

The Prez Sez As our Club grows, so does the opportunities to get INVOLVED in many different areas. We have always had DXing... Contesting... Rag chewing... and the Emergency Services (ARES)... BUT, how do you build an antenna... how do

you hang that wire... how do you log that contact... where is the on switch; But, now, some of us beginners have the opportunity to get involved in these new areas and we will have more experienced people right there to help us learn and guide us. In just a very short time, The Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society will embark on ANOTHER special event. The celebration of the startup on the actual Silver Comet Trail. Then in June (the 23rd and 24th), we will have our annual **FIELD DAY**. Both of these events will give some of the newer folks an opportunity to get on H.F. with someone right THERE to help us along. THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO LEARN. And, speaking of special "stuff", I want to remind everybody that as our Club is embarking on supporting our community more, we are starting our food drive at the next meeting (May 1st at 7:00 PM). Please bring a can or two (or even three or four) to the meeting. Make sure that it is non-perishable. We will then distribute the food to Helping Hands. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

John Reynolds, W4TXA President - The Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society

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# <u>Groups.io</u>

The Silver Comet ARS has switched to **Groups.io** for message delivery. Many of our members have been reporting multiple issues getting messages from Yahoo. An invitation to join will be sent to you, or you can go to <u>https://groups.io</u> and send a request yourself or you can search within **Groups.io** for *silvercometars*. Watch your email for more information that will be forthcoming. Thank you Lee - WB4Q0J.

## Weather?



Another great weather presentation by our resident club weatherman, Dave K4DMF. Please visit the club's website at <u>www.silvercometars.com</u> or YouTube channel to view a video of the presentation.







# **SCARS Community Food Drive!**



How many times have you stopped for dinner or a snack before or after our monthly meetings? \_How many of you have attended our weekly Thursday morning breakfast at BoJangles or have attended our family nights or picnics?

We are very fortunate that we are able to afford to do so, however, there are a great many folks in our communities that go hungry

because they are unable to afford the basics for a single meal.

Thank you community food banks for helping those unfortunate folks by providing food for them and their families.

**How can SCARS help?** Starting with our May 2018 meeting, the officers of SCARS are requesting that members bring 1 item, or 2 or 3 or ? of non-perishable food to each club meeting. These items will be delivered in the next couple of days to one or more of the local community food banks such as Paulding County's "Helping Hands", ST. Vincent's, or other religious organizations, for distribution to those in need.

Please help us help others! Let's show others how SCARS does it right.



## "W4T" - Special Event!

### Celebrating the completion of the Silver Comet Recreational Trail

Don't forget....The SCARS "On-The-Air" special event celebrating the completion of the Silver Comet Trail scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup> to June 3<sup>rd</sup> is "on track" so to speak.

The 1<sup>st</sup> group "W4T On-The-Air" event is scheduled to operate from Dave K4BBH's QTH on Braswell Mountain on Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> group "W4T On-The-Air" event is scheduled to operate from the Hiram Trailhead Bike Shop (sponsor providing space & power) on Memorial Day, Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> during daylight hours.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> group "W4T On-The-Air" event is scheduled to operate from the Rockmart City Park Trailhead Saturday and Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> during daylight hours.

This is the perfect opportunity for our new club members to view our experienced and seasoned amateurs operating contest style. If you hold a valid amateur license of any class and have no HF station or equipment, this is your chance to get on HF under the supervision of a General Class or Extra Class licensee.

The club wants to keep the "W4T" call on the air as much as possible to bring recognition to the Silver Comet Trail and to the Silver Comet ARS. The Special Event committee has decided to allow individual club member to operate from their home stations on the following days by request only: May 23-25, 29-31 & June 1<sup>st</sup>. Send your request to <u>K4CGA@arrl.net</u> for scheduling.

Depending on the schedule, there may be opportunities for limited portable operations from the parking lot in one of the many other trailheads.

Please read any email sent to you through Yahoo! groups for new announcements, rules and information. These are already posted on the club's website.

Should you have any questions, contact of the Special Event committee members, Chuck, K4CGA <u>K4CGA@Arrl.net</u>, Rick, KM4ZMW <u>RBowhall@bellsouth.net</u> or Dave, K4BBH <u>DTWalk@mail.com</u>.

### PLEASE COME JOIN US AND HAVE SOME FUN!

# <u>Club Shirts!</u>

Don't forget to order your SCARS logo'd shirts. See Rick KM4ZMW for order forms. I got mine, do you have yours?

## Monday – "SCARS Night Out" Net!

Just a quick reminder of Monday night's net. Please check in if you get a chance and participate in discussions on just about any subject you choose. Check-in begins at 8:30PM. Look forward to hearing from you.

### 73's David Walk – K4BBH

## **SCARS Family Dinner Night!**



Lets have some fun! Bring the family out for a night of good food and fellowship. The SCARS Family Dinner Night is an opportunity to meet the familys of the other club members.

