

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR
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Here we are in the month of July, the Nations birthday and vacation season is in full swing. Hope you who participated in Field Day had a great time. The bands seemed to be good. I worked some 20 meters on Saturday night and you could work Florida then the next contact might be Arizona!

You will see a listing of Net Stats in this newsletter. Aileen passed those along to me. I suppose if you did a lot of study of them you could come up with some interesting facts. So we will let you all form your opinions on what these mean. It will make for great discussion on the pre-net.

Don't forget the U.P. Hamfest on August 1st. It will be held at the Bay de Noc College in Escanaba as usual. Start time is 9 a.m. EDT. The DCARS group have really done a great job with this Hamfest since taking it over. I remember the days of not knowing if there would be a U.P. Hamfest from one year to the next. Also as usual the U.P. Net meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. EDT, hope to see a lot of you there. This will be my third swap in the Upper Peninsula this year. Do you think I use swaps as an excuse to visit our wonderful U. P.

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NET STATS

MAY 2014 CHECKINS 1286 TRAFFIC 48

MAY 2015 CHECKINS 1000 TRAFFIC 48

HIGH TRAFFIC 5 N8BNC

HIGH CHECKINS 30 WA8DHB, 27 KC8ZMN

July 2015

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> <i>W8WTA PETE</i>	<i>3</i> <i>WA8DHB & MELVIN</i> <i>W8ING MIKE</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>5</i> <i>WX8Y DON</i> <i>KC8WKN</i> <i>MARRY ANN</i>	<i>6</i> <i>WB8IEH JIM</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>NK8V BOB</i>	<i>9</i> <i>W8OWN & HELEN</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> <i>FRANCIS XYL OF</i> <i>N8GWN</i>
<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> <i>AGNES XYL OF</i> <i>WB8IEH</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> <i>N8HBZ JIM</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> <i>W8NWD NORM</i>	<i>31</i> <i>LYNN XYL OF</i> <i>NK8V</i>	

EXAMS

- **07/15/2015 | Prescott MI 48756-9108 Sponsor: Location: Mills Township Hall
Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **07/18/2015 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 Sponsor: ICARPSC Location: Ionia Central Dispatch
Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)**
- **07/18/2015 | Kalamazoo MI 49001-4156 Sponsor: Kalamazoo ARC Location: Kalamazoo
County Sheriff Dept Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **07/25/2015 | Allegan MI 49010-1524 Sponsor: Allegan County ARC Location: Allegan
General Hospital - Basement Cafeteria Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **07/25/2015 | South Lyon MI 48178 Sponsor: South Lyon Area ARC Location: Witch's Hat
Depot
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **08/01/2015 | Muskegon MI 49440-1225 Sponsor: Muskegon Area ARC Location: Red Cross
Building
Time: 9:00 AM (No walk-ins)**
- **08/04/2015 | Oak Park MI 48237-2085 Sponsor: Hazel Park ARC Location: Oak Park
Community Center Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **08/06/2015 | Lansing MI 48911-5322 Sponsor: Ingham County VE Group
Location: Lansing Fire Station #44 (Community Room) Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **08/08/2015 | Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516 Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc.
Location: American Red Cross Building Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **08/08/2015 | Holland MI 49423-3407 Sponsor: Holland ARC Location: American Red Cross
Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **08/08/2015 | Port Huron MI 48060-4014 Sponsor: Eastern Michigan ARC Location: St Clair
County Library Time: 10:00 AM (No walk-ins)**
- **08/08/2015 | Traverse City MI 49686-3103 Sponsor: Cherryland ARC Location: Traverse
City District Library Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**
http://www.arri.org/exam_sessions/traverse-city-mi-49686-3103-10
- **08/09/2015 | Saint Joseph MI 49085-8615 Sponsor: NQ8A Testing Group Location: Church
of Christ
Time: 12:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**

HAMFEST

- **07/18/2015 | GM ARC Trunk Swap Location:** Shelby Township, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: GM Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://www.gmarc.org>

07/25/2015 | 2015 CMARC OUTDOOR HAMFEST Location: Lansing, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://centralmiarc.com>

08/01/2015 | UP Hamfest 2015 Location: Escanaba, MI **Type:** ARRL

Hamfest **Sponsor:** Delta County Amateur Radio Society

Website: <http://www.dcars.org>

08/16/2015 | Seaway Trunk Swap Location: Port Huron, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Eastern Michigan Amateur Radio Club

Men's logicFrom Jim, WB8IEH

A woman was outside pulling weeds on a hot summer day when her husband walked up and asked her what they were having for dinner. Irritated by the thought of him sitting in the air condition house while she labored away on the weeks, she snapped, "I can't believe you're asking me about supper right now! Pretend I'm out of town and make dinner yourself."

So he went back in the house and fixed himself a big steak, potatoes, garlic bread, and a tall beer. His wife walked in just about the time he was finishing up and asked, "Where's *my* dinner?" "Huh? I thought you were out of town," he replied.

Asking for It.....From Jim, WB8IEH

A man said to his wife one day, 'I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time. The wife responded, 'Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me; God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!

