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NEWSLETTER

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HAM Radio Community

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By Connie Koch (WA0QCJ)

EDITOR'S MOMENT

WOW! What a month THAT was! July found us actively engaged in Friday Breakfast Klub with increasing numbers in attendance! All agree that it's a great way to connect weekly to sort out our radio talk with fellow Hams. Come on out if you can! Breakfast at 8:00 Friday mornings at Clara's North 65 Café. Our July 9th meeting hosted a record-shattering 41 members and guests signing in! Let it not be said that bigger isn't better...cause it IS! Our Klub is enjoying much success because of an engaging, supportive membership that works together like a well-oiled machine! It's all because of YOU! On July 16th we made a fine showing at the Warrensburg Hamfest. We garnered more interest for our upcoming SPARKFEST and made some great new friends along the way. Sure looking forward to seeing you all at our next meeting **August 6th at 8:30 AM at Pettis County EOC – Located at 1511 N Ohio, Sedalia, Mo.**

BIG 73's de (WA0QCJ)

WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

By Bret Kuhns (WØVK)

Hey SPARK!

As of this writing we are just wrapping up our first official SPARK POTA (Parks On The Air) activation event!! I have to tell you what a first-class event it was and how much I look forward to our club activating more local parks on a more frequent basis! If you missed it, no worries, there will be more to come. Scott (KJ4MFW) thank you for making this happen!

Our next club meeting will be **August 6th at the EOC on North Ohio**. PLEASE come to this meeting, we will have a big reveal that you do not want to miss! Also, we will have testing and a full agenda as we are just two and a half months away from SPARKFEST 2022. I am very pleased to tell you that SPARKFEST is coming together so much more smoothly than last year and want to say a BIG thank you to Richard (KE0QYA) for hustling the tables and Scott (KJ4MFW) for acquiring a long list of prizes to give away so soon, Many kudos to you two! Your volunteering will be more important than ever so please mark your calendars and plan to be there. I will begin volunteer assignments in September and you will be needed. Last year's event was so smooth because of YOU!

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at the meeting!

Bret (WØVK)

NETS AND FREQUENCIES

2 Meter Net – Sunday at 8:00 PM – 147.03 repeater – offset 179.9pl

75 Meter Round Table – Sunday at 9:30 AM – 3950 (3813 other times) operator Paul (KØETL)

2 Meter Net – Tuesday at 7:00 PM – Rag Chew net operator Dennis (KYØP) 2 Meter repeater 147.03 – offset 179.9pl

6 Meter Net – Tuesday at 8:00 PM – 53.11 repeater – 1.7 offset 127pl

Simplex Net – Wednesday at 8 PM – 147.575 operator Paul (KØETL)

220 Sedalia Rag Chew Net – Wednesday at 8:30 – 224.440 – 107.3pl

Live Streams 147.03 and 224.44 repeaters on broadcastify.com

HAMFEST CALENDAR 2022 – de Brooks (KAØJWA)

08/14/2022 - SCARC Hamfest - O'Fallon, Mo.

10/15/2022 – SPARKFEST – Sedalia, Mo.

10/29/2022 – 30th Halloween Hamfest – Kirkwood, Mo.

Talk-In
146.670 alt 145.330

Vendor Hall
opens 8am-12pm

Tailgater Flea Market
7am - 12pm

St Charles Amateur Radio Club

Hamfest

August 14 2022

Elks Lodge—1163 Tom Ginnever Ave., O'fallon, MO. 63366
LAT 38.822—LONG 090.667931W

Admission / Door Prize
1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20

Before July 15th 1st & 2nd table \$20 each,
3rd table \$10, 4th table and beyond \$5
After the 15th \$25 per table
8' tables, chairs and electric provided at no cost
Help provided to load and unload
(One vendor admission wrist tag per table 2 tags if one table)

Tailgater Flea Market \$10 per space
NEW LOCATION located out Front where the Action is
Limited to Ham Radio and related Electronics

Special Limited Raffle
Yaesu FTM300DR
\$10 per ticket **Only 50 to be Sold That's It!**
Can only be purchased inside at Hamfest
Must be present to win

Visit the SCARC Store
to buy tickets and tables
and tailgater space
Goto WBØHSI.org
Look for the store link at
bottom of page or on the
hamfest page

GRAND PRIZES
1st prize Yaesu FT 991A
2nd prize Anytone 878UVBT
3rd prize Yaesu FT-65
Door prizes every 30 min

ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB

VENDORS
Associated Radio
D&L Antenna
Michaels Embroidery
BJB Welding portable poles
KGOKP Jims J-Poles
& more

CONTACT: Doug Wheeler KOHKK (314) 660-0674. (cell) Please leave message if no answer. Email: scarc.hamfest@gmail.com



NICK CAMIRAND - (KEØNIL) 4TH



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Scott “Hambone” Anderson (KJ4MFW)



How did you get involved in ham radio? How long have you been a ham?

