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September Program Features Soldering Essentials

The next KARS meeting will be September 3rd, 7PM at the [Red Cross building on Heritage Drive in Bourbonnais](#)...note change of venue.

Following a brief business meeting, Bill N9OE will present a program on the wonderful world of soldering. Regardless if you're new or a seasoned solderer, you will find this molten metals presentation very useful indeed!

Plan to be there!

W9GFS—SILENT KEY

It is with deepest regret and sadness that we report the passing of Gerhardt "Gary" Schultz W9GFS.

Gary was a KARS member in good standing. He held a Technician class license and formerly held the call KC9MZL.

KARS made a donation to the American Cancer Society in his memory.

BOARD MEETING

The [KARS board meeting](#) will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 17th at El Campesino. Eat at 6PM. Meet at 7PM. All members are welcome.

NCS FOR SEPTEMBER

[The net meets every Monday](#) at 2100 hours local time on the 146.34/.94 OR 145.130 backup repeater. All stations with or without traffic are invited to check in.

September 2 N9LYE
September 9 N9FD
September 16 N9OE
September 23 N9LYE
September 30 N9FD

Don't forget the net!



Don K9NR presented an August meeting program on the subject of antennas

KARS KALENDAR

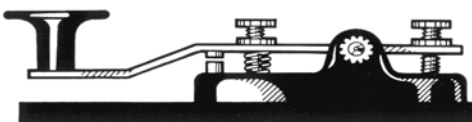
Sept. 1.....	FOXHUNT
Sept. 3.....	KARS General Meeting
Sept. 7.....	Radio Expo Hamfest
Sept. 14-16.....	ARRL Sept. VHF Contest
Sept. 15.....	FOXHUNT
Sept. 17.....	KARS Board Meeting
Sept. 20.....	W9DXCC Convention
Sept. 21.....	Peoria Superfest
Sept. 28-29.....	CQWW DX RTTY
October 1.....	KARS General Meeting
October 15.....	KARS Board Meeting
October 20.....	Illinois QSO Party
October 26-27.....	CQ WW DX SSB

The Kankakee Area Radio Society operates repeaters on:

146.34/.94 107.2 PL Access
449.8/444.8 114.8 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

ILQP CONTEST IS NIGH!

The [2013 Illinois QSO Party](#) will be held Sunday, October 20th, 12 Noon to 8PM. Operation is on all bands 160 through 2 meters and all modes CW/SSB/FM. The exchange is your RS(T) and county or RS(T) and state for non-Illinois stations.

KARS holds the plaque for the first place club aggregate score...top club score in the state of Illinois...two years running...and...we aim to keep it! This year we are going for three in a row!

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>

NEW VANITY CALL FEE SCHEDULE

Earlier this year the FCC had proposed increasing the vanity call sign fee from its current \$15 to \$15.20, but in a Report and Order in MD Docket 13-140, released August 12, the Commission reported the new regulatory fee would be \$16.10 to apply for an Amateur Radio vanity call sign.

The new fee will go into effect Friday, August 23. No explanation for the higher fee was forthcoming.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September 11 W9TRF
September 15 K9BIG
September 15 W4HYB
September 18 Velda
September 21 WB9RUE
September 29 Terry
September 30 WB9Z

Let us know if we miss your birthday!

Don't Forget the Illinois QSO Party!

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

KARS FOXHUNT JULY 28



Clay N9IO and Jim KB9VR discuss their antics...er...tactics...grumble, grumble...how does she do that...grumble, grumble



Crystal W9IOU and Rodney K9UNO foxhunt winning team. Crystal may look harmless...BUT...She'll happily "clean your clock!"



Rollie N9RJM offers driver John N9LYE "Words of Encouragement"



Not American Gothic, just Don K9NR with his trusty Yagi



The "Post-Hunt" Feast... Something everyone wins!



The KC9QPM porcupine-mobile with Don at the helm...loaded for bear and ready to hunt !



Craig N9FD impressive third place in mileage, but last in time, "I live across the street, and couldn't find my way home!"



Billie K9QT...The Fox!



Ken W9IE describes his latest homebrew masterpiece..the W9IE SuperTuner

CQ MAGAZINE DOES MAJOR REWRITE OF CQWW DX CONTEST RULES

Due to "changes in technology, operating practice and enforcement," CQ reports a major rewrite of the CQWW Contest Rules.

Check them out at:

www.cqww.com

JULY 28TH HUNT RESULTS

Billie K9QT, the fox hid literally across the street from the Manteno home of Craig N9FD. There was a tight cluster for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Crystal W9IOU & Rodney K9UNO had 11.5 miles, Clay N9IO had 11.7 and Craig N9FD 12.0 miles. The other four teams were closely clustered around 16 miles each: Jim KB9VR's team of Ron WB9JYZ & Doug WB9YSW; the team of John N9LYE & Rollie N9RJM; Don K9NR; Don KC9QPM who each hunted solo.

NOVEMBER PROGRAM TO FEATURE FLEX-6700 SDR TRANSCEIVER

At the November KARS meeting Ken W9IE and Brian W9HLQ will present a program on the new Flex Radio 6700 Transceiver.

Plan to attend!

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KARS FOXHUNT AUGUST 18



Foxhunt winner Craig N9FD before the hunt informing Billie K9QT how he plans to win



Foxhunt champ Craig N9FD strikes a winning pose. Partner Don KC9QPM just shakes his head



Clay N9IO and Brandon "Hollywood" K9BAC ready to show everyone "how it's done!"



Rollie N9RJM and John N9LYE are tightlipped about strategy. Plan A...Win! Plan B...Win! Plan C...Give up & Go Eat!



Crafty FOXES Crystal W9IOU and Rodney K9UNO at the Foxes lair

N9IO: Grumble Grumble, K9NR: Grumble Grumble, N9LYE: Grumble Grumble



Winning a respectable 2nd place; the ever cool, hip team of Jim KB9VR, Ron WB9JYZ and Doug WB9YSW



Foxhunters pose for picture and make plans of where to eat after the hunt

**NEXT FOXHUNT
SEPTEMBER 1ST**

AUGUST 18 HUNT RESULTS

Crystal W9IOU and Rodney K9UNO gave hunters a merry chase by hiding at the confluence of the Iroquois and Kankakee rivers, just south of Aroma Park. Craig N9FD won first place with an impressive 10.3 miles. The team of Jim KB9VR, Ron WB9JYZ and Doug WB9YSW were close behind at 13.6. The other hunters were fooled by the river and began their hunt on the west side of the river. The other hunters consisted of solo hunter Clay N9IO, the team of John N9LYE and Rollie N9RJM, and the team of Don K9NR and Billie K9QT (who decided to hunt together for the first time in 14 years). Probably not a good idea putting two inveterate hunters in the same vehicle, with divergent hunting tactics.



Relaxing in the beautiful surroundings after the hunt.

**YET ANOTHER
FOXHUNT
SEPTEMBER 15TH!**