

The Airscoop

Call For Instructors

ARRL is embarking on a journey of training for club officers and members. The new club development webinar series will include live Q&A, and the live sessions will be available to everyone. The webinars will be recorded and available to ARRL members through the ARRL Learning Center. We're looking for ARRL members to help us produce, create, and deliver the webinars.

The purpose of this program is to offer a series of short webinars that offer training for the skills needed to build and run a successful club. Topics will include leadership, activities, finance, and recruiting. Envisioned is a series of 10 or more webinars, all lasting from 20 to 30 minutes.

The hope is that club officers and members will view the series as an opportunity to learn from others that have been able to put those skills to use. To do this, we need the help of membership. We're looking for instructors to help with building the training. We're also looking for members that can present in a standard format and have the skills necessary to do the training. If this sounds like something that you are interested in, please contact Mike Walters, W8ZY, at mwalters@arrl.org for further details. We hope to start this series in late January 2023..



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September Meeting Minutes

MINUTES of the September 19th, 2022 MEETING

For the *Delta County Amateur Radio Society, Escanaba, MI*

President W8WLT Walt NJ9V Paul, Vice-President. K8WLT Walt, Treasurer KD8SDE, Maureen, Secretary, Monthly Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7PM by K8WLT, Walt.

Note: We continue to send our prayers to Hams, friends and family who continue battling health challenges.

We welcome two more Hams to our midst. Their info will follow in October's Minutes. Also, Lynn Hartman is also a Club Member now too!

*** SECRETARY'S REPORT, NEWSLETTER:** Last month's Meeting was held at our annual picnic and as KD8SDE was tardy, the meeting was held for one minute and then adjourned!

*** TREASURER'S REPORT:** Walt gave the Treasurer's Report, was 2nd'd by N8UPR and carried. The only item of note was that Roger was reimbursed \$30.74 for an ECOM trailer tire fixed. Walt paid our annual \$20.00 Federal ID fee of \$20.00, accompanied by any changes necessary.

● **5 YEAR PLAN:** See individual reports as we are awaiting better weather for some items.

● **EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND TRAILER REPORT:**

We will soon meet at the Ham Shack to start up generators to make sure they will run perfectly when necessary. They should be tested once per month, so we will establish a timeline for each piece of equipment. They should **ONLY RUN ON PREMIUM GAS!** Four Seasons repaired the generator needing help. There was a motion by Kd8sde to keep our oldest battery TRICKLE-charged with the use of a *modual we should purchase. Harbor Freight has them. We also still need to schedule times to get every ham up to date on how to operate and maintain the trailer and its equipment. It was suggested we leave a book in the trailer...noting key information on each piece that we could refer to. WE THANK YOU Bob, N8UPR for the fancy trailer hitch.*

● **HAMFEST Report:** ARRL approved our Fest, but we were a bit late in asking them. Next year **WE NEED TO GIVE THEM THE INFORMATION EARLIER.** We were added the their online Festivals, but later than ideally. They also approved 2 Gift Certificates. Rapid River Knives gave a knife. DXEngineering gave us 2 \$50.00 Gift Certificates. KD8SDE gave a framed poem by an anonymous author on the value of Ham Friends found and kept over the waves

DCARS Club History

Our organization began with a group of local hams getting together in 1964 for the purpose of hosting a U.P. Hamfest.

They called themselves the "Bay de Noc Radio Club" This first local Hamfest became a reality in 1965.

On September 1, 1970 the group met once again at The Northern Michigan National Bank to create a more formal club. The name chosen was "Delta County Amateur Radio Society"

ARRL affiliation was applied for and the club received its charter on February 15th 1971



AREA NETS

UP Net 3921 Khz
Daily—5pm EST
Sunday—Noon EST

Midcars 7258 Khz
Daily
8:30am-2pm

Delta County ARES Net
Sunday—7pm EST
147.150

ARES Net
Thursday—7PM
146.700 PL 110.9

and also gave a KFC Gift Certificate and several free knife sharpening certificates from her husband George. N8DP talked with ARRL and received links on reactivating our club with them. We must contact them 3 months before our Hamfest so that they can get us on their website. We need a certain number of Hams to join ARRL. More to come soon. Generally, this Fest was not the best. Attendance was down, as well as tables sold to vendors. The food was more expensive (the 2nd purchase of donuts as the 1st was not sufficient so next year we should buy an ample supply from Mr. Donut); we had an abbreviated menu and sales were not great. The economy had much to do with these problems. We sold a Club's Amp for \$200.00, but Les kept part of that for selling it. We gave the American Legion \$100.00 for the use of the building. Door prizes cost us \$200.00. Several things were suggested for a more profitable Fest next year, including: No give-away of \$200.00; Raise prices for food according to costs; buy Mr. Donut's donuts; Tables should be raised from \$5.00. Perhaps more to come.

●**TRAINING REPORT:** Next is scheduled for October 8th.

●**TELEGRAPH OFFICE REPORT:** We will make Project Nights more productive by checking and testing equipment.

