# THE TUNED CIRCUIT

Club Website: http://www.n8lc.org

# THE PREZ SEZ

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Well it's been a busy year for the club. There were times when I felt overwhelmed and then there were times that I was looking for things to do. But overall it's been a positive year for me as the Prez. All of our accomplishments were possible due to everyone's involvement and participation. Every event whether it's something new or old, favorites like the fox hunt or White elephant sale requires someone or a group of someone's to do something to make it come true. I would like to thank everyone that contributed in



Gregg Crump N8GEO

some way or another. It's easy to forget how much it takes to keep the club going. This will probably be the last of my ramblings as the Prez (for this year). The start of the New Year will bring in the new sucker (did I just put that in print?) I meant to say newly elected Prez Rick will be taking over the reins. I know you all will provide support for Rick as well as you did for me. I guarantee you that Rick is a bit more versed at Roberts Rules than I. And with that I wish him luck. LOL (Man I hate those things). But going forward Rick will be a good Prez and the club is in good hands.

As for the rest of this year, the swap is continuing to grow, tables are going at a faster rate than in the past years that I have chaired the swap. Right now we are somewhere around 60+ tables that are either paid for or are on hold. This is way ahead of last year's count at this time. That is very good news. As for some other news. I will need some more folks to help out. Two of our mainstay/go to people cannot help with this year's swap. The first one is Al / K8DDP. If you have not heard Al had an accident last week and he will not be able to take his stately place at the front table selling tickets. Usually it's Al, Wayne and Hank that commands that table. We lovingly call them the "Three Amigos". The issue this year is that we only have two Amigos. That just doesn't sound or feel right, so we need a person to be the third amigo just to get the swap back in balance. The requirements for this position are that you must be able to count cash and put up with Wayne and Hank. Wayne really isn't that bad, but Hank is something else. HI HI .. But in all seriousness we do need a third person at the front table. They do have a

Next Meeting - 7:30 PM December 4th, 2013 at the Tucker Senior Center (see last page for map and address).

Meeting Program - The program for our December meeting will be Officer elections, and final swap planning.

The monthly board meeting will be superseded by the club Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 11th, 2013.

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good time at that table so get ready. The second person is Vince. He has been a dominating force to deal with at the club table. LOL Vince is in demand on more fronts than this club and he's being swooped away to perform a valuable task somewhere else. I wonder if that other place really knows what they are getting into. They will soon find out I guess. LOL But we will need someone to be at the club table for most of the swap to watch the equipment that will be on it and also to do the hourly drawings and to keep an eye on the ticket barrel. Last but not least I'm still looking for someone to sell tickets for the radio. I'm planning on having a table set up just for raffle ticket sales and a display of the rig. If we get a couple of folks it would be nice to have the ability to swap people around. We will be discussing this and the Swap in general at the club meeting in December.

Don't forget to come to the December meeting. Its election time and it's time to put your hand up and get in the race for that coveted position that you want to volunteer for. Last month's meeting was pretty fruitful. We did get a bunch of volunteers for positions but it would really be nice to have a voting election (more than one person running for a position). So think about it and volunteer and show up at the meeting.

The Christmas party is coming up and if you have not gotten your tickets yet, then December's meeting is an opportune time to get them and also to purchase a ticket or two for the radios that will be raffled off that night. It's a good time, so come on out for a great dinner and fun evening.

Last but not least.

Everyone have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving and Christmas season. Enjoy your families and friends.

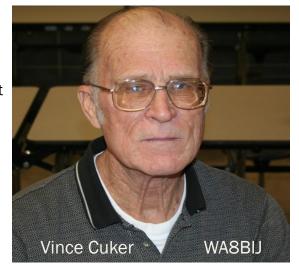
73, Gregg

# DECEMBER MEETING PROGRAM

The program for our December meeting will be Elections and Swap Planning.

This is probably the most important program of the year! Each year, at the December meeting, we have final nominations, followed by elections for the following years' Officers. Although the first try at nominations took place at the November 6th meeting, each member has a chance to nominate someone for the open offices.

