

SPARK

the monthly newsletter of the

North Ottawa Amateur Radio Club

October 2011

NOARC at Ferry Park – the second encounter



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Despite the damp, chilly weather, our yearly “QRP in the park” meeting went off without a hitch. See Roger and Phyllis' report on page 2!

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** VACANT **

NOARC 2 meter repeater

W8CSO/R – 145.490 output, 144.890 input

Main RX: PL 94.8 – Grand Rapids RX: PL 91.5 – EchoLink: N8FQ-R #469574

Minutes of the September 2011 meeting

The club decided to have a mini field day for our next meeting. Phyllis was busy making brownies, cookies, hot water for coffee or hot chocolate. We packed the suburban with my HW 7 Heathkit QRP radio, two antennas, (one was a 25 foot german model made of carbon fiber) and the assorted foodstuffs aforementioned. We arrived to a cool fall evening. Phyllis said it was a bit on the cool side.

Mark Stern brought his QRP radio complete with a 20 meter vertical antenna mounted on a tripod. It was complete with radial wires attached to the base. Joe Veldhuis and the rest of us helped to mount the beast. We took a long time trying to get resonant on twenty meters. But finally Mark was successful in contacting Mike N1MX from Boston by CW. Then it was Rogers turn to contact Mike again. Roger used Mark's key for the first time, by copying Mike's call sign from Mark and got a response.

John Fischer got an earful from CO6LP in Cuba. He used the mobile set in his white pickup. Why didn't we think of that. It certainly sounds warmer than the picnic table under the park shelter.

Don Meyer filled us in on the Oktoberfest 5K, one half and full marathon, sponsored by the Old Boys Brew House in Spring Lake. Volunteers from the club worked this event on September 17th.

John Fischer made a pitch for help on October 1st for help on East Side Festival 5 K race. Hot Chocolate coffee and tea were welcome with brownies and cookies. We broke camp around eight o'clock. It was getting dark .

Remember NOARC would appreciate your help during the Spring Lake Home Coming Parade on October 14th. Volunteers are requested to meet at the Spring Lake Police Department at 5:30 pm for briefing. The parade will be held at 6:30.

73's, Respectfully submitted, Phyllis and Roger Simmons

October 2011 Treasurer's Report

Balance as of aug 28, 2011 (agrees with Chase Bank).....	2,047.76
checks: None	
Deposits: Proceeds from GRARA hamfest.....	90.00
Balance as of September 26,2011.....	2,137.76
Grand Haven Community Foundation Balance.....	\$5,527.43

Many thanks to the estate of Woody Aldrich and from Gordon Stockwell for the donation of radio gear which we sold at the GRARA hamfest.

October 2011 calendar of events and net control schedule

Every Tuesday:

NOARC net/coffee at Russ' in Grand Haven
8:00 PM

Every Wednesday:

Breakfast at Idle Hour Restaurant in Spring Lake
7:00 AM

Every Saturday:

Breakfast at Vic's Restaurant in Spring Lake
7:00 AM

October 8:

Lake County ARC hamfest, Crown Point, IN
<http://www.lakenetnwi.net/member/lcarc/index.html>

October 16:

Kalamazoo hamfest
<http://www.kalamazoohamfest.com>

NOTE: No Holland hamfest this year! :(

October 23:

USECA hamfest, Sterling Heights
<http://www.usecaarc.com>

October 27:

NOARC meeting
Spring Lake District Library
6:30 PM

NOARC net control schedule:

October 4: **Paul, W8IQE**
October 11: **Roger, N8RXC**
October 18: **John, KC8UNY**
October 25: **Joe, N8FQ**
November 1: **John, N8YQD**

Net control volunteers are needed – *especially* with half the club leaving for winter!
E-mail jvn8fq@gmail.com to get on the list!