Order off the menu. Drinks are available from the bar, and get individual billing.

And I thought it was something to eat.



Though One May CQ And CQ,

> They May Still Be Ignored.

## What is a ARRL Special Service Club?

ARRL Definition: A club that exists to go above and beyond for their communities and for Amateur Radio is what defines a Special Service Club (SSC). They are the leaders in their Amateur Radio communities who provide active training classes, publicity programs and actively pursue technical projects and operating activities.



ARRL Special Service clubs go the extra mile to provide ongoing training and community service.

How does SCARS fit into this program?

- 1. SCARS holds monthly meetings open to all amateurs and non-amateurs.
- 2. SCARS presents monthly programs that address the interest of licensed amateurs and potential amateurs such as our presentations on weather, antenna building, logging programs, digital modes, contesting, QSL preparation and etc.
- 3. SCARS members actively recruits friends, family, acquaintances and the public in general to find out what Amateur radio is all about and encouraging them to attend a licensing class.
- 4. SCARS members participate in Field Day events, inviting public officials and providing high visibility of amateur radio emergency operations to the public in general.
- 5. SCARS holds on-the-air special events in conjunction with public events such as anniversary of the crash of Flight 242 in New Hope and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the completion of the Silver Comet Trail in our county.
- 6. Many SCARS members are actively involved in Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), participating in emergency communications events and drills and assisting in safety communications such as bike rides and walk-a-thons.
- 7. Numerous SCARS members are Volunteer Examiners for licensing test.
- 8. SCARS also has many members with tons of experience that act as Elmer's and Mentors to fellow club members.

SCARS has many new programs on the horizon such as food/toy drives. Your suggestions are encouraged.

Contributed by your editor K4CGA.

## <u>What is SDR?</u>

**SDR** in the radio world is short for **Software-Defined Radio. SDR** is a radio communication system where components that have been traditionally implemented in hardware are instead implemented by means of software on a personal computer or in an embedded system.

While the concept of SDR is not new, advances in digital electronic components now allow many processes which used to be only theoretically to be implemented.

A basic SDR system may consist of a personal computer equipped with a sound card or other analog-to-digital converter device interfaced to some form of RF front end for receiving and/or transmitting. Significant amounts of the signal processing are handed over to the general-purpose processor or computer rather than being done in special-purpose hardware (electronic circuits). Such a design produces a radio which can receive and/or transmit widely different radio signal protocols (SSB, CW, and Digital) based solely on the capability of the software used.

SDR's have significant utility for amateurs and the military, both of which may require using a wide variety of radio protocols in real time.

A Software Defined Radio attempts to place much or most of the complex signal handling involved in communications receivers and transmitters into the digital (DSP) style. In its purest form, an SDR receiver might consist simply of an analog-to-digital convert chip connected to an antenna.

All the filtering and signal detection can take place in the digital domain, perhaps in an ordinary personal computer. While there are still good reasons to use some analog components in highperformance gear, the SDR approach is becoming more common in Amateur Radio.

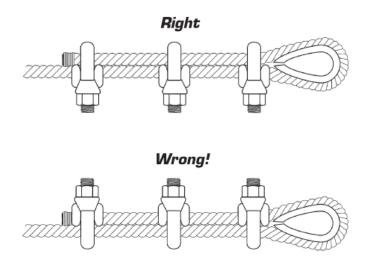


Some SDR References:

https://www.rtl-sdr.com/about-rtl-sdr/ http://blog.bliley.com/10-popular-sdrs-software-defined-radios-2018 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_software-defined\_radios http://www.sdrtransceiver.com/ http://www.flexradio.com/amateur-products/ http://www.aerial-51.com/new-sky-sdr/

## <u>Wire Rope!</u>

It may look simple, but there is a *Right way and Wrong way* to use wire rope clamps. Why worry about it? Safety is the number 1 reason and longevity is number 2.

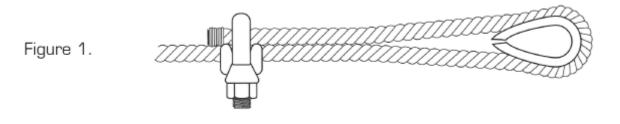


The wire rope clip should be fitted to the wire rope as shown in the diagrams below. The bridge of the wire rope clip should always be placed on the load bearing part of the rope. The U-bolt of

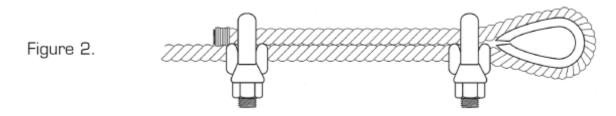
the clip should be placed on the rope tail, also known as the "dead end" of the rope.