Fortunately, all positions have received one nomination, but we now have a chance to add other nominations to the roster. Several comments have been heard about the nominations being filled



at the last meeting, when nominees accepted their nominations and others volunteered to perform their existing offices for another year.

This is also the last chance to clean up any unfinished business for our 41st Annual Swap 'N Shop which will take place December 8th.

We hope to see a good crowd at the December 4th meeting.

# Report of the Secretary

The meeting called to order promptly (late) at 7:32pm [November 6, 2013 Ed.]. Gregg N8GEO still had no gavel. (I think he pawned it.) Intros were made, with no guest. No upgrades. My minutes were approved with no changes required.

**Treasurers report: Kathy KC8WNK** gave the report, Youth forum has \$83.18, Repeater fund has \$172.33 and the total in the General fund equaled \$1874.82. Get your dues in.

Net **report and QSL report, Vince Wa8BIJ**. The highlights on the net point arena has **Bob/KB8QYJ** 300 points, **Dave/K8GTV** 500 points, **Clem/W8VO** 1600 Points, **Rose/K8VFR** 1900 Points, **Tom/UUU8C** 3500 Points and last with the most points of all, a record setting **Vince/WA8BIJ** with a whopping 6100 points. All



Mark Castiglione, N8REZ

get a gold seal. As for the QSL report, 13 eQSL requests were received as follows,FD04-2 req, FD13-2 req, MIQ09-1 req, MIQ11 -1 req, MIQ13- 6 req. 1 reject. Total since 9-5-03 + 1405, 1314 eQSL and 91 Direct(snailmail).

Repeater report/Webpage/ Where's Doug/N8PYN: A tech session was held at the site. Repairs on the machine were performed by careful troubleshooting, using state of the art techniques, (we unplugged a connector and blew out the dust, problem fixed). Doug and his team also installed a 440Mhz antenna tuner for the UHF machine. (We all proceeded to Buffalo Wild Wings where we received poor service) Doug will be at our swap on Dec 8.

**Liaisons' report: Jim,K8LFE** Ft Wayne held a swap on Nov 16,17. Hazel Park will have a swap and shop on January 12, Livonia will be on February 16.

**Ted NW8W,Membership Report**: as always reports that we do indeed have members, 62 of them and a call to attract new members, and for old members to renew.

**OLD BIZ** Swap setup is on Dec 7 from 6-8 PM at the school with a pizza extravaganza following at a place to be announced. We are in need of new setup folks. We will sell the raffle tickets at a couple of sites at the swap. The next board meeting will be at Rosie's diner on Harper.Rd. The club Christmas Party will be on Dec 11 at 6:30pm at Sajo's. \$20 per person and a cash bar. Price includes a raffle ticket.

On a sad note, Monitoring Times is closing up shop; I understand it was a fine rag.

**New Biz**: **Vince WA8BIJ** would like to downsize his responsibilities and is looking for someone to take over the QSL position. An easy job and would be a great way to get involved. **Jim K8LFE** has volunteered to be the new refreshments director,( thanks Jim). We are also looking for someone to be the new Swap Chairman/dictator.

**Nominations** were held as follows: Tech Chair **N8PYN** accepted; Prez Elect **N8NXW** accepted; Activities Manager **WA8BIJ** accepted; ARRL Liaison **WA8BIJ** accepted; Treasurer **KC8WNK** accepted; Secretary **N8REZ** accepted. Nominations were closed with N8NLK making the motion and K8RO going along with it.

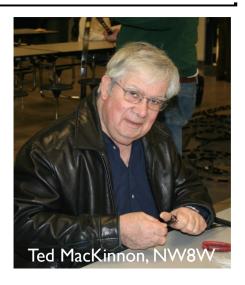
That's how I remember it.

Respectfully submitted by Mark, N8REZ

#### Membership Report

Our member database shows that we now have 63 members. Of these, 40 have renewed for 2014 or are counted as Life Members. Twenty three (23) have not yet renewed for 2014.

Dues for 2014 are due during the October prior to the oncoming year. After the meeting of February 2014, those who have not renewed for 2014 will be dropped from the database and will no longer receive the Tuned Circuit.



Be on the lookout for those who are interested in Amateur Radio, especially young persons. Show them what this is all about and stress that this is an activity that can be done at home, and can involve the computers with which they are so familiar.

