





# Waveguide

W8LAP / r

146.620 - 100 Hz 442.750 + 123 Hz Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association

Club Founder: Hollis Hayes W8ACD

Edition for May 2013

\*\*The next regular club meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14th, 2013 @ 7:30 pm\*\*

### ARES Net

Every Tuesday at 8:00 pm on 146.620 - with 100 Hz PL (except club meeting nights)

# Thursday Night Net

Every Thursday at 8:00 pm on 442.750 + with 123 Hz PL

# <u>Meetings</u>

LCARA meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month in the Lapeer County Central Dispatch Center (911), 2332 W. Genesee St., Lapeer, MI at 7:30 pm

# Newsletter

Items for the newsletter may be called in to the editor at 810-793-4986 or emailed to <u>kevinboxey@hotmail.com</u>. The deadline for submission is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Website: <a href="http://www.w8lap.com">http://www.w8lap.com</a>

Facebook: Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association

# **Editorial Section**

### The VP Says:

The month of March brought us our first Skywarn activation, thank you to all that checked in and to Tom KD8EOA for being net control.

Also we had our first public service event at the LDS church in Lapeer which I planned on attending but ended up in Lansing for the day attending a cyber security conference.

The county SET was held also but as a tabletop exercise over 2 days and in 3 segments.

This years OPERATION CARE dates are as follows:

Memorial Day.. May 24-May 27

Independence Day..July 3-July 7

Labor Day.. Aug 30-Sept 2.

And last but not least, the test of our LiTZ will be on May 4th at 1pm at the same time as the monthly tornado siren test.

73 all, see you at our next club meeting on May 14th.

TOM

### The Treasurer Says:

Greetings to everyone. Spring has finally gotten here, I think, Having gone up North for the turkey season opener, I am a little behind on my yard work. When the yard drys up just a little more I will be out working on my antennas. I have a new beam to put up, and I always renew the connections on my other antennas too, while I am at it. Doesn't everyone?

The treasury is fine and has not had anything other than the normal outlays for this month, so it is onward to next month.

The outlook for a Swap and Shop this year is looking rather bleak. It seems that finding a useable location is getting no where and time is getting short to get ARRL sanction and advertising. If anyone is willing to find a location let me or Dan Bain know.

Well that is it for now. See you at the meeting.

Respectfully

Bill Miller KD8VP Treasurer LCARA

### The Secretary Says:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and introduction of members and guest. There was no hospital report. The minutes were read by Flo, KC8CAB. The minutes were accepted by Tom, KD8EOA and seconded by Jamie, KC8PMW and Lee, N8LJ. The treasurers report was given by Bill, KD8VP. The treasurers report was accepted by Dick, KC8VHA and seconded by Tom, KD8EOA. Repeater trustees report was given by Joe, KD8CIL. Everything is ok at the repeater. The Civil Air Patrol has not got back with Kevin, KB8TAR on helping out on operation care. NTS training is April 20 on message format. Break was from 8:00 to 8:10. Lee, N8LJ gave a presentation on his DXpedition to Placencia, Belize in 2013. Thank you Lee. It was very interesting. 50/50 was won by Eric, AC8NK. Meeting was closed at 8:55.

Flo KC8CAB

# 2013 2013 2013 2013 2013 2013 2013 2013

			May			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 LTZ test 1:00 pm SWAP - Cadillac
5 -ARPSC @ 5:00 pm on 3.932 -D3 net 145.31+131.8 Hz PL at 6:30 pm	6	7 ARES net 146.620+ 100 Hz PL at 8 pm	8	9 ARES net 442.750+ 123 Hz PL at 8 pm	10	11 Section drill 3-5 pm
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Phases of the moon: 2: ● 9: ● 18: ● 25: ○ 31: ●

Holidays and Observances: 12: Mother's Day, 27: Memorial Day

	June					
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Phases of the moon: 8:● 16:● 23:○ 30:●						

Holidays and Observances: 16: Father's Day



Thank you KD8EOA, KD8EBY, and KC8PMW for your help at this public service event.

