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NEXT KLUB MEETING
July 10th 7:30 P.M
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
300 SOUTH HIGHLANDER WAY

NET 146.680 SUNDAY 9:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS

| President | Art | KC8WAZ |
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| Vice-President | Melissa | KC8UTF |
| Secretary | Mary | KC8SER |
| Treasury | Duane | N8WMN |
| Program Director | | |
| Tech Coordinator | Roger | N8SGU |
| Board Member | Paul | XC8UKF |

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| VE Coordinator | Greg | AA5GO |

PREZ SEZ

WOW! What a great month. It has been. We enjoyed our 1st Picnic in the park on the 18th and had a wonderful time, even in spite of the rain, at the very end of the evening. We, the 30 or so members in attendance, really missed the rest of you and your families who were unable to join in the fun and will hope to see you at the next "Picnic in the Park." I hope to announce a date in July at the next meeting. The "Ares/Races" part of the fun went well until the onset of rain occurred and we were forced to disassemble the Rigs prior to the storm. However we still were successful in getting some traffic out OK. I'd like to thank all those in attendance and those who helped with the success of the June "Picnic in the Park" for all the effort and extra effort as this was a GREAT Event and the next one will be even better.

Art KC8WAZ

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

We had our first meeting with the new president and board and there were a few rough spots. I would hope the members will pull together to make the following meetings more informative to the attendee's. The audit of the books should be done by the meeting. At this time there will be no Treasury's report but any questions any one has should be addressed. The clubs goal should be to build up the membership. We are looking forward to having a good Operation Care this year.

Roger N8SGU

TREASURER REPORT

Due to the books being audited and the signature cards not being filed with the bank there was no action on the account.

Duane N8WMN

SECRETARY'S REPORT

LARK Board Meeting June 2, 2003 Minutes

The meeting started at 7:30 P.M. with seven members present.

Steve the outgoing president transferred the gavel to Art, the new president. Dave passed on to Duane the new treasures all his papers and keys to the Post Office box.

Art appointed Roger N8SGU as Technical Director. Jerry N8DY handed the Material for the training classes to Paul KC8UKF the Member at Large.

It was suggested that the Secretary write a letter to John Champa, K8OCL, to invite him to the June meeting to receive the Ham of the Year Award, which he was awarded in February of this year.

Duane asked the big question "what can we do to motivate the members of the Klub"? There was no immediate answered. Picnic: June 18th was selected as the date for the Klubs first picnic of the year. Bob Banta, K8PBA will be chairman. The Klub will pay for the meat, buns and condiments while the members will bring a plate to pass. After the picnic there will be an ARIES/RACES drill.

Storage Shed: There was a discussion to rent a storage unit to store all the Klubs equipment. This way all the equipment would be in one place instead of being spread out among the members. It was decided to bring the suggestion up to the members at the next general meeting.

Operation Care was discussed. It was the feeling of the board that the Klub should try to take part in Operation Care for Labor Day. It will be discussed at the next general meeting.

It was decided to ask Bruce, N8WWX, if the Board could continue to meet in the EOC library.

There was some talk about staggering the term of the Klub officers. Two officers would be elected one year and the other two would be elected the next year. There was no decision on this topic.

Respectfully Submitted

Mary, KC8SER

LCARPSC NEWS

Wow, what a fun Training Drill! Success! The HF Pactor and VHF Packet traffic went through in a few seconds. Due to the rain and wind we were not able to pass the SSB or CW traffic. I learned a lot, including to bring something to shade the laptop so the screen can be seen. Thanks to all who helped. Special thanks to Art, KC6WAZ who had the canopy put over our equipment just in time so we could pass the digital traffic and all those who got soaked holding it down. Also, kudos to Bob, K8VQC, Acting Emergency Coordinator without whom the drill would not have occurred -- Thanks. The next Training Drill will be Wednesday July 23rd with a rain out date a week later on July 30th. The August Training Drill will be August 20th with a rain out date a

week later on August 27th. All are welcome to participate. I hope the Klub does a couple more Picnics in conjunction with our drills!

The Lark's Hot Dogs in the Park was great. The Picnic Committee did a perfect job. Melissa, KC8UTF purchased the hot dogs, buns, and condiments for the Klub. Duane, N8WMN, procured the napkins; Mary, KC8SER picked up the ice and plastic cups; Art, KC6WAZ helped cook and brought the Klub awning. I don't know who provided the lemonade, paper plates, and silverware, but thank you.

The picnic committee superstars Bob, K8PBA and Laurene, WA8IQ loaded their van full of tables, lots of chairs, etc. and arrived early to unload, start the charcoal, cook, set up the tables complete with tablecloths, and coordinated other preparations. I am sure that everyone who attended is grateful for their hours of preparation and work at the event. The potluck food everyone brought was to die for.

A lot of people had a good time riding and tubing behind Greg, AA5GO's speedboat.

73, Tim AEC WB8HRO

NEW MEMBERS

Bruce VanDam

Jim Kvocnick WB8AZP

Bruce Coolidge N8EGY

Survivor, Michigan Style

Due to the popularity of the survivor show, Michigan is planning to do its own version, entitled "Survivor, Michigan Style.

The contestants will start in Port Huron, travel to Cadillac, Traverse City, Boyne City, Mackinac, Houghton Lake and then to Bay city, Flint, Pontiac, Detroit, Ann Arbor, Jackson and Lansing, then back into Port Huron.

Each will be driving a pink, Japanese 2-door coupe with Indiana or Ohio plates and will have the following bumper stickers affixed to their rear bumper:

- * "Snowmobiles are stupid,"
- * "I hate the Detroit Red Wings,"
- * "Michigan should share the Great Lakes," and
- * "I don't believe in any hunting or fishing and I'm here to confiscate your guns."

The one to make it back to Port Huron alive wins.

NWS Meeting 4/23/03

This winter's cold temperatures were below normal

There have been 28 storm-warning so far this year. Last year it took to mid-July to get to the 28 storm-warnings.

Last winter there has been above normal snowfall for the southern half of MICON area.

Up until Feb 9th only 9 county winter storms were issued. Since then there has been 35 county events through the 5 winter storms.

There have been 44 total winter warnings 7 issued warnings that proved to be false events

77% success rate with an 11-hour lead-time.

SWAP

New project that has gone from Snow Advisory, to Winter Weather Advisory and then the specifics are in the text format.

Hazardous Weather Outlook

Now issued every day, only the severe weather will carry "Dispatchers notify your EM" and Spotter activation may be necessary. Before this was at the top of the notification.

The new national format placed it at the bottom of the page; Detroit will not be able to change it. Detroit

might be able to place the phrase in the banner section.

Michigan Weather Awareness Week's packet in the future will be reduced or eliminated and carried on website instead. www.michiganweather.org

NW Radio expansion

Sandusky radio will be installed by mid-summer time frame

Adrian radio has started the process for installation. It will be NWS funded

Huron and Livingston - still at early stages.

E-Spotter

New online, two-way communication, notification for snowfall, rainfall, and post storm reports. E-spotter is not for on-going severe events. E-spotter and packet are on the same level. Packet still be used at MICON

October 1, 2003 there will be new change with watches, they will be issued just for SE Michigan and will not be statewide.

LEIN at least a 2-minute delay and may take up to a 4-5 minute delay. Now Operations uses a drag and drop from the weather wire to a computer input for LEIN dissemination.

