advanced and 8,360 Novices, as the FCC no longer issues Advanced or Novice licenses. A more significant statistic is 31,576 *new* FCC licenses last year, although that's 620 fewer than came aboard in 2017.

“New amateur licenses granted by FCC are down 2% over last year,” noted ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, “but this is the fifth year in a row the total has been greater than 31,000. I predict that the number of new licensees will be more than 30,000 at the end of this year as well, and I’m optimistic this trend will continue.”

Upgrades also are down slightly, compared to last year — 9,456 in 2018 versus 9,576 in 2017, she added. “For the fifth year in a row, we have conducted more than 7,000 Amateur Radio exam sessions in a year — an important milestone for the ARRL VEC,” Somma recounted. “Our program continues to provide outstanding service to the ARRL, its members, and the entire Amateur Radio community.”

ARRL VEC filed a total 30,393 license application forms last year, compared to 31,014 in 2017. That includes new, upgrade, modification, renewal, and club station filings. At 7,035 in 2018, the number of exam sessions conducted by ARRL VEC marginally trailed the 7,075 held in 2017. ARRL VEC served 34,493 exam applicants in 2018, compared to 35,352 in 2017. Exam elements administered by ARRL decreased from 47,152 last year to 45,817 this year, Somma said. Nearly 1,800 new Volunteer Examiners (VEs) have been added to the ARRL VEC program.

US Navy Explores Amateur Radio as a Training Adjunct

02/13/2019

The US Navy's Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division (NAWCWD) has adopted Amateur Radio training as a possible new approach to basic RF and electronics instruction. More than 20 NAWCWD employees took part in a week-long class in Point Mugu, California, in December. The class, which culminated in an examination session for the Technician licensed, offered NAWCWD employees a novel approach to teaching radio propagation, said Brian Hill, KF4CAM, the lead for electromagnetic maneuver warfare experimentation in the Avionics, Sensors and E*Warfare Department. Hill, who got his license while he was still in high school, is also the department's “innovation ambassador.”

“I looked at the breakdown of current new hires and saw that many had degrees in computer science and thought that their classwork might not have covered things like RF propagation,” Hill said. Rather than have employees sit through hours of *PowerPoint* briefings, Hill thought that a licensing course might be a more dynamic, hands-on approach to convey the basics — and cover areas such as directional antennas, signal propagation, and modulation that are necessary for their work.

Initially, Hill had 10 class slots funded, but then Target Design Engineering Branch Head Ian Mann, KI6YVO, got wind of the class, saw its potential, and helped get funding to expand participation. Mann, a General-class licensee and a ham for nearly 10 years, said he's been able to apply knowledge learned in the class to his NAWCWD work.

Target Systems Division head Milton Gabaldon, also saw merit in the approach. He sat in on the classes, took the exam, and he's now KM6YPA. For him, it's about connecting the dots.

"It's about introducing people to electronics, to start understanding what RF is all about ...so when we talk about it in the test and evaluation world, [students] know what we're talking about," Gabaldon said.

"They get a better view than 'I just do software.' Now they see 'My software controls this piece, which sends out RF jamming signals that protect the warfighter.' That's the most important takeaway."

In all, 23 employees who took the Technician exam passed, and several also successfully tested at for General and Amateur Extra licenses. Hill hopes to offer more hands-on classes in the future, and he's planning a Fox Hunt for the near future, as additional hands-on training. — *Thanks to NAWCD and Public Affairs Officer Kimberly Brown; some information from [C4ISRNet](#)*

**The following is a list of items for sale from the estate of
N9HZD. You may contact Carl Buehler at cbuehler1954@icloud.com
For further details or to purchase.**

Company	Model	Notes	Price
CDR	Rotor control box		\$10 each
Dentron	SuperTuner		\$80
Drake TR3	Transceiver		\$75
Eico	955	Capacitance tester	\$10
Gonset Comm CB			\$20
Ham IV w/controller	CD45	May need work	\$100
Heathkit	SB610		\$60
Heathkit	SB620		\$75
Heathkit	HW101		\$70
Heathkit	HP23B		\$100
Heathkit	SB650	light gray, not green	\$60
Heathkit	SB600	Speaker w/ PS	\$100
Heathkit	SB600	Speaker	\$40
Heathkit	SB101		\$150
Heathkit	HM102		\$40
Heathkit	SB1000		\$750
Heathkit	IM4130		\$80
Heathkit	Mohican	parts only	\$20
Heathkit	10-4235	Dual trace oscilloscope	\$50
Heathkit	TT1 tube tester		\$300
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tubes, tubes, tubes, tubes, tubes			



