

Air Scoop monthly

Newsletter of The Delta County Amateur Radio Society

March 2006

February 20th 2006

Welcome to The Delta County Amateur Radio Society, monthly meeting this 3rd Monday of the month. Our meeting is held monthly at 7 P.M., at Bay-De-Noc, Community College, Room #963. Located in the glassed in area at the Joseph Heirman University Center. Park in the South Lot off Danforth Road. Just watch for antennas on vehicles.

President – Dave Palmgren N8DP

Dave Palmgren – N8DP opened our meeting at 7 P.M. Dave welcomed all members and everyone attending.

Treasurers Report

Rich Thompson our new Treasurer for 2006 gave our treasurers report. It was moved and seconded for this report. No bills needed to be paid in the past month. All bills are paid to date.

Secretary's Report

Any and all correspondence will be read and added to this newsletter if necessary. The secretary's report will be waived during monthly meetings for 2006. This motion was waived and seconded. Make sure you address any correspondence to: Joe Thompson, Secretary – DCARS or the Delta County Amateur Radio Society Inc.

Technician Classes start at Bay College

Classes started at the college with 6 new prospective hams. Dave Palmgren, N8DP

Is the instructor, along with Richard Thompson, N8OYR. The clubs new CD program for Tech's is being used as a study guide with Dave furnishing additional quiz information during the 2-hour nightly course and discussions follow. Anyone and everyone are welcome to come and join in for a refresher as well as you might as well bring a friend along. Meetings are: Wednesday, Thursdays 7:PM at Bay College, in the Math Building..Entry from the West Lot, walk to the glassed in Hallway going East, enter, turn left down the hall through the door and just around the corner to Room 921.

Additional Notes:

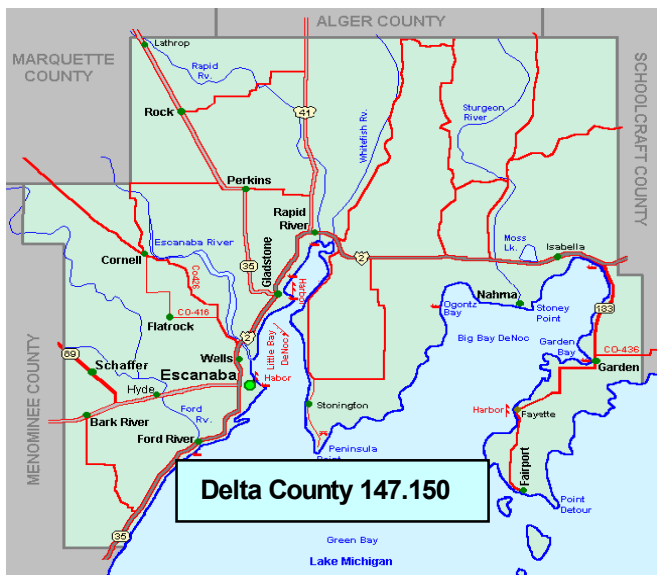
Information regarding the hamFest and suggestions were tabled until the next meeting. Prices will be decided and voted on for tables And entry fees. Discussions - if we should decide to give any free tables to vendors this year? Please come and voice your opinion at the meeting. Let John know if you will be available, if you can help set up and take down equipment and tables during, before and after the hamFest.

Ticket takers are needed for door prizes, and 50/50 drawings. Your help is also needed to secure additional door prizes....

FIELD DAY – 2006

This year will be held at the Escanaba State Fair Grounds like last year, do to the closeness of outside activities that might help in having more people attend our function over this weekend. Additional antenna's will be added or made before our event takes place.

Congratulations are in order to: N8VBA who has completed his homework (passed his test) for his extra class license. Nice work Marshall.



At this time, the name, DCARS or “Delta County Amateur Radio Society” was chosen.

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL MAIL CORRESPONDANCE TO:

DCARS
 RICHARD THOMPSON
 9560 CHAISON N. ROAD,
 GLADSTONE, MI 49837.

INDIVIDUAL EMAIL CAN BE SENT TO OUR CLUB OFFICERS OR MEMBERS.

PLEASE NOTIFY ONE OF OUR CLUB OFFICERS OR THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR FOR ANY E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGES.
THANK YOU.



DCARS – WWW.DCARS.ORG
 Joe Thompson – Webmaster

LOCAL REPEATERS

147.150 + FM
 145.130 - FM
 APRS DIGI 144.390

2006 DCARS - OFFICERS

President - Dave Palmgren – N8DP
 V. President - Tony Marietta – KC8NUR
 Treasurer - Rich Thompson – N8OYR
 Secretary - Joe Thompson – W8JRT
 Newsletter Editor - Les Elder – WA8LE
 Club Librarian - Tony Marietta - KC8NUR
 HamFest Chairman – John Anderson
 WD8RTH

R Remember our club officers are here to help you, please give them a call

Presidents Message

I recently returned from a vacation in the Caribbean where I had a great time. While on Saint Marten Island, I had the pleasure of meeting PJ7VP - David Van Putten. I was

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DCARS – CLUB HISTORY

Our Organization, once called – “Bay-De-Noc Radio Club” was formed for the purpose of having an Upper Peninsula Wide, Ham-fest in 1964. This first Ham-fest for Escanaba became a reality in 1965.

On September 1st 1970, Local “Ham” members met at

The Northern Michigan National Bank and decided to affiliate with the ARRL, received its Charter on February 15, 1971.

walking by his house and admiring his tri-band beam mounted on a telescoping tower, when he stepped out of his house to say hello. Well he invited me inside and we had a great eyeball QSO. I found David to be a wonderful host and learned a little what it's like to be a ham in a fairly rare DX country.

