



Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association of Marquette County
"ARRL Affiliated Since June 7, 1933"

THE STANDING WAVE

February 2017

2017

HARA Swap and Shop



**February
4th**

**Club's Only
Fundraiser!**

Volunteer Opportunities:
UP 200 Dog Sled Race -
February 17-19. Contact Paul
at Pwracine@gmail.com

MONTHLY MEETING: MQT
County Health Dept. Bldg.,
Lower Level, Negaunee Twp.
Date: Feb. 2 / Mar. 2, 2017
Time: 7:00 PM

CLUB OFFICERS, 2017

Pres. Lou Gembolis, KG8NK
VP. Jack Nelson, N8JRN
Sec. Michael Beltz, KD8JIR
Treas. Lucille Scotti, KD8PTE
Board Members:
Greg Hanson, KI8AF
Lee Rowe, KD8BJC
Fred Mouser, KD8JIP

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HARA membership? New member or need to renew your membership? Dues can be mailed to the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association, PO BX 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>



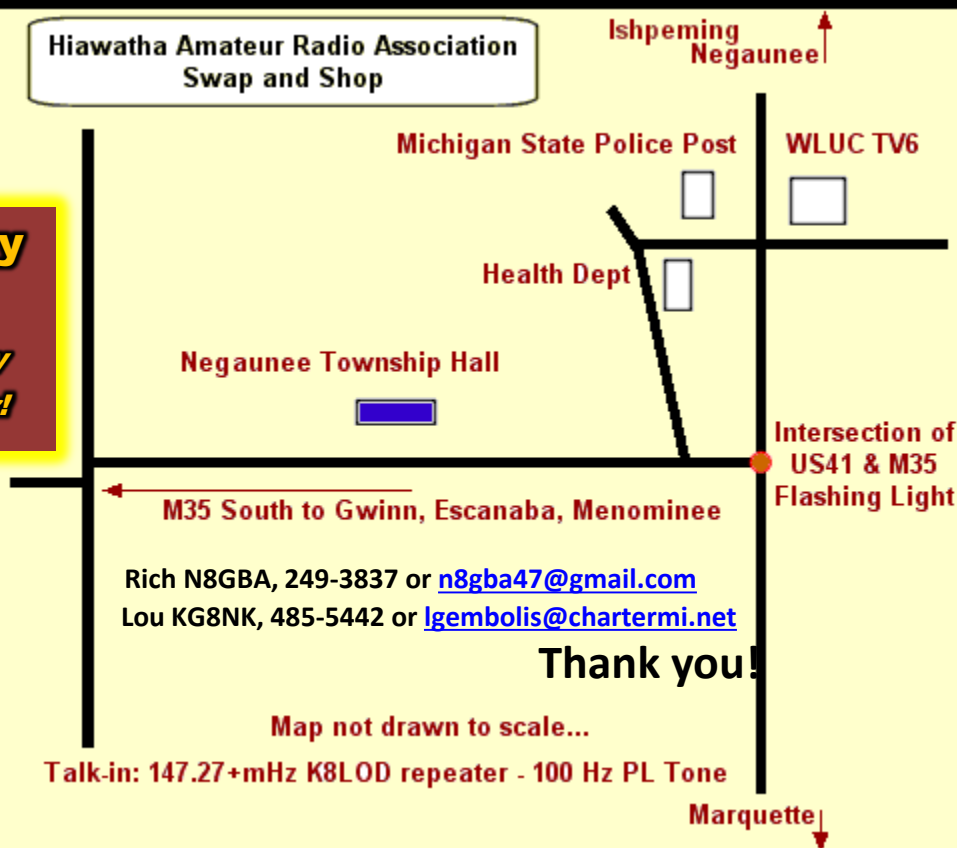
VE Test Session March 11th

Marquette: 8:30 A.M. EST, (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@arri.net.

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A quick reminder to let you know that Rich N8GBA and Lou KG8NK have raffle tickets available for our Swap and Shop scheduled for February 4th, 2017. Please contact one of them and purchase a few and also pick up a packet or to too sell.

The monthly newsletter of the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association of Marquette, MI. Comments and suggestions can be sent to the club at P.O. BX 1183, Marquette, MI 49855 Or to the Editor at jimsalzwedel@yahoo.com Club info, membership, dues etc. can be found on our Website at www.qsl.net/k8lod. Annual membership dues can be sent to club address.

REPEATERS:

K8LOD, 147.27 / .87 - 100 Hz PL - Marquette

IRLP (node number 8461) and Echolink (node number 420942/K8LOD-R)

KC8BAN, 147.195 / .795 - 100 Hz PL - Grand Marais

KE8IL, 146.97 / .37 - 100 Hz PL - Marquette ([How To Echolink](#))

K8LOD, 146.91 / .31 - Ishpeming

K8LOD, 146.82 / .22 - 100 Hz PL - Ely Township

K8LOD, 146.64 / .04 - 100 Hz PL - Gwinn

KC8BAN, 145.410 / 144.81 - 100 Hz PL - Wetmore

KE8IL, 444.80 / 449.80 - Marquette

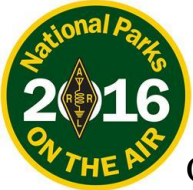
KBØP, 443.50 / 448.50 - 100 Hz PL - 100W - Ishpeming

K8LOD, 443.45 / 448.45 - 100 Hz PL - Marquette

K8LOD-3, 144.39 - APRS Digi Marquette

The linked system consists of (west to east) 146.820, 147.270, 443.450, 146.640, 145.410, and 147.195 repeaters.

If you have an article or something which you may Think will be of interest to the club membership please get it to me. Comments and suggestions are always welcome.



