

# THE TUNED CIRCUIT

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

## THE PREZ SEZ

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Good Morning L'Anse Creuse Radio Club.

Today (as I'm writing this on September 22nd) is the first day of fall. Halloween is just around the corner. Annual club dues are due in October. Please pay them.

Please come to the meeting in October. I hope to see you at the meeting. In September the pot luck was a very good one. There

were all kinds of food at the pot luck. Help Wanted need new members to join the radio club. The first year of membership is now FREE. Tell your friends about this new membership policy so we can get new members to join. I hope to see you all at the meeting on October 1, 2014.

73

Rick Vandecar / W8RTV



Rick Vandecar - W8RTV

Next Meeting - 7:30 PM **October 1st, 2014** at the Tucker Senior Center (see [last page](#) for map and address).

Meeting Program - The program for our October meeting will be as reported on [page 2!](#)

The monthly board meeting will be on Wednesday, October 8th, 2014.

## AMATEUR RADIO HAMFEST/SWAP

L'ANSE CREUSE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
42nd ANNUAL SWAP & SHOP

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2014**

## OCTOBER 1ST MEETING PROGRAM

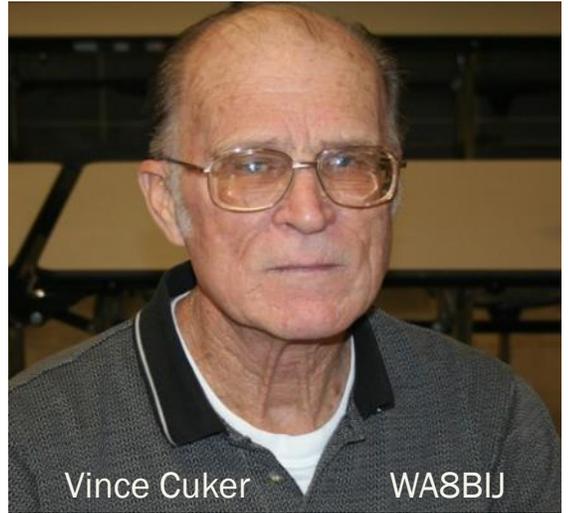
I was working on a program for the October meeting, but I've received no cooperation from the presenter, so at the last minute I scratched that one.

I had a backup program for the October meeting, but I'm now having problems transferring the program from VHS to DVD. The television I use for transferring my tapes took a dive a week ago. I'm in need of a new flat screen TV for the recreation area in the basement, and if I get one in time for the next meeting, we'll be all set. My time in Chelsea limits the time I can spend in Mt. Clemens to work on my files.

If that plan doesn't work, I have a third backup program, tape one of two on the history of Hallicrafters. This very interesting video was well received at one of our meetings many years ago.

Therefore, the program will be either "A DXpedition to a remote island" or part one of "The History of Hallicrafters". Come to the meeting to learn which one it is!

Vince / WA8BIJ  
Program Chairman



## Ham radio makes NEWSMAX publication

The September issue of **NEWSMAX** magazine has a very interesting article titled, "Ham Radio Revival", on pages 68 and 69, written by a John Edwards.

It starts out "When the first Amateur radio operators hit the airwaves more than a century ago, they lived in a world where most people didn't own a car or telephone. Movies were silent and phonographs were hand-cranked."

It tells of the fast growth of the ham community; how hams are in the forefront of space communications and launching the first amateur radio satellite back in 1961.

There is a listing of "Who's Who" of operators" in amateur radio. (No, my name is not listed!)

It's well worth reading, so if you subscribe to the magazine, or have picked one up at the store, read the article.

Vince / WA8BIJ

### Reminder!

**2014/2015 LCARC club dues are due NOW**

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

## Report of the Secretary

### L'Anse Creuse ARC Meeting minutes for Sept 3, 2014

**Rick W8RTV** called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm or so. Introductions were made. No upgrades. Approval of the previous minutes was called for and supported. ( As usual no changes !)

