SCAN

Newsletter of the St. Clair Amateur Radio Club PO Box 94, Belleville, IL 62222

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WELCOME

Welcome to the 16th online edition of SCAN. You may catch up on old editions of SCAN by visiting our website at <u>http://www.scarc.net</u>.

HAMFESTS

May 3rd – DeKalb Hamfest – Sandwich, IL June 7th – Starved Rock Hamfest – Princeton, IL June 14th – Egyptian RC Hamfest – Granite City, IL

CONTEST CALENDAR

June 13th-14th – VHF QSO Party June 20th – Kids Day June 27th-28th – ARRL Field Day

FOXHUNT

The SCARC is sponsoring a FoxHunt on Saturday May 16th at the Moody Park (Formerly Longacre Park) in Fairview Heights. Those who would like to participate, please show up around 8am, the official start time of the hunt is 9am. Bring yourself and all your friends, extra equipment if you care to share, and a dish to pass for the BBQ to follow the hunt.

You do not have to be a licensed amateur to take part in the fox hunt. The fox hunt is open to everyone. Please invite members from other clubs in the area, the bigger the turn out the better. At the April club meeting we will be doing a short presentation on how to build some simple directional antennas, we'll also talk about some methods used to track down the fox.

The most important part of the event is to promote amateur radio, have fun, and eat food! So be sure to pass along the information to as many people and clubs as possible so we have a great turnout.

SHRINER'S PARADE

We need volunteers to work the parade. In the past we have had between 12-16 volunteers. Once again we will be using the Simplex Freq of 146.55. If you would like a particular location please e-mail me and reserve it. If you have not worked the parade before, it is lots of fun, and we provide a great service to the Shriners. They count on us to provide the communications, and assist with getting the parade started in the correct order. All you need is a 2 Meter HT. We start about 5:00PM and are usually done around 9:00pm or so.

If you would like to volunteer to help out this year, contact Dale Wentz (KB9JJA) and I will add you to the list.

MEETING REFRESHMENTS

Due to the fact that Woody's Donuts has gone out of business and the other Donut Shops are no longer donating to activities in the current economy, our Sergeant-at-arms (Marjorie Riddell, KC9CXU) will be coordinating refreshments for upcoming club meetings and events.

REMINDER

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