



The County Static

Genesee County Radio Club. W8ACW

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Latest News
Meeting tonight via Zoom
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Presidents Report

No presidents report this month.

Treasurers Report

No treasurers report this month but Bobbie reports the treasury is currently at 8561.49.

18 May Meeting VIA Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92152341481?pwd=ajlQNUZyZjJOam1mRmRZWEIrRGRjZz09>

Meeting ID: 921 5234 1481

Passcode: Transmit21

One tap mobile

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Meeting ID: 921 5234 1481

Passcode: 8386617861

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/akFWS4FK9>



From The Secretary

Genesee County Radio Club
Board Minutes
6 APRIL 2021

The Board of the Genesee County Radio Club met via ZOOM in regular session on 6 APR 2021 at 1830 with the following present:

Roberta Vasilow, W8GSX

Don Davidson, WB8HOE

Robert Dunn, KE8OOK

Jeff Parker, KE8ICG

The President called the meeting to order.

The Treasurer gave a brief report on our current finances noting a balance of \$8,419.25.

Don will add Membership Application to website for those who wish to join, or pay their dues via mail.

Don noted that the PayPal application, and the sign-up for Net Control Station is working on the website.

President was pleased to say that all is quiet.

The short meeting was adjourned at 1855.

Don Davidson, WB8HOE
Secretary

Genesee County Radio Club
Meeting
20 APR 2021

The regular meeting of the Genesee County Radio Club was held via ZOOM on April 20, 2021.

The following were present:

Roberta, W8GSX -Treasurer

Dave, N8MME

Don, WB8HOE -Secretary

Chuck, K8CNH/AG

Robert, KE8OOK -Board Member at-large

Jim, KD8ZXV

Jeff, KE8ICG -President

John, WA8ALQ

Al, KD8DEU

Mr. Jolly, KE8JHB

A moment of silence was held in memory of Jan, KE8LBN, Silent Key.

The President called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

Discussion was held concerning new RFI regulations as recently issued by FCC

*importance of knowing the difference between controlled and uncontrolled space.

*the more power the bigger issue.

*it may not be as bad as it sounds.

The club will send a gift to a trust for Jan's family.

The meeting was adjourned at 1908.

Don Davidson, WB8HOE
Secretary

Genesee County Radio Club
Board Minutes
4 May 2021

The Board of the Genesee County Radio Club met via ZOOM in regular session on 4 May 2021 at 1830 with the following present:

Roberta Vasilow, W8GSX

Don Davidson, WB8HOE

Robert Dunn, KE8OOK

Jeff Parker, KE8ICG

The President called the meeting to order.

The Treasurer gave a brief report on our current finances noting a balance of \$8,561.49. We currently have 29 paid members, 2 new and 6 life members 51 members who have paid dues are late paying, some for years.

President continues to work on repeater issues.

Discussion was held on small-group field day and on the possibility of a July social event if Covid allows.

The short meeting was adjourned at 1853

Don Davidson, WB8HOE
Secretary

KE8LBN: SK



Jan Stewart Graham, born September 15, 1969, passed away April 17, 2021.

First licensed in December 2018, Jan was a active member of our club, participating in Field Day, joining in our Thursday night net, volunteering to be net control operator, and in many other ways helping our club grow and promote the exciting world of amateur radio. Jan volunteered his time for the siren testing net and was also a net control operator for the siren net. Jan just received his RACES and ARES cards and was in training to work at 911 dispatch volunteering his skills and experience as an amateur radio operator to help the community. Let the memory of Jan stay with us as we ourselves go forward.

Mitch Grant KD8ZXU

April Net Report 2021

Traffic: No messages passed during nets this month
QNI: Total of 11 QNI's from 9 stations
Net Control Stations Were: KE800K

Our Monthly Report is as follows:

Net Name: Genesee County Radio Club Thursday Night Net
Net Manager: Jeff K8KZB
Check-Ins (QNI): 4
Traffic (QTC): 0
Net Time (QTR): Hours Incomplete data
Sessions: 1
Man Hours (QNI * QTR): Incomplete data

* Net controllers please be sure to include yourself first in the online log, then enter the Start/End times, # of traffic and # of QNI's in the comments section next to your name in the online log.

KE800K	1
KD8ZXV	1
KF8REX	1
KF5INT	1

If you have any corrections that need to be made, please contact Mitch (editor@w8acw.org) for updates.

