



# The Zero Beat

*The Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club*

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**February, 2005**

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## The President's Monthly QRM

The Swap is over marking, the start of most of the club's yearly activities. The volunteer season is fast approaching. Skywarn classes will be held in the next couple of months and all of the walk-a-thons, bike-a-thons and races are starting to be put together. This year we have a special problem with the walks.

Because of the starting date of the Jewish Passover, in April and Mother's day, in May both the March

of Dimes walk, in Troy and the MS walk-a-thon in Birmingham are being held on the same day, May 1<sup>st</sup>! This presents some problems to the Hazel Park A.R.C. because we supply both of these organizations with the communications that are necessary for them to have a safe and successful walk.

We have done everything from making sure that a rest stop has enough water to getting help for injured participants. They count on us, every year, to lend a helping hand. If you have never thought about doing one of these events, it is a good time to give it some serious thought. If you have thought about it in the past but never stepped up, now is the time. If you have helped on occasion this is the time to charge your batteries and help out. We will need all of the hams that we can pull together to cover both of these walks. – See you at the club meeting and remember bring a friend.

*Phil Ode, AA8KR, President*

## Meeting Minutes, The Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club, January, 2005

The meeting was called to order by Phil, AA8KR. He stated that the club donated \$661.00 to Handi-Hams. We received a thank you note from them.

Richard, N8MQU, read the treasurer's report, which was approved and accepted.

Jim K8ABZ, gave a presentation about Handi Hams.

Mike, WD8S, talked about the Michigan QSO Party Event.

Steven, N8FH, reminded everyone that March is rig night, and also said forms for Dayton will be available next

month.

Phil spoke on the passing of Bill's (N8QVS) mother.

We have a new member: Jerry, W9NPI. The ARRL membership went to Jerry, W9NPI, a double winner.

*Willie Neal, KC8FNQ, Secretary*

## HPARC Hams Needed to Volunteer for Public Service Events

Now that Spring is coming, there are a huge number of opportunities for HPARC members to participate in Community Service events in the area.

- The Oak Apple Run (Saturday, June 4, over by Noon) in Royal Oak. Contact WD8S@comcast.net for information.
- American Diabetes Association Tour de Cure, (June 12) at Island Lake State Recreation Area (Brighton). Contact Jeff Albrecht, N8WR 248-642-3608
- MS Walk Birmingham AND March of Dimes WalkAmerica, Troy. Both events on Sunday, May 1. Contact Phil, AA8KR about MS walk, and Jim, K8ABZ regarding WalkAmerica.

## Other HPARC Regular Events and Gatherings

**Sunday:** HPARC/DART 2 Meter net.  
9:00 PM 146.64 (-) 100 Hz

**Tuesday** Medium Speed CW Net 8:00 PM 28.128 +/-QRM

**Thursday** Oakland County ARPSC Net  
145.25 (-) 100 Hz

**Friday** Morning Breakfast at The Avenue, 31253 Woodward, North of 13 Mile Rd. 7:30 AM

**Saturday** Breakfast at Jimi's in Royal Oak, 714 S. Washington, 9:30 AM

**Nightly except Sunday:** the Rocking Chair Net 145.63 FM Simplex, 8:00 PM, Local time.

**Nightly: SE Michigan Traffic Net** on 146.76 (-) no PL beginning at 10:15 PM.

**NEW! Sundays:** USECA Youth Net, Joe, KD8ATO, (age 10) will be NCO for a youth net at **7 PM Sunday nights** for hams 20 years of age and under. Third party non-ham youths are also welcome. 147.18 (+) 100 Hz PL

#### **Net Control List 2005 Hazel Park HPARC/DART Sunday Evening Net**

The following is a list of stations who have agreed to host the HPARC weekly net on the DART Repeater. As always, if you are unable to fulfill your duties as Net Control Operator, please contact Bill Ketel, N8QVS as soon as possible so that he might arrange a substitute.

Feb. 06 KC8TWO Marc 1887  
Feb. 13 K8KHZ Sean 1888  
Feb. 20 KA8DMR Marsha 1889  
Feb. 27 KC8FNQ Willie 1890  
Mar. 06 KC8TGW Alex 1891  
Mar. 13 K8BSG Carl 1892  
Mar. 20 AD8M Ken 1893  
Mar. 27 AA8UU John 1894  
Apr. 03 AA8KR Phil 1895  
Apr. 10 K8UP John 1896  
Apr. 17 N8QVS Bill 1897  
Apr. 24 KC8TWO Marc 1898  
May 01 K8KHZ Sean 1899  
May 08 KA8DMR Marsha 1900  
May 15 KC8FNQ Willie 1901  
May 22 KC8TGW Alex 1902  
May 29 K8BSG Carl 1903

#### **February Meeting to Feature AA8OZ with Hints and Kinks**

Be sure to attend the February meeting, which will take place on Wednesday, February 9, 2005, at Hoover Elementary School, b. The pre-gathering begins at 7, and the official meeting will begin at 7:30 PM. The featured speaker for this month will be Paul DeAthos, AA8OZ, who will present "Hints and Kinks", a collection of useful hints, techniques and other very useful information.

