

St Clair Amateur Newsletter

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

SCARC License Testing August 15th



Social Distancing at the Test Session August 15th

KC9MZ Photo

We had another successful test session August 15th. Two upgrades to General and two new Technicians, Jeffrey Taylor and Gordon Duncan upgraded to General after passing their Technician license last month. Sea Scout Nathan Egler and Tom Simon are the new Techs. Tom came over from Manchester. He told me that he was very thankful for our testing. He had been wanting to test, but not many opportunities in Missouri.

Thanks, to our VEs - Gary, N8GIL; Larry, K9LWW; Steve, KA0WBM and Randy KC9MZ.

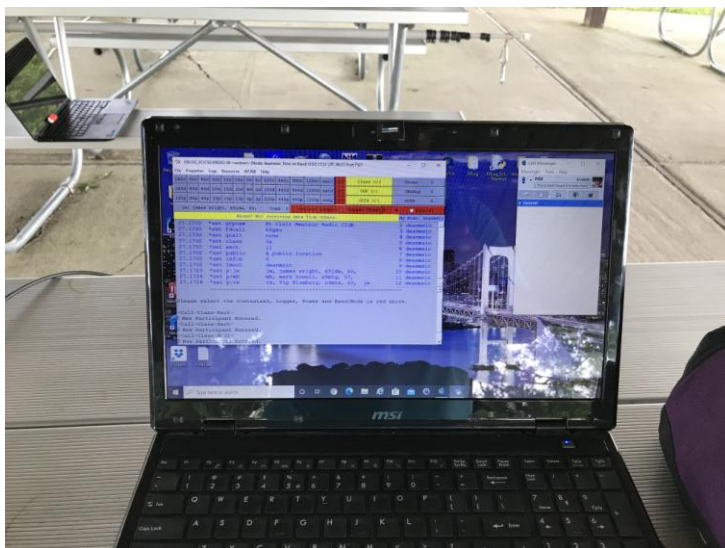
Thanks to the Swansea Moose and Bob, WA9TUG for reserving the Moose Pavilion.

We have a waiting list for the next test session, so please have anyone you may know that wants to test email me at kc9mz@arrl.net we are hoping for middle to late September for a test date.

FD 2020 Pictures



Sam, KC9LRO, Tip, N9MVX, and Michael, KA9HNT discusses FD strategies.
KC9MZ Photo



Dean, K9JDW setup FDLOG and a local WIFI for our logging.
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The six meter station set it's canopy low in anticipation of thunder storms.
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QRZ hosts papers by Dr. Ulrich Rohde