We chatted for about an hour when he had to leave for a funeral for a friend of his. I've been thinking what a wonderful hobby we have where I can travel thousands of miles and develop an instant friendship with a complete stranger. 73's Dave

APRIL TESTING FOR PROSPECTIVE HAMS

04 / 08 Escanaba: 9:00 am arrival time with testing beginning at 9:30 am, at Bay De Noc Community College. Contact Dave or Les or any club officer for directions. All walk-ins are welcome. Park South side of Bay College in parking lot next to Glassed in Building. Also you can call, leave message if not here for more information. Wa8le Les at 906-789-1543 is your contact person. We have complete headphone sets to help in copying CW transmission testing for International Morse Code. (5) W.P.M. for the General Test session or you can also practice you code. Les Elder's email is: wa8le@uplogon.com

04 / 08 Houghton: 8:30 AM Eastern Time, Room G04 (In the basement) of Wadsworth Residence Hall at M-T-U (Michigan Technological University) Parking available (Free) across Hwy U.S. 41 from this building, contact person is George Thurner W8fwg at 906-337-2542 or email: w8fwg@arrl.net

ARRIVAL AND TOOLS TO BRING ALONG
Please arrive one-half hour early for test sessions to give time to process applications. Testing applicants should bring the following items with them: Two pieces of I.D. one being a photo I.D., Original license and one clear copy of their license if applicable, Completed form 605 (one will be provided if you don't have one), pencils, calculator and the test fee of \$14.00. Please have the correct fee as **D.C.A.R.S.**

examiners do not carry change. **(TEST FEE UNCHANGED FOR 2006)**

DONT FORGET TO MAKE THIS DX CONTACT WITH THE GROUP

MJ - JERSEY- Pete, K8PT & Craig, K3PLV will be taking, what has become their annual dx-expedition to the Channel Islands and will be operating from the Island of Jersey (EU-013) from March 8th-15th. This year Tom, W8JWN & Jim, N1NK will accompany them allowing for two stations to operate 24 hours per day with a third station as needed.

Operations will cover 6-160 meters (SSB, CW, RTTY & PSK) with an emphasis on the low bands. Please refer to: <http://users.adelphia.net/~crahill/> that is presently under construction, for further information. QSL via home

CLUB REMINDER NOTES FOR NEXT MEETING ON FEBRUARY 20TH

Please be sure and bring your Decals to the meeting. We will discuss and vote and a club decal for the club. Bring a copy of disk so we can see what you have to offer.

Discussion of Club patches for jackets etc.

List of members that will participate in our U.P. HamFest at Bay College on Aug. 5th

FCC Directs Manassas BPL System to Act Following Ham's Interference Complaint
(Mar 9, 2006) -- Responding to a radio amateur's interference complaint, the FCC has directed the City of Manassas, Virginia, and its BPL system operator COMTek to conduct measurements to ensure its system complies with FCC Part 15 rules. The Commission also instructed the city to "resolve any continuing harmful interference." FCC Spectrum Enforcement Division Chief Joseph P. Casey on March 7 called on the city and COMTek to follow up on a complaint filed January 19 by ARRL member Dwight Agnew. [Full Story](#)
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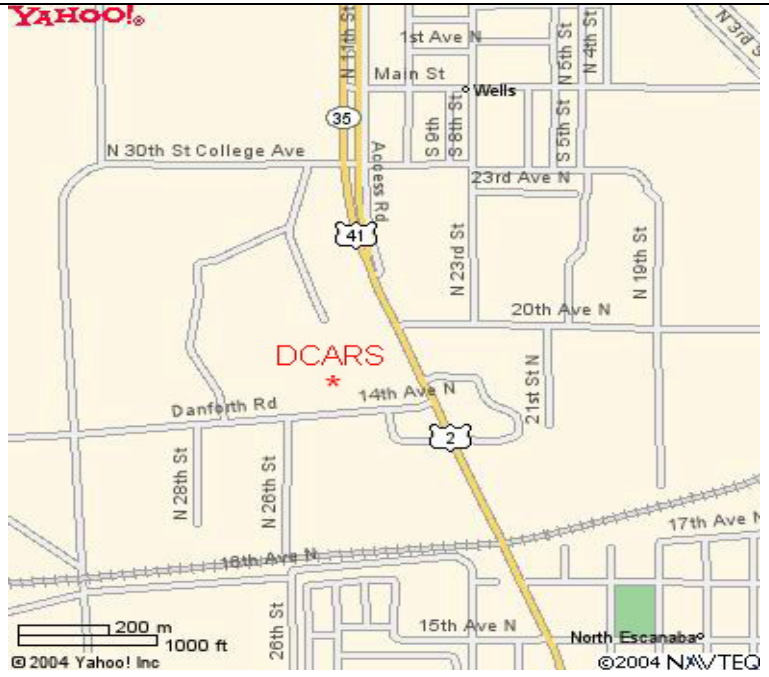


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Annual Membership dues have been reduced to \$15 per year.

Associate Memberships are available to those living outside Delta County for \$10 per year.

Dues are January 1st – December 31st annually....Pro-rates during the year are not accepted unless you also pay in advance for the next years dues. You may also contribute to different on-going projects, the 147,150 repeater maintenance fund, or tower fund. (We are looking to increase the height of the 147.150 repeater.



From US – 2 & 41 Turn West on to Danforth Road, Travel one block and Turn Right into Lot D

