# St Clair Amateur Newsletter

## **May 2024**

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#### **VE Test Coordinator**

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#### **Repeater Committee**

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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-theair" meeting.)

## Severe thunderstorms hit area May 26<sup>th</sup>



Ameren Employees survey damage at Westhaven School after high winds took down a tree that then took down the service to the school. Gene WA9TZL said 42 checked in to the ARES net and it was most appreciated. He complimented everyone for their professionalism and to-the-point reports.

KC9MZ photo

#### Travis N9EOD will talk about a Balloon Launch



N9EOD photo

## Operating Events and HAMFESTS:

June 1st -16th Lewis and Clark Trail On The Air, see Dean K9JDW to sign up

June 7<sup>th</sup> Shriner's parade – Belleville, see Larry K9LWW to sign up

June 8th Club Breakfast O'Fallon, Il Denny's 8 am

June 9th Egyptian Fest Granite City II see: <a href="http://arrl.org/hamfests/egyptianfest-4">http://arrl.org/hamfests/egyptianfest-4</a>

June 15th VE Testing at the Moose, see Randy KC9MZ to sign up

June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> ARRL Field Day

July 21<sup>st</sup> Zerobeaters Hamfest Washington, MO see: <a href="http://arrl.org/hamfests/zerobeaters-washington-hamfest-3">http://arrl.org/hamfests/zerobeaters-washington-hamfest-3</a>

August 22th SCARC Never Enough Radios Hamfest O'Fallon, MO see: <a href="http://arrl.org/hamfests/never-enough-radios-scarc">http://arrl.org/hamfests/never-enough-radios-scarc</a>

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 <a href="CWops Tests">CWops Tests</a> (CWT) – CWops

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

#### **Club Nets**

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. Will someone volunteer to be Net Control for the Wednesday Net? Thank you guys for running these fine nets!

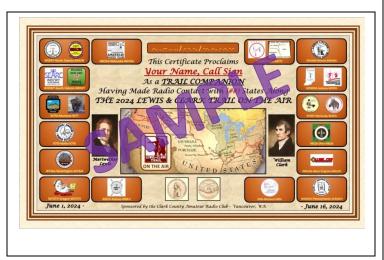
#### **Lewis and Clark Trail on the Air**

We are going to participate in the Lewis and Clark Trail on the Air event to help commemorate the 4,900 mile Lewis and Clark Trail. Radio clubs from 16 states will be active from June 1, 2024 (000 UTC) through June 15<sup>th</sup> (2400 UTC). The Lewis and Clark ARC and we will represent Illinois. Dean K9JDW will be our POC. If you would like to help put the club call on the air please let Dean or I know. There will be an effort to coordinate the operating times and frequencies (modes are SSB phone, FM phone, CW and FT4/FT8). A "Find an Activator" web page will be on Ictota.org.

Two certificates are available for those stations who work from 1 to 15 states or all 16 states on the Trail.

There's still time to sign up and help put K9GXU on the air! Contact Dean K9JDW or Randy KC9MZ so Dean can get you hooked up with the LCTOTA event coordinators.





#### What Am I?



Several submitted answers, one being close, but it's a Heathkit Nut Launcher! KC9MZ photo

Meeting Date, Time and Location: Next month's meeting will be on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM. 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

Field Day is June  $22^{nd} - 23^{rd}$ . Let Dean K9JDW know if you can help operate. Dean has lead us for the last 4-5 Field Days, thanks Dean!

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

I hope you can attend our May meeting on May 30<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

Please pray for peace in the World!

73 es gud DX,

Randy, KC9MZ

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