North Ottawa Amateur Radio Club

SPARK for FEBRUARY 2009

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW HAMS!

A warm welcome to the hard working hams that just passed their test at NOARC's Ham-in-a-day class!

Susan Weishaar KD8KAL Technician Class

Tony Gould KD8KAM Technician Class

Shaun Bell KD8KAN Technician Class

Ray Cole KD8KAO Technician Class

Toni Clive KD8KAP Technician Class

Bob Clive KD8KAQ General Class

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Count on NOARC members to help you get started with your new hobby.

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COMING EVENTS

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14 Feb 2009
36th Annual Swap & Shop - Cherryland Amateur Radio Club
Immaculate Conception Elementary School, 218 Vine Street,
Traverse City, MI
http://www.carc.tc
Talk-In: 146.86
Contact: Joe Novak, W8TVT, 201 South Spruce Street.
Traverse City, MI 49684
Phone: 231-947-8555
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26 February NOARC monthly meeting

1 March Holland Mini-Swap 10:00 AM setup, sales are at 10:30 until 2:00.

14 Mar 2009
49th Annual Michigan Crossroads Hamfest, Marshall High School,
701 North Marshall Avenue, Marshall, MI
http://www.w8df.com
Talk-In: 146.660 -600 offset (PL 94.8) & 146.520 Simplex
Contact: Stephanie Halbert, W8AEZ

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********** **Net Control Schedule** ********

If you are unable to keep your appointment as Net Control, **please** arrange for a replacement.

February 2009

3	**N8FQ**	**JOE VELDHUIS**
10	**KD8FCV**	**JIM MILLER**
17	**KC8UNY**	**JOHN FISCHER**
24	**W8IQE**	**PAUL ZELLAR**

Check the net out every Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM on the W8CSO repeater.

The Tuesday night net provides a chance to hear of any club announcements and gives valuable practice in net operation. At the conclusion of the net some of us get together at Russ's on Beacon boulevard for some refreshment.

Those that volunteer for the Net Control position are placed in a rotation. It is very useful preparation for emergencies to have experience at controlling a net. Anyone desiring to sign up for the rotation please contact Paul, W8IQE.

January 29, 2009, NOARC meeting

The meeting was called to order by President John Fischer. He and Don Smith informed us that the "Ham in a Day" class of January 17 netted five Technicians, one Technician/General, and two up grades. Our thanks go to the participating instructors and VE's. Congratulations to the new licensees. They were:

Toni Clive KD8KAP Tech, Bob Clive KD8KAQ Gen, Tony Gould KD8KAM Tech,

Ray Cole KD8KAO Tech, Susan Weishaar KD8KAL Tech, Shaun Bell KD8KAN Tech.

Bill Brewer brought in a box of QST magazines, hoping to go home empty handed. He had a few takers.

Anyone suffering from cabin fever? The Winter Ham swaps in this area are on February 14, a mini-swap in Holland, and March 14 in Marshall. There may well be a TeNeKe production line at our February club meeting in preparation for Marshall.

The word is out that the W8CSO QSL net web site is up and running.

Ten hams in attendance answered the evening roll call. Roger was notably absent, but he is home, on the mend.

Ah, yes. The 50/50 drawing. John [just call him Lucky] Fischer had the winning draw. We have come to expect John to be a winner!

Our program, Power Supply, was presented by Paul Zellar. Yours truly can benefit from Power Supply 101 and Paul had an interesting and clear presentation. Thank you, Paul

The meeting was wrapped up about 8:20.

Respectfully submitted by Phyllis Simmons

The Classified Section)

For Sale: Assortment of nice Zenith Transoceanic all band radios. Contact John Sundstrom , N8YQD

Light emitting diode lights. Key chain, clip-on, pen size, 14 LED jumbo. How about a night light that will be bright enough to read by after being on for a year? Contact Paul Zellar, W8IQE

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W8CSO (NOARC) Repeater information: If the NOARC repeater goes down , use 145.490 simplex

145.490 (- offset) tone 94.8 main receiver ; Grand rapids link receiver tone 91.5

Codes : Time of day 400; DTMF Test 325; signal report 750

Phone patch Instructions:

- *** followed by phone number**
- **# t o disconnect**
- **6 + auto patch number to use your assigned auto patch number**
- **911 calls Ottawa County Central Dispatch**
- **912 call Muskegon County Dispatch**

Club Net is every Tuesday night at 8PM. Net Controllers please note your assignment found on the calendar and be sure to get a substitute if you cannot take the net. Club Web Site http://www.qsl.net/noarc/. **Site has information on Te Ne KE, club events and net schedules. All licensed amateurs are eligible for membership in the North Ottawa Amateur radio Club. Board meeting held 1 hour before meeting at meeting site. Annual dues are payable in December . 2007 Dues are $ 25.00 individual and $ 35.00 family or $70 for 3 years. Please send dues to NOARC Box 44, Ferrysburg, MI 49409. Please keep the club Treasurer (sundstrj@gvsu.edu) informed as to your CURRENT e-mail address if you get the newsletter electronically or US mail address if receive it postal.**

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