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SPRING 2022



SKYWARN TRAINING

Spotting Severe Weather is Our Specialty!

April is here, and with the warmer temperatures comes the sometimes volatile weather of Northland springs. This is when the National Weather Service holds the first free 2-hour **Skywarn Weather Training** of the year to train volunteers in the community to help identify and report, as official Skywarn spotters, severe weather such as large hail, damaging winds and tornadoes. This month's scheduled **ARAC Club meeting** will host Skywarn Training that is open to the public and start one hour earlier than usual. See page 10 for details. As always, it's important to note that weather spotters are *not* storm chasers. Professional "Storm Chasers" are typically meteorologists traveling toward storms to study and document, via trucks equipped with special instrumentation, severe weather

in order to advance the science of predictive modeling.

Since the 1970s, SKY-WARN® spotters have helped the National Weather Service issue timely and accurate warnings in their region to protect lives and property.

The National Weather Service says, "There can be no finer reward than to know that their efforts have given communities the precious gift of time, the seconds and minutes which can help save lives."

Who can be a spotter? Well, anyone who spends time outdoors will benefit from Skywarn training, and because ham radio operators play an important role in public safety, the National Weather Service strongly encourages us to become Skywarn spotters and attend training every 4 years to refresh.



ARAC Board Meeting - March 1, 2022

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1ST YEAR BOARD



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Present:

Board Members

Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM, David Pyrlik-K0DJP, Melinda Nelson-KF0GJW, Bruce Carlson-KN0NUL, Gary Minter-KD9ABS, Dave Davis-AA0AC, Doug Nelson-AA0AW

Board Advisors (Non-Board Members)

Technical Advisor on Repeaters, Randy Wabik-KR0B; Parliamentarian Advisor, Grant Forsyth – KC0WUP

Guests

Elmer Berg-KC0NGY, Del Minter-KE0CLI, Wendy Stanford

Meeting called to order by President Gene-N0VRM at 18:30 (6:30 pm)

Minutes:

Posted on the web page and in the newsletter. Moved to approve by Gary Minter – KD9ABS, seconded by Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$1,568.04 Savings: \$1,074.33 Repeater: \$4,050.70

Subtotal Cash \$6,692.44

Winter CD : \$1,730.42 Summer CD: \$0.00

Subtotal CD: \$1,730.42

Assets Subtotal: \$8,422.86

Motion to accept by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Dave Davis – AA0AC, motion passed.

Repeater:

Randy Wabik – KR0B, has been unable to contact the company in California regarding the AMP. Randy Haglin – N0BZZ will take the old equipment from Mahtowa. Was too cold to do any work down in Mahtowa. Randy Wabik needed to take a break in the month of February.

Only need an amplifier and the batteries for the UPS for the Mahtowa location.

Testing:

Doug Nelson – AA0AW HamFest is registered for testing. A new Technician Wendy Stanford just waiting on her call sign. If anyone needs testing contact Doug at AA0AW@ARRL.net and they will test individually.

ARAC Board Meeting - continued from page 2

HamFest:

Approved the prize money last month. Motion made by Doug Nelson – AA0AW to not exceed \$500.00 for food, seconded by Gary Minter – KD9ABS, motion passed. Motion made by Doug Nelson – AA0AW to not exceed \$200.00 for door prizes, seconded by Gary Minter – KD9ABS, motion passed.

Anything new to bring up:

Doug Nelson – AA0AW motion to end the zoom meeting as Covid restraints have lifted. The meeting attendance has been low. Only 3 or 4 people are attending the zoom meetings. Effective April no longer going to broadcast club meetings. Seconded by Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW, motion passed.

Skywarn training at the April meeting. Members, please sit towards the rear as this is open to the public as well. Meeting will start at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on April 14, 2022.

Grandma's Marathon – Anyone who worked a spot last year it is your spot unless you contact Doug Nelson – AA0AW that you are unable to assist this year. 2022 Grandma's Marathon Volunteer Registration is ready – http://grandmasmarathon.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer. Password is **HAM22**. You will need to enter the password at the top of the page, otherwise the Ham Radio Volunteer position will be hidden. If you have volunteered before, can you let us know your location.

Gene received a letter regarding the 501C3 application. Due to us already being 501C7 which is tax exempt, we must do the long form which will cost \$500.00. The original \$275 will be returned to us for the short form that we filled out. Motion made to spend the funds to do the long form by Dave Davis – AA0AC, seconded by Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW, motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Gary Minter – KD9ABS, motion passed at 19:09 (7:09 pm)





ARAC Club Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2022

Present:

President: Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM Vice President: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP

Treasurer/Membership: Bruce Carlson - KN0NUL

Secretary: Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW First Year Board: Doug Nelson – AA0AW Second Year Board: Dave Davis – AA0AC Third Year Board: Gary Minter – KD9ABS

Special Events: Open/Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM (acting)

HamFest/Education: Bob Schultz – KC0NFB Property/Picnic: Scott Ahlgren – N0VYU

Repeater: Randy Wabik – KR0B Repeater: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP Testing: Doug Nelson – AA0AW

Newsletter/Historian: Kim Waller – KE0NWS Newsletter/Historian: Scott Waller – KE0NQS Parliamentarian: Grant Forsyth – KC0WUP

Absent: Chaplin:

Web Site: Thomas Dorr - KE0RHA

Meeting called to order at 19:02 (7:02 PM) by President Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM. Thirty-eight members in attendance.

