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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

MONTHLY MEETING: Marquette County Health Department Bldg., Lower Level, Negaunee Township.
Date: **March 4, 2010**
Time: 7:30 PM

CLUB OFFICERS, 2010

Pres. Lou Gembolis KG8NK
VP: Lane Dawson WD8PAJ
Sec. Jim Jacobson W8QQE
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
K8LOD-3.144.390 APRS Digi Mqt

Sled Dog Races Streaming Audio

As most of you know, with the help of Paul KB0P and Mike KE8IL the races were heard world wide on the web. The HARA site averaged 27 visitors at a time with the average visit about 12 hours. More info in the next issue.

Swap'n'Shop 2010

What a great day Swap'n'Shop. The weather cooperated, we had lots of great folks show up and there were lots of gear and other paraphernalia that filled the tables. In speaking to several that had items for sale they were all please with the amount of items sold. One could witness many please hams making trips out to their vehicles with gear in hand and to return again looking for more bargains.

SWAP/SHOP RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS FOR 2010

1. Roland Karklin W8UPS From Howell, MI
2. Don Salo KB8PEL From Marquette, MI
3. H. Schweppe K8OV From Marquette, MI
4. Ken Demaray W8SOO From Sault St. Marie, MI
5. John Wright KG8JW From Marquette, MI



V.E. TESTING:

- 03/13 **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 906 249-3837 or e-mail: n8gba@chartermi.net
- 04/10 **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
- 05/01 **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
- 04/10 **Gladstone:** Delta County Amateur Radio Society Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins welcome) Contact: Howard St. John (906) 428-9476 Email: hsj99@charter.net 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 March go to: Lou KB8QFG, Eric N8TEV, Marty KD8FPI, John W8BP, Ryan W8CYA, John N8JRN, Jean KD8LMW and Joe AJ8MH.

What's Your Favorite Ham Website?

Michigan ARRL site at <http://www.arrl-mi.org/> Interested in ARES? This is your first stop. Live Internet Broadcast from Dayton Hamvention <http://w5kub.com> (May 13th thru May 17th)

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.

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 Swap & Shop 2010

The 2010 HARA swap and shop is now history, and it was a great success! We had lots of nice door prizes donated by companies and individuals from around the world. Following is a list of prize donors along with their web page addresses, or in the case of local donors, their location in our community. Please check into the web pages to see what great products these companies have to offer. If possible, give them your business and let them know that you heard about their company at the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association Swap & Shop.

ARRL	www.arrl.org
Argent Data Systems	www.argentdata.com
Cable X-Perts	www.cablexperts.com
CQ Communications	www.cq-amateur-radio.com
Custom Ham Maps	www.customhammaps.com
Depiction	www.depiction.com/qst
Donners Store & Country Crafts	www.donnerstore.com
Elecraft	www.elecraft.com
Ham Test on Line	www.hamtestonline.com
Hot Press T-Shirts & Ham Hats	www.hotpresstshirts.com
Micro Log	www.wa0h.com
NCG Company	www.cometantenna.com
Nifty Ham Accessories	www.niftyaccessories.com
Nuts & Volts	www.nutsvolts.com
N3FJP's Amateur Radio Software	www.n3fjp.com
Phillystran, Inc.	www.phillystran.com
Real Nerds	www.realnerds.com
SGC World	www.sgcworld.com
The QSL Man	www.qslman.com
Tigertronics	www.tigertronics.com
Bird-Technologies	www.bird-technologies.com
Water Proof Log Books	www.waterprooflogbooks.com



LOCAL DONORS

Astro UP	Rock, MI
Bonanza	Marquette
Car Quest	Marquette
Chocolay Ace Hardware	Harvey
Midway Rentals	Negaunee
Northern Michigan Bank & Trust	Marquette
Public Service Garage	Marquette
Stanley Strangle	Bruce Crossing
Trudells Plumbing & Heating	Beaver Grove
Wolfgangs Haus of Glass	Marquette



Thanks to all that donated door prizes to our swap and shop! Special thanks goes to Rich (n8gba) for help in acquiring local door prizes. If I missed anyone that donated a gift, please accept my apologies.

Bill N8NRG
HARA Hamfest Committee

Minutes for HARA 2/4/2010

Secretary Jim Jacobson W8QQE not present for meeting.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by President Lou Gembolis KG8NK. Lou had a "Get well" card to pass around for signatures for Vice President (Not Present) Lane Dawson WD8PAJ. Lou asked for members to follow up on Bill 5556 (Antenna Restriction). He asked members to send letters and sign.

INTRODUCTIONS;

AGENDA

New Business: Rich N8GBA Library books

Bill Dowe KC8EWD Wanted to talk about Skywarn

Committee Report APRS

No Packet presently

Paul Racine KB0P has repeater for the 64 fixed and has the bill.

Greg KI8AF stated he will send out by e-mail a link to "FEMA" for training requirements.