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General Meeting Minutes from 02/07/2019

Present: Jason Cato, Jennifer Cato, Chuck Hoxsey, Bill Dusenbery, John Fuesting, Bob Evans, John Sundstrom, Larry Unfried, Justin Garbe, Nolan Zobrist, Ken Magill, Randy Werner, Terry Bell, Tim Nichols, Lisa Hoxsey, Marty Scultz, Bill Schmidt, Ron Wright, Bob Madoux, and Don Reinheimer

Treasury report was given.

Mike Phillips (Now SK) had a plan for using QuickBooks with John Fuesting. Mike had talked to QuickBooks about making it easier to post amounts, etc. Mike passed away and John is currently working on it. Will keep everyone posted.

Randy Werner asked about how much we charge to advertise in the newsletter. Bill Dusenbery said it would be discussed at the next board meeting.

Bill Dusenbery asked Bill Schmidt about plaster issue in the radio room. Not sure if water damage to the radios. Said most likely NOT, but we do have a water leak. They cleared equipment out of the radio room for now.

Repeater Committee did not get to have a meeting per se, due to manpower needed to clear out the radio room. Discussed 79 repeater and tower at SIUE. 76 repeater is getting interference from other unknown signals it is thought. Possibly needs a new duplexer. Marty says &^ is working fairly well except when the weather is bad. 220 repeater may need a new antenna or duplexer. Justin stated one antenna on the dual antenna system is stubbed, due to lightning strike. Marty will have more info for the next meeting. Bob Madoux asked about internet at the 76 repeater site. Marty not sure if a good idea, Bill Schmidt thinks not a good idea. 443.325 repeater antenna is still upside down due to tower climbers moving it. Justin said on a good day 443.325 sees as much activity as 79 repeater does.

Bill Dusenbery asked Jason Cato about 90th anniversary and EgyptianFest to update the group. Talked about vendors and door prizes received so far.

Bill Dusenbery is looking for a volunteer to chair Field Day. June 22-23.

Lewis and Clark Hamfest March 23rd was discussed. Tickets were offered for sale by Justin.

Meeting after the Meeting at El Rodeo in Granite City.

Announcements

We are looking for volunteers for the 90th Anniversary Celebration each weekend in September, 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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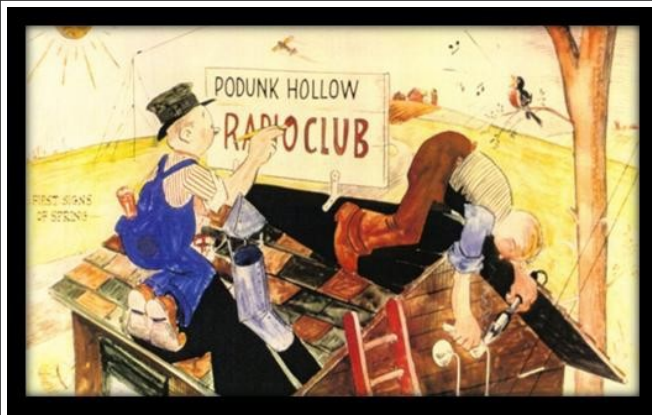


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General Club Information

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 March 7th, 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.

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Our website is;

www.w9aiu.org.

Our Facebook Page is;

<https://www.facebook.com/W9AIU>.

Our Facebook Group is ;

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/765454553468182/>.

Our repeaters are:

146.760 – PL 141.3 in downtown St. Louis, MO
with an EchoLink Node #541608

443.325 + PL 141.3 in downtown St. Louis, MO
Now System Fusion Capable

146.790 – PL 127.3 in Edwardsville, IL

224.060 – No PL in Edwardsville, IL

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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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