



Short CIRCuits

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President Corner

by Rick Suhadolc NgCKL

Well it's been a quick two years as President of CIRC! I look back at the past years and marvel at the CIRC changes we have made.

Creating a new created position "Social Chairman", Jim Baker WB9EDL at the September 2019 meeting.

The Social Chairman was given the duty of planning social get togethers, on a regular basis, that CIRC Members and their significant others, could all participate in. Social dinners were planned for Leon Hacienda, Ozark House and Jim's Steak House.

CIRC "Virtual Meetings" on Zoom, became necessary in March 2020, due to Covid 19. An official change in the CIRC Bylaws by Duane Benjamin KC9PIM allowed the recognition of a CIRC meeting by electronic means.

In March 2020 Keith Hanson AC9S proposed the weekly 9am Friday and Monday DQ coffee clutch to be revised to an informal net on the 2meter repeater Monday thru Friday. The informal 2 meter net is still carrying on Tuesdays through Thursdays at 9am.

In August 2020 Ed Deutsch KC9GF presented a plan from the Illinois Repeater Association to move the Club W9AML

2meter repeater frequency from 146.940 Mhz to 146.640 Mhz . A solution to the Kankakee interference problem that had been talked about for decades at CIRC.

In April 2021 Ed Deutsch KC9GF made the motion and was approved to purchase a UHF Repeater of Ron Purkey's W9NUP. CIRC started operations of a 440.950 Mhz repeater call sign W9AML at the Corn Belt Tower Site. Providing a backup to the much needed 2 meter W9AML CIRC repeater.

In May 2021 Jeff KC9QQM set up a 15 gigabyte Google site to be a data cloud for the clubs archived Newsletters, Treasurers reports and Secretaries reports. Giving the CIRC Board Members ready access to our record storage .

It's the members participation that has allowed the club to move forward and make these changes.

I ask everyone to help support our new President John Payne AC9TN and incoming Board Members.

Thank you,

Rick NgCKL

CIRC Happenings

Achievements of our members

Drilling A Hole In Steel

Article and photos by Ed Deutsch KC9GF

CIRC Happenings

It was mentioned it would be a good thing to mention those new hams who have joined the club as well of those of the club who have upgraded their license or accomplished another achievement. If you have items to go here for members of the club, I will post them here. Please let's keep it amateur radio related.

New local HAM's

KDgRHW Nicole Henson - Towanda

KDgRLQ Christopher Russell - Bloomington

Coming next month, we introduce our new 2021-2022 CIRC officers!

John Payne ACgTN – President

Jeff Lovell KCgQQM – Vice President

Mike Sallee KCgFWL – Secretary

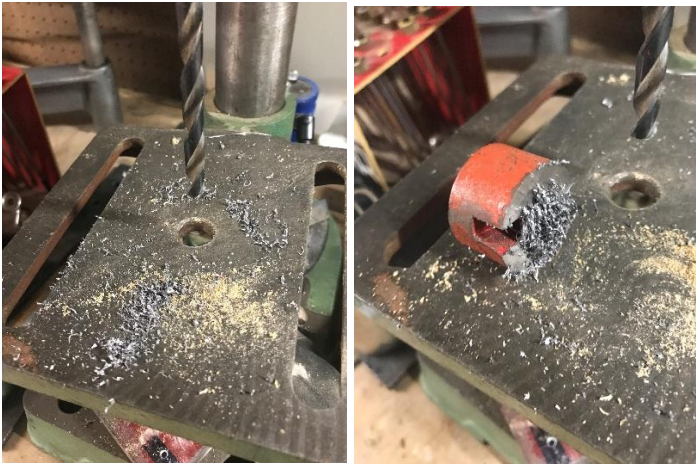
Larry Gibson WgBJG – Treasurer

Duane Benjamin KCgPIM – Member at large

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Article and photos by Ed Deustch KC9GF

Drilling a hole in steel? Now how do you clean up the chips. Most of the time you just brush the chips into the garbage. But what if that isn't possible? Of course; use a magnet, right? Now you have to clean the magnet of the chips; not easy. Well, here's the solution put the magnet in a plastic bag (before picking up the chips). After you pick up the mess you just take the magnet out of the bag and the chips fall off into the garbage.



Ed, KC9GF

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Central Illinois Radio Club
<http://www.qsl.net/wgaml/>
Bloomington, Illinois

AREA NETS

Tuesday 8:30 P.M. 28.450
CIRC Open 10 meter Net

Tuesday 9:00 P.M. 146.640 (156.7PL)
CIRC Open Net

Thursday 8:00 P.M. 28.450
Vertical polarization is encouraged but not required

Thursday 8:00pm 444.950 (97.4pl)
440 NET

Sunday 08:15 A.M. 1.915
Open 160 meter AM net

AREA EXAM DATES

Following is the schedule for W5YI-VEC Amateur Radio exams for the year 2020. At the Community Room of the Bloomington Public Library located at the intersection of E. Olive St. and S. East St. Entrance off of S. East St.

Please bring two forms of identification. You must have an FCC issued FCC Registration Number (FRN) or Social Security Number. We cannot administer a test without your FRN or SSN. You will need a copy of your Current license plus any CSCE you want to apply.

PLEASE – Contact Keith AC9S at AC9S@Hotmail.com to sign up.

2021 dates
TBD

Exams' in Morton are held at the Morton Public Library, 315 West Pershing at 12:00 Noon the third Saturday of even numbered months and at the Peoria Superfest.

CIRC Meeting
Fourth Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the American Red Cross
1 Westport Dr.
Bloomington, IL 61704
** Until further notice the meetings are virtual and only for members. We are sorry for any inconvenience. **

Calendar of Events

Daily Coffee Klatch Monday thru Friday

**** The weekly Coffee Klatch has been moved to the 146.64 repeater for the time being. Remember the new PL is 156.7hz ****

9:00 a.m. at Dairy Queen Veterans at Cub's
XYL's Join the OM's Monday and Friday

Weekly 10 Meter Net
Every Tuesday evening at 28.450 MHz- at 8:30 p.m.

Weekly 2 Meter Net
Every Tuesday evening on the 146.640-repeater at 9:00 p.m.

Weekly 6 Meter Net
Every Wednesday evening at 50.135 MHz at 8:00 P.M.

Weekly 160 Meter AM Net
Every Sunday morning at 1.915 MHz at 8:15 A.M.

75 Meter HF Traffic handling nets

NET / TIME	FREQ khz
NORTH CENTRAL PHONE NET	
M-F 7:00 A.M. central time	3912
ILL. PHONE NET	
M-F 4:45 P.M. central time	3857
SUN. 8:00 A.M. central time	3940
ILLINOIS SIDEBAND NET	
M-SAT. 6:00 P.M. central time	3905
75 METER INTERSTATE SIDEBAND NET	
DAILY 0100 UTC	3985
ITN INDIANA TRAFFIC NET	
DAILY 1230 UTC	OR
2200 UTC	3912

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Secretary: Rob Cherry (N9TO)
Treasurer: Larry Gibson (W9BJG)
Member at large: Grant Zehr (AA9LC)
Newsletter/Web Editor: Jeff Lovell (KC9QQM)

The CIRC is a not-for-profit ARRL special service club whose purpose is to advance the service of Amateur Radio. Located in Central Illinois, the CIRC and its members welcome all to use the 146.64 and 444.950 repeaters to attend club meetings.

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