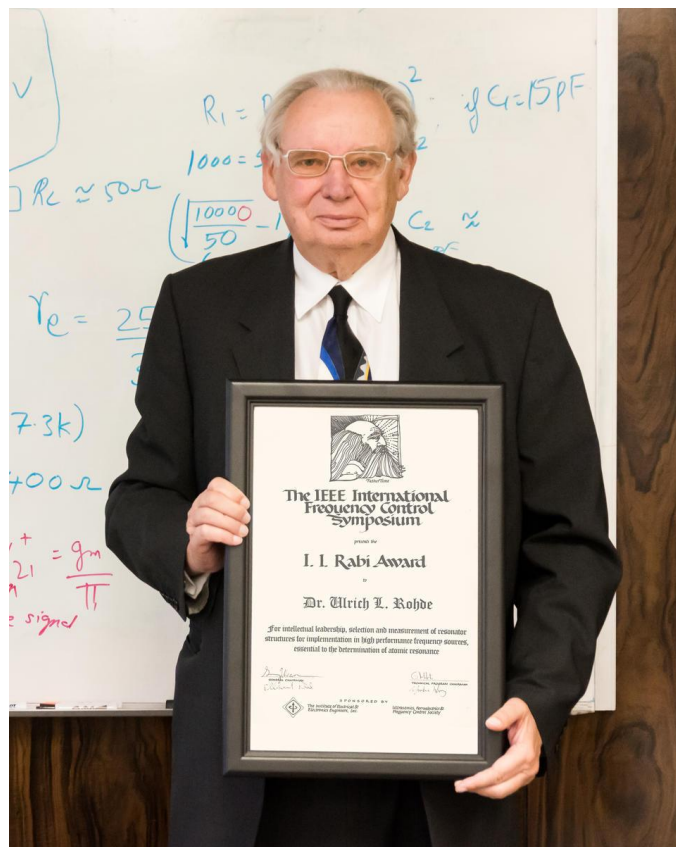


Photo from <https://www.qrz.com/db/n1ul>

"We're excited to have received three excellent technical papers from Dr. Rohde, which he enthusiastically agreed to wide distribution on QRZ. We're honored to have him as a QRZ member and proud to serve these pages in support of his longtime service to all." From QRZ.com

<https://forums.qrz.com/index.php?attachments/test-and-measurement-for-radio-communication-equipment-pdf.681443/>

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<https://forums.qrz.com/index.php?attachments/the-rebirth-of-hf-pdf.681444/>

For Sale

Kenwood TS-450 and Astron RS-30 power supply

This transceiver is very clean, original box, manuals. I've tested the output on each band and its 100 watts or so. Audio sounds good on station receiver. This rig does not have the auto tune unit.

The Astron power supply has a broken rocker switch which selects volts or amps on the built in meter.

It looks like the Kenwood was bought to replace a malfunctioning Ten-Tec and never used. The owner went into a Home, both for \$450.

Astatic D-104 amplified microphone black head and chrome neck (\$55, some paint chips on the base).

(Yaesu FT-767GX) on hold there is an interested party

Yaesu FT-767GX transceiver with manual. \$500.00. Built in power supply and antenna tuner, 160 – 6 Meters.

The above listings are all estate sale items.

Call Randy, KC9MZ, 618-235-1444, or email jlr.bastian@norcom2000.com if interested.

There are more For Sale items on our web site: <http://scarc.net/>

Operating Events and HAMFESTS:

The Illinois QSO Party October 18, 2020 see: <http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP.html>

September VHF QSO Party September 12 -14, 2020 see: <http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>

CWops Test (CWT) Every Wednesday at 1300-1400Z, 1900-2000Z, and 0300-0400Z 28 to 45 kHz from the band edges

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

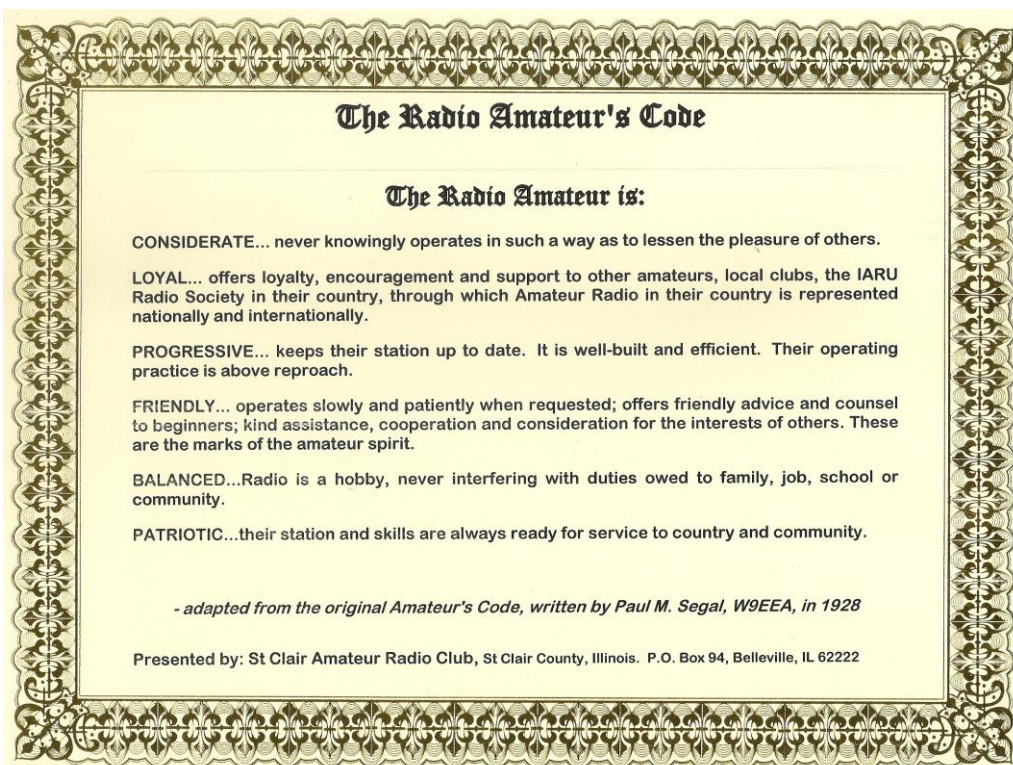
Meeting Date, Time and Location: Next month's meeting will be on August 27th and it will be an "On the Air" meeting. Check-in starts at 8 pm CDT. Steve, W9ZA, will have the 224.12MHz Net at 7 pm.