Kathy was still tabulating the Treasure's report so we moved on a bit.

**Net Points and QSL report, Vince WA8BIJ** reported that we had 73 QSL requests, 71 of them were eQSL's and 1 mail in. 9 of those were for the various QSO parties, 56 were for assorted Field Day events. The grand total since 09/05/03 was 1570 QSL requests (1447 eQSL and 93 direct mail). Net awards were passed out. The top six awards for the evening went to **N8GEO Gregg** 800, **K8MDV Ed** 1250, **W8VO Clem** 1850, **K8VFR Rose** 2100, **WU8C Tom** 3750 and **WG8U Wayne** 3750.

The program for the evening was the Social Gathering and pre-meeting picnic.

**Mike N5WCS** showed up late and created a distraction setting up his chair in the heckling area.

**Doug N8PYN**, Repeater and reflector Report, Plans to look at the generator at the Repeater site. Will happen on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at the site. A look see at the various other technical components will occur at that time, with a social gathering after. (Translation...2 guys will work and the rest of us stand around telling them how they should do it) Reflector got the picnic announcement correct. (This is news!)

**Dale K8RO** showed up late ...again. Another distraction.

Where's Doug will be at the Findley and Adrian swap. Findley was described as a good sized swap, Adrian was cute?

**Treasurer Report: Kathy KC8WNK** gave the report, showing the Youth Forum at \$395.68, Repeater fund at \$172 and the General fund down after the Christmas party deposit of \$200 to \$771.79.

**Ted NW8W** gave us the membership total holding at 58 members. Ted reminded us that next month is membership renewal time and to bring in the cash.

**Keith W8KD Christmas Party Planner** has set the Christmas party December 10, and we will have a couple of different entrees to choose from. We will raffle off 2 radios and will have a ladies raffle as well. Party tickets \$20, will include a raffle ticket for free.\*

**Jim K8LFE Liaison report GM** will hold a trunk swap on Sat Sept 13. Jim informed us he and his wife are leaving the area for the burg of Pinckney. (Hopefully he can get an antenna soon)

**Gregg N8GEO** has the school reserved for the upcoming LCARC Swap and Shop.

**John N8NXW** reports that he is no longer working at the college and we might not be able to hold tech sessions in the electronics room.

### New Biz

**John N8NXW** asked us to think about a Special Event Station utilizing a balloon as the antenna erection device and running on solar energy. More to come!

**Rich W8RTV** asked for feedback on the pre-meeting picnic and do we want to do it again next year?

The next VE session will be at the LCARC swap, with follow up sessions in Feb, May and Aug. Last session turnout was positive.

In an effort to attract new members, **Dale K8RO**, made motion to offer free membership to any new prospect member for one year. **Mike N5WCS** seconded the motion. A vote was taken and approved.

**Rich W8RTV** called for a move to adjourn and was approved by the masses.

Respectfully submitted by N8REZ



Mark Castiglione, N8REZ

## Membership Report

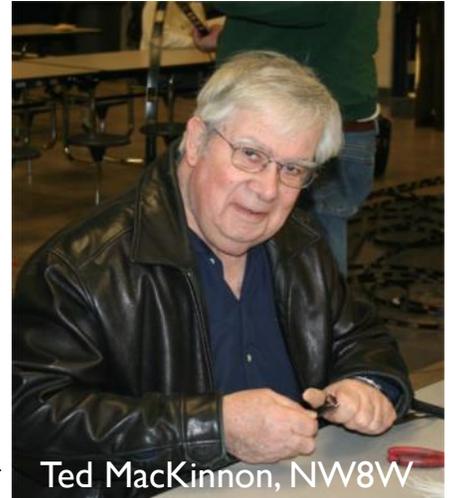
Our member database now shows 59 members, up (1) from last month because of the addition of KK4APP; Jeff Hearn. Jeff is Wayne's (WG8U) son. Ten life members are included in the count of 59.

October is the start of our 2015 dues year, so please bring your check-book or open wallet to the October meeting.

