



Squaw Island Amateur Radio Club
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Hello all on Independence Day!! Going to be a hot few days. Could use some rain. We just got back from a short vacation to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan area. Saw some beautiful country had some relaxing times. Good to get home though. Glad I don't have to go through the border to Canada and back to often.

The next meeting, Wednesday, July 11, will be a laid back time. I thought it might be a great time for us to show off our mobile installations. I know that some of you have some elaborate setups and it will be fun and informative. So polish up the car and rig and be prepared to show off.

Past Events

Field Day was a grand success. Don is still compiling the numbers but I imagine they point to a lot of fun and good times. We had wonderful weather and a fine group of members and guests that kept the station going Saturday and through the night. Look at the Ontario County Ham Radio site for some upcoming pictures. Thanks to Don and team for putting together our event.

Upcoming Events

Our next breakfast will be on Saturday, July 28 at 8am at the Villager Restaurant, 245 South Main St, Canandaigua. Please contact me by Monday, July 23 so I can call in a head count.

Contests and Special Event Stations this month include: QSO parties in Michigan (today) MARAC US counties QSO party, New Jersey, IOTA contest, several CW and Digital contests

and many others. See what you can work and have fun. See the July issue of QST or the WA7BNM website <http://hornucopia.com/contestcal/> for more information.

Batavia Hamfest, July 21, 2012 in Alexander. Talk in on 147.285 (141.3).

Various walks and runs for many causes are coming up. The Genesee Valley Hunt Horse Trial on July 8 and the MS Bike Tour in Keuka Park on July 21 and 22. See the public service page at www.rochesterhamfest.org for details and sign ups. The Musselman Triathlon near Geneva is July 13 to 15 and I think you can contact Bill WA2UKX if you would like to help out.

Our event, the Finger Lakes Triathlon, will be held Sunday, September 9th. Stay tuned for details.

The EmComm East event will be held again at St John Fisher College in Rochester on September 22nd. See www.emcommeast.org for details.

Odds and End

A reminder to renew your ARRL membership thru the club. We get a commission on each new and renewal if the club sends it in. See Ray AB2UY or Tom KB2NCI for details.

The next VE testing will be in September. Dave AB2WZ held one at Field Day and all three examinees scored 100%. Thanks, Dave. See the SIARC website for details on future tests. The Drumlins ARC will be holding them on the even months. Contact Sabrina WD2STK at wd2stk@yahoo.com for details.

See the Radio Reference website at www.radioreference.com/apps/db/ for interesting information on all sorts of radio related items. There are areas for public service, ham radio and live feeds for all over the country.

Nets

145.450 (110.9) W2ONT Sundays 8pm Ontario County RACES/ARES training net
146.685 (no tone) WA2EMO Sundays 8:45pm Wayne County RACES net
146.610 (110.9) N2MPE Thursdays (except 4th) 9pm Monroe County ARES net
3993.5 kHz LSB State RACES net Sundays 9am

Club/RACES Repeaters

K2BWK 146.820- (110.9) Canandaigua VA Hospital
K2BWK D-Star 147.375(+) Honeoye
K2BWK D-Star 443.500 (+) Honeoye
W2ONT 145.450- (110.9) Gannett Hill
W2ONT 442.200- (110.9) Gannett Hill
W2ONT 147.090- (110.9) Geneva City Hall

D-Star is up and running well. Get on and try it.

President's Thoughts

Not too many thoughts today; just a lazy, hot day.

I would like to cancel our meeting for August and ask someone to host a picnic that month. Nothing extravagant, just pot luck and the club will provide the meat and buns. Contact me soon if you would like to do this so we can make plans.

Now is the time to start thinking about your outside projects. The weather is good, but won't be for long and so is the perfect time to put up or fix that antenna. Ask around if you need some help. I would like to get a few together to help James and Jeanne get some outside antennas up before fall. Contact me if you can help.

Next year will be our 60th year as a club and I would like for us to hold a special event station to celebrate. Start thinking of what you would like to do and we can discuss it at the meeting.

See you at the meeting and on the air. And, remember to Have Fun and Talk Up Ham Radio.

73, Tom KB2NCI