

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR
KC8NVI CLIFF ROSENBOHM
HARBOR SPRINGS MI

HAM OF THE MONTH
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GLADSTONE MI

MAY 2011

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May, the month we see those flowers that are brought forth by the April showers. Well, we really got the April showers here at the end of the month. Not the largest amount of water I have ever seen going over the little dam here in Marion, but I would say the second most. Kinds of makes you wonder when the last time this dam had any major work done on it was in the 1930's, those CCC boys did a great job!

As Spring really starts to be Spring the Ham Bands are seeing some of the benefits. Six meters had an opening the other day for a short while. Also the DX is getting better on some of the higher frequencies. Barry, N8DAD worked Kuwait, 9K2 and an OY6 on Faroe Island. That's pretty good DX for a 100 watts and a windom antenna.

Don't forget the Cadillac Swap is Saturday May 7, same place as the last several years. The U. P. meeting will be held at ten o'clock. Hope to see you there.

NET STATS

2010 MARCH CHECKINS 1188 TRAFFIC 59

2011 MARCH CHECKINS 1316 TRAFFIC 50

MARCH HIGH CHECKINS WA8DHB 45

HIGH TRAFFIC

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MAY 2011

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>JUDY XYL OF W8HTK</i>	2	3	4	5	6	7 <i>W8HTK JIM WA8UCS & VALERIE</i>
8	9 <i>W8UJH & LORRAINE</i>	10	11	12 <i>WA8DVD & XYL</i>	13	14
15 <i>KATHLEEN XYL OF N8NJA</i>	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 <i>KA8OGC JEAN</i>
29	30	31				

EXAMS

- 05/01/2011 | Saint Joseph MI 49085-8615 Sponsor: NQ8A Testing Group Location: Church of Christ Time: 12:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/07/2011 | Cadillac MI 49601-1824 Sponsor: Wexaukee ARC/Cadillac Hamfest Location: Cadillac Junior High School Time: 10:30 AM (No walk-ins)
- 05/07/2011 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: Mt Clemens SAROF Location: Salvation Army Corps-Corner South Gratiot Time: 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/12/2011 | Dearborn MI 48124-5029 Sponsor: Ford Amt Radio League K8UTT Location: Ford Motor Company Time: 11:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/13/2011 | Grand Rapids MI 49503-1304 Sponsor: Grand Rapids ARA Location: Red Cross Building Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/14/2011 | Wyandotte MI 48192-9999 Sponsor: Motor City Radio Club Location: Glenwood Methodist Church Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/14/2011 | Mason MI 48854-9999 Sponsor: Ingham County VE Group Location: Ingham County Sheriff's Dept Time: 11:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/14/2011 | Traverse City MI 49686-4256 Sponsor: Cherryland ARC Location: Salvation Army Bldg Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/14/2011 | Flint MI 48507 Sponsor: The KD8NLP V.E. Team Location: Baker College of Flint-Tech Center Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/14/2011 | Port Huron MI 48060-4014 Sponsor: Eastern Michigan ARC Location: St Clair County Library Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/14/2011 | Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516 Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc. Location: American Red Cross Building Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

- 05/21/2011 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 Sponsor: ICARPSC Location: Ionia Central Dispatch Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

- 05/23/2011 | South Lyon MI 48178 Sponsor: South Lyon Area ARC Location: Witch's Hat Depot Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/28/2011 | Kalamazoo MI 49001-4156 Sponsor: Kalamazoo ARC Location: Kalamazoo County Sheriff Dept Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 05/28/2011 | Allegan MI 49010-1524 Sponsor: Allegan County ARC Location: Allegan General Hospital - Basement Cafeteria Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

- **06/02/2011 | Mason MI 48854-9999 Sponsor: Ingham County VE Group Location: Ingham County Sheriff's Dept Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**
- **06/04/2011 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: Mt Clemens SAROF Location: Salvation Army Corps-Corner South Gratiot Time: 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**

HAMFEST

- **Hamfest/Convention**

05/07/2011 | Cadillac Hamfest

Location: Cadillac, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Wexauke ARC **Website:** <http://www.wexaukearc.org/index.html>

Hamfest/Convention

06/04/2011 | "Good Old Days" W8IRA/R Hamfest

Location: Hudsonville, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Independent Repeater Association **Website:** <http://w8ira.org>

Hamfest/Convention

06/05/2011 | Chelsea Radio Swap 'n Shop

Location: Chelsea, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Chelsea Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://wd8iel.net>

It only takes a minute to read this.

