

# PODUNK HOLLOW NEWS

The Official Newsletter of the Egyptian Radio Club, Inc.

## April 2019

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

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<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 FUSION CAPABLE  
146.790 – PL 127.3 in Edwardsville, IL  
224.060 – No PL in Edwardsville, IL  
442.400 + PL 127.3 in Edwardsville, IL

**Search for Special Events Stations.**

## Department of Defense to Transmit Interoperability Exercise Info via WWV/WWVH

03/29/2019

The US Department of Defense (DOD) plans to start making use of a provisional time slot on WWV and WWVH to announce upcoming HF military communication exercises and how the Amateur Radio community can become involved in them. The announcements will occur at 10 minutes past on WWV and at 50 minutes past on WWVH. WWV and WWVH transmit on 2.5, 5, 10, 15, and 20 MHz.

“DOD’s use of the broadcast time slot on WWV/WWVH will benefit the MARS program’s mission of outreach to the Amateur Radio community,” said US Army Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) Program Manager Paul English, WD8DBY. “The actual messages to be broadcast are coordinated by the DOD Headquarters that the MARS program supports.” The initial announcements are set for the period April 20 – May 3, which coincides with the “Vital Connection” interoperability exercise to be held in Wisconsin. Future time slots will coincide with the Vital Connection exercise Ohio in June; DOD COMEX 19-3 in August, and the DOD COMEX 19-4 in October. Following the proof of concept this year, DOD anticipates making use of the WWV/WWVH broadcast time slot full time, year-round.

At the outset, broadcast messages will likely be static. For future exercises, announcements could be updated throughout an exercise. The messages will direct listeners to a specified website to provide reception reports and feedback.

The reception report will also ask the listener to submit a survey that will be shared among DOD, MARS, and WWV/WWVH personnel. English said that the survey will ask listeners questions about how often they listen to WWV/WWVH signals, how they use them, and what types of messages they would like to hear, but he notes that the survey is still

under development.

“We want to provide feedback to WWV/WWVH to improve situational awareness of who is using their service and how it’s being used, as well as future considerations,” English said.

## **ARISS Seeks Hosts for Ham Radio Contacts with Space Station Crew Members**

*03/27/2019*

Starting on April 1, Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) will accept applications from US schools, museums, science centers, and community youth organizations (working individually or together) interested in hosting contacts with orbiting crew members on the International Space Station (ISS). Contacts will be scheduled between January 1 and June 30, 2020.

Each year, ARISS provides tens of thousands of students with opportunities to learn about space technologies and communications through Amateur Radio. The program provides learning opportunities by connecting students to astronauts aboard the ISS through a partnership between ARRL, AMSAT, and NASA, as well as other Amateur Radio organizations and worldwide space agencies. The program’s goal is to inspire students to pursue interests and careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and Amateur Radio.

“Educators overwhelmingly report that student participation in the ARISS program stimulates interest in STEM subjects and in STEM careers,” ARISS said in announcing the contact opportunities. “One educator wrote, ‘Many of the middle school students who took part in and attended the ARISS contact have selected science courses in high school as a result of that contact.’” ARISS says enthusiasm sparked by a school contact has led to an interest in ham radio among students and to the creation of ham radio clubs in schools. Some educators have even become radio amateurs after experiencing a contact with an ISS crew member.

ARISS is looking for organizations capable of attracting large numbers of participants and integrating the contact into a well-developed, exciting

education plan. Students can learn about satellite communications, wireless technology, science research conducted on the ISS, radio science, and any related STEM subject. Students learn to use Amateur Radio to talk directly to an astronaut and ask their STEM-related questions. ARISS will help educational organizations locate Amateur Radio groups who can assist with equipment for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for students.

The deadline to submit proposals is May 15. Proposal webinars for guidance and questions will be offered on April 11 at 7 PM EDT (2300 UTC) and on April 16 at 9 PM EDT (0100 UTC on Wednesday, April 17). [Advance registration](#) is required. [More details](#), such as expectations, proposal guidelines, and the proposal form, are on the ARISS website.



Presents



# ***EgyptianFest 2019***

**Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> 2019, 7am – 12pm**

At the Holy Family Catholic Church Community Center  
located at 2600 Washington Ave, Granite City, IL

***The Best Little HamFest in the Midwest!!!***

Many vendors, lots of fun, friends and food.

Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door

Additional Raffle tickets are 6 for \$5

Tables are \$12 for first table, \$10 each additional

Outdoor Tailgating spots are \$10

ARRL VE Testing @ 9am [www.w9aiu.org](http://www.w9aiu.org)

Contact Jason for info at [kb9lbc@gmail.com](mailto:kb9lbc@gmail.com)

Talk in on 146.76 PL 141.3 & 146.79 PL 127.3

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

Graciousness and hospitality.