I was never completely aware of “ham radio” as a youth. I did know of its existence and understood the basic idea of it, but I did not become involved with ham radio until I began working for NASA Education at the Johnson Space Center in my 30s. My job at NASA JSC was to assist with education outreach for the Astronaut Office and part of this included

coordinating the ARISS connections from the ISS. For this role, I had to become a licensed ham and received my Technician license on 03/03/03. For the next several years I would mostly use my radio when our office attended a local ARISS event at a school. I did also use it to regularly check into my local net.

I later moved to Alabama to work at another NASA, the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center, and I finally upgraded to General almost immediately after the Morse code was pulled from the exam. During this time, I had two buddies who were also hams and we formed a club called: *Three Guys with Radios*. We participated in lots of portable operations and special events.

Favorite TV Shows:

I watch a lot of British television programs. I really enjoy the British police program ‘Line of Duty’.

First thing you do if you won the lottery?

I would turn the top floor of the Bothwell Hotel into my new business center.

What has been your favorite amateur radio QSO?

My favorite QSO occurred when I first moved to Alabama. One day I was making lunch and decided to put a call out to the ISS (NA1SS). To my surprise, Astronaut Bill McArthur picked up! I hadn’t even checked to see if they were going to be passing overhead and was tongue-tied when they asked what I was doing... I replied the truth; “I’m having a HAM sandwich.” . FYI- I believe the current crew at the ISS is fairly active on the radio. If you have never contacted them, now is a good time to try.

What is a funny joke?

I heard this on the radio last week... “My neighbor was telling me he loves German food and recently placed an order online. He said the sauerkraut had arrived, but the “wurst” has yet to come!”

What makes you most happy?

I enjoy seeing my family happy. I also like camping whilst operating my radio. I also really enjoy the time I’ve been able to do portable operations with my buddies in Alabama; we did some really cool events.

What is your favorite family memory?

My favorite memory was a National Parks on the Air event I completed with my father (N8TKT) and my son (KN4BME). Our family visited my Dad for Thanksgiving the year ARRL was supporting NPOTA and we did an activation... Three generations of hams having fun on the air.

What’s your nickname?

“Hambone” - from my current co-workers.



WHO’ZIT?

In our July Newsletter you were tasked to identify the mystery Ham who grew up in the Boy Scout organization...attained the rank of Eagle, God and Country, level of Vigil, and Order of the Arrow. He

actively participated in several Summer scout camps including the Granddaddy of them all...Philmont. After serving his military duty he remained as Scoutmaster for his former troop for 10 years! Scouting molded **Steve Goodwin (KC8AEK)** into the active member of SPARK that he is today! Thank you, Steve, for your volunteer service to Scouting!

WHO’ZIT?

August Victim

I started playing music when I was 8 years old. Since then, I’ve gotten to play with quite a few notable talents, including Ricky Skaggs, Allison Krauss, Ernest Tubb, Boxcar Willie, and Bill Monroe. I even spent a season in Branson, playing professionally with my friends at Shepherd of the Hills. I’ve recorded two albums, been featured on BBC studio recordings, and recorded television segments on Channel 50 in Kansas City. The largest live crowd I’ve ever played for was a little over 30,000 people at an event outside Springdale, Arkansas. Can you guess who I am? E-mail me with your best guess:

Connie.Koch@att.net



TECH TALK

IMPROVEMENT TO THE E-COM TRAILER

After considerable fussin' with different methods to secure our US Flag to the antenna mast...Paul (KDØETL) found the perfect solution with two chain links which were welded to the mast to clip our flag into. We'll be keeping our Flag flying 'proper'! Great little hack there. Paul!