It was decided at the September meeting that new members are granted a dues free first year of membership. This is a good incentive for those prospective members who might be 'on the fence.'

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  
9/20/14



Ted MacKinnon, NW8W

## Ham Radio Operators NEEDED for Sunday, October 19, 2014

Submitted by Bob George / KB8QYJ

Ham radio volunteers are needed to help provide communications for the Detroit Free Press/Talmer Bank Marathon which will be held on Sunday, October 19th. There is also a 5K run/walk on Saturday, October 18th. If you would like to volunteer go to [www.freepmarathon.com/volunteer](http://www.freepmarathon.com/volunteer). In addition to radio operators there are several other volunteer opportunities. It is a festive and worthwhile event. Last year the marathon raised \$3.1 million for the 26 official charities of the event. This is a fun event to work and provides a valuable community service.



You can sign up by going to [www.Freepmarathon.com/volunteer](http://www.Freepmarathon.com/volunteer) and:

- Click on "Register now"
- Enter Email address and check new volunteer
- Fill out the information
- Position requires a Ham Radio License. Your license number will be requested on the first page and your application will not be processed without it.

If you have any questions please contact Matt Scodellaro at [mscodellar@dnps.com](mailto:mscodellar@dnps.com) or at 313-222-2492 .

Here are a couple of pictures of the September 3rd pre-meeting pot luck picnic submitted by W8RTV. I (N8FYL) was unable to attend, but it looks like the weather was decent and there was plenty of food.



## LCARC Christmas Party

Submitted by Keith / W8KD

Here it is October already. That means that it is about 100 days until that big jolly fellow dressed in red stops by to put that new rig under the your Christmas tree. What you say? You can't afford that new rig this year. Well here is your chance, in fact two chances, to make that wish come true. Attend your club Christmas Party. Again this year there will be two rigs, a [Yaesu FT 7900](#) and a Baofeng dual band handheld, given away at the party. The dinner costs \$20 and that includes one drawing ticket for the radios. Extra drawing tickets are available for \$5 each. You don't need to be present to win. Again this year the party will held December 10 starting at 6:30 PM at Sajo's . [Sajo's](#) is located at 36470 Moravian Drive just west of Garfield Rd. This year you may choose from my favorite Pecan Chicken or Bourbon Beef Tenderloin or Fillet of Sole. Get your tickets from Cathy Chauvin, KC8WNK.



Henry / N8AT says  
"Perhaps this is a  
useful commentary  
on our life and  
times"



## Should QSOs from remote stations be given DXCC credit?

By Dan Romanchik, KB6NU

In July, the DX Advisory Committee Report recommended several rules changes for the DXCC program ([http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Committee%20Reports/2014/July/Doc\\_27.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Committee%20Reports/2014/July/Doc_27.pdf)). Among them, was a recommendation that rule I.9 be changed such that a QSO is acceptable for DXCC credit only when the remote station and the operator's home station location are no more than 200 km apart.

As with any rule change, this precipitated a lot of comment in the amateur radio community. A thread on the eHam.Net forum (<http://www.eham.net/ehamforum/smf/index.php/topic.98348.30.html>) got quite a few comments. N7NG had a nice blog post (<http://n7ng.wordpress.com/2014/03/05/remote-control-dxing-and-dxcc/>) on this controversy.

Perhaps the most strident post on this topic was written by WW1X (<http://ww1x.com/opinion/2014/08/14/in-defense-of-remote-dxcc.html>). He called these recommendations "uninformed, misguided, and detrimental to the future of our hobby." Detrimental to the future of our hobby? Seriously?

Of course, WW1X has a vested interest in this debate. He's the lead developer for [RemoteHamRadio.com](http://RemoteHamRadio.com), a company that charges other hams to use the "super stations" that they've set up around the world.

