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21.125 8:00 pm Tue - CW

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Once Again, From the Top -QRM de WD8S

Happy Holidays to one and all. I hope that Santa was good to every one and the upcoming new year is even better than the last for every one.

We need to put together a Banquet committee, a Nominating committee, and find a Field Day Chairman. Let's see a fine turnout of volunteers at the January Meeting.

Speaking of the January Meeting, if you have never heard Wayne K8BTH speak you are in for a treat. Wayne's program for the January Meeting is "I made the contact, now what?" Wayne will tell us how to QSL, where to send cards and what should be on the cards. Wayne is also a Field Checker for the ARRL DXCC award, so if you have any questions about QSLing, K8BTH is the guy to ask.

NOTE: The February Meeting will be held on February 21 and the April Meeting will be April 17. Each has been moved to the THIRD Wednesday!

May 17, 18 & 19 will be the Dayton Hamvention. The June Banquet Date will be announced later, and set aside June 22 and 23 for your participation in Field Day.

Thanks again to Tom N8TMQ for the find job on the Swap-n-Shop.

The Christmas Party was another great success, and again thanks to Jerry N8UUF and Pat KB8VWK. Thanks to all for the fine job well

done.

1996 should be a fun year for all!

73, Mike Van Buren, WD8S

Swaps, Wants, For Sale - Let's make a deal.

Notice: Don't believe everything that you read here. Listings are found on the street, so be sure to practice safe swap. Errors will occur on a random basis. Objects in your mirror may be closer than they appear.

January 21, 1996 Southfield. Southfield High School, 24675 Lahser, just south of 10 mile road. Tickets \$5.00.

February 24-25, 1996, Cincinnati OH. ARRL '96 Great Lakes Division Convention. Cincinnati Gardens Exposition Center, 2250 Seymour Avenue (state Route 561) with easy access to I-71, I-74 and I-75. \$6.00 admission in advance, \$8.00 at door. 144.77(+), 144.59(+), 222.46(+) and 443.65(+) talk-in. Call Stan Cohen WD8QDQ at 513.531.1011 for more information.

Wanted:

Looking for an inexpensive (\$150 - \$200) laptop computer, 286 or better, with floppy and hard drive. Call Rodian "Rod" Kornienko at 810.557.6952 if you can help.

For Sale:

Place your ad here.

HPARC Board Meetings

All Board meetings are at 7:30 pm,
Hoover Elementary School

February 5, 1996
March 4, 1996
April 1, 1996
April 29, 1996
June 6, 1996

Public Service

- *The Service part.* . .

Every Night at 10:15 pm.

SouthEastern Michigan Traffic Net (SEMTN) meets to pass National Traffic System (NTS) Traffic. Check in on the Edison Repeater, 145.33 (-) whether you have traffic or not. This is also a Training Net, so there tips and techniques to be learned.

Every Wednesday at 9:00 pm.

Oakland County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps (ARPSC) net on the SMART, 147.140 (+). All are invited to check in.

VE Tests

- *Make Your Goal the Top!*

HPARC VE testing:

Call Mike WD8S at 810.399.7970 or
Bill N8SWQ at 313.533.5962.

January 25, 1996
March 28, 1996
May 30, 1996

Oak Park VE testing:

Call Jeff N8WRY at 810.642.3608

February 6, 1995
April 2, 1996
June 4, 1996.

Motor City Radio Club VE testing:

Call 313.676.6248

January 13, 1996
March 9, 1996
April 24, 1996

May 11, 1996
July 20, 1996
September 14, 1996
November 9, 1996
December 11, 1996

Sweepstakes 1995 HPARC Participation

-by *Marty KG8QT*

Participation in the 1995 November Sweepstakes by the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club was probably about average for this year's Sweepstakes in comparison to past years.

For the November 5-6, 1995 CW portion there were 6 participants who enjoyed themselves, making a total of 871 contacts. Of those, three had the pleasure of contacting more than 100 other Amateurs and will receive CW Participation pins for their efforts, but none had achieved the coveted CLEAN SWEEP.

It sure would be nice to see just a few more of our Club making the effort towards participation in the CW portion. It really is not that hard to achieve 100 contacts in 24 hours. Yeah, I know that a lot of the code is being sent at rates much higher than can be comprehended by you, but if you sit there listening long enough you can get the whole exchange before you contact them. [*That method worked for my 16 contacts! Ed.*]

Then, during the November 19 - 20, 1995 Phone portion there were many more participants, eighteen to be exact. In fact there was enough action that the club will spring for a total of 14 participation pins, awarded for making 100 or more contacts. Two of these pins are going to individuals who participated in a multi-op station.

