

# UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR  
K8SKY SKYE WITTIG  
KALEVA MI

HAM OF THE MONTH  
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Welcome to June the sixth month of the year. Time flies when you are having fun. This is the month of graduations and Hamfest. Five scheduled for this month, Hudsonville, Chelsea, Newberry, Midland, and Monroe. If you are looking for “it”, you may find”it” at one of these Hamfest.

I am hoping to make one or two of these. Newberry is a long ways from home, but it that Friday night fish dinner that may be the deciding factor. Do plan to attend Midland because its close to home and I want to meet my friend Sandy, AC8BG there.

As for on the air items, some good DX being worked on the bands by many, including Barry, N8DAD and Tom, WB8WIV. Six meters is showing some life and is attracting some new operators to that band. It sure is a fun band when there is a good opening. Don't forget the other end of the spectrum, even though it is summer, there are some good evenings on 160 meters. Try it you may be surprised.

I am writing this June first, it has been raining all day where I have been. I hope it is raining in the eastern U.P. and helping out those firefighters.

## NET STATS

2011 APRIL CHECKINS 1175    TRAFFIC 63

2012 APRIL CHECKINS 1200    TRAFFIC 69

APRIL HIGH CHECKINS N8NJA 44

APRIL HIGH TRAFFIC N8BNC 12

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# June 2012

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<i>1</i> <i>AA8SN &amp; RON</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>W8NSH &amp; MARSHA</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> <i>WD8OSE TOM</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>17</i> <i>BILL N8NJA</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> <i>LEE ANN XYL OF</i> <i>WD8DCA</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> <i>PETER SON OF</i> <i>AA8SN</i>	<i>22</i> <i>N8HBS &amp; LILA</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> <i>WA8LT &amp; SHIRLEY</i>	<i>26</i> <i>W8CBH BILL</i>	<i>27</i> <i>W8ILS RON</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>

## • EXAMS

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- 06/02/2012 | Hudsonville MI 49426-9999 Sponsor: IRA Hamfest  
Location: Hudsonville Fair Grounds Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/02/2012 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: Mt Clemens SAROF  
Location: Salvation Army Corps-Corner South Gratiot  
Time: 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/03/2012 | Saint Joseph MI 49085-8615 Sponsor: NQ8A Testing Group  
Location: Church of Christ Time: 12:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/05/2012 | Oak Park MI 48237-2085 Sponsor: Hazel Park ARC  
Location: Oak Park Community Center Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/07/2012 | Mason MI 48854 Sponsor: Ingham County VE Group  
Location: Ingham County Sheriff's Dept Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/09/2012 | Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516 Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc. Location: American Red Cross Building  
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/09/2012 | Charlotte MI 48813-1031 Sponsor: Eaton County ARC  
Location: Eaton Cty Sheriff's Dept-EOC Time: 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/09/2012 | Muskegon MI 49440-1225 Sponsor: Muskegon Area ARC Location: Red Cross Building Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/09/2012 | Negaunee MI 49866 Sponsor: Hiawatha ARA Location: Marquette Health Dept Bldg Time: 8:30 AM (No walk-ins)
- 06/09/2012 | Newberry MI 49868-9999 Sponsor: Luce ARS  
Location: Pentland Township Hall Time: 2:00 PM (No walk-ins)
- 06/09/2012 | Port Huron MI 48060-4014 Sponsor: Eastern Michigan ARC  
Location: St Clair County Library Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/14/2012 | Livonia MI 48154-3045 Sponsor: Livonia ARC  
Location: Livonia Civic Center Library Time: 7:00 PM (No walk-ins)
  
- 06/16/2012 | Flint MI 48507 **Sponsor:** The KD8NLP & W8ACW VE Teams  
**Location:** Baker College of Flint-Tech Center **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
  
- 06/16/2012 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 **Sponsor:** ICARPSC **Location:** Ionia Central Dispatch **Time:** 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)

- 06/16/2012 | Midland MI 48642-5940 **Sponsor:** Midland ARC **Location:** Salvation Army **Time:** 11:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/16/2012 | South Lyon MI 48178 **Sponsor:** South Lyon Area ARC **Location:** Witch's Hat Depot **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/23/2012 | Corunna MI 48817-1230 **Sponsor:** Corunna VE Team **Location:** American Red Cross **Time:** 2:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/23/2012 | Garden City MI 48135-2818 **Sponsor:** Garden City ARC **Location:** Presbyterian Church **Time:** 4:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/23/2012 | Rockwood MI 48173-1241 **Sponsor:** Motor City Radio Club **Location:** Deland G Mercure Memorial Park **Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/28/2012 | Battle Creek MI 49017-4867 **Sponsor:** SMARS **Location:** Maple United Methodist Church **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

