# 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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## **CLUB CALENDAR...**

October 9 7PM Club Meeting November 13 7PM Club Meeting December 11 7PM Club Meeting

#### **CLUB MEETING...**

The October meeting on Thursday, October 9th at InVenture North, at 7pm. Hope to see you there.

## KG9GH SK...



He left us so quickly, it's still hard to believe he's gone. Eric Janssen KG9GH, passed away at the age of 59 on September 8, 2025, days after suffering a massive heart attack as he was preparing to attend the Celebration for Arde. Eric was a long time member of the M&M ARC and more than anything Eric loved to help others. Eric helped create the Ham Assistance Team, which did tower and antenna work not only locally, but across the eastern half of Wisconsin on towers big and small. Eric always made sure that safety was the highest priority when HAT team was on a job. Most of us benefited at one time or another from Eric's climbing skills.

Eric played a big part in setting up our Field Day stations over the years. Back when we were all much younger, we ambitiously raised a 50 foot tower with a large antenna on top each year. Eric helped us do that safely. Beyond tower work, Eric was also the go-to guy when we needed to get a wire antenna high into the trees. He used his skills with a bow and arrow and a fishing rod to get the to get the strings high into trees whether at Field Day or at the Waterfront Festival. And no one could tie a better knot.

Eric was an active member of the National Weather Service's SKYWARN volunteer system. Eric enthusiastically participated in yearly training by both the Green Bay and Marquette weather offices. When severe weather moved in to our area, Eric was out on the road, radioing in reports that were relayed to the weather offices.

He was also a member of the local ARES group. Eric had recently donated a multi-element 2 meter antenna to help us establish better communications into the U. P. Eric was a benefactor to the club, directing his United Way contributions our way for many years.

Eric was sharing with others right up to the end as he helped with a clinic at the club picnic to introduce Fox Hunting and antenna building to some of our newer members.

These are just a few examples of the many ways Eric helped his fellow hams.

Eric's passing leaves a huge hole in our ham radio community. We will cherish all the ways he helped us all for so many years.

Our condolences to Cheryl and the family.

By K8IR.

# Marinette & Menominee Amateur Radio Club Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Thursday September 11, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at inVenture North in Marinette by club President Jim Callow, K8IR.

A moment of silence was observed for silent key Eric Janssen, KG9GH

Motion to approve the July meeting minutes was made by Mike Lemke, KD8FUE and seconded by Robert Juhlin, W8AWF. The motion was accepted and carried.

Treasures Report: KD8FUE reported the recent income and expenditures. The ending balance for the month of August was \$6,819.83. Motion to accept the treasures report was made by Allen Pawlowski, KB7KZ and seconded by Doug Dooley, KD8OVR. The motion was accepted and carried.

Correspondence: Pete Johnson, AB9PJ asked permission to use the club's 147.000 repeater for a fundraiser walk in Door County held September 26-28. K8IR approved his request.

## **Committee Reports**

ARES Report: W8AWF reported the fall SET will be held on October 4<sup>th</sup> and he would like to hold it at the ISD building. KD8FUE reported the Icom 7300 HF radio from the DAR is set up and ready to be used in the trailer/EOC and the Yaesu FTM-400 will need to be programmed and the other radios can be sold.

Fundraiser: No update.

Yacht Report: Ed Engleman, KG8CX reported they have gained 40 new members so far in 2025.

Their youngest member is 7 years old.

ARRL/Webmaster Report: No report.

#### **Old Business**

Picnic: The event went well, four antennas were built and a fox hunt was held.

Escanaba Link: No update.

Menominee County Radio System: No update.

WIRES-X Link Radio: The Yaesu link radio purchased from KB7KZ has been installed.

## **New Business**

ICOM 7300 Radio Accessories: The power cable and mic for the 7300 could not be located. Tim Mellinthin, WN6KHG has a cable and desk mic he is willing to sell for \$80. Motion to purchase the desk mic and power cable from WN6KHG for \$80 was made by KD8OVR and seconded by W8AWF. The motion was accepted and carried.

Gift for the Jones Family: A Motion was made by KB7KZ and seconded by KD8OVR to purchase a \$100 gift certificated for the Jones Family for allowing us to hold field day at their property. The motion was accepted and carried.

A donation in lieu of flowers will be made to the DAR in Memory of KG9GH.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Doering, KF5WFP and seconded KD8FUE. The motion was accepted and carried. Meeting ended at 7:32 pm.

12 members present: N9GLT, W8AWF, KD8OVR, KF5WFP, KB7KZ, AG9P, AA9VV, KD9RYZ, KE9ABI, K8IR, KG8CX, and KD8FUE. Minutes respectfully submitted by John Goldschmidt – Secretary

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