

March Membership Meeting

March 25, 2024 GH Public Safety

Business Meeting

Finances-Chase Checking \$7,261.31Community Fund \$13,446.10.

Te Ne Ke sales. Sales for 2023 totaled 30 keys for \$2,226.50. As of 3/28 we have 15 keys in stock.

27 of 36 have paid their dues(\$10/yr). John requests that members pay their dues in 2 yr increments. It reduces his workload.

Upcoming Programs

April 25 – ARRL RFI Expert Steve Anderson-W1EMI. Zoom meeting.

GH Public Safety, 5:30pm. Program at 6:00pm.

May 23 – POTA, QRP. Park to be determined.

June 20 -Field Day preplanning meeting at FD site. It will include supper.

June 22-23 – Field Day. Park to be determined.

July 25 – Outdoor Operating Event TBD(POTA, QRP, Fox Hunt).

August 22- Outdoor Operating Event TBD(POTA, QRP, Fox Hunt).

September 26-Meeting, most likely at SLPL.

Events

April 20- Saturday. Noon to midnight. MI QSO party @ Kirk Park.

May 4-Hamfest in Cadillac. NOARC has 3 tables available.

May 18- Armed Forces Run. Meet at GH High School 6:30 am

May 25- Kickoff to summer run. Meet at GH Public Safety.

June 1-IRA Hamfest in Hudonville. NOARC has 4 tables available.

Presentation

Where is our President? Tom is on a 5 week cruise from Rio de Janerio to Los Angeles. The ship went around Cape Horn. As of the meeting he is near Peurto Vallarte in Mexico.

John talked about NOARC's incorporation on Jan. 1984. Our founding fathers are:

Joseph Magnusson-N5PLY

Richard Tanis-NF8L

William Schneider-K5WSN

John DeGrasia-SK

Gregory Poel-W8GP

MI QSO Party

Kevin, KE8VZS, presented the preparations for the MI QSO Party on April 20. NOARC rented the lodge from Friday 19 at 3pm to noon on the 21st. The contest is from noon to midnight. There have been 20 people who have signed up to operate 5 stations. There are 3 CW operators signed up. NOARC is providing hot dogs for lunch and pizza for dinner. Coffee on all day.

They will start setting up on Friday and cleanup on Sunday.

All are welcome, to operate or observe. Or eat. There are bunks available for overnight staying over Friday and Saturday night.

Lucas -AC8ZT, has helped set up the network for the logging program to synchronize with all the laptops.

Contact Kevin-KE8VZS at kevinranke@fastmail.com or Levi-N8GMZ at levi.gates@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Presentations

Don Meyer- KB8ODB demonstrated the Hamshack Hotline phone with a sidecar. He explained why he preferred an analog sidebar, instead of a digital one.

Greg Poel-W8GP demonstrated both a CW and voice memory keyers.

Mark-W8GX(our newest member) showed several QSL cards he received before the infamous Jonestown Massacre in Guyana SA in 1978.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross- N8GMY