

The Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club

GROUND WAVE

Repeater Frequencies 147.00MHz & 444.075MHz

Club Net: Sunday 7PM 147.00MHz

Simplex DX Spotting and Ragchew Frequency 146.55

Web Page <http://w8pif.com>



Officers:

President: Jim Callow K8IR

Vice President: Valerie Hallam KC8WAI

Treasurer: Paul Drees WC9E

Secretary: Mark Erickson KD8ESH

The MMARC Newsletter

October 2007

CLUB CALENDAR...

October 11 Meeting
November 8 Meeting
December 9 Christmas Party

OCTOBER MEETING...

The October meeting of the M&M ARC will be held at 7pm Thursday October 11th at Spies Library in Menominee. It's the official beginning of the club year, and the new officers take their positions. The agenda is attached. After the meeting, K8IR has volunteered to offer a tour of the Bay Cities Radio studios and WAGN transmitter. The site is just a couple of blocks away from Spies Library at 413 10th Avenue. We hope to see you there.

OFFICERS ELECTED...

Officers for the new club year were elected at the September meeting. Jim Callow, K8IR will

again hold the office of President. Valerie Hallam, KC8WAI moves to Vice President after serving as Secretary for the past couple of years. Paul Drees, WC9E remains as our treasurer, and Mark Erickson, KD8ESH was elected as Secretary. Thanks to Bob Schrader, AA9GZ for his service as Vice President. And thanks to Mark, KD8ESH, who did a very thorough job on the nominating committee.

PAYING YOUR DUES...

It's time again to pay club dues. The single membership stays at \$18.00, and a family membership is \$27.00. You can pay the treasurer at a club meeting, or send your check to M&M ARC, P.O. Box 1082, Marinette, WI 54143.

WANT TO LEARN THE CODE?

Jim, KS8O will be conducting ON-AIR Morse code training throughout the month of

December. This training session will take place every night at 6:30 pm and will not require attendance every night. You may listen in only, or participate as you like. The more you listen, the more you will learn.

This will start as beginner and progress each night. Now that it is not a requirement for a license, it appears that there is more interest than ever in using Morse code. As you go through the bands, you hear more and more new code operators on the air every day. One of the primary reasons for knowing and using Morse code is the great DX found in the code portion of the bands. Also, when voice does not get through, CW most often can. And most of all, it's fun.

If interested, please contact Jim at ks80@alphacomm.net and he'll keep you up to date on his plans. He would also like to collect all of the Morse Code training tapes that are in the area for use by the persons interested in learning. If you have a set of tapes or know someone that does, please let me know so he can arrange for the participants to use them. He would like to see the participants starting with the tapes as early as possible starting now so they will be ready for the December activities. During the month of December, there will be a couple of breakfasts for the purpose of discussing this training, Please try to make them, dates to follow. By the way, Christmas day will not have a session.

YOUTH NET TO BEGIN 5TH MONTH OF OPERATION...

The Friday evening Youth Net continues to maintain a good healthy presence on the 147.000 repeater. All of our young ham group have had an opportunity to act as net control, the latest being KC9KVU, Jackson, who ran the net on Sept. 28.

Check-in counts have ranged from a low of 5 to a high of 13. This is their own net and a great opportunity for recognition on the ham bands. Many compliments have been received on the way they have conducted the net. If you haven't

done so, check in on Friday evening at 7:30pm and give them another call sign to log. Remember, they are the "future of ham radio" and will be excellent representatives of our hobby as they continue down life's road.

HAT TEAM DOES DOOR COUNTY...

Sunday September 30th the Ham Assistance Team enjoyed a great day to travel to scenic Door County to help out with a couple of projects.

First, part of the team met up with Door County Club President, Ken Meyer, K9KJM, to realign a Yagi antenna in the Sister Bay/Ellison Bay area. This will provide better receive coverage for the main repeater in Sturgeon Bay for ham radio operators in the northern end of the county.



W9OVO in his shack (KG9GH Photo)

Next, the other portion of the team worked with Clayton Cardy, W9OVO, at his QTH in Sturgeon Bay to repair 2 broken feedlines, realign a 2meter home brewed beam and to reconfigure his 10, 15 & 20meter tri-band antenna.

CW ARTICLE IN WSJ...