Ted NW8W 11/25/2013



# **LCARC Christmas Party**

Submitted by Keith/W8KD



It's almost too late to get a ticket to attend this year's Christmas Party. Check with Cathy Chauvin. She has a limited number of unclaimed tickets available. They are \$20 each and include a ticket for the Radio drawing. The Christmas Party is December 11th at SaJo's located at 36470 on Moravian Drive just west of Garfield Rd. The menu for the dinner is your choice of Pecan Chicken or Steak Portabello or Norwegian Salmon. There will be cake for desert. The menu includes house salad, soft drinks, coffee or tea. Alcoholic beverages are available for purchase. Looking forward to seeing you there.

The evening will include the transfer of the gavel to the new president and the drawing for **TWO** radios (one is a <u>Yaesu FT-7900</u> and the other is a Baofeng dual band handheld.).







# It's Time to Think about Winter Field Day

As all of us in Southeast Michigan are aware, the weather has turned cold and blustery to remind us that real winter (snow, ice, slush, etc) will be here soon. That's your cue to decide if "Winter Field Day" is a late January activity for you, or not!. While our club does not have any organized activity for this event, USECA usually does. You can review the <u>announcement</u>, and <u>rules</u> on the <u>sponsors web site</u>. The entry category is a combination of number of operators (1,2,Multi), and operating site (Indoor, Outdoor, Home).

From this you can see that you can be part of the fun on January 25th and 26th, 2014 as a "H" entry while staying warm in your own shack at home. After all, the operators actually out in the field need some stations to make contact with and the more the merrier!











# Speaking of Field Day ...

As of the date of the December club meeting ( 4 December 2013), it is 206 days until ARRL Field Day June 28, 2014. I feel confident that it will be considerably warmer then!

# Help will be needed ... as Heard on 2M Net 11/21/13

It seems that 2 of our LCARC members who have been filling swap positions for many years will not be able to participate this year. Vince / WA8BIJ, who has manned the club table for many a swap, will not be able to be with us this year due to other commitments. Al / K8DDP, one of "Three Amigos" selling tickets at the front door, is "out of service" for a spell until his broken ankle had mended.



Thus, our swap needs volunteers to take over these positions for Sunday, December 8th, 2013. Let our swap chairman, Gregg / N8GEO, know if YOU will be the one to fill in.

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Don't forget swap set up on Saturday evening, 12/7/2013 1800 (6 PM)!

# Excerpts from the November Michigan Section News from the ARRL.

Greetings to the hams of Michigan:

We have had the first snows of winter, so apparently it is game on for a few months. Hopefully all the antennas have been erected, repaired and otherwise made capable of withstanding what Old Man Winter throws at them.

#### PRB-1 Update

Here is an update from WA8QJE, our MI State Government Liaison:

State Government Activity for Michigan

As many of you know, Senator Rick Jones has reintroduced the Michigan version of PRB-1 now known as Senate Bill 0493. The bill is currently in the Senate Committee on Energy & Technology. We are working on adding additional verbiage to this bill.

It has come to my attention that some amateurs are not aware of what PRB-1 is. I would like to direct you to the <u>ARRL website</u>. Click on the Regulatory & Advocacy Link and then select the Antenna Regulation and Zoning link and select <u>PRB-1</u> [direct link as of 11/27/13 Editor].

It is important that all of us are aware of and understand the importance of PRB legislation for the future of current amateur radio operators as well as future generations of amateur radio operators.

I continue to work on this legislation almost on a daily basis. I am asking that you please continue to send emails to the Energy & Technology Committee members. It does matter and the Senators staff members do record the messages and some even reply.

Stay in touch with what is going on by monitoring the Michigan PRB-1 website located at: <a href="https://www.miarrlprb1.org">www.miarrlprb1.org</a> for further information. You can also contact me by email at <a href="https://www.masqie@arrl.net">wa8qje@arrl.net</a> or our Section Manager at <a href="https://www.miarrlprb1.org">wb8r@arrl.org</a>

73, and thank you for your continuing assistance.

