

KARS KEY KLICKS



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Annual KARS Auction October Meeting

The next [KARS meeting](#) is the [Annual KARS Auction](#) on October 8th, 7PM at the Bradley Bourbonnais Sportsmen's Club.

A very brief business meeting will follow the auction.

Rummage through your garage, shed, basement, attic, etc. for electronic goodies to be auctioned off. Ten percent goes to the club treasury.

Auctioneer to be professional auctioneer Dan WA9WAQ.

Anything radio, electronic, computer related is appropriate. Probably best not to bring your new \$8K rig...unless you want to sell it cheap!

NCS FOR OCTOBER

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

October 7	KD9NPQ
October 14	K9XI
October 21	N9OE
October 28	K9XI

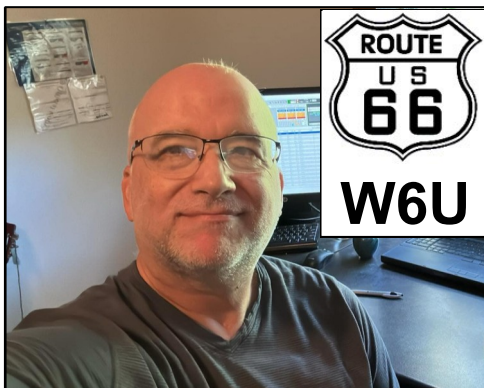
KARS BOARD MEETING

October Board Meeting Tuesday Oct 22nd at El Mexicano's Restaurant. 6PM to eat...7PM meeting
Everyone welcome!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October 1	KC9SQG
October 4	K9NIA
October 4	W9BBB
October 7	NN9T
October 13	WR9L
October 14	N9YNZ
October 15	K9IOC
October 22	NV9L
October 26	WB9CDE

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



KARS board member Scott K9MY of Wilmington and two neighbors were the ops behind W6U in the Annual Rt 66 Event

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KARS KALENDAR

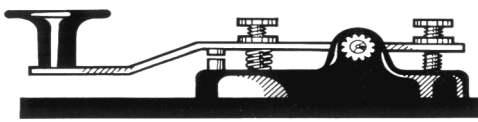
Oct 5.....	Transmitter Hunt
Oct 8..(Annual Auction)..	General Meeting
Oct 19.....(tentative).....	Transmitter Hunt
Oct 22.....	KARS Board Meeting
Nov 12.....	General Meeting
Nov 26.....	KARS Board Meeting
Nov 28.....	Thanksgiving

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](#)
[W9AZ-1 and W9AZ-2](#)

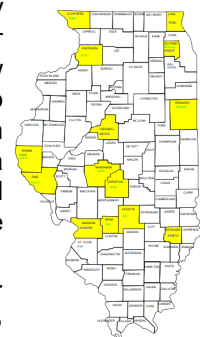


W9AZ

ILLINOIS QSO PARTY!

The 2024 Illinois QSO Party will be held Sunday, **October 20th**, 12 to 8 PM local time. Operation is on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 & 2 Meters. All modes CW/SSB/FM. No repeater contacts! The exchange is your RS(T) and county or RS(T) and state for non-Illinois stations.

A great way to spend a few hours. Make as many contacts as your schedule will allow and please be sure to submit your log with the Kankakee Area Radio Society (full club name) for the club aggregate score.



You'll find everything you need, county map of Illinois, list of all 102 counties and all the planned activities from each county including rover and portable operation at: <https://w9awe.org/ilqp/>

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KARS KONTEST KALENDAR

Oct 5-6.....	California QSO Party
Oct 12-13.....	Makrothen RTTY Contest
Oct 12-13.....	Arizona QSO Party
Oct 13-14.....	Nevada QSO Party
Oct 12-13.....	Pennsylvania QSO Party
Oct 12-13.....	South Dakota QSO Party
Oct 19-20.....	New York QSO Party
Oct 20.....	Illinois QSO Party
Oct 19.....	Stew Perry Topband Challenge
Oct 26-27.....	CQWW DX SSB Contest
Nov 2-4.....	ARRL Sweepstakes CW
Nov 9-10.....	WAE DX RTTY Contest
Nov 16-18.....	ARRL Sweepstakes Phone
Nov 23-24.....	CQWW DX CW Contest
Dec 6-8.....	ARRL 160 Meter CW Contest
Dec 14-15.....	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Dec 28.....	Stew Perry 160 Meter Contest

Don't miss the KARS auction - October 8th!

