

# The Zero Beat

## THIS MEETING

**October 12, 2011  
7:30 P.M.  
(socializing begins at 7)  
Hoover Elementary  
23720 Hoover Ave.  
Hazel Park, MI**

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## GENERAL MEETING

The meeting will be held on **Wednesday October 12 at 7:30 pm.**

The program for the meeting will be a presentation by Larry Koziel K8MU on an HF digital mode JT65a. This is a weak signal mode that started out using EME. Come to the meeting and learn more about it from Larry.

Come early and visit with fellow hams. Everyone is welcome to come to the meeting and bring a friend. Coffee and donuts will be provided during break.

Anyone wishing to join the club, please go to the website [www.hparc.org](http://www.hparc.org). Fill out the membership form. Print it and bring it to the meeting. Larry K8MU

## PRESIDENT'S QRM

It's October again, the pumpkin month. It's still not too late for antenna installations even if rumor has it they work better if put up in the rain or snow.

It's not too late to start planning for the Sweepstakes contests in November. The club will buy you a pin for working 100 contacts and the sweepstakes cup if you get a clean sweep to be awarded at the annual banquet. Sweepstakes is the only contest the club promotes as a club and is a great contest for old timers and newcomers alike. If you need to work certain states for awards this is the place to do it. Start planning now.

We are still looking for volunteers for following: Holiday Party, Jackets & Tee Shirts, June Banquet Assistant, June Banquet Prizes, Nominating Committee, Swap Chair Assistant and Web Page. See me privately to volunteer. Come on guys and gals it's your club and what you make it, we need you! The President

must fill these openings. Same request as last year! The swap chair won't do it next year and needs the right person to train for next year or no swap!! Same with the Zero Beat we need to have some one volunteer to do it next year.

The subject of the banquet has been discussed at the board meetings. I welcome suggestions on a different place this coming year as we have been at the same location for several years. Maybe a location where you can order off the menu and pay your own bill would be better as long as they have a room we could use. It has been a problem getting enough people to commit for the minimum requirements at the banquet halls.

Don't forget the Official Sunday night HPARC net. If you can't make the times you can always start up a net at a different time. The point is to be an active club and do things together. Of course nets are not the only things we can do as a club. How about:

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## QRM CONT.

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antenna parties, building projects, outings, car pooling to swaps and tours. I'm sure you can name some more. We have two repeaters how about more usage? Become part of the solution and not part of the problem.

It's official! The swap will be January 15, 2012 at the Hazel Park High School. We have the permit. The flyers are already made so if you are going to another ham radio function take some with you and pass them out.

I will see you at Saturday morning breakfast, the October meeting and on the Sunday night net.

Work your radios and have fun.

73

Murray, KE8UM

## 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, (146.64 (-), catch up on club news and information, and just to keep in touch. All amateurs are welcome to check in.

### N8WYO CW net (Medium speed)

The "Geezer Net" changed their name in memory of Al N8WYO. Look for them every Tuesday night at 8:00 PM on **28.028 MHz** As always, all amateurs are welcome and encouraged to join this net. CW speed fluctuates between 20-25 WPM, but Joe will slow it down if necessary. Listen for at 8 PM sharp!

### Wolverine Net

The 75 Meter Wolverine Net meets on 3935 KHz (LSB 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. You can get details from Joe, K8JRE [joecuchetti@comcast.net](mailto:joecuchetti@comcast.net) or Ed, W8EDE [ed@ellisgen.com](mailto:ed@ellisgen.com).

### Oakland County ARPSC

**Every Thursday @ 8 pm** on 146.900 MHz/100pl. Hospital Radio Net on last Thursday of each month during the net. (W8OAK-3 will run packet on 147.56 MHz for those wanting to practice and test their equipment) [www.gsl.net/w8oak](http://www.gsl.net/w8oak)

### NTS Traffic Nets

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

### SARS Tuesday Night Net

Southfield Emergency Management ARES group holds a weekly net **every Tuesday night at 8 pm** on 146.640 MHz (the DART repeater). All amateur radio operators are welcome. If you have traffic to pass but cannot make the 10:15 pm SEMTN net, you can check into this net and someone will get it passed to SEMTN.