Ed Hude, WA8QJE, State Government Liaison, Michigan

Many thanks go to Ed for his relentless work. He has been working tirelessly for years and he continues to work towards a better antenna environment in Michigan. If you run into Ed, be sure to tell him that you appreciate his efforts. We are anticipating that our Committee Hearing will most likely happen after the first of the year, but we still want to keep the pressure on. A second note to the Committee members urging them to schedule a hearing for our bill as soon as possible would be in order. Remember to be polite and respectful. The old story of honey and vinegar applies here. LC

#### Digital HF Help Wanted:

We are looking for hams in various parts of MI with digital HF knowledge and experience to help other hams learn how to get started using various digital modes on HF. These individuals should have hands on experience with a variety of digital modes and be capable of teaching others to be capable of setting up their own stations and get on the air.

These individuals should be willing to travel reasonable distances at times that fit their schedules to attend club meetings near their home areas to present instructional programs. Ideally, we will have volunteers that will cover the more populated areas of the state and perhaps be able to extend our reach to hamfests in less populated areas as well. Well distributed publicity should generate attendance from around the areas of the clubs hosting such a program, increasing audience volume and reducing the need to travel.

In addition, these individuals would be able to work together to develop an HF digital primer in PowerPoint format to be used as an instructional aide across the state. There are some digital HF PowerPoints out there and they could certainly be useful as idea fodder for assembling our presentation. This is a great opportunity to share your expertise with other hams. Interested parties, please contact me at wb8r@arrl.org.

# AMATEUR RADIO/COMPUTER SWAP

L'ANSE CREUSE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 41st ANNUAL SWAP & SHOP SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2013



# L'ANSE CREUSE HIGH SCHOOL

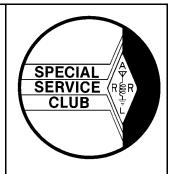
Mount Clemens, Michigan

38495 L'Anse Creuse St. GPS N42 34.922 W82 51.234

8 am - Noon

TICKETS: \$5.00

(Kids under 12 Free)



#### **NEW & USED EQUIPMENT:**

- RADIOS Amateur, Commercial, CB
- ELECTRONICS & COMPONENTS
- COMPUTERS AND SOFTWARE
- ACCESSORIES

FCC EXAM SESSION: 9:00 AM (WALK-INS WELCOME)

#### PRIZES:

- 1st \$ 100, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$25
- ARRL Books
- Handbook, Operation Manual, etc.

A separate drawing for an Icom IC-7200 HF+6 meter radio will be before the swap closes. Separate tickets will be available at the club table.



#### **SWAP FEATURES:**

- FREE PARKING
- FOOD & DRINKS

Talk-In: ECHO Repeater 147.08+ 100hz

Complete swap flyers will still be available at the December club meeting.

The \$10 tickets for the <u>ICOM IC-7200</u> raffle will be available at the December club meeting and at the Swap!.

# 43 Years of 73 magazine

From the blog of Dan Romanchik / KB6NU
See http://www.kb6nu.com/category/operating/contests/

#### 43 years of 73 on-line

Wayne Green has now released all back issues of 73 to the public domain. Although the last issue was published more than ten years ago, there's still lots of good stuff to be found in them. You can download individual issues by going to <a href="mailto:archive.org">archive.org</a>. Indexes can be found on these web pages...

http://www.qsl.net/kb9mwr/files/ham/73.html
http://mikeyancey.com/73mag/listmonth.php?month=4

The first lists the contents of each issue. The second has direct links to the to the issues at archive.org.

The cover shown at right, a takeoff on MAD Magazine, is one of my favorite covers. Take a closer look at the soldering job Al Freddy is about to attempt. Click on the image to get a larger version if you can't quite make it out.

AMATEUR RADIO

Dan, KB6NU enjoys working CW on the HF bands and teaching ham radio classes. For more information about his operating activities and his "No-Nonsense" series of amateur radio license study guides, go to KB6NU.Com or e-mail <a href="mailto:cwgeek@kb6nu.com">cwgeek@kb6nu.com</a>.