EchoLink Visitors' Log


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2011-07-19	20:00:21	2011-07-19	20:12:18	N8FQ	Joe	Samsung SCH-I500 User
2011-07-25	22:07:29	2011-07-25	22:08:10	KD8QMW	iPhone User	iPhone
2011-07-26	06:43:49	2011-07-26	06:44:55	N8NVI	nawas	warren,ohio
2011-07-27	20:22:12	2011-07-27	20:33:20	N8ARY	iPhone User	
2011-07-27	20:33:37	2011-07-27	20:35:27	N8ARY	iPhone User	iPhone
2011-07-28	10:33:11	2011-07-28	10:33:43	M3YXH	Gordon	Hastings, UK (1)
2011-07-29	07:37:44	2011-07-29	07:42:22	N8EFP-L	fred	
2011-07-30	20:26:13	2011-07-30	20:27:07	N8EFP-L	fred	sebastian fl.
2011-08-02	20:29:59	2011-08-02	20:30:26	N8YQD	HTC PC36100 User	
2011-08-02	20:29:11	2011-08-02	20:30:40	N8FQ	Joe	
2011-08-06	01:13:53	2011-08-06	01:14:08	KI4NAR	John	iPhone
2011-08-06	12:39:48	2011-08-06	12:42:42	N8YQD	HTC PC36100 User	
2011-08-06	17:35:59	2011-08-06	17:36:18	KE5JPQ	Samsung SCH-I500 User	Dauphin Island, Alabama
2011-08-06	17:36:25	2011-08-06	17:36:55	KE5JPQ	Samsung SCH-I500 User	Dauphin Island, Alabama
2011-08-07	13:30:04	2011-08-07	13:30:30	KC8ICR	Bruce	Farmington Hills, MI
2011-08-09	19:22:54	2011-08-09	19:27:37	KF4KWW	David	
2011-08-11	22:43:42	2011-08-11	22:44:14	N9XXT	bill	anderson ind
2011-08-13	06:10:25	2011-08-13	06:10:53	DB0EE-R	Relais Emmerich	Emmerich Elten J031CV
2011-08-13	13:54:21	2011-08-13	13:59:21	N8ARY	iPhone User	
2011-08-13	14:15:33	2011-08-13	14:20:33	N8ARY	iPhone User	iPhone
2011-08-13	14:48:50	2011-08-13	14:49:51	N8ARY	Andrew	
2011-08-14	13:24:53	2011-08-14	13:25:49	N8EFP	FRED	
2011-08-16	19:52:56	2011-08-16	19:53:43	N8EFP-L	fred	
2011-08-19	16:12:34	2011-08-19	16:16:02	WF8J	Harry	San Jose, CA
2011-08-23	01:01:03	2011-08-23	01:01:21	AE7NO	edward	
2011-08-23	18:51:36	2011-08-23	18:52:26	KD8QQH	motorola DROIDX	User
2011-08-24	22:05:33	2011-08-24	22:06:48	N8XPQ-L	Mike	In Conference
ECHOTEST						
2011-08-24	22:07:40	2011-08-24	22:07:49	N8XPQ-L	Mike	Zeeland , MI.
2011-08-28	22:00:33	2011-08-28	22:00:55	KC8UWC	dennis	alpena
2011-08-29	20:30:10	2011-08-29	20:30:28	KC8YJG	Rich	East Lansing, Mi
2011-08-31	11:51:24	2011-08-31	11:52:41	KC8DJ	David	
2011-08-31	15:57:24	2011-08-31	15:58:45	WR8W	Rick	Roseville, Michigan
EN82						
2011-08-31	19:23:31	2011-08-31	19:29:16	N8EFP-L	fred	
2011-09-02	15:39:06	2011-09-02	15:39:50	KD8HRB	Ron	
2011-09-03	18:01:03	2011-09-03	18:06:02	WD8PSN	wally	metro detroit
2011-09-03	18:17:03	2011-09-03	18:20:23	KB8WXG	Scott	Santa Ana, CA
2011-09-03	21:44:19	2011-09-03	21:44:38	KB8WXG	Scott	Santa Ana, CA
2011-09-04	17:02:49	2011-09-04	17:04:48	N9KYA	kenneth	SPRINGVILLE TENNESSE
2011-09-04	23:05:37	2011-09-04	23:05:40	KB8WXG	Scott	
2011-09-05	09:24:48	2011-09-05	09:25:02	KB8WXG	Scott	
2011-09-08	16:54:06	2011-09-08	16:54:33	KB8WXG	Scott	
2011-09-16	15:42:07	2011-09-16	15:42:23	KD8BIG	Mark	Muskegon, Michigan
2011-09-20	19:56:41	2011-09-20	19:57:34	N8FQ	Joe	
2011-09-22	19:28:29	2011-09-22	19:28:32	PP1MF	Mario	Vila Velha-ES-Brasil
2011-09-22	19:28:40	2011-09-22	19:28:48	PP1MF	Mario	Vila Velha-ES-Brasil
2011-09-23	16:42:44	2011-09-23	16:45:44	KB8QAP	Jeff	
2011-09-26	20:05:30	2011-09-26	20:05:36	N8HXV-L	Walker,WV	
2011-09-27	19:46:00	2011-09-27	20:10:13	N8FQ	Joe	
2011-10-02	10:05:28	2011-10-02	10:07:03	IZ3PYL	giorgio	venezia
2011-10-03	11:51:55	2011-10-03	11:52:14	WA6ABC	Michael	Los Angeles, CA (1)
2011-10-03	20:58:42	2011-10-03	21:20:40	N8EFP	FRED	
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2011-10-04	19:17:16	2011-10-04	19:19:27	N8YQD	HTC PC36100 User	
2011-10-05	16:31:54	2011-10-05	16:33:25	KD0PRR	Barak	St Paul, Minnesota EN34
2011-10-05	17:02:12	2011-10-05	17:02:14	KA8SAF	Bob Bedard	

Swap 'n shop

For Sale: Zenith Trans-Oceanic all-band radios – John Sundstrom, N8YQD

For Sale: Textbooks on basic electronic theory, multimeters and oscilloscopes – Paul Zellar, W8IQE

Wanted: Good, working tubes – Jerome Novotny, K8CCJ - 231-206-1388
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