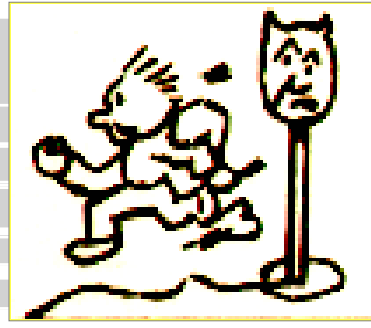




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W. Warren Nugent WB9OUD

Warren WB9OUD passed away in August. He was a long-time supporter of CFAR and active in ham radio for many years. He was one of the original "Motleys" and will always be known as "Good Guy Warren". Most of the time things were "Peachy Keen" even though they were not. Warren always had an upbeat attitude. He also owned a large filter company in the northern suburbs and allowed the facility to be used for Field Day each year. Like Gil who died earlier, Warren will surely be missed by his many friends.



George Smith WB9YUS

George Smith WB9YUS died on July 13, 2005 in Greenville, SC. He has resided for years in Phoenix, AZ. George owned and ran McHenry County Communications, a Motorola two way shop in Crystal lake, IL for many years. Jim WA9FPT worked part time for George many years and got George interested in ham activities some 30 plus years ago. George's novice test was given by the late Gil Kowols W9BUB. George and Jim many years ago put together the Micor transmitter that today is the transmitter for the CFAR repeater. Other than some power supply problems early on, the transmitter has been trouble free for many many years. George provided lots of expertise to the tech committee, was a true friend and will be missed.

Wild Women of the West

September 14th - 8 PM
Edgebrook Field House

Join host Kenny Rogers as the myths, legends and realities of one of our most fabled eras come to life through authentic diaries, period accounts, rare photos and footage and expert commentary in THE REAL WEST.



Belle Star was a robber and a horse thief. Annie Oakley could shoot a cigarette out of your mouth at fifty paces.

Calamity Jane was as tough

as beef jerky on a three-day ride. The wild women of the Old West weren't prissy little frontier fillies. They staked their claim to Western legend with a style all their own. Problem is, history leans to the male gunslingers and Indian fighters. In WILD WOMEN, America's folklore heroines get their just rewards.

**RADIO EXPO
SEPT 17TH & 18TH**

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SRO/CFAR Questionnaire Results

We received 11 responses. We will cover the results by each question.

1) Would you be willing to receive Mike Shy in electronic e-mail form? Yes-9 No-2

We will be sending electronic versions to those who want it. I will mean getting it sooner and in color.

2) Should SRO and CFAR be combined (probably same total dues)? Yes-7 No-4

There is not a huge majority to change so this will stay the same.

3) Should SRO meeting time be changed? 8:00-4 ?-3 7:30-3 NC-1

There is no huge desire to change the time. This will stay at 8:00PM.

4) Would you be willing to serve as a club officer? Yes-2 No-7 NC-2

This is an indication of the trouble we have to get people to serve.

5) Do you have any suggestions for club programs? Yes-3 No-8

All we need is a few good ideas and we got some. Scope clinic, Collins Radio equip and history, Explanation of the repeaters

6) Would you be willing to put on a club program? Yes-2 No-7 Perhaps-1 NC-1

Not much positive response but we only need a few.

7) Would you be willing to help with the operation of the club repeater? Yes-4 No-6 NC-1

We got better results with this one but the person must be available.

8) Should the weekly info net on CFAR be reinstated? Yes-6 No-1 ?-1 NC-3

The CFAR net will be started on the Thursday before the 2nd Wed meeting. This will start in Oct.

9) Do you belong to any other radio clubs? Yes-8 No-3
Most club members are involved with several clubs- NIDXA, CFMC, McHenry WA, Metro ARC, NSRC, YLRL, Ten-Ten, MAC, SARA, QCWA & OOTC

10) What is your main interest in Amateur Radio? DX, CW, Boatanchor equip, VHF, UHF, Low bands, RV Clubs, 2M, 2M nets, HFCW, FM, Emergency ops, ATV,

11) Are you an ARRL member? Yes-9 No-2

SRO Non-Meeting Non-Notes for August 10, 2005

By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

AUGUST MEETING. Nope, we didn't have one. And that's good, because we didn't see you there. But we'll look for you this month as we reconvene after summer break.

TREASURER'S REPORT. According to Mike Brost WA9FTS, the club balance as of August 31 is \$1,117.56. Your dues contributed \$544.00 of this sum. This year, we've spent \$290.41. Our largest expense so far is Mike Shy, which cost \$142.87. This report reflects totals that Mike reported at the August 31 SRO board meeting.

QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS. What did you do on your summer vacation? During the summer, your SRO board met twice. In the June meeting, we designed the questionnaire that you saw in the last Mike Shy. In August, we discussed your questionnaire responses. By the way, both SRO and CFAR members received the questionnaire.

As I read the results, here are my impressions. First off, most of you folks are ARRL members. Your interests vary widely, but most belong to other clubs. A clear majority seems to approve of these options...

- + Email distribution of Mike Shy
- + Combining SRO and CFAR
- + Reinstating the repeater

MIKE SHY ON THE WEB. Concerning email distribution, please consider this option that wasn't on the questionnaire: A club website. I'm testing a club page. See... <http://www.hawestv.com/SROslideshow/SROslides.htm>. The website option offers several advantages... You wouldn't need to wait for your monthly distribution. You could check or print the site anytime. We could also post bulletins between Mike Shy issues. If you change your mailing address, you never miss an issue of Mike Shy. You can read Mike Shy off the web, or print it out. You don't need to worry about email viruses.