Note that the DX Advisory Committee is not saying that amateur radio operators should not use and enjoy these remote stations. All they're saying is that the QSOs made with them, unless they are located less than 200 km from an amateur's home station, are not eligible for DXCC credit. I'm sure that if you asked any of the members of the committee they would agree with WW1X that the remote stations serve a very useful purpose for amateurs who are not able to set up their own home stations.

WW1X prattles on about how "DXCC is not a contest. It's not a competition. There are no winners or losers. It's a personal achievement award, plain and simple." This is just silly. Of course it's a competition. As N7NG rightly points out if it's not a competition, why publish the DXCC Honor Roll?

What I think is detrimental to the hobby are hams who use RemoteHamRadio.Com to simply add to their DXCC scores. I see no sense in doing so, and furthermore, where's the personal achievement? Anyone who can afford to pay what they charge—and it's not a small sum of money—can work the rarest DX with one of those stations.

A friend of mine, Mark, W8MP, is a RemoteHamRadio.Com customer, and it's a boon for him. He loves being able to work DX from his home in a development where no outside antennas are allowed. He's not trying to pad his DXCC score. He does this for the pure love of talking to other hams in far-away places.

When the final decision is made, I hope the DX Advisory Committee goes back to first principles as set forth in FCC Part 97.1 and makes their decision on whether or not allowing DXCC credit for remote station QSOs contributes to "the advancement of the radio art" or is an "extension of the amateur's unique ability to enhance international goodwill."

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When he's not writing this column for club newsletters, 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](http://KB6NU.Com) or e-mail [cwgeek@kb6nu.com](mailto:cwgeek@kb6nu.com).



# USECA Hamfest 2014

Sunday, October 26, 2014 8 AM - 2 PM  
(Note date change!)



Vendors will be allowed in at 6:30 AM

United Food & Commercial Workers 876 Hall

876 Horace Brown Drive, Madison Heights, MI 48071

(2 blocks south of 13 Mile Road between Stephenson Highway and John R Road)

New & Used Sales  
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Admission is  
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Questions? Contact: usecaarc73@gmail.com or

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Hourly  
Drawings!

See complete flyer at <http://www.usecaarc.com/swap/SwapFlyer2014.pdf>

## To the hams of Michigan

### Subject: Michigan PRB -1 Call to Action – Michigan Senate

On September 16, 2014, members of the Michigan PRB-1 Committee attended a Senate Hearing in Lansing regarding Senate Bill 0493. We are extremely pleased to report that SB 0493 Substitute S-2 to codify the language of 47 CFR Part 97.15 into state law was unanimously passed out of the Energy and Technology Committee. You can see SB 0493 S-2 on our PRB-1 website located here:

<http://www.miarrlprb1.org/>

It is time for us to begin our letter writing campaign targeting our Michigan Senators in an effort to encourage them to look closely at SB 0493 and to vote in favor of the bill when it comes up for a vote on the Senate floor. A very important part of communication with our elected officials is that we need to keep our focus on the positive side. This is not the place to discuss his or her voting record or what other legislation they have supported or not supported. It is vital that we stay on topic and deal with only the subject at hand.

The appropriate documentation has been prepared on our Michigan PRB-1 website located at <http://www.miarrlprb1.org/> and you can read more and find sample letters there.

It is very important that we concentrate ONLY on the Senate right now. When and if the Senate passes the bill, then we will change the emphasis to the members of the House. The letters are identical except for the appropriate changes to reflect where the letters are going.

All you need to do is to copy the prepared letter from our website, add your Senator's information and your information to the letter and email it to your Senator asking for his or her

support. You can find out who your Senator is and how to reach him or her here:

[http://www.senate.michigan.gov/findyoursenator/michiganfy\\_s.asp](http://www.senate.michigan.gov/findyoursenator/michiganfy_s.asp)

The website noted above will give you a direct email address for your Senator. When your letter is customized with your Senator's information and your information, you can send your letter direction to your Senator. The lack of a physical signature is not important here. By the very nature of the method of contacting them, an actual signature is difficult to accomplish.