[If you trust the Internet to preserve these issues of "73" until you are a silent key, you can now purge your shack of those magazines you have been saving "just in case". © N8FYL ]

# What to do for post Swap Blues?

First, make sure to partake of the good times at the club Christmas Party. Then, when the weekend is upon you, get on the air and work the ARRL 10 Meter Contest, of course! The bands have been in good shape lately, including 10 meters. What better time than December 14, 0000 UTC (that's 1900 or 7 PM Friday, December 13th here in Southeast Michigan) until December 15, 2359 UTC (translates to 1859 or 6:59 PM Sunday, December 15th for us in the US Eastern time zone) to get on 10 meters and see who you can work. See <a href="http://www.arrl.org/10-meter">http://www.arrl.org/10-meter</a> for all the rules and other details. Basically the exchange will be W/VE stations (including Hawaii and Alaska) send RS(T) and state or province (District of Columbia stations send signal report and DC). DX stations (including KH2, KP4, etc) send RS(T) & sequential serial number starting with 001. In November I worked a few hours of the CQ WW SSB contest. I heard lots of activity on 10 meters, including good DX. (Had I been able to load up my attic dipole on 10 meters, I might have actually worked some. Hi. 15 meters would tune up and I did work 29 countries during the contest on that band). Make your plans, get your logging software checked out, make some contacts, and SUBMIT your log to the ARRL. Be sure to identify your entry as one affiliated with our club by putting "L'anse Creuse ARC" in the club data field. "L'anse Creuse ARC" is the exact spelling that is in the ARRL list of clubs for contest submissions. May the band be open and propagation be in always in your favor. John / N8FYL

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LC Echo Repeater 100 HZ PL



LC Echo 440 Repeater

# **Board Meeting Time and Location**

Board Meetings are regularly held at Rose's Family Dining, 31301 Harper Ave, north of 13 Mile Road, at 7 pm on the Wednesday after the regular membership meeting (except December). All club members are welcome to attend and have dinner. Talk-in through the LCARC ECHO 2 Meter repeater (147.080 MHZ, +600 KHZ, 100 Hz PL tone). All are welcome to attend. Should a board meeting have a planned cancellation, this cancellation will be announced in the newsletter.

# Club Founder - Art Ellis W8PBO

# Club Committee Chairmen

ARRL HF Awards Manager	Tom Mathison	WU8C	Licensing Classes	TBD	
ARRL HF Awards Assistant	Vince Cuker	WA8BIJ	Little Bay Awards	Vince Cuker	WA8BIJ
ARRL VHF/UHF Awards Manager	Allan Koch	KA8JJN	Meeting Refreshments	TBD—how about YOU?	
Call Sign ID Tags	Gregg Crump	N8GE0	Membership Chairman TC email distribution	Ted MacKinnon	NW8W
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Dayton Trip	Gregg Crump	N8GEO	Swap Chairman / Swap Tables	TBD	
Door Prizes—Buyer	Jim Stafford	K8LFE	Tuned Circuit Editor	John Huber	N8FYL
Door Prizes—Tickets	Wayne Hearn	WG8U	Volunteer Exams	TBD	
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# The Tuned Circuit

This publication of the L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club is issued for the months of September through June of each year. The *Tuned Circuit* has been formatted to be read easily with any reader programs for our visually impaired readers; however, an audio tape or a larger print version of its contents will be made available, upon request to the editor. We welcome any comments, concerns, corrections, congratulations, or complaints. Please submit such communications to the Editor:

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For Sale: Spydercone Antenna.

This item was donated to the club. The donor directed that all proceeds go to the Dayton Youth Forum via W8ROI. It is new, and in the original box, although it may have been removed by the original owner to see what he got for his money. MSRP was \$120-150. Antenna requires feed point to be 37' to 47' above ground. Viewed from above, installed antenna has a X pattern with the outer ends of each leg 29' apart and 14' to 18' above the ground. This item was manufactured by a company named "Genesis High Frequency" which does not seem to have any current online information. There are some E-Ham reviews here. Contact Ralph/W8ROI





# Reminder to those 23 members who have not yet renewed 2013/2014 LCARC club dues are due NOW!



Bring your money and the Membership Request form on <u>page 15</u> to the club meeting, OR mail your check as instructed on the <u>Membership Request form</u>.

