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## Newsletter of the Holland Amateur Radio Club January 2011



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### General Meetings

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month  
at 7:00 pm  
Ottawa County Red Cross  
270 James Street  
Holland, Michigan 49424

Date	Presentation
January 10, 2011 .....	West Michigan Search and Rescue
February 14, 2011.....	CANCELLED – VALENTINE'S DAY
March 14, 2011.....	
April 11, 2011.....	Tulip Time Preparations
May 9, 2011.....	
June 13, 2011.....	Field Day Preparations
July 11, 2011.....	
August 8, 2011.....	
September 12, 2011.....	
October 10, 2011.....	
November 14, 2011.....	Annual Banquet
December 12, 2011.....	Year-end business and elections

**Local Repeaters*****Holland ARC******HARC*****147.060 MHz K8DAA**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

HARC Net every Monday 7:30 pm

OCEC Net 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 7:00 pm**443.825 MHz K8DAA**

+5.0MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

IRLP Node 4373

**146.500 MHz K8DAA**

+1.0 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

***North Ottawa ARC******NOARC*****145.490 MHz W8CSO**

-0.6 MHz offset

Grand Haven 94.8Hz PL

Grand Rapids 91.5Hz PL

Net every Tuesday 7:00pm

***Allegan County ARC******ACARC*****147.240 MHz AC8RC**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

***Independent Repeater******Association******IRA*****147.160 MHz W8HVG**

+0.6 MHz offset

Grand Rapids 94.8Hz PL

Holland 118.8 Hz PL

Michigan Traffic Net 9:00pm

Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
& Sunday**Local Simplex*****National*****146.520 MHz*****OCEC*****147.520 MHz*****HARC*****146.430 MHz****Megan's Message and Musings**

The New Year is up and running and off to a great start! Our year started at the stroke of midnight when our son Evan tied the knot with Ashlee, so within the first few minutes of 1/1/11, we gained a daughter in law! Now we also had to get ready for our daughter to start back to college, deal with changes in the weather, take care of the ever growing honey-do list and those dreaded New Years Resolutions!

Which got me to thinking, what New Year Resolutions do you have in regards to using your amateur radio license?

Are you going to upgrade your license? Are you going to participate in a net? Are you going to help with any events? Are you going to attend some of our classes? Are you going to attend any hamfests?

I am asking that each one of you try to donate your time and talents. Try to give at least one hour of your time and share your hobby with others. Run a Net. Help with a VE testing session. Bring treats to a meeting. Co-Chair an event. Help the Red Cross. Become Skywarn Trained. In short, Participate !!!

Many of our members put in many hours behind the scenes so that our meetings run smoothly, your tummies are tickled with treats, the room is set up and torn down. Also, calendars must be filled in, contact lists need to be distributed, presenters lined up, classes taught, directories made, websites run, newsletters written.

Then there are the weekly nets and community events that need our participation. The lists can go on and on, but how do you fit in? We need your help, your knowledge, and your time.

Please make it a New Years Resolution to become more involved!

Megan Heyl WO0MEG  
President

**SKYWARN Nets**

**Ottawa County – South**  
**147.060 MHz K8DAA**  
 +0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Ottawa County – North**  
**145.490 MHz W8CSO**  
 -0.6 MHz offset  
 Grand Haven 94.8Hz PL  
 Grand Rapids 91.5Hz PL

**Note: Ottawa County north and south repeaters are linked for SKYWARN nets**

**Allegan County**  
**147.240 MHz AC8RC**  
 +0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Kent County**  
**147.260 MHz W8DC**  
 +0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Muskegon County**  
**146.820 MHz**  
 -0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Michigan Hamfests**

Details available from  
[www.arrl.org/hamfests.html](http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html)

- Jan 16 Hazel Park**
- Feb 12 Cherryland**
- Feb 20 Livonia**
- Mar 19 Marshall**
- April 02 Lowell**
- Apr 16 Milford**
- May 07 Cadillac**

**Ham of the Year**

Holland Amateur Radio Club is pleased to announce that our Ham of the Year award for 2010 goes to our Great Lakeshore Swap co-chairmen Jeff VerHage KB8QAP and Ike DeWitt K8EMU. Congratulations!

**Meet, Greet and Eat**

Times and places to meet for food and refreshment



**Donuts at Donutville**

Each Wednesday at 2:30pm, Donutville - 676 Michigan Avenue in Holland.