Turn back enough wire rope length so that the required minimum number of clips can be installed according to the instructions below.

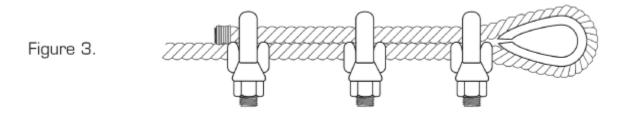
The first clip must be placed one bridge width from the turned back rope tail or dead end of the rope, according to figure 1. Tighten nuts to the specified torque.



The second clip must be placed immediately against the thimble but nevertheless in such a position that the correct tightening of the clip does not damage the outer wires of the wire rope (figure 2).Tighten the nuts firmly but not yet to the specified torque.

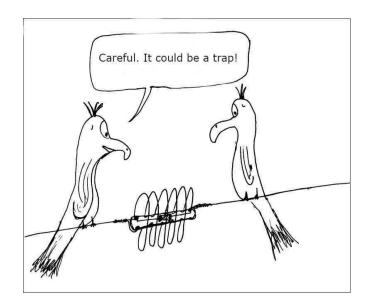


The following clips should be placed on the wire rope between the first and second clip in such a way that they are separated by at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the clip-width with a maximum of 3 times the clip-width according to figure 3.



Apply light tension on the rope and tighten all nuts evenly, alternating until reaching the specified torque.

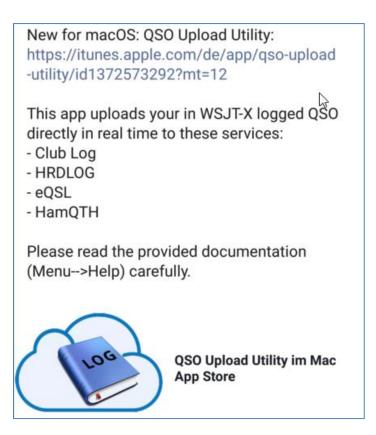
Contributed by your Editor, K4CGA



### <u>Meet Our Members!</u>

Sorry, no Bio's were received in time for this month publication.

## MAC users – This is for you!



## <u>F.Y.I.</u>

Here is a handy website to quickly check the status of ARRL LoTW:

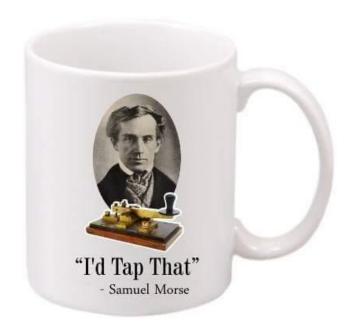
https://status.lotw.arrl.org

73, Larry (K4LDC)



Bizarre Key of the Week !! In keeping with the spark key theme from last week, here is a picture of the American Marconi CM-410 15kW spark key. Another monstrous key with huge contacts and cooling fins. This key was nicknamed "The Rockcrusher" !!





### **Slowing Down A Vibroplex Bug**

Slowing down a Vibroplex Bug is easy with the *Bugnapper*. Using rare earth metal magnets and no alterations to the key, it is virtually invisible. View the video showing slow speed operation at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hx5c0rxSmKE



### Are you ready for ARRL Field Day 2018?

### FIELD DAY (W4RSC) STYLE



### CQ FD CQ FD CQ FD DE W4RSC

Mark your calendar! JUNE 23rd & 24th. Site Hours 1200(local) June 23<sup>rd</sup> to 1600(local) June 24<sup>th</sup> Operating Hours 1800(UTC) June 23<sup>th</sup> to 2059(UTC) June 24<sup>th</sup> Ben Hill Strickland Sr. Park, Pavillion#2 , Hiram, Ga.





Don't forget to bring your spray!

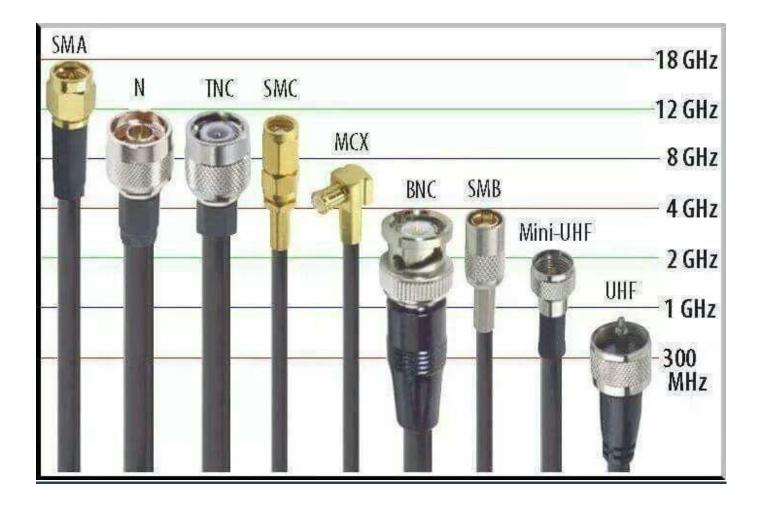
### **SCARS Ham Shack of the Month**

## Ultimate Contester's Ham Shack Of The Future



**Order yours NOW!** 

## <u>Commonly used radio connectors</u>



Find the cat in this picture. Good luck.



