

The Landline

Newsletter of the
Copper Country Radio Amateur Association, Inc.
POB 217

Dollar Bay, MI 49922-0217

Hancock Repeater: 146.880(-) MHz Herman Repeater: [Out-of-Service]
KCRA Repeater: 147.315 (+) MHz Calumet: 442.550 (+5 Mhz) No PL
(The 2 VHF repeaters(88 & 315) both require a PL 100.0 Hz tone for access)
146.520 MHz Nationwide SIMPLEX

Other Simplex: 146.49, 146.55, 146.58 MHz

Packet Radio (AX.25) 145.09 MHz APRS Radio: 144.390 MHz

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DOLLAR BAY FIRE HALL: 48649 MAIN ST. DOLLAR BAY

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CLUB MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

CHRISTMAS PARTY!

It's pot luck, so please bring a dish to pass, and it's Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at the Dollar Bay Fire Hall.

Club meetings of the CCRAA are always held the first Tuesday of each month, unless notified of a change, in this newsletter. **The December meeting of the Copper Country Radio Amateur Association will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, EST at the Dollar Bay Fire Hall, 48649 Main St. Dollar Bay, MI**

MINUTES OF THE CCRAA MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2009

CCRAA MEETING: Held November 3, 2009 at the Dollar Bay Firehall.

Meeting was called to order by President at 7:04 pm EST there were 13 members present: W8FMR, W8FWG, K8YSZ, KD8JAM, KC8NPI, WB8QJZ, KC8ABP, KC8RGO, N8KSO, N8WAV, K6IPC, KB8XI, WA8QNF, KD8GBH..

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: An update on the Herman repeater was given by the President.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Given by Glenn, WA8QNF

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SERVICE REPORT: BY Jack, N8WAV, showed minor incidents to report on the "Pumpkin Patrol" on Halloween. The event "Deer Chase" brought in \$100.00

PUBLICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS: By Jack, KC8NPI, meeting announcements were sent out to the Gazette and Charter cable. A report of the status of the Herman repeater was given by Jack, KC8NP. Two bids were received to remove our antenna and feedline at the Herman tower:

Elcom of Marquette \$600-\$1,000.

Anderson Communications of Marquette, \$300.

Motion: BY KD8ABP, 2nd by W8FWG to award the contract to Anderson Comm. of Marquette.

The motion carried unanimously. (The antenna and feedline at Herman were recovered.)

PROGRAMS: KD8ABP Nothing to report

RADIO OPERATIONS: WB8FCY (absent) No report

PROPERTY REPORT: By W8FWG:

1. Emergency engine run on Nov. 1, 2009
2. We are utilizing the clubhouse with these willing workers checking in to the CCRAA ARES Net every Wednesday at 9 pm. Howard (KD8ABP), Stan (WB8QJZ), Glenn (WA8QNF), George (W8FWG) and Bill (KD8JAM) (We could use one more volunteer....please contact George, W8FWG at 337-2542 if you can help.)
3. All radio systems were checked for proper operation and all are operating properly.
4. Antenna switch for 2M was moved and re-labeled
5. Heat (light bulbs) turned on for the packet radio system (Winter operation)
6. American flag brought in, and timer turned off for winter months.

EDUCATION: (Vacant)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

Next ham exam to be given at Douglass Houghton Hall at M-T-U on January 23, 2010. (Third Saturday of January)

OLD BUSINESS: Surplus property at Osceola. Discussion of the used tower at Osceola. Bids to be in by the December 1 meeting, NLT 7 PM EST. Minimum bid for the tower \$20.00

LSPR RECAP: By: Doug, N8KSO. Everything went well and a temporary "67" repeater was put into service in Baraga County. Our thanks from the club to the following hams who participated either as NCS, relay station stage operators, safety, sweep or other. Our apologies if I missed anyone.

