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The Standing Wave

The monthly newsletter of the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association of Marquette, Michigan. Comments and suggestions can be sent to the club at P.O. Box 1183, 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: August 2, 2012
Time: Picnic, see page 3

CLUB OFFICERS, 2011
Pres. Lou Gembolis KG8NK
VP: Paul Racine KB0P
Sec. Mike Beltz KD8JIR
Tres. Peter Kotila KC8YTX
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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:
Heads up: October meeting program will be Winter Skywarn

Don't forget the club picnic. See you there, August 2nd at the Ishpeming Township Hall. Please contact Lou KG8NK and let him know you'll be attending. Don't forget your table settings and a dish to pass.

V.E. TESTING:

- 09/08 **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. You MUST preregister at least by the Tuesday evening preceding the Saturday test date. Contact Rich N8GBA at 249-3837, n8gba@att.net or Greg KI8AF 225-1594, ki8af@arrl.net.
- 10/13 **Hancock:** 9:00am eastern time, ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, 400 INGOT STREET, HANCOCK, MI
Ingot street is located across from the Quincy hill lookout, just north of Hancock...
Contact: Glenn Ekdahl, WA8QNF at (906) 482-7743 if you have questions
- 08/04 **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
- 10/13 **Gladstone:** Delta County Amateur Radio Society Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins welcome) Contact: Dave Palmgren - N8DP, n8dp@dcars.org, (906) 428-2271 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 August go to: Don KC8PYD, Bob N8PKN, Bruce WB8NJP, Lane WD8PAJ, Hank KD8CGJ, Adam KD8IAX, Rich KD8IZL, Brandon KD8NCY, Jordon KC8RSW and Karen KC8UXJ.



AUGUST 2ND - -SET-UP 5:30 P.M. STARTING TIME 6:00 P.M.
ISHPEMING TOWNSHIP HALL - US-41 WEST ISHPEMING (same
location as last year). HARA will provide hot dogs, buns, chips, mustard,
ketchup and pop. Bring a dish to pass if you want.

We will also need several gas grills!!

PLEASE LET LOU, KG8NK, KNOW IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON
ATTENDING OR IF YOU CAN POSSIBLY BRING A GAS GRILL.

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HIAWATHA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

June 07 2012 MINUTES

Officers present were – President, Lou Gembolis KG8NK, Vice-Pres. Paul Racine KB0P (arrived late), Secretary Mike Beltz KD8JIR, and Treasurer Peter Kotila KC8YTX.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Lou Gembolis KG8NK. There were several additions to the addenda and a motion to approve the agenda was made by Rich N8GBA and seconded by. The motion was approved.

Introductions and Attendance – The Club had 18 members and 1 guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Mike KD8JIR was not at the May's meeting and the minutes of the April and May meetings were published in the Standing Wave and asked if there were any changes. There were no changes and a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as published was made by Bill KC8EWD and seconded by Dave KD8DRF. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Peter KC8YTX handed out the treasures report for May and reviewed the income and expenses. Dues are still trickling in. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Norm W8NWD and seconded by Fred KD8JIP. The motion passed.

Correspondence – Received the Tax 501C3 for renewal and a card for Pete Trembl K8PT.

Committee Reports –

Repeaters/Tech. – Paul KB0P – Escanaba did a test on their repeater and tried to connect to our repeater, but it was unsuccessful. Also a possibility of linking to the Manistique repeater. This will be a club discussion on linking. Rich N8GBA stated that NMU is looking at buying the repeater site from the State. If NMU doesn't buy the tower, the State will knock down the tower and we lose a repeater.

Ares/Races - Rich N8GBA. There will be an exercise on June 9th at Sawyer Service Center. Rich also reminded those they would need their ID to get in. Lou KG8NK also added that there was a UP drill and it went well..13 of the 15 counties check in on 80 meters.

PR – nothing to report

Old Business –

Testing – Saturday.- we have 4 testing and 4 V.E's

New Business –

Ford Model A convention – Paul KB0P – signup sheet is going around and explained what the club will be doing to help out.

Marquette Trail Run – August 18. The trail run is north of Marquette, a 50k and a 50 mile. Only 4 check points and the youngsters of the club will be handling them.

Ore to Shore – August 11th.

Club Picnic – Thursday August 2nd (The meeting day).

4th of July parade – Marquette parade.. Contact Dave T. KD8DRF to help out.

Sunday nite net – Rich N8GBA stated Jim is leaving and we need to take over the net. No reason several people can't work it together.

Triathlon – July 21 at 9am in Ishpeming.

50/50 drawing – Congratulations to new member Karl Malashanko

End of Meeting – Motion to conclude the meeting at 8:15 by Dave KD8DRF and seconded by Bill KD8DRF. The motion was approved. The next meeting is here on July 7, 2012. @ 7:30pm.

Post Meeting Program – Paul Racine KB0P brought in several to his testing equipment he uses on repeaters and showed how they are used.

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July 05 2012 MINUTES

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Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Lou Gembolis KG8NK. There were several additions to the addenda and a motion to approve the agenda was made by Rich N8GBA and seconded by Norm W8NWD. The motion was approved.