# Why is it called Morse Code?

Samuel Morse was a painter. Yep, a portrait painter. Ah, you're thinking he must have painted numerology into his portraits thus developing a "code". Nope, nothing so cloak and dagger. The motivation for his invention was due to a sad event in his life.

While he was painting a portrait of the Marquis de Lafayette in Washing DC he received a message delivered by a messenger on horseback telling him that his wife at home in New Haven Connecticut was sick. He received another message the following day informing him that she had died. He immediately returned home but she was already buried. Morse was heartbroken that his wife had been ill for days before he could receive a message. He decided to explore a means of long distance communication. Along with his assistant Alfred Vail they developed the primary language used in telegraphy across the world and collaborated with other men to design the mechanism to deliver messages in Morse Code over long distances.

The rest is, as they say, "<u>history</u>"

## **Recent SCARS Website Updates:**



http://www.silvercometars.com/index.php

- **<u>SCARS YouTube</u>** channel updated with:
  - Video of Weather Presentation from SCARS 3 April 2018 meeting.
- **Event Photos** page updated with link to:
  - Weather Presentation slides from 3 April 2018 meeting.
- **DX Corner** page updated with link to:
  - **ARRL QSL Service** (Incoming/Outgoing) added to the DXing RESOURCES section.
- <u>Contact Page</u> updated:
  - Added the Group.io replacing Yahoo Group.

Send SCARS website corrections, comments, or suggestions to K4LDC (Larry) at K4LDC@arrl.net

## <u>Breakfast @.....</u>





### The "Official" Breakfast Joint of

### The Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society

### **Come Join Us!**

Thursday mornings Around 8:30 - 9am +/-Until ?????

Located on Hwy 278 in Hiram between the Goodwill and Racetrack across from the Home Depot.

Say Hi! To Kyle, the manager and show your Greystone Connections Card for a discount.

## **Contest & Special Events**

January 2018 1 Straight Key Night 6 Kids Day 6-7 RTTY Roundup 20-22 January VHF	February 2018 12-16 School Club Roundup 17-18 International DX – CW
March 2018 3-4 International DX- Phone	April 2018 15 Rookie Roundup – Phone
June 2018 9-11 June VHF 16 Kids Day 23-24 Field Day	July 2018 14-15 IARU HF World Championship
August 20184-5222 MHz and Up DistanceContest18-1910 GHz & Up – Round 119Rookie Roundup – RTTY	September 2018        8-10      September VHF        15-16      10 GHz & Up - Round 2        29-30      EME - 2.3 GHz & Up
October 2018 15-19 School Club Roundup 27-28 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz	November 2018        3-5      Nov. Sweepstakes – CW        17-19      Nov. Sweepstakes – Phone        24-25      EME - 50 to 1296 MHz        11/30-12/2      160 Meter
December 2018        11/30-12/2      160 Meter        8-9      10 Meter        16      Rookie Roundup–CW	Check your emails for additional contest and special event activities

#### 2018 ARRL Contest Dates - Ver 1.0 - 30 June 2017

### Additional Contest Calendars

http://www.contestcalendar.com//index.html

http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq\_contests/cq\_annual\_contest\_calendar/cq\_annual\_contest\_calendar.html http://ncjweb.com/

# <u>Upcoming Special Events</u>

#### • 05/01/2018 | UBA 70 Hits The Airwaves

**May 1-May 31, 0000Z-2359Z, OT70 calls**, Brussels, BELGIUM. Royal Union of Belgian Ham Radio. All bands, all modes. QSL. QSL will be, available via OARS on, Club Log, BELGIUM. See website for a complete list of participating OT70 stations. <u>www.uba.be</u>

#### 05/05/2018 | Route 66 Red Carpet Corridor Special Event Station

May 5, 1559Z-2300Z, W9WLM, Wilmington, IL. Wilmington Area Amateur Radio Club. 146.520 14.300 14.265 7.265. Certificate. Wilmington Area Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 2, Wilmington, IL 60481. We will be monitoring 146.520 for operators traveling Route 66 that day as part of the event. w9wlm1@gmail.com orwww.facebook.com/wilmingtonareaamateurradioclub

