



DRUMLIN'S RUMBLINS

DARC MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

JULY 2006

NEXT MEETING

*****Saturday*****

July 15, 2006

Meeting 9:00 am

New York State

EMO

Route 31 Newark, NY

or try 146.745

RACES-ARES JULY 2006

Whee! As I type the weather is more like July even though I am trying to get ahead with the articles and this is June. I am afraid you'll never see this guy heading south or even southwest. North and west of those Appalachian Mountains I say! Hi! You have a 'Northerner' here that is certain. Guess I better get on to the article! Hi!

Have you noticed in all the amateur magazines the number of articles about the 'aftermath of Katrina' lately? I get the QST, CQ and World Radio. (It makes for a lot of 'throne' and bedtime reading. Hi!) The June 2006 World Radio had a few interesting things to say.

The article kind of 'hit on' the present comparing how in contrast to this 'enlightened era' of communication, in 1927 then Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover saved the world and was called "The Great Humanitarian." (As a historian, Hoover gets a bad rap. He did everything FDR would do later but his actions didn't work. He was the right guy at the wrong time. My Democratic civics teacher at college didn't agree with my assumption however. Hi! He gave me a less than good grade on that paper.) One-way Hoover helped was with the relief of Europe in WWI and post-WWI. He kept Europe from starving. Then in 1927 with far less financial and technological re-

MINUTES

THE DRUMLINS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, LTD. MEETING AGENDA

DATE: June 21, 2006 **CALL TO ORDER:** 1930 hrs

MEMBERS/GUESTS: K2KBY, N2MKT, WB2QKO, AB2F, KE4VHA, N2MLD, KB2ROP, KB2ROS, WA2SOK, N2RUS, W2CDW, N2COJ, K2MPE, W2EVU, N2JC. ?BROWN

TREASURERS REPORT: Excepted as Given, W2EVU 1st, N2MLD 2nd.

REPEATERS: 146.745: Ok, 146.685: OK,
144.95: Thanks to Bruce WB2QKO user port seems to be working as should.
444.95: Needs a controller.

ACTIVITIES/CONTESTS: Dave will open EMO 1 pm Saturday for FD activity.

PUBLIC SERVICE: Mussel man Ride July 16th and New York State Games coming up fast
July 26-30. Call Keith N2BEL to sign up. Keith Freeberg (585)-254-0722 or email: n2bel@arrl.net.

RACES: No nets on Holiday weekends

NEWSLETTER: Still looking for an editor.

OLD BUSINESS: Club Patches, Committee is still out. Need to get a date from Ontario Fire Dept, KB2KBY will write a pros and con article for newsletter regarding the Ontario Hall for hamfest. N2MKT passed a wiring diagram around showing how he would like to see the power distributed to the repeater. KB2KBY will purchase necessary parts.

NEW BUSINESS: No New business on the agenda.

The Drumlins Leaders 05-06

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PROS & CONS OF MOVING HAMFEST LOCATION

Dear DARC members, the Saturday, 9:00AM, July 15th club meeting is a very important one. The club has to decide quickly at this Saturday morning meeting whether to move our annual hamfest location from Marbletown to the Ontario (fire department) Exempt Hall off Rt. 104. It was felt that this decision was so important last month's meeting did give all enough time to weigh the facts. So here they are:

PROS of move to Ontario:

- 1 Cost: \$150 vs. \$275 (Marble town has keep price same for us the same for three years after an increase. They know we clean the place up well.)
- 2 Better and more open kitchen
- 2 VE testing can be done on site (benefits quests & testers)
- 3 Very large outdoor space for flea market
- 4 Garbage pickup (Marbletown was 'carry in, carry out')
- 5 Easier access from Rochester
- 6 Handicapped accessible for VE testing

CONS of moving to Ontario:

- 7 Cost is dependent on DARC member being a member of the Ontario organization
- 8 The overall area seems to be smaller (2,400 sp.ft. vs. 4,000 sq.ft.)-fewer vendors
- 9 The tables available are bigger, which means fewer vendors 'per footage'
- 10 Weather is bad outside space is useless (This is early April remember.)
- 11 Longer commute from Syracuse and points south (further from NYS Thruway for example)
- 12 People know Marbletown location

Please take the time to look over pros and cons listed above. Please come to the meeting for your input and decision.