There are 4 modules to be completed for Emergency Management Institute qualification.

PR -Lee Rowe KD8BJC sent "Swap & Shop and Sled Dog Race Info to the newspaper (Mining Journal) and T.V. 6

Old Business:

Ski Race, Rich N8GBA said went well, had a minor radio antenna malfunction at the Dome.

Greg stated we had a problem with the driver for Aid Station. Had trouble knowing who was in charge. We had a record # of skiers and some minor injuries.

Skywarn: Made around 80 contacts. 29 of the contacts were other weather stations. Contacts were made in Amsterdam and Zurich. Bill stated that training for Spotters coming up in April.

New Business: Swap & Shop Greg KI8AF stated all tables were sold already, he also stated that on Friday night 2/5 setup would begin at the community center around 6:00 to 6:30 Ralph Watters N8XHG and kitchen crew were all set.

Sled Dog Race: No operator yet for the M94 spot. So far Greg KI8AF was alone at Mqt Mt. It was suggested to use the 97 for the start of the race downtown.

Most of the Spots covered. Lou KG8NK had the schedule for station assignments and needs.

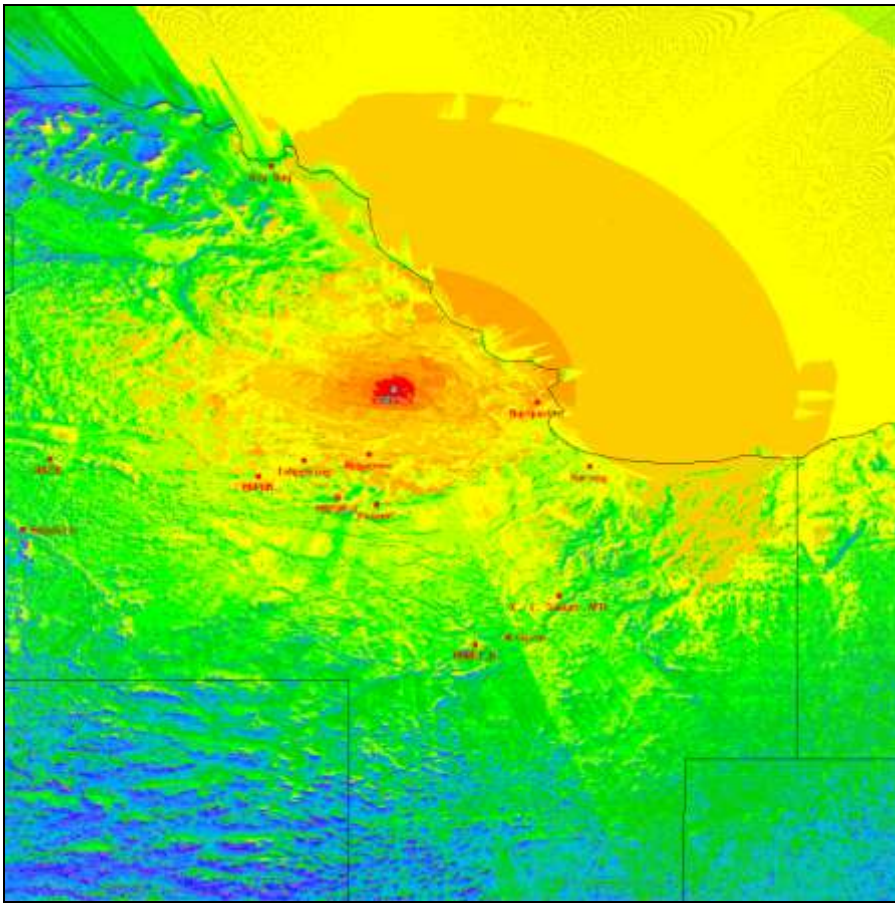
Rich N8GBA stated we needed to replace the Tech Manuel at the Library because it was changing. He would like to see two new manuals. Mike KE8IL made motion Bill KC8EWD 2nd (Passed)

50/50 won by Rich N8GBA \$15.00

Mark KF8RV won a mug

Steve KD8CCP Unk

Motion to adjourn Mike Ke8IL 2nd Bill Dowe KC8EWD (Approved)



Brandon N8PUM has been experimenting with the w5gfe SPLAT website.

Orange and yellow are full scale signals in the mobile. Green indicates the ability of a mobile station to access the repeater.



Recent test sessions were where we gained 6 new Technician class and one upgrade to General class.

Chad KD8LAG manning his dad's (Paul KB0P) table at the Swap'n'Shop. Maybe Paul was out looking for bargains. Below, Don KC8PYD, our kitchen staff.



Several photos from the just completed sled dog races.



Photos from the Nokie Ski Races



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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Thanks to all that contributed photos for this issue. It sure makes my job a lot easier creating a newsletter when one receives such assistance. Many more photos will appear in the April issue. Keep them coming!