- 05/05/2018 | W5MRC/ARRL 50 Year Anniversary Commemoration May 5-May 6, 1400Z-2200Z, W5MRC, McKinney, TX. McKinney Amateur Radio Club. 10, 15, 20, 40 10 meters; 28.550 21.375 14.280 7.190. QSL. McKinney Amateur Radio Club, W5MRC, PO Box 267, McKinney, TX 75069. www.mckinneyarc.org
- O5/05/2018 | Yonkers Amateur Radio Club 70th Anniversary
  May 5, 0800Z-2000Z, W2YRC, Yonkers, NY. Yonkers Amateur Radio Club. HF Bands, 6 and 2 meters; 146.865 28.456 14.270.
  QSL. Gil Lugo , 33 Tyndale Place, Yonkers, NY 10701. <u>www.yarc.org</u>

#### • 05/06/2018 | Grand Prix of Indianapolis

May 6-May 13, 2200Z-0400Z, W9IMS, Indianapolis, IN. Indianapolis Motor Speedway ARC. 21.350 14.245 7.245 3.840. Certificate & QSL. Indianapolis Motor Speedway Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 30954, Indianapolis, IN 46230. See website for information on getting QSLs and certificates. <u>https://www.qrz.com/db/w9ims</u>

- O5/08/2018 | USS Ward Commemoration
  May 8, 1400Z-2200Z, W2W, Cottage Grove, MN. South East Metro Amateur Radio Club, W0CGM . 14.260 14.040 7.260 7.040.
  Certificate. Certificate can be, downloaded from, website. Certificate can be downloaded from the SEMARC website two weeks
  after the special event. semarc.org
- 05/09/2018 | 1869 Transcontinental Rail Road Golden Spike Commemoration May 9-May 10, 1500Z-2300Z, W7G, Ogden, UT. Ogden Amateur Radio Club. 14.255 14.040 7.235 7.040. QSL. W7G, P.O. Box 3353, Ogden, UT 84409. <u>www.w7g.org</u>

#### • 05/09/2018 | 1869 Transcontinental Railroad Golden Spike Commemoration

**May 9-May 10, 1500Z-2300Z, W7G**, Corinne, UT. Ogden Amateur Radio Club. 14.255 7.235. QSL. Ogden Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 3353, Ogden, UT 84409. Lucky SSB contacts may hear actual whistles from the "Jupiter" and "119" replica locomotives. <u>www.w7g.org</u>05/09/2018 | Special Event Station EI100MCV - US Armed Forces Day

**May 19, 0800Z-2359Z, EI100MCV**, Dublin, IRELAND. National Maritime Museum of Ireland Radio Club. All bands, all modes; operating on or close to frequencies ending in 18. QSL. Via bureau, Clublog, or direct to Dave O'Conner, EI6AL, Silver Howe, Sydenham Mews, Corrig Avenue, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin A96 RF99, IRELAND. This is part of a year-long event commemorating the sinking of Royal Mail Ship (RMS) Leinster. May events include US Armed Forces Day on May 19. See website for full details. <u>www.qrz.com/db/ei100mcv</u>

- O5/12/2018 | Caledon State Park 32nd Anniversary, King George County, Virginia May 12-May 20, 0000Z-2359Z, K4GVA, King George, VA. King George Amateur Radio Club. 14.250 14.070 7.250 7.070. QSL. KGARO, P.O. Box 73, King George, VA 22485. Please send QSL and SASE for a special Caledon State Park 32nd anniversary celebration QSL card to be sent by return mail. <u>www.qsl.net/kgaro</u>
- O5/12/2018 | Jamestown Island Special Event
  May 12, 1600Z-2030Z, K4RC, Jamestown, VA. Williamsburg Area Amateur Radio Club. 14.265 7.265. QSL. K4RC, PO Box1470,
  Williamsburg, VA 23187. 411th Anniversary of the first permanent English settlement in North America <u>k4rc.net</u>

#### • 05/12/2018 | Palm Island Activation

May 12-May 13, 1400Z-0000Z, W4W, New Port Richey, FL. US Islands. 14.175 7.225. QSL. C. Black, PO Box 3305, Spring Hill, FL 34611. Activate Palm Island for the US Islands program. Palm Island is located in the coastal village of Aripeka, Florida and is said to have been frequented by Babe Ruth during his spring training stints in Florida. <u>www.usislands.org</u>

#### • 05/12/2018 | USS Midway Museum Ship Special Event: Operation Frequent Wind

May 12, 1600Z-2300Z, NI6IW, San Diego, CA. USS Midway (CV-41) Museum Ship. 14.320 7.250; 14.070 PSK31; D-STAR on REF001C. QSL. USS Midway (CV-41) COMEDTRA, 901 N Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

#### • 05/13/2018 | Commemorating Wilfred Owen's Life and Poetry

May 13-May 18, 0900Z-2000Z, GB100WO, nr Guildford, UNITED KINGDOM. RSGB. 14.200. QSL. John Wakefield, Oakhurst, Lower Common Road, West Wellow, Romsey SO51 6BT, UNITED KINGDOM. Wilfred Owen 1st WW poet died 4th Nov 1918 No QSL via Bureau - Direct only <u>www.qrz.com/db/gb100wo</u>