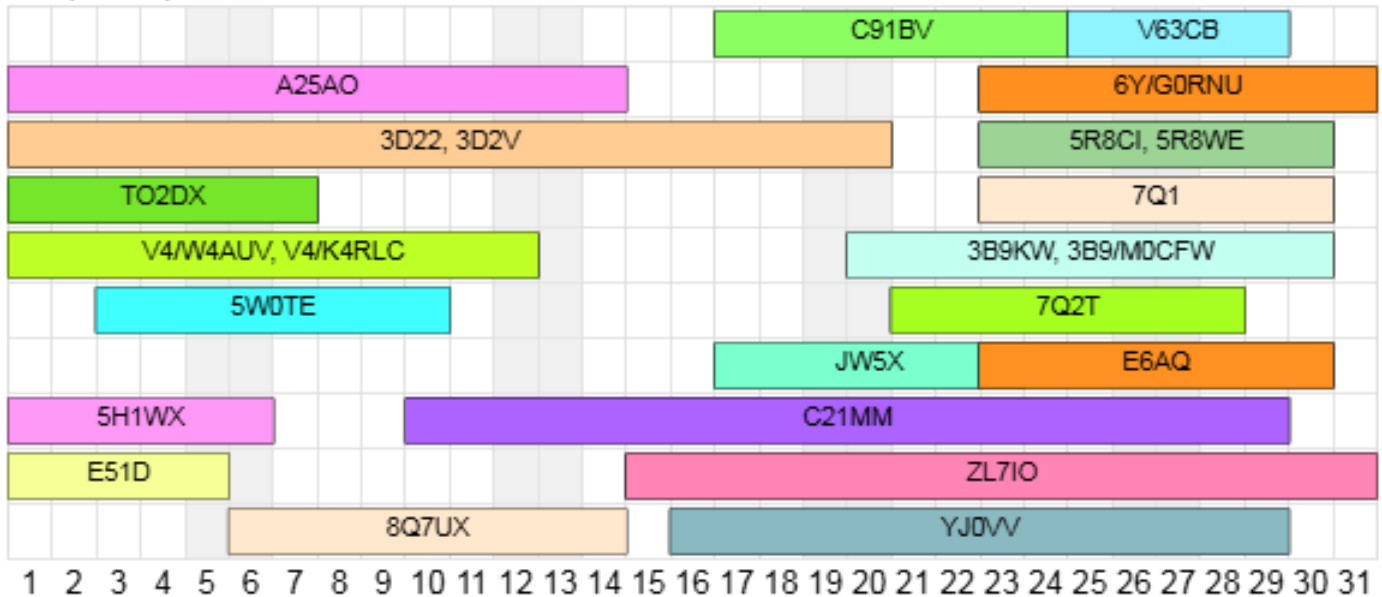
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FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

[Click for current timeline](#)

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OCTOBER

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K9MY mans W6U in the Annual Rt 66 On The Air Event



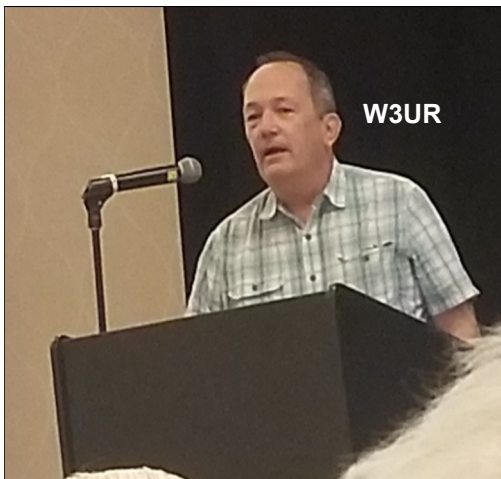
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Jeff N9BBE, Dennis AD9DR and myself Scott K9MY ran the Route 66 special event stations [W6U sponsored by the Wilmington Area Amateur Radio Club](#).