Minutes:

Posted on the web page and in the newsletter. Motion to approve by Dave Davis – AA0AC, seconded by Mike Lovold – N0PDG, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

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Subtotal Cash \$6,692.44

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Assets Subtotal: \$8,422.86

Motion to accept as presented by Jeff Nast KC0MKS, seconded by Randy Wabik – KR0B, motion passed.

Repeater:

Randy Wabik – KR0B, has been unable to contact the company in California regarding the AMP. Randy Haglin – N0BZZ will take the old equipment from Mahtowa. Was too cold to do any work down in Mahtowa. Randy Wabik needed to take a break in the month of February.

Only need an amplifier and the batteries for the UPS for the Mahtowa location.

Board Meeting Motions:

• Motion to end the zoom program. Doug Nelson – AA0AW was the one that brought this up but that was prior to the gas price increase. Doug Nelson – AA0AW suggest that we recall this motion until after the oil and gas prices become reasonable again. Motion to approve by Mike Lovold – N0PDG to pass the end of the zoom program, no second. Motion died.



ARAC Club Meeting Minutes, continued

- ♦ Long form for the 501C3 which will cost \$500.00. We will receive the \$275.00 from the short form back. Motion to approve Jeff Nast KC0MKS, seconded by Mike Lovold N0PDG, motion passed
- Door prizes for HamFest, not to exceed \$200.00. Motion to made by Grant Forsyth KC0WUP, seconded by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, motion passed.
- Food for HamFest, not to exceed \$500.00. Motion to made by Robin Davis, seconded by Wendy Stanford K04YJO, motion passed.

HamFest:

May 7th, 2022, from 9:00 AM to 13:00 (1:00 PM). Currently up to twenty-three tables. We are shooting for seventy tables. Just remember we need door prizes, help with kitchen, set up and tear down. HRO has interest in showing up at our HamFest to Demo new radios, they will not be selling. The club should try and get Yaesu and Icom to come and demo radios as well, as they will be at other HamFest.

Education:

Currently nothing until the Fall. Next class will start in September. If you need tutoring Bob Schultz – KC0NFB is available.

Testing:

Registered for testing at the HamFest. Nothing big scheduled till then. If you are ready to test, we will still do individual testing. Contact Doug Nelson if you are ready at AA0AW@ARRL.net.

Grandma's Marathon:

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Field day:

4th Saturday in June. We are looking for a chairperson to coordinate a space for the club.

Tuesday Coffee

Every second, third, and fourth Tuesday at the House of Refuge located at 115 W Myrtle St. Duluth, MN 55811 from 17:30 (5:30 PM) to 19:30 (7:30 PM). If you have a question or looking to upgrade, or if you wish to just get together and chat. Everyone is welcome.

New members/Ham's:

Welcome to the club and the hobby! Wendy Stanford – KO4YJO Nancy Carter – KE0VKG Ben Keppers – KE0MQG Adam – KF0HZQ

Door Prize was won by Doug Nelson – AA0AW.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Lovold – N0PDG, seconded by Robin Davis, motion passed at 19:34 (7:34 PM). Program featuring Bob Heil from Heil Sound.





Prez Sez...

Hi everyone,

We are coming up to a busy time for the Club so we need your help!

The April 14 Club meeting will start at 6:00 PM, with Skywarn Training starting at 6:30PM. The Training is open to the Public so please leave the front rows of seats available to our guests.

Hamfest is Saturday May 7. This is our big money maker for the Club!! We need setup help at 6:00 AM to get the tables ready for the vendors. The doors open up for vendors at 7:00 AM and the public at 9:00 AM. We could also use help selling tickets outside, along with Kitchen help and take down help at the end of Hamfest. Door Prize Donations are also needed!!!!

Check out the website and the Club Facebook pages for ham radio equipment for sale by Gary Grivna KØGX. Gary runs Electronix Servicing, and he repairs ham radios, so you can rest assured this equipment has been checked out and is in good operating condition.

Needed: Net Control Operators for the Sunday night ARAC 10 Meter SSB Net and the Southern St. Louis County Emergency Services Net on the 94 Repeater. It takes less than hour of your time. If interested, please contact me for more info.