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 members and prospective members and thank them for their interest in Ham Radio.



Jim, KD9FQC, has been busy chasing wall paper!

Randy, I had a nice surprise come in the mail a few days ago and thought it might be of interest for the SCAN. I worked all 13 colony stations plus both bonus stations in the "13 Colonies Special Event" contest for a "clean sweep" using FT-8 and got this nice certificate to hang in my shack. I used mostly 20 meters, some on 40 meters and one on 80 meters. I had to chase a few stations that kept jumping bands, spotting them on PskReporter. I got the last station, GB13COL, less than one hour before event shutdown. I had been trying to get him for several days! ---Jim



Larry, K9LWW, will be making certificates for people who pass their license test at one of our VE test sessions.

It's the Radio Amateur's Code by Paul Segal, W9EEA, written in 1928. You may have seen this in various ARRL publications or on the Internet.

Larry said he got the idea from Steve, W9ZS, who opens his 224.12MHz Thursday night net with a reading of The Code.

Thank you Larry!

Election of Officers

January started the process for election of club offices. If you would like to nominate someone or run for offices yourself, please let the Sergeant at Arms, Dan, KD9ADB know. The current slate of nominees is:

President:	Randy, KC9MZ
Vice President:	Michael, KA9HNT and Jim KD9BLA
Secretary:	Steve, W9ZS
Treasurer:	Bob, WA9TUG
Publicity Activist:	Dan, K9JDW
Sgt at Arms:	Dan, KD9ADB
Activity Manager:	Jim, KD9BLA

Still postponed due to CV-19.



International

THE RADIO AMATEUR WILL BE PROTECTED

"In certain countries, the government has prohibited the use of receiving instruments except upon payment of a fee. . . . I believe that we ought to allow anyone to put in receiving stations who wishes to do so. But the immediate problem arises of who will do the broadcasting, and what will be his purpose. It is my belief that, with the variations that can be given through different wavelengths, through different times of day, and through the staggering of stations of different wavelengths in different parts of the country, it will be possible to accommodate the most proper demands and at the same time to protect that precious thing—the American small boy, to whom so much of this rapid expansion of interest is due."

Herbert Hoover

SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

Here are some shorts:

Our "On the Air Meeting" held on July 30th had approximately 34 check-ins.

Don't forget the "Good Morning Net" M-F, 7-8am by Larry, K9LWW and the 224.12 MHz Net on Thursdays, 7 pm by Steve, W9ZS. Thank you guys for running these nets!

Remember to send anything you might have for SCAN to kc9mz@arrl.net.

73 es gud dx,

Randy, KC9MZ

Please patronize our supporters!

