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UTICA SHELBY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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USECA Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting—May 4, 2009

In attendance:

| | |
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| Bill, N8SA | President |
| Rob, KD8ENP | Vice-President |
| Ann, KT8F | Recording Secretary |
| Dennis, W8DFG | Treasurer |
| Joe, N8OZ | Membership Secretary |
| Jim, WY8I | Board Member |
| Larry, W8NIC | Board Member |
| Chuck, N8ZA | Board Member |
| Walt, WB8E | Past President |

*Absent



Note: board member's call signs are not included in the minutes as they are listed above.

Meeting called to order by the President at: 7:36 PM.

Motion to accept the minutes of the last BOD meeting made by Dennis, supported by Rob, motion carried.

Treasurer's report provided by Dennis. Motion to accept made by Ann, and supported by Jim, motion carried.

Membership: Joe – 141 members. Discussion re: ways to increase membership. Larry made a motion that we raise membership dues to \$25.00 year. As an incentive, a member's only drawing would be held for a prize (up to \$400.00). The drawing would take place at the Christmas party or the field day. The proposed increase would take place in 2010. Seconded by Rob. Discussion. Motion to be brought to the floor at the general meeting. Vote taken, motion carried.

No web master report.

No technical committee report.

Trustee: Dennis W8DFG – no report.

Swap: Jeff, KD8CIA is working on the planning of the event.

Old Business:

Field Day: Bill stated plans are coming along well. Dennis made a motion that he will bring to the membership at the general meeting a request for \$1800.00 for FD expenses. Seconded by Jim. Vote taken, motion carried.

New Business:

Pre-Field Day will not be held this year. Instead, a Lark in the Park may be held Saturday May 9. Also, a club picnic may be held in the summer.

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Da prez sez!

By Bill N8SA

HOW THE YEAR has flown? Here we are already sneaking up on our largest outing of the year, Field Day. So...have you signed up to chair a station? Signed up with a station chair to help? Listed your excess goodies usable for Field Day such as a trailer, tent, radio, beam, tower, etc. with Steve, N8XO or myself? Do you intend to do any or all of the above? If not, WHY NOT? This is an important emergency preparedness exercise...largest in the world...and you can learn so much by contributing so little time. Or you can teach our newer hams starting out. Or you can give excuses—let me see that is the weekend I was sorting my sock drawer. Heard it all! This is YOUR CLUB so get involved.

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USECA Guide to Field Day 2009

BY THE TIME you read this, June will be here and preps for Field Day will be well under way. Most Field Day Rules changes deal with the GOTA Station: The technician class-only restriction is removed, and can now operate on ANY HF or VHF Field Day band. Must be a ham newly licensed since last year's FD. Other changes include a GOTA Coach for double points & you can find all of this at the ARRL's website under the Field Day 2009 link.

Since Field Day always has new participants each year, let's take review some of the basics. The following excerpts are from the ARRL Field Day Package (*italics are mine*):

During the **fourth full weekend in June**, the eyes of the amateur radio community turn towards the annual Field Day operating event. From its beginning back in the 1930's as an event to test the field preparedness and emergency communications abilities of the burgeoning amateur radio community, Field Day has evolved into the largest on-the-air operation during the year.

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Next Meeting — June 8th

CLUB DIRECTORY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

| | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| President | Bill Chesney/N8SA (586) 468-0106 |
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| Recording Secretary | Ann Manor/KT8F (586) 751-3893 |
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| Board Member | Jim Odam/WY8I (586) 879-3127 |
| Board Member | Larry Logarta/W8NIC |
| Board Member | Chuck Perushek/N8ZA (586) 557-4983 |
| Past President | Walt Gracey/WB8E (586) 596-9547 |

COMMITTEES

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| ARRL Liaison | Bill/N8SA |
| Awards Manager | Bob/N8ZY (586) 978-1682 |
| Door Prizes | -OPEN- |
| Editor | Joe/K8OEF (586) 781-0050 |
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| Repeater Trustee | Dennis/W8DFG (586) 465-7126 |
| Swap Director | Jeff/KD8CIA |
| Technical Director | Jim/W11K (586) 771-4135 |
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| VE Testing | Joe/N8OZ (586) 977-7222 |
| Webmaster | Alec/NF8X (586) 873-8841 |

CONTROL OPERATORS (*Phone Number Above)

| | | |
|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Jim/WY8I* | Joe/N8OZ* | Alec/NF8X* |
| Jim/W11K | Floyd/W8RO | Chuck/N8ZA* |

PROGRAMMERS

| | | |
|--------------|----------|-----------|
| Dennis/W8DFG | Jim/W11K | Brad/N8VI |
|--------------|----------|-----------|

The Editor is:

Still Going

Joe, K8OEF

It's our favorite month of the year—June!

When the June edition goes to press, we all know it's *vacation time!* Two great months off!

Our entire editorial staff hopes all of you have a great and safe summer and we look forward to everyone returning for our September edition.

73 for now.

"There will be no Eat B4 U Meet in June" due to the Foxhunt.

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE!