73, Gene Ellefsen NØVRM Club President

CLUB REPEATER WØGKP

146.94 (-) CTCSS TONE

The ARAC RELAY



Published monthly and distributed free to members, "The RELAY" is the official publication of the Arrowhead Radio Amateur Club, Inc. Members are encouraged to submit articles, opinions, and classifieds. Your submission will be placed as soon as possible providing it does not conflict with the bylaws of the Arrowhead Radio Amateur Club, Inc. The editors reserve the right to omit any submission that is not a required item. If a submission is questionable, it will be presented to the Board of Directors at the next scheduled board meeting for authorization.





U.S. AIR FORCE MILITARY AUXILIARY RADIO SYSTEM

Minnesota State MARS Director Reginald B. Cass / AFS5MN

Gene Ellefsen NØVRM

Thank you for your time and interest.

Air Force MARS membership could be for you. We do hope that it is.

If you have the following interests, and capabilities, we are interested in recruiting you to become an Air Force MARS member. Completion of the following on line training is mandatory: Personally, Identifiable Information (PII) https://iatraining.disa.mil/eta/disa cac2018/launchPage.htm

If you have completed: <u>Incident Command System</u> (ICS) -100, 200, 700, and 800 training, and have obtained certification for Air Force MARS or are willing to obtain this training, again, Air Force MARS could be for you.

You must be interested in joining a group of individuals that are dedicated to amateur radio, emergency communications, and willingness to learn and used military communications procedures for voice and digital communications.

You must have equipment that will meet the minimum requirements for voice and digital operation. The equipment will be: transmitter, receiver, (transceiver) modified to operate out of amateur radio bands, computer, modem, and antenna's that are designed to operate on military assigned frequencies. (The best antennas will be a dipole cut to the operational frequency. NVIS antennas work best. You will not need a linear amplifier, however if you have one that will operate on out of amateur radio bands that will be a plus)

You must go through and complete training. You are allowed up to 180 days to do so.

Air Force MARS operation's and procedures are based upon "MARS Operating Instruction", (MOI). The MOI manual uses as its basis for instruction a series of Allied Communications Publications (ACP's), Department of Defense Directives, Department of Defense Instructions, and Department of Defense Manual.

If you already belong to a MARS program and would like to consider Air Force MARS, please contact one of the recruiting team members.

Our recruitment team is as follows:

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AFA5JY Reg, KAØRJY reg cass@msn.com

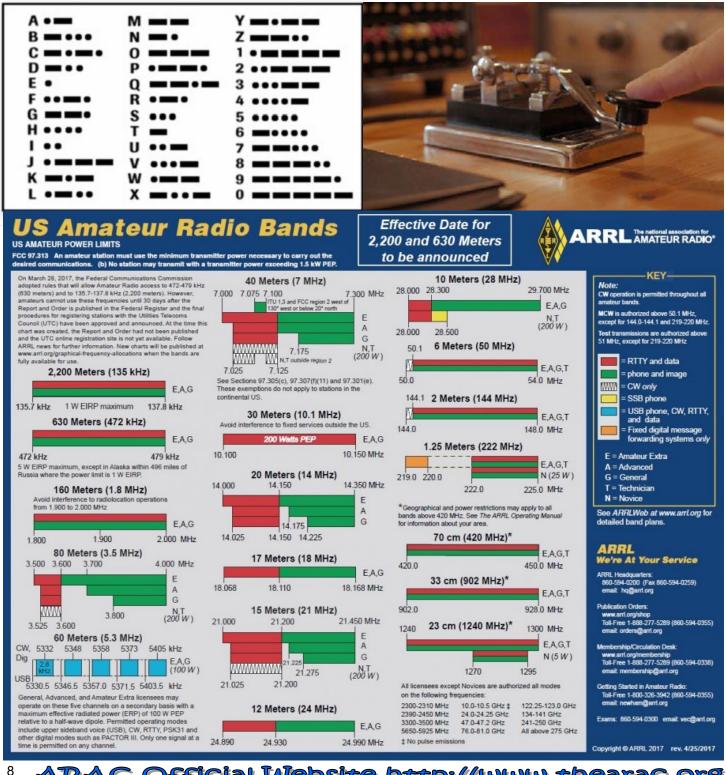
CW Abbreviations

AS Pse QRX SK End of Contact AR End of Message BK Back to You

TU Thank You **PSE Please** K Invite to Transmit

QST Calling all Amateurs QRL Are You Buzy? QRU Have anything for me

QRV Are You Ready? QRX Standby **QRS Transit Slower**



NETS

Have a favorite HF/6m/2m/1.25m/7Øcm net that you check into or listen in on? Also, please send corrections and we will add it to the list below - Kim KEØNQS at my email KEØNQS.mn@gmail.com.