The total number of Phone contacts was 2,215. Again, there were no CLEAN SWEEPS. I guess that it's no surprise that the numbers for the phone portion are of this magnitude.

I would like to thank each and everyone of you who did participate and turned in a log to me for submittal as a club effort. I don't have the aggregate scores for the CW and Phone portions but I can say that quite a few did try for the coveted Clean Sweep. On CW there were a few sections that were hard to get, but for the life of me I can't remember what they were. During the Phone portion there were many requests for the states of South Carolina, Delaware, North and South Dakota. Alaska and Hawaii seemed to be well represented when the band was open in that direction and in fact the Northwest Territory/Yukon was the big winner as usual. The pileup on that multiplier was grand. It took up a good chunk of bandwidth to even get a chance to try to work it. In fact it was almost impossible to hear the station for all the others calling.

If you did not get a chance to work the contest, that's unfortunate. You really should try a contest for a change; it offers you the chance to work states that under normal everyday band conditions are sometimes nonexistent. It is not because they don't have hams but a lot of them only like to work contests. It would not be inconceivable to work all states in one contest.

The challenge comes from QSL cards returned. I know that this Contest put me quite a bit closer to WAS on Three Bands, but I just have to wait for those darned cards . . .

73 es GL de KG8QT

Club Clothing

Putting the Dash into Haberdashery in 1996

See a Mohan; Phil II N8UUS, Phil III KG8UC, Bob KB8TVD or Joe KB8TVE at any Club function, or call Phil II at 810.932.2141.

	T-Shirt	Jacket Flannel Lining	Jacket Quilted Lining
Size		Price	
S-XL	6.00	32.00*	37.00*
2X	7.25	34.50	39.50
3X	8.50	37.00	42.00
4X	9.75	39.50	44.50
5X	11.00	N/A	N/A

*Imprinting of up to two lines is already included in these prices.

The HPARC contributes \$10.00, so your price is less!

Zero Beat on Local Telco BBS

- On-Line with HPARC

The HPARC Zero Beat is now available for downloading from the Bulletin Board System (BBS) operated by Rich KC5DUO, at 313.592.0831.

This special edition has been processed back to plain ASCII text, so it is suitable for use by many voice reader systems on PCs. It could also be posted on Packet Radio, although we have no plans to do so at present.

So, if you are, or know a Ham who is, visually impaired, if you want a back edition (back to September, 1995) or if you have simply lost your current copy, give Rich's board a call and grab it.

Besides the Zero Beat, Rich has a Files area with Ham-related stuff, so you might want to browse around a bit while you're there.

At this time, there are no plans for bigger and better, because the idea just hit us and we haven't begun to explore

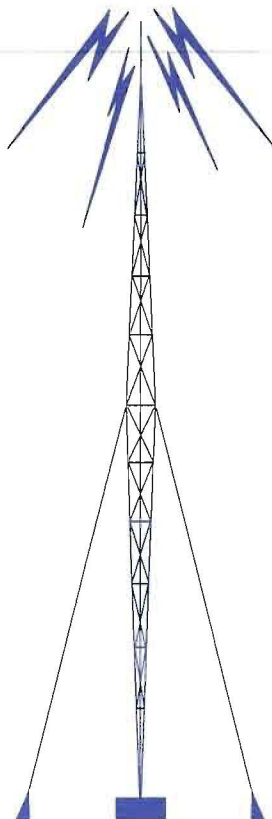
the possibilities. If you can think of potential uses for this or other services, contact any Club Officer, either by radio, phone, or at a meeting.

This Space for Rent.

-Whatcha Got, Bud?

Send ideas to the Club.

The Editor appologizes for the lack of information and other fill this month. He is in process of changing both his residence and work locations. so things have been and will continue to be a bit hectic.



Calendar

January 10, 1996

Featured speaker will be **Wayne K8TBH**, presenting the ins and outs of QSLing.

February 21, 1996

How long has it been since you heard of Collins Radio? **Floyd KF8AT** will make a presentation of the radio equipment of this company.

March 13, 1996

Dave W8YZ will educate us on RF properties as they relate to transmission lines and antennas and give demonstrations

April 17, 1996

Marty KG8QT has a few ideas and is working to develop them.

May 8, 1996

Marty KG8QT is working to confirm this date with the guest speaker he wants.

May 17, 18 & 19

DATYON!

June 22 & 23

Field Day.

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