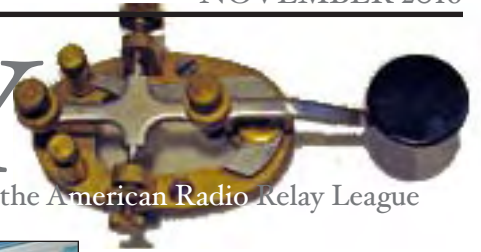


THE KEY

The Riverland Amateur Radio Club is a Special Service Club affiliated with the American Radio Relay League



Get Your Radio On

SKYWARN Recognition Day, December 3

The annual SKYWARN Recognition Day SRD will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3. This is the day when Amateur Radio operators visit National Weather Service NWS offices and contact other operators around the world. The purpose of the event is to recognize the vital public service contributions that Amateur Radio operators make during National Weather Service severe weather warning operations. It also strengthens the bond between Amateur Radio operators and the local National Weather Service. The event is co-sponsored by ARRL and the National Weather Service. Remember that this is not a contest, so no scoring will be computed.

The object is for all radio amateur stations to exchange QSO information with as many National Weather Service stations as possible on 80 through 10 meters, including 6 and 2 meters bands and the 70 centimeter band. Contacts via repeaters are permitted.

National Weather Service stations will operate Dec. 3, from 0000 2400 UTC.

Exchange call sign, signal report, QTH, and a one or two word description of the weather occurring at your site.

National Weather Service stations will work various modes including SSB, FM, AM, RTTY, CW and PSK31. While working digital modes, special event stations will append "NWS" to their call sign e.g. NØA/NWS.

It is suggested that during SRD operations, a non National Weather Service volunteer who is a licensed radio amateur serve as a control operator for the station that is set up at a NWS office.

New this year will be a new log submission process introduced this year, and WIAW at ARRL Headquarters is scheduled to be on the air for SKYWARN Recognition Day. More details will be released later. More information about this event may be found at www.wrbb.noaa.gov/mtr/hamradio/.

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Repeater

146.970 PL 131.8

RARC Net

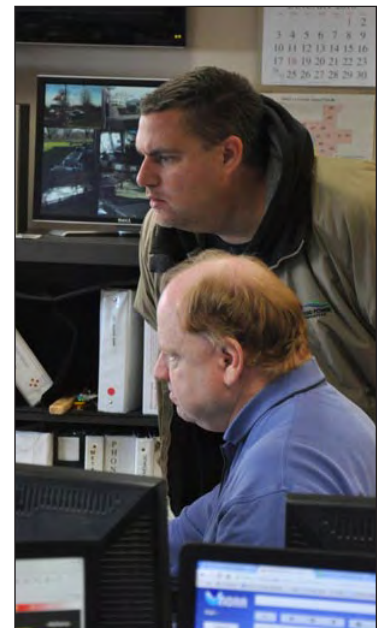
8 p.m. Sundays on the
146.970 repeater.

Club meetings

7 p.m., Tuesday, meeting room 1, lower level, Gundersen/Lutheran La Crosse. **Elmer session** 6 p.m.

RARC Web page

<http://rarc.qtb.com/>





Rotary Lights participants – beside Santa – included (L-R) Tom O'Brien, WB9BJQ, Carl Thurston, KC9HDS, Art Osborn, W0JDC, and Roger Reader, KA9BKK.

Help community, club, at Rotary Lights

Ho Ho Ho! Santa and his sleigh are almost on the horizon and that means some preparation is needed. La Crosse's Rotary Lights is a seasonal highlight and it is also a very easy fund raiser for the Riverland Amateur Radio Club. A brief effort by a few club members results in Rotary Lights looking better and the club treasury a tad fatter. Rotary Lights is ready for Christmas and the club is ready to maintain its repeater and enhance its events.

Club members are needed Saturday, Nov. 26, from 9 a.m. - noon.

At least six participants must be prepared to "work" for the club to qualify. Unless notified to the contrary, members will meet for breakfast at 7:45 a.m. at King Street Kitchen then proceed to Riverside Park to sign in and receive a "work" assignment. Some years there's nothing for us to do so we have breakfast and head our merry way. Back in pre LED light days there was the horror of seeing which bulb was burned out in a string. Now, when we do work, it's varied, interesting and easy.

To fulfill its obligation the club also has a float in the 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 25, downtown parade. Kevin is doing that and we decorate one of the trees in the park. Dan sees that's done.

Your part is to show up Saturday, have a good time with your fellow members, and do some good for the community.



Calendar

Tue. Nov. 1

♦ Riverland Amateur Radio Club meeting, 7 p.m., Gundersen Clinic, La Crosse, lower level conference room 1. "Elmer" session, 6 p.m.

Sat. Nov. 5

♦ Milwaukee Repeater Club Swapfest, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., The Elks Lodge, 5555 West Good Hope Rd/, Milwaukee, Across the street from HRO, formerly AES
www.mrc91.org

Sat Nov. 12

♦ Riverland Amateur Radio Club license testing, 9 a.m. the Church of Christ, 3506 28th St. South, La Crosse. Register at least five days in advance with Roger Reader, KA9BKK, 608 783 0723 or readers@centurytel.net.

Tue. Nov. 15

♦ Riverland Amateur Radio Club Executive Board meeting, 6 p.m., King Street Kitchen, La Crosse.

Sat Nov. 26

♦ Rotary Lights assignment, 9 a.m., Riverside Park. Breakfast, 7:45 a.m., King Street Kitchen.

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RARC from December 1996



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MEETING MINUTES December 3, 1996

The December meeting of the Riverland Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:02 p.m. on December 5, 1996 by President Duane, W9HWQ. There were 18 people in attendance.

