

The Zero Beat

SWAP 'N SHOP

NEXT MEETING

January 11, 2006
7:00 P.M.
Hoover Elementary
School
23720 Hoover Ave.
Hazel Park

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Date: Sunday, January 15, 2006

Time: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm (doors open at 6:00 am for vendor setup)

Location: Hazel Park High School, on the east side of Hughes between 9 mile and Woodward Heights (9 1/2 mile) in Hazel Park, MI.

Talk-in freq.: DART Repeater, 146.64(-) MHz, 100 Hz pl tone

Tickets: \$5.00 (US \$ only) at the door or in advance

Tables: \$14.00 for an 8' table, must be ordered in advance; some 6' tables will be available at the door.

Tables may be reserved via e-mail to Sean Fleming, K8KHZ at sean@k8khz.com. Include your name/company, address, city, state, zip code, phone number, and the number of tables you wish to reserve. You must bring a check or money order made payable to Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club.

PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY QRM

We are starting off the new year with a new editor for the Zero-Beat; remember to thank Marsha KA8DMR for stepping up to the plate. While in a thanking mood give Ralph K8CAR a good round of applause for the fine job he did on the Christmas party.

We have been experiencing some unseasonably warm weather, hopefully it holds through the 15th (sunny and 70 degrees would be nice). Good weather will help our annual swap.

So far things are going along well, Sean K8KHZ has been working hard and everything is in place for the best swap in Michigan.

A quick note about the

swap, EVERYONE that enters must pay \$5 at the door and only those working on the setup will be allowed in before the 8:00AM the official opening time.

Every club member is expected to help out at the swap, this is our only fund raiser and it is your club.

Help is needed for the table set-up on Saturday (no charge to get in for the table set-up) starting at 12 Noon, some will meet for breakfast, before the set up and do a little eyeball rag chewing, place and time to be announced at the meeting and on the Sunday night net.

Club members will be needed to man the doors and sell tickets, three doors will

be open to let people in and two club members will be needed at each door from 6:AM, vendor arrival, until closing at 12:00 noon.

Afterwards a crew will be needed to clean up. If everyone puts in an hour of work we will have enough people to complete all of the tasks.

See Sean (248-691-1130) and sign up for one of the jobs that needs to be done – Willie KC8FNQ (248-557-3475) will be in charge of the doors, if he doesn't get enough volunteers expect a call. See you at the swap and meeting and remember bring a friend.

Phil AA8KR

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NETS

Sunday Night 2-meter Phone Net

- Every Sunday night, at 9:00 PM local time, (146.64 (-), no PL at net time) catch up on club news and information, and just to keep in touch. All amateurs are welcome to check in.

CW net

- Every Tuesday night, at 8:00 PM local time. CW (morse code) net on 28.128 MHz. The speed is about 12 to 20 wpm. Al, N8WYO, is usually net control. Listen for "CQHP" to check in. All amateurs with HF privileges are welcome.

NTS Traffic Nets (Alternate location)

- the Southeast Michigan National Traffic System (NTS) net. Normally held every night at 10:30 PM local time on the Spirit of 76 repeater (146.76-, 100.0 Hz PL). Net manager is Diane, WI8K.

Rocking Chair Net

- You don't have to be confined to a rocking chair to check in! A friendly group meets on 145.630 MHz simplex (FM phone) at 8:00 PM local time, weekdays + some Saturdays. Net control is usually Bill, N8QVS, or Bill, KB8NIH, both of whom are located in Royal Oak.

Wolverine Net

- The 75 Meter Wolverine Net meets on 3935 KC (1sb phone) daily at 7:00 PM local time with pre-net starting at about 6:30 PM. The nets start a half hour earlier in winter. Joe, K8JRE jc6otry@moa.net or Ed, KA8NCH ede@flash.net can provide more detail.

CONTESTING CORNER

Welcome to Contest Corner. Here are upcoming Contests.

January

21-23 – ARRL VHF Sweepstakes
28 -29 –CQWW 160 meter CW contest.

February

4-5 – CQWW RTTY WPX
13-17 – A week long contest, the School Club Roundup sponsored by the ARRL
18-19 – The ARRL International DX Contest CW.
25-26 – CQWW 160 SSB is February .

March

4-5 – the ARRL International DX Contest Phone
25-26 – CQWW WPX SSB

Goods luck and good contesting
73's
John
K8UP

FROM THE EDITOR

CQ CQ CQ de KA8DMR . . .

As some of you may know I have taken over the duties of newsletter Editor. My goal is to share with all of you as much ham radio news as I can find.

This is a new experience for me and I hope to get better as time progresses. But I need your help.

Please forward any news you have to me at ka8dmr@arrl.net

73
Marsha
KA8DMR

Be there or Be Square!
Sunday January 15th
Hazel Park Swap n Shop

OAKLAND COUNTY ARPSC

The Oakland County ARPSC maintains a 2 meter net each Thursday night at 8:00PM on 145.25 ,100 Hz PL for anyone to check in and find out the County events and news from the Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response as to training and needs. Tune in and join us on Thursdays.

