

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: Jim Callow K8IR
Vice President: Bob Schrader AA9GZ
Treasurer: Paul Drees WC9E
Secretary: Mark Erickson KD8ESH

The MMARC Newsletter

September 2009

CLUB CALENDAR...

September 10 Club Meeting Spies
October 8 Club Meeting Spies
November 12 Club Meeting Spies

SEPTEMBER MEETING...

Where did the summer go? Here it is September, and time to return to our regular club meeting schedule. We'll meet at 7pm Thursday September 10th at Spies Library in Marinette. We'll catch up on summer activities and elect officers for the coming year. Anyone interested in taking a leadership position is encouraged to run for an office. We'll also start discussing our plans for the 60 anniversary of the M&M ARC, which comes this December, among other topics. The agenda is enclosed. I hope we can have a good turnout. Come out and join us Thursday night.

OUR SUMMER VACATION IN PICTURES...

It was a busy summer for the M&M ARC, starting with Field Day and continuing through the club picnic in August. Here's our summer in pictures:



The beautiful Field Day site on the Jones property in Menominee.

We logged over 1300 contacts during this year's Field Day.



Radio Amateurs were asked to assist during the T-34 Fly-in and Open House at the Twin County Airport on July 25th. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate for most of the afternoon. Those who waited out the weather saw a great aerobatic show by world-class pilot Julie Clark.



The following weekend, several M&M ARC members volunteered to provide communications for the first leg of the SAGBRAW bicycle tour that started in Menominee. Safely conducting a tour of some 500 riders is no easy task. The SAGBRAW organizers depend heavily on amateur radio for communications between the various stops along the route. Their commitment is demonstrated by the well-equipped communications bus pictured here.



That same weekend as SAGBRAW, the UP Hamfest was held in Escanaba. Several M&M ARC members were on hand, and the NEW-UP QCWA chapter held a meeting at the Hamfest. (Photo courtesy of DCARS)



The M&M ARC once again set up a special event station at the Menominee Waterfront Festival on August 8th. We activated the Menominee North Pier Lighthouse during an Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society event. Here are Hunter, K8MBI, and Tyler, KC9FKE manning the station.

Finally, the annual club picnic was held at Henes Park in Menominee on August 16th. Paul, WC9E counted 36 in attendance ranging in age from 6 weeks to the 70's. A Silent Auction brought in just over \$100. The popular Ham Radio Bingo hosted by Dave and Jeanne Arnold was well received and many players left with multiple prizes. (A BIG Thank you to Dave and Jeanne) Food was in plentiful supply with burgers, venison brats, and chicken plus assorted

hot dishes and desserts. Attendees came from Sturgeon Bay, Stephenson, Jackson, Wisconsin, as well from the twin city/county area.



K8IR and WC9E at the grill. The delicious venison brats were courtesy of NS8V.



The abundant food was matched by the interesting conversation.



Dave and Jeanne checking Hunter's winning Ham Radio Bingo card. It truly was a busy and memorable summer.

IN THE NEWS...

Congratulations to Derek Hockin, KD8LQB, who at 13 is one of our newest and most active hams. Derek, from Stephenson, was the subject of an article in a recent issue of the Menominee County Journal.

HAM CRAM...

The Green Bay Mike and Key Club will hold a one-day Technician License Class on September 19, 2009 from 9:00 AM -3:30 PM at St. Norbert College in DePere. The Exam will be given at 3:30 PM. The exam is open to everyone, including those not attending the class. There is no cost to attend the class. The cost of the test is \$15.00.

During the class we will cover most of the material that is covered on the test and answer any questions that you may have. To help prepare for the test, we recommend purchasing and reviewing a textbook in advance. "The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual-Technician" "Technician Class Study Manual" by Gordon West is available from www.w5yi.com. You can also prepare online. <http://www.hamquick.com/> A nice site that goes over the material for the test is www.aa9pw.com

Pre-Registration is REQUIRED

If you have any questions or would like to pre-register, email Joe at n9upu@arrl.net

We've had discussions about trying the Ham Cram format here. This would be an opportunity to see how it works.

ARES/RACES NET TIME CHANGE...

The Menominee County ARES/RACES Net has moved back to 8:15pm Sundays on the 147.000 repeater.

AGENDA for M & M AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

September 10, 2009

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. DAR Project Report (Ed)

9. Quartermaster Report (Ed)

10. Repeater Committee Report (Pete)

11. HAT Report (Pete)

12. QCWA Report (Dave)

13. Old Business

- Picnic
- Airport Event
- SAGBRAW
- Waterfront Festival Special Event
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14. New Business...

- Echolink (KG8CX)
- Youth VP (KS8O)
- 60TH Anniversary
- 2009-2010 Elections
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15. Announcements/Raffle

16. Adjournment

AUGUST 31st TREASURER'S REPORT

By Paul Drees, WC9E

Checking \$344.08

Savings \$395.62

TOTAL \$739.70

This reflects a transfer of \$300 from the savings to the checking to cover a portion of the repeater cost.

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