I can never say enough thank you's! But again, thank you to all who gave their time and talents for our Emergency Preparedness Fair! Each year I hear so many great things about the knowledge gained and inspirations planted from those who attend the fair! Its so amazing to be able to help others on their path to self reliance. Each one of you have been an amazing to our successful day. A side note for those who are asking, YES!!! we exceeded our goal for the Red Cross Blood Drive!!!! Oh the blessings we will have, for furthering our community preparedness! A very successful day, you are amazing!!! Some of your groups had more than one person, they may not have been included on my email list, so PLEASE forward this to them, and share with them my gratitude for their service as

Thank you for being great examples to me as well! I look forward to 2015!
Renee Marceau
LDS Stake Emergency Prep Rep





## THE AMATEUR RADIO WEB

THIS MONTH I AM WRITING ABOUT THE WEB SITES I USE DURING SKYWARN NETS. THE FIRST IS <a href="http://www.wunderground.com/">http://www.wunderground.com/</a>. THIS SITE HAS A FEED FROM THE NATION WEATHER SERVICE RADAR THAT I FIND BETTER THEN THE RADAR ON THE N.W.S. SITE. THE RADAR FEED CAN BE CUSTOMIZED TO YOUR PREFERENCES. YOU CAN ALSO MOVE THE FEED TO OTHER N.W.S. SITES MAKING IT EASY TO TRACK STORMS COMING ACROSS THE STATE OR CHECK THE WEATHER YOUR FRIENDS OR FAMILY ARE HAVING.

THE NEXT SITE <u>IS\_http://www.weather.gov/</u>. THIS IS THE N.O.A.A. SITE. I CHECK THIS SITE EVERY MORNING FOR ANY WATCHES OR WARNINGS FOR THE DAY. I THEN POST THEM TO FACE BOOK FOR MY FRIENDS AND FAMILY. A COUPLE OF US FROM THE CLUB HAVE FACE BOOK PAGES SO IT GIVES US A HEADS UP ON ANY WEATHER THAT MAY BE ON THE WAY.

THE NEXT SITE IS http://www.crh.noaa.gov/dtx/reports.php. THIS PAGE IS FOR REPORTING ANY SEVERE WEATHER AND STORM DAMAGE YOU MAY HAVE. IT GO'S DIRECTLY TO THE LOCAL N.W.S. OFFICE.

SO THESE ARE THE MAIN SITES I USE DURING A SKYWARN NET. I ALSO HAVE THE FEED FROM <a href="http://www.radioreference.com/">http://www.radioreference.com/</a> TO MONTOR THE LAPEER 911 CENTER FOR INFO ON THE STORMS.

73s

TOM KD8EOA

# **Public Service Event**

Please keep this date open in your calendar. We will be providing communications again this year for the biking leg of this event.





# Swap schedule

Jun 1 - Independent Reptr Assoc. W8IRA/R Hamfest, Hudsonville MI - \*\*(QSL CHECKING) - WB8R

Jun 1 - Fulton Co. ARC Hamfest, Tedrow, OH -- OH Cabinet

Jun 2 - Chelsea Radio Swap n Shop, Chelsea, MI -- WB8R

Jun 16 - Monroe Hamfest, Monroe, OH --- WA8EFK, WB8R

Jul 18 - PSC Meeting, Newington, Ct - K8JE

Jul 19-21 -- ARRL BOD Meeting, Newington, CT -- K8JE, WA8EFK

Jul 21 - Van Wert AR Hamfest, Van Wert, OH -- OH Cabinet

Jul 27 - CMARC Trunk Sales, Lansing, MI - WB8R

Jul 28 - Portage Hamfair, Randolph, OH - WASEFK, KISGW

Aug 3 - Columbus Hamfest, Columbus, OH - \*\*(QSL CHECKING) - K8JE, K18GW, OH Cabinet

