

CHERRYLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY, 1974

VOL. I, No. 1

page 2013  
SMASH NET  
9AM

\*\*\*\*\*  
President: Terence H. Wolfley WB8PLQ  
Vice President: William F. Martinek W8JUY/WA8WWO  
Corresponding Secty: John T. Binsfeld K8DVV  
Recording Secretary: Edna P. Widman WB8EYL  
Treasurer: Joseph W. Novak W8TVT  
Newsletter Editor: Wells R. Chapin W8GI  
Activities Manager: Jack R. Leishman K8YZW  
\*\*\*\*\*

CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2 yr Term: Frank X. Shumsky  
W8TVQ  
1 yr Term: Dr. Kenneth H.  
Musson W8QKP  
1 yr Term: David L. Warner  
WB8EYB

Sunday Morning Amateur Social Hour (SMASH) Sunday 0930 EDST 3935 KHz.  
Six Meters - 52.525 MHz - 2M FM on 146.94 Simplex - Repeater planned for future  
\*\*\*\*\*

Cherryland Amateur Radio Club - February Meeting - Will be held at the usual place - Elks Club on February 20, 1974, but starting at 7:30 P.M. instead of the old 8:00 P.M. Time. Wells Chapin W8GI will give a short talk on how to write for Technical Publication, How to file your data, and will cover an article from start to finish. All of you can be writers - It is easy, so come out to the meeting and get some insight of where Amateur Radio was and a glimps into its future.

CHERRYLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB SWAP AND SHOP WHEN: SAT. FEBRUARY 16, 1974 from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. - WHERE: Northwestern Michigan College Technical Center, across from McDonald's Hamburgers on Grandview Parkway (US 31 North). Be sure to bring your items to swap and sell, plenty of cash, and your good sense of humor! Please help us make this a fun, successful Annual Event.

This is the first issue of our Monthly News letter. We will try to make it as interesting as possible, as well as means of keeping you posted as to what we've got cooking on the agenda. This issue will be rather short due to the relative shortage this month of reportable News items. Future issues will have Technical Tips, DX Operating Tips, UHF/VHF Operating News, and General Interest Tidbits about our membership. We have started a HAM OF THE MONTH feature with this issue, and will give you the lowdown each month on another member. This month we will start by getting the scoop about our President. Stick with us, and you too will become famous or infamous! This Newsheet is YOUR Newsheet, and only you can make it contain what YOU want to read. Please help us make it what YOU want!

As with any news publication, you need news - So, please give me a call at 263-5411, or drop me a note to: Wells Chapin, Box 176, Kingsley, Michigan 49649. We are looking for articles, Technical or General Interest, of any subject that would be of interest to Amateur Radio Operators - For instance, one of our members, Oscar Birdsall W8JLI, is very interested in Amateur Satellite Communications. I plan to feature an article by W8JLI in a future issue. Perhaps we can have a little Ham Poetry, or what have you?

So that you may plan ahead, here are our Meeting Dates and Program Chairmen for the next four months: March 20 - Ken Musson W8QKP; April 17 - Jack Leishman K8YZW; May 15 - Frank Shumsky W8TVQ; and June 19 - Ed Chapman K8CWR. These Program Chairmen promise a full and informative slate.

Some future plans call for a tour of the Traverse City Light and Power Generating Plant, and possibly a tour of a local Television Station. Perhaps we can have a Family Style Picnic following one of these tours. What do you wish to see take place? Let your Club Officers know what YOU want to do. Your ideas will make OUR Club a lively, active, close-knit organization!

Your Club Officers are in the process of accomplishing two very important formalities. They are taking steps to affiliate our Club with the ARRL, which requires a minimum 51% Club Membership having ARRL Membership. They are also taking steps to have our Club legally Incorporated. We will soon be a full-fledged club in all aspects.

Our Recording Secretary, Edna WB8EYL has offered to implement her fine ideas to help our fellows and gals become better acquainted. She is preparing Name Tags which she will hand out, and pick up at each meeting. This should help us all better associate names, faces, and calls. She will gather the tags after each meeting, and an easily made tally of members and guests will be better accomplished.

There will be an announcement of a QSL Designing Contest at the February Meeting. There will be a prize, and much FAME for the winner! I know we have at least one artist in our crowd! Here's your chance to show off your stuff!