# Future Programs & Activities

Vince Cuker, WA8BIJ—Activities Manager

December 4, 2013 Elections and final swap plans

December 8, 2013 (Sunday) LCARC Swap

December 11, 2013 (Wed.) LCARC Christmas Dinner at Sajo's

January 8, 2014 (2nd Wed.) Club Mini-Swap

(2nd Wednesday because 1st Wednesday is New Year's Day)

February 5, 2014 White Elephant Exchange

March 5, 2014 Building Project

April 2, 2014

April 19, 2014 (Saturday) Michigan QSO Party

May 7, 2014 Field Day Planning

May 16,17,18, 2014 Dayton Hamvention

June 4, 2014 Fox Hunt \_\_\_\_

June 28, 2014 (Saturday) ARRL Field Day!



# VE Testing Locations and Practice Resources

# Online Practice Exams and Morse

Code information obtained from the Hazel Park ARC's "The Zero Beat" May, 2006 edition.

Online Practice Exams

http://www.eham.net/exams

http://www.qrz.com/testing.ht ml

http://www.ah0a.org/AH0A.ht ml

Morse Code

http://www.g4fon.net

#### **VE Testing Locations**

Ann Arbor 313-662-6663 (Second Saturday Monthly)

Arrow 313-663-4625

<u>Hazel Park</u>—Jerry Begel, W9NPI, w9npi@arrl.net 248-543-2284 First Tuesdays of Even Months

Motor City 313-676-6284

#### USECA http://usecaarc.com/test/

3rd Monday Monthly except during the months of July and August at the Mt. Clemens Elk's Lodge at 7 pm

LCARC (TBD)

Are you interested in volunteering to coordinate and host testing for LCARC? Contact our President, <a href="Mailto:Gregg N8GEO">Gregg N8GEO</a> to express your interest.



# **Upcoming Swaps**

#### 12/08/2013 | LCARC Ham-

#### fest/Swap

Location: Harrison Township, MI

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: L'Anse Creuse Amateur Ra-

dio Club

Website: <a href="http://www.qsl.net/n8lc/">http://www.qsl.net/n8lc/</a>

# 01/12/2014 | <u>Hazel Park</u> ARC's 48th Annual Hamfest

**Location:** Hazel Park, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Hazel Park Amateur Radio

Club

Website: <a href="http://www.HPARC.org">http://www.HPARC.org</a>

# 02/16/2014 | <u>Livonia Amateur Radio Club Swap-N-Shop</u>

**Location:** Livonia, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Livonia Amateur Radio Club

Website:

http://www.livoniaarc.com/Swap.htm

# 04/12/2014 | Milford

#### **Hamfest**

Location: Milford, MI Type: ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Mildord Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <a href="http://www.qsl.net/w8ydk/">http://www.qsl.net/w8ydk/</a>

# 05/16-18/2014 | <u>Dayton</u>

#### **Hamvention**

Location: Dayton, OH

Sponsor: Dayton Amateur Radio Asso-

ciation

Website: <a href="http://www.hamvention.org/">http://www.hamvention.org/</a>

#### Contest Calendar — from <a href="http://hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html">http://hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html</a>

