

## 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: Bruce Conover N9CON  
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Treasurer: Mike Lemke, KD8FUE  
Secretary: Mark Erickson KD8ESH

The MMARC Newsletter

November 2014

### CLUB CALENDAR...

Nov13<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting NWTC Rm 310  
Dec 11<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting NWTC Rm 310

### NOVEMBER MEETING...

The November meeting will be held on Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup> at NWTC Room 310. We hope you can attend.

### K8DAR MAKES HAM NATION...

Viewers of the Webcast "Ham Nation" saw some pictures of kids operating the K8DAR station in Episode 170 which aired in October. The link to the webcast is: <http://twit.tv/show/ham-nation/170>. The K8DAR segment begins at the 56:15 mark in the program. Ham Nation is a weekly webcast featuring among others Bob Heil and Gordon West.

### MICHIGAN PRB-1 BILL...

Michigan ARRL Section Manager Larry Camp, WB8R reports that Senate Bill 0493 has arrived in the House of Representatives and has been assigned to the Energy and Technology Committee. PRB-1 is the FCC Policy limiting the restrictions municipalities can place on amateur radio towers. The bill would put the policy into Michigan law.

Michigan Hams need to continue to send letters to the members of the Energy and Technology Committee Chairman as well as their individual representatives.

Below the attached sample message is a listing of the mail addresses of the Chairman and members of the committee.

It is acceptable for anyone to send a note to all of the Committee Members, even if you don't live in his or her district. Just make

sure that your subject line is "House Energy and Technology Committee". That will get the necessary attention.

The following is a suggestion as to what to include in your message.

Add the Representative's name and your information at the end of the letter. If you deviate from this message, please be respectful and communicate in a professional tone. An easy way to handle this is to address the Committee Chairman and copy the Committee Members on the email

You do not need to be a licensed operator to send this message. Even your spouse can send a separate message.

On a related note, if you have not yet contacted your individual Representative, please visit [www.miarrlprb1.org](http://www.miarrlprb1.org), locate your Representative, copy and paste the provided letter into your email program, fill in the variable information and send it.

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EMAIL MESSAGE EXAMPLE:

SUBJECT: House Energy and Technology Committee and SB 0493

Representative \_\_\_\_\_,

I am asking that you give consideration to scheduling SB 0493 for review and passage within the House Energy and Technology Committee.

Senate Bill 0493, if passed, will recognize the Federal Communications Commission's antenna regulation pre-emption known as PRB-1. This will help all licensed Amateur Radio Operators across the State of Michigan, especially in the times of needed emergency communications. Your

assistance as well as that of the other committee members is urgently needed.

Regards,

(Name)  
(Call sign)  
(Address)  
(Email Address)

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Committee Email addresses:

Michigan House of Representatives Energy and Technology Committee

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- [MikeShirkey@house.mi.gov](mailto:MikeShirkey@house.mi.gov)
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The state representative for Menominee County Hams is:

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## Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club Meeting 10-8-14

- 7:00PM the Club Meeting was called to order. The Club President led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance. This is N9CON's first meeting as Club President. Congratulations.
- The Membership discussed their radio related activities/projects since the last club meeting.
- Secretary's Report: Approved by the membership as printed in the Ground Wave.
- Treasure's Report: KD8FUE reported that the club has total assets of \$1,259.43
- Communications: Nothing new noted.
- NET and DAR Report: KG8CX reported that the 147.000 net is averaging 20+ check-ins per week. Having some difficulty with Echo link and the fire wall. The DAR Program is in good shape. Combinations with HF are working very well.
- Repeater Committee: The 444.075 Repeater working well. The 147.000 Repeater is also working well. Everything on the tower looks good. AB9PJ reports that the feed line is "rock solid." The 107.2 tone is now "On" for in and out.
- HAT Team: Please contact AB9PJ or KG9GH with requests for assistance.
- QCWA Report: The QCWA. Monthly Net is held on the second Saturday of the month at 4pm on 3838 kHz. All are welcome.
- Old Business: None noted during this meeting.
- New Business: KG8CX will be giving a talk at these years Dayton Hamvention. He has been asked to discuss the Y.A.C.H, T. Program and the DAR. Radio Room. Congratulations Mr. Engleman. AB9PJ talked to the membership about the possibility of the M&M-ARC becoming a 501-C3 Non-Profit Organization. Pete will be looking into this and bringing more information back to the membership.
- A motion by KG8CX to Thank Mr. Callow for all of his service to The M&M ARC. This is to be done at The Club's Christmas Party. This motion was supported by AB9PJ. This motion passed unanimously.
- Presentation by W9LEG: An informative presentation was given to the membership on computer software. Interesting, informative and it made you rethink the uses of older computers. Thank you Mr. Gomez.
- Members present at the 10-8-14 meeting: KD8FUE  
KD8ESH N9CON W9LEG AB9QC KD8OVR K9GGV K8IR  
KG8CX W9GCG AB9PJ Also present Taylor Johnson.
- The next Club meeting will be November 13th at NWTC. Room to be announced.
- A motion for adjournment was made by K8IR. Support was provided by KD8FUE. This motion passed unopposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm 10-8 -2014.
- Submitted by KD8ESH.

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