

# *The Silver Comet ARS*

## **2019 On the Air Reunion**

***PLEASE JOIN US on the air for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual SCARS Reunion.***

The SCARS 2019 Reunion will be in three two-hour sessions with the goal of working as many SCARS Members and Non-Members as possible on as many bands and modes as possible.

The purpose of this event is to promote comradery among club members, both current and past, and to encourage our members to “get on the air”. In addition, this event will provide an intro to basic contesting and expose the rest of the ham radio world to the activities of the Silver Comet ARS.

### **Participation Eligibility**

SCARS Members (current and past) and Non-Members are welcome to participate. Non-Members can work SCARS Members for points and earn an award certificate (TBD).

### **Times and Dates**

There are 3 operating sessions throughout the weekend:

- Friday **November 8th**, 8PM-11PM EDT (0000Z-0300Z)
- Saturday **November 9th**, 4PM-7PM EDT (2000Z-2300Z)
- Sunday **November 10th**, 4PM-7PM EDT (2000Z-2300Z)

### **Suggested Frequencies**

- Suggested CW frequencies (+ or -): 1825, 3550, 7050, 14050, 21050 and 28050 kHz.
- Suggested SSB frequencies (+ or -): 1850, 3850, 7250, 14250, 21350 and 28350 kHz.  
Try to emphasize SSB Activity on the ODD UTC hours for those using multiple modes.
- Suggested Digital FT8: standard accepted frequencies for 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 & 10 meters.
- Suggested 2 Meter FM frequencies: 146.52 Simplex & 146.955 -600 with 77Hz tone

*Switching between bands and modes is HIGHLY ENCOURAGED due to current band conditions.*

## **Scoring**

### **Points**

- 3 points for each SSB QSO with a SCARS member. Each SCARS member may be worked once per band/mode combination.
- 1 point for each SSB QSO with a non-SCARS member. Each non-member may be worked once per band/mode combination.
- 5 points for each CW QSO with a SCARS member. Each SCARS member may be worked once per band/mode combination.
- 2 points for each CW QSO with a non-SCARS member. Each non-member may be worked once per band/mode combination.
- 3 points for each FT8 QSO with a SCARS member. Each SCARS member may be worked once per band/mode combination.
- 1 point for each FT8 QSO with a non-SCARS member. Each non-member may be worked once per band/mode combination.
- 3 points for each 2 meter FM QSO with a SCARS member. Each SCARS member may be worked once on 2 meters.
- 1 point for each 2 meter FM QSO with a non-SCARS member. Each non-member may be worked once on 2 meters.

*If an FT8 station does not send its grid square, then it cannot be counted for credit!*

### **Power Multiplier**

High Power	over 150w	x 1
Low Power	over 5w, under 150w	x 2
QRP	under 5w	x 3

*Final Score is QSO Points x multipliers x power multiplier.*

### **Spotting**

Spotting of SCARS members is highly encouraged. Please mention "SCARS Reunion" in the comment area.

Self-spotting is encouraged! The on-the-air activity with non-members is an excellent opportunity to explain a little about SCARS as a contesting club to non-members, and point them to the SCARS website if they want more information about contesting or our club.



## **Calling CQ**

- On CW: "CQ SCARS"
- On SSB or FM: "CQ SCARS Reunion"
- On Digital: "SCARS"

## **Required Exchange**

### **Member:**

- On CW: "RST, name, year licensed, year joined SCARS" (EX: 599 Dave 60 11 K)
- On SSB & FM: "RS, name, year licensed, year joined SCARS" (EX: 59, Dave, 1960, 2011 over)
- On FT8: Standard FT8 exchange. Must include grid square.

### **Non-Member:** "RS, name, state (country)"

## **Optional Description**

If asked for an explanation of this special event, please provide the following dialog or something very similar so we remain standardized among club members:

*"This is the 1<sup>st</sup> annual On-The-Air-Reunion of the Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society club members. The purpose of this event is to promote comradery among club members, both current and past, and to encourage our members to "get on the air". In addition, this event will provide an intro to basic contesting. For event results, QSL & Certificate information please visit [www.silvercometars.com](http://www.silvercometars.com)"*

## **Logger Support**

You can use any general purpose logger for this contest such as N1MM, HRD, or N3FJP or you may use the attached sample *MSExcels.xls* log. You will have to count up member and non-member QSO's when filling out the score summary form.

## **Result Submission**

Send your log in Cabrillo format or the provided .XLS format by E-mail to (TBD) within 20 days of the end of the event but not later than (date)

## **Questions**

Contact your SCARS Special Events committee members if you have any questions or suggestions.

- K4BBH – Dave
- K4CGA – Chuck
- K4ZMW – Rick

## **QSL Cards**

All requests for QSL cards should be sent direct or via LoTW to the stations you worked during this event. Please check QRZ.com for that station's QSL preference and instructions.

## **Awards**

- The highest scoring SCARS member will receive a \$25 gift card and a commemorative club certificate acknowledging their accomplishment.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> highest scoring SCARS member will receive a \$15 gift card and a commemorative club certificate acknowledging their accomplishment.
- Non-SCARS participants making 10 or more SCARS member contacts will receive a commemorative club certificate upon receipt of your log and \$5 USD. Send your request to the address listed for this event on the Silver Comet ARS website [www.silvercometars.com](http://www.silvercometars.com).

## **Results**

Results will be published on the Silver Comet ARS website [www.silvercometars.com](http://www.silvercometars.com) within 60 days after the end of the Reunion Party.