Other Genesee County Nets

Monday Night 8 PM
GC-ARPSC ATV-Digital Net 147.260Mhz +100 hz PL tone <http://www.gc-arpsc.org/>
Wednesday Night 8 PM
GC-ARPSC Traffic and Training Net 147.260Mhz +100 hz PL tone
<http://www.gc-arpsc.org/>

Lapeer County Nets

LCARA Tuesday Night 2 Meter Net 146.620 -100 Hz PL Tone
<http://w8lap.com/nets/>
8 PM except on second Tuesday due to LCARA meeting.
LCARA 440 D-Star Net 8 PM Wednesday Night
W8LAP /B – 442.750 MHz +5.00 MHz offset, module B
<http://w8lap.com/nets/>

Livingston County Net

W8LRK Thursday Night Net 8PM
146.680-162.2Hz PL tone

Club and Local Nets

Phone Nets:

Thursday Night Net:

The Net begins each Thursday night at 7:00 PM local time and is a directed Net ran by one of our members. We talk about the club and everything else related to ham radio so be sure to check us out on the 2 meter repeater:
147.340Mhz+ (100hz pl tone)
or the 70cm repeater:
444.200Mhz+ (107.2hz pl tone)
Both repeaters are linked for this Net. All licensed amateurs are welcome to check in.

CW Nets:

QMN Early Net:

This Net begins each night on 3563khz at 6:30 PM local time. This is a directed Net and all are welcome to check in. For more information go to: <http://michigannet.org/>

QMN Late Net:

This Net begins each night on 3563khz at 10 PM local time. This is a directed Net and all are welcome to check in. For more information go to: <http://michigannet.org/>

Ham Radio in Michigan

<http://www.mi-arrrl.org/>

Announcements/Information

Michigan Section of ARRL <http://www.mi-arrl.org/>

Michigan ARRL Representatives

Dale Williams WA8EFK, Great Lakes Division Director

Thomas Delaney W8WTD, Great Lakes Division Vice Director

Jim Kvochick K8JK, Michigan Section Manager

Club Night Location and Time

In person club meeting on hold.

Lunch Bunch.

No lunch bunch until further notice.

Thursday Night Net Control Operator Openings

Attention club members! Volunteer to be a Net Control Station operator for our clubs Thursday Night Net.

Put your license to good use and fun by volunteering to be the NCS.

It's easy, fun, and an excellent learning opportunity. If you want, one of our club members can come to your QTH and assist you your first time or two. Being a licensed ham radio operator is not just about transceivers, antennas and fancy electronic equipment, its all about club members helping club members, other Ham's, and the community.

Licensing Classes: Get On The Air (GOTA)

Due to the continued pandemic concerns, I have not scheduled any in-person classes. Now that other VE teams are offering online exam sessions, which a few of our club members have taken advantage of, I am considering running Zoom classes. Please let me know if you're interested in taking an online class with me. Interested students should send an email to me:

wa8my@arrl.net

Like these cool looking dust covers, hats and jackets?

Let everyone know your a member of the W8ACW radio club.

Contact Jeff, K8KZB, at Jse-repair.com or email jeff@jse-repair.com for price and options.



Club ID Badges now available.



Jeff also does radio repair.

May 2021

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 virus, please check ahead of time to be sure the event is not canceled.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29 TNN 7 PM	30	1 Siren Test
2	3	4 W8ACW BOD Meeting	5	6 TNN 7 PM	7	8
9 Mothers Day	10	11	12	13 TNN 7 PM	14	15 Armed Forces Day
16	17	18 W8ACW Meeting 7 PM	19	20 TNN 7 PM	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 TNN 7 PM	28	29
30	31 Memorial Day	1	2	3 TNN 7 PM	4	5

TNN Please join us on our Thursday Night Net at 7 PM local time on either of our repeaters.
2 Meter 147.340+ 100hz pl tone or on the 70 cm 444.200+ 107.2hz pl tone

1 May Genesee County Siren Testing <http://www.mscginc.org/>

15 May GMARC Spring Trunk Swap 8 AM Packard Proving Grounds <http://www.gmarc.org/wp/>

June 2021

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 virus, please check ahead of time to be sure the event is not canceled.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 W8ACW BOD Meeting	2	3 TNN 7 PM	4	5 Siren Test
6 D-Day	7	8	9	10 TNN 7 PM	11	12
13	14 Flag Day	15 W8ACW Monthly Meeting	16	17 TNN 7 PM	18	19
20 Summer Solstice Fathers Day	21	22	23	24 TNN 7 PM	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 TNN 7 PM	2	3

TNN Please join us on our Thursday Night Net at 7 PM local time on either of our repeaters.
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5 June Genesee County Siren Testing <http://www.mscginc.org/>
 12-14 June ARRL June VHF <http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf>
 19 June ARRL Kids Day <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>
 26-27 ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>

5 June IRA Hudsonville Hamfest <http://w8ira.org/>
 6 June Annual Chelsea Amateur Radio Club Swap Meet
<http://wd8iel.com/>
 12 June LARS Yooper Hamfest <https://www.w8nby.org/>
 19 June GMARC June Trunk Swap <http://www.gmarc.org/wp/>
 20 June Monroe Hamfest <http://www.mcrca.org/>



Radio news from across the pond. Our club will celebrating 100 in 12 more years!

