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# The Airscoop

#### K8PL

#### From the Editor

We had a wet Saturday and a nice Sunday for Field Day this year. We had 3 stations 2 CW stations and one GOTA station. Here is the final scoring

Total Qso's

300 CW & 44 GOTA Phone

 $300 \times 2 = 600 + 44$  Times 2 Multiplier for CW

644 x 2 = 1288 Points Times 2 Multiplier for Wattage Used

Bonus Points = 1070 Total Score = 2358

We wish to thank The Salvation Army for the use of their mobile canteen vehicle. We wish to thank all the people who participated in this year's Field Day exercise.

Two big events for the club coming up include the Hamfest on Aug 3, and the UP State Fair.









### Secretary Report

MINUTES of the DELTA COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Located in Escanaba, Michigan at State Wide Realty or Ham ShackTelegraph Office, at the U.P. Fairgrounds in Escanaba.

June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Dave, N8DP, our President called the Meeting to order at 7PM.

The <u>Secretary's Minutes</u> were not accepted nor passed as they were late on arrival this month, due to an internet connectivity problem.

The Treasurer's Report had the same fate.

Welcome ham, Joe Smith, KW8JOE, of Cooks, MI.!

In <u>Correspondence</u>, a letter was received regarding YOUTH

#### IN HAM RADIO. The subject was discussed in relation to

<u>HAMFEST</u>. More information can be found at <u>Youth HAM Radio Program</u>. This program is designed to inspire and engage young enthusiasts, the NEXT GENERATION. Ferris Wang, Client Manager

of Talkpod Technology Co., Ltd., (<a href="www.talkpod.com">www.talkpod.com</a> and ferris @ <a href="talkpod.com">talkpod.com</a>), Ferris has offered their Talkpod A36plus MAX radios either for prizes for participants or for demonstration purposes.

These radios are known for their reliability and ease of use, making them ideal for amateur radio users of all levels. You can find more information about the A36plus MAX here: Talkpod A36plus MAX.

Regarding our proposed partnership, Talkpod proposes donating these radios and also providing customized apparel such as t-shirts and hats

to promote the event and increase visibility for both the U.P. HAMFEST and Talkpod. They are eager to discuss how they can make our

partnership as effective and beneficial as possible.

Much was discussed on our upcoming FIELD DAY. It will be held again at Aronson Island. It is a beautiful spot to hold the event and the weather is usually awesome! There are several ways we can, as a Club, earn extra points. One way is to have our Sheriff (Ed Olsen) stop by, and Bob N8UPR offered to ask him to attend. Mark, N8XAH, has done some work on the Ecom Trailer, including installing a new tongue trap on it. He will attach notices on each of our

GENERATORS, that inform users that ONLY Premium Gas should be utilized as we have had repair charges for non-Premium gas use.

K8WLT, Walt, noted his concern that he has not received Table Requests for <u>HAMFEST</u>, in the usual number. Also, he noted a lack of Door Prizes, as in the past. Comet and MFJ have sent a few items, but with MFJ going out of business, they have not sent any catalogs. DX Engineering will send 2 Gift Certificates to be received in July. N3FJP will send their Logging Program.

Eileen, WA8DHB has been regularly advertising Hamfest on the Net she has been hosting for many a year. Thank you, Eileen!

The MARQUETTE Ham Club has ceased their Hamfest, as it too has noted a lack of interest in hosting it...for whatever reason. Perhaps the high cost of everying, gas included. N8DP, Dave, suggested perhaps we get with 4 other Clubs and host ONE every 3 or 4 years, as a possibility. Perhaps we will send Fliers to all 30 U.P. Clubs and see what happens. Les?

Walt, K8WLT brought to our attention, a gal named Bobbie, in Rapid River, who has a FOOD WAGON. The BRISKET BARN? He noted that since our poor \$ results with offering food at our HAMFESTS, we might do better (with less work too), to pay her to come with her Wagon instead.

Most everyone liked that idea and Walt will contact her soon. Walt also had a phone call from Debbie Farley. Her late husband, now a Silent Key, left much

equipment and she would like to sell it. Unfortunately, she has not re-contacted us, so we have no way of contacting her. Great if she would attend our HAMFEST.

She MAY be located in the Iron Mountain area.

Regarding Gladstone's <u>FIRECRACKER RUN</u> on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July: We still need 2 Hams to cover the Event. Anyone?

Roger, KB8PLR, noted that the Recent <u>RALLY</u> went very well. 19 Hams signed up. 19 Cars were involved in it. AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup> is the next scheduled. They utilized the Iron Mountain Repeater, and all went very well with it.

LES, WA8LE, brought to our attention, that every THURSDAY AND Monday nights at the FAIRGROUND, is OPEN for the Public. Les is there at the Shack, but it might

be good for some other Hams to visit too. ALSO, the <u>Ice Cream Shop</u> has new Management: The Rapid River Dairy Flow!

Bob, N8UPR sang praises for Cross Band Repeater work. Try it!

During FIELD DAY RADIO WORK: Say 3AMI and then your Call Sign???

Members present: N8DP, N8UPR, NJ9V, WA8LE & Grandson, Aden, KB8PLR, K2PM,

KD8SDE, W8KEW, KE8YFF, K8WLT, KD8KKN, W9SGD, N8XAH, KE8YER, KW8JOE

# Respectfully submitted,

Maureen, KD8SDE

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## Website

I encourage you to check out our website <a href="www.k8pl.org">www.k8pl.org</a> for updated information. You can also check out our facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/dcars.k8pl">https://www.facebook.com/groups/dcars.k8pl</a> for updates on current events. I will be working to develop a google chat account where people can post information and chat with other members.

# **Coming Events**

DCARS Calendar



**Swap Meets**