Aug 3 - UP Hamfest, Escanaba, MI

Sep 8 - Findlay Hamfest, Findlay, OH - WA8EFK, KI8GW

Sep 21 - Central KY Hamfest, Richmond, KY - KY4Z

Sep 22 - Cleveland Hamfest & Computer Show, Berea, OH - \*\*(QSL

CHECKING) - K8JE, KI8GW

Oct 5 - Straits Area Hamfest, Petoskey, MI

Oct 5 - Vette City Hamfest, Bowling Green, KY - KY4Z - \*\*(QSL

CHECKING) - KY4Z

Oct 6 - USECA Hamfest, Madison Heights, MI

Oct 19 - Muskegon Color Tour Hamfest, Muskegon, MI - K8JE, WB8R

Oct 20 - Kalamazoo Hamfest, Kalamazoo, MI - K8JE, WB8R



# 2013 Community Service Calendar



Memorial Day Op CARE - 24-27 May 2013 (TBC)
Big Fish Triathlon - 9 June 2013
July 4<sup>th</sup> Op CARE - 3-7 July 2013 (TBC)
Otter Lake Triathlon - 14 July 2013
Crim 10 mile race - 24 Aug 2013
Labor Day Op CARE - 30 Aug-02 Sept 2013

Please keep these dates open in your calendar (\*\* outside county help requested)

# 2013 LAPEER COUNTY TORNADO SIREN TEST SCHEDULE

If your community does not have a siren, or you cannot hear a siren, you may want to purchase a NOAA All Hazard Weather Radio.





If your community has a tornado siren, below are the dates that it will be tested:

Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>
Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>
Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>
Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>
Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>
Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>
Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>

### All Tests Will Be Held At 1:00PM

Should inclement weather be present at the time of festing, the test will be cancelled. If you have any questions, please contact your local fire department.



### Description

This course covers the basics of being a SKYWARN Spotter. The goal of the course is to provide baseline training for all spotters through multiple modules covering the procedures for spotting (including communication and spotter report criteria) and safety considerations for all hazards.

You can choose to register as a SKYWARN Spotter with the National Weather Service (NWS) by using the checkbox that appears after you Enroll in the course. If you check the box, you may be able to register with the NWS after passing the course. Your local NWS Warning Coordination Meteorologist will determine if there is additional training on other weather hazards, such as heavy snow, ice storms, floods, etc., and their reporting that must be completed through local spotter training.

For questions or more information about the SKYWARN Spotter program of the NWS, visit <a href="http://www.weather.gov/skywarn/">http://www.weather.gov/skywarn/</a> or the "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQs) under the "Overview" tab of this course page

https://www.meted.ucar.edu/training course.php?id=23





Don't forget to join your fellow hams on the Tuesday night net at 8:00 pm on 146.620 - with 100 Hz PL



# NET CONTROL SCHEDULE

May 21 - Tom KD8EBY May 28 - Tom KD8EOA June 4 - Kevin KB8TAR June 18 - Tom KD8EBY June 25 - Tom KD8EOA

# \$\$\$ Stuff for Sale \$\$\$

MFJ-945E tuner for sale, \$80. Contact Dick at KC8VHA@GMAIL.COM

For Sale - MFJ Versa Tuner V, model MFJ-989C, a 3 kilowatt roller inductor tuner. Exterior is well used, but there is nothing wrong inside. It works fine. \$100 obo Call Bill KD8VP 810.797.5329 or at <a href="kd8vp@juno.com">kd8vp@juno.com</a>

ICOM IC-7000 SN#0502663 with Simplex power supply & SM 20 desk mic, original instruction manual. Owned since new. \$850.00 W8NCJ 810-441-3601

If you have something to sell please send an email with the details to <a href="mailto:kevinboxey@hotmail.com">kevinboxey@hotmail.com</a> to be included in the Waveguide listing