From Dave Taylor KB2KBY

Web Page: <http://www.drumlinsarc.com>

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Fellow Amateur Radio Operators:

We have a decision to make. A proposition has been made to move our hamfest to a new location. The proposed location is the Ontario Firemen's Exempt hall. It is located between Ridge road and route 104 in, as you may have guessed, the town of Ontario. There are a number of pros and cons to this action. I will not go into them here as Dave KB2KBY has compiled a list elsewhere in this issue. However, I will encourage you to come to the next meeting to let your thought be known and cast your vote one way or the other. This month is one of our Saturday meetings and will be held on July 15. If you cannot be there and would still like to express yourself please feel free to send me or any other board members a message. I can be emailed through Drumlinsarc.com. Please, make a point of being there if you can.

Ye ol' ham proverb: The first amendment to the constitution gives you freedom of speech, but talk too long and the repeater will drop you every time.

CONGRATULATIONS KC2DQN-ROB!

'Our own' Rob Escriva, KC2DQN, not only graduated from Gananda High School as part of the class of 2006, he was also salutatorian of the class with an average of 96.77. Rob, the Drumlins members are proud of you! You think the members are proud, you should see Mom, Dad and brother Carl (KC2LPS, KB2SOZ, and KC2JLY respectively)! I guess Rob is known for his computer prowess and of course his keen interest in ham radio. So he is attending Renseelaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. RPI is one of the best! So, Rob, show them what you got! Jill and Charlie, you did a fine job too!

Dave KB2KBY

Hamfests 2006

- Jul 29.....Batavia Hamfest 2006, Alexander, NY
<http://www.hamgate.net/~gram/>
- Aug 5Thompkins County ARC, Ithaca, NY
<http://www2.compcenter.com/~tcarc>
- Aug 12....WNY Section Convention, Williamsville, NY
<http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net>
- Aug 19.....Rome Radio Club, West moreland, NY
<http://pages.prodigy.net/romeradioclub>
- Sep 16.....RAGS Hamfest, PompeyHills Firehall
<http://www.ragsinreview.com/ragham.html>
- Sep 30...31st Elmira International Hamfest. Horsehds, NY
<http://www.arast.org/hamfest.shtml>
- Oct 7.....NN Section Convention, Lake placid, NY
<http://www.nnyara.org>

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sources he saved Mississippi in the great 'river floods.' He and his committee figured what was needed, when it was needed, got it all there on time, and saved a great deal of people lives. This was in an age when only telegraphy was the prime communication and radio was 'in its infancy.'

How did Hoover do it when 'we' couldn't in 2005? The author of the article thinks it was '...our modern belief that technology is our savior...and we use it as a crutch.' It is an interesting thought. He does note problems with amateur radio. These ideas I'll relate to you some other time. But communications failed because of management and survivability.

One of the strengths of amateur radio is it is survivable because we are decentralized and flexible. . We do not rely on distributed networks and complex infrastructure. Amateur radio is independent of all other communications. We survive because of our simplicity! It works! We only rely on ourselves. I am always suggesting that at minimum be prepared for emergencies on the 2m-level at least. (K2MPE has done a wonderful job of having his whole shack on battery back up for emergencies. He can get the generator going without loosing any communications. Well done, Al! I am an emergency power station but he has taken it to a further step.)

And we have management. 'We see the value in basic, core skills, like traffic handling, net operations and basic emergency preparedness.' I am not kidding you when I said last month with the Ginna drill we were 'the' paper message handlers. We are trained to do it, say it, and copy it. We do it with less confusion and less time with less repeats than any one there. It is a good reason for more of you to jump in with the Sunday night nets. The more practice, the better one gets to copy a message.

See! I was able to bring in my usual two main points without offending you. Hi! Always the teacher! Sorry for you but that is the way it is. See you next month.