## A R O U N D T O W N

### HPARC Buddy Breakfast every Saturday @ 9:30 a.m.

Jimi's Restaurant on Washington (across from OCC) in Royal Oak

### Kalamazoo ARC & SW Michigan AR Team Hamfest

10/16/2011

Location: Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds

2900 Lake Street

Kalamazoo, MI 49001

Talk-In: 147.640/147.040 (PL 94.8)

Contact: Murray Cooper, W8UNF

Phone: 269-377-3867

Email: [murraycooper3@earthlink.net](mailto:murraycooper3@earthlink.net)

Website: <http://www.KalamazooHamFest.com>

### USECA Hamfest

October 23, 2011

Location: American-Polish Century Club

33204 Maple Lane

Sterling Heights, MI 48310

Talk-In: 147.180 (PL 100)

Public Contact: Larry Boggs, WB8SJD

[wb8sjd@arri.net](mailto:wb8sjd@arri.net) <http://www.usecaarc.com>

### LCARC Amateur Radio Swap/Hamfest

12/04/2011

Location: L'Anse Creuse High School

38495 L'Anse Creuse Street

Harrison Township, MI 48045

Talk-In: 147.08 receive, 147.68 transmit (PL 100)

Contact: Gregg Crump, N8GEO 586-477-0364

Email: [N8GEO@arri.net](mailto:N8GEO@arri.net) <http://www.N8LC.org>

### Hazel Park ARC Swap

January 15, 2012

Location: Hazel Park High School

23400 Hughes, Hazel Park, MI 48030

Talk-In 146.640 (PL 100 Hz)

Contact Walt Carter KD8LWC

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**CQ DX...****Australia special call**

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Amateur Wireless Society of Victoria (AWSV), Australia special call VK100ARV will be QRV during the month of November 2011. AWSV was formed in 1911, shortly afterward re-named the Wireless Institute of Victoria and now known as Amateur Radio Victoria. A special QSL card has been designed for this centennial event. More details can be found at <http://www.grz.com/db/vk100arv>. QSL via the bureau.

**Vietnam through OCTOBER 12**

Starting October 7th look for JR3MVF, Mio (YL) and HL1KDW, Chae (YL), plan to be QRV from Ho Chi Min City, Vietnam as XV2YL and XV2KDW respectively. Activity is expected on 20 and 15 meters through October 12th. [source daily DX]

**Antarctica**

Gerard, ZS6KX, is now stationed at the SANAE IV Base (AA ZS-03, WAP ZAF-03, WFF ZSFF-026), Vesleskarvet, Ahlmann Ridge, Queen Maude Land (IOTA AN-016), Antarctica, until the middle of February 2012. For the moment he will be operating as ZS6KX/ZS7 until his ZS7KX callsign is issued. Activity mostly on 20m SSB (+/- 14175 approx 14:00UTC or when time permits). QSL via home call. [dx-world.net]

**CQ WW SSB Contest**

Special event station V84SEA will be QRV for the 39th SE-ANET Convention, which is scheduled for November 17-21.

During the CQ World Wide SSB DX Contest Chilean ops CE1DY, XQ1KZ, CE1BEQ, CE1WPA, CE1TBN, CE1DIQ, CE1GWR, CE1VIL, CE1CRG, CE3WDH, CE1OCF and XQ4CW will be operating CE1A in the multi-multi category. QSL via XQ1KZ. [source daily DX]

Will you be operating the CQ WW SSB? It's a great way to work toward your DXCC. The rules can be found at <http://www.cqww.com/rules.php> Now is a good time to get that logging software ready for the contest and read the rules. If you have any questions ask Mike WD8S or Gerry K8GT our contesting mentors.

**ZERO BEAT EDITOR**

As was mentioned by Murray, I am giving up my position as Zero Beat editor at the end of June. I enjoyed doing the Zero Beat since September, 2006, but it is time for someone else to become the editor.

If you have a computer and have some sort of English skills and know a word processing program you can do the Zero Beat. I use MS Publisher, but you can use any word-processor if you want to.