KC 0AGQ RYAN
KC 0AJQ ROGER
KD 0ATF ROBERT
KD 0ATL PARN
KC 0ATP DALE
KC 0BPT KAREN
KC 8BST JOANNE

KD 0BTI JEREMIAH
KC 8CDC JAMES
KC 0DME JERRY
KD 0ENV DANIELE
KD 0ESB PAUL
NJ 8F JAMES
KB 8FBX JEFF
KB 8FCX RICH
KC 8FLO PAUL
KC 8FUS JON
W 8FWG GEORGE
KD 0HKP JESSE
N 0HLS HERMAN
N 8HXP JON
KC 8IIG DALE
KC 9JKT PETER
KC 8KJL BRIAN
K 9KKT TODD
N 8KSO DOUGLAS
W 9KZL KYLE
KD 0LQD SPENCER
N 8MSL PHILIP
N 0NUN BRUCE
KC 0NXC ERIK
N 0OEO KAREN
KB 8PLR ROGER
WB 8QJZ STAN
WA 8QNF GLENN
KC 8RGO VANCE
KC 0RLU LISA
N 8RRY ELMER
N 0RUG PETE
KC 0SVM AL
KC 8SVY JERRY
KC 0SYU BILL
KB 8TOT SCOTT
KC 0URN GENE
KB 8VEP PAUL
WB 0VHF EDWARD
KC 8WAZ ADAM
KC 0WDQ PAUL
N 8WGS SCOTT
KC 8WRZ ADAM
KC 0WVN BRIAN
N 0YAM BRIAN
KC 8YHT JIMMY
KC 0YKS JOE
KC 8YMR ANDY

W 9ZKL KYLE
KC 0ZOM CURTIS
N 8 ITH TIMOTHY
N 8 BTS FRED

NEW BUSINESS: Surplus property – old duplexer/repeater equipment (Tube type) at Doug's garage (N8KSO)
Bid on it. Motion by Jack (N8WAV) Seconded: By Roland, (KB8XI) Motion carried unanimously.

Surplus property – old duplexer/repeater equipment
Ideas for growth and programming
December Potluck. It was decided to have a Christmas Party for the December 1 meeting at the Dollar Bay Fire Hall.
Bring a dish to pass.

FOR SALE:
48' ROHN HDX (Heavy duty) self-Supporting steel tower \$600.00
86' Andrew Superflex cable \$75
Bracket (Commercial Grade) \$25
G7 Hustler Antenna (Commercial Band) but works on 147.315 MHz 14' high \$50
Contact Stan Strangle, K8NYT AT (906) 827-3526

TV NEWS:
WLUC in Negaunee has added "FOX U.P." to digital sub-channel 6.2 (UHF Frequency 35). NBC remains on 6.1
Digital TV allows multiple channels on the same main frequency. You may know WBKP Painesdale has the CW
Network on 5.1 and ABC on 5.2. Many Marquette market stations such as ABC, CBS, NBC, and FOX
are available on satellite via Dish Network. The latest news is that these stations will be also be available on DirecTV
November 11th! Right now, WZMQ Marquette is only available on cable and over the air.

If you've noticed that reception of digital TV isn't that great in your area it may be because the local TV stations are
broadcasting a fraction of full power that many stations across the country use. Most Green Bay UHF stations
broadcast with 1 MW (1,000 kW) while WLUC broadcasts with 83 kW, WJMN 9.8 kW, WZMQ (41 kW).
So, don't blame digital TV. The problem is many of the Marquette market TV stations have limited budgets and cannot
afford a full powered station.

Source: Mike, AA9VI

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY PROBLEMS:

If you have a change of your residential address or your E-Mail address, please notify the Secretary of the club (KB8FCX) at (906) 201-0849 or E-Mail him at: rbrooks@pasty.com. If you know of someone missing the newsletter, please have them get it touch with the Secretary also. Thanks! If you are a "snowbird" (go away for the winter) please give us your winter address so that you can keep up on the goings-on, in our club. We'll be happy to send your copy to you at your winter address, and don't forget to notify us again, when you return, so you can continue receiving the "Landline."

LAST LInELINE?

With this December edition, my job as Newsletter Editor of "The Landline" for the CCRAA ends. It is a position that I have enjoyed many years, but the time has come for a change, and I must leave, as your Editor. The position will remain vacant unless someone comes forward to offer to accept the job as Editor of the newsletter for the coming year. This is an appointed position, and the Chairman of the "PUBLICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS" COMMITTEE is Ja Dueuek, KC8NPI. If interested in taking over the job please contact Jack at 482-6400. My thanks to all, who have contri news items over the years, ARRL, Newsline, Local Hams and other friends of ham radio. I wish each and everyone a Joyou A Happy New Year.

SK:

We regret to inform you of the passing of Lawrence Fadner, W3GN (and formerly W8HR) Lawrence was a Laurium reside early in his life he moved to Laurel, MD, until returning to the Copper Country just two years ago. He was a resident patien Lady of Mercy" Nursing home in Hubbell. He will be missed by his many friends throughout the world.

OFFICER LISTING

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