Look Who's Talking

Okay, I borrowed this title from a popular 1989 movie of the same name starring John Travolta and Kirstie Alley, but it fits nicely into today's topic. I have written previously regarding Ham Radio operating events. Today, I would like to take that topic a bit further. I classify operating events into 3 categories:

1. Short duration events that celebrate a specific theme. My prior article on Skywarn Recognition Day would fit this category.
2. Events that last a few days, or weeks. A DX-pedition to an exotic locale would be an example.
3. An event of long duration spanning several weeks or months.

It is this third category that I would like to address. Recently, we have had two of these long-term operating events: 1) The 2015 centennial of the founding of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) and 2) the just-concluded 2016 100-year anniversary of our National Park Service. This last operating event itself was fittingly called National Parks on the Air (NPOTA). If you missed either of these, you missed a fun time.

So why am I telling you about events that are no longer active? The answer is to encourage you NOT to miss anymore! As I've mentioned previously, the beauty of Ham Radio is that you can put as much, or as little, effort into operating as fits your interest and lifestyle. Obviously, we (the collective WE) would like all Hams to participate in all events.

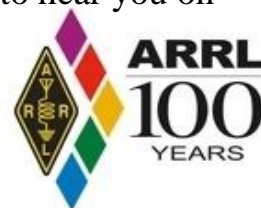
With work and/or family obligations, that is usually not possible. What is possible is taking a few minutes, or hours, to participate in some events. And how does one learn which operating events are occurring at what times? I'm glad you asked!

If you are an ARRL member, you should receive – either electronically or hard copy – your monthly copy of QST. There is a page, entitled Contest Corral, that lists upcoming operating events for the month and the websites that contain their instructions. You can also subscribe to a weekly email – usually delivered to your electronic mailbox on Thursday or Friday – that contains a condensed version for the upcoming week. Another popular Ham periodical is CQ. The folks at CQ sponsor their own series of operating events during the year. For more information on both of these fine organizations, please see their websites:

www.arrl.org and www.cq-amateur-radio.com

And one final plug for a local operating event, some HARA members gather on 10-meter SSB (28.400) on Friday nights at 7:00 pm local time. We are a friendly and informal bunch that discusses just about any topic. Whichever form it takes, I hope to hear you on the airwaves!

73 de Jim, N8NAV



HIAWATHA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

January 05, 2017 - *Club Minutes*

Officers present were: President: Lou Gembolis KG8NK, Vice-President: Rich Schwenke, and Secretary: Mike Beltz KD8JIR, Treasurer: Lucille Scotti KD8PTE was excused.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Lou KG8NK. A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Rich N8GBA and supported by Bill KC8EWD. The motion was approved.

President's Report: Lou KG8NK welcomed everyone.

Introduction and Attendance: The Club had 12 members and 2 guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of November's meeting was published in the Standing Wave. There was no meeting in December. We had our annual Christmas party. There were no changes were made for November's minutes. Ralph W8HXG made a motion to approve the minutes. Don N8HDT supported the motion and it was approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Lucille KD8PTE was not feeling well but sent the report for November and December. A motion to accept the report was made by Pete KC8YTX and seconded by Don N8HDT. The motion was approved.

Correspondence: We received a notice of new owners for our storage unit. The new owners will not increase the cost but they plan on revising the billing practices.

Committee Reports:

A. Repeaters/Tech – Paul KB0P stated UPARA (Upper Peninsula Repeater Association) \$5 dues are due. Also packet radio is off the air.

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January 05, 2017 - *Club Minutes-Continued*

B. Ares/Races – Lou KG8NK stated nothing has been going on. The 80 meter has been terrible.

C: PR - None

Old Business:

A: Christmas Party - Lou KG8NK reported 36 people were at the party. Bill Dowe KC8EWD and Ralph Watters W8HXG were Co-Ham of the year.

B: .82 Repeater Issue – The new antenna is not plugged in yet. Also the Iron Mountain club would like to link the 440 up with ours.

New Business:

A: Sunday Night Net – Ralph N8HXG, Blayne N8ZJ, and Pete KC8YTX stated that they have been getting about a dozen check-ins the past month or so.

B: Ski Race Jan.28 – Several of our hams that have worked these events are away, sick, disabled or have passed away. There are openings that need to be filled. We need HELP.

C: Swap and Shop Feb. 4th.– We need good “stuff “ for our table. No TV’s, computers or monitor. We also need some help. At the door and in the kitchen.

D: UP 200 Sled Dog Race (Feb17th-19 th) – Again we need HELP. Paul KB0P has been working getting everything ready.

E: Building Class/CW class.– We have had inquiries on having a building (construction) class for kits or learning CW. If you are interested, let us know and maybe we can get something started.

50/50 Drawing: Congratulations to Mark KF8RV.

Adjournment: At 7:25pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Paul KB0P and supported by Don N8HDT. The motion passed.

Post Meeting Program: Lou KG8NK presented a program QRP (low power transmission) Build or Buy.

Next Month: ?

If you have slightly used ham equipment that you would like to donate to our club table it would be appreciated. If you have an in with any local businesses we are always looking for door prizes!!!



SHOP & SWAP

WHEN: FEB 4TH 2017

TIME: 0900 TO 1400 (EST)

WHERE: NEGAUNEE TOWNSHIP
COMMUNITY CENTER

DIRECTIONS: West/East on Hwy 41 then
South at Flashing Yellow Light on Hwy 35 for about
¼ mile on right.

Come enjoy lots of Ham items, Raffle Prizes, Door Prizes
and food. Entry Fee is \$5.00 at the Door

For further information contact: Fred Mouser KD8JIP

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For Information regarding reservation of tables, contact: Fred Mouser
KD8JIP at above email. The sooner the better!