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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: **Nov. 6, 2008**
Time: **7:30 PM**

CLUB OFFICERS, 2008

Pres. Lou Gembolis KG8NK
VP: Lane Dawson WD8PAJ
Sec. Sheree Gembolis KD8EDS
Tres. Lee Rowe KD8BJC
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
K8LOD-7 145.090 Packet Node Mqt

WHAT'S NEXT FOR US

Dec. 5th, 1900. NWS Skywarn Recognition Day Special Event.

HARA Club Officers for 2009



Lou KG8NK president, Sheree KD8EDS secretary, Lee KD8BJC treasurer and Lane WD8PAJ vice president.

"Happy Thanksgiving"



V.E. TESTING:

10/20 **Iron River:** 7:00pm central time, Iron River Lutheran Church (after club meeting)
NOTE: Pre-registration is required, contact Dan Waters, AA9JG, at 906 265-4240
or e-mail: dmwaters@ironriver.tv

12/10 **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

04/12 **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

11/05 **Iron Mountain:** 9:00am central time, (arrive by 8:30am) Dickinson County Library (conference room), contact Mark J. Lewis N8UKD, 412 Fairmount St. Kingsford, Mi 49802

10/08 **Gladstone:** 9:00am arrival time with testing beginning at 9:00am, at the Gladstone Public Library. Contact Howard W8HSJ at (906) 428-9476 or w8hsj@dcars.org

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 \$14.00. 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 November go to: Debra KC8ULA, Pete K8PT, Rita KC8PEM, Lou KG8NK, John W8AT, Lee KD8BJC and Howard K8OV. Hope I got them all, if not let me know.

On The Bands

November 1 – 3, ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)
November 15 – 17, ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)

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, and Mark KD8FPK mcampbell@chartermi.net or 906-273-0099 or cell 906-458-8877.

HARA Christmas Party/Dinner? You decide!

We are in the planning stages of a possible Hiawatha Amateur Radio Assn Christmas Party/Dinner. We need your input. Here is an update to the Christmas Party/Dinner as a result of email replies received.

The general consensus is to have a potluck dinner at the Negaunee City Fire Hall on December 4, 2008.

We are looking for replies again from the membership confirming they'll be attending the potluck dinner.

If you previously replied in the negative and still don't plan on attending there is no need to reply again.

We will be sending out a reminder in mid November but thought is best to get as much organized in advance in the hopes of having more of the members show up for the get together. With this much lead time you can make plans to get that special dish of yours prepared for the dinner. Remember we will still be having the door prizes one of which will be a new 2M HT.

Please, just one more time, would you do a quick reply to this email with a yes or no? Or give Greg or Lane a call. This will be greatly appreciated.

Please let's hear from you one way or the other so we can plan accordingly.

**Thank you,
Lane 486-8697 and Greg 225-1594**

Check out Michigan Section's Youth Newsletter.

Please check this URL to download your copy.
<http://arpsc.mi-nts.org/downloads/YRM01.pdf>

Homebrewers....Check this out....NTE QuickCross Reference Guide

NTE is happy to announce version 14 of its electronic cross reference software, *QUICKCross*. This new version contains all the latest NTE information and cross references plus this new information.

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HIAWATHA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the October 2, 2008 Meeting

Negaunee, Michigan

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Lou, KG8NK. Rich, N8GBA, thanked the club members for the get well card.

Club officers present: President Lou, KG8NK; Vice President Lane, WD8PAJ; Secretary Sheree, KD8EDS; and Treasurer Lee, KD8BJC. Introductions followed with 17 members present.

Additions were made to the agenda under New Business: Christmas party, sled dog race and ski race, and Skywarn Recognition Day. A motion was made by Bill, KC8EWD, seconded by, Rich, N8GBA, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed without dissent.

A typo was noted in the September 2008 minutes at the bottom of page 1 (ARES/RACES SET). A motion was made by Rich, N8GBA, seconded by Norm, KD8BPC, to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2008, meeting as corrected. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Rich, N8GBA, seconded by Jim, WB8IEH, to approve the treasurer's report as printed. Motion passed without dissent.

