

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>



Officers:

President: Jim Callow K8IR
Vice President: Pete Johnson, AB9PJ
Treasurer: Mike Lemke, KD8FUE
Secretary: Mark Erickson KD8ESH

The MMARC Newsletter

November 2011

CLUB CALENDAR...

Nov 10 Club Meeting NWTC RM 201
Dec 8 Club Meeting NWTC RM TBD
Jan 14 Christmas Party

NOVEMBER MEETING...

The November meeting will be held in Room 201 at NWTC at 7pm Thursday November 10th. We'll discuss plans for ham radio classes this winter as well as the January 14th Christmas Party. Anyone have a program or just an interesting show and tell? We hope you can join us Thursday.

SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY...

SKYWARNTM Recognition Day was developed in 1999 by the National Weather Service and the American Radio Relay League. It celebrates the contributions that volunteer SKYWARNTM radio operators make to the National Weather Service.

During the day SKYWARNTM operators visit NWS offices and contact other radio operators across the world. WX9GRB at the Green Bay NWS Office will participate on both HF (80, 40, and 20 meter bands), and 2 meters and 440, plus IRLP (Node 9625). WX9GRB has been known to pop up on the 147.000 repeater. There is a certificate available for contacting one or more participating stations.

For more information go to:

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/hamradio/>

NATIONAL EAS TEST...

Though not directly related to Ham Radio, you may be hearing about the National EAS test scheduled for 1pm Central Time. The Emergency Alert System is the current version of a national alerting system using broadcast radio and TV stations. Though it dates back to the Conelrad System, (remember the Civil Defense icons at 640 and 1240 on your AM radio dial in the 1950's and 60's?) this is the first time the system is being tested from end to end.

The system uses off- the- air relays to disseminate messages, and is primarily used to distribute weather warnings and civil messages like Amber alerts. The government is currently working on upgrading EAS to work with new protocols that will enable distribution of the emergency messages on other platforms like cell phones or amateur radio as well.

CONGRATULATIONS, OM...

Dwight, NS9I received a certificate honoring his 50 years of being a radio amateur at the recent QCWA Chapter 219 meeting at the Fox Valley Hamfest in Menasha.

AGENDA for M & M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB November 10, 2011

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 (Mike)

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

- Christmas Party

- Ham Classes

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14. New Business

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15. Announcements/Raffle

16. Program

17. Adjournment

Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club Meeting 10-13-2011

- 7PM The Club Meeting was called to order. The Club President led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance. This is the beginning of our 62nd year.
- The Membership discussed their radio related activities/projects since the last club meeting.
- Secretary's Report: Approved by the membership as written.
- Treasure's Report: Approved as printed in The Ground Wave. The Club has \$1,177.20 on hand.
- Communications: The Salvation Army is looking for Individuals/Groups to man their kettles during the upcoming Holiday season.
- NET and DAR Report: KG8CX reported that check-ins have been averaging approximately 20 per week. Interest in the K8DAR program remains good. Lloyd and Gail have made it safely back to their home in California.
- Repeater Committee: The Repeater has been performing very well. AB9PJ reports that he is investigating a couple of conditions that remain with our Kenwood repeater. W9RAC is also working on this issue.
- HAT Team: AB9PJ reported that the HAT Team outside projects is now starting to become weather dependent. Please contact AB9PJ with requests for assistance.
- QCWA Report: W8DXX reported that the next meeting will be November 6th, at the Fox Valley Swap Festival. He reminded the Club about the QCWA. Monthly Net on the second Saturday at 4pm on 3838 kHz. All are welcome.
- Old Business: A discussion among the membership about potential interest in Amateur Radio License Training took place. More information will become available in the next meetings.
- New Business: A discussion about the Christmas Party took place. This year's Christmas Party will take place on January 14th. Help will be needed with set-up and clean up. More information will be forth coming. 2011-2012 Club activities for the coming year; Field day-June 23-24, The Waterfront Festival-August 4th; License classes. AB9PJ volunteered to work with W8DXX to update the Repeater Directory Information.
- K8IR presented a program about WGN talk radio. A video tour of the station was shown for the membership. It was very informative, and showed a working live talk radio station. This video generated a lot of positive comments from the membership. Thank you Mr. Callow.
- Members present at the 10-13-2011 meeting: W8DXX KG8CX
K9GGV KB9ZES KD8OVR AC8IO N5FVM WC9E N0AWM
KD8FUE KD8ESH K8IR. Also attending was Taylor Johnson .
- The next Club meeting will be held November 10th at NWTC in Marinette.
- A motion for adjournment was made by AB9PJ; this motion was supported by AC8IO. This motion passed unopposed at 9:05pm, 10-13-2011.
- Submitted by KD8ESH.

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