The County now has an increasingly functional network of 2 meter radio systems installed and manned by ARPSC members at each of the hospitals in Oakland County. A test session for these hospital radios is run each 4th Thursday of the each month at 8:00 PM on 145.25 , 100 Hz PL, as part of the regular weekly ARPSC Net. We have 4 hospitals still not covered by staffing and can use manpower to cover those locations. If interested in assisting in manning a hospital radio for one night a month for about 1 hour, please contact Ralph Greenberg, K8CAR at email K8CAR@yahoo.com for further information.

Its snowing outside and so we all think of running outside with a ruler to measure the depth of the snow hourly and then report the depth or rate of fall to the National Weather Service, don't we?.....thought not. No harm in asking you to occasionally make a note of significant snowfall in larger amounts over 2" and then contact the NWS to report your snowfall in your location as follows:

When snow is in excess of 2" then measure depth and report to NWS : go to www.weather.gov/detroit then look on left side of panel and see "Submit report" link. Go to "Submit report " and make a short report to NWS. That's all there is to it. They will collate all reports and make TV/ radio announcements to outlets as to snowfall in the region.

Gary Sklar K8ikw
Assistant Emergency Coordinator-Public Services
Oakland County ARPSC
email news to: k8ikw@aol.com

WAKE UP AND SMELL THE COFFEE

It's 8 AM on a dreary Saturday morning. You wake up and look at the alarm clock wondering, "Hmm, why isn't it going off? (another day—another dollar as the saying goes)" But wait... it's now 8:15 and the alarm still doesn't go off. Now you think, "uh oh, I'm going to be late."

Then it hits you, "It's Saturday morning." Some people would turn over for that extra shut eye. But not this group. Every Saturday morning at 9:30 AM a group of HPARC members and whoever they bring along meet at Jimi's Restaurant in Royal Oak for breakfast and comradery.

How about you pick a Saturday morning and join us for some coffee, breakfast and some lively chatter about our favorite topic of the day.

Jimi's Restaurant—Downtown Royal Oak
on corner of S Washington Ave and 7th Ave.
(just north of Lincoln Ave. on the west side of the

DAYTON HAMVENTION

Spring is a great time of year. We just might have seen the last of the snow and many of us are just itching for a road trip. Dayton Hamvention is the weekend of May 19th – 21st and we have some rooms reserved for the weekend. If you are going and need a room, please let someone on the Board know.

REPORTERS WANTED

HPARC Newsletter is looking for someone interested in things Ham Radio. Are you researching your favorite ham radio interest? Do you have a special knowledge or ability and the willingness to share it with others? Maybe you have an idea for something you would like to read about. (Any aspect of the hobby welcome)

Then you are the candidate for us. Contact Marsha KA8DMR at ka8dmr@arrl.net

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Kevin Miller KD8BLU juvenile11691@aol.com

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CW PRACTICE ON THE AIR

W1AW 2006 Winter Operating Schedule

Morning Schedule:

Time	Mode	Days
1400 UTC (9 AM EST)	CWs	Wed, Fri
1400 UTC (9 AM EST)	CWf	Tue, Thu

Daily Visitor Operating Hours:

1500 UTC to 1700 UTC - (10 AM to 12 PM EST) 1800 UTC to 2045 UTC - (1 PM to 3:45 PM EST)

(Station closed 1700 to 1800 UTC (12 PM to 1 PM EST))

Afternoon/Evening Schedule:

2100 UTC (4 PM EST)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
2100 " "	CWs	Tue, Thu
2200 " (5 PM EST)	CWb	Daily
2300 " (6 PM EST)	RTTY	Daily
0000 " (7 PM EST)	CWs	Mon, Wed, Fri
0000 " "	CWf	Tue, Thu
100 " (8 PM EST)	CWb	Daily
1000200 " (9 PM EST)	RTTY	Daily
0245 " (9:45 PM EST)	VOICE	Daily
0300 " (10 PM EST)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
0300 " "	CWs	Tue, Thu
0400 " (11 PM EST)	CWb	Daily

Frequencies (MHz)

CW: 1.8175 3.5815 7.0475 14.0475 18.0975
21.0675 28.0675 147.555

RTTY: 3.625 7.095 14.095 18.1025 21.095 28.095
147.555

VOICE: 1.855 3.990 7.290 14.290 18.160 21.390
28.590 147.555

Notes:

CWs = Morse Code practice (slow) = 5, 7.5, 10, 13 and 15 WPM

CWf = Morse Code practice (fast) = 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 13 and 10 WPM

CWb = Morse Code Bulletins = 18 WPM

CW frequencies include code practices, Qualifying Runs and CW bulletins.

RTTY = Teleprinter Bulletins = BAUDOT (45.45 baud) and AMTOR-FEC (100 Baud). ASCII (110 Baud) is sent only as time allows.

Code practice texts are from QST, and the source of each practice is given at the beginning of each practice and at the beginning of alternate speeds.

On Tuesdays and Fridays at 2330 UTC (6:30 PM EST), Keplerian Elements for active amateur satellites are sent on the regular teleprinter frequencies.

A DX bulletin replaces or is added to the regular bulletins between 0100 UTC (8 PM EST) Thursdays and 0100 UTC (8 PM EST) Fridays.