# Madison County Traffic Net

Sundays 6:30 pm Local

146.79 repeater pl 127.3

GENERAL MESSAGE (ICS 213)			
1. Incident Name (Optional):			
2. To (Name and Position):			
3. From (Name and Position):			
4. Subject:		5. Date:	6. Time:
7. Message:			
8. Approved by: Name:		Signature:	Position/Title:
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

# REMINDER!!!! Illinois AND Missouri!



*"Each day, law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency response personnel, and highway workers encounter situations which place their lives in jeopardy while protecting the citizens of Illinois. This legislation helps to ensure that they can perform those duties out of harm's way."*

*Penalties for violating Scott's Law include:*

*a fine of not more than \$10,000 suspension of driving privileges for a period of up to a year but not less than 90 days for damaging another person's property suspension of driving privileges for a period of not less than 180 days but no more than two years for injuring another person a two-year suspension of driving privileges for causing the death of another person.*

*The ISP encourages motorists to follow these precautions when approaching an emergency vehicle with its lights activated:*

*Slow down and proceed with caution. Yield the right-of-way by changing into a lane not immediately adjacent to the emergency vehicle. Be prepared to pull over to the right-hand side of the roadway and stop if directed to do so. Be watchful of the movement of emergency personnel and equipment. ISP advised the legislation applies to all vehicles displaying flashing lights, including highway maintenance vehicles.*

# St. Louis ARES Calander

## 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

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

**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

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

**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

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

**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](mailto: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](http://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

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

**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

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

**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

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

**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

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

**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

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

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

**Details:**

General meeting

ARES Upcoming events, please RSVP [AA9FQ@ARRL.NET](mailto: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

## ARES Helps Iowa Water Utility to Resolve RFI Issue

03/26/2019

Des Moines (Iowa) Water Works (DMWW) uses secure radiotelemetry to monitor various remote-site parameters to alert staff to problems. Earlier this year, DMWW experienced periodic and sometimes total failure of the radio system. After no solution could be found, staff reached out to various resources, including the FCC. Polk County ARES also was brought in, and eight operators assembled to track down the interference, working the late shift.

After a process of elimination, the ARES volunteers pinpointed the interfering signal to defunct equipment atop a downtown Des Moines building. The team contacted the owner of the license associated with the equipment and got permission to disable it, and DMWW confirmed that the signal interference was gone. Collectively, the Polk County ARES volunteer team spent approximately 70 hours to assist DMWW. Following the experience, DMWW installed a more robust radio system with encryption and established stronger relationships with several entities that can assist if similar problems arise. — Thanks to *H2Oline* and The ARES E-Letter

## Canadian Amateur Radio Interference Case Adjudicated

03/20/2019

Interference from what ISED, Canada's telecommunications regulator, called an individual "operating an Amateur Radio station without proper authorization and was known to insult, threaten and impersonate other Amateur operators" has been adjudicated. The case resulted in a [petition](#), which attracted 1,135 signatures, being presented to the House of Commons on January 30, and the Government of Canada [responded](#) on March 18.

"As the individual disregarded ISED's written and verbal warnings, the department took action to enforce the [Radiocommunication] Act," ISED said. "Due to repeated offences, ISED carried out three searches of the individual's residences and issued seven notices of violation totaling \$2,500 plus fees." Last October, the individual was found guilty of the violations of subsection by a Justice of the Peace. ISED also called upon a federal prosecutor to obtain an injunction against the individual. That injunction is currently at the interlocutory stage.

ISED said it understands the individual has not been heard on Amateur Radio since August 8, 2018, and that it's "closely following this case." — *Thanks to Radio Amateurs of Canada*

## FCC Alerts Consumers About Spoofing of 1-888-CALL-FCC Phone Number

The FCC has received reports that scammers are [spoofing](#) the FCC's Consumer Call Center number, 1-888-225-5322, as part of a Chinese-language robocall scam.

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### Related Content

- [Consumer Guide: Spoofing and Caller ID](#)
- [Consumer Guide: Unwanted Calls and Texts](#)
- [More Consumer Help Center Posts](#)

Chinese-language calls that refer to, or display, 1-888-225-5322 (1-888-CALL-FCC) on caller ID are fraudulent, and **you should hang up immediately**.

The FCC does not call and ask for money. The FCC also does not work with foreign consulates to collect civil or criminal fines from individuals.

