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The monthly newsletter of the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association of Marquette, Michigan. Comments and suggestions can be sent to the club at P.O. Box1183, Marquette, Mi 49855 or to the editor at ki8af@arrl.net Club info, membership, dues, etc can be found on our website at www.qsl.net/k8lod

MONTHLY MEETING: Marquette County Health Department Bldg., Lower Level, Negaunee Township.

Date: February 3, 2011

Time: 7:30 PM

CLUB OFFICERS, 2011

Pres. Lou Gembolis KG8NK VP: Lane Dawson WD8PAJ Sec. Mike Beltz KD8JIR Tres. Fred Mouser KD8JIP Board Members: Past Pres. Paul Racine KB0P EC Rich Schwenke N8GBA Eric Pellinen N8TEV

STANDING WAVE

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REPEATERS

KG8YT, 147.270 / .870 with 100 Hz PL-Tone Marquette K8LOD, 146.910 / .310 Ishp. N8RRZ, 146.640 / .040 Gwinn with 100 Hz PL-tone K8LOD-3.144.390 APRS Digi Mqt

WHAT'S NEXT FOR US

Swap'n'Shop 2/5/2011

UP200/MNR Sled Dog Races 2/18-20/11

Swap and Shop

Don't forget our annual Swap and Shop scheduled for Saturday, February 5, 2011 at the Negaunee Township Hall. Preliminary setup will be Friday evening at 6:00pm. Saturday the doors will open at 7:00am for vendors to setup. Main doors to the floor will open at **9:00am with NO ADVANCED SALES.** There are plenty of door prizes (need to be present to win) as well as the raffle prizes. Admission is still only \$4.00.



If you need a table there might be a couple still available. Hurry! Contact John at jsveiht@mqtpublicservicegarage.com

V.E. TESTING:

- 03/12 Marquette: 8:30am eastern time, (arrive by 8:00am) Marquette County Health Dept. Bldg, U.S. 41 just east of the Michigan State Police Post. Contact Rich Schwenke, N8GBA at 906 249-3837or e-mail: n8gba@chartermi.net
- 04/09 Houghton: 8:30am eastern time, V.E. Exams at Michigan Tech. University in Houghton, MI will be held in the ballroom of DHH (Douglass Houghton Hall at Michigan Tech). Free Parking in Lot #14, front of DHH, across from Wadsworth Residence Hall. Use door #9 on the South-East side of DHH. Contact Glenn Ekdahl, WA8QNF at (906) 482-7743 if you have questions
- 02/05 *Iron Mountain*: 9:00am central time, (arrive by 8:30am) Dickinson County Library (conference room), contact Mark J. Lewis N8UKD (906) 776-1553, 412 Fairmount St. Kingsford, Mi 49802
- 04/09 *Gladstone*: Delta County Amateur Radio Society Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins welcome) Contact: Howard St. John (906) 428-9476Email: hsipsource.html VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: Gladstone City Hall Main Meeting Room 1100 Delta Ave. Gladstone, MI 49837

Please arrive one-half hour early for test sessions to give time to process applications. Testing applicants should bring the following items with them: Two pieces of I.D. one being a photo I.D., Original license and one clear copy of their license if applicable, Completed form 605 (one will be provided if you don't have one), pencils, calculator and the test fee of \$15.00. Please have the correct fee as examiners do not carry change. *Please contact the individual(s) listed to confirm date(s), location(s), etc.*

Birthday Wishes

The "Birthday Wishes" column is now back by request. If you notice an error or your birthday is missed please advise the editor. Birthday Wishes for the month of February go to: Bill KC8EWD, Sheree KD8EDS, Greg KI8AF, Elizabeth KC8BLB, Ryan N8RY, James KC8VJZ, Don AA8FZ, Carl KD8MAE and Raoul W8RDR.

U.P. 200 and MNR Sled Dog Races

Yes it is that time of year again and approaching faster than one might expect.

The big weekend is February 18, 19 and 20th. Help is still needed.