Check out one man's effort to keep CW alive in this recent Wall Street Journal Article:

<http://tinyurl.com/267xzw>

AGENDA for M & M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
October 11, 2007

1. Call meeting to order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Recognize guests and/or new members

Members introduce themselves with their call sign and talk about their HAM Radio activities in the past month. DX Stations worked, Antenna Projects, Contests worked, etc.

4. Approve Secretary's report as printed in the Ground Wave

5. Treasurer's Report (Paul)

6. Communications to read (any club officer)

7. Net report (Ed)

8. DAR Project Report (Ed)

9. Quartermaster Report (Ed)

10. Repeater Committee Report (Pete)

11. HAT Report (Pete)

12. QCWA Report (Dave)

13. Old Business

- County Board Presentation

14. New Business...

- Activities for the upcoming club year

15. Announcements/Raffle

16. Adjournment

17. Program

- Bay Cities Radio Station Tour – K8IR

MINUTES OF THE M&M ARC

September, 13 2007

- Call to Order 7:05pm
- Pledge
- Intros- Marge B- weather radios
- July minutes accepted as printed, no August meeting
- Next month: treasurer's quarterly report
- Communications
 - AES open house as printed in the Ground Wave
- Net report. 27-28 on Sunday average
- DAR slow since school started
 - Antenna loop was tweaked by KS8O
- Quartermaster report. Don Conant donated a FT 101EE, with mike, power cord, manual and dustcover.
- Repeater report One issue..., the crackles are not from the tower.
- HAT report was done by e-mail
- Old Business. Picnic- Thank you to Paul and Maxine, Dave and Jeanne for HAM bingo and wonderful gifts.
- QCWA- Dave and Jim working on article for journal
- July nominating committee- Mark and George

Pete motion to accept Jim and Paul in their same positions. 2nd by Bob J.
Nominations from floor—Jim nominated Valerie for VP, Pete 2nd. Mark nominated for secretary.

Nominations closed by Jeff, 2nd by Joey
Voice ballot

Voting went as follows:

- President is Jim K8IR
 - Vice President is Valerie KC8WAI
 - Secretary is Mark KD8ESH
 - Treasurer is Paul WC9E
- New officers take effect October 1st, 2007.

- JOTA- 3rd weekend in October
 - Bay Lakes Council BSA
- What does the club want to do? Open DAR radio room on Saturday perhaps?
Brian Long KB9LRD is BSA contact

Cheryl Wruk – council member Marinette County Board
Wants help explaining “what does HAM radio do?” ---Inform public as well as County Board

What does Mrs. Wruk want? Skywarn, ARES/RACES
 September 25- 9am on agenda, exact time? Committee vs. Whole Board
 Decided to delay by month. Meeting in October, last Tuesday the 30th

Paul won raffle. He donated it to the quartermaster. Bob J. will catalog them.

Christmas Party-December 9th- Schusslers
 Adjourned 8:23pm

Valerie Hallam	KC8WAI	Marge Bramschreiber	Meno.County ESC
Jim Callow	K8IR	Kurt Berge	K8BKA
Paul Drees	WC9E	Ken Exworthy	N0AWM
Bob Schrader	AA9GZ	Pam Croy	K7PAM
Jeff Rymer	KE9S	Floyd Croy	K8ZLO
Pete Johnson	AB9PJ	Dave Arnold	W8DXX
Jim Voss	KC8WJO	Mark Erickson	KD8ESH
Bob Jarnutowski	K8RJ	Gene Voelker	K9GGV
Paul Sorensen	NS8V	Joe Callow	W9JJC
Tyler Lehman	KC9FKE	Carol Wruk	KC9LNT
Ed Engleman	KG8CX	Ed Wruk	K9FQC
Mike Lemke	KD8FUE		

QUARTERLY TREASURERS REPORT BY PAUL DREES WC9E

DATE	NUM	TRANSACTION	PYMNT	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
CHECKING					
7/14/2007	774	J Callow Field Day	28.71		1016.27
7/14/2007	775	J & D	142.70		875.57
7/14/2007	776	JS Electronics	120.00		755.57
8/20/2007	DEP	Picnic		129.00	884.57
8/20/2007	DEP	Dues		74.00	958.57
8/20/2007	777	Maxine Drees Picnic	70.00		888.57
9/25/2007	DEP	Raffle		39.00	927.57
9/25/2007	DEP	Dues		171.00	1098.57
SAVINGS					
7/2/2007		Bank Interest Earned		0.88	689.08

Total \$1787.65
 DAR Fund 99.09
 Repeater Fund \$464.80

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