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LOTW & FIELD DAY FOR JUNE

The next KARS General Meeting will be Tuesday, June 14, 7PM at the Bradley Bourbonnais Sportmen's Club.

After a brief business meeting, a program on [Logbook Of The World](#) will be presented by K9NR. If you are new to HF or an old hand and wish to take advantage of the many great features of LOTW, this is the program for you!

See you there!



ARRL FIELD DAY

[ARRL Field Day](#), the largest operating event in Amateur Radio will be held Saturday June 25th 1800Z to Sunday 26th 2100Z. KARS will be operating:

Saturday 1PM to Sunday 1PM

Bill N9OE and Diane N9DLD have generously offered their beautiful QTH just west of Bonfield for the KARS Field Day site...2397 N 10,000W Road.

The main callsign to be used will be W9AZ and the GOTA station call will be K9FO.

There will be the traditional Saturday night BBQ. KARS will supply a grill, brats and burgers. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Also, don't forget a chair! For complete details, attend the June KARS meeting where Field Day plans will be worked out.

Hamvention pics on page two

NCS FOR JUNE

The net meets every Monday at 8 PM local time on the 146.34/.94 repeater. All stations with or without traffic are invited to check in.

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| June 6 | KD9NPQ |
| June 13 | K9XI |
| June 20 | N9OE |
| June 27 | K9NR |

Don't forget the net!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| June 3 | KD9JMS |
| June 5 | KD9CGC |
| June 5 | KD9CGB |
| June 8 | K9ABN |
| June 10 | N9OQC |
| June 17 | K9BKR |
| June 20 | KC9LBZ |
| June 20 | KD9NPQ |
| June 26 | KF9DM |
| June 26 | W9IOU |
| June 30 | K9BAK |

*If we miss your birthday or
get it wrong, please let us know!*

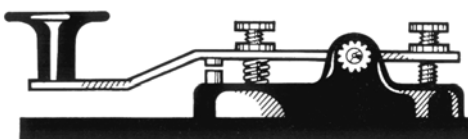
KARS KALENDAR

[June 14.....KARS General Meeting](#)
Cancelled.....6 Meter Club Hamfest
[June 28.....KARS Board Meeting](#)
[July 2.....KARS FOXHUNT](#)
[July 12.....KARS General Meeting](#)
Cancelled.....Indianapolis Hamfest
[July 17.....KARSFEST](#)
[July 26.....KARS Board Meeting](#)
[July 30.....KARS FOXHUNT](#)

*The Kankakee Area Radio Society
operates repeaters on:*

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| <i>146.34/.94</i> | <i>107.2 PL Access</i> |
| <i>449.8/444.8</i> | <i>100.0 PL Access</i> |
| <i>145.130</i> | <i>107.2 PL Access</i> |

*Additionally, KARS sponsors:
144.39 2 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters
KARS DX Cluster w9az.ddns.net*



W9AZ

TRANSMITTER HUNT

Weather permitting, the next foxhunt will be Saturday, July 2nd at **1:00PM**. Usual rules and starting location apply. Tony AA9CC, winner of the last hunt will be the fox.

The weather is predicted to be beautiful. A post hunt lunch/dinner gathering is planned.

KARS KONTEST KALENDAR

[June 4-5.....Kentucky QSO Party](#)
[June 11-13....ARRL June VHF Contest](#)
[June 18-19....West Virginia QSO Party](#)
[June 18-19.....Stew Perry Topband](#)
[June 25-26.....FIELD DAY](#)
[July 1.....Canada Day Contest](#)
[July 3-4.....DL DX RTTY](#)
[July 9-10.....IARU HF Championship](#)
[July 16-17.....NAQP RTTY](#)
[July 16-17.....CQWW VHF](#)

Work some new DX or a fun contest today!

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

Dayton Hamvention pics



The Official 2022 Dayton Hamvention attendance was posted at 31,367!

A nice showing after the Communist Chinese Plague shut down the event for two years running! See you next year!



73 from all corners of the globe

Australia was strongly represented at this years Hamvention.

Top left: a VK3 and his XYL.

Top Center: Les VK2LT wearing his Trump tee shirt from Australia. There was a large group of well lubricated Hams from downunder at the DX Banquet. All the aussies loved the Orange Man!

Top right: Brian W9HLQ and Les VK2LT from our group.

Center Left: A Ham from Scotland thanking Don K9NR for all the contest Q's they have shared.

Center Right: Barry Goldwater Jr with Steve W9DX. In years past, Steve had worked Barry Goldwater Sr K7UGA and has his QSL card!

Bottom Left: The Kankakee group minus N9FD at the DX Banquet

KARSFEST UPDATE

By the time you read this, the 2022 DeKalb Hamfest at Sandwich will be history. KARS had its presence there, as about 150 flyers and a few tickets for Prize Give-Aways were sent over to the Hamfest Chairman there mid-week. I was also there for the fest, as I wanted to see this one for the first time, and I had things to get.

Next stop, Dayton. 1500 Flyers will be printed up for this one, and we're sending over 15 tickets for door prizes. I'm asking for some help in helping get flyers distributed. Anyone who's going, and who'd like to help, please get in touch with me. I will need the help mainly on Friday afternoon. I hope to be there with Len, KB9MY helping with the transportation, but we don't know how long it's going to take since we have a stop in Cincy on the way (?) to pick up another member of the team to go. I may not be staying for the Sunday afternoon prize drawing because of my travel arrangements.

While there, I will be checking out vendors to see if any will be interested in exhibiting at KARS-Fest. I will also be looking to bring back most, if not all the folks from last year's KARS-Fest. So far, we have commitments from Cable Experts, Dit & Dash, and Convention of States (they're conducting a petition-signing drive, and their cause is both fascinating and important; I'll be spending a little time there collecting signatures as well). I also have three other vendors I intend to bring back. The goal this year is all of ten indoor vendors. We'll see.

With other Hamfests folding up and going away, of which the Madison (WI) and Six Meter Club of Chicago Hamfests being the latest casualties, the expectations for KARS-Fest continues to improve. I don't prefer to gloat about that, because diminishment is not progress, but there are several other Ham-Fests which are still going well, such as South Milwaukee and Hamfesters (both also in July) but I expect great things from KARS-Fest for both this year and in years to come.

Having said that, I think that the members of KARS should start to think ahead about finding my successor as KARS-Fest Chairman (or Woman—you ladies can do it. The South Milwaukee Hamfest Chairperson is a YL who does a thoroughly marvelous job). I believe that I've been KARS-Fest Chairman for five years, not counting 2020, and there's going to come a point where I might not be able to do this anymore. This should not be the fate of such a great event as KARS-Fest, to lose it when it loses me. If you have any organizational skills at all, you should consider the task. Work is mainly seasonal, and my predecessor Craig N9FD and I are here to show you the ropes before you are fully in harness. It's something to think about. With the work goes the prestige. And it's all worth it, for you, for your standing in the Ham Radio Community in the Midwest, and for KARS especially.

Art K9XI

CQ Field Day!!!

6 Meters is open!

Be sure to get your share of the fun!