

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

March 2011

CLUB CALENDAR...

March 10	Club Meeting
March 13	Wisconsin QSO Party
April 1 & 2	AES Superfest
April 14	Club Meeting
May 10	MQT Spotter Training Menominee Yacht Club
May 12	Weather Spotter Training and Club Meeting UW-Mar

M&M ARC MEETING LOCATION

DATE ROOM

Mar 10th	NWTC	310
Apr 14th	NWTC	130
May 12th	UW-MAR	M-117

MARCH CLUB MEETING...

We will hold the March meeting at 7pm Thursday March 10th at NWTC Marinette in Room 310. Pete, AB9PJ passes along these instructions for finding Room 310. It's the same room we used last month.

It is in the Wisconsin Job Center section located on the west side of the campus. This is where the voting polls are held.

Park in the front parking lot near University Drive and enter at NWTC's main entrance (or the Job Center doors if they are open). Walk just past the main office, turn right and follow the long corridor into the Job Center building. At the end of the corridor, there is another corridor on the left. Follow that until you reach room 310.

Parking is limited in the front at that time so you may have to park in the rear and go in the usual entrance. If this is the case, walk down towards the main office the follow the directions previously listed.

This month's program will be a video of the E4X DXpedition to Palestine last year.

Club business includes initial planning for Field Day, a Club Fish Fry, and updates on upcoming activities including Ham of the Year, Weather Spotter Training, and AES Superfest.

We could do a VE SESSION following the meeting if anyone wants to test. Please contact Pete, AB9PJ at AB9PJ@yahoo.com if you are interested in testing.

We hope you'll be able to attend the meeting.

HAM OF THE YEAR...

We've begun the 2010 Ham of the Year Award process. So far one nomination has been received. You can bring your nomination to the meeting, or email to Jim, K8IR at jallow@new.rr.com. We'll take nominations until the April meeting, at which time we'll vote. The 2010 HOTY plaque will be presented at Field Day in June.

The Ham of the Year Award recognizes outstanding contributions made by a member of the M&M ARC during 2010.

WISCONSIN QSO PARTY...

The 2011 Wisconsin QSO Party is scheduled for March 13, starting at 1 PM local time. All the necessary information is at www.warac.org.

Everything is the same as last year, with the exception of one change made for the awards to be given to Wisconsin amateurs. There will be certificates for the top scoring single operator fixed entry and also to the top scoring single operator mobile entry.

This a nice contest in that it's only 7 hours long, and has a high level of activity, meaning plenty of fun for Wisconsin Hams.

AES SUPERFEST...

Many of our members look forward to the AES Superfest in Milwaukee which this year is Friday April 1st and Saturday April 2nd. Here's a list of events:

FRIDAY

**Forum: The History of Alpha Amplifiers:
4:45 PM to 5:45 PM**

SATURDAY

V.E. Testing: 8:30 AM to 11:15 AM

QSL Card Checking (DXCC, WAS, WAC & VUCC):8:30 AM to NOON

2 Meter Fox Hunt Challenge: 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

FORUMS:

Moonbounce for QRP'ers: 8:45 AM to 9:30 AM

All about Nets, Message Handling, and the NTS : 9:40 AM to 10:25 AM

Do Something NEW in Ham Radio: 10:35 AM to 11:35 AM

Design and Operation of Alpha Amplifiers: 11:45 AM to 12:30 PM

It's the Antenna... DUH!: 12:45 PM to 1:30 PM

The Heil & West Show: 1:45 PM to 2:45 PM

And the best part, all of this is free! Go to <http://www.aesham.com/> for more on AES Superfest. See you there!

WEATHER SPOTTER TRAINING...

For the first time in several years, we have Spotter Training sessions from both the Green Bay and Marquette offices scheduled locally. Matt Zika from the Marquette Office will hold a training session at the M&M Yacht Club on Tuesday May 10th. Jeff Last from the Green Bay office will hold a session at 6pm Thursday May 12th at the UW Marinette Room M-117. The M&M ARC meeting will be held after that training session. While each training session covers much of the same material, each meteorologist customizes their material for the area covered by their office, and spotters will find attending both sessions very worthwhile.

AGENDA for M & M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
March 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

- Ham of the Year
- Trustee Change
- License Classes

14. New Business...

- Fish Fry
- Field Day

15. Announcements/Raffle

16. Program –E4X Video

17. Adjournment

Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club Meeting 2-10-2011

- 7pm The Club Meeting was called to order. The Club President led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 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.
- Communications: From AB9PJ, Menominee Catholic Central Schools is requesting help with communications with two more running events. Saturday March 12, 8:30am and Saturday April 16. Any one who can help with communications should contact AB9PJ or KG8CX.
- NET and DAR Report: KG8CX reported that check-ins have been averaging 22-24 each week. We are now in our fifth year of the DAR Radio room project. This program has licensed 15 new Ham radio operators. Student interest still remains good. A discussion about the tower and antenna projects at the DAR took place.
- 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. Pete believes that it is an intermod issue. W9RAC is also working on this issue.
- HAT Team: AB9PJ reported that the HAT Team is now ready to start looking at projects for this summer. Please contact AB9PJ with requests for assistance.
- QCWA Report: W8DXX reported about the meeting in Negaunee Michigan to the Membership. He reminded the Club about the QCWA. Monthly Net on the second Saturday at 4pm on 3838 kHz. All are welcome.
- Old Business: It was decided that the Dar Radio Room fund will pay for an advertisement in "The Taste of the Town" fund raising booklet. The Civil Air Patrol has expressed an interest in Amateur Radio License Training. More information will become available in future meetings.
- New Business: A presentation was made by Gary Lysiak, (K8XM) on the time that he spent in FCC enforcement. He spent considerable time discussing enforcement actions against improper radio operations. Also discussed was the FCC attitude toward Amateur Radio operators. The membership also asked Mr. Lysiak about his thoughts on the future of Amateur Radio and their dedicated band spectrum. Thank you Mr. Lysiak, your presentation was informative and interesting. Thank you Mr. Callow for setting up this program.
- W8PIF Trustee: Noel has asked to be replaced as the current trustee. W8DXX (Dave) has volunteered to serve as the trustee.
- Members present at the 2-10-2011 meeting:
KD8OVR KD8FUE W8DXX N8OQU N9GLT KG9CX WC9E
KD8NAZ KD8ODP N0AWM K9GGV AB9QC AB9PJ KC9GRC N5FVM
K8IR KD8ESH Also present: Taylor Johnson, Tom McKay, Greg Paulson.
- The March 10th Club Meeting will be in room #310 at NWTC. The May 12th Club meeting will be held at The UW Marinette Campus. The meeting will start at 6pm. The Green Bay Weather Service will be conducting Skywarn training for the Membership and the General Public.
- A motion for adjournment was made by N8OQU; this motion was supported by KC9GRC. This motion passed unopposed at 9:05pm, 2-10-2011.
- Submitted by KD8ESH.

Balance from 2010

\$1,301.01

Year: 2011

M & M Amateur Radio Club

Checking Account \$549.69

Savings Account \$396.82

Total Club Assets \$946.51

Credits	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Totals
Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DX Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Merchandise Sold	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Meals Collected	142.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	142.50
VE Exams	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Auction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Raffle	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Members Dues	126.00	57.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	183.00
Subtotal	268.50	57.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	325.50
Debits													
Repeater	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
J & S Electronic	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120.00
Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DAR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VE Exams	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Restaurant Meals	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00
Merchandise	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misc Expenses	320.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	320.00
DX Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	680.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	680.00

Reviewed by Mike Lemke Treasurer