A neurologist says that if he can get to a stroke victim within 3 hours he can totally reverse the effects of a stroke... totally . He said the trick was getting a stroke recognized, diagnosed, and then getting the patient medically cared for within 3 hours, which is tough.

RECOGNIZING A STROKE

Thank God for the sense to remember the '3' steps, STR. Read and Learn!

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke.

Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

S * Ask the individual to SMILE.

T * Ask the person to TALK and SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE (Coherently)

(i.e. It is sunny out today.)

R * Ask him or her to RAISE BOTH ARMS.

If he or she has trouble with ANY ONE of these tasks, call emergency number immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

New Sign of a Stroke ----- Stick out Your Tongue

NOTE: Another 'sign' of a stroke is this: Ask the person to 'stick' out his tongue. If the tongue is 'crooked', if it goes to one side or the other that is also an indication of a stroke.

A cardiologist says if everyone who gets this sends it to 10 people; you can bet that at least one life will be saved.

Amateur Radio Operator Walking Across Australia

From QRZ website.....

Jeff Johnson VK4XJJ just commenced his second walk across Australia..this time from east to west. Jeff's walk 2 is a fund raising adventure which involves a walk that is equivalent in distance from San Fransisco to New York...without the blacktop, motel 6's, seven eleven and cell phone coverage. Jeffs previous walk was from south to north Australia straight through the center of the country...again for a charitable cause. Should you feel so inclined you can sign up on his web site to walk with him during part of his journey...thats after the 14 hr flight from the west coast to Sydney.

Jeff is running an FT817 into a half wave dipole that he strings up at the end of each days walk and makes contact with fellow amateurs as well as his supporting Gympie Amateur radio club <http://www.gceginc.org.au/>

Full details are available at the web site <http://www.jeffswalk2.com/index.html>
Position is updated hourly via the satellite tracking unit that he carries with him
<http://www.jeffswalk2.com/jeffsprogress.html>

Check in on his web site and say G'day/leave him a message/go down and join him/donate some dollars to the cause/follow his daily tweets and reports/
whatever.

O x y m o r o n s

From Jim, WB8IEH

Why do "overlook" and "oversee" mean opposite things?

Why is "phonics" not spelled the way it sounds?

If work is so terrific, why do they have to pay you to do it?

If all the world is a stage, where is the audience sitting?

If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?

A U. P. STORYFrom Jim, WB8IEH

A Catholic Priest, a Baptist Preacher, and a Rabbi all served as chaplains to the students of Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

They would get together two or three times a week for coffee and to talk shop.

One day, someone made the comment that preaching to people isn't really all that hard - a real challenge would be to preach to a bear. One thing led to another, and they decided to do an experiment.

They would all go out into the woods, find a bear, preach to it, and attempt to convert it.

Seven days later, they all came together to discuss their experience.

Father Flannery, who had his arm in a sling, was on crutches, and had various bandages on his body and limbs, went first. 'Well,' he said, 'I went into the woods to find me a bear. And when I found him, I began to read to him from the Catechism. Well, that bear wanted nothing to do with me and began to slap me around. So I quickly grabbed my holy water, sprinkled him and, Holy Mary Mother of God, he became as gentle as a lamb. The Bishop is coming out next week to give him first communion and confirmation.'

Reverend Billy Bob spoke next.. He was in a wheelchair, had one arm and both legs in casts and had an IV drip. In his best fire-and-brimstone oratory, he claimed, 'WELL, brothers, you KNOW that we don't sprinkle! I went out and I FOUND me a bear. And then I began to read to my bear from God's HOLY WORD! But that bear wanted nothing to do with me. So I took HOLD of him and we began to wrestle. We wrestled down one hill, UP another and DOWN another until we came to a creek. So I quickly DUNKED him and BAPTIZED his hairy soul. And just like you said, he became as gentle as a lamb.. We spent the rest of the day praising Jesus..Hallelujah!'

The priest and the reverend both looked down at the Rabbi, who was lying in a hospital bed. He was in a body cast and traction with IVs and monitors running in and out of him.

He was in really bad shape.

The Rabbi looked up and said: "Looking back on it,circumcision may not have been the best way to start."

HOW IS YOUR HAM RADIO HISTORY KNOWLEDGE.....

From Dick W1UP.....

We all know that it was amateur radio that proved the significance of SSB to the Air Force, but who was the Air Force member that made it happen?

- A. General Curtis E. LeMay
- B. TSgt Theodore W. Whalen
- C. General Daniel Chappie James
- D. Colonel John L. Kelly II
- E. A B52 pilot who flew out of Guam

Ok, who knows the answer, tune into the Net and see what the answer is



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