





Six Meter Club of Chicago

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December 2021

3-5 **160 Meter**

11-12 **10 Meter**

19 Rookie Roundup-CW

18-19 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz

January 2022

1 Straight Key Night 1

2 Kid's Day Jan 2

8-9 RTTY Roundup 8-9

15-17 January VHF Contest 15-17

Dues are due for the 2022 year

Mail your checks care of the Six Meter Club of Chicago to the Address below. Kris will get your Membership card back to you as soon as posable

Kristin M Lawrentz

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Again our Holliday 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 and December as the school has programs on those dates.

November Six Meter Club of Chicago Meeting Minutes

Officers Present:

- KC9TQF
- W9WSS

December 2021

Joe KC9TQF opened the Six Meter Club of Chicago meeting on the UHF repeater at 7:30 on Friday November 12th.

Announcements:

- Elections will be held in January
- The ARRL Foundation scholarship is now open and accepting applications for the 2022 school year.
- The 2-meter repeater is still down but is being working on by the repeater committee.

Will W9WSS will gave a report on the 2 Meter repeater and mentioned that Andy KC9BKP was able to replace the power supply and verify the repeater was working as expected on Andy's bench. Will W9WSS is working with Lee KB9OYP on getting the repeater reinstalled at Hinsdale Central High school. Thank you to W9WSS, K9LAE, KC9BKP and KB9OYP for keeping our repeaters in excellent working condition.

Member check in 3 members 0 guests

- Bob W9AVB
- Jim N9TUQ
- Vern K9LAE

Roundtable:

Jim N9TUQ mentioned that Lee W9NSP called him and is having surgery; please keep Lee in your thoughts and prayers.

Vern K9LAE asked the group to monitor the 2-meter repeater on Sunday when they bring it back into service. Vern also mentioned that echo link will be back up and running as Ryan W9UEY made some upgrades to the echo link system and to contact the out of country echo link users to let them know the repeater system will be up and running.

Joe KC9TQF closed the meeting at 7:50PM and returned the repeater back to normal use.

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 ragchew – 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 EasyPal 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. Scholarship 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.

AMATEUR RADIO FILLS MY LIFE (AND EMPTIES MY WALLET) IT ALSO FILLS MY JUNK DRAWERS, MY ATTIC, MY GARAGE, MY CLOSETS, THE SPARE BEDROOM, AND DOZENS OF BOXES IN MY BASEMENT.

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

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

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 mount 10 Meter & 6 meter mobile antennas, \$15 each
ARRL Amateur Ham Radio HANDBOOKS, 1962, 1967,1976 & 1978 editions...........\$5
each

Pete, WB9W

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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

> Ron Fitzgerald, K9ZWR 5555 South Neva Avenue Chicago IL 60638 773-586-3276 ronfitz5555@vahoo.com

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: Wanted:

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:

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"

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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 47th 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 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: http://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.*