

SPURIOUS EMISSION

ORLEANS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (OCARC)

14064 West County House Road Albion, New York 14411
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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 on June 8, 2015 at 7:30 PM. Refreshments will be provided by KD2SJM, Scott food and NR2C, Chuck drink.

Club Officers

President: Chuck Baker NR2C
Vice President: Terry Cook K2EYS
Secy: Steve Maier KZ2R
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: If you cannot make your schedule time please let Marion know!

June 2	Ray	N2VDR
June 9	Terry	K2EYS
June 15 _{simplex}	Marion	KA2BCE
June 16	Bruce	WA2TMC
June 23	Terry	K2EYS
June 30	Ray	N2VDR

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 Editor

Well, another hamvention weekend has come and gone. It was a GREAT weekend for all that attended. There were a few rain showers with completely overcast skys all weekend. I don't think anyone minded though. I believe the OCARC was well represented with at least 9 members attending along with several other ham friends sharing our enthusiasm. Hamvention for next year will be May 20-22, 2016 with the "Four-Days-In-May" starting the day before. You can find out more information at <http://hamvention.org>. As usual I spent way too much money. Oh well, I kept finding things that I just couldn't live without. If you are planning on going next year, remember to make your own room reservations. Check with Terry, K2EYS for the information of where the most of our club will be staying.

This past weekend I participated in only my second CW contest. It was a GREAT time. I only worked 11 1/2 hrs. so it was a leisurely effort on my part. It was a lot of fun and very easy to participate. I just used the logging software "WriteLog" along with "CwGet" and all went well. I just found that CwGet was easier to tune in the signals. I made 263 contacts and a little over 151,000 points. Nothing to write home about but it's all about having fun.

The main reason for participating in this contest was to try and make some new country contacts and hopefully a couple of confirmations. But sadly, no new ones as of yet. I'm up to 271 entities worked and 244 confirmed. It sure is getting hard to work those elusive ones.

73 & GOOD DX
de KZ2R

ORLEANS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2015

The meeting was called to order by president Chuck Baker, NR2C, at 7:41 PM. He led the club in the pledge to the flag.

A motion was made by Terry, K2EYS and seconded by Ray, N2VDR to accept the minutes as published in the last newsletter. It was passed.

There was no treasury report at this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

The OCARC annual picnic is scheduled for August 8th at the same place it was the last couple of years, the boat launch and picnic area at Glenwood Lake in Medina. For those not familiar, this is located on the East side of Route 63 just North of Boxwood Cemetery. Bruce, WA2TMC will work on another FOX HUNT (transmitter finding) event for the picnic. This was a lot of fun last year.

The annual International Lighthouse weekend is August 15-16. Our OCARC will be participating from the lighthouse at Point Breeze with Terry, K2EYS being the chairperson.

Checking into our status as an affiliated club of the ARRL is being checked on by Terry, K2EYS. If our current affiliation has lapsed, Terry will look into what is required to reinstate our club.

Field Day exercise is on June 27-28 and will happen for OCARC without an official chairperson but with a lot of people volunteering to take on various tasks. Signup sheets will be available at next month's meeting. People already committed are Bruce, WA2TMC will be in charge of bonus points, Steve, KZ2R will take care of computer networking, and Terry, K2EYS will be in charge of antennas. We need operators during the event. If you sign up for a time slot, you will be working during that time. Walk-ins will be allowed to operate during any open time slot or if a person already signed up for some reason can't make it.

NEW BUSINESS: There was NO new business discussed at this meeting.

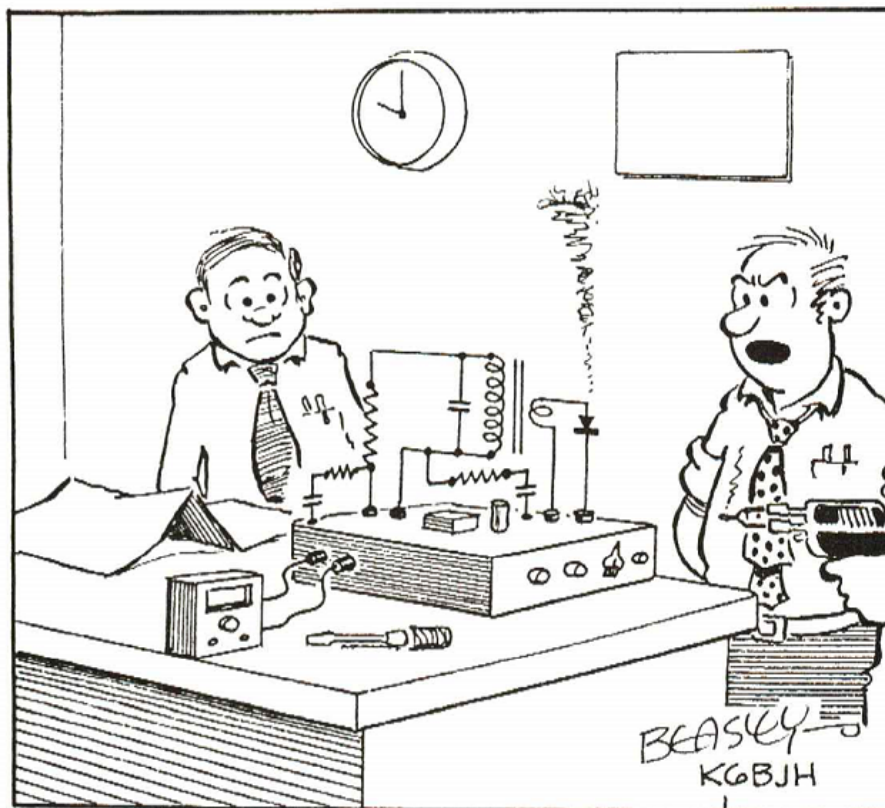
A motion was made by Bruce, WA2TMC and seconded by Chuck, N8CL to adjourn the meeting. It was passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve, KZ2R Secretary

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND OR START THINKING ABOUT

1. Annual picnic on August 8th. This is always a great time.
2. Annual International Lighthouse weekend, August 15-16. This is a great place to try out operating radio, especially in a remote setting. Get in touch with Terry, K2EYS for more information.
3. Field day is on June 27-28. This exercise is all about practicing emergency preparedness with radio communications. We are having a lower keyed event this year. To our OCARC, it is more about having fun than being terribly serious of the competition aspect. PLEASE sign up for operating time slots. Anyone who signs up MUST be able to operate during their allotted time. This has been a complaint in the past. When people who signed up arrived to operate, someone else was there and therefore they were unable to operate for their scheduled time. Please sign-up and be courteous to others who have done the same. We ALWAYS need late night operators.
4. A nominating committee for club officers will be appointed soon. Please think about running for an office.
5. Our annual election dinner meeting is coming up in September.
6. I have been your newsletter editor for over 4 years. I need a rest. I really need for someone else to take this position, starting right after this year's September dinner meeting.



BOY, THOSE GUYS SURE ARE DUMB--I FOLLOWED THEIR SCHEMATIC TO THE LETTER; IT DON'T WORK?