

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR
WB8VOF DOUG ALMQUIST
WELLSTON MI

HAM OF THE MONTH
W8WOJ DON CHRISTENSEN
MIDLAND MI

FEBRUARY 2010

FROM THE EDITOR-----BILL, N8NJA bkn8nja@att.net

Here we are in the month of February, the short one until Spring arrives. For all you OM out there do not forget that the important "holiday" this month is not Presidents Day, it is Valentines Day!! Get those flowers and that candy early! Just trying to help keep you out of trouble.

With Spring just around the corner (HI HI) it's time to start planning those new antenna projects. I have a couple in mind for my antenna farm. First, I have to get the 160 meter vertical done this year. It will be larger project, but one that I hope pays off in BIG signals. The goal is to WAS on 160. The other antenna on the agenda for this year is a vertical for 40 meters. Should still be some good DX there next winter so would like that low angle antenna to try.

I am going to start a new series in the newsletter for the next few months, Traffic Training. Starting out with the Radiogram form. Then I or someone will get into what goes in all the spaces and how do you count them. Hopefully these efforts pay off in creating some new traffic handlers. Please give it a try, no one has ever died from handling traffic or even got severely ill.

That's all for this month, hear you on the air.

NET STATS
DECEMBER 2008 TRAFFIC 41 CHECKINS 1309
DECEMBER 2009 TRAFFIC 52 CHECKINS 1609
HIGH CHECKINS AA8SN 60 N8BNC 60
HIGH TRAFFIC W8OWN 8

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February 2010

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> <i>AC8AR JEAN</i> <i>KD8CPG BILL</i>	<i>4</i> <i>N8KJC JOE</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> <i>N8GWN JIM</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>WB8VOF & MARRY</i> <i>ANN KC8WKN</i>	<i>9</i> <i>WB8VOF DOUG</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> <i>MELVIN OM OF</i> <i>WA8DHB</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> <i>W8SKS STAN</i> <i>KC8JLC ART</i>	<i>15</i> <i>WB8ZNR STEVE</i>	<i>16</i> <i>W8YV RICH</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> <i>KC8UPW & XYL</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> <i>W8DTB JOHN</i> <i>FEB 29</i>						

EXAMS

06-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** MUSKEGON AREA AR COUNCIL **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:** ROBERT G CARTER (231)799-3634 **Email:** WB8OQT@ARRL.NET
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** AMERICAN RED CROSS BLDG 313 W WEBSTER AVE
MUSKEGON, MI 49440

06-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** MT CLEMENS SAROF **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: HAROLD B RUDER (313)526-5261 **Email:** K8YB@ARRL.NET
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** SALVATION ARMY CORPS-CORNER SOUTH GRATIOT
55 CHURCH ST MAY ALSO CALL: CLIFF 586-776-1169 MOUNT CLEMENS, MI 48043

11-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** FORD AMT. RADIO LEAGUE K8UTT **Time:** 6:00PM (No walk-ins)
Contact: WILLIAM J BOYKE (313)805-8877 **Email:** WBOYKE@FORD.COM
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** FORD MOTOR CO. 17000 SOUTHFIELD RD PLEASE CALL
AHEAD. ALLEN PARK, MI 48101

13-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** EASTERN MICHIGAN ARC **Time:** 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: MARTIN SMITH (810)385-5584 **Email:** PIONEER2@COMCAST.NET
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** ST CLAIR COUNTY LIBRARY 2ND FLOOR MEETING ROOM
210 MCMORRAN BLVD PORT HURON, MI 48060

13-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** ARROW COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC. **Time:** 9:00AM (No walk-ins)
Contact: ROGER F PLACE (734)663-4625 **Email:** MERROGPLACE@AOL.COM
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** AMERICAN RED CROSS BUILDING 4624 PACKARD ST
ANN ARBOR, MI 48108