WE WILL MAKE OUR 'SPLASH' AT SPARKFEST !!!



Inaugural appearance of our SPARK Table Cover at WAARCI Hamfest

HOT NEWS ARTICLE! RADIO THEORY CAUSES COMMOTION!



GOLDEN SPIKE, MONTANA – Buttery biscuits were thrown and voices were raised in anger at last month’s meeting of the Gold Diggers Amateur Radio Club. According to witnesses, the proceedings turned tense after the Treasurer’s report as Club president Lou Rodden’s brother-in-law presented the monthly program.

Visiting from Square Butte Township, Nebraska, Mike Yuness told the group he has developed a technique which will “revolutionize radio broadcasting.”

The amateur geologist and ham radio operator says he’s come up with a way to ionize the Earth’s molten core of magma and use it to send radio signals to the far corners of the globe.

As members lunched on braised beef tips and unlimited onion rings, Yuness raised the question: “Why go around the earth...when you can go through it?”

He describes his technique as a “cross between spark gap and digital,” but declined to elaborate due to what he described as “very costly and ongoing patent infringement issues which must be resolved at great expense.”

Yuness stated emphatically that ham operators thousands of miles away will be able to communicate “...using nothing more than common grounding rods.” As the hams looked on, club member Junior Brown bolted from his chair yelling, “You’re a liar!” and shaking a fist while throwing a basket of cloverleaf rolls at the presenter with the other hand.

Brown – who makes a comfortable living selling HF antennas made from recycled lawn chairs – says Yuness is only trying to collect money for his GoFundMe account and has no credible facts to back up his ionized magma core theory.

Dodging the rolls, Yuness yelled, “I’ve had a number of heated exchanges about this topic in online forums, BUT I KNOW I’M CORRECT!”

Brown claims Yuness and Rodden want the GoFundMe money to pay for their next trip to the Dayton Hamvention in the spring.

The Golden Spike Amateur Radio Club meetings on the third Thursday of the month in the private dining area of the Golden Corral on East Winchester Street. The public is invited to attend.

**By WB0RUR, on the scene
HamHijinks.co**





THE HISTORY OF US ... SPARK!

When was the last time you pondered upon the year 1935 when the original Ham Radio organization in Sedalia was founded? I'll bet not recently...so here's a lesson in how SPARK got its BIG START! The following information is taken from the original document in June 1935, QST Magazine, page 35. Enjoy your history lesson...pay attention...there may be a quiz! Hi! Hi!



● What the League Is Doing ●

League Activities, Washington Notes, Board Actions—For Your Information

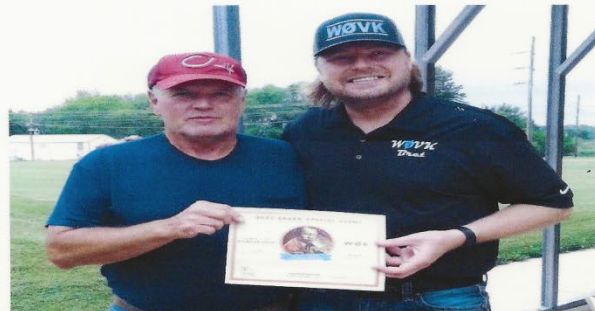
Minutes of 1935 Annual Meeting of
Board of Directors, American Radio
Relay League, May 10 & 11, 1935

**On motion of Mr. Culver, seconded by Mr. Gibbons,
unanimously VOTED to grant affiliation to the following
societies:**

Faribault Amateur Radio Club	Faribault, Minn.
Mountaineer Amateur Radio Association	Fairmount, W. Va.
Sedalia Amateur Radio Club	Sedalia, Mo.
Akron Progressive Short Wave Radio Association	Akron, Ohio
Lynchburg Short Wave Club	Lynchburg, Va.
Albany Amateur Radio Association	Albany, N. Y.
North Texas Agricultural College Radio Club	Arlington, Texas

...and that's the REST of the story!