#### • 05/18/2018 | 2018 Emergency Medical Services Week

May 18-May 28, 0000Z-2359Z, W9A, Wisconsin Rapids, WI. Mid-State Repeater Association. 28.375 14.275 7.275 3.975. Certificate & QSL. Mid-State Repeater Association, Attn: W9A Special Event, PO Box 1001, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495. This special event station will be to honor the men and women of the Emergency Medical Services during Emergency Medical Services Week 2018. msra.w9mra@gmail.com or <a href="http://www.facebook.com/midstaterepeater">www.facebook.com/midstaterepeater</a>

#### • 05/19/2018 | 150th Anniversary of Tabasco Pepper Sauce

May 19-May 20, 1500Z-2000Z, W5DDL, Avery Island, LA. Acadiana Amateur Radio Association. 21.280 14.280 14.070 7.280. QSL. Glen Thibodeaux, 1808 Gendarme Rd., Carencro, LA 70520. www.w5ddl.org

#### 05/19/2018 | 70th Anniversary of Baytown Texas

May 19, 1400Z-2100Z, K5BAY, Baytown, TX. Baytown Area Amateur Radio Club. 21.300 14.270 7.270. QSL. BAARC, 114 Honeysuckle Dr, Baytown, TX 77520. The Baytown Area Amateur Radio Club, K5BAY, will commemorate the consolidation of the Tri-Cities of Pelly, Goose Creek and Baytown into the City of Baytown in January 1948. <u>slojo385@comcast.net</u>

#### 05/19/2018 | Armed Forces Weekend

May 19-May 20, 1415Z-1900Z, W2GSB, Farmingdale, NY. Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club. 14.280 14.050 7.260 7.050. Certificate & QSL. Great South Bay ARC, P.O. Box 1356, West Babylon, NY 11704. Armed Forces weekend from the historic Republic Airport. A special event station to honor our service men and women of the armed forces who have given so much. The radio operators will be operating from the Historic Republic Airfield. Home of many of the aircrafts that were used to help support our troops and defend freedom. Please feel free to come down and visit the radio operators and this piece of history. The Airpower Museum is located on New Highway in Farmingdale, NY Home of Rosie the riveter The station is located right under a Tuskegee fighter plane You my even hear some prop noise when you contact us there all the planes do fly. This Special event station is to honor all branches of the armed forces on armed forces day every year for past 26 years www.gsbarc.org

#### 05/19/2018 | Perrin Field Museum Special Event

May 19-May 27, 0000Z-2359Z, W5I, Sherman, TX. Grayson County Amateur Radio Club. 14.250 7.200 14.040 7.040. QSL. Grayson County ARC, PO Box 642, Sherman, TX 75091. Commemorating the Perrin Field Museum, Perrin Air Force Base and Armed Forces Day. www.graysoncountyarc.com

#### • 05/19/2018 | SE Kansas Mining Special Event 3 of 7

May 19-May 20, 1400Z-2300Z, KOSEK, West Mineral, KS. Southeast Kansas Amateur Radio Club. 18.140 14.250 7.242. Certificate & QSL. Jeff Chancey, KA0EGE, 409 W Quincy St, Pittsburg, KS 66762. Mine 19 Cabin is the 3rd of 7 Special Events recognizing the mining history in SE Kansas !! See website for details including QSL and Certificate info. PLEASE SEND SASE www.sekarc.net/p/sek-mining.html

### 05/19/2018 | William Becknell Santa Fe Trail Heritage Days Special Event -- Founder of the Santa Fe Trail

May 19-May 20, 1400Z-2200Z, WB0SFT, Overland Park, KS. William Becknell Santa Fe Trail Heritage Days. 21.365 14.265 7.265 3.865 1.830; SSB CW FT8. Certificate & QSL. Please see website for information, on how to receive your certificate or QSL, and for updated information, Overland Park, KS 66204. Certificate and QSL available via website after the event. www.wb0sft.org

### 05/19/2018 | William Becknell Santa Fe Trail Heritage Days Special Event -- Founder of the Santa Fe Trail

**Sep 8-Sep 9, 1400Z-2200Z, WB0SFT**, Overland Park, KS. William Becknell Santa Fe Trail Heritage Days. 21.365 14.265 7.265 3.865 1.830; SSB CW FT8. Certificate & QSL. Please see website for information, on how to receive your certificate or QSL, and for updated information, Overland Park, KS 66204. Certificate and QSL available from website after the event. <u>www.wb0sft.org</u>