Additionally, Steve Gladstein, N8FH, will be taking sign-ups for the

Dayton HamVention. This year's HamVention will run Friday-Sunday, May 20-22. Look for sign-up/reservation forms to send to Steve, elsewhere in this issue.

#### **HPARC E-mail Reflector to Change**

Greetings, I am Sean Fleming. Some of you may know me as K8KHZ. I am the manager of the club mailing list. We have moved to make the experience a better one. We are now on Yahoo Groups. Why? There are several reasons.

We can link to state ARES/RACES and other Yahoo groups where we can gain support and get noticed. I already manage a 500 member Yahoo group that pertains to mobile amateur Radio. Finally, is free. There is nothing to donate. You do not have to sign up and make a Yahoo mail account or ID to take part in the mailing list either. But if you have yahoo mail, which is free, then you can also join the group not just the mailing list and take part in other group benefits.

Here is the information about signing up. How do I join a group? Join via the group page: Locate a group to join. On the front page of Yahoo! Groups, you can browse the Groups directory or search for a group by topic. Click on the Join This Group button on front page of any group. If you are not signed in, you will be asked to enter your Yahoo! ID. If you do not have a Yahoo! ID, you can click on the link New to Yahoo!? Sign up now. Set your membership preferences. When you join, you can choose a profile you'd like to display to the group, select the e-mail address at which you'd like to receive group messages, choose how you receive group messages, and more.

Join the mailing list only: We highly recommend you join a group via the group page (above). However, if you are familiar with mailing lists, you may join only the mailing list for the group. If you choose this method, you will not have access to all of the group's web features (Photos, Files, Links, Polls, Calendar.) In addition you will not have access to the My Groups page, where you can easily manage all of your memberships and e-mail

messages. To subscribe to a group's mailing list via e-mail, send a blank e-mail to:  
[groupname-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:groupname-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) Make sure to replace "groupname" with the actual name of the group (e.g.,

[pastry\\_chefs-subscribe@yahoogroup.com](mailto:pastry_chefs-subscribe@yahoogroup.com)). You will receive a confirmation message. Just reply to this message and your subscription will be complete.

Respond to an invitation to join: If someone sent you an e-mail invitation to join a group, click on the link provided to join via the Yahoo! Groups web site. I hope that you can use this service to communicate with each other. 73's K8KHZ Mailing-list Manager

#### **HPARC 39th Swap a Success**

The 39th annual HPARC Swap & Shop is now history. Many thanks to all who helped make this event a success for the club. I am sure there will be a full report of the financial details at the February meeting.

I would especially like to thank all the club members who volunteered to help with setup, tear-down, ticket sales and talk-in station. Without the help of all of you, the swap could not possibly succeed.

Thanks and congratulations to our new Swap Chair, Sean Fleming, K8KHZ, who worked very hard to make this event a success. Be sure to pass on your thanks to Sean at the club meeting!

Somewhat related, are the two swaps to be held at the Costick Center in Farmington Hills this weekend. On Saturday, February 12, the Michigan Antique Radio Club will hold their annual show and Radio Swap. The event begins at 8:00 AM. Tickets are \$5, \$10 for "Early Entry". On Sunday the 13th, The Livonia Amateur Radio Club will have its swap at the same location. This event also begins at 8:00 AM. Both events are a good way to pick up new and old gear, and a great way to see old friends.

**Jeff Albrecht, N8WR**

## Member's Copy

Please complete both sections identically, and return to Steve Gladstein.

Hampton Inn  
45 Troy Town Dr. Located off I-75 at exit 74  
Troy, OH 45373  
(937) 339-7801

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Call \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, May 19 2005  Friday, May 20 2005  Saturday, May 21 2005  
\$89/1 night \$178/2 nights \$267/3 nights Payment due April 13, 2005

Smoking  Nonsmoking

(Check only if you have a preference – We have a limited number of each type, and I may ask if the other type is acceptable if your preference isn't available)

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## HPARC 2005 Dayton HamVention Reservations

## HPARC Copy

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Call \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Other Occupant \_\_\_\_\_ Call \_\_\_\_\_

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### **My Last Zero Beat**

Well, I have been looking toward this day with mixed feelings. Since I am back in a fairly busy schedule at school, I have had to curtail my participation with many groups and events, including HPARC. So I am relieved that our President, Phil Ode, has found a person willing to take over my position as newsletter editor for our club. That's a huge relief! I will leave the official announcement of my successor for the Club meeting this week.

On the other hand, I have enjoyed my time putting this mailing together for the club. I hardly seems like it has been more than seven years since I did my first issue!

Many thanks to all of you for your kind comments and encouragement. Thanks, also, to the club's officers. I appreciate all they have done to help make this job easier for me, both with their submissions and their encouragement.

I would also like to convey my great personal thanks to Sean Fleming, K8KHZ, who has selflessly taken the

reins of the club swap, as well as Don McCreedy, W8PDI, and John Teagardin, AA8UU, who have stepped in to lead our Technician level Licensing classes. We will see a number of new hams join the ranks (and perhaps our club!) With their efforts.

I hope that you have all enjoyed this newsletter as much as I have loved being a part of it, and of the club, itself. I look forward to seeing all of you come summer, and also at a number of the Public Service events we have planned this spring. Thanks again, and 73!

**Jeff Albrecht, N8WR**

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