SCOTT JOPLIN FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS

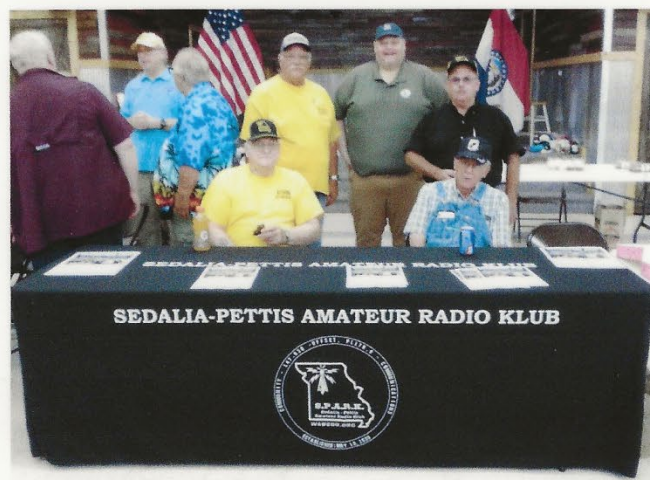


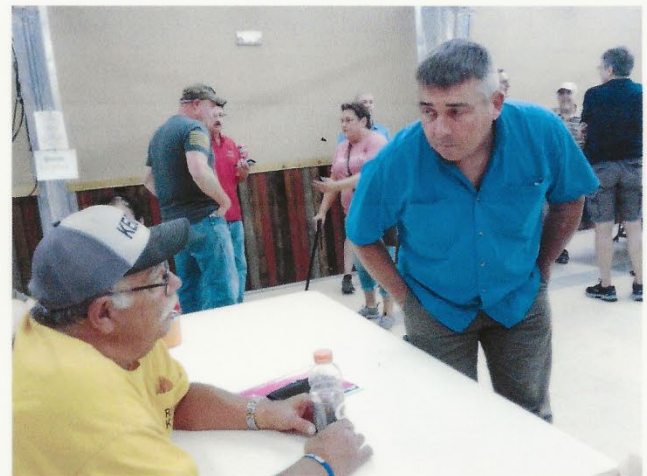
FIELD DAY APPRECIATION!



Daren (KDØOPS) (upper left) accepts Field Day award for Amber (KEØQYL) (above) as she pulled in the MOSTcontacts for the Klub during the event! CONGRATULATIONS, Amber!!! In photo (upper left) Harry (KØTV) and Richard (KEØQYA) are recognized as Coordinators of the Event.

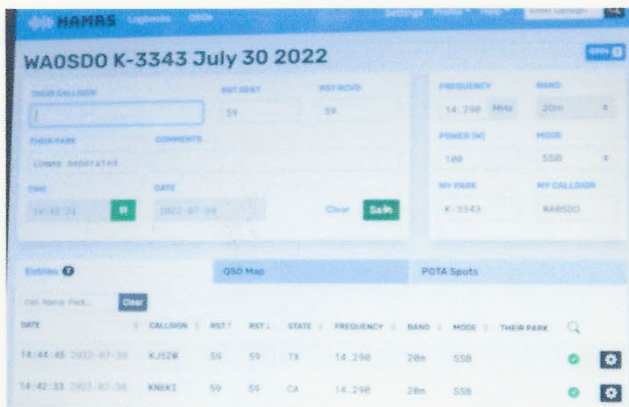
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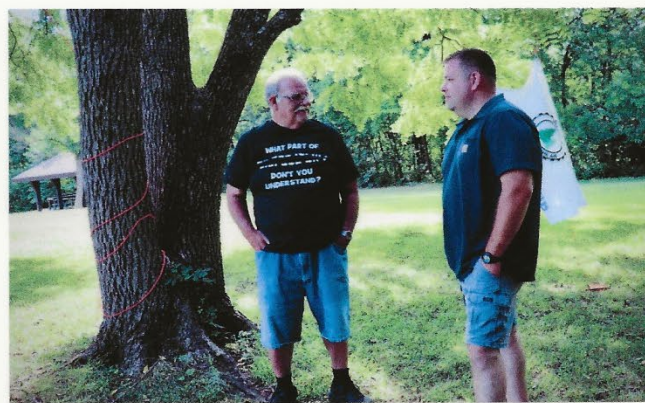


BIG THANKS to WAARCI FOR HOSTING A GREAT HAMFEST!

OUR FIRST OF MANY POTA EVENTS – BOTHWELL S.P.



