

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

August 2008

CLUB CALENDAR...

August 9th Waterfront Festival Special Event

August 17th Club Picnic Henes Park

September 11th Meeting Spies Library

AUGUST MEETING...

There will be no regular August meeting. See you at the picnic on August 17th, and back at Spies Library on September 11th.

PICNIC...

The annual club picnic will be held on Sunday August 17th at Henes Park, pavilion number 3 near the deer yard. The club will provide hamburgers, brats, and hot dogs, along with water and soda. We're asking everyone to bring a food item. See the list on the sign-up form in this issue. Please call in to Mark Erickson at the number listed by Thursday August 14th to let us

know what you'll be bringing. Please try to get your RSVP's in to the P.O. Box by that day, but last minute arrivals are welcome, too.

This year we will hold a silent auction to help beef up the club treasury. If you've got any items taking up space around the shack, here's great opportunity to get them out of the way, and help out the club at the same time. It also will be a chance for some of our newer hams to pick up some useful items for their shacks. Non-radio items will also be accepted. You may put a minimum bid on your items, if you wish. There are a couple of bid forms included in this issue that you may use, and forms will also be available at the picnic as well.

If you've got items that you'd like to sell or swap, we'll set up a separate swap table as well.

We'll start gathering about noon (come earlier if you'd like to help set up,) and will eat about 1pm.

KB9IMX SK...

We regretfully report that Sally Mans, KB9IMX became a silent key on July 9th. Sally was the XYL of Al Mans, KG9BI, mother of Jim Mans, AA9PB and John Mans, N8YWB, and grandmother of Hunter Mans, K8MBI. Sally will be missed by all of us. Our condolences to the Mans family. Flowers were sent on behalf of the club.

REPEATER UPGRADE...

Thanks to Jim, KC8DOA, the new duplexer is installed on the 147.000 repeater. All reports are that the duplexer is performing well. Ed, KG8CX, says the repeater has never sounded better.

There are still some things to be done, including replacing some jumpers, but it sounds like the new duplexer is performing as we had hoped.

WATERFRONT SPECIAL EVENT...

We'll be setting up a special event station at the Menominee Waterfront Festival on Saturday August 9th. The Festival graciously provides a tent for us to operate from. We'll be setting up about 8am, and will operate from 10am to about 4pm. Come on down and make a few contacts. It's a great opportunity to show off ham radio to the public. We'll be activating the Menominee North Pier Light as a part of National Lighthouse Week.

HAT TEAM PROJECTS...

The Ham Assistance Team installed a new top plate on the tower at KG9BI on July 26th.

That's Eric, KG9GH at the top of the tower. A special thanks to Steve Lehman...Tyler, KC9FKE's dad, who made up two new plates for the top of the tower.

Other recent projects included installing a mast, HF beam, and a 2 meter/70 cm beam at the top of KS8O's 110 foot tower on the 4th of July weekend, and taking down a tower in Sister Bay

on July 19th that was being acquired by Davis, W9DVS.



2008-2009 ELECTION PROCESS BEGUN...

Mike, KD8FUE, was appointed as the nominating committee at the July meeting. He will present a slate of officers for the coming year at September meeting, which is when we hold the election. If anyone would like to run for office, please contact Mike. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

FOR SALE: (via W8FWG from the Copper Country)

GRUNDIG portable SW radio 200 memories 11 intl best bands c/w manual mint condx used only one time.....it's taking up space so any reasonable offer will be accepted.

73, Dave Kim, VE3AVS, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada 807-344-8949

I have my 6 meter equipment for sale. I would like to sell all-together. Asking \$995.00

ICOM 551D allmode.

Astron 50 amp power supply.

50' aluminum tower, consists of (6) 8' sections. Will need new hardware

Hygain CD-45 rotor and control box, and control cable, no coax.

5 element beam, needs one or two elements, damaged in storage.

6M vertical antenna.

Heath Cantenna dummy load, 1 KW, full of power company transformer oil.

