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## Dogfights - No Room For Error Jan 10th 8 PM at the Salvation Army in Norridge

### Upcoming Events

WCRA Hamfest - Jan 27th at the DuPage Expo Center 4050 E Main St in St. Charles IL. For more info see www.w9ccu.org

CFMC Regular meeting at the Eisenhower Library at 4852 N Olcott in Harwood Hts. Meeting starts at 7PM with a runoff of the election for Treasurer.

# SRO Spring Auction - Mar 12

The Spring Auction will be held at the Edgebrook Field House. The small room next to the men's bathroom will be available. The meeting will start at 8 PM with the auction to follow. Bring a friendand bring something to auction off. Its not an auction unless wehave something to auction.

There will be a short business meeting and and a very interesting program will follow. **Dogfights typically** begin at high altitude where the adversaries can maneuver in three dimensions. But the diving, twisting and turning inevitably draws every fight closer and closer to the ground. Now you're in the cockpit as courageous pilots from World War II, Korea and Vietnam do battle in the most unforgiving area at all: Down on the deck where

there's no room for error.



SRO Notes, or Santa looks a lot like the Brown's delivery man By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

#### **DECEMBER MEETING.**

What, there was a meeting? Did I remember to jot something on the tablecloth? No, that's an orphan piece of mostaccioli. Hmm. I'd better decode the stains on my Brown's napkin. Tonight, these will serve as our notes. (CAUTION: Only highly qualified technical writers should attempt transliteration of organic food residues.)

Meeting

Minutes

by Jim AA9DT

TREASURER'S REPORT. We spent it. Mike Brost WA9FTS reports that he's receiving dues for the new year. So far, our SRO income is gratifying. It should fully reimburse Mike for his New Year's Eve party expenses. Also, Mike asks that you please remember him in those year-end and year-initiation charitable contributions. He does somewhat resemble that new year cherub, doesn't he? All such contributions are as tax deductible as your contributions to SRO. With my full credentials as a tax accountant, I wholeheartedly support this statement. (Oops. I just checked. I have no qualifications.) Maybe we should say that such contributions are \\tax inducible.//

SRO NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS. The new year is a time for self-improvement. For example, you should consider gaining weight, learning profanity, drinking more and taking up gambling. Oh, excuse me. I must have been visiting the antimatter universe again. Anyway, the following resolutions comply with applicable ham radio, new year protocols. Of course, resolutions are only useful when you observe them. For this reason, the ARRL would recommend certain behavior to indicate that you project the proper attitude. (That is, if the ARRL knew what I was talking about, then it surely would.) But let's get under way.

- + Chicago SRO members must stand upright. For those who drank holiday punch, make sure that your head is above your feet. Read these instructions as usual, from left to right and top to bottom. Exceptions to this rule involve application of polar coordinates. See your Extra Class Theory Exam. For example...
- + Suppose that you're at the equator. Then you're 90 degrees out of phase. Lie on your left side. Read the instructions sideways. Your left-hand page is now the top. Scan vertically, from top to bottom and right to left.

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- + If you're visiting Tierra del Fuego, assume a position 180 degrees out of phase. That is, stand on your head. Read the instructions from right to left and bottom to top.
- + If you happen to be in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, you're 270 degrees out of phase. Lie on your right side. Read the instructions sideways. Your right-hand page is now the top. Scan vertically, from bottom to top and left to right. Of course, you already know these details, because you're a day ahead. You read my notes yesterday.

Now, stand at attention, shoulders square, shoes polished, arms at your sides. Cast your gaze forward. Radiate a forthright, sincere expression (or fake it with purpose and conviction). Then, while crossing fingers behind your back, repeat these fully SRO-compliant propositions...

- 1. I resolve to clear a path through the basement.
- 2. Then I'll attempt to locate the ham shack.
- 3. I'll participate in my own, personal foxhunt and seek out my HT.
- 4. I'll dig the doggie bag out of the refrigerator and eat the rest of my Brown's holiday dinner.
- 5. I'll drive straight to the emergency room and get treatment for the green dinner.
- 6. I'll swear off Brown's until the next ham radio party. (Could I just have a side of slaw?)
- 7. Winter: I'll ask Mike Brost WA9FTS for the punch recipe, so that I can avoid anything like it.
- 8. Spring: I promise to locate a superior cleaner. I'll ask Mike Brost for the punch recipe.
- 9. Summer: I pledge to find a better mosquito repellant. I'll ask Mike Brost for the punch recipe.
- 10. Fall: I promise to apply the best lawn tonic. I'll ask Mike Brost for the punch recipe.



