



North Ottawa Amateur Radio Club

SPARK for JUNE 2009



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The electric Toyota instrumentation. From the left is the ignition switch and starter button for a generator, Voltmeters for the 12 and 48 Volt batteries, and ammeters for the motor and the generator.

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COMING EVENTS

JUNE 6 The IRA hamfest is at the Hudsonville Fairgrounds on the west side of Hudsonville. Talk in is on 147.16 --one of the IRA repeaters. Setup begins at 6 am and the doors open at 8

One of the great benefits of membership in the North Ottawa ARC is our sponsoring of a club table at all the regional hamfests. We always have a good time looking at what our members have purchased and we sell our TE Ne Keys.

Mark it on your calendar: June 6 - 7, 2009 between 0000Z June 6, through 2359Z June 7, 2009
Currently, there are 76 museum ships from around the world signed up to operate in this popular event. Muskegon is putting three ships on the air again this year: U.S.S. Silversides (N8SUB), U.S.C.G.C. McLane (W8ZHO), and LST-393 (KD8LGU). The supervising operators for the vessels are Kirk, W8GXT, for Silversides, Linda, WA8M, for McLane, and Jim, KC8PCJ, for LST-393. If you would like to operate on board one or more of the vessels, please contact one of these individuals for more information

JUNE 25 NOARC meeting at Coast Guard Park, with food.

JUNE 27/28 **FIELD DAY 2009!** Don't miss out on one of the most fun and instructional events amateur radio has to offer. It is even more fun if you participate! This is a 24 hour event, so additional operators are needed.

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

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

JUNE

2	KD8FCV	JIM MILLER
9	N8YQD	JOHN SUNDSTROM
16	N8RXC	ROGER SIMMONS
23	N8FQ	JOE VELDHUIS
30	W8IQE	PAUL ZELLAR

Phyllis and Roger were the first to arrive at the Spring Lake Library meeting room at 6:30 pm. Wednesday was chosen when the regular Thursday time had been previously taken. John Sundstrom was next to arrive and started making coffee. Phyllis spread her cookies and white brownies on the table. Mark Stern was next to arrive. Everyone else probably smelled the freshly baked goods and arrived en masse. Jerry Brower, an "old ham", came to visit. He expressed visions of becoming active again with his Collins HF radio. Welcome Jerry !

President John Fischer called the meeting to order introducing himself and giving his call sign. Everyone in the room then did likewise. Jim Wolter introduced his guest, Dr. Nick Petrangelo and the festivities began.

John began by leading a discussion of events coming up and Field Day. We plan to use solar power to charge storage batteries again this year. Radios will be powered by batteries alone, for extra points, in the annual contest. It was decided that the event will take place at the Coast Guard Park again this year. The major obstacle appears to be an excessive crop of mosquitoes. We plan to bring screened in tents, RV's and plenty of fogger. On Thursday night June 25th at 6:30 pm, we plan to have a hotdog roast and a planning session at the Coast Guard Park. Saturday night, during the Field Day, on June 27th, will be a family potluck. NOARC will provide the meat and beverages.

The Hudsonville Hamfest will take place on June 6th. NOARC will have three tables there to sell equipment.

It was announced that the Muskegon ARC is holding a "Ham in a Day" class this coming Saturday. Contact Jim Durham for details.

NOARC plans to help with emergency communications for the June 20 5K Race, in celebration of the Heritage Festival.

Candy Wolter drew her own number out of the box to win the fifty/fifty drawing. There was a quiet outcry for a recount.

Paul Zellar gave an excellent presentation about the electric car he created. Paul took a 1992 Toyota, using mainly parts "on hand " in his shack and put the car together. It operates on eight six volt storage batteries. It has an approximate range of twenty five miles before recharging the batteries, using five killowatt hours. The club then adjourned to the library parking lot to view the vehicle.

An unshaven disheveled man made the rounds of the members gathered around the car. He asked each one for a lighter or matches for his cigarette. He got an eye full when Paul lifted the gas cap cover to reveal an electric charging cord hanging out, instead of the usual gas tank opening.

At around quarter after eight, the librarian announced that the library would close in fifteen minutes. The NOARC members wandered off to their various destinations, envious of Paul Zellar and his electric car.

Respectfully submitted, Phyllis and Roger 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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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**

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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.gsl.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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