The minutes of the November meeting were accepted as read by Dan, N9PZC.

The treasurer's report was accepted as read by Roger, KA9BKK. We have 72 paid members.

Programs: There is no program for tonight because we have the election of club officers.

The program for January's meeting is a miniswapfest with part of the proceeds going to the club.

444.475 Repeater: Dan, N9PZC, reported that the phone line was installed at the 440 repeater site. The phone numbers for the autodial slots have been entered. Others wishing an autodial number should contact Dan or someone else on the 440 repeater committee.

Net Manager: Pete, N9XVG, reported that the Sunday Night Net has been held regularly with between 15 and 20 check-ins. He encouraged new people to sign-up to give net control a try.

ARES/Skywarn: Kent, W9LZQ, said there was nothing new to report.

146.97 Property Manager: Bob, N9LZK, had nothing new to report.

Repeater: Walt, AA9AW, said there was nothing new to report.

Field Day: Bill, KE9XQ, was not present.

VE: Bill, KE9XQ, was not present but

others who were present at the test session on November 30th reported that ten people took tests and seven tests were passed.

Old Business

Kent, W9LZQ, is still looking for the 220 control transmitters we had years ago. They were built in a small black box with a keypad and a quarter wave vertical antenna.

New Business

WO0W made a motion to prepare a program to hold Amateur Radio Weekend in fall 1997. The motion was seconded and passed.

A committee was formed to organize no-code technician classes to start in January or February. Roger, KA9BKK, will chair the committee.

Duane, W9HWQ, was reelected president of the club. Bob, N9LZK, was reelected vice president. Roger, KA9BKK, was reelected treasurer. Dan, N9PZC, was reelected secretary.

Red, WO0W, made a motion to keep dues at \$20 for an individual membership and \$25 for a family membership for 1997. Frank, KB9LAB, seconded the motion and it passed.

A motion was made at 8:10 p.m. by Kent, W9LZQ, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob, N9LZK, and passed.

Respectfully submitted:
Dan, N9PZC

Riverland Amateur Radio Club

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:59 p.m. by President Kevin Holcomb, KC9ZGD

ATTENDANCE

Kevin Holcomb, KC9ZGD; Scott Cross, KB3MKD; Art Osborn, W0JDC; John Keiser, KD9FZX; Rick Kolter, KD9GVS; Dave Peters, KB9EWG; Greg Miller, KA9FOZ; Bob Seaquist, W9LSE; Larry Worthington, KC9HDP; Dan Abts, AB9TS; Roger Reader, KA9BKK; Dale Kinstler, KB9IPB; Bill Wood, KE9XQ; Mark Cassellius, KB9OFK; Jacque Durnford, KC9ZGB; David Ruscher, KD9EPN.

Dan led the Ham Prayer

MINUTES Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT Presented by Greg Miller, KA9FOZ. Approved.

ROTARY LIGHTS

Dan AB9TS reported he will attend an organizational meeting Oct. 10. Assignments will be handed out the week of Oct. 7. The club plans on having a float in the parade.

Kevin reported on the National Weather Service open house. There were some difficulties with inexperienced persons setting up gear.

SHACK SHARE David Ruscher, KD9EPN

NEW BUSINESS

JOTA Jamboree On The Air is Oct. 15. The club is not participating.

Membership fees waived for new Hams

Holiday party, Jan 3 at Schmidy's. Price is 13.99 plus tax and gratuity.

Holiday party gifts: 150 to be spent on door prices KB9EWG/KC9HDP

John KD9FZX presented possible apparel items

Trailer organization suggested by KA9FOZ.

Bill Wood, KE9XQ, is hosting soldering and kit building at Church of Christ, 3606 28th St. S.

ADJOURN KB3MKD

A video presentation on the fundamentals of electronics, program #7, followed the meeting.

Nominations sought

Leadership positions are up for election and nominations are sought.

New club bylaws call for six members to serve on the RARC Executive Board.

The changes mean board members elect officers such as the president from among themselves. The election for 2017 board is at the club's December 6 meeting.



Riverland Amateur Radio Club

Executive Board meeting

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2016

King Street Kitchen, La Crosse

Present: Greg Miller, KA9FOZ; Dan Abts, AB9TS; Bob Seaquist, W9LSE.

Called to order at 6 p.m. by Abts

Minutes of Sept. 20 Board meeting approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT approved

OLD BUSINESS

Rotary Lights: Dan reported that the club is assigned 9 a.m.

Noon, Saturday, Nov. 26, on standby and odds and ends duty. Need at least six participants. As usual members will meet for breakfast at 7:45 a.m. at King Street Kitchen.

Kevin is in charge of a float for the parade Nov. 25. This is a major fund raiser for the club: 100 for work Saturday; 10 for showing up; 10 for having a tree; 10 for taking the tree down Jan. 1; 25 for being in the parade; 10 for attending the wrap up.

Apparel: There appeared to be little interest at the October meeting when presented by John Keiser

Financial ideas: Board agreed that the names of the president and treasurer would be on the savings account and that the balance of the checking account be kept low. Greg will meet at the bank with Kevin to arrange this.

Officers: six officers are needed for the new board established by amending the constitution. Volunteers will be sought at the November meeting.

Trailer organization: Board agreed to stage a trailer work party in the Spring.

NEW BUSINESS

Sunday Night Net: Members will be urged to learn the script for the Sunday Night Net so they may take it if the scheduled NCS is not able. The script is available on the club Web page.

ADJOURN 7:10 p.m.

License testing

The last license testing offered by the club this calendar year will be 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Church of Christ, 3506 28th St. South, La Crosse.

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