The Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club

GROUND WAVE

Repeater Frequencies 147.00MHz & 444.075MHz Club Net: Sunday 7PM 147.00MHz

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President – Dan Nyman, W9DLN

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At Large – Mike Lemke, KD8FUE

At Large – Doug Dooley, KD8OVR

The MMARC Newsletter

April 2024

CLUB CALENDAR...

April 11 Club Meeting 7p inVenture North May 9 Club Meeting 7p inVenture North

CLUB MEETING...

This month's meeting is Thursday April 11th At 7pm at inVenture North in Marinette. See the attached agenda. Hope to see you there.

NEW CALLSIGNS...

Thanks to the recent License Class and VE Testing session, there are a lot of new call signs in the area. We welcome you all to the and look forward to hearing you.

Gary Berger KF8AND Roger Dolliver KF8AMW Cody Heyrman KE9ABO Art Babcock KE9ABF Deborah Babcock KE9ABG William Millard KF8ANC Tom Boice KE9ABN Mike Charnota KE9ABI Dan Sopata KE9ABS Claude Wilcox KE9ACF

And congratulations again to Thomas Doering KF5WFP on his upgrade to General.

KC8WAI SK...



We are saddened to announce the passing of another M&M ARC member. Valerie Hallam, KC8WAI of Menominee passed away on March 10th. Val had served as club secretary and Vice President in the early 2000's. She was also very active in many other community organizations, including ARES/RACES. A memorial celebration for Valerie will be held at the Menominee American Legion on Saturday August 3, 2024.

GREEN BAY HAMFEST...

SAVE THE DATE...Saturday June 1, 2024. That's the date of the Green Bay Hamfest.

- Commercial Vendors
- Tail Gating/Trunk Sales
- Flea Market
- VE License Testing
- Great Food
- Plenty of Indoor Tables
- Great Door Prizes
- ...and lots more!

Please plan to attend! Check out the attached flyer...we'll keep you posted on the details.

For more information and to arrange a table or tailgating space, contact Todd Clausen, W9GRB at toddw9grb@gmail.com or 414-455-6374.

President's Corner from Dan Nyman, M&M ARC President

Greetings everyone,

I hope we all survived the great April snow storm intact. We went through three days without power here in Crivitz. My wife and I were blessed with a generator and were able to keep warm and the fridge and freezers cold. By Sunday most of the mess has melted and things are back to normal. I also see the W8PIF repeater is back on the air.

I have breaking news about an event in the works scheduled for the summer of 2025. Tom, KF5WFP contacted me about a bicycle tour through Marinette County and the Club could possibly be needed to help with communications. I don't have a lot of details yet but I just wanted to let you all know.

At the last Club meeting there was considerable interest in a CW training class. It seems like an old dying art is coming back to life. Considerable research has shown that there are tremendous resources available online to make this happen. Some are better than others but they are all good. The problem I have is communicating these resources to our membership. Therefore I would like to create and email group to discuss this topic and then possibly move it to a groups.io page. Groups.io is pretty much a standard for sharing information on various topics of interest. From there we can discuss different training methods and

resources. To get this ball rolling I offer to coordinate this effort. If you are interested in participating please contact me by email at w9dln@proton.me.

On another topic, I hope you all enjoyed last month's President's Corner. This month I will no longer give a summary of events back then but would rather give you a PDF of the actual newsletters from almost 40 years ago. I didn't realize it but I have copies of the RAG from two months before I took it over. It shows the circumstances leading to me to begin publishing the RAG. I will also include the August 1987 RAG I outlined last month as well as the September 1987 issue. I will ask K8IR to attach these PDFs with this month's newsletter. That's all for now. Hope to see you at the meeting Thursday.

73, GL, Dan, W9DLN

AGENDA April 11,. 2024

- 1. Changes/Additions to agenda
- 2. Pledge of allegiance
- 3. Introductions
- 4. Approval of March 2024 Minutes
- 5. Treasurer's report
- 6. Correspondence
- 7. Committee Reports
 - 1. ARES Report W8AWF
 - 2. Fundraising Committee KD8FUE/K9STT
 - 3. Yacht Report KG8CX
 - 4. Web/ARRL report K9STT
- 8. Old Business
 - 1. Club 75th Anniversary
 - 2. Escanaba Repeater Link
 - 3. UHF Amp K9STT
 - 4. Insurance-Trailer
 - 5. Communications Trailer KD8FUE
 - 6. CW Class W9DLN
 - 7. Rag Net W9DLN
- 9. New business
 - 1. Bicycle Tour
 - 2.
- 10. Announcements
- 11. Adjournment

Marinette & Menominee Amateur Radio Club Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Thursday March 14, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm at inVenture North in Marinette by club president Dan Nyman, W9DLN. The February 2024 meeting minutes were approved.

Treasures Report: Paul Sorensen, NS8V reported a balance at the end of February of \$7,001.54. The treasures report was approved.

Correspondence: None **Committee Reports**

ARES Report: Robert Juhlin, W8AWF reported a SET is scheduled for May 11th and another in October, they will be focusing on communications to the Upper Peninsula.

Fundraiser Report: Steve Mellenthin, K9STT reported nothing has been planned for the year yet. He will need volunteers to help with the fundraising events. It was suggested that recognition of the club's 75th anniversary could be included in the fundraising events.

Yacht Report: Ed Engleman, KG8CX reported EchoLink chats are held Monday through Friday at 7 pm local time. They are averaging 15 to 20 check-ins on the Saturday net.

ARRL/Webmaster Report: K9STT reported we are current with ARRL, club officers and membership has been reported. He is planning to move the club's website to a new server and has been working on a database for net check-ins.

Old Business

Insurance: The club obtained new liability insurance from Hanover Insurance through the ARRL. We need to check with Menominee County on the insurance coverage for the communications trailer.

Escanaba Link: No update

Technician License Classes: Doug Dooley, KD8OVR reported he had a very successful class this year. They licensed nine new Technicians, one General, and had one upgrade to Extra.

UHF Amp: No update

Communications Trailer: The trailer is currently located at Mike's house. The pneumatics for the mast needs to be finished up.

Rag Net: W9DLN reported K9STT successfully checked into the net using his new antenna.

New Business

75th Anniversary of the Club: A discussion was held on how to promote and publicize the club's 75th anniversary. Crivitz Flea Market: W9DLN discussed the possibility of setting up a station and operating at the Crivitz Flea Market this summer.

Sending Newsletter/Minutes to Non-Club Members: W9DLN asked if it was possible to send the club newsletter and meeting minutes to non-club members. The membership felt it was ok to email the PDF newsletter and minutes to non-club members.

Announcements: W9DLN has a 50' Rohn tower and a 10 meter all mode transceiver w/power supply for sale. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by K9STT and seconded by W8AWF. The motion was accepted and carried. Meeting ended at 8:10 pm.

18 members present: N9GLT, W9DLN, NS8V, AG9P, KG8CX, KD9RYZ, KD9IGW, K9STT, W8AWF, K8IR, WN6KHG, KF5WFP, and KD8OVR. Art Babcock, Deborah Babcock, William Millard, Mike Charnota, and Gary Berger were also present and waiting for their callsigns to be issued.

Minutes respectfully submitted by John Goldschmidt – Secretary

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