

## 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

May 2013

### CLUB CALENDAR...

May 9<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting NWTC  
June 13 Club Meeting NWTC  
June 21-22 Field Day  
June 30 Breakfast on the Farm  
August 3 Waterfront Special Event  
August 18 Picnic

### MAY MEETING...

The May meeting will be held at 7PM on Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup> in room 130 at NWTC. With a small turnout at the April meeting due to a snowstorm, we put off the Ham of the Year voting until this month. We also will continue planning for Field Day We hope you can make the meeting.

### WEATHER SPOTTER TRAINING...

The M&M ARC was well represented at the Marquette storm spotter training on April

28<sup>th</sup>. The presentation included some interesting statistics on the U-P Climate, contrasting last year's record setting spring warmth with this year's cold spring. Some of the severe weather highlighted hit close to home, including the wind damage events at the Menominee Cemetery and Wells State Park. If you missed this session. The weather spotter training will also be presented on Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Nadeau Township Hall in Carney at 6:30pm.

### HAM OF THE YEAR...

Due to a small turnout for the April meeting on a snowy night, the Ham of the Year 2012 voting will be held this month. We have two nominations, for Dave Arnold, W8DXX and Mark Erickson, KD8ESH. The nominations are listed below:

I would like to nominate Dave Arnold W8DXX for Ham of the Year. Dave's dedication to the Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club is unselfish and very becoming of a team player. Dave consistently brings door prizes which helps the club's finances, but also creates a friendly atmosphere at the meetings (as we all enjoy waiting to hear our numbered ticket call to claim a prize). Dave also provides generator power for the M&M ARC Field Day event every year without fail. Additionally, Dave started and maintains the QCWA chapter for our local area which helps provide additional positive recognition for the M&M ARC. For these reasons, I nominate Dave Arnold for the M&M ARC Ham of the Year award.

Sincerely,  
Pete Johnson, AB9PJ

Mark Erickson KD8ESH

Reasons for selecting:

- \* has worked all of our MCC Run/Walk events
- \* has helped at all Field Day events since he was licensed, and provided items such as tables, chairs, etc.
- \* compiles club meeting minutes monthly
- \* supportive of all M&M ARC activities and a fine representative of ham radio throughout the community
- \* always checks in to Skywarn nets
- \* good relationship with county and city officials.
- \* deserving of recognition

Ed, KG8CX

### **MICHIGAN QSO PARTY...**

It was a beautiful sunny day and roads were in good condition as Jim, K8IR, and Eric,

KG9GH took a trip to Keweenaw County and back as a mobile entry in the Michigan QSO Party on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Along the way they activated 12 counties and made 655 contacts, including numerous Europeans, and even an Asiatic Russian. Conditions were good and activity seemed up from a year ago.



KG9GH Photo

While the highways were in great condition, there was still 3 feet of snow on the ground in Keweenaw County on April 20<sup>th</sup>!

### **DAR TALKS 100 YEAR CELEBRATION...**

While the DAR Boys and Girls Club may have been focused on food April 25<sup>th</sup>, thoughts are turning toward the organization's 100-year anniversary. In 2015, the DAR will celebrate one century of serving the younger generation in Marinette and Menominee Counties. The DAR's CPO Rich Crevier says a committee is already in the planning stages. While it's somewhat early for exact details, Crevier says one of the DAR's most popular activities, the HAM Radio Club, will surely get plenty of promotion during the centennial celebration in a couple of years. The connection between Amateur Radio and the DAR goes back at least as far as 1920. The DAR held its Taste of M&M Counties Thursday, the organization's biggest fundraiser of the year.

## Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club Meeting 4-11-13

- 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: Stand approved as corrected. One call sign corrected.
- Treasurer's Report: KD8FUE reported that the club has total assets of \$1,716.20
- Communications: The Sagbrow Bike Tour will start August 4<sup>th</sup> at the UW. Marinette Center. The Organization is asking local Amateur Radio operators for help with communications.
- NET and DAR Report: DAR/YACHT had a table at SuperFest. Lots of visitors stopped by. Yacht has a total of 82 members. The 147.000 net has been averaging 20 plus check-ins weekly.
- Quartermasters Report: The report is current and up to date.
- Repeater Committee: No report.
- HAT Team: Antenna work is scheduled at WC9E'S site in June.
- QCWA Report: The QCWA meeting will be held at Perkins Restraint May 25. The QCWA. Monthly Net is held on the second Saturday of the month at 4pm on 3838 kHz. All are welcome.
- Old Business: Storm spotter training will be held a 6pm, April 25<sup>th</sup> in the Boaters Lounge on the north side of the Menominee Marina. "Ham of the Year" vote will take place at the next meeting. Nominations are W8DXX and KD8ESH.
- New Business: The M&M ARC Picnic is scheduled for August 18<sup>th</sup> at the first pavilion. Field Day 2013: Permission to use the site, power requirements, and thoughts on antenna use for the up coming event was discussed. The Waterfront Festival will again have a special event station. AA8UT. Bob Johnson's wife has recently passed away.
- Video: 2012 DX- Expedition to Somalia. Very informative. Thank you KD8OVR
- Members present at the 4-11-13 meeting: KD8FUE  
KG8CX KG9GH K8BKA AB9QC KD8OVR KB9ZES N9CON  
AG9P AB9QC KD8ESH K8IR
- The next Club meeting will be May 9th in room 130 at NWTC in Marinette.
- A motion for adjournment was made by N9CON, Support was provided by KD8FUE. The motion passed unopposed. Meeting adjourned at 8pm 4-11-13.
- Submitted by KD8ESH.

**M&M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
P.O. BOX 1082  
MARINETTE, WI 54143**