I would be happy to explain how I do it to the person taking my place and then they can go from there. I would like the person taking over to begin working with me whenever they are ready to have a smooth transition.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR THE ZERO BEAT EDITOR JOB. CONTACT MARSHA N8FE [marsha-fleming@arrl.net](mailto:marsha-fleming@arrl.net) or call 248-542-9573.

**WEBMASTER NEEDED**

We have a very nice website built by Sean K8KHZ. I have been maintaining it for 2 years. I also do the newsletter. We need someone who can maintain the website. It currently is a WordPress Website. Maybe you have ideas to totally make it different. Maybe you only want to update the pages. It's totally up to you and the Board. I can help with getting you started if need be or I can stay out of your hair if you are a website guru. PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO BE THE WEBMASTER. ASAP. CONTACT MURRAY KE8UM [ke8um@arrl.net](mailto:ke8um@arrl.net) or call 248-743-1704.

**HR 5027 OF 2011**

From the Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmett Counties Public Service Communications Organization (CCECPSOC) Yahoo group.

Chuck N8DNX reports that this legislation was introduced in the Michigan House on 9/28/11:

<http://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2011-2012/billintroduced/House/htm/2011-HIB-5027.htm>

73,  
Ralph Katz, AA8RK

## M I S C E L L A N E O U S

### Program your Wouxon Radio

This is not from Wouxon, I have used this software to program more features into the radio.

KG-UV Commander

Bill Reilly - K8DRV

### JARL QSL BURO

As of October 1, 2011, the Japan Amateur Radio League's (JARL) QSL Bureau will have a new address. If you use the JARL QSL Bureau, please send your QSL cards to JARL QSL Bureau, 1324-3 Kanba, Hikawa-cho, Izumo-shi, Shimane 699-0588 JAPAN.

### Hays Affinity Group Provides ARRL Members with Equipment Protection, Club Liability Insurance Plans

On May 1, 2011, the ARRL began a new partnership with Hays Affinity Group to provide its ARRL-sponsored Equipment Insurance and Club Liability Insurance plans. Hays – who took over from Marsh Affinity Group Services – serves as the program administrator to provide equipment insurance to ARRL members who choose to elect coverage. In addition, Hays will also provide club liability insurance to ARRL Affiliated Clubs for those clubs that wish to take advantage of that program. Hays has introduced new policies for both plans, underwritten by the Hanover Insurance Company.

Not only is equipment protection coverage through Hays Affinity Group slightly less expensive than it was with Marsh, it's easier to enroll in the plans. You can [sign up online](#) and even schedule your equipment online, too. With Hays Affinity Group, you can have all your radio equipment covered, even the computers, hard drives and printers in your shack. You can also elect to have coverage for your towers and antennas, up to \$15,000 of replacement cost. All losses are settled on the replacement cost value you have stated for your equipment. In addition, any newly acquired equipment during the policy term, up to a value of \$2000, will be covered, once scheduled, until your next policy renewal without any additional premium. All this –

and more – with only a \$50 deductible (\$25 for repair claims).

Marsh has been sending renewal notices to those ARRL members who have policies with them. Of course, you can renew your coverage through Marsh, but the ARRL will no longer be able to help you resolve any issues you may have with Marsh, the insurance company or their claims paying agent. Our contractual agreement with them has been terminated.

To have your equipment covered with Hays, you need to enroll with Hays to continue coverage under an ARRL-sponsored plan. If you wish to switch to either of the new insurance policies now, you can either cancel your policy with Marsh and sign up with Hays, or wait until your policy with Marsh is due for renewal and then sign up with Hays for coverage. If you choose to cancel with Marsh before renewal, you will receive a pro-rated refund of any unused premium you have paid.

The ARRL has been providing opportunities for equipment insurance to its members for more than 25 years. By choosing to let Hays Affinity Group cover your equipment, you are helping to support the ARRL; a portion of each premium comes back to the League to help fund programs that enable you to enjoy your on-air privileges.

### H P A R C J A C K E T S

SIZE	FLANNEL	QUILTED
S–XL	45.00	51.00
XXL	47.00	53.00
3XL	49.00	55.00
\$10 Off First Jacket		

### T-SHIRTS \$10

Send check payable to HPARC to:

P.O. Box 368, Hazel Park, MI 48030

\*payment due with order.