We logged 1450 contacts. Out of those there is 43 DXCC entities worked.

KARS Attends 71st W9DXCC



W3UR

1.	P5	DPRK (NORTH KOREA)
2.	B57H	SCARBOROUGH REEF
3.	CE0X	SAN FELIX ISLANDS
4.	BV9P	PRATAS ISLAND
5.	KH7K	KURE ISLAND
6.	KH3	JOHNSTON ISLAND
7.	3Y/P	PETER 1 ISLAND
8.	FT5/X	KERGUELEN ISLAND
9.	YV0	AVES ISLAND
10.	3Y/B	BOUVET ISLAND

Editor of The Daily DX Bernie McClenny, W3UR was guest speaker at W9DXCC 2024 banquet

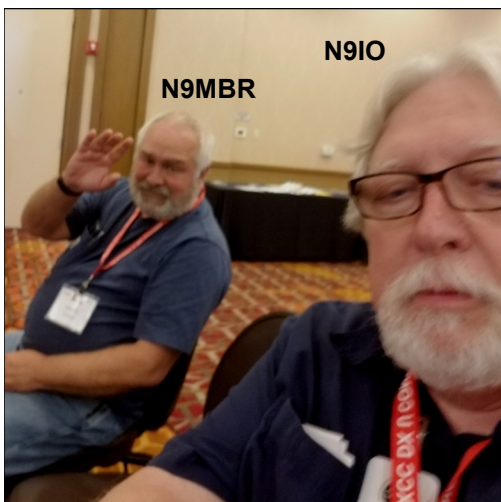
Bernie discussed coming DXpeditions and the Top Ten Most Wanted List



N9IO

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Clay N9IO and Bob K9IO have tangled in a DX Pileup a time or two over the years and now meet up at W9DXCC



N9MBR

N9IO

(Left) Bob N9MBR and Clay N9IO attend W9DXCC 2024 representing KARS



(Below) Catching up with old friends in the lobby before the banquet L-R is Paul K9PG, Bob N9MBR, Mike AJ9C, Bob W9IZ, Mike "The Machine" K9NW, Bernie W3UR and Clay N9IO. K9NW was one of the recent CY9C St Paul Island DXpedition ops