### For the months of Jan - Mar

WA9AEK W9BEA WA9EMV WA9EVF N9GF WD9GIX W9JUV W9RA KB9SXA N9TAJ

Ken Stritzel Wally Klinger Sy Laurie Mike Leibovitz August Fiebig Jr January 22nd Wally Panzer Joe Schroeder **Don Moriarty** Jim Baier **Orville Wattles** 

March 10th March 28th March 9th March 14th February 2nd January 13th February 15th March 18th January 4th

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# Foxhunt Report

January 5th, 2007 CFAR 2M Foxhunt

by Mike WA9FTS

Tom N9CBA had a very weak signal but enough for the 4 hunters to hear. Three hunters went north on Rt83 to North Av and west. Paul and I went south to Roosevelt Rd and west. Don W9RA overshot to St. Charles and had to recover. We went past to Rt 59 and back on Geneva Rd and east on High Lake Rd. We parked next to a building at the NW corner of High Lake and Winfield. Tom came on and I got out and ran around a brick structure to find him in his car for the win. We drove off and about 4 min later Charile secured 2nd. Shortly Don recovered from St. Charles for 3rd. It took a while but Greg N9SA finally found Tom to end the hunt. We met at Caliendo's a hundred feet away on the corner. Results:

- 1. Pául N9LXF, Mike WA9FTS
- 2. Charlie KB9DIM
- 3. Don W9RA 4. Greg N9SA

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Report for 2007 - Start 1/1/07	\$1289.82
Receipts Membership Dues Auctions	\$140.80 \$135.00 \$5.80
Disbursements Meeting Refreshments Annual Report Insurance Mike Shy Postage Holiday Party	\$455.41 \$24.39 \$5.00 \$160.00 \$12.30 \$253.72
End 12/31/07	\$975.21

### **CFAR Foxhunt Information**

1st Saturday of each month - start at 8PM
Sears Parking lot in Elmhurst on Rt 83 north of
St. Charles Rd

Fox transmits during the hunt on 147.75 MHz

### Meeting Attendance

December 12th at the Edgebrook Field House

Mike WA9EVF Jean KB9FXL Jim AA9DT Mike WA9FTS Jim K9JQ Don W9RA Steve K9VO Lynne N9CBE Jim WA9EMY Cathy KA9ZWZ
Cal WA9KLF
Fay N9FA
Wally W9BEA
Paul N9LXF
Mary Lou Quinn
Mary Borke
Jean Joseph
Carol Sparacio

### **Happy New Year**

# SRO Dues & CFAR Contributions

Many of the SRO members and CFAR contributors have sent in their checks. If you are not one of them, please send it in. Reminders cost SRO 41¢ each so help save the club by sending in your dues/contributions early.



IF YOU MOVE LET
THE EDITOR KNOW
YOUR NEW MAILING
& EMAIL ADDRESS IT IS YOUR WAY OF
KEEPING MIKE SHY
IN YOUR MAILBOX
EACH MONTH

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# SRO Christmas / Hannukah Party















Edgebrook Field House Dec 12th

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### **SRO Officers**

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Jim Hawes - AA9DT
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### Regular Meeting Place

For the rest of the year SRO will meet at the Salvation Army Norridge Citadel, 8354 W Foster, Norridge IL 60706 in July, September and November second THURSDAY at 8 PM unless other-wise indicated in MIke Shy.

### Standing Committees

Membership - K9JQ
Program - Open
Meeting Refresh. - AA9DT
Foxhunting - WA9FTS
Repeater - K9IQF
Field Day - Open
Education - WA9EVF
Mike Shy - WA9FTS
Picnic - WA9FTS
Dinner/Play - Open for 2008
Christmas / Hanukkah Party WA9EVF

### **SRO Repeaters**

In Out CFAR (107.2) PL 147.75 147.15 TOOFAR 223.26 224.86

#### Repeater Personnel

Trustee - K9JQ
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WA9FPT
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K9IQF & TBD
Lisle Maintenance
WA9AEK

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