*****ADDITIONAL NOTES:**

Of special note: Walt has stepped down from both board positions; President and Treasurer. We Thank him greatly for his many years of diligent work for us and the club. Walt will help the next members as they need. We have been informed that Jeremy Reese cannot remain our Newsletter Editor. Thank you for your service too, Jeremy.

Members Present: K8WLT, NJ9V, W9SGD, N8DP, KD8SDE, N8UPR, KD8KKN, N0Our, KB8PLR.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Walt and 2nd'd by Roger. Carried.

Program of tonight: N8DP will give a presentation on how to create an ardrino project!

The Lake Superior Rally will be held on October 14 and 15.

Respectfully submitted by KD8SDE. 73.

October Meeting Minutes

MINUTES of the October 17th , 2022 MEETING

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Meeting called to order at 7PM by K8WLT, Walt.

Note: We continue to send our prayers to Hams, friends and family who continue battling health challenges. A get well card was sent to Les at St. Francis and another after at his home.

* SECRETARY'S REPORT, NEWSLETTER: Bob motioned to accept; Walt 2nd'd. Carried.

* TREASURER'S REPORT: Walt gave the report, N8DP motioned to accept; Roger 2nd'd. Carried.

•5 YEAR PLAN: See individual reports as we are awaiting better weather for some items.

•EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND TRAILER REPORT: UPDATE: The generators were started up, oil added, repair by 4Seasons on one; gas corrected. Maureen will purchase and donate a trickle charger for the oldest generator. As a reminder: THE LAKE SUPERIOR RALLY WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 14th and 15th. Roger reports that it went well. They used the outside antennas. We must check the cables on the mast. There is no connection on the green cable. There are no shorts. Maybe tighten to fix? NOTE: A deer ran into the trailer as Roger was traveling! As we have NO Insurance on it. N8DP motioned to have it investigated and authorized a fix for a maximum of \$500. Roger stated the Rally will help too. N8UPR 2nd'd the motion; it carried.

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profitable Fest next year, including: No give-away of \$200.00; Raise prices for food according to costs; buy Mr. Donut's donuts; Tables should be raised from \$5.00). SUGGESTIONS: Thumb drive with all info on it...Halfrish did some written in trailer previously...there is a source in the back of the trailer for the generator. More discussion to follow:: Gas source HAS to be Higher than the generator. The gas line needs to be fixed on the Yamaha. See "We are in need" below.

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•**TRAINING REPORT:** October 8th was last scheduled. Outcome?

•**TELEGRAPH OFFICE REPORT:** We will make Project Nights more productive by checking and testing equipment. Maureen will decorate for Christmas In the Village, as usual.

•**NEW BUSINESS:** The TURKEY TROT is coming up...an annual event that we contribute to. It is on Thanksgiving Day, early, at Gladstone. The walkers start at 8:45AM and the runners at 9AM. The route HAS CHANGED to the KIDS KINGDOM area. There should be 6 to 8 volunteers for our part. For us, it is quickly finished after only 1 ½ to 2 hours.

•**We are in need of a NEW Hamfest location.** Bob P has volunteered to call around to see what might be available. Several areas were mentioned, but some wouldn't work. We need the space, including a kitchen, and a two rooms for Meetings, from 9AM til 3PM. Any ideas are welcome. We must secure a location in plenty of time to send out invitations via Posters. Can you help?

•**NOTICE TO ALL:** Our Christmas Party/Dinner will be at The Family Inn at 5PM on Monday the 19th of December. We will hold Election of Officers and you may pay your Memberships for 2023. Dinner is always good and there is much Holiday Cheer! It's a great time to meet the wives & husbands of all who attend. Hope to see you-all there!

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Members Present: K8WLT, W9SGD, KC8ZDY, K2PM, N8DP, KD8KKN, KD8SDE, KA8RPB, N8XAH, KB8PLR, N0OUR, N8UPR, W9NBC.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS submitted by KD8KKN and was 2nd'd by N8UPR. The motion carried.

Program of tonight: N8DP shared his information and thoughts on his recent Dayton Hamfest. It is a HUGE Fest with all kinds of things going on. The Door Prizes are GREAT as the Club is huge. Other draws are the FORUMS you can attend. Very comfortable and informative. The Fest is Inside as well as Outside. Bring your track shoes! It's a 401C nonprofit so they must give away all the extra money they collect during each year, which makes them able to put on such an Event every year...and give super gifts. He encouraged each Ham to consider going some year. It will AMAZE you!

Respectfully submitted by KD8SDE. 73.

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Newsletter Editor
Jeremy Reese

2022 Club Meetings

Oct 17—Club Meeting

Nov 21—Club Meeting

Dec 19—Club Meeting

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Gladstone
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Kingsford
Mark Lewis N8UKD

- Bring a photo ID if available, otherwise two forms of identification will be required.
- Test session fees are \$15. Please bring the exact amount or a check.
- Bring your actual license or C.S.C.E. and a photocopy to be sent in for element credit.

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