

SPURIOUS EMISSION

ORLEANS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (OCARC)

14064 West County House Road Albion, New York 14411

OCARC Newsletter July 2013

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Meeting Time

The Orleans County Amateur Radio Club (OCARC) meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Orleans County Emergency Management Office at 14064 West County House Road in Albion, New York except in September when we have a dinner meeting. The next meeting will be July 8, 2013 at the EMO office.

Refreshments are (food) Marion KA2BCE and (drink) Dick KA2BCF.

Club Officers

President: Terry Cook K2EYS

Vice President: Chuck Lind N8CL

Secy: Steve Licht WF2S

Treas: Wayne King N2WK

Dir: Bruce Sidari WA2TMC

Net Mgr: Marion Toussaint KA2BCE

Contest Mgr: Wayne King N2WK

Programs: Bruce Sidari WA2TMC

ORLEANS CO. AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 2-METER NET

WA2DQL repeater 144.67 MHz in/145.27 MHz out with a tone of 141.3. Every Tuesday night at 9:00PM

We will be calling for officers first then anyone else that wishes to join in.

We also have a simplex net once a month on the Third Monday at 9:00PM on 145.270.

Upcoming net control stations are:

Jul 2	KA2BCF	Dick
Jul 9	K2EYS	Terry
Jul 15	KA2BCE simplex	Marion
Jul 16	WA2TMC	Bruce
Jul 23	KA2BCE	Marion
Jul 30	KA2BCF	Dick
Aug 6	K2EYS	Terry

OTHER 2-METER NETS

2 Meter Sideband Net 144.260 USB 9:00 Mondays

Lara (Lockport Amateur Radio Club)

Sunday 8 p. m. 146.820

Swapnet after regular net Sept- May

From The Desk of The Pres

June is now past us and Field Day is over for another year. The years just go by way to fast. I would like to thank Mike WZ2MM for doing a outstanding job of being the Chairman for this years Field Day. I would also like to thank everybody for helping set up and tear down .

With out all of your help it would not have been the success it was.

The Bands were bad but we got thought and did a fine job. Any suggestions would be welcome for next years event.

It is election time and we need some new officers. Steve KZ2R and Mike WZ2MM are the nominating committee so if anybody would like to run for office let them know. Please step up and go for it.

Hopefully July will be better for outdoor operating so lets get out and operate from the picnic table in a part or something. Don't forget The 13 Colonies Special Event from July 1 to the 6th and the Hamfest in Alexander on July 20.

Terry K2EYS

ORLEANS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Minutes of June 10, 2013

7:30 pm Meeting opened by President, K2EYS, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 21 members and 2 guests signed in.

Secretary's Report: Posted online and in the Newsletter. Approved minutes for MAY meeting

Treasurer's Report: reported \$xxxx.xx in checking account. A \$300 check is outstanding. Referred to Audit Committee

Bills: A memorial to Hospice was approved in the amount of \$50 each for Mason Cox and John Maha

Contesting: N2WK absent

Special Event Station: 8/23 5-8 pm, 8/24 10a-8p, 8/25 10a-4p. One hour time slots for operator sign up. You may operate from the Lockport Museum or home. Plans are for a G5RV and Buddipole . The call W2W has been requested- no reply yet. To commemorate the 'Flight of the Five' Erie Canal Locks. Dan is making QSLs and K2EYS will have QSL info sheets made up.

Review of ABC Award criteria by the Secretary

WA2DQL is registered with the BSA for JOTA participation per KD2CKS
LIGHTHOUSE EVENT @ Point Breeze 8/17-18. Publicity by Lighthouse Assn.

New Business: Club Picnic on Sat. , August 10 at Glenwood Lake, Medina. Must carry out all trash.

Projects: K2EDW antenna project complete. See pix on web site. Crew was onsite until 10pm

Rochester Hamfest this Saturday, then @ 2PM K2EDW invites all to his home and meet visiting ham friends.

Shirley Cataldi donated several antenna to be part of tonight's raffle prizes.

WZ2MM and FIELD DAY: Sign up sheets are circulation for 6/22-23. Set up antennas on 6/21 (Help needed)
NO G5RV, we have a 160 dipole. 2 HF, 1 VHF, and a GOTA station will be in operation. The EOC Barn will be our social area. Food is covered with N8CL handling Sunday breakfast per the Chairman.