- Northland Weather Group Net: Mondays 2ØØØ on the ARAC repeater (146.940 MHz with a tone of 103.5 and standard offset).
- Minnesota D-Star Net: Sundays at 19:3Ø on Reflector 53A
- Minnesota Section Net 12ØØ and 173Ø on 3.86Ø [Net Manager: NØYR] http://www.mn-section.org/dept_stm.html
- The non-non-net: Evenings 2ØØØ 144.2ØØ USB except for Sunday evenings.
- Badger WX Net: Ø5ØØ-Ø715 on 3.985. Give 24 hour high/low/current temperature, precipitation and snowfall.
- PICONET: 3.925 from Ø9ØØ-11ØØ CT Mon-Sat and 16ØØ-17ØØ CT Mon-Fri. Info at: http://www.piconet3925.com
- Michigan Upper Peninsula Net: 16ØØ (CST) on 3.921 MHz Sun-Sat and 12ØØ Sun. Info: http://www.michupnet.com
- Great Lakes Marine/Maritime Mobile Net: Morning Ø7:3Ø 3.932; Ø8:15 7.261 MHz and evening 18:3Ø 3.173Ø927; 19:15 7.268 MHz. Weekend extra net: 1Ø:ØØ 7.261/7.268 MHz. All CST, LSB and +/- QRM. See: http://www.sailblogs.com/member/glmmnet/
- MIDCARS: Ø7:3Ø-13:ØØ 7.258 MHz. See: http://www.midcars.net
- Iowa snowbird net on 14.257MHz, M-W-F at 1Ø:ØØ am Local Time. This is an open net.
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL) on 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Maritime Mobile Service Network: Daily at 11ØØ—21ØØ Central on 14.3ØØ. http://mmsn.org and http://www.143ØØ.net
- RV Radio Network: Every day at 19ØØ Central on 7.265 MHz. Web site: http://www.rvradionetwork.com
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Wisconsin Sideband Net: Daily @ 5:15 PM 3985 [or 3982.5] KHz LSB
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Hobby Helpers Net Tuesday @ 8 PM 28.33Ø MHz USB (Isanti MN) LSB [Net Manager: WOØA].
- Northstar Trader Net: 3.9Ø8 +/- at Ø83Ø CST Sundays
- WARFA: 3.9Ø8 +/- Sun/Tue/Thu nights at 22ØØ CST, http://warfa.org/
- Youth Net: 14.32Ø-1433Ø Sundays 18ØØ-19ØØ UTC, Net Control: AC8PI
- YACHT: Saturdays 19ØØ CST on EchoLink #481872, http://yachthams.webstarts.com
- Northwestern Ontario ARES Net: Evenings at 2Ø:15 (Central) on +/- 3.75ØMhz
- The Iron Range Net: Saturdays at Ø8ØØ Central time on or near 3.919 Mhz. Look them up on Facebook!
- FORX Net: Mondays at 19ØØ Central at 3.941 Mhz +/- QRM. WAØJXT Grand Forks, North Dakota
- HF CW: Fridays Ø8:ØØ CST, 7.112 MHz. Informal slow speed CW Net. W8IRT NCS. Email: w8irt@aol.com
- Minnesota ARES Digital Net: Thursdays at 2ØØØ CST, 3.5835 MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: Olivia 8/5ØØ.
- SARA Digital Net: Sundays at 19ØØ Local, 3.582.15Ø MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: BPSK31/BPSK63
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL): 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Broadcaster Net: 7.231 or 3.855 M/W/F @ 15ØØ UTC. 14.255 M-F @ 213Ø UTC. http://www.cbsretirees.com/ham.htm
- Old Military Radio Net: 7.268 +/- nightly at Ø2ØØz. Other times/Frequencies too. See: http://www.mrca.ar88.net/
- Rag Chew Crew/Tailgaters/Freewheelers Nets: 3.916 +/- nightly at 19ØØ CST, http://www.tailgatersnet.com
- North South Net: 7.214.6 +/- at Ø7ØØ CST, Monday-Saturday



UPCOMING EVENTS

Next ARAC Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 5, 2Ø22 @ 6:30 p.m.

Sammy's Pizza - Spirit Valley

Next ARAC Club Meeting

Thursday, April 14th 6 p.m.
Coppertop Church!

THIS CLUB MEETING STARTS ONE HOUR EARLY, SO DON'T MISS IT!

6:00 PM—Club Meeting 6:30 pm—SKYWARN Training

Refresh your previous Skywarn training if it has been 4 years or more!

SKYWARN TRAINING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PLEASE LEAVE FRONT 2 ROWS FOR OUR GUESTS

Interested in providing a program, or have an idea for one?

Contact us at ke0nqs.mn@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE!

HAMFEST 2022

Used and like-new radios, electronic equipment, tools, vendor reps, parts, and computer items.

License Testing On-site!

Saturday May 7, 2022 9:00AM - 1:00PM



LOOKING for an Amateur Radio License TESTING SESSION?

No need to wait for a class or Hamfest!

Schedule your own Testing Session TODAY!

