## Six Meter Club of Chicago HALO

### <u>www.k9ona.com</u>

# September2021

#### COMING EVENTS

September 10 Six Meter Club In Person Meeting has been CANCELLED! (SEE BELOW)

**NOTE:** Many upcoming hamfests and other public events have been cancelled or rescheduled. Check the ARRL website, <u>www.ARRL.org</u>, for the latest updates on ham related gatherings.

#### **President Jim Novak**

Is recuperating at Bella Terra Rehabilitation Center for his Physical Therapy treatments. Bella Terra is located at 4735 Willow Springs Road La Grange, IL 60525 | 708.352.6900 Give him a call and wish him well due to covid no visitors

#### Minutes for August on the air meeting

- Officer Check-ins
  - WD9GJK
  - KC9TQF
- KC9TQF opened the meeting over the air in Jim WA9FIH's absence
- KC9TQF had noting to report at this time.
- WD9GJK reported the clubs non for profit was in the process of being renewed
- WD9GJK reported the Route 66 on the air to be held September 11<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup>. The club will be W6Q and will be looking for members to cover the bands.
- Once the announcements were done KC9TQF opened the floor to member check-ins.
  - o WD9GDB
  - WB9GTO
  - o W9JGH
  - KA9ERS
  - KC9KLA
  - o K9LH

- o N9TUQ
- o KD4SLL
- Guest (WA9ZPM)
- KC9TQF conducted a roundtable over the air and then proceeded to close the meeting.

#### SMCC HOLDING VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Saint John's Lutheran Church, where we normally meet, is phasing in normal activities again, and has us listed in their calendar for a meeting NEXT month, Friday, September 10. We will verify this and have further information in next month's *HALO*.

Meanwhile, we have been holding on-theair meetings via our K9ONA repeater system for about half an hour. Our next meeting is Friday, September 10 at 7:30 p.m., which is our regular meeting date and time. This provides us with an opportunity to still have an informal gathering as well as conducting necessary Club business, so we encourage our membership to participate! WA9FIH@aol.com. Thanks!

#### **DUES FOR 2021 NOW PAYABLE**

Dues for 2021 are now payable – \$20, except second family members, students under the age of 18 and seniors age 65-89, \$12. Members for at least 5 years who are age 90+ are exempt from payment. You may send your check payable to "Six Meter Club of Chicago" to our Treasurer, Kris Lawrentz, KC9TJL, 10995 Basswood Drive, New Buffalo MI 49117. Thanks for your continued support of the Club!

# ROUTE 66 ON THE AIR COMING EVENT SEPTEMBER 11-19

Once again this year, we have been invited to participate in the Historic Route 66 On The Air event, which is coordinated by the Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club, W6JBT, with stations along the route beginning with W6A in California. For nineteen years, wwe have represented Chicago, the eastern end of the highway, using the special event call W6Q.

For a number of years, the event coincided with the Berwyn Route 66 Car Show, where we operated curbside, showing off ham radio to the public, but all operations this year will take place from the home or mobile stations of our members.

Operation begins at 0000 UTC Saturday, September 12 (7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11 CDT) and continues through 2359 UTC Sunday, September 19 (7 p.m. CDT).

Frequencies to be used – plus or minus several kHz – are as follows: CW – 3.533, 7.033, 10.110, 14.033, 18.080, 21.033, 24.900, and 28.033 MHz; SSB – 3.866, 7,266, 14.266, 18,164, 21.366, 24.966, and 50.133 MHz. Operation will also take place via our K9ONA repeater system for local contacts.

#### 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 -- Jim, N9TUQ is the coordinator.

#### H A L O A D S . . . For Sale:

Heathkit IM-25 VTVM, very good condition, copy of schematic, with probe Calibrated May 2021 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 200c .....\$100

> Mike Huedepohl, WD9GJK 3532 Raymond Avenue Brookfield IL 60513 708-485-5481 WD9GJK@arrl.net

#### For Sale:

CDE Ham II Rotor & Control Box, refurbished	\$225
TE Systems 6 Meter 0510G Amplifier, 2-10 W in	١,
170 Watts out	\$200
Motorola 2 Meter Amplifier, N1274A, 1-10 W in,	
40 Watts out	\$50
Finco 2 Meter 5 el twist beam A 2+2 H & V	
new	\$50
Finco 6 Meter 3 el Beam A6-3 used	\$30
Rohn 25G 10' Tower Section, Very Good Cond.	\$60
Ham Radio Callbooks, 1983 & 1993 editions	\$5
each	

Peter WB9W 773-425-6155 or WB9W1949@yahoo.com

#### For Sale:

Shure 404B Hand Mic, new in the box......\$30 Multi MPA-250 Biamp, 250 Watt Public Address Amp in rack cabinet, like new.....\$150 Ron Fitzgerald, K9ZWR 5555 South Neva Avenue Chicago IL 60638 773-586-3276 ronfitz5555@yahoo.com

#### For Sale:

ICOM IC-746 PRO HF/VHF All Mode Transceiver with handheld mic and power supply from W9CEJ's estate.....\$600/Offer

Kate Stair, KB9KDC 708-478-7782

#### Wanted:

#### For Sale:

ICOM ID-880H Dual Band 2m/440 conventional + Digital transceiver, 50 Watts, D-Star. OPC-478U USB Cable, CD, DC power cable, separation cable,

mobile mounting kit, manual, original box......\$400

Complete Kenwood TS-50S portable package in a fitted carrying case, including AT-50 automatic antenna tuner, mic, 110 VAC power supply. Covers 10-160 Meters, 100 W out. Nice and

clean.....\$800

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

#### For Sale:

Huge collection of LP records in original sleeves, very reasonable offer accepted, don't want to go to dumpster

> Guy – (708)212-4442 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

#### 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/ofr Tom Dombrowski, K9BVQ 5426 South 72<sup>nd</sup> Court Summit IL 60501 **708-496-8982** 

#### SOMETHING TO SELL? LIST IT HERE! EMAIL YOUR AD TO <u>WA9FIH@AOL.COM</u>

#### ILLINOIS ARES MEMBERS WORKING WITH IEMA

Illinois ARES members are supporting the Illinois Emergency Management Agency's (IEMA) COVID-10 response activities as AuxComm Radio Operator volunteers.

Illinois ARES will coordinate the number and location of volunteer amateur communicators with IEMA on an ongoing basis for the foreseeable future.

#### 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, provide mutual aid in matters technical. . ."

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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 47<sup>th</sup> Street and Brainard Avenue, La Grange IL; enter through south side door adjacent to parking lot.

NETS: Six Meter Activity and Ragchew 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 EasyPal 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 subaudible (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 subaudible 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, <u>www.arrlf.org</u>, 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: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/287932964607477/</u>. The Yahoo Group can be accessed at: <u>http://groups.yahoo.com/group/K9ONA</u>.

**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*