WA2TMC spoke on the T-Match of a Cushcraft Yagi

Adjournment: motion approved to adjourn for refreshments and the 50/50 raffle .

Steve Licht, WF2S
Secretary

Batavia Hamfest Saturday - July 20, 2013

Alexander Firemen Grounds

\$5.00 admission and free tailgating

.Outdoor Flea Market - Same venue as prior years Buy / Sell - VE Exam - Ham radio vendors - and electronic equipment

INDIA TO END USE OF TELEGRAM

144 years after Samuel Morse sent the first telegram in Washington, the world's final telegram will be sent in India on July 14, 2013.

Telegraph services ended in the United States seven years ago, but in India, the century-and-a-half old communication medium is still widely used to send messages. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), India's state-owned telecom company, recently printed a message reads, "GRANDMOTHER SERIOUS. 15 DAYS LEAVE EXTENSION," according to the [Christian Science Monitor](#).

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Approximately 5,000 messages are sent every day by telegram in India, a service favored for its "sense of urgency and authenticity," a BSNL official told the Monitor.

Once the world's fastest form of communication, telegrams can no longer compete with text messaging and smartphones, however.

"We were incurring losses of over \$23 million a year because SMS and smartphones have rendered this service redundant," said Shamim Akhtar, general manager of BSNL's telegraph services. The agency did not say what the contents of the final message would be.

The telegram industry was not always so bleak; at its peak in 1985, 60 million telegrams were exchanged across 45,000 offices. Today, only 75 offices exist, employing 998 people, down from 12,500 telegram employees in better years.

The telegram has also played a large cultural role in India, where they were first introduced by British doctor William O'Shaughnessy in 1850.

Referred to as "taar" or wire, telegrams are used as plot twists in many Bollywood films, often bringing news of a death in the family.

Telegrams were also key in aiding the British to defeat a revolt in 1857 and were used by Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru to inform England of Pakistan's invasion of Kashmir.

The Indian government is the primary user of telegrams, making up 65 percent of the market. However, the remaining 35 percent of users are the general public who sometimes use the service to send secret messages between eloping couples trying to escape their parents disapproval of their union.

One man was so upset over the telegrams' expiration date that he threatened a Gandhian fast. "I am a regular user of the telegram and it is an important tool for activists," he explained.

Despite this man's protests, the final telegram will be sent somewhere in India this summer.

Full stop.

Read more: <http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2013/06/17/telegrams-no-more-stop-india-to-send-final-message-in-july/#ixzz2WV3Zum8n>

CW WILL LIVE ON THROUGH AMATEUR RADIO AROUND THE WORLD

FROM THE EDITOR
KZ2R

Well, "Field Day 2013" has come and gone. Congratulations to WZ2MM, Mike, for a job well done. Thank you to everyone who participated. I sure did have fun. I made more contacts this year than ever before. And guess what, most of it was on CW. Who would of thought.

For now, take the opportunity to rest up a bit for our busiest month coming up, August. We have our Annual picnic coming up, the lighthouse weekend as well as our special event station, all in August. Please give the chairmen of these events all the support that you can.

Personally I am still chasing DX. I got "Mali" on CW the other morning. I now have 158 confirmed entities. It going slower getting new entities, but I still get excited when I see that a contact has confirmed through ARRL's LOTW. I guess I better get some QSL cards made up so I can send them to contacts who don't use LOTW.

N2WK, Wayne, introduced me to 6 meter AURORA the other night. That is the first time I have heard it. It was on CW to boot. Sure is weird to hear muffled code with NO tone. Also, everyone points their antennas in the same direction, North. I didn't make any contacts with anyone during this, you have to be REAL quick and a GOOD CW operator. No computer program to decode this opening. Maybe next time.

I'm looking forward to the RTTY contest season starting up in full swing. I haven't done much with RTTY since the January RTTY Roundup. I'm also looking forward to trying my hand at a CW contest. Who knows, maybe I'll pick a few more DX entities.

As always I'm looking for articles for the newsletter. Let us know what you have been up to. Please submit then to me via e-mail at kz2r@rochester.rr.com . It makes it much easier to just cut and paste an article rather than have to retype it.

73 and good DX de KZ2R
Steve