Contact Doug Nelson-AA0AW at aa0aw@arrl.net or 218-391-5874

Duluth Area Repeaters



ARAC System WØGKP

Freq. OffsetTone Location 146.940 minus 103.5 Duluth

146.940 minus107.2 Lakeside (recv)

146.940 minus151.4 Two Harbors (recv) 146.940 minus100.0 Gary-New Duluth (recv)

146.940 minus 100.0 Gary-New Dui 146.940 minus 123.0 Solway (recv) 146.940 minus 110.9 Cloquet (recv)

147.000 minus 103.5 Mahtowa

444.100 plus 103.5 Duluth UHF Link

N9MMU/N9QWH System (WI)

145.310	minus	110.9	Duluth
145.490	minus	110.9	Solon Springs
147.255	plus	110.9	Hayward
145.110	minus	110.9	Rice Lake
147.345	minus	136.5	Holcombe
145.230	minus	110.9	Eau Claire

WECOMM - WI Statewide Linked System WE9COM

147.075 plus 110.9 Meteor Hill (closest repeater to Duluth)

LSAC System #1

147.330 147.330	plus plus	151.4 103.5	Proctor Duluth (recv for Proctor)
147.330	plus	156.7	Duluth (North) (Fish Lake)
147.270	plus	114.8	Two Harbors (
147.270	plus	103.5	Wales
147.090	plus	114.8	Silver Bay
145.410	minus	114.8	Finland
147.300	plus	114.8	Isabella
145.150	minus	103.5	Washburn, WI
146.700	minus	103.5	Bayfield, WI
443.850	+5.00	none	Bayfield, WI
147.165	plus	110.9	Hurley, WI
146.640	minus	151.4	Ely
443.500	+5.00	141.3	Gilbert
147.060	plus	103.5	Virginia
147.360	plus	162.2	Cook
147.165	plus	114.8	Coleraine
443.925	+5.00	110.9	Brainerd
443.200	+5.00	114.8	Tamarack
147.360	plus	203.5	Aitkin
146.865	minus	146.2	Giese
147.570	simplex	146.2	Hinckley
444.575	+5.00	146.2	Hinckley
443.325	+5.00	146.2	Isanti

NARC System NAØRC

145.45Ø	minus	1Ø3.5	Solway Twp
145.45Ø	minus	114.8	Park Point (rcv)
147.135	plus	114.8	Park Point (rcv)
147.135	plus	1Ø3.5	Knife River ` ´

Stand Alone Repeaters

145.21Ø	minus	11Ø.9	Clam Lake, WI
146.88Ø	minus	123.Ø	Grand Rapids
146.91Ø	minus	146.2	Duxbury, MN

Fusion and D Star

Fusion (Analog has tone and C4FM digital with no tone)

147.15Ø plus 151.4 NTØB Gilbert Fusion Rptr 145.17Ø minus 11Ø.9 WA9KLM Superior – Douglas County RACES/ARES Fusion Repeater 443.1ØØ +5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 KBØYHX Cloquet –

Carlton County RACES/ARES Fusion Repeater

444.3ØØ +5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO (Analog only) Fusion Room 40494

 147.375
 plus
 NØEO
 D Star

 442.2ØØ
 plus
 NØEO
 D Star

Repeater list compiled by Dr. Frequency—KCØWDQ

ST. Louis County Department of Emergency Services Net Control Roster

Scott Swanson **N9DMG NØVRM** Gene Ellefsen **AAØAW Doug Nelson KCØWDQ** Paul Dallavia **WØNWO Dave Miller WØDIO Dennis Anderson KØDSL Diane Saunders** AAØME **Randy Johnson**

Sunday Nights at 2100 on the ARAC System (See Calendar for net control schedule)

Ten Meter SSB Net Control Roster

AAØAW Doug Nelson NUØW Gary Hanson WØDIO Dennis Anderson AAØME Randy Johnson Sunday Nights at 2ØØØ on 28.45Ø MHz USB

Ten Meter CW Net Control Roster

AAØAW Doug Nelson NØPDG Mike Lovold Sunday Nights at 193Ø on 28.125 MHz

Northland Weather Group Net Control Roster

KCØMKS Jeff Nast

Monday Nights at 2000 on the ARAC System

Douglas County Net

Tuesday Nights at 2000 on 145.490 (N9QWH System)

Central Carlton County Net

Tuesday Nights at 2Ø3Ø on the ARAC System

Lake County RACES/ARES Net

2nd & 4th Wednesday Nights at 19ØØ on the LSAC 1 System

Elmers

El-mer / ɛl-mər/ [el-mer]

- 1. a male given name: from Old English words meaning "noble" and "famous."
- 2. an adhesive used to bond like or unlike materials
- 3. An experienced ham radio operator who mentors new and prospective hams.

