

The County Static

Genesee County Radio Club. W8ACW

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Web Site at: <http://w8acw.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/423853624347124/>

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Latest News

NOTICE!!!!!!!!!!!!

All W8ACW club meetings will be online Via Zoom Until Further notice.
ID: 921 5234 1481
Password: Transmit21



Welcome to our new member. Jerry Baker
KD8AYL

NOTICE: Next meeting 15 March. **This will be a Zoom Meeting.** All future club meetings will be via Zoom until further notice. Jeff Parker KE8ICG
Zoom ID# 921 5234 1481
Password: Transmit21

Notice 2: I was unable to complete a January 2022 Static. Therefore the Obit for Greg Zaleski will be published in this issue for archival purposes. [editor]



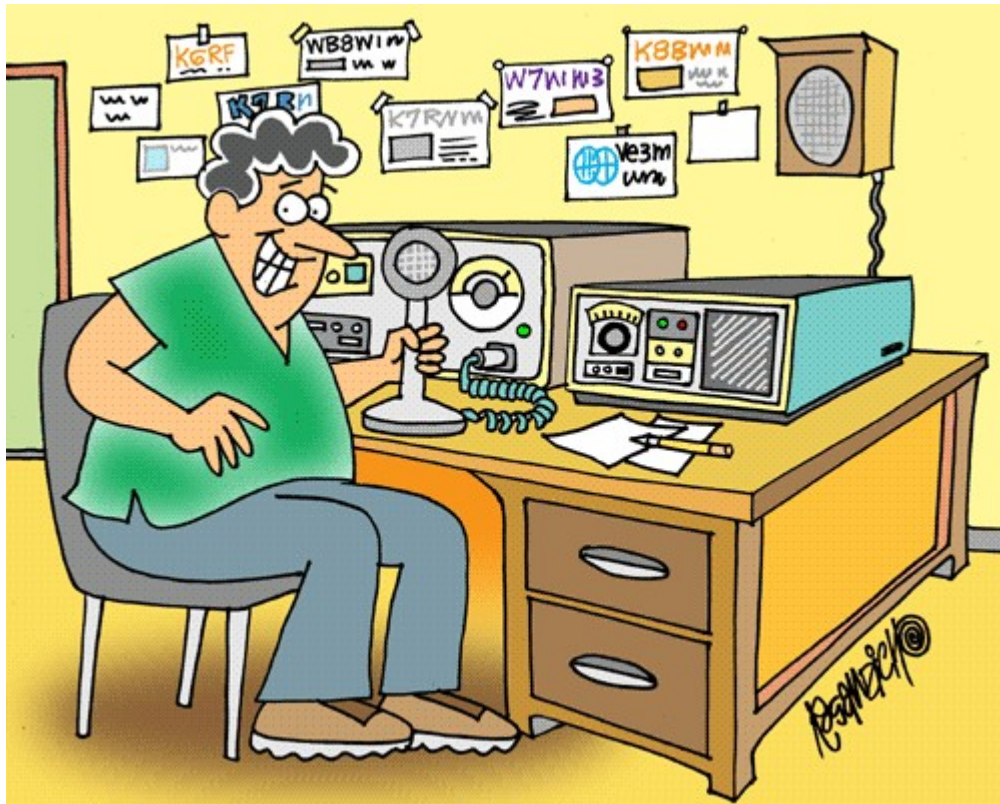
Treasurers Report

Roberta(Bobbie) Vasilow - W8GSX

We now have 39 active members, that includes 34 paid and 5 life members. You can now use PAYPAL to pay your dues, check it out on the website! Thirteen have renewed for 2022!

The current balance in the treasury is \$8056.13

Be safe, 73's, Bobbie



January Net Report 2022

No report for January.

* 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.

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
Jim Kvochick K8JK, Michigan Section Manager

Club Night Location and Time

The GCRC club meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM local time in the EAA77 building at Dalton Airport in Flushing MI. GCRC Club night is open to any and all who want to attend. Visit <http://w8acw.org/clubnight.php> for more information.

Please Note: There is no official meeting in July or December. In July we have an "Informal Gathering" at a local restaurant, and in December we have our Holiday Dinner, also at a local restaurant.

Lunch Bunch.

An informal gathering of some club members at the Liberty Family Dining, 6277 W. Pierson Road, Flushing, MI 48433, 810-867-4768. Held the first Thursday of the month at 11:30 AM. Next to Dalton airport.

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.

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.



February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 W8ZCW BOD Meeting	2	3 TNN 7PM details page 3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 TNN 7PM details page 3	11	12
13	14	15 W8ACW Online club Meeting via Zoom	16	17 TNN 7PM details page 3	18	19
20	21 Presidents Day Washington's Birthday	22	23	24 TNN 7PM details page 3	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 TNN 7PM details page 3	1	2
3	4	5	6	7 TNN 7PM details page 3	8	9

ARRL February Contests

14-18 February ARRL School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

19-20 February ARRL International DX-CW <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>