(REMEMBER GUYS DIVIORCE IS EXPENSIVE)

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1												
2		YEARLY RECORDS					NET CONTROL RECORD HIGH CHECKINS					
3												
4	YEAR	CHECK-INS	TRAFFIC			CALL	DATE	CHECKINS		CALL	DATE	CHECKINS
5												
6	1993	15390	760			WD8LHT	1/26/1987	67		KF8QW	11/19/1993	57
7	1994	16248	705			WD8JAW	?/?/85	49		KF8QW	12/31/1995	58
8	1995	18706	647			N8BNC	12/5/1986	51		K8BLL	12/9/1995	73
9	1996	19782	604			WD8EIB	1/?/86	55		K8HBG	12/5/1995	75
10	1997	18393	635			W8ZUL	????	50		K8HBG	1/29/1996	77
11	1998	16543	702			WD8CSZ	????	50		N8ISC	1/9/1995	85
12	1999					WA8DHB	8/24/1995	60		K8LQV	12/12/1995	72
13	2000	13362	482			WA8DHB	12/1/1996	62		K8MEH	11/3/1995	62
14	2001	13236	480			WA8DHB	12/21/1996	71		WA8DVD	12/30/1996	69
15	2002	12644	668			N8AFZ	12/2/1986	70		AA8SN	6/26/1997	62
16	2003	12010	646			N8AFZ	12/19/1995	73		AA8SN	1/3/1997	63
17	2004	11950	583			WD8REC	12/10/1986	64		AA8SN	12/?/99	57
18	2005	14247	502			W8AT	12/13/1995	80		AA8SN	11/??/2000	58
19	2006	14137	499			WB8SYA	1/12/1986	58		AA8SN	2/??/2002	62
20	2007	14778	890			K8GXV	12/14/1995	63		KC8JLC	10/??/2002	50
21	2008	14749	686			K8GXV	12/5/1996	65				
22	2009	16614	572			K8GXV	1/16/1997	67				
23	2010	15639	622			W8NGH	Dec-86	59				
24	2011	14810	681			WD8MJB	1/9/1993	55				
25	2012	15051	656			W8GPP	11/27/1995	87				
26	2013	15076	570			WT8G	1/5/1993	55				
27	2014	13123	655			N8KQT	12/10/1995	64				
28												
29												
30												
31	I WILL LET	THE STATISTICIANS AMOUNG YOU DO THE ANYALSIS OF THESE FIGURES. MY TAKE						TAKE ON IT, IS THE YEARLY FIGURES				
32	FOLLOW TH	SUN SPOT CYCLE. THE MONTHLY RECORDS, A LOT OF THEM ARE IN DECEMBER, PEOR,						PEOPLE ARE IN THE HOLIDAY				
33	SPIRIT AND	D WANT TO SAY HI TO THEIR FRIENDS.										

UPGRADE ON 160 METERS..... from Newline

Amateur Radio will gain primary status in part of the 160 meter band, starting Aug. 5, following an action by the FCC that the agency said reflects an uptick in usage on the band. The FCC decision affects amateur use on the bands range between 1900 khz and 2000 khz. David Sumner, CEO of the ARRL, said he expected hams would likely have to contend with radio buoys operated on 160 meters out of fishing vessels. But according to the FCC, the buoys are mostly low power and occupy a narrow portion of the band and they are expected to have negligible effect on hams using those frequencies. (ARRL, QRZ.NOW)

NEW BANDS FOR HAMS.....from Newline

The FCC will continue to receive comments until Aug. 31 on its proposal to establish amateur radio on Low Frequency and Medium Frequency bands. Although amateur radio would have secondary status on the new bands, it would mark the first time hams were permitted on these frequencies, which are identified as 2200 meters on LF and 630 meters on MF. The LF band was previously allocated by the FCC but the MF allocation is still in proposal status. For amateur radio to operate on either band, operational and technical rules must be added to Part 97. The frequencies are presently in use by utilities using power line carrier systems to control the power grid. The FCC contends that, based on experimental radio operations on these frequencies, particularly on the MF band, the two uses can coexist without interfering with one another. The FCC is seeking input on power limits, antenna height and other relevant limitations that would apply to amateur radio users. The ARRL expects to file comments with the FCC. Others are asked to use the FCC Electronic Comment Filing System and refer to ET Docket No 15-99.Â (ARRL, FCC)

QUESTION POOL REVISED FOR JULY 1, 2015.....from ARRL

The FCC question pool for Amateur Radio General license exams has been revised and will be effective for exams conducted after July 1, 2015. ARRL has produced new study materials in preparation for the new General exam, available at the **ARRL store**.

Subject: Hospitalization

As I was admitted to the hospital prior to a procedure, the clerk asked for my wrist, saying, "I'm going to give you a bracelet."
"Has it got rubies and diamonds?" I asked coyly.
"No," he said. "But it costs just as much."

ADVENTURES OF LIVING AFTER AGE 60

Someone had to remind me, so I'm reminding you, too! Don't laugh.....it is all true...

Perks of reaching 60, or being over 70, and heading towards 80!

01. Kidnappers are not interested in you.
02. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
03. No one expects you to run--anywhere.
04. People call at 9 pm and ask, "Did I wake you?"
05. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
06. There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
07. Things you buy now won't wear out.
08. You can eat supper at 4 pm.
09. You can live without sex but not your glasses.
10. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
11. You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
12. You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room.
13. You sing along with elevator music.
14. Your eyes won't get much worse.
15. Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off..
16. Your joints are more accurate meteorologists than the national weather service.
17. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.
18. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.

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