Name Call **Expertise** Jeff Nast KCØMKS APRS, EchoLink, WinLink, Fusion, Contesting Contesting Bob Schulz **KCØNFB** NØJWA Jim Anderson QsoNet Doug Nelson **AAØAW** HF, VHF/UHF, Contesting,

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SUNDAY NIGHT NETS

193Ø - CW - 28.125 MHz USB-CW 2ØØØ -USB 28.45Ø MHz

21ØØ - Southern St. Louis County **Emergency Services Net MONDAY NIGHT NETS**

2ØØØ- Northland WX Net - ARAC Repeater



CLUB EVENTS

TUESDAY NIGHT NETS

2ØØØ -Douglas Cty 145.49Ø MHz 2Ø3Ø - Central Carlton County **WEDNESDAY NIGHT NÉTS**

19ØØ -Lake County - LSAC1 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 21ØØ -BWAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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CW 1930 AAØAW USB 2000 NØVRM ES 2100 AAØAW	4 wx 2000 ксøмкs	5 ARAC BOARD MEETING Sammy's Pizza 6:30 pm DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	6 21ØØ - BWAR	7	8	9
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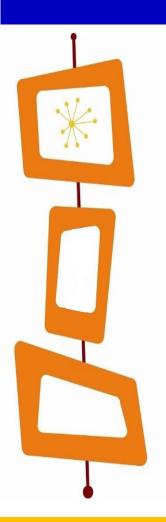
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Next Meeting: Thursday,

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Examples: Minnesota QSO Party is MNQP

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QRZ web site at www.qrz.com

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Reminder: The Contest Corral monthly listing of contests can be found in each issue of QST. ARRL sponsored contests can be found in Contest Corral, highlighted, or on the ARRL's web site at arrl.org.



For Sale:

Four sections Rohn 25G tower, plus one top section.

Included are mast and homebrew gin pole. \$500.

Located in Warba, can be delivered to Duluth area for \$50.

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Denny Burt KB0SPA has a close friend—Lynn Johnson KB9PFF of Siren, WI—who became a Silent Key. KB9PFF's radio equipment is now located in Barnum at the house of KB0SPA. Denny has difficulty hearing phone calls, so those interested in the following items, please send texts to KB0SPA at 218-341-4033

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- 2. Radio shack htx 242, 2 meter mobile 50.00
- 3. Icom 2000 2 meter mobile.65.00
- 4. Icom 2100 2 meter mobile 65.00
- 5. Kenwood ts-480 hf 200 watt radio 550.00
- 6. Palomar dx-100 hf mobile amp 3-30 MHz 50.00
- 7. mirage 35 watt 2 meter mobile amp FM only 30.00
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- 20. Yaesu hf 757 gx Radio 200.00

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Skywarn Training teaches the following:

- Basics of thunderstorm development
- Fundamentals of storm structure
- Identifying potential sever weather features
- Information to report
- How to report information
- Basic sever weather safety

As noted in past Weather Issues of *The Relay,* AccuWeather meteorologist Meghan Mussoline wrote an excellent article entitled *Survival Guide: Recognize Which Clouds Mean Danger.* She says:

"During severe weather outbreaks, conditions can change rapidly and the weather can turn volatile quickly. It is crucial to follow severe weather and tornado-related watches and warnings during episodes of severe storms. Keeping a weather radio nearby, with extra batteries handy, is a must. If you are out on the open road, staying tuned to severe weather alerts and being able to read the clouds for severe weather can help save your life."

Here's a breakdown of ominous-looking clouds and whether there is imminent danger associated with them:

Cumulonimbus Clouds

Rapid vertical growth in these cauliflower-looking cumulonimbus clouds shows that there is a mature thunderstorm, likely producing heavy rain. Abundant moisture and instability due to cool air aloft and heating at the surface set the stage for cumulonimbus to develop.

A lifting mechanism, such as a cold front, can help trigger these clouds to form.

Heavy rain, frequent lightning, strong winds and hail can be threats associated with cumulonimbus clouds.



Scud Clouds

Scud clouds may appear to be ominous as they hang vertically below a cumulonimbus cloud. Sometimes, scud clouds are mistaken for funnel clouds.

However, these clouds are benign and non-rotating. They often have a ragged appearance that sets them apart from the usually smooth funnel clouds.



Shelf Clouds

Shelf clouds often form at the leading edge of a gust front or outflow boundary from a thunderstorm or strong winds flowing down and outward from a storm.

The outer part of a shelf cloud is often smoother with a notable rising motion exhibited by a tiered look (hence, the name shelf cloud). Underneath, a turbulent, unsettled appearance is often the case.

A shelf cloud should be seen as a harbinger of strong winds, so take caution.



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Wall Clouds

A wall cloud is a cloud that is lowered from a thunderstorm, forming when rapidly rising air causes lower pressure below the storm's main updraft.

"Wall clouds can range from a fraction of a mile up to nearly 5 miles in diameter," according to the National Weather Service.

Wall clouds that rotate are a warning sign of very violent thunderstorms. They can be an indication that a tornado will touch down within minutes or even within an hour.

Funnel Clouds

A funnel cloud is a rotating column of air (visible due to condensation) that does not reach the ground.

