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The Starved Rock Radio Club, INC January 2016



In memory of SRRC co-founder Leslie 'LOP' Anderson W9MKS (1913 – 1938) SRRC has been affiliated with the American Radio Relay League since March 15, 1934.

2016 SRRC officers:

President Tom W9TLV Vice-President Cecil KB9LNK

Secretary Tom K9ML Treasurer Mark K9ZQ

Trustees: John AA9VT, Dwight WD9HZK and Oggie N9JNK

Welcome to our newest members:

Chandler AC9MY Normal
Adam KD9FEB Geneseo
Jeremy KD9FGQ Streator

Bruce KC9NDY Ottawa
Larry KD9FEC Mendota
Collin KD9FGR Morris

Starved Rock Radio Club January 4, 2016 Meeting

Meeting started at 6:57pm with 15 members present.

Minutes were passed out to group. Tom, W9TLV noted error in minutes

Dwight, WD9HZK is Director not Casey, KC9IH. Minutes corrected.

Approved by motion, Kurt, KB9RKU second by John, AA9VT with Aye vote.

Mark, K9ZQ read Treasurer's Report. Kurt makes motion, second by Cecil, KB9LNK with Aye vote.

Activities: Not much happening! Wheaton in mid January.

B&G: Antenna laying on ground needs to be put in basement. Repeater: Working on WIAP [Echo] link, still in progress. John brought in computer case.

FD&Training: Joe, KB9EZZ has Turbo-tech session planned Jan 23.

CERT classes begin Jan 06.

Hamfest: Tom, K9ML still has to link up with Matt, KB9VZH about fliers and tickets.

Old Business: Already discussed

New Business: Go kit judging contest at Hamfest. Joe is now Static editor. Pat, KC6VVT still managing Facebook page for club.

Motion to adjourn from Cecil, second everyone. Meeting ends at 7:30pm.

Recorded by K9ML Tom Chromzack k9ml55@gmail.com

RACES

Congratulations to Oggie N9JNK on his appointment as the LaSalle County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services Coordinator. RACES members are needed to help during the upcoming LaSalle Nuclear exercise on July 20th.

In order to be eligible for Federal grants (and preventing an increase of our property taxes), the Emergency Management Agency has to be NIMs compliant – which means volunteers, including RACES, needs to have completed these online classes:

IS-100.B: Introduction to Incident Command System https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-100.b

IS-700.A: National Incident Management System - An Introduction https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-700.a

(optional) IS-317: Introduction to CERT https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=is-317

For information on RACES, please contact N9JNK at shoqqyk@qmail.com

Tech Sessions

We carve out a few hours each month, on the first Monday and third Saturday, to work on skills, gear and Go Kits and call these Tech Sessions. All are welcome. The next Tech Sessions are:

Monday February 1st Noon -5 pm. SRRC Leonore, IL. Saturday February 20^{th} 10 am to 3 pm N9JNK Norway, IL. --take Rt 71 to the Airplane go west on 35th Rd until it turns south 2nd house on the right.

Please contact N9JNK at shoggyk@gmail.com and let him know if you will be attending either session.

EmComm Go-Kit by Mark K9ZQ

Preparing to use Ham Radio in emergency situations is a "hobby within a hobby" which many operators participate in. Training, practicing, and having a Go-Kit are all parts of the EmComm activity. A Go-Kit is a collection of equipment and supplies that the operator feels would be useful to support a communications emergency. A Go-Kit is packed and ready to go at a moment's notice as Ham Radio has the most benefit in the first hours / days of a disaster before portable cell towers and other commercial equipment arrives.

Many Ham Radio Operators have most of the equipment that would go into a Go-Kit. It takes discipline to make sure the contents do not get scattered about during normal day to day activities. In the most basic form, the items in the kit would be a radio, antenna, and a power supply. Some of the enhancements can be multi mode, multi band, and high power radios, a battery power supply and chargers, and antennas that can cover many bands and allow for various mounting methods. Over the next few months we will be discussing some additional details about the equipment that is included in a quality Go-Kit.

At our Starved Rock Radio Club Hamfest in June, we will sponsor a Go-Kit Contest. It will take place when the VE Session is over at approximately

11AM. The Judging Checklist will be put on our website (W9MKS.org) within the next month so everyone will have a chance to look at it. Judging will consist of not only looking at the equipment in the kit but also a discussion with the participant as to how unique pieces of the equipment would be used and their overall disaster response knowledge.

Contest winners from last year's Peoria Superfest and local EC's will be the judges. We hope this will be an annual event. Club members as well as non members are encouraged to assemble a Go-Kit and participate in the contest.