'Stockport Radio Society, Celebrating 100 Years of Amateur Radio' The Book

The year just gone for many was a year to forget, but for us 2020 was a momentous one with the society clocking up 100 years of existence.

On the 4th June 1920 a group of local enthusiasts came together and held the inaugural meeting of the then Stockport Wireless Society at the Forrester's Hall close to the town's famous market place. With a century on the clock and only a short period of inactivity during World War 2, **Stockport Radio Society** as it is now known is still going strong and in good shape entering its second century.

An organisation of such age will have a rich vein of history running through it, so much so that back in the 1990's the then Chairman, Laurie Newman G4ZDO was minded to research and document it. His book, released for the 75th Anniversary told our story from formation up to the 90's and referenced some of the many personalities who had joined our ranks over the years.

So, here we are some twenty six years on and there's plenty more history under the belt waiting to be told. Rising to the challenge has been our Secretary and Media Manager, **Heather Stanley M6HNS** who volunteered to take on the daunting task of continuing Laurie's work. Many hours of research followed which has finally resulted in a book which Laurie would be proud of.

The fully illustrated edition and featuring input from recent Radio Society of Great Britain President, **David Wilson M0OBW** includes Laurie's original publication and individual sections continuing our story.

The book titled "Stockport Radio Society, Celebrating 100 Years of Amateur Radio" is available now to order and is a must for any past, present, or future member of one of the oldest radio societies in the country. It will bring some colour to many a bookshelf across the land and beyond.

For more information and to order a copy please contact Heather Stanley M6HNS by email info@g8srs.co.uk or by telephone Details Can be found on the link above. With the special event call sign G8SRS/100. Which was used by many club members to celebrate the clubs 100 year centenary. Many Contacts were made on all bands and modes including cw.

100 years of operating is a great achievement for Stockport Radio Society and all the members who attend this fabulous society. Here's to another 100 years of operating. A big thank you to all involved in the making of the book. As this will be a piece of Stockport Radio Society's History. And for the Town of Stockport in the UK

Many Thanks.

Stockport Radio Society

<http://www.southgatearc.org/news/2021/may/stockport-radio-society-celebrating-100-years-of-amateur-radio-the-book.htm>

<https://www.g8srs.co.uk/>



GCRC membership meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM (with the exception of July & December which are informal gatherings at local restaurants, the location is determined a few months in advance).
We meet in the EAA77 Building at Dalton Airport, 3400 Ann Drive, Flushing MI 48433

Please send all Membership applications and Dues to:

GCRC Membership c/o **R. A. Vasilow, 6186 Torrey Rd, Flint, MI 48507**

ALL CHECKS AND MONEY ORDERS shall be made payable to "Genesee County Radio Club, Inc."

--All GCRC Board meetings are open to the GCRC membership, held the 1st Tues each month at 6:30 pm

(Board Meeting Location: Tim Horton's 4025 E Court St, Burton, MI 48509-1715)

GCRC Membership Application / Renewal

NAME: _____

CALL: _____ LICENSE CLASS:(circle) N T T+ G A E

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____ BIRTHDATE: ____/____/____

HOME PHONE: (____) _____ WORK PHONE:(____) _____

I belong to (circle): ARRL RACES ARES MARS NTS Other clubs: _____

Bands used (circle):160m 75/80m 40m 30m 20m 17m 15m 10m 2m 70cm

Modes used (circle): SSB FM CW Packet RTTY SSTV ATV Amtor/Pactor

Mobile equipment: _____

Fixed station: _____

Check the appropriate category/categories: (Renewal Due By January 1st)

____ NEW MEMBER \$15 (prorated after March 1) *please attach license copy

____ REGULAR MEMBER \$15

____ STUDENT MEMBER \$7.50

____ LIFE MEMBER (no dues, but yearly application required)

____ ASSOCIATE MEMBER \$5.00 (unlicensed only)

____ FAMILY MEMBER \$3.00 (must be licensed and reside at same address)

____ Name, Call, License, etc.