If a funnel cloud reaches all the way to the ground, it is then classified as a tornado.

When out on the road, funnel clouds should be treated as tornadoes, since they could touch down.



Tornadoes

A tornado is a rotating column of air, reaching all the way to the ground. Strong tornadoes are one of the most destructive forces of nature on a small scale, the strongest of which can level entire towns.

A roaring noise, often compared to that of a train, can be heard in many cases when a tornado touches down.

Vehicles are **NOT** a safe place to be if there is a tornado nearby.



Thunderstorm Anvil Clouds

Anvil clouds are the flat top of a thunderstorm, or cumulonimbus cloud.

They can spread up to "hundreds of miles downwind from the thunderstorm itself," according to the National Weather Service.

Lightning can strike from anvil clouds, even far away from a thunderstorm. Lightning described as striking "from out of the blue" is usually from an anvil cloud that has drifted from a thunderstorm.

Mammatus Clouds

Striking mammatus clouds can sometimes be seen below thunderstorm anvil clouds.

The rounded and smooth look of mammatus clouds captivates onlookers.

They are often found underneath anvil clouds of severe thunderstorms; however, they can form underneath clouds associated with non-severe thunderstorms as well.



Asperatus Clouds

An abundance of heat in the atmosphere is needed to produce enough energy for the dramatic, rolling formations of asperatus clouds. Another factor is the interaction of very moist air (often on the fringes of thunderstorm complexes) with very dry air.

The darkness of the clouds is likely due to the large amount of water vapor.

Asperatus clouds are not necessarily accompanied by stormy weather. In fact, they have often been observed without the development of thunderstorms.

Go for walks outdoors to observe our weather with "eyes to the skies". Go to the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research's UCAR Center for Science Education website on your phone at https://scied.ucar.edu/learning-zone/ clouds/cloud-types for great photos and descriptions of "everyday clouds" to identify when you walk.

Don't forget to take photos of the clouds you observe & send your favorites to ke0ngs.mn@gmail.com so we can share them in next month's **Relay**. See you all at Skywarn Training on April 14th!



Contest Calendar - April 2022

+ QRP Fox Hunt	0100Z-0230Z, Apr 1
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 1
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 1
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 1
+ RSGB FT4 International Activity Day	0800Z-2000Z, Apr 2
+ PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest	1000Z, Apr 2 to 0400Z, Apr 3
+ EA RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 2 to 1200Z, Apr 3
	1400Z, Apr 2 to 0400Z, Apr 3 and
+ Missouri QSO Party	1400Z-2000Z, Apr 3
	1400Z-2200Z, Apr 2 and
+ Florida State Parks on the Air	1400Z-2200Z, Apr 3
+ Mississippi QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 2 to 0200Z, Apr 3
+ Louisiana QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 2 to 0200Z, Apr 3
+ SP DX Contest	Cancelled for 2022
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Apr 4
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Apr 4
+ RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 4
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Apr 5
+ ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Apr 5
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 5
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 6
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Apr 6
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 6
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Apr 6
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2000Z, Apr 6
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Apr 6
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 6
+ UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 6
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Apr 7 and
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0200Z-0300Z, Apr 8



+ North Dakota QSO Party

Contest Calendar - April 2022, Continued

+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 7
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 7
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 7
+ SARL 80m QSO Party	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 7
	1800Z-1900Z, Apr 7 (CW) and
+ NDALL 40m Activity Contact	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 7 (SSB) and
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 7 (FM) and
	2100Z-2200Z, Apr 7 (Dig)
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	1900Z-2100Z, Apr 7
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 7
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 8
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 8
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 8
+ QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party	0000Z-0600Z, Apr 9
+ JIDX CW Contest	0700Z, Apr 9 to 1300Z, Apr 10
+ IG-RY World Wide RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 9 to 1800Z, Apr 10
	1200Z-1700Z, Apr 9 (20m-10m) and
+ DIG QSO Party, CW	0700Z-0900Z, Apr 10 (80m) and
	0900Z-1100Z, Apr 10 (40m)
+ OK/OM DX Contest, SSB	1200Z, Apr 9 to 1200Z, Apr 10
+ FTn DX Contest	1200Z, Apr 9 to 1200Z, Apr 10
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Apr 9 to 2400Z, Apr 10
+ Nebraska QSO Party	1300Z, Apr 9 to 0100Z, Apr 10 and
- Nebraska QOO Farty	1300Z-2200Z, Apr 10
+ Texas State Parks on the Air	1400Z, Apr 9 to 0200Z, Apr 10 and
· Texas State Fairs Off the All	1400Z-2000Z, Apr 10
+ New Mexico QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 9 to 0200Z, Apr 10

