

The Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club

GROUND WAVE

Repeater Frequencies 147.00MHz & 444.075MHz
Club Net: Sunday 7PM 147.00MHz

Web Page <http://w8pif.com>



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The MMARC Newsletter

January, 2017

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CLUB CALENDAR...

January 14 Ham Breakfast 9am
George Webb's
January 21 After Christmas Party
Riverside
February 11 Club Meeting NWTC

JANUARY MEETING...

There will be no regular club meeting in January. A short business meeting will be held at the After Christmas Party.

AFTER CHRISTMAS PARTY...

Our annual After Christmas Party will be held January 21, 2017 at Riverside Golf Course. The arrangements are the same as last year. See the RSVP form in this Ground

Wave for details. Mike, KD8FUE asks that you let him know if you are coming and how many you are bringing by January 14th so he can get a headcount for Riverside.

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE FOR HAMS...

Jim Pearson KS8O has started a facebook page called "Menominee River Radio" Already more a dozen have signed on. Go to this link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/559161534274241/> and send your request. Many comments and postings on ham radio related topics, both local and otherwise can be found. Check it out.

NEXT HAM BREAKFAST...

The first ham breakfast of 2017 will be held on Sat. Jan. 14 9am at George Webb's in Peshtigo. Stop on by if you can for good food and conversation.

HAM CLASSES...

Let us know if you are interested in helping with classes this winter, probably in February depending on interest shown. The club hasn't held classes for a number of years now, and we know of some within our local area (Menominee, Marinette, Peshtigo) that are interested in becoming candidates for a ham license. We will run a discussion and planning session on Sundays following the Kandy Net. Join us with your ideas.

ARE YOU READY FOR WINTER FIELD DAY?

Field Day is not just for summertime anymore. Winter Field Day, sponsored by the Winter Field Day Association ([WFDA](#)), will take place over the January 28-29 weekend, and it can be a terrific time to prep for ARRL Field Day in June. The annual event's stated purpose is to encourage emergency operating preparedness in the winter, but it's also an excuse to get out of

the house and enjoy the great outdoors. According to the WFDA, getting ready for emergency communication in a winter environment is just as important as the preparations and practice that take place each June during ARRL Field Day, and — let's face it — it's not cold and snowy everywhere during the winter months. Your local climate could be quite the opposite.

“Don't let those winter doldrums keep you locked up in the house,” the WFDA says. “Get out and play some radio!” The WFDA said it believes that maintaining operating skills should not be limited to fair-weather scenarios.

The event, which got its start in 2007, is not restricted to North America. All Amateur Radio operators around the world are invited to participate, and there are three entry categories — indoor, outdoor, and home. The [rules](#) are similar to those for ARRL Field Day. Operation will take place on all HF bands except 12, 17, 30, and 60 meters, as well as on VHF, UHF, and satellite. The event runs 24 hours. US and Canadian stations exchange call sign, operating category, and ARRL or RAC section.

The WFDA encourages both group and solo operation, and if you're not up for an outdoor winter adventure involving Amateur Radio, you can operate from the comfort of your shack. As the WFDA says on its [Facebook page](#), “The object is winter fun!”

*Club members and guests are cordially invited to
attend the M & M Amateur Radio Club
After-Christmas Party*

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!

Date: Saturday, January 21, 2017

*Place: Riverside Golf Club
3459 14th Avenue,, Menominee, MI*

*Time: 5:00 p.m. Socializing
6:00 p.m. Dinner*

A “White Elephant” Gift exchange will be held after dinner. Bring something taking up space around the shack or house that you’d like to “unload” on someone else. The more humorous the better. But if your “gift” doesn’t go home with someone else, please take it back home with you.

MENU

Chicken and Tenderloin Tips.

Cost: \$15.00 per person.

You may pay at the party, but please let Mike Lemke, KD8FUE know how many you will be bringing to the party by January 14th. You can email him at mikekd8fue@att.net.

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