26 February Livonia Amateur Radio Club 51st Annual Swap & Shop <https://livoniaarc.com/larc-annual-swap-and-shop/>

March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	1 W8ZCW BOD Meeting	2	3 TNN 7PM details page 3	4	5 Siren Testing Starts
6	7	8	9	10 TNN 7PM details page 3	11	12
13 Daylight Savings Time Ends. Set your clocks.	14	15 W8ACW Meeting online via Zoom	16	17 TNN 7PM details page 3 St. Paddys Day	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 TNN 7PM details page 3	25	26 RAF Blue Ham Details page 9
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5 March Local siren testings starts <http://www.mscginc.org/>

5-6 March ARRL International DX-Phone <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>

19 March Michigan Crossroads Hamfest & Radio Swap <http://w8df.com/>

26-27 March Royal Air Force Air Cadets Exercise Blue Ham 2022 Details on page 9





Verle Wunningham K8VW SK

Wunningham, Verle 9/30/1935 - 2/6/2022 Grand Blanc Verle Doyle Wunningham, age 86, of Grand Blanc, Michigan, passed away peacefully on Sunday, February 6, 2022. Verle was born September 30, 1935 in Datto, Arkansas, to James Franklin Wunningham and Margaret Rebecca Lamb. Verle briefly attended college at Arkansas State College, then moved to Flint, and subsequently earned his associate degree from Mott Community College.

Verle worked professionally as a computer-systems analyst at GM Parts Division in Swartz Creek, and later at GM's EDS subsidiary. He was also a proud member of several service organizations, including the Masonic Lodge and the Elf Khurafeh Shrine. But most notably, Verle was a highly-accomplished amateur radio operator, attaining the highest level of licensing and operator privileges. He was an active member of the Genesee County Radio Club, and was a long-time member and officer of the Firebird Amateur Radio Club, a fraternity of worldwide GM employees who share the ham radio hobby. His K8VW call-sign cards humbly extolled "Peace and brotherly love, through amateur radio".

Verle is survived by Delores, his loving wife of 42 years, and children Verle II (Sharon) Wunningham, Katrina Wunningham, Kenneth (Karen) Wunningham, Rebecca Garey, Debra Kammer, Karen O'Neill, Brenda Fournier, Thomas (Teresa) Wright, and Angela (Thomas) Vert. Visitation for Verle will take place on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 11:30am at Hill Funeral Home - 11723 S. Saginaw Street, Grand Blanc, MI. Following visitation, there will be a Masonic Service at 1:30pm. Funeral service will be at 2pm and officiated by Rev. Joe Wright. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.hillfh.com for the Wunningham family.



Gregory Zaleski N8FVZ SK

ZALESKI, Gregory D. – of Burton, MI, age 64, passed away Monday, December 20, 2021. A Funeral Service will be held at 2 PM Sunday, December 26, 2021 at Allen Funeral Home 9136 Davison RD., Davison, MI 48423. Elder Cecil Christo officiating. Cremation will take place following the service. The family will receive visitors 12 Noon Sunday until time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association.

Greg was born in Detroit, MI on March 22, 1957, son of Jerome and Ruby Zaleski. He married Robin Sluiter on April 1, 2004 in Burton, MI.

Greg was hired in as a civilian with the title Radio Repair Technician in 1988. His ability to fix anything that staff broke earned him the nickname of “Macgyver”. As technology changed his responsibilities grew to encompass outfitting cruisers with in-car computers, cameras, all the mounts and wiring necessary to keep everything running properly. When Greg retired in June 2014, it left a void in operations that was not easily filled. This resulted in Greg being hired by the City of Flint IT department in October 2014. Greg continued working in that role until his passing.

He was an active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and a Disaster Response volunteer as a member of a chainsaw team and HAM radio services. He enjoyed playing bass guitar, trail riding on his ATV, working on jigsaw puzzles with his wife while listening to music, and helping others. Greg loved building contraptions of all sorts.

Gregory is survived by his wife Robin; his son, Shawn (Brittney); his daughter, Jessica; three brothers, Loren (Karen), Timothy (Terry), and Matthew; and three sisters, Geriann (Bob), Diane (Mark) and Marian (Marty); sister-in-law Pat and many other loving family and friends. He was preceded in death by his father Jerome, his mother Ruby and two brothers, Mark and Jan.

Please share your thoughts with the family at www.allenfuneralhomeinc.com.



<https://alphacharlie.org.uk/exercise-blue-ham>
<https://www.m0plt.me.uk/blueham.php>

Exercise Blue Ham operational on the 5mhz (60 mtr) band

The RAF Air Cadets are pleased to announce that they are running the ever-popular Blue Ham Radio Communications Exercise in March 2022.

The exercise will take place during the weekend of 26th and 27th March 2022 and subject to your call sign Licencing Conditions we hope that you can put some time aside to join in with the cadets and staff who will be ready to take your calls.

You can find the details of the required QSO exchange information on the Blue Ham website at <https://alphacharlie.org.uk/exercise-blue-ham> from early March 22.

Exercise logsheets are also available courtesy of Gary MØPLT on his website <https://www.m0plt.me.uk/> and also in the files section on the UK 60 Metre (5MHz) Band Group Facebook page.

We will issue you a Blue Ham participation Certificate if you contact 15 or more special MRE Callsigns over the period of the exercise, details of how to do this are on the alphacharlie.org.uk website.

We hope to operate with many of you on-air during the exercise, all the best from all at the Blue Ham Radio Team.





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.