

# St Clair Amateur Newsletter

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## Emergency Comm Committee

Gene Kramer, WA9TZL

ARES/RACES Directed Net is normally conducted by Gene Kramer, WA9TZL (Tuesdays following the Club “on-the-air” meeting.)

## Merry Christmas!



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## VE Testing Results in New Extra and Technician!



Larry K9LWW, Tammy Glenn KD9ZJU, Julio AA2KF, David WD0GMB, and Gary N8GIL  
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# Operating Events and HAMFESTS:

January 1<sup>st</sup> ARRL Straight Key Night [Straight Key Night \(arrrl.org\)](http://arrrl.org)

January 26<sup>th</sup> DX/ARRL Banquet see: <https://www.slsrc.org/product/winterfest-2024-banquet/>

January 26<sup>th</sup> Was Schum Symposium see: [Mid-Central Premiere Hamfest for 2024 \(slsrc.org\)](http://slsrc.org)

January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Winterfest Hamfest, Collinsville, IL see: [Mid-Central Premiere Hamfest for 2024 \(slsrc.org\)](http://slsrc.org)

ARES HF Net the Illinois Section ARES HF Net meets on the first and third Sunday each month. The frequency is 3905 KHz +/- LSB.

K1USN Radio Club Slow Speed CW contest (20 WPM max) Mondays 1800-1900 CST

<http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

CWops Test (CWT) Every Wednesday at 1300-1400Z, 1900-2000Z, and Thursday 0300-0400Z 28 to 45 kHz from the band edges [CWops Tests \(CWT\) – CWops](http://www.cwops.com)

RRI Training Broadcast Schedule Wednesday 2000 CST (0200Z Thursday) 7060 kHz, and 2130 CST (0330Z Thursday) 3563 KHz, Thursday 1900 CST (0001Z Friday) 14060 KHz

## Repeater Repair

Dale and Randy had to visit the Repeater site last week to check out a problem with the 220 MHz machine.

All Repeaters are working well now.

Thanks Guys!

## Club Breakfast

We had almost 20 members, family and friends at the breakfast. The next breakfast is January 13<sup>th</sup> at the Golden Corral at Green Mount Plaza in Shiloh.

## VE Testing December 16<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge

We had two people pass their tests, Tammy Glenn, KD9ZJU, passed her Technician and David WB0GMB passed his Extra!

Congratulations! Enjoy your new privileges!

The next test session has not been scheduled.

## Missouri Kansas AM Group



Bob K9EID, Mike WB0SND, SLU ARC Club Pres Chris KD8YVJ, Bill WA0JCO and Mike KB0FX enjoyed conversation and BBQ at Edley BBQ in O'Fallon, IL  
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MOKAM is a group of guys who enjoy using Amplitude Modulation. They meet M-F on 3885 KHz at 9 am CT. Many use equipment from the 1950s and 1960s, but that's not a requirement to check in – just AM!

**Club Breakfast**



**Dave K9ZHN**

**KC9MZ photo**

**Club Breakfast**



**Kim photo**



**Bob K9EID enjoys a Hot Chocolate**

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**Wendy, Dan KE5BG and Julio AA2KF**

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**Steve K9SHY**

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**Club Dinner**



**Bob WA9TUG and John WA0LIS**

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**Club Dinner**



**Jim KD9FQC, John W3LSA and their wives**

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**David WDOGMB, Dave K8ZHN and Jim KB9BLA**

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**Ken K9CKT, his wife and grandson**

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**Michael KA9HNT, Marcel N9NJY and their wives**

**KC9MZ photo**



**Larry K9LWW, Linda, and their nephew**

**KC9MZ photo**

**Meeting Date, Time and Location:** Next month's meeting will be on January 25<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the Swansea Moose Lodge. The meeting will be to the left of the bar area.

**New Members:** New applications should be submitted to the Sgt. at Arms. Applications will be vetted by the Sgt. at Arms and will be brought forward for a vote at the next monthly meeting after being submitted. We look forward to meeting/greeting any new member because to grow our club, we must find people that love to talk (should not be too hard) and that would love to be on the radio. So putting the two together can make a dedicated enthusiast for HAM Radio. We welcome all new and prospective members and thank them for their interest in Ham Radio.

### Here are some shorts

We had a great turnout for the Club Christmas Dinner! Heil Sound, Bill KC9CIK and Rebecca KC9CIJ, and Larry K9LWW provided prizes. Rebecca read a short story that included many "lefts" and "rights" to move the prize through the tables. Everyone had a blast! Thank you to Jim KD9BLA for working with Eckert's on the arrangements.

Don't forget the "Good Morning Net" M-F, 7:30 – 8:30 am by Larry, K9LWW, and Julio, AA2KF. Also the 224.12 MHz Net is on Thursdays, 8 pm by Steve, W9ZS and there is a 444.625 MHz at 7 pm on Wednesdays. Tim is unable to continue as Net Control for the Wednesday Net. Will someone volunteer to be Net Control? Thank you guys for running these fine nets!

Please send anything you might have for SCAN to kc9mz---arrl-net.

I hope you can attend our January meeting on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

Please pray for peace in Ukraine!

73 es gud DX,

Randy, KC9MZ



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