Remember:

- Never give out – or confirm – personal information such as account numbers, Social Security numbers, mother's maiden names, passwords or other identifying information in response to unexpected calls or if you are at all suspicious.
- If you get an inquiry from someone who says they represent a government agency, hang up and call the phone number on the government agency's website, or in the phone book, to verify the authenticity of the request.
- Use caution if you are being pressured to quickly divulge information – this is a sure sign of a scam.
- Never send money using a reloadable card or gift card.

For more details on this scam, visit <https://www.fcc.gov/chinese-americans-targeted-consulate-phone-scam>. This site includes information about tactics international bad actors use when they try to scam Chinese Americans and Chinese citizens living abroad. The article, which is also available in traditional Chinese (華裔美國人遭遇冒充領事館的電話詐騙 - <https://www.fcc.gov/chinese-americans-targeted-consulate-phone-scam/chi>), includes tips and recommendations for what you can do if you receive such a phone call. If you feel you're the victim of such a scam, report it to local law enforcement.

After receiving calls from consumers who thought they had been called by the FCC, the agency has referred the matter to its Enforcement Bureau which has begun investigating.

Consumers who receive spoofed calls they believe are fraudulent – in any language – can report such calls to the FCC. Complaints can be filed, at no cost through, the FCC Consumer Complaint Center ([consumercomplaints.fcc.gov](https://consumercomplaints.fcc.gov)). We also encourage you to file your complaint with the FTC at [www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov](https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov).

Information about the FCC's informal complaint process, including how to file a complaint, and what happens after a complaint is filed, is available in the [FCC Complaint Center FAQ](https://www.fcc.gov/consumercomplaints/FAQs) ([www.fcc.gov/consumercomplaints/FAQs](https://www.fcc.gov/consumercomplaints/FAQs)).

Learn more about caller ID spoofing and other robocall scams at [fcc.gov/consumers](https://fcc.gov/consumers).

Thank you to Rich Morgan for sharing this to the Club's FaceBook group.

**The following is a list of items for sale from the estate of  
N9HZD. You may contact Carl Buehler at [cbuehler1954@icloud.com](mailto: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	<b>light gray, not green</b>	\$60
Heathkit	SB600	Speaker w/ PS	\$100
Heathkit	SB600	<b>Speaker</b>	\$40
Heathkit	SB101		\$150
Heathkit	HM102		\$40
Heathkit	SB1000		\$750
Heathkit	IM4130		\$80
Heathkit	Mohican	parts only	\$20
Heathkit	10-4235	<b>Dual trace oscilloscope</b>	\$50
Heathkit	TT1 tube tester		\$300
Heathkit	IO 14		\$100
Heathkit	CW practice	set	\$20
Heil	desk mic	with base	\$60
Heil	Gold Line HM5	new in box	\$80
Icom	AT500		\$300
Icom	37A		\$150
Icom	IC T81A	No charger	\$90
Icom	28A		\$100
Kenwood	TS820		\$280
Kenwood	TW4100A		\$100
Kenwood	TH215A	Dial seems locked	\$40
MFJ	949C		\$120
TenTec	Hercules II		\$200
TenTec	9420	70amp Power supply	\$100

TenTec	Paragon	with P/S	\$250
UnidenBearcat	BC560XLT		\$60
Waters	334	Dummy load / wattmeter	\$40
Yaesu	FT920		\$600
2m magnetic mount antenna			\$20
440 magnetic mount antenna			\$20
box of approximately 200 ft antenna wire			\$40
Mosely triband yagi	TA36	Needs cleanup	\$160
old cb mobile transceivers			\$5 each
tubes, tubes, tubes, tubes, tubes			

## From Madison County ARES – Bob Evans

First if you live near a water way, keep an eye on the river conditions, I think the snow melt and our April showers could make mid-late April interesting around here.

I hope everyone who attended the Basic Message class at Alton Memorial Hospital, took away something from the evening, I want to thank all that attended. Thank you.

ARRL EC-001 Introduction to Emergency Communications. As many of you know I have volunteered to be a mentor for this course, in all only 18 ARRL Mentors have stepped forward for this course. There will be 13 mentors for the session that begins in April, meaning we can only take a maximum of 130 students. As of yet I have not seen the new course, I am suppose be granted access this week, hopefully they have made sufficient updates to make to the course worthwhile. ARES members are not required to take this course, only if you plan on going on to Level 2 or 3 in Leadership.

