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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: **June 7, 2012** Time: 7:30 PM

CLUB OFFICERS, 2011

Pres. Lou Gembolis KG8NK VP: Paul Racine KB0P Sec. Mike Beltz KD8JIR Tres. Peter Kotila KC8YTX Board Members: Past Pres. EC Rich Schwenke N8GBA Eric Pellinen N8TEV

STANDING WAVE

Editor, Greg KI8AF Publishing, LaneWD8PAJ Distribution, Greg KI8AF

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

1. Emergency Exercise: June 9, 2012

2. 2012 International MAFCA Convention: June 19-21, 2012

3. Mqt 4th of July Parade: July 4, 2012

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

I would like to extend a welcome to the new members of the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association. Please understand that last Thursdays (May 3rd) meeting was condensed because of the Storm Spotter Training that followed the meeting. As you began your adventure into amateur radio there are many different aspects that you may enjoy working in your new hobby. HARA has many members that explore the different aspects of amateur radio. Many of our members are more than willing to help mentor any member with any questions that you may have including what equipment to purchase, setting-up radio equipment, antennas, and help getting on the air.

HARA provides communications for many of the local events such as dog sled races, bike races, marathons, parades, and ski races to name a few. These events provide opportunity and enjoyment to actually work with your radio equipment. Please consider volunteering for any of the scheduled events. Please contact me at lgembolis@chartermi.net or Rich at N8GBA@att.net if interested.

Discussion was also held regarding drills such as the Airport Drill that is scheduled this June 9th. To work this event you have to be a member of the local ARES group (Amateur Radio Emergency Service). ARES provides radio service at the request of the County Emergency Management. In order to participate in this type of drill you must have an ID badge issued by the County. Please contact Rich N8GBA at n8gba@att.net if interested.

Get active – get involved – get on the air!! Lou KG8NK

V.E. TESTING:

- 12/11 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
- 07/14 *Gladstone*: Delta County Amateur Radio Society Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins welcome) Contact: Dave Palmgren N8DP, <u>n8dp@dcars.org</u>, (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 June go to: Charlie N8SLH, Bruce KB8RJV, Carol KC8PYC, Larry WD0BCF and Ken N8FDI.

For Sale

Joe N8HLH has a Yaesu FT-767 for sale, asking \$700. Contact Joe at 586-231-7330.

Model "A" Ford Club of America (MAFCA)

The event is scheduled for June 19-21. Please contact Paul KBOP to volunteer.

HIAWATHA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION APRIL 05 2012 MINUTES

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

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Lou Gembolis KG8NK. There were several additions to the addenda and a motion to approve the agenda was made by Norm W8NWD and seconded by LeeKD8BJC. The motion was approved.

When Lou KG8NK handed the agenda sheet out he included on it information on the RST system and Q signs. Greg KI8AF gave an explanation on the RST system and how it is used.

Introductions and Attendance – The Club had 16 members and 3 guests in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Mike KD8JIR stated that the minutes of the March meeting 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 Mike KE8IL and seconded by Ralph N8HXG. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Peter KC8YTX handed out the treasures report for March and reviewed the income and expenses. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Rich N8GBA and seconded by Fred KD8JIP. The motion passed.

Correspondence –None.

Committee Reports –

Repeaters/Tech. – Paul KB0P was not present to give a report

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 will be an EOC drill (exercise) on June 18.

PR – nothing to report

Other - none

Old Business –

Membership – The club has continued the discussion on what requirements need to be for a member to get a life membership. It does not appear to be in the by-laws but the club has given it out to several members in the past.

Model 'A' Club event – June 18-21 -Sign up sheet was passed around. If you are able to help out or just need more information – contact Paul Racine KB0P at 485-5447 or e-mail @ kb0p@charter.net

New Business -

Excercise – At Sawyer Service center June 9th.

HamVention- Lane WD8PAJ has tickets for \$20. Pre-paid only.

50/50 drawing – Congratulations to Bill Dowe KC8EWD

End of Meeting – Motion to conclude the meeting at 8:15 by Mike KE8JL and seconded by Bruce. The motion was approved. The next meeting is here on May 03 2012. @ 7pm. Skywarn training will be the program.

Post Meeting Program – No program tonight.

HIAWATHA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MAY 3, 2012 MINUTES

Officers present – President Lou Gembolis KG8NK, Vice-President Paul Racine KB0P, and Treasurer Peter Kotila KC8YTX. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Lou KG8NK. A motion to approve the agenda and seconded was approved.

President Lou KG8NK made introductions and the Club had 21 members signed in and several guest in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Lou KG8NK, stated that the minutes of the April meeting were published in the Standing Wave and asked if there were any additions to the minutes. The motion to accept the April Secretary's Report as published was seconded and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Peter KC8YTX handed out the treasurer's report and reviewed all income and expenses. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence – Lou KG8NK received a request for help with a race this coming August – more to follow.

Committee Reports -

Repeater/Tech – Paul KB0P reported on various repeater issues, such as linking for various races and where new repeaters may be placed in the future.

ARES/RACES – Lou KG8NK reported on various drills that are scheduled regarding HARA and the new equipment at the EOC. The 2012 Sawyer International Airport Exercise is scheduled to be held on June 9, 2012 at Sawyer International Airport. As this is a ARES/RACES event you must have an ID badge issued by Marquette County in order to participate. If you have questions please email Rich N8GBA at N8GBA@att.net.

PR – Lane WD8PAJ requested that the visitors from the Model "A" Club include us in articles regarding this event.

Old Business -

Member Appreciation Dues – discussion was held and a motion approved to have a procedure in place to consider paid life membership in the Association for any member whose circumstances such benefit. This addendum will be added to the letter of agreement regarding the flower fund.

Amateur testing schedule – the next testing date is June 9th – please contact Greg KI8AF or Rich N8GBA if you are going to attend.

New Business -

Model "A" Club was in attendance and discussed various check-points need for this event

Marquette Trail Rune – August 18th. A request was made by the race organizers for our help covering this race. Discussion followed and a motion was passed that we would help out with this race – more to follow.

50-50 Drawing – Rose Saxwold, a guest visitor from the Model "A" Club," won the 50-50 and donated the winnings back to the club!

Adjournment – motion to adjourn was made and approved at 7:35 p.m.

Strom Spotter Training followed the meeting.

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

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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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