

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: Eric Janssen KG9GH
Vice President: Pete Johnson, AB9PJ
Treasurer: Mike Lemke, KD8FUE
Secretary: Mark Erickson KD8ESH

The MMARC Newsletter

June, 2017

CLUB CALENDAR...

June 8 Club Meeting NWTC
June 10 Ham Breakfast George Webb's
June 24-25 Field Day

JUNE MEETING...

This month's regular meeting will be at 7pm on Thursday June 8th in room 308 at NWTC. We will elect a Ham of the Year and discuss Field Day. We hope you'll be able to join us Thursday.

HAM OF THE YEAR...

We will vote for the Ham of the Year at the Thursday meeting. Anyone may make a nomination at the meeting, or if you can't make the meeting, contact an officer to nominate someone.

K9GGV SK...



We are deeply saddened to report that Gene Voelker, K9GGV passed away on May 22nd at the age of 85. Gene was one of our most loyal members, and the fact he attended our May meeting, just 11 days before his death is a testament to how important the club was to him. Rest in Peace, Gene.

FIELD DAY...

Doug, KD8OVR composed the following letter that is being sent to all our new hams. It includes all the information you need to know about the Field Day weekend activities. Thanks, Doug.

As a newly licensed ham, the M&M Amateur Radio Club would like to invite you to participate in the upcoming 2017 Amateur Radio Field Day. The event will be held June 24th and 25th at the Jones' Family field at the end of 32nd Avenue near the Menominee airport – follow the signs.

Field Day was started in 1933 and by far is the most popular ham radio event in the country. Its purpose is to demonstrate the communications ability of the amateur radio community in simulated emergency situations. Hams across North America will be setting up their equipment in temporary locations; many times using emergency power. From 1:00PM Saturday to 1:00PM Sunday, we will try to make contact with many of these stations.

Here is a schedule of activities:

Fri., June 23th

3:00PM (approx.) Setup Begins
(Help needed about 4:30 to raise the tower)

Sat., June 24th

8:00AM Setup Continues
10:00AM License Exam Session
(pre-registration encouraged)
1:00 PM Field Day Starts
5:00 PM Picnic Lunch
(Bring a dish to pass)

Sun., June 25th

1:00PM Field Day Ends/Take
Down and Clean Up

Come by, enjoy the camaraderie, and see what it's all about!! If you have any questions, please contact Ed, KG8CX, at (906) 863-3477.

NEW HAMVENTION SITE GETS TESTED...

By Jim, K8IR

With the Hara Arena closed, the Dayton Hamvention moved to a new site at the Greene County Fairgrounds in Xenia, Ohio.

There were the expected traffic problems on the opening morning as 20,000 hams converged on the new site, and traffic plans broke down. Even the shuttle buses from the outlying lots got delay for an hour and a half in the traffic jams. The good news is adjustments were made and Saturday's traffic moved much smoother.

With heavy rains daily, the grass parking areas at the fairgrounds turned to mud, as did the flea market which was set up on the grass of the horse track infields.

There were also some advantages with the new location. The food selection was far better, and the meeting rooms were larger than at Hara.

There were plenty of excellent programs covering every aspect of ham radio. And you don't appreciate how many areas of interest there are in our hobby until you try to pick which programs you want to attend.

Oh, did I mention the vendors with all the latest radios and gadgets to see all in one place while meeting your friends from all over the world?

Hamvention...still very much worth the trip.

Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club Meeting 5-11-17

- 7:05pm The Club Meeting is called to order. The Club President (KG9GH) led the Membership in the Pledge of allegiance.
- The Members each discussed their radio related actives since the last Club meeting.
- K8IR and KG9GH discussed their 1,000 mile Mobil actives for the Michigan QSO Party. They reported that both the weather and the bands were less than cooperative... KA9WAR reported that he has now logged 90 Countries. Congratulations.
- Secretary's Report: A motion to accept/approve minutes as submitted by N9CON. Support by AC8IO. This motion passed unopposed.
- Treasurers Report: KD8FUE reported that The Club has total assets of \$994.90 Additional Membership dues have not been deposited as of this time. The Raffle provided by W8DXX has been helpful financially. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made KD8OVR. Support was provided by N9CON. This motion passed by a unanimous vote.
- Communications: The membership discussed how to communicate with new License holders. Concerns have been raised about the lack of new license holders that are "on the air".
- Net Report: The 147.000 net is averaging between 20+ check-ins per week. Thank you to Ed and John for running our Net.
- Repeater Committee: N9CON reported that both repeaters are functioning well.
- DAR Report: KG8CX is at the DAR two days per week.
- Old Business: 501C3 update: The bylaws committee has been reviewing The M&M ARC by-laws. (AB9PJ, KD8FUE, N9CON, and KC9FKE.) A discussion about The Clubs Web site took place. The IRS will be evaluating The M&M ARC Web Page during the application for 501-C3 status.
- New Business; Field Day 2017 is scheduled for June 24th and 25th. A membership discussion about Field Day requirements took place. The Jones's will again allow The M&M ARC to hold the event on their property. A quick discussion of the members present identified many preparation tasks. The Port-a-Jon has been ordered. Delivery Friday afternoon before end of business. Nominations and voting for "Ham of the Year" will take place at the next meeting. This summer's club picnic will be held on Aug 13th at Henes Park in Menominee.
- QCWA Report: The QCWA. Monthly Net is held on the second Sunday of the month at 8pm on Echo-Link on the 147.000 repeater. All are welcome.
- Member's present at the 5-11-17 meeting:
K8IR KD8ESH KD8FUE KD8OVR KE8GMO KG9GH KG8CX
AB9PJ KD8FKE KD9IGW N9CON N0AWM AC8IO W9LEG
WN6KHG KA9WAR K9GGV
- Meeting Room Change: June 8th meeting. The new room is #308.
- As these minutes were being assembled, The Eagle Herald reported the passing of Club Member Gene Voelker on May 22nd. K9GGV will be missed.
- A motion to adjourn was made by N9CON, Support provided by KD8FUE. This motion passed unopposed.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm. Submitted by KD8ESH

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