





Six Meter Club of Chicago

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November 2021

6-8 Nov. Sweepstakes - CW 20-22 Nov. Sweepstakes - Phone

20-21 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz

December 2021

3-5 160 Meter 11-12 10 Meter

Rookie Roundup-CW 18-19 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz

Repeater information the repeater is still down due to the 2 meter repeater still having problems the repeater tech has the machine and is working on it. The controller is fixed and as soon as the 2 meter is up and running the repeater repair committee will put it back in service.

Our holiday luncheon has been changed from December 4th to April 23 2022. Due to the fact that there is not sufficient time to get a head count and menu choices we went with the latter date as it is after Easter and hopefully better weather related issues.

We will have virtual meeting for November and December as the school has programs on those dates. We will advise on the January date as it gets closer

Minutes for the October 8th Virtual meeting

The Virtual meeting on the K9ONA Repeater Systems was called to order at 7:30 pm by WD9GJK Officers present were Mike WD9GJK Secretary Gary KC9IDS Sargent at arms Will W9WSS Member at Large

There was an email from Chris that the club treasury is in good shape and as soon as

November 2021

Echo-link is restored she will be back with us again.

Joe KC9TQF was away for personal reason and should be at the November meeting.

Report on Jim WA9FIH that he is well and at home

Will W9WSS gave a report on the Eco-link situation, Ryan W9UEY is trying to work with the IT Person at Hinsdale High School to find out what has to be done to get Echo-link back up and running. More to come.

Report on the JOTA station Joe KC9TQF was trying to work with the Boy Scout Council in LaGrange for the JOTA Station

Reminder that Dues will be due by the January meeting

Election of Officers will also be at the January Meeting You must be a member to Vote.

Remember if you want a W6Q QSL Please SASE and your QSL to WD9GJK

Gary KC9IDS reported that 11 Members were in attendance

WD9GJK

WD9GDB

WB9GTO

KC9KLA

K9LAE

WA9IYZ

KC9OGA

W9NSP

N9TUQ

WA9ZQM

W9WSS

KC9IDS

Gary KC9IDS also reported 2 Guests WA9CIP KA9BAR

After check in WD9GJK opened the floor to a round table. Once the final call was made for late check-ins WD9GJK asked for a motion to close, N9TUQ made the motion and K9LAE second and carried the repeaters were returned to normal amateur use at 8:15pm. Mike WD9GJK Interim Recording Secretary SMCC

SIX METER ROUNDTABLE EACH TUESDAY AT 8 P.M.

Our Six Meter Roundtable Activity Net meets on 50.130 MHz USB Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m., usually for about a half hour. Help keep the band active and join in the rag-chew tell your friends about it too – everyone is welcome!

Weekly SMCC net on the VHF-UHF repeaters at 9:00pm general information net

DIGITAL SLOW SCAN TV NET THURSDAY EVENINGS

Our Digital Slow Scan TV Net meets every Thursday evening for about an hour, beginning at 7:00 p.m., on our two meter repeater. We use Easy-Pal software which can be downloaded free from the Internet. A Tigertronics Signal Link USB or similar interface connects your PC and transceiver.

CHECK IN WITH THE GRUMPIES MORNINGS ON THE SMCC REPEATER

If you are at home during the morning weekdays, don't forget to check in with the Grumpy Net which meets on our repeater system between 8:45 – 9:45 a.m. Monday through Friday. It is a good old fashioned rag chew net with some great trivia questions, too! Jim, N9TUQ is the coordinator.

The 2022 ARRL Foundation Scholarship Program Will Open on November 1, 2021

Welcome! Applications for the 2022 ARRL Foundation Scholarship Program *will open on November 1, 2021.* More than 100

scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$25,000 will be awarded in 2022. <u>Scholarship</u> recipients will be notified in May 2022 via USPS mail and email.

All applicants must be active, FCC-licensed amateur radio operators [NOTE: Active foreign amateur radio operators are eligible for the ARDC Scholarships]. All applicants must submit a completed online application.

HAM STATION INSTALLED AND OPERATING ON ISS

An Amateur Radio system has been installed and is operational on the International Space Station, whose crew includes Chris Cassidy, KF5KDR. Included is a FM cross band repeater, uplink 145.990 (tone 67 Hz), downlink of 437.800 MHz. The ARISS capabilities include both the voice repeater as well as digital packet radio (APRS), and a Kenwood VC-H1 Slow Scan TV system. This is the twentieth year of Amateur Radio operation on board the International Space Station.

The burglars just cleaned us out while he sat there. I told you he was addicted to FT8!



HALOADS... SOMETHING TO SELL? LIST IT HERE! EMAIL YOUR AD TO Acting Halo Editor wd9gjk@arrl.net

For Sale:

Heathkit IM-25 VTVM, very good condition, copy Of schematic, with original probe \$50 or best offer Heathkit IM-2024 Frequency Counter covers 5 Hz to 512 MHz......\$125 or best offer Simpson 303 VTVM w/test leads.....\$75 or best offer

Tektronix Oscilloscope Cart.....\$100

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For Sale:

WANTED:

Icom IC-7000 Rig Must be good working condition FOR SALE:

Hy-Gain 2 meter, 3 element beam. Brand new in sealed box

Model VB-23FM sells for \$75 plus tax & shipping. asking \$50 or best offer

2 Meter Horizontally Polarized Omnidirectional antenna

Par electronics Omniangle OA-144

Antenna.....\$50

Larsen NMO mounts 10 Meter & 6 meter mobile antennas, \$15 each

ARRL Amateur Ham Radio HANDBOOKS, 1962, 1967, 1976 & 1978 editions......\$5 each

Pete, WB9W 773-425-6155 wb9w1949@yahoo.com

For Sale:

Extech 480400 Phase Sequence Tester \$80/Offer Fluke 33 True RMS Clamp-on Meter....\$100/Offer Fluke 13000S Flex 24 AC Current Probe \$100/Offer

Fluke 87V True RMS Multimeter\$225/Offer Heathkit HO-13 Pan adaptor......\$100 National HRO-60 Receiver, recapped, excellent condition with original manual, matching speaker, nine coil sets for shortwave bands including band spread on ham bands, cabinet to hold unused coil drawers. Also includes a plug-in SSB product detector from a QST article which fits in space

intended for a NBFM adapter (no mods to the
radio) \$400
Shure 404B Hand Mic, new in the box\$30
Multi MPA-250 Biamp, 250 Watt Public Address
Amp in rack cabinet, like new\$150
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For Sale:

> Bob Weiss, W9AVB 6339 South Kostner Avenue Chicago IL 60629 773-571-2213

For Sale:

Yaesu FT-901DM w/AM filter + desk mic \$500/ofr Yaesu matching antenna tuner......\$100 firm Yaesu FT-767 HF + 6, 2, 432 + hand mic...\$600/offer

> Tom Dombrowski, K9BVQ 5426 South 72nd Court Summit IL 60501 **708-496-8982**

Berwyn For Sale:

Downsizing collection of vintage hi-fi equipment, all in good working order, clean, mint with no scratches. etc.

Speakers – Altec Lansing, Bozak, Bose, Hartley, some with cabinets. Sony Crossover.

Preamps - Hadley 621E

Amplifiers – Crown, Hadley, McIntosh

Tuners – Marantz, one w/walnut case, one rack mount

Turntables – Fairchild, Panasonic Disc Player – Panasonic Tape Recorder – Ampex Paul Chase (708)366-7864 paulchasesr@gmail.com

THE SIX METER CLUB OF CHICAGO, INC.

"We desire to promote the Interest of Amateur Radio, foster activity in the HF, VHF, and UHF bands, acquire proficiency in CW operation, and provide mutual aid in matters technical"

CUSTODIAN OF K9ONA......Mike. WD9GJK PRESIDENT.....Jim, WA9FIH VICE PRESIDENT.....Joe, KC9TQF NET MANAGER......Jim, WA9FIH SECRETARY......Mike. WD9GJK HISTORIAN..... ARRL VE TEST CAPTAIN.....Paul. K9LH TREASURER......Kris, KC9TJL SGT-AT-ARMS......Gary, KC9IDS PROGRAM CHAIR......Joe, KC9TQF MEMBERS AT LARGE...... Will, W9WSS DIRECTORS..... HALO EDITOR.....Jim Novak, WA9FIH CLUB WEB SITE: www.k9ona.com 2335 South 2nd Avenue North Riverside IL 60546-1308 WA9FIH@arrl.net WEBMASTER.....Jim, W9JGH

The *HALO* is the official publication of the Six Meter Club of Chicago, a not-for-profit ARRL-affiliated Special Service Club incorporated in the State of Illinois and maintained by and for Radio Amateurs.

MEETINGS: Held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Friday of each month (except December) at St. John's Lutheran Church, southwest corner of 47th Street and Brainard Avenue, La Grange IL; enter through south side door adjacent to parking lot.

NETS: Six Meter Activity and Rag chew Net, Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m. Central Time, 50.130 MHz USB Two Meter FM Information Net, Tuesday evenings at 9 p.m. Central time over our K9ONA repeater, 146.37/97 ARRL Bulletins, Club news, swap shop, other items of interest to the Amateur Radio community. Digital SSTV (Slow Scan Amateur TV) Net, Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. on our two meter repeater, using Easy Pal software.

REPEATERS: The Club operates three open repeaters under the call K9ONA/R. Our Two Meter repeater, located in Hinsdale, uses 146.370 MHz input, 146.970 MHz output, with a three minute timer that must be reset with a short pause after the courtesy tone between transmissions. A 107.2 Hz sub audible (PL) tone is usually required for access. Our 220 repeater, also located in Hinsdale, uses 223.22 MHz in, 224.82 MHz out and requires a CTCSS tone of 110.9 Hz. Our UHF repeater, located in Hinsdale as well, uses 448.300 MHz input, 443.300 MHz output, a four minute timer, and is also "PL" access, requiring a 114.8 Hz tone. The two meter and UHF repeaters also transmit the sub-audible CTCSS tone. The repeaters are usually set in cross-link mode.

AFFILIATIONS: The Club is a Life Member Club supporting AMSAT, the non-profit Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. We have been named an ARRL-affiliated Special Service Club, and belong to the Illinois Repeater Association.

CERTIFICATES: Available for working ten Club members (five if applicant is more than 100 miles from Chicago) on either 50, 144, or 222 MHz. Stations worked must be valid Club members at time of your QSO; repeater contacts do not count. Send log data list with time, date, and band/mode to our Secretary. There is no charge for the award.

SCHOLARSHIP: The Club has endowed a perpetual scholarship administered by the ARRL Foundation. It is awarded annually subject to specific criteria listed on the ARRL Foundation's web site, www.arrlf.org, or available from the foundation. Applications are due by December 31 of each calendar year.

FACEBOOK AND YAHOO GROUP: The Club's Facebook page is available at:www.facebook.com/groups/287932964607477/.The Yahoo Group can be accessed at:http://groups.yahoo.com/group/K9ONA.

HAMFEST: Our Six Meter Club of Chicago HAMFEST is held annually on the third Sunday in June (June 20, 2021) at the DuPage County Fairgrounds in Wheaton, Illinois. *All Club members are expected to work to insure its success.*