

# UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR  
W8RLJ – Rick Jersey  
Petoskey, MI

HAM OF THE MONTH  
WG8W – Rod Brown  
Indian River, MI

**JUNE 2019**

FROM THE EDITOR----- JIM - K8UHF [k8uhf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:k8uhf@sbcglobal.net)

We made it to June without being washed away by the rain! Summer is finally going to be here.

May sure was a tough month for radio communications. Lots of lightning and up and down band conditions. I got my exercise running to the radio room in the middle of the night to unplug antenna cables. On a positive note, Six and Ten meters opened up on a couple occasions.

I have to give extra credit to Kelly, KC8GTE, for hanging in there and completing his Net control duty as the lightning passed around his station. And just as much credit goes to Rick, W8RLJ, as he filled in as Pre-Net and Net control of the Sunday Noon Net on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Conditions were poor with lightning in the area and Rick still managed to get nine check-ins. Good job guys!

Many of you have heard we are building a Pole Barn so I included a couple pictures. It will be 30' x 40' x 16'. The builder is a local Amish Builder doing a fantastic job. And, yes, we already talked about how we probably should have made it bigger.



## NET STATS

May 2018: Check-ins 860 – Traffic 40  
May 2019: Check-ins 800 – Traffic 37  
High Check-ins: NS8SS 38; KC8ZMN 34; W8WR 31,33  
Sunday Noon Net: KD8KCV 18

### **\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*\*\***

Several Hams have asked how they can contribute to the support of the U.P. Net website. Donations can be sent to Bill Kelso, N8NJA, at 133 E 6th St., Marion, MI 49665. However, if you are attending the Escanaba Ham Swap, Bill may be there and, if so inclined, you can contribute directly to him then. A big THANK YOU goes out to Michael Kelso for his great work on keeping the website up to date.

Also, most of you know this, but the annual charge for receiving a paper copy of the monthly U.P. Newsletter is now \$20 per year. This covers postage, printing, paper, etc. You can send a check to me, Jim Hein, K8UHF, at 4833 N. Gunnell Rd., Dimondale, MI 48821.

## HAM PROFILE

### **Dick Bukowski – K8LQV – Midland, MI**

I was born in Bay City, Michigan on March 3, 1928. I graduated from Bay City Central High School and went on to college. Life took me to a career with Dow Chemical in the Human Resources department. Also, I served in the Navy in World War II and then I was recalled during the Korean War.

I got into Ham Radio starting out as an SWL. Received my Novice license in 1958 and later I passed the test for my General license. I was a former U. P. Net control when “Skeeter” went to Florida. He forgot to take over when he got back. I was somewhere in the top ten for number of check-ins.

My first wife, Marge, passed away in 1997. I’m currently married to Gloria, and we will soon celebrate our 20-year wedding anniversary. I have three children and three step-sons along with 11 great grand kids.

Woodworking is my primary hobby. Golfing was a passion of mine. I also play horseshoes and was Midland Horseshoe Champ for my age group for a couple years.

## ALL HAMS OF THE MONTH/YEAR

We look forward to learning more about you, so we ask that when you receive your certificate from Chris, KC8ZDM, and your crown from Kelly, KC8GTE, that you take a “selfie” holding your certificate and sporting your crown. E-mail it to Jim, K8UHF, at [k8uhf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:k8uhf@sbcglobal.net). Please include a short bio about yourself or use the Member Profile questionnaire (see below). We will include this information in the next Newsletter; that way we all can get to know you a little better.

## U. P. NET MEMBER PROFILE QUESTIONNAIRE

Profiles of members have proven to be one of the most interesting items in the U.P. Net Newsletter. However, it has been difficult to get members to write and submit their own profiles. There is a simple form to make it easy to gather the basic information. Find it online in the May, 2019 Newsletter.

## U.P. NET MEMBER PHOTOS

This photo submitted by Cindy.



Bob's, N8BNC, new Side-by-Side. Now Bob and Cindy can explore the back 40 in comfort and style Hi Hi.



A Bird's Eye View by a Friendly Great Blue Heron. No nest up on my tower yet. Picture submitted by Dave, NS8S.