\*\*\*\*\*

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Once again we remind you that if you are not a Paid-Up Member, but wish to continue to receive Club Literature, you must contact our Treasurer, Joe Novak as soon as possible. You can drop him a note and state your intentions to: Joe Novak W8TVT, 307 W. 11th St., Traverse City. We must hear from you, or assume you have no further interest in our Club or its activities. You will be dropped from the Mailing List if no word to the contrary is received. Paid-Up members will, of course, automatically receive all notices and Club Newsletters .

In this issue as HAM OF THE MONTH, we are featuring our fine President, Terry WB8PLQ, who does a wonderful job for us. At the February meeting he will be wearing a large button proclaiming that he is HAM OF THE MONTH. We have somewhat over forty Paid-Up Members, so we have a good future supply of H.O.M. Candidates!

\*\*\*\*\*

February Ham Of The Month - Terry - WB8PLQ

His interest in Amateur Radio began in 1949 at the tender age of eight, but girls, automobiles, and school activities took precedence until March, 1962 when he finally became WV6ZCA. He became WA6ZCA late that same year, and spent the next year competing with Gunsmoke for prime viewer time at the Beale AFB, California Base Mobile Home Court where he and Julia, his patient, understanding XYL, resident. The TVI problems ended on November 22, 1963 when he became a civilian and moved to Sacramento, California. The next two years were spent trying to attend Sacramento Junior College, and support a wife and young daughter. His Ham-time gave way to work and study sessions, but his interest in Amateur Radio never waivered, and he served as Editor for Sacramento Amateur Radio Club's monthly newsheet, for the period between January, 1964 and May, 1966.

July, 1966 found Terry's family leaving at Hof/Saale, Germany, and him signing as DL5KL. Four trips to IX-Land were made by him and his Ham Buddies to operate in various DX Contests. He was very active in the DARC, which is the counterpart of our own ARRL, and many happy hours were spent by him with his German Ham Buddies at the local Tavern, where they held their Bi-monthly meetings. His German Club was very active in DARC Field Days and VHF/UHF Contests, and Terry was always in there pitching and trying.

In July, 1971, he and his family returned to America and his new job here at Empire AFS. He passed his Advanced Class Exam while in Mobile, Alabama last March, and received his WB8PLQ call late in April. He feels this call is a real come-down after five years with a short DL-type call!

His operating activities now are mostly on 40 and 10 meters, Michigan B.R. Net, Michigan Emergency Net, and SMASH. Some time is spent chasing DX on 75M and preparing his VHF station for operation this Spring. His present station consists of his trusty, old HT-37 transmitter, with receiving duties shared by Drake 2B and Collins 75A-4 receivers. A long heavy 160M center fed Zepp antenna is up about forty feet, and is tuned with a Johnson Matchbox on 80 thru 10 meters.

His family consists of Julia Ann, XYL; Tina Marie-12; Mark Terence -9, and John Roland-3. Terry is a Tech Rep with Civil Service up at Empire Air Force Station, and his duties consist mainly of teaching electronics and equipment mechanics for Height Finder Radars. He provides Technical Assistance as required, and sometimes helps out with the Ground to Air Radio Equipment on the Air Station. He and his family are active members of Platte Grange # 1328, and they reside at 9226 Stormer Road, 1½ miles South of Empire, east off HyWy 22. They enjoy visitors, and even though he makes terrible coffee, he says their coffee pot stands always ready for action. The strong coffee may be what helps it stand so well! Their phone No. is 326-2851, and their mailing address is P.O. Box 225, Empire, Michigan 49630.

Well, that's all for this month---Hope you enjoyed this short rendition--- Please help us make it better by informing me of your news items--- We will try to keep your interest-----We might also include a GOSSIP column, or maybe a Radio Cross - word puzzle to pique your interest. --- PLEASE SEND ME YOUR NEWS, CALL ME ON THE PHONE ABOUT THEM, OR CONTACT ME ON THE SMASH NET!

73 Your Editor

Wells Chapin W8GI  
Box 176, Kingsley, Michigan 49649  
Phone 263-5411

TERENCE H. WOLFLEY  
P O BOX 225  
EMPIRE, MICH.  
49630



JOSEPH W. NOVAK W87VT  
307 W. 11th St.  
TRAVERSE CITY, MICH.

49684

IM-PORTANT NOTICE: Once again we would like to thank you for your kind and helpful letter. We are glad to hear that you are still a member of the PTA. We will be glad to continue to receive your contributions. We are glad to hear that you are still a member of the PTA. We will be glad to continue to receive your contributions. We are glad to hear that you are still a member of the PTA. We will be glad to continue to receive your contributions. We are glad to hear that you are still a member of the PTA. We will be glad to continue to receive your contributions.

Box 225, Empire, Michigan 49630