K9PG

N9MBR

AJ9C

W9IZ

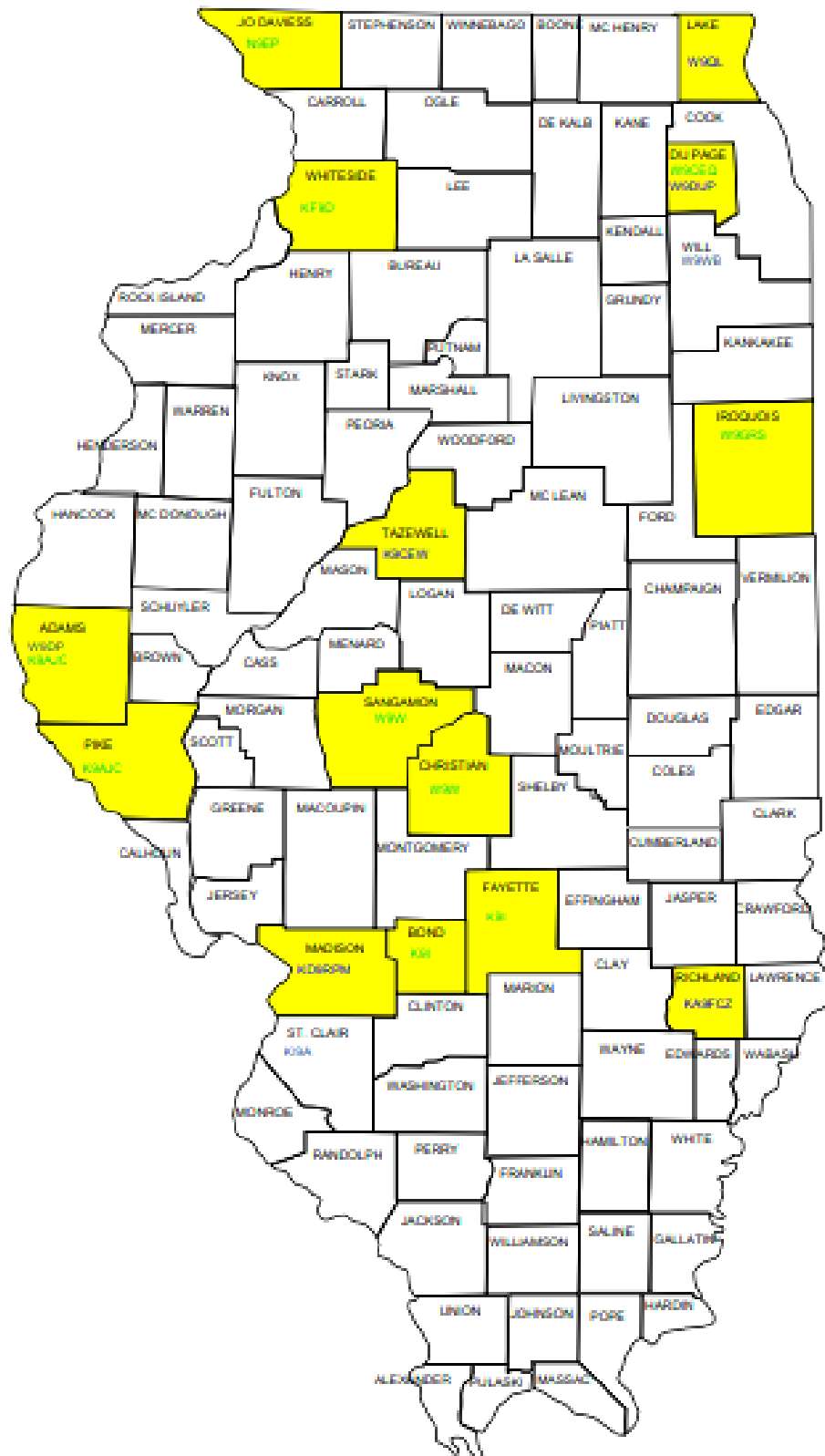
K9NW

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IL QSO PARTY-SUNDAY OCTOBER 20

The activity map below shows planned operations (in yellow) by county in 2024. There are a total of 102 counties. With a little luck, all 102 will have planned operations by the contest deadline.



PLEASE HELP YOUR CLUB!

Don't forget! The 2024 Illinois QSO Party is Sunday, October 20th, 12 Noon to 8PM. Operation is on all bands...160 through 2 meters and all modes...CW/SSB/FM/Digital. The exchange is your RS(T) and county or RS(T) and state for non-Illinois stations. Best band will be 40M in the early to middle afternoon and 80M in the late afternoon to evening.

If you don't have HF gear, check out the activity on the FM simplex channels. FM contacts must be simplex and not through repeaters.

So...jump in and help out. You don't have to operate the entire contest. Just hop in anytime and make a few contacts. **Be sure to submit your log with "KANKAKEE AREA RADIO SOCIETY"** for the club aggregate score!

Everything you need to know is at: <https://w9awe.org/ilqp/>

Help KARS out by making a few QSO's in the Illinois QSO Party!

Get on the air and stay in the chair!