13-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** EATON COUNTY ARC **Time:** 12 NOON (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: JOHN A DEWEY (517)645-2378 **Email:** DETTA@IA4U.NET **VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#)
Location: EATON CTY SHERIFF'S DEPT-EOC 1025 INDEPENDENCE BLVD
CHARLOTTE, MI 48813

13-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** CHERRYLAND ARC **Time:** 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: R HOPE FRANCISCO (231)941-7262 **Email:** AA8SN@ARRL.NET **VEC:**
[ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL - GYM 2ND ST OFF OF
DIVISION ST PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49684

20-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** GENESEE COUNTY RADIO CLUB **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: VERLE D WINNINGHAM (810)629-2633 **Email:** K8VW@ARRL.NET
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** MOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE 2100 W THOMPSON RD
SOUTHERN LAKES BRANCH CAMPUS FENTON/FLINT, MI 48430

25-Feb-2010 **Sponsor:** CORUNNA VE TEAM **Time:** 7:00PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: THOMAS E CARPENTER (517)579-0599 **Email:** KI8AS@CHARTER.NET
VEC: [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** AMERICAN RED CROSS 702 CORUNNA AVE REGISTER AT
6:30 PM CORUNNA, MI 48817

06-Mar-2010 **Sponsor:** MT CLEMENS SAROF **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: HAROLD B RUDER (313)526-5261 **Email:** K8YB@ARRL.NET **VEC:**
[ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** SALVATION ARMY CORPS-CORNER SOUTH GRATIOT
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HAMFEST

Feb 2010	+ HARA Swap and Shop Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association http://www.qsl.net/k8lod Talk-In: 147.27 (PL 100) Contact: Greg Hanson, KI8AF 624 West Hampton Street Marquette, MI 49855 Phone: 906-225-1594 Email: ki8af@arrl.net	Negaunee, MI Negaunee Township Hall 42 Highway M-35 Div: Great Lakes Sect: Michigan
13 Feb 2010	+ Cherryland Amateur Radio Club http://cherrylandarc.com Talk-In: 146.860 Contact: Joe Novak, W8TVT 201 South Spruce Street Traverse City, MI 49684 Phone: 231-947-8555 Email: jjnovak@charter.net	Traverse City, MI Immaculate Conception Elementary School 218 Vine Street Div: Great Lakes Sect: Michigan
21 Feb 2010	+ Swap-n-Shop Livonia Amateur Radio Club http://www.livoniaarc.com/Swap.htm Talk-In: 145.35 (PL 100) Contact: Doris Kelterborn, KD8DXJ PO Box 51532 Livonia, MI 48151-0532 Phone: 734-941-5043 Email: president@livoniaarc.com	Livonia, MI Civic Park Senior Center 15218 Farmington Road Div: Great Lakes Sect: Michigan

UP NET MEMBER PROFILE BY ALL, K8BLL

ROLAND BURGAN, KB8XI
HANCOCK, MICHIGAN

A TRUE YOOPER, ROLAND WAS BORN IN LAURIUM AND GRADUATED FROM CALUMET HIGH SCHOOL. HE ATTENDED THE MICHIGAN COLLEGE OF MINING AND TECHNOLOGY IN HOUGHTON, NOW KNOWN AS MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY.

ROLAND AND HIS WIFE MARY HAVE STAYED IN THE U.P. AS A RESULT OF HIS EMPLOYMENT WITH THE UPPER PENINSULA BROADCASTING COMPANY. WORKING FOR THEIR RADIO STATION, WHDF (KNOWN TO TECH STUDENTS BACK IN THE DAY AS "WIFF-DIFF"), HE HELD A VARIETY OF STAFF POSITIONS INCLUDING VICE-PRESIDENT, GENERAL MANAGER, ENGINEER AND NEWS DIRECTOR. SINCE 1957, HE HAS HELD A COMMERCIAL RADIOTELEPHONE LICENSE WITH A RADAR ENDORSEMENT. ALONG THE WAY, ROLAND SERVED A STINT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE.