# HAZEL PARK AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

## 46th ANNUAL HAMFEST

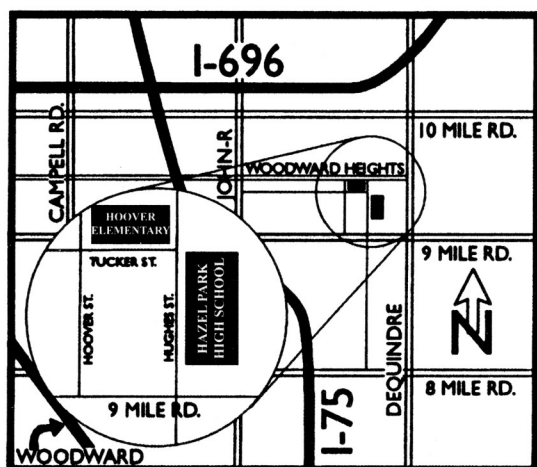
Hazel Park High School - 23400 Hughes - Hazel Park, Michigan 48030

**January 15, 2012** - 8:00 AM til 12:00 NOON

**W8HP** - Talk-in 146.640(100hz.pl) D.A.R.T. Repeater

Tables \$15.00 TICKETS \$5.00 Plenty of Free Parking

Vendor Setup : 6AM WITH PAID ADMISSION



PRIZES	
1ST	CASH PRIZE \$100.00
2ND	CASH PRIZE \$50.00
3RD	CASH PRIZE \$25.00



23400 Hughes • Hazel Park, MI

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### Tickets and Table Reservation Mail-in Coupon

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Tickets \_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 \_\_\_\_ Tables \_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 \_\_\_\_ Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: H.P.A.R.C. INC. SWAP, P.O. BOX 368 HAZEL PARK, MI 48030

**TO RESERVE PREVIOUS YEAR'S LOCATION,  
TABLE RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 3, 2012**

## HPARC ZERO BEAT

## Mark Your Calendar

## 2011 DATES

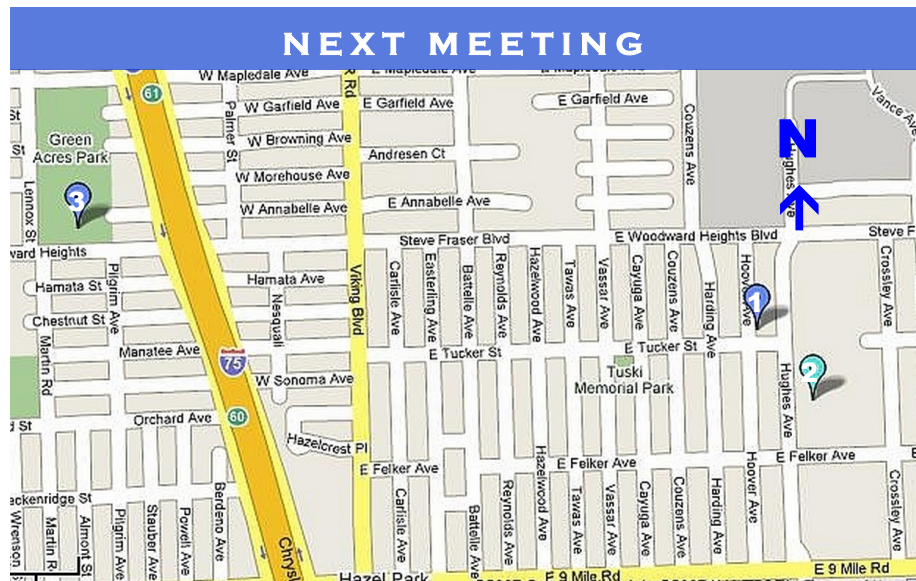
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## TIME

**Meeting @7:30 P.M.**

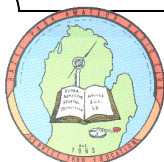
## PLACE

**Hoover Elementary**  
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**1 meeting    2 Swap    3 Picnic**

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