1800Z, Apr 9 to 1800Z, Apr 10



+ Coorgio OSO Porty	1800Z, Apr 9 to 0359Z, Apr 10 and
+ Georgia QSO Party	1400Z-2359Z, Apr 10
+ Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 9 to 2100Z, Apr 10
Linternational Vintera Contact III	0700Z-1100Z, Apr 10 and
+ International Vintage Contest HF	1500Z-1900Z, Apr 10
L MAD 2 5/7/44 MUL Data Madaa	1000Z-1400Z, Apr 10 and
+ WAB 3.5/7/14 MHz Data Modes	1700Z-2100Z, Apr 10
+ Hungarian Straight Key Contest	1500Z-1600Z, Apr 10
+ ARRL Rookie Roundup, SSB	1800Z-2359Z, Apr 10
+ RSGB RoLo SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 10
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Apr 11
+ 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Apr 11
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Apr 11
+ RSGB FT4 Contest	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 11
+ 144 MHz Spring Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Apr 11
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Apr 12
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 12
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Apr 13
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 13
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Apr 13
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 13
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2000Z, Apr 13
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Apr 13
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Apr 13
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 13
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 14
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 14
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 14
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 14



+ ES Open HF Championship

+ Ontario QSO Party

Contest Calendar - April 2022, Continued

+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 15
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 15

+ K1USN Slow Speed Test 2000Z-2100Z, Apr 15

+ Holyland DX Contest 2100Z, Apr 15 to 2100Z, Apr 16

0500Z-0559Z, Apr 16 and

0600Z-0659Z, Apr 16 and

0700Z-0759Z, Apr 16 and

0800Z-0859Z, Apr 16

+ Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest 0600Z, Apr 16 to 0559Z, Apr 17

+ YU DX Contest 0700Z, Apr 16 to 0659Z, Apr 17

+ CQMM DX Contest 0900Z, Apr 16 to 2359Z, Apr 17

+ Michigan QSO Party 1600Z, Apr 16 to 0400Z, Apr 17

1700Z-1800Z, Apr 16 (10m) and

1800Z-1900Z, Apr 16 (15m) and

1900Z-2000Z, Apr 16 (20m) and

2000Z-2100Z, Apr 16 (40m) and

+ EA-QRP CW Contest 2100Z-2300Z, Apr 16 (80m) and

0700Z-0900Z, Apr 17 (40m) and

0900Z-1000Z, Apr 17 (20m) and

1000Z-1100Z, Apr 17 (15m) and

1100Z-1200Z, Apr 17 (10m)

+ Feld Hell Sprint 1800Z-2159Z, Apr 16

1800Z, Apr 16 to 0500Z, Apr 17 and

1200Z-1800Z, Apr 17

+ Dutch PACCdigi Contest 0700Z to 1900Z, Apr 17

+ Quebec QSO Party 1200Z-2000Z, Apr 17

+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 2300Z, Apr 17 to 0100Z, Apr 18

+ K1USN Slow Speed Test 0000Z-0100Z, Apr 18

+ DARC Easter Contest 1500Z-1730Z, Apr 18

<u>+ OK1WC Memorial</u> 1630Z-1729Z, Apr 18



+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Apr 19
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 19
+ 222 MHz Spring Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Apr 19
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 20
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Apr 20
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 20
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2000Z, Apr 20
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Apr 20
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Apr 20
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 20
+ RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 20
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+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0300Z, Apr 22
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 21
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 21
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 21
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 21
+ NTC QSO Party	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 21
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 22
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 22
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 22
+ 10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital	0001Z, Apr 23 to 2359Z, Apr 24
+ QRP to the Field	0800-1800 local, Apr 23
+ SP DX RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 23 to 1200Z, Apr 24
+ Helvetia Contest	1300Z, Apr 23 to 1259Z, Apr 24
+ North American SSB Sprint Contest	0000Z-0400Z, Apr 24
+ ANZAC Day Contest	1200Z, Apr 24 to 1159Z, Apr 25



+ UA1DZ Memorial Cup	1300Z-1859Z, Apr 24
+ BARTG Sprint 75	1700Z-2059Z, Apr 24
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Apr 25
+ QCX Challenge	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 25
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Apr 25
+ QCX Challenge	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 25
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Apr 26
+ QCX Challenge	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 26
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 26
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Apr 27
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 27
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Apr 27
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+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Apr 27
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Apr 27
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 27
+ 432 MHz Spring Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Apr 27
+ UKEICC 80m Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 27
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 28
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 28
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Apr 28
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 28
+ RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	1900Z-2030Z, Apr 28
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 29
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 29
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Apr 29



+ Feld Hell Sprint

+ SBMS 2.3 GHz and Up Contest and Club Challenge

+ UK/EI DX Contest, CW

+ Russian WW MultiMode Contest

+ Florida QSO Party

0000Z-2359Z, Apr 30 0600 local, Apr 30 - 2359 local,

May 1

1200Z, Apr 30 to 1200Z, May 1

1200Z, Apr 30 to 1159Z, May 1

1600Z, Apr 30 to 0159Z, May 1

& 1200Z-2159Z, May 1

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