In a communications emergency, monitor W1AW for special bulletins as follows: Voice on the hour, Teleprinter at 15 minutes past the hour, and CW on the half hour.

FCC licensed amateurs may operate the station from 1500 UTC to 1700 UTC (10 AM to 12 PM EST), and then from 1800 UTC to 2045 UTC (1 PM to 3:45 PM EST) Monday through Friday. Be sure to bring your current FCC amateur radio license or a photocopy.

The W1AW Operating Schedule may also be found on page 98 in the January 2006 issue of QST or on the web at, <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw.html>

UPGRADE TODAY

License Exam Sessions

HPARC sponsors amateur radio license examination sessions, or "VE Sessions," on a bi-monthly basis. Exam sessions are held at 7:00 PM in a class room at Webster Elementary School (see the " Club Meetings" section for directions).

Pre-registration for exams may be done by e-mail by contacting the test coordinator. Pre-registration is not mandatory but it saves time and helps us with planning.

The licensing fee is \$14.00 per session (NOTE--NEW PRICE) , no matter how many tests you successfully take (retaking failed tests requires additional fees). We prefer cash, and correct change if you have it. Be sure to bring a picture ID and any current CSCE's (if you don't know what a CSCE is, then you don't have one).

According to the new FCC Universal Licensing System (ULS), examinees will be required to bring their Social Security cards and provide their SSNs. Examinees who wish to retain the privacy of their SSNs must register with the FCC in advance to obtain registration numbers to be used instead.

For more information about the ULS, and to register, please click [here](#) for the FCC's ULS page.

Morse Code and Radio Theory Classes

HPARC sponsors classes to assist you in getting your entry-level novice or technician license. Classes are offered in the spring and in the fall at various locations in the area.

As soon as information is available, you will be able to check [here](#) for information about upcoming classes.

Other local testing sessions

USECA tests on the 1st Saturday of each month at the Salvation Army, 55 Church St., Mt. Clemens. Registration is requested: Bill Chesney, N8SA, 810-468-8345.

Arrow Communication Assoc. tests on the 1st Saturday of each month at the U of M North Campus, G.G. Brown Bldg., Ann Arbor, Mi. Pre-registration required. Call Roger Place, W8ZRF, (734) 663-4625.

MINUTES

The December meeting was the holiday dinner. No business was held and no minutes were taken. A charity collection was taken and a good sum of money was collected for Grace Centers of Hope, Pontiac, Michigan. [ed.- Details discussed at the January 11th meeting]

Ralph K8CAR was in charge of the food and prizes and as usual did a great job.

DART AND HPARC ARE ONE

Starting this month for those who may not be aware, the Detroit Area Repeater Team no longer exists. The repeaters and all the equipment are now under the control of the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club.

The Club Board has appointed Murray (KE8UM) to chair a committee and members of his choosing to operate, maintain repeaters and equipment.

The committee chairmen reports to the Hazel Park Amateur Club board.

DUES CHANGE

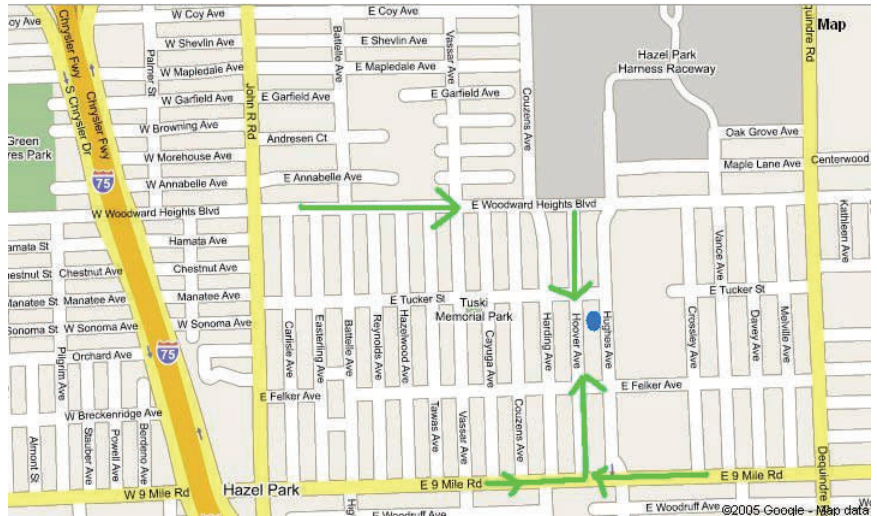
If you were a member of the DART in good standing as of this month and not a member of the HPARC, you are now a member of the HPARC in good standing until your DART anniversary date. If you were a member of both, HPARC and DART, your membership is good until the latter anniversary date.

As of this month the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club membership dues are \$15.00. The additional dues will be used to offset purchases of repeater related equipment.

Jim Poehlman K8ABZ
1st Vise President
HPARC

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Hazel Park
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Woodward Heights
(East of I-75)



WE'RE ON THE WEB
WWW.QSL.NET/W8HP



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Please check mailing label — is your membership about to expire?

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