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# Net Procedures Program in July

The <u>next KARS meeting</u> will be Tuesday July 2nd, 7PM at St. Mary's Hospital. As usual, enter at the south entrance.

Following a brief business meeting Harry WD9FYF and John N9LYE will present a program on proper net procedures. Sharpen up your skills. Hope to see you there!

#### FOXHUNTS!!!

Our June 29th hunt wrapped up as this newsletter was completed. The foxes were W9IEY & Terry team. The Winner was Billie K9QT.

The next foxhunt will be the Saturday July 13th 12-2pm. Hunters will start at the usual place...the east parking lot at the Meadowview Shopping Center. Fox will be K9QT. Tally Ho!

#### **ILLINOIS ARES HF NET**

KARS Emergency Communications Coordinator, Harry WD9FYF reminds KARS members to check in to the Illinois ARES HF net on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1630 local time on 3.905 mHz or if required by propagation, 7.230 mHz LSB.

The net is good practice and will be the backbone for emergency communications should the need arise.

#### NCS FOR JULY

The net meets every Monday at 2000 hours local time on the 146.34/.94 repeater. All stations with or without traffic are invited to check in.

July 1	N9LYE
July 8	K9KSG
July 15	KD9KKS
July 22	N9OE
July 29	N9DWE
Don't forget the net!	



W9IEY, Terry & K9KSG at the start of the June 11th KARS Transmitter Hunt

#### KARS KALENDAR

July 2	KARS General Meeting
July 13	Transmitter Hunt
	J HF World Championship
July 16	KARS Board Meeting
	Web]KARSFEST 2019
July 20-21	CQ Worldwide VHF
July 20-21	NA QSO Party RTTY
July 28	Transmitter Hunt
August 4	Two Rivers Bicycle Tour
August 4	Hamfesters Hamfest
August 3-4	NA QSO Party CW
	KARS General Meeting
August 10-11	<u>WAE DX CW</u>
August 17-18	SARTG WW RTTY
August 17-18	NA QSO Party SSB
August 20	KARS Board Meeting
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The Kankakee Area Radio Society operates repeaters on:

 146.34/.94
 107.2 PL Access

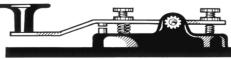
 449.8/444.8
 100.0 PL Access

 145.130
 107.2 PL Access

 107.2 PL Access
 107.2 PL Access

Additionally, KARS sponsors:

144.39 2 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters www.w9az.ddns KARS DX Cluster





### **KARSFEST 2019**

Calling all KARS members. Your help is needed at our annual Hamfest on Sunday July 21st. See you at the Will County Fairgrounds in Peotone starting at 6:00 AM. This is our only fundraiser of the year and we have several repeaters and lots of equipment that rely on this event. All KARS members are requested to please help out.

# CHECK OUT THE PRINTABLE KARSFEST FLYER LINK

https://w9az.com/karsfest.pdf

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July and thank a VETERAN for making it so!

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

July 2 N9FD

July 10 K9SAT

July 10 WC9B

July 11 W9CD

July 13 K9UNO

July 14 K9KSG

July 16 KC9VWP

July 18 KE9MG

July 20 NV9X

July 24 KX9J

July 25 N9REG

July 25 KB9VR

July 25 KD9AUK

Let us know if we miss your birthday or get it wrong.

**KARSFEST IS SUNDAY JULY 21** 

# KARS HOMEPAGE— WWW.W9AZ.COM —KARS HOMEPAGE

# **June 11th Transmitter Hunt**



Hunters arrive at the embarkation point in the Meadowview Shopping Center



The winners: W9IEY and Terry at the fox's (N9DWE & KB9VR) lair



Jim WD9GXU on the hunt



Can you find the fox?

Join in the fun!



#### TWO RIVERS CENTURY BICYCLE TOUR - Sunday, August 4th

KARS will once again provide communications for this event. This is a great way to get out and enjoy the fresh air, meet cyclists from all over the state and get out a positive message about amateur radio.

The ride will start at the Ice Valley Centre Ice Arena park at 6AM but that doesn't mean we all need to be there that early. The sign-up for riders begins at that time. There will be cyclists starting for about the first 2 or 3 hours. We'll need operators all day. You can help out at the start (6AM) or later in the morning or afternoon and participate as long as you can.

At the very minimum of participation, we'll need 4 fixed locations with ham operators: Registration, Aroma Park, Island Park in Momence, and Plato Bridge in Iroquois County, plus some hams to ride with the SAG service vehicles to provide communications from the mobile positions. The ride starts at 6 AM: SAG ends at 3:30.

The ride patrolling will be from 6:00 AM to at least 3:00 PM, but the last time we participated, we had vehicles involved to around 5:30 PM.

There will be food at the rest stop locations. Good stuff! It is primarily for the cyclists, but we may indulge.

Harry WD9FYF is our point man in this operation, so contact him and let him know when you will be available.

Expect hundreds of riders....some of the friendliest folks you'll ever meet. Complete info, including maps is available online at:

#### https://www.tworiverscentury.com/

Mark Steffen, a local attorney, is the president of the Cycling Club. This is a really fun operation and even if you can't do the entire day, we can still use you part time. If you miss this event, you will really miss out on a great time outdoors! Harry will be working up a list of participants at the July General KARS Meeting. If you cannot make the meeting, contact Harry at:

wd9fvf@gmail.com or 815-644-8762

#### KARS BOARD MEETING

The <u>Board Meeting</u> will be held Tuesday July 16th in the private dining room at El Mexicano's Restaurant by the Hilton Hotel and Walmart south of town near the I-57 exit. Eat at 6 P.M. Meeting at 7 P.M. All members and spouses are welcome.

#### **FOR SALE**

- Icom IC-746 with Heil BM-10 Headset. Includes the OEM filters plus 1.9khz and 350hz narrow filters, built in auto tuner, 100 watts on 2 meters and 6-160m. \$450 [Sale Pending]
- MFJ-434 Voice Keyer currently configured for the IC-746 Can easily covert to Yaesu, others. \$100
- Acom 1000 Amplifier 6 through 160m, Perfect condition. Full output. (4CX800A (GU74B) ceramic tetrode. 1200W output with 1000W continuous duty. True Resistance Indicator (TRI) tuning aid shows a graphical pointer on the LCD display indicating which direction to rotate the LOAD capacitor knob. Easiest manual tune amplifier I have ever owned. 60 watts input power yields 1000 watts output continuous load. No need for a giant antenna tuner - 3:1 SWR is easily matched automatically by Acom's input matching circuitry) Purchased new Q4 2014 sells for \$2750. Priced to sell \$1600

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