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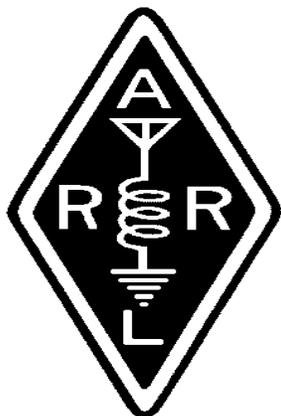
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Radio Klub
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**NET 146.680
SUNDAY 9PM**

CLUB CALL IS: W8LRK

**NEXT KLUB MEETING
September 14th 7:30PM at the
EOC, Highlander Way, Howell, MI**



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SOCIAL EVENTS

9 Sep 2006 GRAHamfest 2006
Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association
<http://www.w8dc.org/swap.htm>
Talk-In: 147.26+ (PL 94.8); 146.52

10 Sep 2006 Findlay Radio Club
<http://www.findlayradioclub.org>
Talk-In: 147.15/.75 Contact: Dean Calvin, N8RMF

17 Sep 2006 Adrian ARC <http://www.w8tqe.com/>
Talk-In: 145.370 (PL 85.4) Contact: Margie Willey, KB8TMM

17 Sep 2006 Trunk Sale - Hamfest Shiawassee ARA (SARA)
Talk-In: 147.02 MHz Input + 600 kHz (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!



. Subject: Breakfast with LARK

Jim:

Just wanted to thank you & the members that were at the breakfast Saturday also to Bruce N8WWX for my tour of the Emergency center. I was pleased to see the improvement That has been made there since I left there a long time ago.

One more point I would like to say how much I appreciate the job that you are doing as Editor. It is so great to be able to download the LED from the computer.

As a Life member it has helped me keep up with the club while I lived in Arizona & moved back to Saginaw as I was not able to attend meetings.

I sure appreciate all that is being done by the officers. It takes a lot of work to keep the club running. Everyone should get behind them.

Will try to attend some of the breakfasts it is kind of hard to do as I live in Saginaw now.

Best of 73s to all take care.

WA8KFC Bill

Public Service Corps

Full Scale

I would like to thank everyone that participated in the July 28th full-scale exercise in Howell. I know some of you took the day off and you are to be commended for your dedication. Although there were a few glitches, they were overcome very quickly and the exercise went very well. The exercise evaluators commended Livingston County for overcoming communication problems almost seamlessly.

IS-100-200 Class – Required for Public Service Corp members

I will be teaching the IS100-200 Class on August 23, 2006. Local EM organization and ICS will be the topic of the class. Those that have had my IS195 class are covered and do not have to attend this class.

Hazardous Material Awareness – Required for Public Service Corp members

John Waters, EMS Supervisor and Hazardous Material Team member, KD8CCR, will be teaching a Hazardous Material Awareness class on September 16, 2006 at 9am at the EOC. Hope to see you there.

Simulated Emergency TEST Weekend

October 7 & 8, 2006 will be the SET weekend. Please mark your calendars.

Hi Jim, Can you put the following in the next newsletter: I am looking for any kind of coax if anybody has any extra. Please email me alex.kd8bvs@gmail.com.

EDITORS COMMENTS



Where did the summer go? We'll soon be wishing for some of the warmer days we experienced just a few weeks ago. We kicked off the LARK photo ID project at the August meeting, and we still need your pictures for your ID Badge. Drop into a meeting, you'll meet some of the newer hams in the area!

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 raking leaves have you all dazed, 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!

SUNDAY EVENING NET ON 146.68

I couldn't be happier about being wrong! Check in numbers are climbing up!

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 August

OPEN BALANCE OPERATIONS FUND

JULY 31 2006	682.27
DEPOSIT DUES	125.00
SILENT KEY YOST	50.00

TOTAL BALANCE AUG 31 2006 757.27

SUNSHINE BALANCE	113.42
YOST	50.00
SUNSHINE BALANCE	63.42

1000 CD	1248.04
500 CD	613.13

BALANCE FROM EMG FUND AS OF

JULY 31 2006	5123.88
DEPOSIT 50/50 1/2	166.00
DEPOSIT 50/50 1/2	166.00
SPECIAL RAFFLE	680.00

TOTAL BALANCE AS OF JULY 31 2006 6135.88