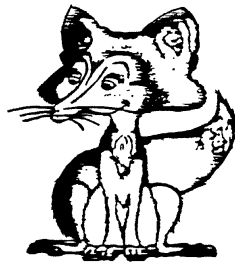
Now onto what you don't approve of. Here's my unofficial summary of the responses...

- + Most don't want to serve as a club officer.
- + Most have no program suggestions.
- + Most are unwilling to put on a program.
- + The majority decline to help with the repeater. (Yet a few volunteer.)

THE NEXT STEP. At coming meetings, we plan to discuss the questionnaire. Your support determines just how many questionnaire options become club goals. The club can only do what its members do. Our staff is small, and most of us have served for many years. We plan the meetings and host most of them. We also publish Mike Shy, maintain the repeater, manage the treasury and prepare your refreshments. Obviously adding new services is difficult for us. The next step is member participation. With your efforts, the questionnaire helps us to chart a future for our club. Without your efforts, the questionnaire is paper, and the club is a memory.

Foxhunt Report

August 2005



Mike Shy

Treasurer's Report



by Mike WA9FTS

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Tom N9CBA found a clever spot to hid with the help of Don K9VGJ. Tom hid on the west side of Sunset Park in Addison. He used a coaxial dipole mostly vertical clamped to the soundproofing wall along I-355. The tip of the antenna was about 20 ft high and he was running 20 w.

Tony AA9CC was the first one in the park but walked right past Tom and left to investigate the other side. Tom was hard to see behind a shrub and concealed in a camouflaged sack.

Next was Paul N9LXF and Mike WA9FTS. They had investigated two other parks in the area but the third was the charm. Paul and Mike headed to the west side and walked along the wall. Paul leaned on something and said, "What's that?" It was Tom and good for the win. They went to Fudruckers but the hunt continued too long and it closed. The other three hunters finally gave up on the west side of I-355 and came in to the park to score and end the hunt. Tom picked a local Burger King for the munch. Don W9RA joined the group. Results:

1. Mike WA9FTS, Paul N9LXF 8:50PM
2. Charlie KB9DIM, Alexis 9:25PM
3. Tony AA9CC
4. Greg N9SA

September 2005

by Mike WA9FTS

Paul N9LXF and Mike WA9FTS hid in a spot that gave them fits years ago - first in the area but last to finish. There is a little-known cemetery on the SE corner of the exit to Arlington Hts Rd and I-90. Access is just south of the cloverleaf to the east and ends inside the cemetery. Paul and I parked at the end of the road and waited for the hunters to find us. Tom N9CBA hunted brilliantly and found us in about 22 min. Greg N9SA was next about 14 min later and Charlie KB9DIM finished 8 min later. Chuck KA9KZO parked in Arlington Hts Rd with his emergency flashers on and waked in to end the hunt. We met a Blackies in Algonquin Rd east of Arlington Hts Rd. Don W9RA, Larry KA9KDC and Carol joined us. Results:

1. Tom N9CBA 8:26PM
2. Greg N9SA 8:40PM
3. Charlie KB9DIM, Alexis 8:58PM
4. Chuck KA9KZO 9:11PM

The CFAR 2m foxhunt is held every 1st Saturday at the shopping center at the corner of Mannheim and Grand. The hunt starts shortly after 8:00 PM

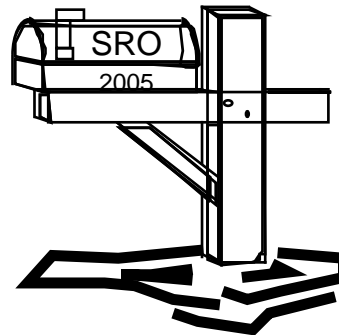
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Starting Balance - Jan 1st, 2005	\$862.15
Income	\$544.00
Auction	\$4.00
Membership Dues	\$525.00
CFAR Contributions	\$15.00
Expenses	\$325.47
Annual Report	\$5.00
Mike Shy Postage	\$103.84
Mike Shy Printing	\$110.91
Meeting Refreshments	\$17.97
Memorial - W9BUB	\$87.75
Balance as of Sept 14th, 2005	\$1080.68

Birthdays



N9FA	C Fay Jacobson	Sep 3rd
WA9FTS	Mike Brost	Oct 1st
K9VO	Steve Bosnyak Jr	Oct 30th



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Meeting Attendance

There were no meetings in July and August

SRO Officers

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Jim Hawes - AA9DT
Treasurer
Mike Brost - WA9FTS

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Regular Meeting Place

SRO meets at the Edgebrook Field House at 6100 N. Central Ave. Chicago IL 60646 on the second Wednesday of each month at 8 PM **unless otherwise 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 2005
Christmas/Chanukkah Party - WA9EVF

SRO Repeaters

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

Repeater Personnel

Trustee - TBD
CFAR Chairman - TBD
CFAR Treasurer - WA9FTS
Site Maintenance
K9IQF, W9RA & W9BEA
Control Operators
K9IQF, TBD
NW Maintenance
WA9FPT & WB9YUS
Northeast Maintenance
K9IQF & TBD
Lisle Maintenance
WA9AEK

W9EJ Exp Date May 2008

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