Dave Taylor, KB2KBY

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50/50 DRAWING: ??

PROGRAM: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn N2RUS 1st, W2CDW 2nd.2045 HRS

Respectfully Submitted,
Irv Walter WA2SOK

RACES NET SUNDAYS 8:45 PM 146.685
Except for Holiday Weekends

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Public Service Events

If you have any interest in helping at these events, call Keith Freeberg (585) 254-0722 or email: n2bel@arrl.net (from the RARA Website)

Musselman Triathlon in Geneva – July 16

Stuart Horse Trials in Victor - July 22 (Saturday)

Empire State Games – July 26-30

***** Hosted in Rochester July, 2006 *****

Cycling For Mercy - August 12 (Saturday)

Walnut Hill Driving Competition – August 9 -13

Multiple Sclerosis Bike Tour – August 19 & 20

Rochester Labor Day Parade - September 4 (Monday)

Rochester Arthritis Foundation Marathon – September 17 (Sunday)

Finger Lakes Triathlon, Canandaigua – September 17 (Sunday)

Alzheimer's Walk, Rochester – tbd

America's Walk for Diabetes – September 30 (Saturday)

Wine Glass Marathon, Bath to Corning – October 1 (Sunday)

Scouting Jamboree On the Air - October 14, 15

Pumpkin Patrol (NYSP Troop T) – October 30 & 31 (Monday & Tuesday)

Interesting Info

<http://www.aesham.com/fun4.html>

Money isn't made out of paper, it's made out of cotton.

The Declaration of Independence was written on hemp paper. **The dot over the letter i** is called a "tittle".

A raisin dropped in a glass of fresh champagne will bounce up and down continuously from the bottom of the glass to the top. **40%** of McDonald's profits come from the sales of Happy Meals.

315 entries in Webster's 1996 Dictionary were misspelled.

The 'spot' on 7UP comes from its inventor, who had red eyes. He was albino.

On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents, daily.

Warren Beatty and Shirley MacLaine are brother and sister.

Chocolate affects a dog's heart and nervous system; a few ounces will kill a small sized dog.

Orcas (killer whales) kill sharks by torpedoing up into the shark's stomach from underneath, causing the shark to explode.

Most lipstick contains fish scales (eww).

Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear pants.

Ketchup was sold in the 1830s as medicine.

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July 09 - August 19, 2006

Drumlins Amateur Radio Club, LTD

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>July 9</i> WARECS 8:45 pm	<i>July 10</i>	<i>July 11</i>	<i>July 12</i>	<i>July 13</i> KB2UDB B'Day	<i>July 14</i>	<i>July 15</i> DARC Meeting 9am
<i>July 16</i> WARECS 8:45 pm	<i>July 17</i> N2PTP B'Day	<i>July 18</i>	<i>July 19</i> DARC Mting 7:30pm This Meeting Canceled	<i>July 20</i> W2LC B'Day	<i>July 21</i> KC2JAL B'Day	<i>July 22</i>
<i>July 23</i> WARECS 8:45 pm KC2AJR B'Day	<i>July 24</i>	<i>July 25</i>	<i>July 26</i> W2TGH B'Day	<i>July 27</i>	<i>July 28</i>	<i>July 29</i>
<i>July 30</i> WARECS 8:45 pm N2MKV B'Day	<i>July 31</i>	<i>August 1</i> N2MMJ B'Day	<i>August 2</i>	<i>August 3</i>	<i>August 4</i>	<i>August 5</i> KB2SOZ B'Day KB2ITN B'Day
<i>August 6</i> WARECS 8:45 pm K2OEQ B'Day WB2YWI B'Day	<i>August 7</i>	<i>August 8</i>	<i>August 9</i>	<i>August 10</i>	<i>August 11</i>	<i>August 12</i>
<i>August 13</i> WARECS 8:45 pm N2VTM B'Day	<i>August 14</i> WB2IVU B'Day	<i>August 15</i>	<i>August 16</i> DARC Mting 7:30pm	<i>August 17</i>	<i>August 18</i>	<i>August 19</i>