Illinois Emergency Management Agency's Introduction to AUXCOMM Course. This is the four hour overview of the 20 hour DHS AUXCOMM course. Roughly a four hour course to cover the basics of Auxiliary Communication. This is not a release date for the course. Once IEMA releases the course Jim Pitchford and myself will be teaching the course in the IEMA Region 8 counties. We also hope to have other qualified individuals to become instructors as well. Once the course is made available, students will be able to register through the IEMA site <https://www2.illinois.gov/iema/Pages/default.aspx>

Course requirements would be completion of the ICS 100,200,700, and 800 at least 10 days before the start of the course. To be an instructor, you must of successfully completed the full 20 hour AUXCOMM course , be approved as an instructor by IEMA and team teach at least once with qualified instructor. ARES member are not required to take this course, but I strongly encourage it.

If you wish to be an ARES member and have not done so already, please create an ARES Connect account and notify me so I can have you added to the Madison County ARES Volunteer group.

<https://arrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/il/>

Bethalto Fireworks and Labor Day weekend events, Amateur Radio support has been requested, and I have asked Dave Miller KORJL as Assistant Emergency Coordinator to coordinate these activities as he has far greater contacts and experience with Bethalto than I do. This is open to all amateur radio operators.

Madison County ARES does have a Facebook Page and a group, as well as a Google Drive, and if I

get the time we will have a basic website.

I have cancelled the Simplex exercise for April 10, instead we will work simplex operations in to our Sunday evening net every so often.

Upcoming Amateur Radio Events and ARES exercises and classes in the area:

Calendar of events

ANYONE with an interest in amateur radio, ARES member or not can attend these events. No one is required to attend these events, they are just for your information.

Sunday evening Madison County ARES and Traffic net Sundays 6:30 pm 146.79 repeater pl 127.3

March 23 7 am - Noon Lewis and Clark Hamfest

Lewis and Clark College Godfrey in "The Commons" between the math and science buildings

I have purchased a table for ARES and do plan to attend

March 30 AMATEUR RADIO PIZZA GATHERING Pantera's Pizza in Edwardsville 6:30 pm for anyone with an interest in amateur radio. Ask for the Radio Club special

April 2 7pm Lewis and Clark Club meeting with Bob Heil open to all , at the same location as the Skywarn class Lewis and Clark College Trimpe building

April 4 Egyptian Radio Club meeting Holy Family Catholic Church Granite City 2600 Washington Ave in the basement of the Friendship building (former school)

April 6 9am St. Louis Metro ARES Repeater switching exercise. The idea is to learn to program your radio and be able to switch between repeaters on the fly and to give you an idea which repeaters you can make contact with from your location. The intention is use repeaters on both sides of the river. Formal requests have been sent to both Egyptian and Lewis and Clark for use of certain repeaters during the exercise. The exercise will begin on the 146.850 PL 141.3 repeater, from there you will be told what repeater you need to check into next. The station with the most check-ins, will be entered into a drawing at the April St. Louis Metro ARES meeting. IF you are unable to check in to an assigned repeater, return back to 146.850 pl 141.3 repeater for another assignment.

April 8 St. Louis Metro ARES general meeting 7:30 pm Barnes West County hospital in the private dining room, go through the downstairs cafeteria.

April 24 5:30 pm Medical Reserve Corp Orientation session, Madison County Health Department 101 East Edwardsville road Wood River.

April 27 Illinois ARES Simulated Emergency Test SET / Madison County Volunteer Reception Center Exercise

ARES setup 7:30 am on the Madison County EMA grounds 101 East Edwardsville Road Wood River, IL. The exercise is expected to run until 4 pm, there is no need to be there all day, I would like to schedule shifts. John Nell has offered to provide his HF radio and dipole. We will be using a new dipole support on the camera mount of the County's mobile Unified Command Post. I would also like to try out the county's Micom 3F radio and the UCP antenna during part of the exercise.

Volunteer Reception Center exercise starts at 9 am same day, same location. ARES members are asked to play to part of volunteers arriving in a disaster area, needing to be checked in and receive their assignments.

April 27 6:30 pm Amateur Radio PIZZA GATHERING Pantera's Pizza in Edwardsville for anyone with an interest in amateur radio. Ask for the Radio Club special

May 4 9am- 11 am Madison County ARES meeting in the Madison County EMA Emergency Operations Center 101 East Edwardsville road Wood River, IL on the second floor of the former hospital. Review of the Illinois ARES SET/ VRC exercise , review of EOP, what is new in ARES

May 11 9am – 3pm WinLink Class Barnes West County Hospital Private dining room, go through the downstairs cafeteria. To register contact Peter Brisbine N0MTH at [N0MTH.COM](http://N0MTH.COM) website under events

May 13 7:30 pm St. Louis Metro ARES general meeting Barnes West County Hospital private dining room

June 8 Tour De Cure in St. Charles Contact Al Guise KD0BFG at [gatewaysag@gmail.com](mailto:gatewaysag@gmail.com) to volunteer. This is not an ARES exercise, but Madison County ARES believes that participating in this event will provide invaluable experience to anyone interested in emergency communications.

