

A "Happening" Ham Radio Club

HamGab



March 2019

PO Box 474
Crestwood, IL
60445-0474

March Birthdays

Mel Marcus NE9A

Connie Kelly AC9CK

John Raiger K9DRS

Kurt Pawlikowski

WB9FMC

Daniel Busta W9GOB

Steven Knott KD9JRV

Michael Rende K9LSH

Rich Bacorn KB9NTX

Granville (Gene) Phillips

W9PNG

Jerry Celmer K9PY

Officers

President - Nora KC9MLV

Vice President - Jim W9JPR

Secretary - Patty KC9LYE

Treasurer - ED WA9EOL

SGT at Arm - Dave W0COP

Trustee Gene W9PNG

Board Members

Nora KC9MLV

Steve W9KXT

Kurt WB9FMC

Cindy N9CAS

Don KC9EQQ

Rich KB9NTX

Hamgab Editors

Bob Richter

K9RDR

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Next Meeting is
Friday March 1
2019 at 730PM



Remember White
Elephant Sale on
March 1 2019

Starts at 600PM

Bring your old boat anchors or anything else
you may want to sell. Hope to see all there.



WEATHER SPOTTER meeting April 5th
2019

You will get a certificate for all who attend..

Presentation by Dave Bukowski N9KPD.

Come and be informed.

President's Beat

Nora Pointer, KC9MLV



No Repoet This time.

General Meeting Minutes - de Patti, KC9LYE

Call to Order 1 Feb 2019 1934 Hours

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements

Moment of silence if necessary

Visitors: Bob KB9BTS, Paul KB9WYM Sara, Elizabeth, & Bara, family of our speaker

Health and Welfare:

Program: Jay Margalus, Director of Makers Space Lab in Mokena

Motion to approve minutes of the last meeting made by N9KWG and seconded by KB9FQB

Treasurer's Report given by Ed WA9EOL

Secretary's Report

Standing Committees

Membership: one new member, Michael Grad (No Call)

Education:

Programs: Don KC9EQQ reported that March will be the White Elephant sale and April will be Weather Spotting. Dave N9KPD talked a little about his program. Don also touched on our upcoming move to a new meeting place.

Publicity:

Field Day: Jim W9JPR reported some good feedback from his request for ideas. Plans are in the works for trailer improvement and more training on the antenna tuner. Jim also requested photos from anyone who was at last year's Field Day.

Awards:

Hamgab: Bob K9RDR reminded everyone of the Hamgab deadline on the 15th of each month



Special Committees

Old Business:

New Business: Al N9ZD reported 1 new Technician at VE testing.

Kurt WB9FMC's church is looking for volunteers to pass our door hangers on Feb. 12 & 13

Motion to Adjourn KC9EQQ, Seconded by

N9ZD at 2117

Mel NE9A won the split the pot

. CQ Field Day de Jim Riley W9JPR



Last month I asked the board members for suggestions or ideas for this year's Field Day. I got some great feedback and we expect to start implementing those ideas as soon as this rough winter gives us a break—maybe in early June, HI. If you have any ideas for Field Day, I'm all ears. See me at the meeting or send them to me at w9jpr2016@gmail.com.

This month I'm asking for pictures for my Field Day presentation at the June meeting. This is your show and your photos are what make it what it is. It's always good to get a different perspective on things. Put them on a CD or thumb drive (which you'll get back) or email them. I can scan prints, too.

Field Day 2019 is June 22 and 23 at Southbridge Church on 155th St. west of Harlem. Operations run from 1 p.m. Saturday to 1 p.m. Sunday. Setup begins at 8 a.m. and we need all the help we can get.

De Al, N9ZDHamfesters VE Testing

Hamfesters VE Testing Report for HamGab March 2019

Al Bukowski N9ZD - VE coordinator



Hamfester's Amateur Radio Club VE's offer Amateur Radio License Testing for those who want to get their first ham license, or Amateur Hams who want to upgrade to a higher class license. Examination sessions are

available on the second Saturday of each month. We will assist you with all necessary paperwork prior taking your exam. Please make sure you are studying the latest question pool that can be found on the internet, through ARRL publications or Gordon West books. The Exam fee is \$15.00 (**CASH ONLY - Please NO Checks or Credit Cards.**) Also please bring a photo ID with you to the exam. If upgrading, bring your original signed Amateur License and a photocopy we can send with the test results.

The exam sessions are held at the Oak Forest City Hall 15440 S. Central Ave. Oak Forest, IL 60452. Please arrive by 9:00 AM. We begin testing promptly at 9:15 AM. Please enter through the marked Police door entrance at City Hall and look for the ARRL Amateur Radio testing signs for directions.

Future VE Exam dates are as follows:

March 9, 2019

April 13, 2019

May 11, 2019

June 8, 2019

It would help the VE Team to pre-register and/or if you have any other questions regarding our test sessions, please contact Al, N9ZD via e-mail at: N9ZD@arri.net.

A Special 'Thank You' to All the VE's volunteering there Saturday morning to assist me at the Exam sessions.

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73's Al - N9ZD



Outback Mobile Phone Tower

Three Aussie blokes working up on an outback mobile phone tower: Bruce, Coot and Bluey.

