

The Kaw Valley Amateur Radio Club Newsletter

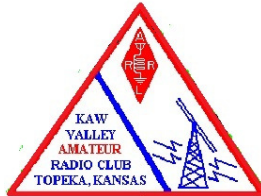
THE TRANSCEIVER

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President's Corner

Commitment, Encouragement and More

At the last club meeting, Morgan Bailey asked how many were interested in learning Morse code. There was a considerable number who raised hands. He is considering teaching a class. Meantime, he has encouraged those who want to learn, to obtain an iambic keyer and paddles. Also recommended is going to <http://lcwo.net> and signing up, and starting to practice on line. I hope you have started! I have. Just 15 minutes a day, should be enough to show some real progress.

I might add that there is power in numbers. Get involved and learn, and share your progress. This does several things. Once you start sharing progress, others are apt to ask how you are doing, which in turn should motivate you to stick to the program. When others see your progress, they may decide that if you can do it, so can they. And this in turn possibly leads to some friendly competition.

And more? Well yes. Morse code may not be for you, but find something to expand your horizons. Start reading up on what you want to try, then get your feet wet. I would urge you to share your experiences with others. Even better, schedule a time to share your experiences with the whole club.

As always, if you have something you would like to share at a club meeting, or know someone who might give as a reasonable 30 – 45 minute presentation, let me know.

I would like to have another 'show-and-tell' session at the December meeting. That should give everyone some time to scrape something together. The idea is to bring something that you made for yourself to use in the pursuit of your amateur radio hobby, and give us a short talk (5 minutes) on your creation.

See you all at the September 4th meeting. Come early for an eyeball QSO. Last meeting, we had around 30, if you were not there, you missed out on some good fellowship with fellow hams.

73,

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Reminders:

Annual 2015 Membership form at <http://www.kvarc.org/Forms/KVARC%20App%201.pdf>

Ham FAQ: For Hams new to the area or are just licensed - <http://www.kvarc.org/misc/Ham-FAQ.pdf>

Ham bands Chart from ARRL -

http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Regulatory/Band%20Chart/Hambands_color.pdf

Larrys List web page - <http://larryslist.info/>

 **events**

- KVARC Club meeting September 4th 730pm at Topeka Public Library. Eyeball QSO starts around 7pm
- Regular test session at October 10th at Topeka Library at 2pm. Pre-register with Paul at ham.test@kvarc.org.
- Regular test session at Sep 11th at Carbondale City Hall at 7pm. Pre-register with Paul at ham.test@kvarc.org
- Tuesday night Alpha 1 ARES net on 145.27- (88.5 tone) at 830pm
- Thursday night Charlie 1 ARES net 800pm on 147.39+ Ottawa repeater only on the first and fourth Thursdays.
- Wednesday night Wild on Wednesday simplex net on 147.440 at 730pm run by KB0WOW –Dan
- 10th Annual KB0WOW Tailgate Swap & Shop Saturday, September, 26th 2015 from 1100 to 1300 at Solid State Sonics and Electronics (see details below)

- Technician Class – Oct 3 and 10th, 9am till 5pm at the Topeka Library. Test session following the class on the 10th
- General Class – Nov 7th, 14th, 21st, 9am till 5pm at the Topeka Public Library. Test session following the class on the 21st.
- Extra Class January 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th. 9am till 5pm at the Topeka Public Library. Test session following the class on the 30th.

Other info:

Announcing the 10th Annual KBØWOW

Mr. “Wild On Wednesday” Tailgate Swap & Shop

A benefit for the Kaw Valley Amateur Radio Club Repeater Fund. All proceeds of the Tailgate Swap & Shop food sale plus any donations will go for the Topeka area repeaters.

Saturday, September, 26th 2015 from 1100 to 1300, at

**Solid State Sonics and Electronics
4137 NW Lower Silver Lake Rd.
Topeka, Ks**

Just off Highway 75 and Lower Silver Lake Rd, next to Jackson’s Greenhouse.

Food is available for sale. Available items are:

Pulled Pork Sandwiches \$3

Pulled Pork Sandwich Dinner w/ Coleslaw, Potato Salad, and Baked Beans \$6

No charge to set up booth at event, and is open to all kinds of items, not just ham related. Talk-in on 145.270(-) CTCSS 88.5

For information, call:

Dan Green, KBØWOW at 785-233-2734 or email Frank Kent, NØFWK at fkent@kentsafetyllc.com



Please send any equipment you have for sale and I will include in next month's issue

Elmer-ing

Attached is a form for letting me know what you might be interested in having help with. Or if are available to help someone. Please fill in as appropriate and email back to me or bring to the club meeting Friday.

I have mentioned this new item to a few people, I would like to suggest adding a get together some other time of the month as a learning session. I am open to suggestions as to a day and time. I can try to schedule time at the library or if a different location is available I would take that as a suggestion also.

So what do you think? Let me know by email or at the club meeting.

Number of Elmer sheets received: 2



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