Contact Lou KG8NK and Volunteer. He can be reached at 485-5442 or lgembolis@chartermi.net

This is a fun event, do your part and help out. *See you on the trail!*



HIAWATHA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION JANUARY 2011 MINUTES

All Officers were present – President, Lou Gembolis KG8NK, Vice-Pres. Lane Dawson WD8PAJ, Secretary Mike Beltz KD8JIR, and Treasurer Fred Mouser KD8JIP

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Lou Gembolis KG8NK. A motion to approve the agenda by Rich N8GBA and seconded by Ralph KD8JIP. All approved

Secretary's Report – There was no meeting minutes for December because of the Christmas party. Mike KD8JIR submitted a list of the drawing winners from the party. Congratulations to those who won.

Treasurer's Report – Fred Mouser KD8JIP handed out the accounting for H.A.R.A. The last sheet showed the itemized expenses for the last quarter as well as our income.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Norm W8NWD and seconded by Greg KI8AF. Motion passed.

Correspondence – We received a Christmas card from Gary French NJ8H and a QSO card from Tim Edwards W7INO. He was confirming CW contact with K8LOD (HARA Club) on 12/19/10, (Sunday) at 1827 UTC on the 14.052 MHz. There was no club function going on, so if you made contact with him – let us know so we can send him a card.

Committee Reports –

Repeaters/Tech. - Rich Schwenke N8GBA gave a brief report. City and NMU came to an agreement on the light bill and internet access.

Ares/Races - Rich Schwenke N8GBA stated the setup is coming along.

PR – We need to get the word out on the Swap & Shop. Posters and radio announcements need to be put out.

Old Business -

Dog Sled Race - We need volunteers to man the stations. The race is Feb. 19, 20 and 21. It's a long weekend. **Raffle Tickets** - Rich Schwenke N8GBA has them. We need to sell, sell, and sell. This is our fund raising event of the year.

Swap & Shop – This event is Saturday Feb. 5 at 9am. Rich Schwenke N8GBA reported the club needs help for set up at 7am and take down immediately after. Don't leave it for someone else. A little help from everyone makes short work for all involved. The club has some used equipment that will only be available at the Swap & Shop. Get it there or not at all.

Christmas Party Wrap-up –Lane Dawson WD8PAJ thanked everyone who attended. Everyone appears to have had a good meal and a wonderful time.

Banner – The new banners are here. Thanks to Jon Rylander from Lake Villa, Ill. for all his work. They really should stand out nicely at our upcoming events.

New Business -

Ski Race – January 29, Rich Schwenke N8GBA stated a need a few more volunteers. (January 28 at 4:30pm is the dinner at the dome.)

'General Class' Classes – started January 17 and run every Monday and Thursday at 6:30pm Rich Schwenke N8GBA stated the cost of the class is \$20 and \$20 for the book.

End of Meeting – Motion to conclude the meeting by Norm W8NWD and seconded by Pete KC8YTX Motion approved.

Post Meeting Program – Justin Titus from the NOAA weather station gave about a 45 minute power point presentation on Winter Weather.

PR.....Happenings

Our PR committee needs input from each of us if we expect them to do their part in getting the word out about our organization and amateur radio. Please contact a committee member well in advance of a happening. PR committee members are: Lee KD8BJC leerowe@charter.net or 346-9278, Lane WD8PAJ laned@chartermi.net or 486-8697.

Looking Back!

Here are a few photos from the 2010 Nokie. If you are out there on the course this year make sure to snap a few photos and get them to me alone with a recap of how the race went from your perspective.







Here are a couple from the 2010 Sled Dog Races





Volunteering your time Counts!

Each month many members volunteer their time for club activities some of which might include repeater maintenance, ARES, EOC operations, Life Tracker, newsletter, PR, club business, etc. All these volunteered hours and mileage can be credited to HARA and amateur radio but only if you report them. AEC Dave Thomas KD8DRF reports these numbers monthly. So at the end of each month please contact Dave with services rendered, hours and mileage. Contact Dave at dlthomas@chartermi.net

HARA membership? New member or need to renew your membership? Dues can be mailed to the: Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association, P.O. Box 1183, Marquette, MI 49855. Dues annual rate structure: Single \$15.00, Family \$20.00, Associate \$10.00, Family associate \$15.00, Student \$7.50. More information and an application form is available at http://www.qsl.net/k8lod/membership.html

And that's a wrap for another month. Please if you have an article or something which you may think will be of interest to the club membership get it to me. Also if you have any comments or suggestions please get a hold of me. 73 until next month, Greg KI8AF@arrl.net



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