**"HAM is for Breakfast"**

Last Saturday of each month at 9:00am. Southside Inn - 192 West 35th Street in Holland (just east of Washington Avenue) in the back room. Members, spouses, friends, family, and anyone else interested in amateur radio, or food, are welcome.

**Public Service Opportunities**

Please contact each event's coordinator for more information.



**Tulip Time -  
 Parade Routes**  
 May 11, 11 & 14,  
 2011  
 Jim Miller W8JRM  
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**West Michigan Bike MS**  
 June 11-12, 2010  
 Jim Heyl N8QMD  
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 Fredric Moses W8FSM  
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**Tulip Time -  
 Parade Line-Up**  
 May 14, 2011  
 Jason McKay  
 KC8OVS  
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**Parade of Lights**  
 November 2011  
 Ivan DeWitt, K8EMU  
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## Training

Just wanted to let everyone know that OCEC (Ottawa County Emergency Communications) will offer training in January and February that will be open to all hams in the area.

January 13th: Joseph Bell from Kent co. will refresh us on our NTS Training (National Traffic System). This is something that we should be familiar with. This training will be put in to your Training Record if you are an OCEC member.

February 10th: Joe Kannucan will provide a class on Utility Line Identification. This class will refresh our awareness and understanding of issues we face during storm spotting or any time you may encounter downed power or other utility lines.

Both of these classes will be held in the EOC training room, which is in the lower level of the Fillmore St. Complex at 12220 Fillmore Street in West Olive, Michigan. These classes are available to all local hams.

If you have any questions please email me at [ocecdcc@gmail.com](mailto:ocecdcc@gmail.com)

Thanks, Jason MacKay  
Deputy Emergency Coordinator  
Ottawa County Emergency Communications

## Support Your Club

By now you may have attended our club meeting at our new location, and found that we offer informative and interesting guest speakers, as well as delicious snacks and your fill of coffee.

Last year we welcomed our largest number of participants to Field Day. Our club is recognized as an ARRL Special Service Club for its continuing efforts that offer education opportunities and communications services to serve our community! At almost any time of day you may hear conversations on our 147.060 Repeater, and its wide coverage area allows it to play a vital role in Skywarn Nets.

Your contribution of \$20 a year (effectively \$1.67 a month) helps us to keep the repeater working, the coffee perking, and the presentations provided. It also pays corporation fees, liability insurance, Field Day food, and other operating expenses.

Whether you are renewing, adding family members, or wish to become a first-time dues-paying member, please drop a check in the mail to our Treasurer, Jim Lamberts, KC8KE

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Thank you for your support!

## Nets of Interest



Compiled by Tom Wilson, KD8DEG. All frequencies are in MHz unless otherwise noted.

### Sunday

8:30 AM	50.400	AM	Grand Rapids
8:00 PM	145.270	FM	Lowell Club
8:00 PM	50.400	AM	Kalamazoo, Gary K8BKB
8:00 PM	147.240	FM	Allegan, Jim AC8AG
9:00 PM	50.150	USB	Zeeland, Charlie N8QEM
9:30 PM	144.155	USB	Holland, Bill K8NFT

### Monday

7:30 PM	147.060+	FM	HARC 2m Net. Ed, KF8EV, Net Manager
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### Tuesday

7:00 PM	144.222	USB	Kalamazoo, K8BKB Gary
8:00 PM	144.222	AM	Kalamazoo, WJ8L Phil
9:30 PM	50.300	USB	Kalamazoo, K8BKB Gary
9:00 PM	145.270	FM	MDXA, Dave KC8PCL
9:30 PM	50.400	AM	Kalamazoo, K8BKB Gary

### Wednesday

8:00 PM	28.380	USB	Allegan
8:00 PM	28.058	CW	West Michigan Hams CW round table and rag chew
9:00 PM	50.140	USB	Cedar Springs, AC8AH Jerry

### Thursday

6:30 PM	147.520	FM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, OCEC Simplex Net
7:00 PM	147.060+	FM	4 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, OCEC Repeater Net
7:00 PM	147.160+	FM	Michigan youth, 22 and younger
8:00 PM	146.800+	FM	MAARC weekly Net

### Friday

0000z–2400z	7.114	CW	Straight Key Century Club (SKCC) Novice Day. This is for CW beginners, slower ops, or anyone who wants help. The goal is to congregate beginners where they can help each other and to increase activity on 40 meters above 7100 kHz.
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### Daily

7:00 PM	50.200	USB	Cadillac, round tables
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If you know of any other nets, please let me know and I'll add them to the list.

Jim N8QMD, n8qmd@arri.net.