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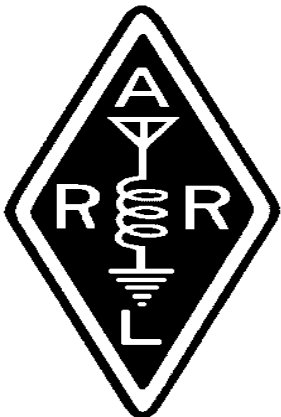
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Radio Klub
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**NET 146.680
SUNDAY 9PM**

CLUB CALL IS: W8LRK

**NEXT KLUB MEETING
August 10th 7:30PM at the EOC,
Highlander Way, Howell, MI**



BOARD MEMBERS

President	Art	KC8WAZ
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Secretary	Mary	KC8SER
Treasurer	Clairus	KC8QQN
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146.680 Repeater	Jim	WB8AZP
LED Editor	Jim	WB8AZP
VE Coordinator	Jim	WB8AZP
PIO Officer	Brandon	KC8YHE
PIO Officer	Jim	N8ENX

SOCIAL EVENTS

5 Aug 2006 UP Hamfest 2006 Delta County ARS
<http://www.dcars.org> Talk-In: 147.15

5 Aug 2006 Ham "OH" Rama Voice of Aladdin ARC
<http://www.aladdinshrine.org/hamfest.htm>

12 Aug 2006 Cascades Amateur Radio Society
<http://www.w8jxn.org> Talk-In: 146.880 (PL 100) Jackson, MI

20 Aug 2006 49th Annual Hamfest Warren ARA
<http://www.w8vtd.org> Talk-In: 146.970

27 Aug 2006 Ham & Computer Swap Lapeer County ARA
<http://www.w8lap.com> Talk-In: 146.620 - (PL 100)

PREZ SAYS



"Why not attend a meeting in person, or at least join us for breakfast on the first and third Saturday of the month? Amateur Radio needs your involvement to help keep it an important hobby and public service. Thank you for your support!"

73, from your President, Art KC8WAZ

LARK SOCIAL NOTES

LARK Dinner before the Meeting (DBTM)

Check in on the 146.68 repeater.

LARK Saturday Morning Breakfast

Join us for Saturday morning breakfast, held on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Our current location is the Crossroads Grill, near the intersection of Oak Grove Road and M59 in Howell. (The restaurant is located near the south end of the Kroger plaza). This is a great opportunity to get together with hams that can't always make our regular Klub meetings, and for hams just passing through! All are welcome!



BY-LAW CHANGE TO BE VOTED ON AT AUGUST 2006 MEETING

Section 3 currently reads:

Section 3. The Secretary shall serve a Two-year term and be elected in the odd year. The Secretary shall prepare and maintain the minutes and notes for all proceedings at KLUB meetings. The secretary shall also be responsible for the following:

- A. The Secretary shall bring to all KLUB business meetings, the minutes from the past Twelve meetings and any documents, which pertain to them including all correspondence, received or sent by the KLUB during that period.
- B. The Secretary shall maintain in an orderly manner a current file of all documents generated by past KLUB activities and will be prepared to turn them over to a successor.
- C. The Secretary shall arrange for a substitute whenever unable to attend a scheduled Meeting. The Secretary shall maintain KLUB affiliation with the A.R.R.L.

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A. The Treasurer shall be required to issue all checks for the KLUB indebtedness or expenditures upon receiving notification for such disbursements from either The

Board of Directors, as prescribed by The Bylaws or as a result of a vote by the

Membership at large. All financial transactions will be completed by check. No financial transactions will be completed by cash.

B. The Treasurer shall maintain a legal KLUB bank account and deposit all receivables to said account.

C. The Treasurer shall at each regular monthly meeting have prepared and render to the membership a report of the KLUB's financial condition.

D. The Treasurer shall maintain and provide on a monthly basis the KLUB roster,

which will disclose all paid or delinquent members. A copy of the roster will be

Supplied to the Editor of the KLUB newsletter, (The L E D) which shall be made

available to the membership separately from any newsletter.

E. The Treasurer shall file the KLUB annual Tax-exempt forms with the Security and Exchange Commission of the State of Michigan and the annual report to the Department of Consumer and Industry Services. The Treasurer shall file any

And all annual reports, which shall include Forms 1023, to the Internal Revenue

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each item's original cost; it's Current value, date of acquisition and its present location.

H. The Treasurer shall have all financial records up to date by May 1st of the fiscal year and submit them to the Review

Committee for verification, which is to by done by May 31st.

I. The Treasurer, upon leaving office or at any time during the term, but prior to the end of the term of that office, shall

immediately bring all reports and financial records up to date and deliver them to the Review Committee for verification,

which shall be done as efficiently and timely as possible prior to delivering the reports, financial records, and books to the successor.