As they start their descent, Coot slips, falls off the tower and is killed instantly.

As the ambulance takes the body away, Bluey says, "Well, someone's gotta go and tell Coot's wife.

Bruce says, "OK, I'm pretty good at that sensitive stuff, I'll do it."

Two hours later, he comes back carrying a case of beer.

Bluey says, "Where'd you get the beer, Bruce?"

"Coot's wife gave it to me," Bruce replies.

"That's unbelievable, you told the Missus her husband was dead and she gave you a case of beer?"

"Well, not exactly," Bruce says. "When she answered the door, I said to her, 'You must be Coot's widow.' She said, 'You must be mistaken. I'm not a widow.' Then I said, 'I'll betcha a case of beer you are.'"

Aussies are good at handling the sensitive stuff.

Thoughts

Thought is what makes humans human ... It's the luminous spark of reason that grants us lordship over the animals, endows us with cell phones, and offers hope, even in our darkest hours, that our species will somehow calculate the way forward to a brighter tomorrow.

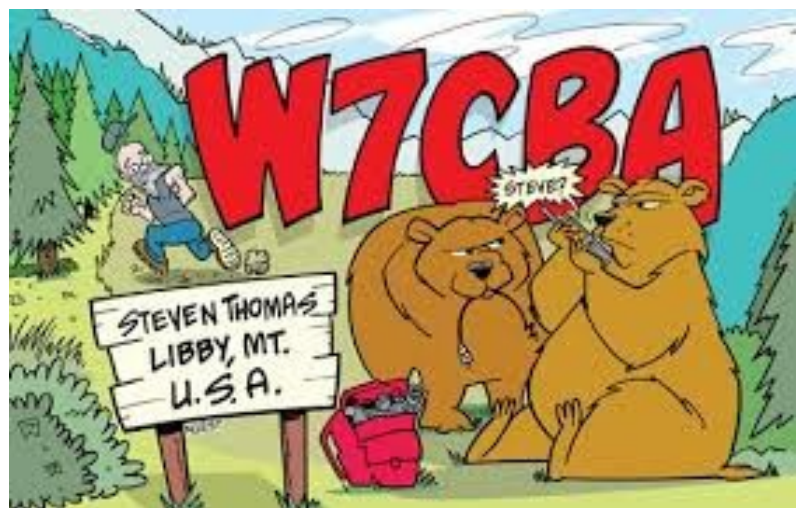
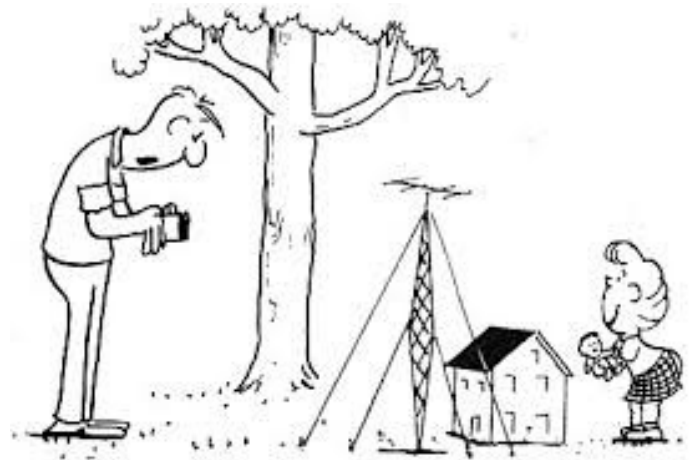
Just like gravity exists without a particle to carry it, the sublime thought is such that it reaches the farthest edges of the Universe with instant speed and communicates without contact.



Editors Notes
Bob Richter K9RDR

Dont for get White Elephant Sale in march and Weather Spotter Class in April.

No Pictures this month



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Meetings and VE Testing

Club meetings are held on the first Friday of every month at the Crestwood Civic Center, 14025 Kostner Ave. in Crestwood, IL. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. September meetings may vary if our meeting date conflicts with the Crestwood Flower show.

Board Meetings: 7:30 PM on the 4th Monday of each month at the SouthBridge Community Church: 15500 S. 73rd. Orland Park, IL

VE TESTING: Every 2nd Saturday of the Month at the Oak Forest City Hall, 15440 S. Central Ave. Testing begins at 9:00 AM but we ask that you arrive 10 minutes early. Exam fee is now \$15.00. Al N9ZD VE Team Chairman

Special Activities

Hamfesters Big Peotone Hamfest: Our 81st annual Hamfest coming August 5th, 2018-Will County Fairgrounds, Peotone, IL.

Field Day: Join the W9AA crew for one of the best Field Days ever on June 23rd & 24th 2018 at 115th and Oketo Avenue, Worth, IL. Jim W9JPR Field Day Chairman

MAKERS: we participate in the annual Southwest Chicago Makers Faire

Community Service: we support local communities by providing radio communication for parades and marathons / walk-a-thons.

Nets/Contact Info

10 METER NET: Every Sunday Evening at 8:00 PM on 28.410. Tom KA9ZXX is Net Control

2 METER NET: Every Monday Evening at 9:00 PM on 146.640. Tom KA9ZXX is Net Control

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