# June 2019

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
31						1 AA8SN and Ron
2	3	4 N8OYR Rich	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 WD8OSE Tom	15
16 Father's Day	17 N8NJA Bill	18	19	20	21 Peter son of AA8SN	22 N8HBZ and Lila
23 <hr/> 30	24	25 Shirley XYL of WA8LT	26	27 W8ILS Ron	28	29

## **HAMFESTS**

For complete information, refer to the ARRL Hamfests  
[www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)

June 15, 2019 Midland Amateur Radio Club Hamfest  
Midland, MI  
Type: ARRL Hamfest  
Sponsor: Midland Amateur Radio Club  
Website: <http://www.w8kea.org>

June 16, 2019 Monroe Hamfest  
Monroe, MI  
Type: ARRL Hamfest  
Sponsor: Monroe County Radio Comm. Assoc.  
Website: <http://mcrca.org/>

July 20, 2019 Gladwin Area Hamfest  
Gladwin, MI  
Type: ARRL Hamfest  
Sponsor: Gladwin Area Amateur Radio Club

## **EXAM SESSIONS**

For complete information, refer to ARRL – Licensing, Education and Training  
[www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)

**Special Note:** Choose the Correct General Pool

Planning to take the General License Exam BEFORE July 1, 2019?  
Choose the CURRENT pool.

Planning to take the General License Exam July 1, 2019 or LATER?  
Choose the NEW pool.

Please refer to ARRL Website for more information  
<http://www.arrl.org/general-question-pool>

June 6, 2019 Lansing Fire Station #44, Lansing, MI  
7:00pm – Walk-ins welcome

June 8, 2019 American Red Cross Building, Ann Arbor, MI  
9:00am – Walk-ins welcome

June 8, 2019 Charlotte Church of Christ, Charlotte, MI  
12:00pm – Walk-ins welcome

- June 8, 2019 Marquette Health Dept. Building, Negaunee, MI  
8:30am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 8, 2019 St. Clair County Library, Port Huron, MI  
10:00am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 15, 2019 Baker College of Flint-Tech Center, Flint, MI  
9:30am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 15, 2019 H&C Burnside Senior Center, Coldwater, MI  
10:00am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 15, 2019 Jackson Carnegie Library, Jackson, MI  
10:15am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 15, 2019 Salvation Army Building, Midland, MI  
11:00am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 15, 2019 Witch's Hat Depot, South Lyon, MI  
9:00am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 22, 2019 Garden City Park, Garden City, MI  
3:00pm – Walk-ins welcome
- June 22, 2019 Grosse Ile Centennial Farm, Grosse Ile, MI  
10:00am – Walk-ins welcome
- June 22, 2019 Raynor Park, Mason, MI  
1:00pm – Walk-ins welcome
- June 27, 2019 Maple United Methodist Church, Battle Creek, MI  
7:00pm – Walk-ins welcome
- June 29, 2019 Shiawassee Co. EOC, Corunna, MI  
7:00pm – Walk-ins welcome
- June 30, 2019 Church of God, Benton Harbor, MI  
12:30pm – Walk-ins welcome
- July 6, 2019 Franklin Township Office, Hancock, MI  
9:00am – Walk-ins welcome
- July 10, 2019 Livonia Policy Department, Livonia, MI  
7:00pm – NO walk-ins

## EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

### **Elecraft KXPA100-AT-F Amplifier SN660 - \$750**

Original owner – factory assembled with 150 watt antenna tuner  
KXPACBL – KX3 to KXPA100 Integrated I/O Cable  
Original shipping carton, manual

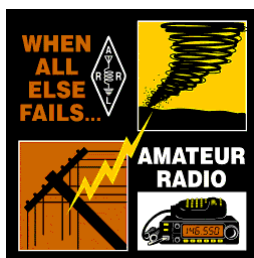
### **Palstar HF-AUTO Antenna Tuner SN27941 - \$1100**

Original owner – perfect condition – purchase date 4/4/2017  
Original manual

If interested, contact Peter at:

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## Happy Father's Day!



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