#### December 2013

+ RAEM Contest

+ SARL Digital Contest 1300Z-1600Z, Dec 1 + ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 3 1800Z-1900Z, Dec 5 (CW) and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 5 (SSB) and + NRAU 10m Activity Contest 2000Z-2100Z, Dec 5 (FM) and 2100Z-2200Z, Dec 5 (Dig) 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 6 + NCCC Sprint + ARRL 160-Meter Contest 2200Z, Dec 6 to 1600Z, Dec 8 + TARA RTTY Melee 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 7 0600Z-0629Z, Dec 7 and 0630Z-0659Z, Dec 7 and + Wake-Up! QRP Sprint 0700Z-0729Z, Dec 7 and 0730Z-0800Z, Dec 7 1200Z, Dec 7 to 1200Z, Dec 8 + VU International DX Contest + SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 1200Z, Dec 7 to 2400Z, Dec 8 + TOPS Activity Contest 1600Z, Dec 7 to 1559Z, Dec 8 2000Z, Dec 7 to 1959Z, Dec 8 + EPC Ukraine DX Contest 2300Z, Dec 7 to 2300Z, Dec 8 and **±** AWA Bruce Kelley Memorial CW Contest 2300Z, Dec 14 to 2300Z, Dec 15 + Ten-Meter RTTY Contest 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 8 + CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run 2100Z-2259Z, Dec 8 + NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Dec 11 1300Z-1400Z, Dec 11 and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 11 and + CWops Mini-CWT Test 0300Z-0400Z, Dec 12 + NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 13 0000Z, Dec 14 to 2400Z, Dec 15 + ARRL 10-Meter Contest + International Naval Contest 1600Z, Dec 14 to 1559Z, Dec 15 + Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 16 1800Z-2000Z, Dec 16 + NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Dec 18 + NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint + NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 20 + AGB-Party Contest 2100Z-2400Z, Dec 20 + Feld Hell Sprint 0000Z-2359Z, Dec 21 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 21 + OK DX RTTY Contest 1400Z, Dec 21 to 1400Z, Dec 22 + Croatian CW Contest + ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW 1800Z-2359Z, Dec 22 + SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Dec 25 + DARC Christmas Contest 0830Z-1059Z, Dec 26 + NCCC Sprint 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 27 + RAC Winter Contest 0000Z-2359Z, Dec 28 + Original QRP Contest 1500Z, Dec 28 to 1500Z, Dec 29 + Stew Perry Topband Challenge 1500Z, Dec 28 to 1500Z, Dec 29

0000Z-1159Z, Dec 29

# Interesting Web Sites & Miscellany

This space is set aside for those items that do not fall into any particular category. If you have an interesting Web Site or similar information like a Net or SWL frequency, this is the place to spread the word.

Diagnose and Repair a Yaesu FT-7800 Ham January-2012-ar/ Radio

http://hackaday.com/2013/11/11/diagno se-and-repair-a-yaesu-ft-7800-ham-radio/ (submitted by Matt/KD8LLT 11/13)

Where are all the Hams? Explore hams.mapmash.com to see!

The September issue of The GRAY LINE REPORT. the Twin Cities DX Association newsletter, has a couple of great stories you'll enjoy.

Interesting radio related hobby:

http://www.michiganbroadcasttowers.com/ by Tom/K8TB

http://www.michiganbroadcasttowers.com/amate ur/RRWeb/K8TBremotebase.html (remote base stuff similar to that used by Tom WU8C) [N8FYL/John 10/13]

A longish (45 minutes), but good YouTube video about erecting a commercial radio tower. [provided by NW8W/Ted 08/13]

Ham and Marine Maritime Mobile HF Net Frequencies [provided by W8ROI/Ralph 05/13]

http://www.mayaparaiso.com/maritime mobile frequencies .php

An archive of all of Radio Shack's catalogs, dating back to 1939! Even though they had been around for many years prior to 1939, this was their first catalog. [Provided by W8R0I/Ralph 04/13]

http://www.radioshackcatalogs.com/catalog\_directory.html

A very interesting item of new technology to use Bluetooth radio to remotely turn on and off AA battery power supplies: http://www.indiegogo.com/tethercell

Here's a link provided by Clem / W8VO to photographs of a Pennsylvania clubs January 19th 2013 ARRL VHF contest expedition (02/13):

http://public.fotki.com/wa3usg/hobbies/amateur\_radio/the-

A fascinating site about the W8JI 160 M contest station and a lot more. Worth you time to check it out. Editor 01/13. http://www.w8ji.com is the main site. Be sure to look at http://www.w8ji.com/contest station w8ji.htm too!