## HAMFEST

06/02/2012 | 2012 Independent Repeater Association's Hamfest **Location:** Hudsonville, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Independent Repeater Association (W8IRA) **Website:** <http://www.w8ira.org>

06/03/2012 | Chelsea Radio Swap 'n Shop **Location:** Chelsea, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Chelsea Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://wd8iel.net>

06/09/2012 | LARS Hamfest **Location:** Newberry, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Luce Amateur Radio Society **Website:** <http://www.w8nby.com>

06/16/2012 | Midland ARC Hamfest **Location:** Midland, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Midland Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://www.w8kea.org/hamfest>

06/17/2012 | Monroe Hamfest **Location:** Monroe, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Monroe County Radio Communications Association **Website:** <http://www.mcrc.org>

## **SOME GOOD ONES FROM JIM, WB8IEH.....**

The toilet seat was invented in Minnesota, but twenty years later an Iowan invented the hole in it.

Two Norwegians from Minnesota went fishing in Canada and returned with only one fish. 'The way I figger it, dat fish cost us \$400' said the first Norwegian 'Vell,' said the other one, 'At dat price it's a good ting ve didn't catch any more.'

**FINGERNAILS** One day Lena confided to her friend Hilda that she had finally cured her nervous husband, Ole, of his habit of biting his nails. 'Good gracious,' said Hilda, 'How did yew ever dew that?' 'It vas really simple,' was Lena 's reply ... 'I yust hid his false teeth.'

### **THE PRANK CALL**

The phone rings in the middle of the night when Ole and Lena are in bed and Ole answers. 'Vell how da hell should I know, dats two tousand miles from here' he says and hangs up. 'Who vas dat?' asks Lena . 'I donno, some fool wanting to know if da coast vas clear.

## **Invaluable Tips**

Take your bananas apart when you get home from the store. If you leave them connected at the stem, they ripen faster.

Peppers with 4 bumps on the bottom are firmer and stronger flavored

To make scrambled eggs or omelets rich add a couple of spoonfuls of sour cream, cream cheese, or heavy cream in and then beat them up.

Reheat leftover pizza in a nonstick skillet on top of the stove, on med-low and heat till warm. This keeps the crust crispy. No soggy micro pizza.

To keep squirrels from eating your plants, sprinkle your plants with cayenne pepper. The cayenne pepper doesn't hurt the plant: squirrels won't come near it.

- Get Rid of Ants: Put small piles of cornmeal where you see ants. They eat it, take it 'home,' can't digest it so it kills them. It may take a week or so, especially if it rains, but it works and you don't have the worry about pets or small children being harmed!

PICTURES FROM CADILLAC 2012



**JIM KC8NNX**



**GARY KD8GFL**



**DALE WD8AUL**



**BRUCE AL8LC**



**DOUG N8QEN**



**FRANK KC8UPW**



**BILL KD8CPG**



**KEN W8NEV**



**LARRY W8WR**



AL, K8BLL PRESENTS SKYE, K8SKY WITH THE HAM OF THE YEAR AWARD



TONY, KC8NUR AND HIS THREE WHEELER



THANKS TO THOSE WHO ATTENDED THE MEETING IN CADILLAC

DOUG WB8VOF    JIM N8GWN ED K8DSS    JOHN WB9JSR    GARY KD8SGL  
GEORGE W8OWN & HELEN    DALE WD8AUL    JIM KC8NNX    GRANT W8GEP  
NORM KF8QW    CLIFF KC8NVI    ANNETTE KC8QII    DAVE W8DW    GERRY WT8G  
DICK K8LQV & GLORIA    LINDA N8ISY    TONY KC8NUR    BILL KD8CPG  
SKYE K8SKY    KEN W8NEW    WALT WA8LT    DOUG N8QEN & JEAN  
BRUCE AC8LC    LEO WD8DCA    CHRIS KC8ZMN    BOB K8MXC    FRANK KC8UPW  
LARRY W8WR    AL K8BLL    BILL N8NJA



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