#### • 05/20/2018 | Lindbergh Flight Across the Atlantic

May 20, 1330Z-2000Z, K2CAM, Garden City, NY. Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. 21.340 14.240 7.240. QSL. LIMARC, P.O. Box 392, Levittown, NY 11756. The Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club will operate K2CAM, the call sign of the Cradle of Aviation Museum as it commemorated the solo flight of Charles Lindbergh across the Atlantic Ocean in 1927. www.limarc.org

#### 05/21/2018 | Indianapolis 500 Special Event

May 21-May 27, 2200Z-0400Z, W9IMS, Indianapolis, IN. Indianapolis Motor Speedway ARC. 21.350 14.245 7.245 3.840. Certificate & QSL. Indianapolis Motor Speedway Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 30954, Indianapolis, IN 46230. See website for information on getting QSL cards and certificates. <u>https://www.qrz.com/db/w9ims</u>

#### • 05/23/2018 | Silver Comet Trail 10th Anniversary

May 23-Jun 3, 0000Z-2359Z, W4T, Hiram, GA. Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society. 14.260 14.074 7.260 7.074. Certificate & QSL. Dave Walk, K4BBH, Silver Comet Special Event, 46 Ashwood Ct., Rockmart, GA 30153. Contact exchange, rules, bands, modes, certificate and, QSL information available on website <u>silvercometars.com</u>

#### • 05/24/2018 | Memorial Day K1A

May 24-May 30, 0000Z-0000Z, K1A, Cleburne, TX. Club KC5NX. 14.224 14.045 7.255 7.045. QSL. Jay Stanfield, 9200 Summit Court West, Cleburne, TX 76033. Club KC5NX will be on the air again this year as K1A to honor those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom. It is a day we encourage every individual, young and old, to pause, to give thanks and to remember. kc5nx.radio.club@gmail.com or www.qrz.com/db/kc5nx

#### • 05/24/2018 | Strange Antenna Challenge

May 24-May 27, 0400Z-0659Z, K0S, Springfield, MO. N0EW. 14.300; all modes, all bands. QSL. QSL to amateur , or club, contacted. This special event is open to all legal amateur radio operators; individual amateur radio operators and clubs are invited to participate as a special event station. QSL requests must be sent to the amateur radio operator or club with whom contact is made; not N0EW, unless that is the station with whom you have made contact. All legal frequencies may be used. The Strange Antenna Challenge is a special event in which amateur radio operators employ found or makeshift antennas to simulate emergency operating conditions following a storm or other natural disaster. It is also an educational outreach opportunity for clubs to stir interest in antenna theory, and as an interesting special event to draw the interest and potentially new amateur radio operators from the public. The call sign K0S is an affirmation of the unique public service given to all of us over the years. erikeweaver@gmail.com

#### 05/26/2018 | 2nd Annual Special Event at the Fort Pierce Navy Seal Museum Honoring National Military Month

May 26, 1300Z-1900Z, W4OT, Fort Pierce, FL. Vero Beach Amateur Radio Club. 14.327; 40 meter general portion; 078C D-Star. Certificate. Vero Beach Amateur Radio Club, c/o IRC EOC, 4225 43rd Avenue, Vero Beach, FL 32967. <u>www.vbarc.net</u>

#### • 05/26/2018 | Poland through the Ages

May 26-May 27, 0300Z-0900Z, W3P, Warminster, PA. Warminster Amatuer Radio Club. 14.250. Certificate & QSL. The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, 654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA 18901. for QSL & certificate please send SAE. <u>www.k3dn.org</u>

#### • 05/26/2018 | Run for the Red White and Blue

May 26, 0200Z-1500Z, KC5DR, West Monroe, LA. Louisiana Delta Radio Club. 14.255. Certificate & QSL. Jospeh Holland, 6019 New Natchitoches Rd, West Monroe, LA 71292. We will have day long activities as this is also the Military Museum's Memorial Day celebration! <u>www.kc5dr.com</u>

#### • 05/28/2018 | Memorial Day

May 28-Jun 3, 0000Z-2359Z, K7UGA, Phoenix, AZ. Central Arizona DX Association. All bands, all modes. QSL. Bob Davies, K7BHM, 1623 N. Los Altos Ct., Chandler, AZ 85224. www.cadxa.org

#### • 05/31/2018 | Corvette Homecoming

May 31-Jun 3, 1400Z-2300Z, KY4BG, Rockfield, KY. Kentucky Colonels Amateur Radio Club. 14.265 7.265 3.865. Certificate & QSL. Mary Hext KB4KCV, 1997 Browning Road, Rockfield, KY 42274. See website for certificate and QSL information.<u>www.kcarconline.com</u>

# SCARS V.E. ACTIVITIES

### K4ELI and the VE Team will be testing at 7pm at Burnt Hickory Baptist Church, 5145 Due West Road, Powder Springs on the following dates:

### 2018 Schedule

Jan 11	Feb 1	Mar 1	Apr 5	May 3	Jun 7
Jul 12	Aug 2	Sep 6	Oct 4	Nov 1	Dec 6

All classes of licenses will be available.