Please send me a copy of your letter ([wb8r@arrl.org](mailto:wb8r@arrl.org)) as this will help our committee to gauge our effectiveness.

If things work the way we would like them to, our efforts will turn to the Michigan House once our bill passes the Senate. And when and if our bill passes the House, then we will turn our attention to the Governor's office to urge him to sign our bill into law.

This is the very best opportunity we have to make a difference for the hams of Michigan. Talk it up, and step forward to make sure that your friends (ham and non-ham) have the information and that they are encouraged to act. We need to add our voices to this bill to help ensure that our representatives act on our behalf.

Thank you in advance and 73!

Larry, WB8R

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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). 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
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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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## Help Needed!

Before the snow flies I would like to remove what's left of the antenna on my chimney. This requires some climbing which I am no longer able to do. I need a younger and more agile person to accomplish this task. I am asking someone(s) in the club to help in removing this from the chimney. I have included a picture of the situation so you know what you're getting into. Thank you, in advance, for any offers of help.



Dave Herrington, N8NLK  
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 or (586) 465-2797

## Future Programs & Activities

Vince Cuker, WA8BIJ—Activities Manager

October 1, 2014	Regular meeting
November 5, 2014	Regular meeting—Swap Planning and Officer Nominations
December 3, 2014	Elections and final swap plans
December 7, 2014 (Sunday)	LCARC Swap
December 10, 2014	LCARC Christmas dinner Party
January 7, 2015	Regular Meeting
February 4, 2015	Regular Meeting
March 4, 2015	Regular Meeting
April 1, 2015	Regular Meeting, No Foolin'
May 6, 2015	Regular Meeting
June 3, 2015	Regular Meeting—followed by Fox Hunt!

## VE Testing Locations and Practice Resources

### Online Practice Exams and Morse

#### Online Practice Exams

<http://www.eham.net/exams>

<http://www.grz.com/testing.html>

<http://www.ah0a.org/AHOA.html>

#### Morse Code

<http://www.g4fon.net>

<http://www.pdarrrl.org/k6rau/>

<http://www.ac6v.com/morseaids.htm>

### VE Testing Locations

**Ann Arbor (ARROW)** ): Mark Goodwin, W8FSA, [w8fsa@arrl.net](mailto:w8fsa@arrl.net), 734-930-6564. Second Saturday of each month.

**Hazel Park**—Jerry Begel, W9NPI, [w9npi@arrl.net](mailto: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** Tucker Senior Center, Sunday December 7 at the LCARC Swap. Contact Cliff Ibbs [ab8xq@arrl.net](mailto:ab8xq@arrl.net) (586) 567-0436 for details.



## Upcoming Swaps

10/18/2014 | [Muskegon](#)

### [Color Tour Hamfest](#)

**Location:** Muskegon, MI

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Muskegon County Emergency Communication Services

**Website:** <http://www.mcecs.net/Hamfest.htm>

10/19/2014 | [Kalamazoo](#)

### [HamFest 2014](#)

**Location:** Kalamazoo, MI

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Kalamazoo Amateur Radio Club & Southwest Michigan Amateur Radio Team

**Website:**

<http://kalamazoohamfest.com/>

10/26/2014 | [USECA Hamfest](#)

**Location:** Madison Heights, MI

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** USECA Amateur Radio Club

**Website:** <http://www.usecaarc.com>

11/15/2014 | [Indiana](#)

### [State Convention \(Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo\)](#)

**Location:** Fort Wayne, IN

**Type:** ARRL Convention

**Sponsor:** Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society

**Website:**

<http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com>

02/15/2015 | [Livonia ARC](#)