Introductions and Attendance – The Club had 19 members and no guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Mike KD8JIR handed out June's minutes and asked if there were any changes. There were 2 changes (edits) and a motion to accept the Secretary's Report was made by Lucille KD8PTE and seconded by Bill KC8EWD. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Peter KC8YTX handed out the treasures report for June and reviewed the income and expenses. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Norm W8NWD and seconded by Lee KD8BJC. The motion passed.

Correspondence – none.

Committee Reports –

Repeaters/Tech. – Rich N8GBA stated the .270 tower site no longer belongs to the DNR but to NMU. We have an agreement to have space in the building and to be able to use the tower. Also Alger County Amateur Radio Club is broke and they have requested a donation of \$400 in order to keep their repeater on the air. After considerable discussion, Lee KD8BJC made a motion to donate the \$400 but with several conditions the Alger County Club will be required to accept. The motion was seconded by Fred KD8JIP. The motion was approved.

Ares/Races - Rich N8GBA. There was nothing new but the exercise. Greg KI8AF and Lou KG8NK gave a review of the emergency drill on the 16th of June.

PR – nothing to report

Old Business –

Ford Car coverage – The events went well.

Training drill Wrap-up – The events went well. Already talked about it under ARES/RACES.

New Business –

Sunday night 'NET' – Need volunteers and need to set up a schedule.

Marquette Trail Run – August 18 set up at 6am. Lou has a map on the back of the agenda. Only 4 check points and the youngsters of the club will be handling them.

Ore to Shore – August 11th. Rich N8GBA has a sign up sheet.

Club Picnic – Thursday August 2nd (The meeting day). At the Ishpeming Twp. Hall. Bring a dish to pass. RSVP to Lou Gembolis KG8NK

YMCA Triathlon – July 21 at 9am in Ishpeming.

Club Dues – After discussion it was decided to have the treasurer review the income/expense to show whether or not we need to raise our dues.

50/50 drawing – Congratulations (again) to new member Karl Malashanko AC8MB

End of Meeting – Motion to Norm W8NWD conclude the meeting at 8:20 by and seconded by Andrew KD8SCC. The motion was approved. The next meeting is on August 02, 2012. @ Ishpeming Twp. Hall. (Our Picnic)

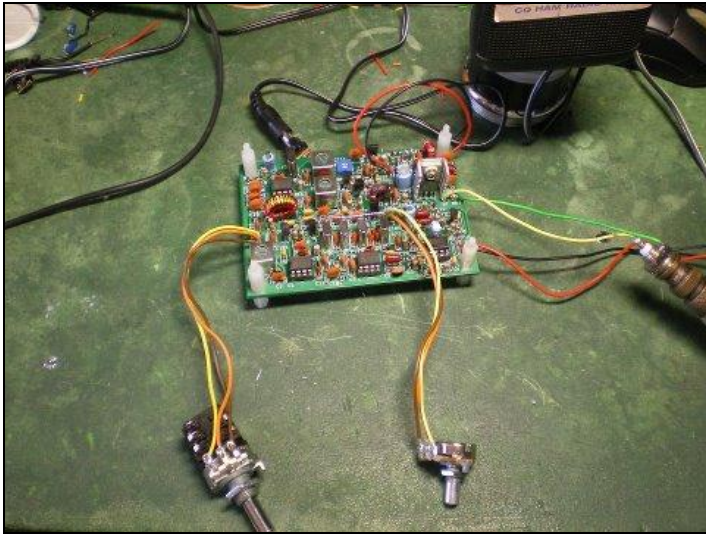
Post Meeting Program – Greg KI8AF had a presentation on digital modes.



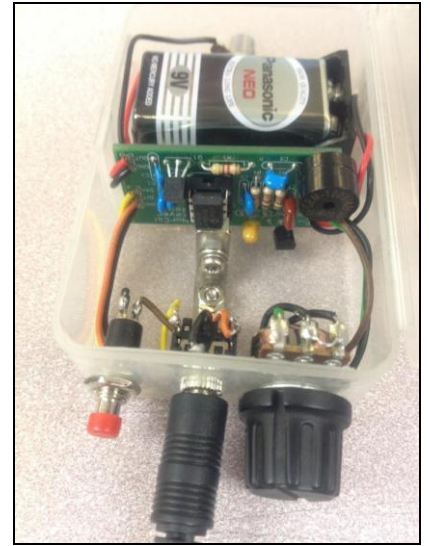
Rod KB8DNS is never without his trusty cell phone camera. He captured some photos of the recent hail storm that passed through his area. Did those quarters fall from the sky?



QRP Project from my friends at CTARL



Left photo: A SWL QRP 40 meter transceiver.



Right photo: a Norcal CW keyer.

And Finally



Oh no, my favorite Taiwan beer "New Taiwan Beer" has now become a fruit drink of your choice, pineapple or mango. Below are some of my friends from Taiwan operating from their club station.





Pineapple hats? Yes. It has been so hot in Taiwan that the pineapples need to wear hats to keep them from burning. And you thought we had it bad.

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 member is: Lane WD8PAJ laned@chartermi.net or 486-8697.

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. Comments and suggestions are always welcome. 73 until next month, Greg KI8AF@arrl.net



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Remember, don't forget the club picnic.