A really great weather site, with astronomical data. http://www.wunderground.com

Amateur Radio News Line <a href="http://www.arnewsline.org/">http://www.arnewsline.org/</a>

Amateur Radio Detroit AM/FM History

Information on Government and miscellaneous data http://www.usa.gov/

HDTV info on HDTV stations and locations http://www.Antennaweb.org

Windows XP Secrets <a href="http://www.pchell.com">http://www.pchell.com</a>

human 500 database (How to get to a human operator for various companies) <a href="http://gethuman.com/us/">http://gethuman.com/us/</a>

iDIN plugs from Universal Radio Inc. http://universalradio.com/catalog/parts/dinconn.html

Maglite Information

http://www.maglite.com/knowledge.asp?gclid=COa\_4rPT8Y gCFQGPWAodq32nsA

SSTV in Windsor and Detroit <a href="http://www.kent.net/ve3rdn">http://www.kent.net/ve3rdn</a>

S-Meter site for Amateurs <a href="http://www.smeter.net/">http://www.smeter.net/</a>

Ham Movie http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBGldf0Vj04

73s.org—Social Networking for Hams <a href="http://www.73s.org">http://www.73s.org</a>

Grid Square locator

http://f6fvy.free.fr/qthLocator/fullScreen.php

**Useful Telephone Numbers** 

AT&T DSL Maintenance - (866) 583-2494

DTE Customer Satisfaction Technician - (586) 412-3013

#### L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club Nets Day Time **Band** Mode **Frequency Net Control** Calendar UTC EST Monday 0030 1930 15 M CW 21.165 MHz Vince, WA8BIJ **Every Monday** Monday 0130 2030 15 M SSB 21.395 MHz Clem, W8VO **Every Monday** Monday SSB 0200 2100 6 M 50.160 MHz Gregg, N8GEO **Every Monday** Tuesday 0100 2000 2 M **Every Tuesday** Packet 144.93 MHz Vince, WA8BIJ (Connect to detqso) Thursday 0030 1930 10 M SSB 28.435 MHz Wayne WG8U **Every Thursday** Clem, W8VO 1st Thursday Wayne, WG8U 2nd Thursday Gregg, N8GEO 3rd Thursday Thursday 0130 2030 2 M FΜ 147.08+ MHz Rose, K8VFR 4th Thursday Vince, WA8BIJ 5th Thursday 2100 1600 40 M SSB 7.224 MHz +/-Sunday Art, W8PBO **Every Sunday**

# Membership Request

Date: / /	L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Cl	ub Treasurers Box
<i></i>	Cathy Chauvin, KC8WNK	Date Paid:
Request For:	29112 Elmwood St.	Amount:
100quost 1 01.	St. Clair Shores, MI 48082-1616	Initials:
\$20.00 LCARC Individual Membership Are you a New Member? ( Y / N ) \$30.00 LCARC Family Membership	Only membership applications to go this a go to the club's main PO Box. Make sure code when mailing in your application.	
		Note: LCARC dues are from Nov 1st to Oct 31st
\$10.00 Print and Mail me The Tuned Circui	t via US Mail	Class License (Circle One)
		Novice Technician Tech+
\$2.00 LCARC Student Membership (Under	General Advanced Extra	
\$3.00 Club Badge created with my Name ar	nd Call sign	I am ARRL Member:? ( Y / N )
Please update my membership information	pecause it has changed.	
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Spouse:	Zip:	
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(Please indicate your name above even if it has	n't changed, so we know who's giving us	s money and can mark that you've paid in our records.)

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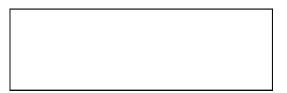
P.O. Box 180072

Utica, MI 48318

LCARC Web Site

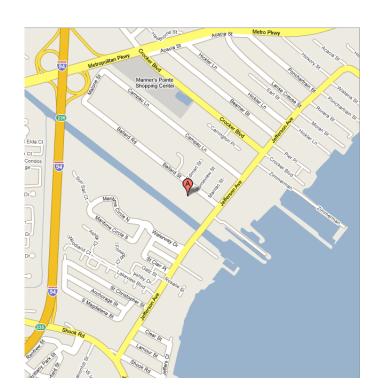
http://www.n8lc.org

E-mail: info@n8lc.org









The L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 pm the first Wednesday of each month, except during July and August. Meetings are held at Tucker Senior Center located at 26980 Ballard St, Harrison Township, MI 48045 unless indicated otherwise in the most current issue of the Tuned Circuit. Call-in on the Echo Repeater (N8LC) on 147.08 MHz (+ 600 KHz, 100 Hz PL tone) for any meeting information, or to ask a member for the location of the meeting.