June 9 7 am Egyptianfest Hamfest in Granite City Holy Family Catholic Church 2600 Washington Ave Granite City

June 22-23 ARRL Field Day, both the Egyptian and Lewis and Clark radio clubs will be holding Field Day events open to all amateur radio operators, club members or not. St. Louis Metro ARES will also be holding a Field Day at Jefferson Barracks Park open to all amateur radio operators. Madison County ARES probably will not hold a separate Field Day event as most of our members will already be involved in a Field Day

event.

## HF National Traffic System nets for Illinois

Following are the times and modes for the Illinois Side Band Net:

3912KHz 7:00AM North Central Phone net(SSB) M-F

3857KHz 4:45PM Illinois Phone net(SSB) M-F and 3940KHz 8:00AM Sunday(Roll call)

3905KHz 6:00PM Illinois Sideband net(SSB) Daily

3537KHz 7:15PM ILN/9RN net(CW) M-F +- QRM

Please send me any questions, concerns or comments

73

Bob Evans AA9FQ

Madison County ARRL ARES Emergency Coordinator

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### **General Meeting Minutes from 03/07/2019**

Present: Jason Cato, Jennifer Cato, Don Reinheimer, Nolan Zobrist, Justin Garbe, Tim Nichols, Terry Bell, Keith Unfried, Larry Unfried, Tom McConnell, John Fuesting, Joseph Lee, Bill Schmidt, David Miller, Mary Unfried, Dennis McCann, Bob Evans, John Sundstrom, Bob Young, Bob Madoux.

Bill Dusenbery absent, Bill Schmidt presided.

Minutes from last month accepted as posted in the newsletter.

Treasury report given and accepted. 33 new members so far for 2019. John Fuesting is still working on getting Quickbooks up and running.

Test session tonight got us 1 Tech and 2 Extras, one of which went from no license to Extra in one test session.

Bill S has been working on the antennas on the roof. Straightened up the HF vertical. He found the leaking spot over the radio room while up there. He said it looks like the roofing material pulled away from the wall, if it was ever there in that spot at all. The guttering over the windows of the club room is in bad shape. Larry U said he will let the Father know what is going on. Bill S is trying to get the materials to repair the leak. He said it would not take much material. He is waiting for some good weather to get back up there. Larry U said to give him a holler when he does get back up there. The TA33 beam antenna was installed upside-down and needs attention. It should be fine with the severe weather expected this weekend. The loaded dipole is not getting put back up, it is too heavy. Bill S thanks Marty, Randy, Terry and Dennis for their help with the antennas.

The Icom IC-756Pro will NOT BE sold and kept as a spare for the club. Used equipment prices are dropping and we would not get what it's worth.

ERC will have a table at Lewis & Clark hamfest courtesy of Bill S.

W9TJ Tom Johns passed away Tuesday night at 89 years of age.

Motion to adjourn – seconded.

Meeting after the Meeting at El Rodeo in Granite City.

## Announcements

We are STILL looking for volunteers for the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration each weekend in September, and for EgyptianFest on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Please feel free to contact me, (Jason Cato KB9LBC) at [kb9lbc@gmail.com](mailto:kb9lbc@gmail.com) to volunteer or with ideas!!! We cannot do this without you!!!

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

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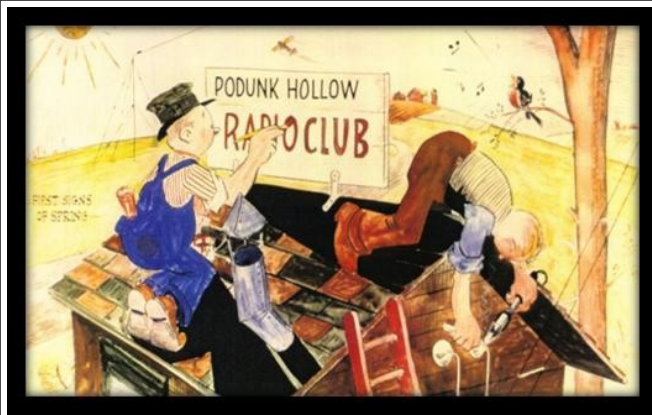


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The club holds a monthly meeting on the first Thursday of the month and is open to all. Visitors are always welcome at the meetings. The next meeting is April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm at the Holy Family Community Center at 2600 Washington Ave in Granite 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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