

# January 2013



## 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](mailto:ki8af@arrl.net). Club info, membership, dues, etc can be found on our website at [www.qsl.net/k8lod](http://www.qsl.net/k8lod)

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

Date: **January 3, 2013**

Time: 7:30 PM

### CLUB OFFICERS, 2013

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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

KB0P, 146.820/.220 w/100 Hz Tone

Ely Township

### WHAT'S NEXT FOR US

Nokie Ski Race: Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, contact Rich N8GBA to volunteer.

HARA Swap'n'Shop: Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

UP200 Sled Dog Race: Feb: 15/16/17

# Happy New Year 2013



## V.E. TESTING:

03/09 **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](mailto:n8gba@att.net) or Greg KI8AF 225-1594, [ki8af@arrrl.net](mailto:ki8af@arrrl.net).

01/26 **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

??/? **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

01/12 **Gladstone:** Delta County Amateur Radio Society Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins welcome) Contact: Dave Palmgren - N8DP, [n8dp@dcars.org](mailto: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 January go to: Judy W8ART, Don N8HDT, George N8HVT, Rich N8GBA, John W8ZUL, Gary NJ8H, and Mike KD8JIR.

## 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](mailto:laned@chartermi.net) or 486-8697.

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## One tube of rare cb antenna grease - \$250 (rochester)

Date: 2010-05-27, 3:37AM EDT

Reply to: [sale-kebcm-1761777850@craigslist.org](mailto:sale-kebcm-1761777850@craigslist.org) [Errors when replying to ads?]

For sale one tube of rare cb antenna grease. This stuff came out in the 60's. It was developed by the Department of Defense for the armed services. It was mainly used in the field on hand held units, tripling their range. It is a closely guarded secret by technicians & HAM's. When the FCC found out some amateur radio supply outlets had purchased a sizable quantity of the RF grease through US Army & Navy surplus auctions, the FCC outlawed the sale of it in the US. What the RF grease does is make your signal slide out your antenna faster and with less friction. Because of this you get less RF friction (hysteresis). The results are: lower SWR readings & increased power handling, the faster moving RF signal builds up a tremendous RF inertia, resulting a higher DB gain on your signal, (like a slingshot effect throwing a faster & larger signal) ( typically 3.8-4.7 db gain) and 4x the power handling capacity. Modulation & SSB benefit a whopping 6 db gain. over an untreated isotropic dipole antenna lasts for about 6 mounths then, just wipe off any old grease and put some new on. This is probably the best kept secret in amateur radio! The guys at the shoot-out's wont tell you about this amazing secret! Triple the RF output of a 200 watt box to 600 ERP, etc... (effective radiated power) This RF grease also causes a very cool side efect if you feed over 100 watts into a treated antenna you will see a cool purpleish-pink halo glowing around your antenna on key up at night, pulsating with your modulation ! (not to cool for the military, this is why they stopped using it!) For now all I have is one 16oz. tube.  
\$250.00 FIRM



*Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association  
Christmas Party  
2012*





### **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](mailto: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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