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EDITORS COMMENTS



By the time you all read this, we will have held a successful summer picnic, along with some exciting mock disaster training and exercises. Summer is surely flying by, and soon we'll all need to be inspecting antennas and getting ready for the fall. The August meeting will launch our new LARK Klub member photo ID program, and you definitely need to try and make this one. If you don't show up, (or submit an electronic copy of a "passport style" photograph ahead of time) we'll be forced to pick out a picture for you! I've seen some of the photos the ID team has in mind, so I can assure you I'll be there!

Articles

For newsletters to continue to be interesting, most editors rely on articles written by the membership at large. This is a very common and time honored practice. However, it doesn't seem to be much of a practice around here. We still need YOUR articles for the newsletter. Swap items, favorite stories, magical operating moments, remembering your first rig, the time your transmitter set off all the fireworks, swap and for sale items, favorite recipes, antenna projects, when you first discovered that you were fascinated by CW, or whatever. While I appreciate those who forward previously published material, it clearly isn't new and fresh, like something you create yourself. Need a suggestion for a good article? Just call! Need help writing it down? We can assist you. In case thoughts of the dog days of summer have you all confused, and you just can't seem to remember how to reach me:

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Note that the best form to submit an article in is electronic, however we do accept handwritten and typed manuscripts. Beginning with the May issue of the LED, I have made a decision to attempt to appeal to your sense of greed to get articles for the LED. I will pay for articles that are original works, based on a schedule that I decide upon, that are submitted. Electronic submission will receive greater compensation than hardcopy or FAX pages.

Payments will be made in cash, and will only be delivered to a LARK event, (meeting, breakfast, picnic, etc). Please don't worry; I will spend my own money on this project. All decisions for payment are mine, (after all, it's my money), and anyone who is a LARK member can participate. So far, I haven't had to spend a dime. Seems that even greed doesn't motivate this crowd!

50/50 Plus Drawings

If you haven't attended a recent regular meeting, then you've missed out on fabulous prizes that are given away along with splitting the raffle pot. Ask a member who has attended for the low down. Better yet, why not show up at the next regular meeting? Regardless, the 50/50 drawing is a great way to help support the Klub, and the extra prizes give everyone a chance to win! The August edition of the 50/50 plus drawings will include 2 or 3 radios, along with a secret mystery prize worth at least \$20. Come and participate, besides the air conditioning works really good at the EOC!

SUNDAY EVENING NET ON 146.68

It seems that the Sunday evening net is pretty much dead now. With less than one check in a session on average, the tradition has pretty much died!

Sadly, emergency preparedness and a brief social QSO has fallen very low on the list of priorities.

Thanks to Jack for still trying to carry on the tradition!

LARK SATURDAY BREAKFAST

It's just a nice way to offer an opportunity to mingle with the membership. These meetings are currently held at the Cross Roads Grill in Howell, on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month, usually starting around 8 AM or so. Stop on in for a glass of water, or breakfast, or a cup of coffee. Heck, if I'm there (and I often try to be) you can probably get me to buy your coffee! Oh yes, let's see; your lame excuse for not making it on Saturday morning is?

LARK WEBSITE

Our current website has been moved to its new electronic home. Find us on the web at: <http://www.w8lrk.org>

Thanks again to Van, N8GVD, for acquiring the new site! Again, if any of you feel compelled to take on this project going forward, just let us know. (Especially all the web experts out there)

OTHER COMMENTS

See you at the next meeting, right? (Even if you're not a member now, you can become one!) Need a ride to the meeting? We'll send someone to get you! Need someone to buy you dinner before the meeting? We can probably take care of that, too. Not sure if you have enough change to buy yourself a refreshing beverage at the meeting? We'll handle that for you as well. Afraid the room will be too cold for you? Bring your blanky. Dress is casual, so don't worry about digging out your Tux or Formal. We have plenty of seats in the front (or back) row for you. Do you have another unique excuse for not attending the meeting? Why not share it with others, in a lovely article for the newsletter? Especially now that you can get paid for an article!

TREASURER REPORT JUNE

OPENING BALANCES	OPERATIONS	FUND
MAY 31, 2006		656.72
JUNE 50/50		55.00
DUES		40.00
TOTAL BALANCE JUNE 30 06		751.72
1000 CD		1248.04
500 CD		613.13

SUNSHINE BALANCE 113.42

BALANCE FROM EMG FUND AS OF MAY 31 2006

TOTAL BALANCE 4581.88

ONE HALF 50/50 DONATION 55.00

TOTAL BALANCE 4636.88

TREASURER REPORT FOR JULY 2006

OPEN BALANCE OPERATIONS FUND

JUNE 30 2006 751.72

JUNE LED 29.60

JULY LED 49.85

DEPOSIT DUES 10.00

TOTAL BALANCE JULY 31 2006 682.27

SUNSHINE BALANCE 113.42

1000 CD 1248.04

500 CD 613.13

BALANCE FROM EMG FUND AS OF

JUNE 30 2006 4636.88

DEPOSIT 50/50 1/2 108.50

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DEPOSIT HAM SWAP SALE 50.00

SPECIAL RAFFEL 220.00

TOTAL BALANCE AS OF JULY 31 2006 5123.88