If interested contact me via E-Mail: fdlequia@charter.net
"Fuzzy" LeQuia, WD9HDP

● M & M Amateur Radio Club Meeting 6-12-2008

- Because of the Weather, the Club meeting location was changed to Perkins Restaurant.
- 7:08pm The Club President led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Secretary's Report: Approved as printed.
- Treasure's Report: A discussion among the membership took place about payment for the duplexers. The Repeater fund now shows a slight deficit. A motion was made by KG9GH to balance this account. This Motion carried. The Duplexers are now on site.
- Communications: None reported.
- NET Report: The DAR is doing well, good interest, a lot of activity in the radio room. Mr. Engleman showed to the membership the Field Day notice that is posted at the DAR.
- Quartermaster's Report: Current as list on the Web Page.
- Repeater Committee: The Duplexers are on site they will soon be installed.
- HAT Report: A discussion about KD8ESI recent lighting strike and damage that it caused took place. A discussion about the up coming project at KS8O's home in Wallace Michigan also took place.
- QCWA: The May 10th meeting had 5 members present. The Officers will remain the same for next year. The next meeting will be at the Upper Peninsula Fair. Just a reminder, The first Saturday of each month at 4pm. The QCWA net takes place at 3.825MH.
- Old Business: A discussion about the recent Fox Hunt took place. We had a good turn out. We had several out of the area check-ins. The winner was an 8 year old Young Lady, Taylor Johnson. Good Job!
- Field Day 2008: A lengthily membership discussion about the up coming event took place. Questions were raised about how many stations would be run, if we were going to operate a beam, and the number of tents that would be needed. A quick list of required equipment needed for this event was discussed between the member ship. Members volunteered and agreed to meet for set up at approximately 3pm.
- Water Front Festival Special Event Station. Mr. Callow informed the membership about the Special Event Station that will be set up at the Menominee Marina on Saturday August 9th. Every one is welcome.
- Club Picnic at Henes Park: Help is needed, more discussion at the next club meeting.
- New Business; The next club meeting will be held at the Menominee Yacht Club. (This is located behind the band shell on the Menominee Marina.) The DX Challenge Plaque has arrived; this will be presented at the Field Day activities. The K8ZLO drew the winning Yacht team member that is to receive the ICOM 2200 radio. Thirteen members were in this drawing. The winner was KC9MLD. Congratulations.
- Members Present:

K8IR	KD8ESH	K9GGV
K8MBI	KC9FKE	KD8FUE
K8ZLO	K7PAM	KC8WAI
KG9GH		W8DXX
- Also present at this meeting, Mr. Art Lewis, and Mr. Jeff Lewis.
- KG8GH called for adjournment at 7:58pm. Support by KC8WAI. Motion carried.
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Club members & guests are cordially invited to attend the annual M & M Amateur Radio Club Family Picnic

Date: Sunday, August 17, 2008
Place: Henes Park, Menominee, MI (Third Pavilion)
Time: 12:00 p.m. social
1:00 p.m. lunch

The club will provide Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Brats.

Each club member is asked to provide a food item to share. (see below)

IF YOUR FOOD ITEM REQUIRES REFRIGERATION, PLEASE TAKE ALONG A COOLER WITH ICE!!!

PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE BEVERAGE. COFFEE AND WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED.

Price per person: \$ 5.00 per adult
\$ 3.00 per child ages 12 and under

Reservations are required and must be submitted with your check no later than Thursday, August 14th. Make check payable to the M & M Amateur Radio Club and mail to:

M & M Amateur Radio Club Picnic
P. O. Box 1082
Marinette, WI 54143

mail this portion with your check

Name of club member _____ Call sign _____

Number of reservations _____ @ \$ 5.00 per adult
_____ @ \$ 3.00 per child
Amount enclosed \$ _____

Please choose an item to share, and call Mark Erickson, KD8ESH at 906-8763-1954 and leave a message so we know what you plan to bring:

Pasta salad, Fruit Tray, Cheese tray, Crackers, Fresh veggie platter, Bags of snacks, Hot Dish, Dessert.

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