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Tom KD8EOA



# More stuff

### PUBLIC SERVICE 2013 OUTSIDE OF LAPEER COUNTY

GENESEE COUNTY Atwood Races July Frequency 147.260 PL 100

Crim Races Aug, 24 Meet at Vogt's Flowers at 5:30 AM Frequency

147.260 PL 100

MIDLAND COUNTY APRIL 27 MS Walk Meets at Collins and Rodd Streets, 8:30 AM through

noon, HQ is the Salvation Army Communications Vehicle, freq 147.00+

MAY 18 DOW RUN Meets at Midland Community Center, Collins at George Streets, 7:00 AM through noon, HQ is the Salvation Army Communications

Vehicle, frequency 147.00+

MAY 19 GREAT LAKES MARATHON/ HALF MARATHON, meets at Dow Diamond Main and State Streets, 6:30 AM through 3:00 PM, freg 147.00+

SAGINAW COUNTY MS Walk May 11 at 8:30 AM Meet at 601 Weiss St. Frankenmuth,

frequency 147.240 PL. 103.5

Run for Windy May 19 8:00 AM. Meet at Swan Valley High School, 8 - 10

operators needed



For those of you that can reach to the south here is the USECA net schedule

DAY	TIME	VHF NETS	FREQ
SUN	1:00 PM	<u>USECA</u> / Information	147.180 +100 PL
SUN	8:00 PM	USECA / Traders/Tech Support Net	147.180 +100 PL
SUN	9:00 PM	HPARC / Info	146.640 +100 PL
SUN	9:00 PM	Garden City ARC	146.860 +100 PL
SUN-SAT	10:15 PM	S. E. Michigan Traffic Net	146.76 +100 PL
MON	7:30 PM	SATERN	147.180 +100 PL
MON	8:00 PM	MECA / Info	147.200 +100 PL
MON	8:00 PM	GMARC	443.075 +123 PL
TUE	9:00 PM	Motor City Radio Club	147.240 +100 PL
THU	8:00 PM	Macomb County RACES / ARES	147.200 +100 PL
THU	8:30 PM	LCARC / Info	147.080 +100 PL
SAT ***	711:00 PM	International Hoot Owl Net	147.180 +100 PC

L.C.A.R.A. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION				
PLEASE PRINT:				
CALL SIGN:	NAME:			
ADDRESS:				
CITY ,STATE, AND ZIF	D:			
PHONE :	LICENSE CLASS:			
SKYWARN NO.:	RACES NO:			
ARES MEMBER YES_	NOE-MAIL ADD.:			
ARE YOU AN A.R.R.L.	MEMBER: YES NO			
L.CA.R.A. MEMBERSI	HIP IS \$12.00 PER YEAR, RENEWABLE EACH YEAR			
ON <b>OCTOBER. 18</b> 7	FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$20.00. ASSOCIATE			
MEMBERSHIP \$4.00.	IF YOU WISH AN AUTODIAL NUMBER FOR THE			
REPEATER THERE IS .	AN ADDITIONAL \$3.00 CHARGE. Financing available.			

# Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association

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### **Officers**

President: Kevin Boxey KB8TAR, 810-793-4986
Vice President: Tom Oliver KD8EBY, 810-247-3227
Treasurer: Bill Miller KD8VP, 810-797-5329
Secretary: Flo Haack KC8CAB, 810-793-2606

# Committees and Appointees

Club Call Trustee W8LAP: Joe Medved KD8CIL Repeater Assistants: KC1BUD, KD8EBY, KD8EOA Skywarn Coordinator: Tom Oliver KD8EBY

Swap & Shop Chairpersons: Bill Miller KD8VP & Dan Bain KC1BUD

Meeting Refreshments: Bill Miller KD8VP Newsletter Editor: Kevin Boxey KB8TAR Net Manager: Tom Oliver KD8EBY

Testing Coordinator: Volunteer needed
County EC: Tom Oliver KD8EBY
County PIO: Dan Bain KC1BUD

County AEC: Joe Medved KD8CIL County AEC: Kevin Boxey KB8TAR