ROLAND OBTAINED HIS AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE IN 1979 AND HAS BEEN ACTIVE ON THE C.C.R.A.A. REPEATER SINCE THE EARLY 1990'S. HIS SHACK NOW INCLUDES A COLLINS KWM-2, 512 B5, MFJ TUNER, SHIELDED ZEPP ANTENNA, HOMEBREW DIGITAL/AUDIO COUPLER AND VARIOUS VHF/UHF RIGS.

ROLAND ALSO HAS A PAYING AVOCATION AS THE CITY OF HANCOCK PHOTOGRAPHER SINCE 1998 AND SOME OF HIS IMAGES, BOTH FILM AND DIGITAL, CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.CITYOFHANCOCK.COM. HE WAS PRIMARY PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE PRIME MINISTER OF FINLAND DURING HIS VISIT TO THE USA IN 2000 AND FOR THE PRESIDENT OF FINLAND DURING HIS VISIT TO THE USA IN 2003.

Let me see if I understand all this....

**IF YOU CROSS THE NORTH KOREAN BORDER ILLEGALLY YOU GET
12 YEARS HARD LABOR.....
IF YOU GO INTO CHINA ILLEGALLY, YOUR CONSIDERED A SPY AND GET
HARD PRISON TIME.....
IF YOU GO INTO GERMANY ILLEGALLY, YOU GET A HEFTY FINE, WORK
IT OFF OR PAY IT OFF, THEN DEPORTED.....
IF YOU GO INTO ENGLAND ILLEGALLY, YOU ARE IMMEDIATELY JAILED
AND DEPORTED.....**

**IF YOU CROSS THE IRANIAN BORDER ILLEGALLY YOU ARE DETAINED
INDEFINITELY....**

BUT, IF YOU CROSS THE U.S. BORDER ILLEGALLY YOU GET:

- 1. A DRIVERS LICENSE**
- 2. A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD**
- 3. WELFARE**
- 4. FOOD STAMPS AND**
- 5. FREE HEALTH CARE?**

I guess I still don't understand...

Subject: Fw: Where the heck have I been?
From: <bkn8nja@att.net>
Date: Thu, 28 Jan 2010 21:08:19 -0500

From: johnnyone [mailto:johnnyone95@live.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 07, 2010 6:35 PM
To: 'info@michupnet.com'
Subject: Where the heck have I been?

Dear All Yoopers!!

Just a note to let you all know, I have recently sold my home in West Allis, WI and have moved to roughly 12 miles northwest of Crivitz, WI (north of Green Bay approx. 60 miles). In selling the house, all of my antennas had to come down in summer, effectively leaving me "off the air". My "XYL" Gail and I finally sold our home and closed on October 3rd. I continued to work in the Milwaukee area until October 30th, at which time I retired. We then move up to our new "cabin in the north woods".

It wasn't long before the weather was such that it was not safe or prudent to attempt any antenna construction, and will probably remain that way until spring (you know the north!). There is over a foot of packed snow that prevents me from burying radials, running feed lines under the shack, to say nothing about getting whatever design I end up with (I'm thinking Carolina Windom) up in the trees!

My radios, amps, and other associated equipment is all set up in my shack, all waiting for antenna feeds. I miss being on the air, and look forward to getting back on the "net" this spring 2010!

Best wishes and 73 to all,

de **KC9CJU** John Wegner (Ham of the Month, January 2007)





UNITED STATES

KC9CJU

JOHN J. WEGNER

N9456 SUN & SAND LANE
TWIN BRIDGE, WI 54114

CONFIRMING QSO WITH KF9KU

RADIO	DATE	UTC	MHZ	MODE	RST
YAESU FT101EE	06JAN2010	19:00	3.885	AM	599

Pse QSL Tnx 73,

John J. Wegner

Sample of

my new qsl card with info for creative purposes only (not a real qso)
My old shack in West Allis

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