Lee, KD8BJC, reported Dave, KD8DRF, made a presentation about the Rapid Response Team to the Gwinn Lions Club who then voted to purchase a radio for use in their area. An antenna will be needed.

Correspondence/mail: Notification of the Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club Swapfest on November 2 in Appleton was received along with two complimentary admissions. No one in attendance was planning to attend; and it was suggested John, N8RSE, be contacted to see if he could use the tickets.

Committee Reports:

APRS/Packet/Repeater – Rich, N8GBA, reported Fred Anderson will get us an antenna for the 440 repeater. Fred is a licensed tower climber.

PR – *The Mining Journal* published the picture of Paul, KB0P, receiving the Ham of the Year Award. Paul, KB0P, thanked the club for receiving the award.

Technical Committee – Greg, KI8AF, reported no update.

HARA Web Site – Joe, AJ8MH, has updated our web site and is seeking input. It was suggested to include a list of events on the web site. Contact Joe at aj8mh—radio@charter.net with any other ideas. A discussion followed concerning the web site address.

ARRL SET – Lou, KG8NK, reported a simulated emergency test coordinated with several other U.P. counties was conducted on September 27. It was strictly a digital SET which worked to a degree and then got overloaded. The training was to develop procedures for an emergency throughout the state. A discussion followed, and it was noted the linking across the U.P. worked well.

Election of Officers – Lou, KG8NK, called for additional nominations of officers from those present and heard none. Jack, N8JRN, moved, seconded by Rich, N8GBA, the current officers serve for another year. Motion passed without dissent.

Christmas Party – A discussion followed concerning where to have the party on the December 4 meeting date: the meeting room, the Negaunee City Fire Hall, or a restaurant. Having various door prizes was suggested. A motion was made by Wayne, W9VKI, seconded by Rich, N8GBA, that if the Christmas party is to be held at a restaurant, the site be the Country Kitchen in Ishpeming, Motion passed without dissent. Lane, WD8PAJ, will follow up on the party; and a determination will need to be made at the November meeting. A motion was made by Rich, N8GBA, supported by Lee, KD8BJ, to purchase a Yaesu 170 HT for a door prize at the Christmas party or the swap and shop. Motion passed without dissent.

Ski Race – Rich, N8GBA, noted the ski race is January 24 and help is needed.

Sled Dog Race – Lou, KG8NK, reported the sled dog race is February 20, 21 and 22. The Midnight Run will finish in downtown Munising this year.

Skywarn Recognition Day – Bill, KC8EWD, reported the event will be held December 5 at the Weather Bureau from 7 p.m. to midnight and then from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. the next day. The event is similar to Field Day except it is inside.

-Rich, N8GBA, announced the club has had a heavy duty, free-standing tower in his back yard for quite some time. Contact Rich, N8GBA, if interested.

-Rich, N8GBA, is trying to track down some training tapes that belong to the club.

-The 50/50 drawing was won by Ryan, KD8IZM.

-The *World Radio* was won by Eric, N8TEV.

-A Yaesu hat was won by Lou, KG8NK.

-A calendar book was won by Sheree, KD8EDS.

-The wooden bookmark donated by Peter, KC8YTX, was won by Lane, WD8PAJ.

-A small calendar was won by Rich, N8GBA.

Paul, KB0P, moved, supported by Norm, KD8BPC, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion passed without dissent.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheree, KD8EDS

Secretary

For Sale

A 500 watt, 160 Meter Linear Amplifier (3 500Z tubes) with necessary switch to change this linear to 80, 40, 30 meter amplifier for \$200.00. A Timewave Audio noise reduction filter and power supply for \$50.00 and 100 ft of 450 ohm ladder line for \$5.00. Contact John Akkala W8AT at 225-0326 in Marquette.

Wanted

Looking for a somewhat modern computer for a local ham. If you have something lying around that's getting in your way and is free for the taking let me know. Greg KI8AF

Remember This Guy?

Here is previous member Rich W8YV in his shack. If you bump into him why not encourage him to rejoin HARA



Pete K8PT and Greg KI8AF recently made a trip out to Rich's new home. He showed us some of the antenna systems he is playing with. Rich and his XYL Arlene KC8EED have a beautiful home and property for antennas, antennas and more antennas.

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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