

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: Bob Schrader AA9GZ

Treasurer: Paul Drees WC9E

Secretary: Valerie Hallam KC8WAI

The MMARC Newsletter

January 2006

JANUARY MEETING...

We hope you all had a happy holiday season. It's 2006, and time to get back to business. The January meeting of the M&M Amateur Radio Club will be held on Thursday January 12th at 7pm at Spies Public Library in Menominee. The agenda is listed later in this newsletter. We hope you'll be able to join us.

HAM OF THE YEAR...

It's time to start thinking about who should be the 2005 Ham of the Year. A nomination form is included in this newsletter. Voting will be at the February meeting, and the award will be presented at the Charter Night Banquet.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS...

If you are a paid up member and have not received your membership card, please contact Paul WC9E.

CHRISTMAS PARTY...

Twenty-five hams and family members gathered at Schussler's Supper Club in Peshtigo on Sunday December 4th for the M&M ARC Christmas Party. Those present enjoyed a lot of good conversation and an excellent meal.



A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the plaque for Highest Club Score in the 2005 Michigan QSO Party. Shown is club President and Michigan QSO Party Committee member, Jim, K8IR presenting the plaque to Paul, KC8YZB, who

was a member of the W8PIF crew. Besides the club plaque, W8PIF also received the plaque for high score in the Multi-Op Single Transmitter Class. The M&M ARC has won the club plaque in four of the past six years. Congratulations to all those who helped the M&M ARC again achieve this honor.

VE SESSION...

There are two new callsigns in the area as a result of our VE session at Stephenson Public Library on December 17th. Congratulations to Lisa Haskell, KC9IPT, of Pulaski and Jared Alfson, KC9IPS of Oconto Falls on their new Technician Licenses. Lisa is the mother of Cole Haskell, KB9SPL, who was a member of our club when the family lived in Marinette.

CQ MAGAZINE FEATURES LOCAL WRITER...

The January issue of CQ Magazine contains an article penned by our Vice President, Bob, AA9GZ. Last year Bob received USA-CA certificate number 1122 for working all 3077 counties. The article, an expanded version of the article Bob wrote for the June Ground Wave, deals with his experiences and County Hunting in General. Check it out on page 95 of the January CQ. Congratulations, Bob!

2005 ANOTHER BANNER YEAR FOR LOCAL AMATEUR RADIO...

Several VE sessions during the year just concluded increased our ham population throughout the tri county area. 12 people became holders of new FCC call signs. We gained our youngest ham, Joey age 9 (now 10) in April who later changed his call to W9JJC. In addition, a number of current hams upgraded to higher classes. The new hams and calls are:
K9GGV Gene; KC9HOR Dave; W9JJC Joey; KC9HHZ John; KD8BEN Joyce; KD8BEM Nita; KD8BMH Ronnie; KC9IIIH Jed; KC9III Diann; KD8CHL Charlie; KC9IPT Lisa; and KC9IPS Jared. Upgrading

to higher classes were: KC9FKE to General; KS8O to Extra; KC8YZB to General. Some of the new hams have yet to be heard on the air, but we hope to introduce them to local repeaters during 2006, and encourage them to become as active as they have time and inclination to.

Prospects for another banner year for the M&M ARC and amateur radio appear bright. Work to establish a ham station at the M&M DAR Boys' and Girls' Club will be getting underway with donated gear. Plans for our annual Charter Banquet are just beginning, Field Day will occupy the last weekend in June, and many other activities are planned throughout the year. A highly anticipated upgraded 2 meter repeater system will be completed by this spring. Of course, we also plan on creating opportunities for new hams to enter our ranks.

Amateur radio continues to thrive within our area, thanks to many dedicated individuals. We appreciate their many contributions.

H.A.R.A. 2006 SWAP AND SHOP...

The Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association is holding it's annual Swap and Shop, Saturday, February 4, 2006 at the Negaunee Township Hall, 42 Hwy M-35, Negaunee Michigan. The event runs from 9 am to 2 pm (EST), talk-in will be on the 147.27 repeater (100 Hz tone). For more info, contact Bob, N8PKN n8pkn@aol.com, or 906-225-6773

OUR CONDOLENCES...

We sadly report the passing of Marie Paulsen on December 20th at age 83. Marie was the XYL of longtime club member Eugene "Smokey" Paulsen, K8CQW (SK), and mother-in-law of Al Grenier, N9QAA.

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES/BIRTHDAYS...