### [Swap-N-Shop](#)

**Location:** Livonia, MI

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Livonia Amateur Radio Club

**Website:**

<http://www.livoniaarc.com/index.php?page=swapshop>

## Contest Calendar — from <http://hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html>

### October 2014

± SARL 80m QSO Party	1700Z-2000Z, Oct 2
± German Telegraphy Contest	0700Z-0959Z, Oct 3
± YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest	1400Z, Oct 3 to 0200Z, Oct 5
± TARA PSK Rumble Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Oct 4
± 15-Meter SSTV Dash Contest	0000Z, Oct 4 to 2359Z, Oct 5
± Oceania DX Contest, Phone	0800Z, Oct 4 to 0800Z, Oct 5
± Russian WW Digital Contest	1200Z, Oct 4 to 1159Z, Oct 5
± EU Autumn Sprint, SSB	1600Z-1959Z, Oct 4
± California QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 4 to 2200Z, Oct 5
± New Jersey QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 4 to 0359Z, Oct 5 and 1400Z-2000Z, Oct 5
± 4 State 4x4 QRP Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 4
± ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Oct 7
± 432 MHz Fall Sprint	1900 local - 2300 local, Oct 8
± RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 8
± 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint	0001Z-2359Z, Oct 10
± NCCC RTTY Sprint Ladder	0145Z-0215Z, Oct 10
± ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Oct 11 to 2359Z, Oct 12
± Makrothen RTTY Contest	0000Z, Oct 11 to 1559Z, Oct 12
± Oceania DX Contest, CW	0800Z, Oct 11 to 0800Z, Oct 12
± Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB	1200Z, Oct 11 to 1200Z, Oct 12
± Pennsylvania QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 11 to 2200Z, Oct 12
± EU Autumn Sprint, CW	1600Z-1959Z, Oct 11
± Arizona QSO Party	1600Z, Oct 11 to 0600Z, Oct 12 and 1400Z-2359Z, Oct 12
± FISTS Fall Sprint	1700Z-2100Z, Oct 11
± North American Sprint, RTTY	0000Z-0400Z, Oct 12
± NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Oct 15
± 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW	0001Z, Oct 18 to 2359Z, Oct 19
± Microwave Fall Sprint	0600 local - 1300 local, Oct 18
± New York QSO Party	1400Z, Oct 18 to 0200Z, Oct 19
± Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Oct 18 to 1500Z, Oct 19
± Worked All Germany Contest	1500Z, Oct 18 to 1459Z, Oct 19
± South Dakota QSO Party	1800Z, Oct 18 to 1800Z, Oct 19
± Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW	0000Z-0200Z, Oct 19
± Illinois QSO Party	1700Z, Oct 19 to 0100Z, Oct 20
± Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Oct 20
± ARRL School Club Roundup	1300Z, Oct 20 to 2359Z, Oct 24
± RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB	1900Z-2000Z, Oct 23
± CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	0000Z, Oct 25 to 2400Z, Oct 26

The [DL2NBY Contest Calendar](#) is another calendar source. It includes the ability to add events to your own Google calendar as well as import to Outlook, Thunderbird, and more.

## 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.

**WU8C** says "Want to print a nice copy of your license"? Check out:

<http://www.ae7q.com/misc/Generate.php>

Citizen Scientists awaken a NASA spacecraft and try to return it to Earth orbit.

<http://spacecollege.org/isee3/>

"The Hamband", a music group, is Andrew (G3WZZ / OZ1XJ / OZ5E), his wife Lisa, and a group of Nashville session musicians.

<http://www.hamband.com>

Diagnose and Repair a Yaesu FT-7800 Ham Radio

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

Where are all the Hams? Explore

[hams.mapmash.com](http://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/amateur/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 W8ROl/Ralph 05/13]

[http://www.mayaparaíso.com/maritime\\_mobile\\_frequencies.php](http://www.mayaparaíso.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 W8ROl/Ralph 04/13]

[http://www.radioshackcatalogs.com/catalog\\_directory.html](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-january-2012-ar/](http://public.fotki.com/wa3usg/hobbies/amateur_radio/the-january-2012-ar/)

A fascinating site about the W8JI 160 M contest station and a lot more. Worth your 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](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 <http://www.arnewsline.org/>

[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 <http://www.pchell.com>

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

iDIN plugs from Universal Radio Inc. <http://universal-radio.com/catalog/parts/dinconn.html>

