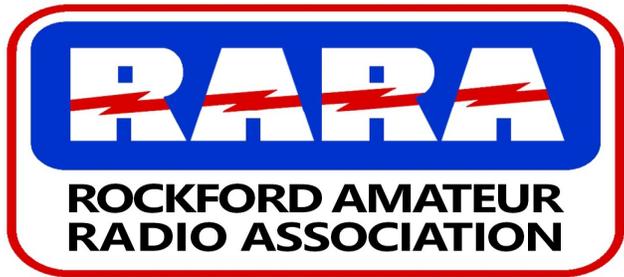


HAMRAG

Visit our website for more club and area ham information at <http://w9axd.org>, or join us on Facebook at this [LINK](#)



RARA Mission Statement

A member association with common interest of public service to the community through the use of amateur radio.

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Happy Holidays to Everyone!

We will have a ON AIR Presentation Friday during our RARA business meeting. RTL-SDR DONGLE by Kerry (KD9MAP) from the Article from 07.20 Ham Rag. He will explain the ins & outs of this protocol. I sent out a copy of the article in an email to club members.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Next Board Meeting (Zoom) Tuesday, December 17, 2020 – 7:30 pm (3rd Tue month)
- Next Club Meeting (On-air) Friday, January 8, 2021 – 7pm (2nd Fri month)

Stay safe thru the Holiday Season, next year will be better.

73
Larry AC9GO
RARA president

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**Friday
December 11
7:00 PM**

Live

On AIR

**146.610
Repeater
Or
147.195**



2021 Election of Officers and board For The Rockford Amateur Radio Association

The following members of RARA have been selected and nominated as candidates for the board and officer positions for the year 2021. The group was selected as candidates from the November on air meeting of the club and some adjustments were made for those that were put in nomination that did not want to serve in that capacity next year

Submitted by Larry Schubert President and Jimmy Curtis, Director/ Nomination Committee Chairman.

Position	Name	Call
President	Larry Schubert	AC9GO
Vice President	Dan Hallstrom	KB9LOJ
Secretary	Jeffery Metters	KD9MEC
Treasure	James Curtis	KC9GOL
Director	Bill Callow	KC9OJP
Director	Mark Broman	N9CNW
Director	Lawrence Lisle	K9KZT
Director	Gordon Seaman	KC9NEX

The thing that we need from the membership is a vote of yes or no to make these candidates your officers and board members for the year 2021. Just email me with a, yes RARA, or, no RARA, in your subject line so that we know how you are voting. Send the email to larry.schubert@gmail.com. Nothing else is required. When we have a total of half the membership or half of all have voted by December 15, 2020 at 5pm, I will declare the winners. We are voting for all of the candidates as a group with yes meaning they are voted into office or no they are not selected. If you have any questions just ask. I will be on the air for both the health and welfare nets (Tuesday and Thursday 7PM on the 147.195) or the club meeting (hopefully on the 146.610 at 7pm Friday night) or you can call my cell at 815 505 4937 or email me at larry.schubert@gmail.com).

Please respond asap,

Thank you,

Larry Schubert RARA president

AMATEUR RADIO EXAM NOTICE

Contact Brandon for more information as to the Freeport IL testing times and location.

Brandon J McGrew bmacmagoo@hotmail.com There is also testing available in Janesville.

Contact wi9fry@gmail.com For mote info.

2020 RARA Officers and Board

Officers:

President - Larry Schubert, AC9GO, 815-624-7772, larry.schubert@gmail.com
Vice President - Dan Hallstrom, KB9LOJ, 815-229-7526, hallstrom@gmx.com
Secretary - Jennifer Van Zieleghe, KD9FMJ, 815-222-4221, jenvan1964@gmail.com
Treasurer - Gordon Seaman, KC9NEX, 815-262-0294, kc9nex@gmail.com
Repeater Chairman - Kurt Eversole, KE9N, 815-389-2784, kurt.eversole@gmail.com

Directors: Bill Callow, 815-298-1923, KC9OJP, bill5002@comcast.net

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Repeater License Trustee - Gordon Seaman, KC9NEX, 815-262-0294, kc9nex@gmail.com

Local Events and Information

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 11, 2020 - On Live Radio 7pm - 146.610 or 147.195

Weekly Monday Night Net 7 pm

Weekly—Tuesday Night Net - Thursday Night Net (see info below)

Area Nets

Monday Night RARA Information Net - The purpose of the net is to disseminate RARA related information as well as other Amateur Radio related information. As a club sponsored activity, please check in with Jimmy, KC9GCR, (net control). **146.610 - offset (pl 114.8)** RARA repeater at 8:00 pm, every Monday, except on holidays.

Friday Night Fun Net - Every Friday night at 8:00 pm on the **146.610 - offset (pl 114.8)** RARA repeater with Jimmy, KC9GCR, as net control.

Tuesday Night Health Net—**146.610** hosted by Bill KC9OJP, 7 pm

Thursday Night Health Net— **147.195** hosted by Larry AC9GO, 7 pm

RARA Membership Form

If you would like to join the Rockford Amateur Radio Association, please fill out the form below and mail it (with the membership fee payment) to the address shown at the bottom of the form. If you would like to join at our next meeting (see cover for meeting details), fill out the form and bring the form with your payment to the meeting and see our treasurer. **Thank you for your support!**



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

website: w9axd.org

Membership Type: New (New memberships after July 1st are 1/2 price) Renewal

Annual Fees: \$20 - Student (up to age 24)

\$35 - Adult (25-61 years old) \$25 - Senior (Starts the year you will turn 62)

Above rate includes the
RARA monthly newsletter, HamRag (website download)
HamRag via USPS: \$12 extra

Name: _____

Call Sign: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Work #: _____

Cell #: _____ Ext: _____

Radio Interests: _____

May we make your phone and e-mail available for other RARA members only? Yes No

Comments: _____

RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO:
ROCKFORD AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 8465
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS 61126

All membership applications to become either a new member or to be reinstated as a member of RARA must be approved by the RARA board.

Approved: _____ Membership Year ____/____/____ to ____/____/____