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# **AMSTERDAM ISLAND EXPEDITION PROGRAM!**

The next KARS meeting will be November 3rd, 7PM at St. Mary's Hospital meeting room. Use the main entrance on the South side. There will be a brief business meeting followed by a special program presented by Jerry WB9Z on the Amsterdam Island DXpedition.

This is one you do not want to miss!

### NOMINATIONS

Nominations for club officers and directors will be accepted at the November and December meetings. Elections in December. Now is the time to run for high office or nominate the person of your choice!

After decades of service, Francis KE9MG is stepping down as KARS treasurer. Thank you Francis!

Ken W9IE has also decided to pass on the position of secretary.

Of course, all positions are open for nomination and election.

Kevin KC9QXV & Carl K9CS are running. How about you!

### KARS HOLIDAY BANQUET

A final decision will be made as to the Holiday Banquet venue at the November meeting.

If you have a place in mind that would accommodate our annual evening out, please contact them, get the particulars and bring them to the meeting

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 2nd N9BMB November 3rd KC9FAV November 8th KC6FJO November 10th KC9QPM November 12th N9IO November 20th Al9L Let us know if we miss your birthday or get it wrong.

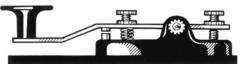


VP Harry WD9FYF presiding at the October KARS meeting

#### **KARS KALENDAR**

Oct 31	<u>Transmitter Hunt</u>
Nov 3	KARS General Meeting
Nov 7-9	ARRL Sweepstakes CW
Nov 14-15	<u>WAE DX RTTY</u>
Nov 17	KARS Board Meeting
Nov 21-23	ARRL Sweepstakes Phone
Nov 28-29	CQWW DX CW
Dec 1	KARS General Meeting
Dec 4-6	ARRL 160 Meter Contest
Dec 12-13	<u>ARRL 10 Meter Contest</u>
Dec 15	KARS Board Meeting
Dec 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS!
Dec 26-27 <u>S</u>	tew Perry Top Band Contest

The Kankakee Area Radio Society oper-<br/>ates repeaters on:146.34/.94107.2 PL Access449.8/444.8100.0 PL Access145.130107.2 PL AccessAdditionally, KARS sponsors:144.39144.392 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters145.53KARS DX Cluster





### SPECIAL PROGRAM! AMSTERDAM ISLAND DXPEDITION PRESENTATION

Be sure not to miss the November 3rd KARS meeting. The program will be a presentation of the FT5ZM operation on Amsterdam Island in the remote Indian Ocean.

KARS own Jerry Rosalius WB9Z, one of the operators who made the long and perilous journey to the distant island will be narrating the program and answering questions.

A world renowned DXer and Contester, Jerry has been on most major DXpeditions in the past 10-20 years, several of which were voted "DXpedition of the Year."

Jerry's major expedition trip programs are always crowd pleasers. They are like National Geographic specials to exotic places with ham radio operation included! Be sure to arrive early to get a good seat!

#### NCS FOR NOVEMBER

The net meets every Monday at 2000 hours local time on the 146.34/.94 <u>OR</u> 145.130 backup repeater. All stations with or without traffic are invited to check in.

November 2nd N9RJM November 9th W9EJM November 16th N9OE November 23rd N9RJM November 30th N9FD Don't forget the net!



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# **ACTION AT THE AUCTION**

Auctioneer tag team Dan WA9WAQ and Will K9FO at the October KARS meeting



The auction is always a crowd pleaser



Never knew there was so much stuff that you couldn't live without!



## **CONTEST SEASON OPENS WITH** NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES

Starting with ARRL CW Sweepstakes and ending with the Stew Perry 160 Distance Challenge, there are seven weekends of major contests with two balloon launch early this December weeks off to catch your wind!

Then there are 4 significant contests in January and 4 in February!

DX and stateside, CW, RTTY and SSB, there is a contest for every taste. Get your station ready for all the fun today!

A great chance to work on your favorite award: DXCC, WAS, WAC, WAZ, held on Tuesday, November 17th at EI etc.

See you in the contest!

# HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON LAUNCH IN DECEMBER

Watch for info on a high altitude with a double payload!

## BOARD MEETING

The KARS board meeting will be Mexicano. Eat at 6PM. Meet at 7PM. All members are welcome.

# **Transmitter Hunt Pics**

# August 30th Hunt



Andrew N9BMB—The Fox!

The Fox's lair

First place—N9FD

As the transmitter hunt season draws to a close, hunters will be able to use their skills on an upcoming high altitude balloon launch in early December. N9RJM, K9QT & K9KSG at the starting point



A gathering of hunters

**October 17th Hunt** 



The fox team—W9IEY & Terry

K9NR's hunting console

KB9VR & crew loaded for bear!



First place—N9FD again!

WU9D mobile at the start

K9QT at the windy finish!