The following celebrate birthdays this month...
7th, Joan Callow; 20th, Connie Bosselman; 27th Lisa Beardsley

AGENDA for M & M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

January 12, 2006

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 (Paul)

6. Communications to read (any club officer)

7. Net report (Ed)

8. Repeater Committee Report

9. Old Business

- DAR Project
- Christmas Party
- VE Session
- Motion to change bylaws re: Quartermaster (See Dec. Groundwave)

10. New Business...

- Charter Night
- Ham of the Year
- Tech Classes / VE Session

11. Announcements/Raffle

12. Adjournment

13. Program: D-Star System

MINUTES OF THE M&M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

November 10, 2005

- Meeting called to order 7:03pm by Jim Callow, Pres.
- Pledge
- Introductions
- Secretary report as in Ground Wave amended to read Ebay for 30 days, if not sold then raffle.
- Treasurers report \$2231.94 \$900.00 to repeater fund

- Communications-
UP Radio Amateur Repeater Association- dues \$5.00. Bob motion, Arde second the motion. \$5.00 out of general fund.
Amended by Pete AB9PJ to take out of repeater fund.
- Scholarships
- Library: thank you card for donation
- E-mail Dan Van Den Hoven. Special affiliate, fill out form, invite to charter night

- Raffle: 5" black & white TV with AM/FM radio, from Paul WC9E

- Repeater Committee:
 - Radio on Ebay. Reserve of \$2600 has been met. Auction over 8pm Sunday 11-13-05
 - Antenna ordering time 6-10 weeks. Pete- needs new feed line; looks like rebuilding everything on the tower.
 - Move \$300 to repeater maintenance fund. Pete AB9PJ, Larry N9OSF second the motion, vote is unanimous.
 - Time out on controller 440 repeater- Noel fixing- repeatedly
 - Permission to spend \$952 on hardware and \$1200-1300 on antenna- money in treasury for repeater.
 - Antenna time sensitive. Will look for 7/8 feed line on Ebay 500ft on reel. Jim C. K8IR, Charlie KD8CHL second the motion.
 - Order antenna and hardware from repeater fund. Ed KG8CX, Valerie KC8WAI second the motion.
- By-laws: Read and correct. Bring up at the next meeting.
- Old Business:
 - Christmas Party. Reservations in by November 28th.

- Next meeting in January. No December meeting.
- December 17th, next testing
- Thank you to Tanya from Jim C. Invited to Christmas Party as a guest.
- HAM of the Year- nominations
- Charter Night: usually late February or March. Decide in January.
- Dan N9OWD: Emergency plan- RACES. Who? Repeater number? A list to call down? E-mail him at N9OWD@ARRL.net

- Jed KC9IIH, voted in as new member
- Up to \$60.00 allotted for DAR equipment donation. Motion Eric KG9GH, Pete AB9PJ second the motion.

TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT 12/24/2005

CHECKING

DATE	NUM	TRANSACTION	PAYMENT	DEPOSIT	BAL
10/5/2005		Repeater Fund		350.00	837.45
10/5/2005		Raffle		53.00	890.45
10/5/2005		Dues		120.00	1010.45
10/27/2005		Repeater Fund		275.00	1285.45
10/27/2005		Dues		322.50	1607.95
10/27/2005		Raffle		51.00	1658.95
10/27/2005	736	J Callow Repeater (Acc for Lou's Radio)	42.75		1616.20
10/27/2005	737	Lou's Flowers	42.40		1573.80
10/27/2005	738	Spies Library	100.00		1473.80
10/31/2005		Dues		37.50	1511.30
10/31/2005		Repeater Fund		50.00	1561.30
11/14/2005	739	UPARRA Repeater	5.00		1556.30
11/29/2005		Raffle		41.00	1597.30
11/29/2005		Christmas Party		323.50	1920.80
11/29/2005		Dues		112.50	2033.30
11/29/2005		Lou's Radio		2564.11	4597.41
12/5/2005	740	Christmas Party	409.47		4187.94
12/6/2005	741	JS Electronics Repeater	120.00		4067.94
12/7/2005	742	Club Station	68.62		3999.32
12/23/2005		Christmas Party		82.50	4081.82

REPEATER FUND BALANCE: \$3723.67

SAVINGS

10/5/2005		Bank Interest Earned		1.28	680.64
12/7/2005		Bank Interest Earned		1.27	681.91

TOTAL CLUB ASSETS 12/24/2005 \$4763.73

Submitted by Paul Drees, WC9E

2005 HAM OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM:

I nominate _____ call _____ for Ham
of the Year for the following reasons:

Take to a meeting, or mail to:
M & M Amateur Radio Club
P. O. Box 1082
Marinette, WI 54143