### **BRING:**

- Original and copy of existing license.
- Copy of FRN # if you have a GMRS license or some other license.
- \$15 cash----exact change
- Photo ID

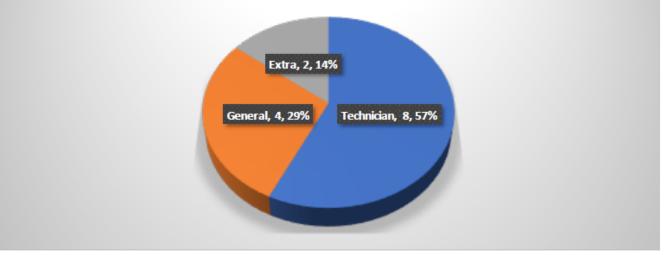
See the ARRL or SCARS web sites for more details.



# SCARS V.E. ACTIVITIES (YTD as of 4 April 2018)

Call	Date	Session Time	Name	City	State	Class
KN4ILS	10-Jan-2018	19:00	Kevin Zgonc	Powder Springs	GA	Gen
KN4IXX	11-Jan-2018	19:00	Gerald B. Jones, Jr.	Dallas	GA	Tech
KN4JLV	1-Feb-2018	19:00	Andrew D. Rockwell	Dallas	GA	Tech
Pending	1-Feb-2018	19:00	Alvin G. Shepherd	Austell	GA	Tech
N1SEA	1-Feb-2018	19:00	Daniel Ramaswami	Milton	GA	Extra
WA4VMF	1-Mar-2018	19:00	Wyatt Walker	Smyrna	GA	None
KX4JN	1-Mar-2018	19:00	Daniel McMahill	Woodstock	GA	Tech, Gen, Extra
None	1-Mar-2018	19:00	Margaret McMahill	Woodstock	GA	None
KN4KKN	1-Mar-2018	19:00	Jason Vannoy	Powder Springs	GA	Tech
KN4KKO	1-Mar-2018	19:00	James Grayson	Douglasville	GA	Tech
WA4VMF	1-Mar-2018	19:00	Wyatt Walker	Smyrna	GA	None
KN4LLB	4-Apr-2018	19:00	John R. Reich	Atlanta	GA	Tech
KN4LLC	4-Apr-2018	19:00	Wesley C. Bramlett	Kennesaw	GA	Tech
KN4KTJ	4-Apr-2018	19:00	Douglas P. Burnett	Marietta	GA	Gen
KM4QHL	4-Apr-2018	19:00	Luz M. Heaton	Rockmart	GA	Gen

### 2018 SCARS VE Session Statistics



Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society						
	2018 Calendar					
**	Don't forget "B	ABJ" [Breakast	At BoJangles] ev	very Thursday m	orning at 9am. *	**
	January	February	March	April	May	June
Meeting 1st Tuesday Date/Time:	01-02-2018 7pm	02-06-2018 7pm	03-06-2018 7pm	04-03-2018 7pm	05-01-2018 7pm	06-05-2018 7pm
Meeting Location	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg				
Meeting Activity	Digital (WB3ILX)	CW Training	Digital (WB3ILX)	Severe WX Presentation (K4DMF)	Digital (WB3ILX)	Logging Techniques (K4ELI)
Additional Activities	TBD	TBD	Fox Hunt Date TBA	ga QSOP.	Family Night Dinner O'Charley's Hiram May 8 <sup>th</sup> 6:30pm	Field Day 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24th
Hamfest Schedule	Lawrenceville TechFest	Dalton, GA	Birmingham, AL Elijay, GA	Mobile, AL Calhoun, GA	Dayton, OH	Atlanta, GA

	July	August	September	October	November	December
Meeting 1st Tuesday	07-03-2018	08-07-2018	09-04-2018	10-02-2018	11-06-2018	12-04-2018
Date/Time:	7pm	7pm	7pm	7pm	7pm	7pm
Meeting Location	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg	Paulding Chamber of Commerce Bldg
Meeting Activity	Digital (WB3ILX)	QSL Cards (K4ELI)	Cheap Antennas (K4CGA)	Clusters & Nodes (WB4QOJ)	Station Grounding (W4TXA)	TBD
Additional Activities	TBD	TBD	Club Fall Picnic	AM DX Contest	TBD	Christmas Dinner
Hamfest & Conventions	Cullman, AL	Huntsville, AL	SEDEC DX	La Grange, GA Chattanooga, TN Rome, GA	Lawrenceville GA Montgomery, AL.	
This calendar is "Subject to change". Submit change request to W4TXA John.						
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