

CQ CHATTER

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Letter from the President

I hope to compose a message each month starting with February. The January kick-off dinner was well attended and I thought the food was very good. Please remember that February is a regular meeting month on the second Monday February 08.

As many of you know our request for access to our station room at the fairgrounds has been denied by the fair board. I was disappointed but I have not given up completely just yet. There may be other options. We need to discuss our long range plans at a future meeting. If you have any suggestions please bring them to a meeting.

It can be difficult to find ways to increase membership and membership participation in club activities. Without Ham-a-rama we no longer have a money making event to pull the members together. Maybe we need more activities besides the meetings and breakfasts.

Steve, K8BBK, is doing good work scheduling programs for the meetings.

**WCARC Weekly Net:
Tuesdays at 2030 EST
(0130 Z Wed year-round)
147.18 MHz 67 Hz PL**

***Next Meeting
Business Meeting***

MONDAY Feb. 8th

**TIME: 7:30 pm/7:00 pm eyeball
PLACE: Sheriff's Training Room
Gypsy Lane and Dunbridge Rds.,
Bowling Green**

If you have a program idea for a club meeting, please get with Steve or any officer and discuss your idea. It does not have to be ham related. Our members have wide variety of interests and are always eager to learn about your interests. Perhaps you might want to present a program yourself. Club meetings are only as interesting as we make them.

73 until next time,

Bob WB8NQW

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Net Check Ins

Jan 5
WB8NQW (NC)
N8QMV
WD8JWJ
K8OVO
K8BBK
K8NEA
KG8FH
KC8EKT
N8PYA
N8YAE
N1RB (11)

Jan 12
N8QMV (NC)
WD8ICP
WB8NQW
WD8LEI
K8BBK
K8NEA
N1RB
K8OVO
KD8MRQ-Terry (9)

Jan 26
N1RB (NC)
K8BBK
WB8NQW
WD8JWJ
K8OVO
N8QMV (6)

WCARC

2 m Net Control Roster
Net meets every Tuesday at
2030 EST/0130 Z

Feb 2	WD8ICP
Feb 9	N8QMV
Feb 16	WB8NQW
Feb 23	N1RB
Mar 2	K8OVO
Mar 9	WD8ICP
Mar 16	N8QMV

Brain Teasers

1. How many horizontal lines make up a fast-scan television frame?

- a.) 30
- b.) 60
- c.) 525
- d.) 1050

2. What type of calculations can be performed using a Smith Chart?

- a.) beam headings and radiation patterns
- b.) satellite azimuth and elevation bearings
- c.) impedance and SWR values in transmission lines
- d.) circuit gain calculations

3. What impedance matching system uses a short perpendicular section of transmission line connected to the feed line near the antenna?

- a.) gamma match
- b.) delta match
- c.) omega match
- d.) stub match

February Contests

The contest lineup for the month of February is given below. Please note that the WARC bands (60, 30, 17 and 12 m) are never open to contesting.

Feb 6-7	<i>0000 to 2400 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Vermont QSO Party		all modes
Feb 6-7	<i>0001 to 2359 Z</i>	10 m
Ten-ten Winter Phone 'test		SSB
Feb 6	<i>1400to 2359 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Minnesota QSO Party		all modes
Feb 6-7	<i>1600 to 0759 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
British Columbia QSO Party		all modes
Feb 6-7	<i>1700 to 2359 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Delaware QSO Party		all modes
Feb 7-8	<i>1500 to 0300 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
New Mexico QSO Party		all modes
Feb 13-14	<i>0000 to 2400 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
CQ WW RTTY WPX		RTTY
Feb 13-14	<i>0001 to 0001 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
New Hampshire QSO Party		all modes
Feb 13-14	<i>1200 to 1200 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
PACC (Netherlands) DX 'test		all modes
Feb 13-14	<i>1500 to 0300 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
Louisiana QSO Party		all modes
Feb 20-21	<i>0000 to 2400 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
ARRL DX 'test		CW

Feb 26-27	<i>2100 to 2100 Z</i>	160 m to 10 m
Russian WW PSK 'test		PSK
Feb 26-28	<i>2200 to 2200 Z</i>	160 m
CQ WW 160 m 'test		SSB
Feb 27-28	<i>0600 to 1800 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
REF (France) DX 'test		SSB
Feb 27-28	<i>1300 to 1300 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
UBA (Belgium) DX 'test		CW
Feb 27-28	<i>1500 to 0300 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
Mississippi QSO Party		all modes
Feb 27-28	<i>1800 to 0600 Z</i>	80 m to 10 m
North American QSO Party		digital

February Hamfests

Feb 14 Intercity ARC. Mansfield mid-winter Hamfest and Computer Show. Richland County, OH, Fairgrounds. Contact Dean, KB8MG (419) 589-2415.

e-mail: metal07man@yahoo.com

web: <http://www.w8we.org/hamfest.htm>

Feb 21 Livonia ARC. 39th Annual Swap 'n Shop. Civic Park Senior Center, Livonia, MI. Contact Doris, KD8DXJ (731) 941-5043.

e-mail: president@livoniaarc.com

web: <http://www.livoniaarc.com/Swap.htm>

**DON'T FORGET! 10 meter informal net
meets each Sunday at 2030 EDST
on 28.335 MHz**

Annual Banquet Festivities

photos courtesy WB8NQW

*Many Eyeball
QSOs in
Session*



*Couzin's lays out
a
delicious spread*



It's Time to Renew!

The first of the year brings with it a reminder to all members to renew your membership: The dues are: Senior/Student = \$10.00, Regular = \$15.00, Family = \$20.00.

Become an Amateur Radio operator in one Day

- ☆ Serve your community ☆
- ☆ Make new friends around the world ☆
- ☆ Learn about electronics and communications ☆

Saturday, February 27, 9 am to 3 pm

Bedford Township Government Center
8100 Jackman Road, Temperance, MI

The Monroe County Radio Communications Assn. will be holding a *one-day*, amateur radio license class Saturday, February 27, 2010. The class will begin at 9 am and last until 3 pm. Immediately after the class, you will take the Technician Class license exam.

Pre-study is encouraged! You don't need to be an electronics genius to get your ham radio license in one day, but you will increase your chances of passing the test if you read through our study guide beforehand. You can download a PDF file of the study guide for no charge (at www.kb6nu.com/2006techstudyguide.pdf). Printed versions of the study guide can be purchased for \$13 at www.booklocker.com/books/3408.html.

There is a license examination fee of \$15, payable when you take the test. Two forms of photo ID are also required to take the test.

For more information, or to register, contact: Rita Baker, WB8FBG,
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