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REMOTE STATION CONTROL IN SEPTEMBER

The [next KARS meeting](#) will be September 5th, 7PM at the Community Room of St. Mary's Hospital...Enter through the main south entrance.

At the September meeting, W9IE and K9NR will present an overview on Remote Operation in 2017.

What is remote?
How do I do it?
What do I need?
What does it cost?
What are my restrictions?
Does it really work?

All this and more plus a live demonstration from the meeting room connected to and operating the W9IE Flex 6700 station.

Hope you can all attend!
Ken W9IE

ILQP CONTEST IS NIGH!

The [2017 Illinois QSO Party](#) will be held Sunday, October 22nd, 12 Noon to 8 PM local time. Operation is on all bands 160 through 2 meters (excluding 30,17&12 meters) and all modes CW / SSB / FM. The exchange is your RS(T) and county or RS(T) and state for non-Illinois stations.

Last year, KARS again won the second place club aggregate score in the state of Illinois...twice in past we won first place! This year we are aiming to move up the chart again!

So...jump in and help out. Make as many contacts as your schedule will allow and be sure to submit your log with KARS as the club aggregate!

Everything you need to know is at:
<http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP.html>

Your club needs you...be a part of the team! Did I forget to mention, it's a heck of a lot of fun! Let K9NR know of your intentions to operate.



Come and see Ken W9IE's program on remote operating at the September KARS meeting

KARS KALENDAR

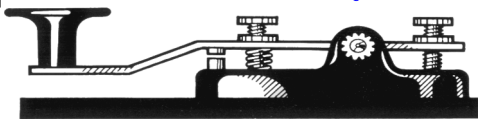
August 30.....[Transmitter Hunt](#)
September 5.....[KARS General Meeting](#)
September 9.....[Transmitter Hunt](#)
September 9-11.....[ARRL Sept. VHF Test](#)
September 15-16.....[W9DXCC Convention](#)
September 16.....[Peoria Superfest](#)
September 19.....[KARS Board Meeting](#)
September 23.....Tornado Drill
September 23.....[Radio Expo Hamfest](#)
September 23-24.....[CQWW DX RTTY Test](#)
October 3.....[KARS General Meeting](#)
October 22.....*** [Illinois QSO Party!](#)
October 17.....[KARS Board Meeting](#)
October 28-29.....[CQWW DX SSB Contest](#)

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**

Additionally, KARS sponsors:

144.39 **2 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters**
145.53 **KARS DX Cluster w9az.ddns.net**



W9AZ

W9DXCC

The [W9DXCC DX Convention](#) this year will be on September 15-16.

As usual, several KARS members will be attending the annual DXers extravaganza held again this year at the Hyatt Regency Schaumburg. Great presentations, card checking, equipment displays, prizes, banquet and great fun!

Friday's schedule includes both DX University and Contest University programs. Be sure to sign up!

Friday evening, there will be a gathering of Society of Midwest Contesters for dinner and hobnobbing and fanciful stories of contesting from the Black Hole!

Saturday's schedule includes a great list of DX related programs including a presentation by KARS life member Jerry WB9Z (CQ DX Hall of Famer) followed by the Banquet. The Banquet special guest speaker will be ARRL President Rick Roderick K5UR! As we go to press the prizes are worth in excess of \$17,000 and climbing daily! By the way, the prize procurer is KARS member Val NV9L. Guess the ham gear manufacturers and sales outlets have a hard time saying no to Val! See you there!

NCS FOR SEPTEMBER

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

September 4 N9RJM
September 11 KD9CGC
September 18 N9OE
September 25 K9NR
Don't forget the net!

Don't Forget the Illinois QSO Party!

KARS HOMEPAGE— **WWW.W9AZ.COM** —KARS HOMEPAGE

AUGUST 12th FOX HUNT



Paul W9IEY - Chick Magnet!



The Fox: K9NR



Winners: The KB9VR Crew
KA9MDJ KA9SMH KB9VR

AUGUST 23TH FOX HUNT



Comparing notes at the start



UH OH!
The sign says it all!



Winners: N9BMB N9OE N9DLD
Fox (on right): KA9MDJ

A MOBILE UPGRADE

It was time for a new mobile installation, as the other installation was 10 yrs old. I wanted to add a tuner, as I enjoy working HF mobile. I went to Jim kb9vr and discussed what I wanted. He gave me the parts list needed. So Jim did about 90 per cent of the design and installation, I was there for moral support and gopher for parts. It cost about \$30.00 and would have been cheaper if I chose something other than stainless steel. I like stainless. I think it turned out well and is a lot better than the previous mobile mount. Now I have a much broader range on HF mobile!



It looks good and thanks to Jim kb9vr, it was accomplished in a neat and timely fashion!

Thank you Jim!

73 de John N9DWE

[Next Fox Hunt](#) Saturday Sept 9th
11AM at Meadowview

The September [Board Meeting](#) is
Tuesday September 19th
at El Mexicano's.

All members are invited to attend.
Eat at 6PM Meet at 7PM.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September 11	W9TRF
September 11	KD9CGA
September 15	K9BIG
September 15	KD9CFV
September 15	W9WWE
September 15	W4HYB
September 21	WB9RUE
September 29	Terry
September 30	WB9Z

DON'T FORGET!
NEXT MONTH'S MEETING PROGRAM WILL BE THE EVER POPULAR KARS
OCTOBER AUCTION!

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KARS AUGUST PICNIC/MEETING

The August KARS meeting was held at the Kankakee River State Park - The program was on mobile installations. Several vehicles were on display with both HF and VHF equipment. Also displayed were some "Go-To" packs. It was a beautiful summer evening and much fun was had by all!

Photos:

Right - Nothing like food in the outdoors

Bottom l-r - just a few of the excellent examples on display.



SMC Fest 2017!

The Society of Midwest Contesters Conference



A view of the crowd listening to SMC President Craig K9CT's opening remarks



ARRL Central Vice-Director Carl K9LA
ARRL Illinois SM Ron AD9I
ARRL Division Director Kermit W9XA



KARS own Jerry WB9Z and Val NV9L drawing one of the many prizes



Gary W9XT, Ralph K9ZO & Don K9NR conducting a session



KARS members Will K9FO, Clay N9IO & Ken W9IE enjoying the activities



KARS members Will K9FO, Don K9NR, Chris W9LIZ, Billie K9QT, Carl K9CS, Clay N9IO and Ken W9IE.