



The Zero Beat

THIS MEETING

September 7, 2016
 7:30 P.M.
 UFCW Hall
 876 Horace Brown Dr.
 Madison Heights, MI

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GENERAL MEETING

The next meeting of the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club is on September 7, **one week earlier** than normal. The meeting begins at 7:30 PM. Socializing starts around 7:00 PM. The meeting location is UFCW Hall, 876 Horace Brown Dr, Madison Heights. The location is south of 13 Mile Rd, between John R and the I-75 freeway. Turn south at the stoplight at Barrington St, then just before the dead end sign, turn right onto Horace Brown Dr. Enter the building on the east side .

Meeting Topic: "History of the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club"
by Mike Van Buren WD8S

Mike is a past president and long-time member. He will talk about the people, activities and events in the Hazel Park club from earlier years. Come early and visit with fellow hams. Everyone is welcome to come to the meeting and bring a friend along.

PRESIDENT'S QRM

What a year it has been! Our now-former President, Ken Krause pushed many of us to our limits, and we're better for it. In the next year I'd like to keep the ball rolling.

I have two basic goals for this club: First, it's to make it our club. What does that mean? We've grown in the last year or two, and that means a lot more names and faces (and callsigns). The danger is always there that we'll just disappear into the crowd. But our club is a community, and as such all members should have ample opportunity to be plugged into the group and make their voices heard.

The second goal is related to the first: To make the club something outsiders will want to be in: both people outside

the hobby, to bring them in, and people within the hobby already. By nature, and no fault of any one person, there are several obstacles in the face of a prospective member, and I would like to continue to identify those and see what can be done about that.

But here's how the two are related: sure we will do things to make becoming a member easier, and more informed, but at the end of the day the most powerful marketing tool is the enjoyment and value existing members derive from the club. If you truly enjoy this club, people are going to hear about it. No complicated marketing formula necessary.

All that said, the board and myself want to hear your "what ifs" and "if onlys". We can't

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QRM CONT.

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act on every idea but the more ideas we have the more likely we are to execute on one or more of them. On the flip side, if you are learning about something new in the works, have an open mind. You may find yourself enjoying the hobby more, and that's what it's all about.

If you would like to talk feel free to email me at therealjd@live.com or call my cell at 248-821-3045. If you leave a voicemail I will call you back.

73 from a JD
KD8VXZ

CLUB NEWS

DART Repeater hardware has been upgraded to Fusion equipment. There are a few rough edges but the DART team has been working to make sure gets back to normal. The repeater operates in both regular analog mode and in digital Fusion mode. Murray KE8UM reminds everyone that if you don't want to hear the noise of Fusion mode on your regular transceiver, turn on receive tone squelch. The DART transmits 100 Hz PL in analog mode.

Saturday breakfasts will soon be moving. Jimi's Restaurant in Royal Oak will be remodeled into a sports bar starting in October, according to the SEMDXA club newsletter. When this happens, the new location will be announced via club e-mail and in the Zero Beat.

Amateur radio license courses have started for the fall in two locations. Registration deadline was August 26. A Technician Class course is being held at the Macomb County ISD building in Clinton Township. Technician, General and Extra Class courses are going on at Lawrence Tech in Southfield. Thanks go to Jerry W9NPI for organizing the classes and recruiting instructors from inside and outside HPARC. Looks like we'll have another crop of new and upgraded hams in just a few months.

BANQUET PHOTOS



2016-17 officers (left to right): Bill N8QVS, J.D. KD8VXZ, Marsha N8FE, Bob N8REL, John AA8UU, Reuven KB3EHW. Not pictured: Hugh KE8BED.



Photos courtesy Phyllis Voorheis

DART PICNIC



Photos by Phyllis Voorhies



H P A R C N E T S

HPARC Official Sunday Night 2-meter Phone Net

Every Sunday at 9:00 PM local time on the DART repeater, 146.64 (PL 100), catch up on club news and information, and just to keep in touch. All amateurs are welcome to check in.

Thursday Night Youth Net, 8 PM EST on the DART repeater, via Echolink *759629 (W5DDL-R).

Yacht Net, Saturday night, 8 PM EST. A youth net on the DART repeater, via Echolink *481872 (W8PIF-R).

Homepage: <http://yachthams.webstarts.com>

N8WYO CW net (Medium speed)

Named in memory of Al N8WYO. The net meets Tuesday night at 8:00 PM on **28.028 MHz** All amateurs are welcome. CW speed fluctuates between 20-25 WPM, but Joe will slow it down if necessary. Listen in at 8 PM sharp!

Wolverine Net

The 75 Meter Wolverine Net meets on 3935 KHz daily at 7:00 PM local time, with pre-net starting at 6:00 PM. You can get details from <http://www.wssbn.com/>

Oakland County ARPSC

Every Thursday @ 8 pm on 146.90 (PL 100). Hospital Radio Net on the last Thursday of each month @7:30. (W8OAK-3 will run packet on 147.56 MHz for those wanting to practice and test their equipment)
<http://www.arpac.com/>

NTS Traffic Nets

The Southeast Michigan National Traffic System (NTS) net Normally held every night at 10:15 PM local time on the 146.76 (PL 100) repeater. New people are welcome.

A R O U N D T O W N

HPARC Buddy Breakfast every Saturday @ 9:00 AM (or so)

Jimi's Restaurant, 714 South Washington Ave, Royal Oak (across from OCC). Come for the socializing — we're in the back room. Parking: lots of spaces in Jimi's parking lot, and street parking is free until 11 AM. See *also Club News*.

Oakland Co. ARPSC Siren Testing, 1st Saturday @ 1 PM

March through November except in April, it is held the second Wednesday at 1 pm. Contact **Marsha N8FE** at n8fe@arr.net to be assigned a siren to test.

Amateur Radio License Testing

HPARC and the City of Oak Park offer amateur radio license testing on the **first Tuesday of even months** at the **Oak Park, Michigan Community Center** (14300 Oak Park Blvd, Oak Park, MI 48237) beginning at 7:30 PM contact Jerry W9NPI at w9npi@arrl.net

H A M F E S T S

9/10 GM Trunk Swap 8-11

Packard Proving Grounds, 49965 Van Dyke, Shelby Twp
<http://www.gmarc.org/wp/>

9/11 Findlay Hamfest 8-1

Hancock Co. Fairgrounds, 1700 E. Sandusky, Findlay, OH
<https://www.findlayradioclub.org/>
Talk-in: 147.15

9/17 GRAHamfest 8-1

Home School Bldg, 5625 Burlingame SW, Wyoming
http://www.w8dc.org/attachments/2016_GRAHamfest_flyer.pdf Talk-in: 147.26 (PL 94.8)

9/18 Adrian Hamfest 8-1

near Adrian Airport, 2651 W. Cadmus Rd, Adrian
<http://w8tqe.com/hamfest.htm>
Talk-in: 145.37 (PL 85.4)

Upcoming:

10/30 USECA Swap, Madison Heights
12/4 L'Anse Creuse Swap, Madison Heights

Mark Your Calendar

2016 Meetings

- September 7
- October 12
- November 9
- December 7—tentative

TIME

Socializing @ 7:00 PM
Meeting @ 7:30 PM

PLACE

UFCW Hall
876 Horace Brown Dr.
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Meeting and Swap location



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