SSTV in Windsor and Detroit <http://www.kent.net/ve3rdn>

S-Meter site for Amateurs <http://www.smeter.net/>

Ham Movie <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBGldf0VjQ4>

73s.org—Social Networking for Hams <http://www.73s.org>

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	EDT					
Monday	2330	1930	15 M	CW	21.165 MHz	Vince, WA8BIJ	Every Monday
Monday	0030	2030	15 M	SSB	21.395 MHz	Clem, W8VO	Every Monday
Monday	0100	2100	6 M	SSB	50.160 MHz	Gregg, N8GEO	Every Monday
Tuesday	0000	2000	2 M	Packet	144.93 MHz	Vince, WA8BIJ	Every Tuesday (Connect to detqso)
Thursday	2330	1930	10 M	SSB	28.435 MHz	Wayne WG8U	Every Thursday
						Clem, W8VO	1st Thursday
						Wayne, WG8U	2nd Thursday
Thursday	0030	2030	2 M	FM	147.08+ MHz	Gregg, N8GEO	3rd Thursday
						Rose, K8VFR	4th Thursday
						Vince, WA8BIJ	5th Thursday

## Membership Request

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Request For:

- \$20.00 LCARC Individual Membership  
Are you a New Member? ( Y / N )
- \$30.00 LCARC Family Membership

\$10.00 Print and Mail me *The Tuned Circuit* via US Mail

\$2.00 LCARC Student Membership (Under 18 years of age)

\$3.00 Club Badge created with my Name and Call sign

Please update my membership information because it has changed.

Call sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Old Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please indicate your name above even if it hasn't changed, so we know who's giving us money and can mark that you've paid in our records.)

L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club  
Cathy Chauvin, KC8WNK  
29112 Elmwood St.  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48082-1616

Only membership applications to go this address, all other mail should go to the club's main PO Box. Make sure you use the full 9 digit zip code when mailing in your application.

**Treasurers Box**  
Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: LCARC dues are from Nov 1st to Oct 31st  
Class License (Circle One)  
Novice Technician Tech+  
General Advanced Extra

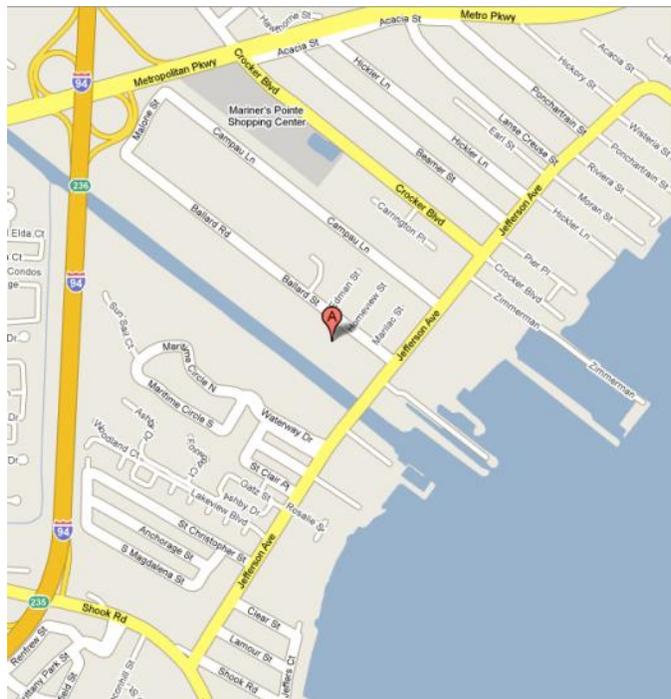
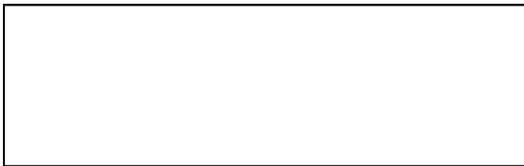
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