



Waveguide

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146.620 - 100 Hz
442.750 + 123 Hz

Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association
Club Founder: Hollis Hayes W8ACD

Edition for **September 2011**

*****The next regular club meeting will be held on
Tuesday, September 13th, 2011 @ 7:30 pm*****

ARES Net

*Every Tuesday at 8:00 pm on 146.620 - with 100 Hz PL
(except club meeting nights)*

Thursday Night Net

Every Thursday at 8:00 pm on 442.750 + with 123 Hz PL

Meetings

LCARA meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month in the Lapeer County Central Dispatch Center (911), 2332 W. Genesee St., Lapeer, MI at 7:30 pm

Newsletter

Items for the newsletter may be called in to the editor at 810-793-4986 or emailed to kevinboxey@hotmail.com. The deadline for submission is the 20th of each month.

Website: <http://www.w8lap.com>

Facebook: Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association

Editorial Section

The President Sez:

Our August meeting at Crampton Park turned out well as the rain held off. We had several HF voice contacts including DX from a very unassuming antenna set up by KD8VP, SSTV pictures were traded over the 260 Flint repeater and our Lapeer repeater, and PSK31 was running. Once again it was an enjoyable evening for everyone that attended.

Our September club meeting is going to have a busy agenda. It is the time of year again to select our club officers, we need to discuss the future of the swap and make sure we have a new swap chairperson, and also future maintenance needs out at the repeater site. Your participation as a voting club member is very important to the direction of the club's business so please make every effort to attend.

See you at the September meeting.
Kevin KB8TAR

The Treasurer Sez:

Greetings to one and all.

I would like to start out by saying THANK YOU to all the volunteers that helped out with the Swap and Shop. Despite the declining participation at the swap, both from sellers and buyers, the table vendors I talked to all said they did alright. They just wished that there were more people. The club did make a small profit after the bills were all paid. And I think that everyone had a good time.

With the donations from Operation Care and the Swap our treasury is looking pretty good, and we have one more Op-care to go.

Labor Day Operation Care is coming very soon. Please contact Tom Oliver (coordinator) KD8EBY on the repeater or go to w8lap.com to sign up for a small time slot to help out at the Op-care. These volunteer operations are what keep your dues reasonable, so please do the responsible thing and volunteer for your club.

Hope to see you at the meeting on September 13, 2011.
73 Bill Miller KD8VP

The Secretary Sez:

For our August meeting we met at Crampton Park at M21 and M24. There was 11 members and guest was present. A good time was had by all. Do not forget September is nomination of officers with the elections is in October. The club dues are due again in October.

Flo KC8CAB



Editorial Section

The Trustee Sez:

Hello to one and all. It has been a very hot summer and now the leaves have begun a transition into fall. We need to be thinking of getting our outdoor work finished before the weather gets out of hand. A few years back we paid to have the tower painted by professionals. The problem, as I see it, is that the rust was too far advanced to just paint over, and as such it appears the paint job did not have any longevity. I think they used good paint, just not a paint that worked over rust. That said, I do not think we need to do anything to the tower right away, but it is going to need repainting before too long. What does need painting and could be done by some club volunteers, is to paint the fence surrounding the tower. If you are a painting type person and willing to volunteer your time contact me and I will see to it that you have the supplies you need to get the job done.

As usual I will tell you that the repeater is working fine and that it needs more usage, but of course you all know that. I will also tell you that I am in the process of learning how to reprogram the Monday night net message. Please bare with me on that one.

Thanks again for your patience.
Respectfully 73 Bill Miller KD8VP

The EC Sez:

Can't believe September is almost here, this year is going by fast. July brought 2 public service events totaling 191 man hours and 2 Skywarn activations for 9.5 man hours with a total of \$4935 "in-kind" contribution to our community. Thanks to all who assisted with these. So far August has been slow over all (lets keep our fingers crossed) - there's still 11 days left.

Op. Care is Sept. 2-5 and we still need help. Please sign up to assist if you can. And finally Sept 13th is our next meeting with nominations for next years club officers.

See y'all there.

TOM KD8EBY

Our 440 repeater is getting rusty - don't forget to check in to the Thursday night net

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Report from the CRIM - water station #6



Waiting for the runners to arrive. At 6 miles it takes the first wheelchair about 20 minutes to arrive and the first runner about 25 minutes.

The trickle starts.....



.....and then a swarm of people for about an hour before it starts to trickle down again. If you are stationed in a spot that has a some visibility it is quite a site.

I am aware of 3 hams from Lapeer County that participated. Also a ham from Midland and one from Tuscola traveled down to participate. It is a lot of fun just watching the different kinds of people run by. You may have noticed the crazy hat on the lady - she is tirelessly giving the runners encouragement the entire race.



Community Service Calendar

Operation CARE - 2, 3, 4, & 5 Sept

****Please keep these dates open in your calendar****

MICHIGAN HAMFEST CALENDAR:

Sept 10 - Grand Rapids
Sept 18 - Adrian
October 16 - Kalamazoo
October 23 - USECA Sterling Heights

*Don't forget to join
your fellow hams on
the **Tuesday** night
net at 8:00 pm on
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NET CONTROL SCHEDULE

August 30th 2011 Dan KC1BUD
Sept. 6th Debra KD8GAV
Sept 13th 2011 Club meeting
Sept 20th 2011 Kevin KB8TAR
Sept 27th 2011 Tom KD8EBY
Oct 4th 2011 Charlie KC8JBK
Oct 11th 2011 Club meeting
Oct 18th 2011 Dan KC1BUD
Oct 25th 2011 Debra KD8GAV
Nov 1st 2011 Kevin KB8TAR
Nov 8th 2011 Club meeting
Nov 15th 2011 Tom KD8EBY
Nov 22nd 2011 Charlie KC8JBK
Nov 29th 2011 Dan KC1BUD
Dec 6th 2011 Debra KD8GAV
Dec 13th 2011 Christmas Party
Dec 20th 2011 Kevin KB8TAR
Dec 27th 2011 Tom KD8EBY

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Stuff for Sale

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Barb Hartwig, N8NMU 810-797-4459 or barbghana03@yahoo.com

- 1) Kenwood TS-140S HF transceiver w/ microphone in tip-top condition \$350
- 2) Power supply - 430 \$100

Bob Torney W8SNE

rat5@mich.com

CY 2000 and newer QST magazines for the taking (free)

If you have something to sell please send an email with the details to kevinboxey@hotmail.com to be included in the Waveguide listing

Special Event Station K5B - Plano Balloon Festival

September 16, 2011 - September 18, 2011 - Plano, Texas Celebrating the 31st annual Plano Balloon Festival, members of the Plano Amateur Radio Klub (PARK) and area amateur radio operators will be QRV as K5B during the festival. Frequencies plus or minus QRM: 7.255, 14.255, 21.355 and on the club repeater, WD5ERD on 147.180 + PL 107.2 and via Echolink at K5PRK. QSL with SASE to K5PRK.



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CALL SIGN: _____ NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, AND ZIP: _____

PHONE : _____ LICENSE CLASS: _____

SKYWARN NO.: _____ RACES NO: _____

ARES MEMBER YES ___ NO ___ E-MAIL ADD.: _____

ARE YOU AN A.R.R.L. MEMBER: YES ___ NO ___

L.C.A.R.A. MEMBERSHIP IS \$12.00 PER YEAR, RENEWABLE EACH YEAR ON **OCTOBER. 1ST.** FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$20.00. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP \$4.00. IF YOU WISH AN AUTODIAL NUMBER FOR THE REPEATER THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL \$3.00 CHARGE. Financing available.

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