Upcoming Events

Including Special Events and Hamfest info from ARRL.Org as of 1/23/2016

| Coffee andSt. Elizabeth Hospital Ottawa meeting room 4 by cafeteria vending machines (repeats every Saturday 8-9am) | 1/23/2016 | j.tokarz@sbcglobal.net |
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| LaSalle County ARES NET 147.12 + 103.5 / 146.55 Simplex (repeats every Sunday 7 pm) | 1/24/2016 | j.tokarz@sbcglobal.net |
| SRRC Net 147.12 + 103.5 (repeat every Wednesday 8 pm) | 1/27/2016 | |
| 100th Anniversary San Francisco Radio Club | 1/30/2016 | http://qrz.com/db/W6PW |
| Cabin Fever Special Event | 1/30/2016 | http://www.qrz.com/db/k8prc |
| Jerry L. Pettis VA Hospital ARC Fifth Anniversary | 1/30/2016 | http://www.qrz.com/db/w6vah |
| JY1 MEMORIAL 2016 | 2/1/2016 | http://www.arabqrz.com/site/jy1.htm |
| Tech Session SRRC Leonore (repeats 1st Monday Noon - 5 pm) | 2/1/2016 | shoggyk@gmail.com |
| VE Session SRRC Leonore (5-6:30pm) | 2/1/2016 | j.tokarz@sbcglobal.net |

| SRRC Business Meeting SRRC Leonore 7pm | 2/1/2016 | |
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| Tenderloin Tuesday Ottawa American Legion Every Tuesday 11am - 1pm | 2/2/2016 | |
| Apollo XIV (14) - 45th Anniversary | 2/5/2016 | https://nn4sa.wordpress.com/ |
| Valentine's Day from Romance, Arkansas | 2/5/2016 | http://www.ncaars.org |
| Shuttle Columbia Special Event Station | 2/6/2016 | http://w5nac.com/ |
| Commemorating the Diamond, Illinois Coal Mine Disaster of 1883 | 2/6/2016 | http://metrodxclub.com |
| IL ARES Net 3.905 / 7.23 1st and 3rd Sunday 4:30 pm | 2/7/2016 | |
| 145th Anniversary, Fort Point, San Francisco | 2/10/2016 | http://www.qrz.com/db/AE6YB |
| H L Hunley Commemorative Event | 2/13/2016 | http://tridenthams.org/hunley.htm |
| Frozen Lake Portable: Ice Station W0JH | 2/13/2016 | http://www.radioham.org |
| USS Midway Museum Ship; USMC Women's Reserve Establishment Special Event | 2/13/2016 | |
| Worked All NCDXA "RST" Stations | 2/15/2016 | http://www.qrz.com/db/kl7rst |
| 2016 Daytona 500 Speedweeks | 2/17/2016 | http://www.daytonacert.net |
| Tech Session N9JNK Norway (repeats 3rd Saturday 10am - 3pm) | 2/20/2016 | shoggyk@gmail.com |
| VE Session N9JNK Norway | 2/20/2016 | shoggyk@gmail.com |
| 12th Annual "Freeze Your Keys" winter operating event | 2/20/2016 | w0ebb@juno.com |
| Snowbird Field Day at Red Mountain Park, Mesa, AZ | 2/24/2016 | http://www.sunlifearc.org |
| Copper Dog 150 Sled Dog Race | 2/26/2016 | http://www.copperdog150.com/Site/CD150 |
| 71st Anniversary of the | 2/27/2016 | www.qrz.com/db/w0fsb |

| Battle of Iwo Jima | | |
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| Sterling-Rock Falls ARS Hamfest | 3/6/2016 | http://w9mep.org |
| Hosp ComEx 9:30am | 3/19/2016 | <u>j.tokarz@sbcglobal.net</u> |
| Starved Rock Country Marathon | 5/14/2016 | |
| SRRC Hamfest Princeton IL | 6/5/2016 | w9mks.org |
| Hosp ComEx 9:30am | 6/18/2016 | <u>j.tokarz@sbcglobal.net</u> |
| Field Day 6/24-25-26 | 6/24/2016 | <u>j.tokarz@sbcglobal.net</u> |
| Z Tour Bureau County | 7/16/2016 | |
| LaSalle Exercise | 7/20/2016 | shoqqyk@qmail.com |

The deadline for STATIC submittals is 2 weeks prior to the meeting.

See you Monday February 1st in Leonore.

73 and many thanks

Joe

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