29 CONTACTS – COAST TO COAST – CANADA - MEXICO



IN THE SPOTLIGHT INSIGHT

I shall continue to post the Newsletter Personality Questions which will put YOU in the SPOTLIGHT for a future issue of SPARK newsletter! Choose any 5 questions you'd like to answer and e-mail to: Connie.Koch@att.net. You've seen responses from Don (KFØARQ), Doc (W3MEB) , Steve (WAØWUY) , Renda (KBØUVW) and Dennis (KYØP)! What interesting life experiences they have had! We want to hear about YOURS too!

Personality Questionnaire

How did you get involved in HAM Radio and how long have you been a Ham?

What's your favorite way to spend a day off?

What's next on your bucket list?

What's your favorite TV show(s)?

What are your favorite pastimes or hobbies in addition to HAM Radio?

What's a funny joke you'd like to share?

What's your most prized possession and why?

What's the first thing you'd do if you won the lottery?

What's something few people know about you?

What cause(s) are you passionate about?

What possession or item would you NOT want to live without?

What's the best gift you ever received?

What's the worst gift you ever received?

Is there one job you'd never want to do?

What's a favorite job you'd like to do?

Who inspires you?

What's your favorite thing about your job OR retirement?

What makes you most happy?

Who has made a great impact on your life and why?

How do you like spending time with family or friends?

What's your favorite food (besides Connie's brownies? :>)

What's a favorite family memory?

What's your nickname (other than your HAM call)?

What's been your favorite vacation ever?

What equipment would be in your 'Dream' HAM Shack?

Do you volunteer? If so, where and why do you enjoy it?

Who do you admire most in the world?

Do you live by any words of wisdom? Please share them.

What is your definition of success?

What famous person, would you like to spend a day with and why?

If a genie gave you three wishes what would they be?

Do you have any special or unusual skills?

What's your favorite story about yourself?



SIGNING OFF WITH BROOKS – (KAØJWA)



Ukraine Maintains Ham Radio Silence in State of Emergency

Radio amateurs in Ukraine appear to be diligently maintaining radio silence

as the state of emergency declared there just prior to the

Russian military invasion remains in effect. A February 24 decree from President Volodymyr Zelensky included “a ban on the operation of amateur radio transmitters for personal and collective use.” The Ukraine Amateur Radio League (UARL/LRU) reported this past week that it has received many messages of encouragement from the worldwide amateur radio community. “The LRU informed international amateur radio organizations about Russia’s military invasion of Ukraine,” said the message from UARL Vice President Anatoly Kirilenko, UT3UY. “To date, there have been many reports from radio amateurs around the world in support of Ukraine.”

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has adopted a neutral stance. “IARU is an apolitical organization focused on promoting and defending amateur radio and the amateur radio services,” the IARU said. “The amateur radio service is about self-instruction in communications and friendship between people.” IARU Region 1 has said it continues to monitor the development and expects all radio amateurs “to follow their national laws and regulations.” IARU Region 1 also re-posted part of an advisory from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC) HF Committee on February 27. “Any radio amateur currently transmitting from Ukraine is risking his or her life. If you hear a Ukrainian station, do not broadcast its call sign, location, or frequency — whether on the band, in a cluster, or on social media. You may be putting lives at risk.” The DARC’s overarching advice: “In the current situation, the best we can do is listen.” Ukraine’s assigned amateur radio call sign prefixes include EMA – EOZ and the more commonplace URA – UZZ. Some stations with Ukrainian call signs may still be active, because an exception to the amateur radio ban was made for stations in the Donbas region of eastern Ukraine (eastern Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts), which have special legal status owing to Russia’s occupation since 2014.

In a Facebook post, Poland’s IARU member-society PZK has offered available Winlink nodes in Poland for any licensed refugees. If you are a licensed amateur radio operator, you can send information by email to your relatives in Poland or Emergency Services via the Winlink system. Polish Winlink nodes are active on 160, 80, and 20 meters: SR5WLK, 3.5955 MHz USB; SR3WLK, 14.111 MHz USB, and SP3IEW, 1.865 MHz USB.

It has been observed that several Russian military HF stations including the famous UVB-76 Buzzer have been jammed with either the Ukrainian national anthem, or various meme-type songs. It is likely that these stations are being jammed mostly by civilian activists, or members of the activist hacker collective known as Anonymous, rather than any military organization.



QRT FOR NOW! de WAØQCJ es KAØJWA