Joe, N8OZ

Just a friendly reminder from your Membership Secretary—Don't forget to include a SASE if you want your membership card mailed to you (r-e-a-d the membership application).

USECA VE Testing

Testing will be the THIRD Monday of the month from September thru June. Joe, N8OZ, is the Contact VE. Pre-registration is encouraged. Test fee is \$14.00 cash (exact change only). Examinees need to bring Xerox copies of current license and un-expired CSCE's, if any. There is no copy machine at the test site. Official starting time is 7:00 PM. Walk-ins are welcomed. Test site is at the Mt. Clemens Elks Club (179 S. Main St. in Mt. Clemens). Other VE test sessions can be arranged—contact the Contact VE for details.

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QSO/E-Mail

Hello everyone—thought I would share one of my recent BPSK 31 contacts.

I was on 20 meters one day and started to make my 4th contact of the day. The call I was answering was YV4DHS, he was from Venezuela, his name was Homero; we had a nice QSO and we said our 73.

Well I thought that was it, but then I got an e-mail and guess what; it was from Homero. Well this is what his e-mail said *(Thanks a lot for good qso on BPSK 31 in 20 mts (14.070 Khz). Attached pls find a pair of pictures from my portable station last vacations in "capanaparo" river, very far from my home and near of the Orinoco river and Colombian border).*

Well I was glad to get the e-mail and I thought Homero is doing a lark in the park; I have to send him a picture. The photo I had was of me at one of our events behind KD8CIA radio I think, so I sent it. The next day I got this e-mail from Homero and he asked *(Thanks for reply my E-mail, I have question? Why do you have a FT 857D in a small cooler?) I like very much the outdoor activities, any free time I go with my family and my portable radio/antennas etc. to the beach, river, etc.*

I sent Homero an e-mail back telling him how a cooler protects the radio if it rains or if it gets knocked around the cooler protects it and not to mention if someone looks in the car its a cooler and they're not looking at a radio to steal.

I told him we do a lot of larks in the park and the cooler set up makes it easy to grab and go. Well, Homero sent another e-mail back and this is what he said *(Thanks again, every day when the people asked, the people learn, really, good idea for field day and outdoor activities. In my country the rain season is very strong, we never have snow with the exception andean zone, but we have water and more water 4 months each year.*

Is hard to protect our radios and antennas during this season, I have a Comet H422 dipole 40/20/15/10 mts plus a single home made wire dipole for 7 MHz and IC 706 MKG II, it is good radio for this activities. Please send your picture with IC 706 into a "cooler" to copy this practical device.)

I sent Homero a picture of the world famous WB8E radio in a cooler. Anyway, Homero and I have had a couple more e-mails this is not the first time a contact I have made has e-mailed me and I have e-mailed others. So the point of all this is Amateur radio has many opportunities.

So when you make a contact and put it in your log book, take a minute to think about it and don't

hesitate to send an e-mail, you might learn something or make a new friend—remember what Homero said *(Thanks again, every day when the people asked, the people learn.)*

73 all, N8ZA



Meeting Minutes—From Page 1

Dennis made a motion that we present a donation to the Elk’s club for \$200.00 for the parking lot improvements; seconded by Larry, discussion, vote taken, motion carried.

Dennis stated that our Past President has not paid his dues and is not currently a member. The position needs to be filled. Discussion. Dennis made a motion that Walt, WB8E be nominated at the general meeting to fill the position. The vote will be held at the general meeting. Seconded by Larry, vote taken, motion carried. Walt stated he would accept the nomination.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Jim and 2nd by Joe, motion carried, meeting adjourned at: 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Manor, KT8F, Recording Secretary



General Meeting — May 11, 2009

In attendance:

- Bill, N8SA President
- Rob, KD8ENP Vice-President
- Ann, KT8F Recording Secretary
- Dennis, W8DFG Treasurer
- Joe, N8OZ Membership Secretary
- Jim, WY8I Board Member
- Larry, W8NIC Board Member
- Chuck, N8ZA Board Member
- Walt, WB8E Past President
- *Absent

Meeting called to order by the President at 7:33 PM.

48 members and visitors were present.

Introductions were made, new members, visitors and upgrades recognized.

Motion made to accept the minutes as printed in the Express made by Steve, N8XO and 2nd by Tom, KD8GZE, motion carried.

Treasurer’s report given by Dennis, W8DFG. Motion to approve made by Eddie, N8RUE, and 2nd by Jim, W1IK, motion carried.

Membership: Joe, N8OZ – 141 members currently.

Webmaster: No report.

Express: No report. Articles always welcome, please get them to Joe, K8OEF by the general meeting.

Technical report: Jim, W1IK – repeater doing well. Jim performed a visual inspection and checked things out. The repeater is running right around 100 watts. The club has received a service monitor – a very good and expensive piece of test equipment – R2000 1A. The Bloomfield Twp. Police Dept donated the monitor. Many thanks to Pete, AA8GK for helping to make this donation possible.

Old Business:

Field Day – Dennis stated he would bring the aluminum trays to the next meeting for your pass-a-dish. He also said he would like to put the tent up on the Wednesday evening before FD. He needs a minimum of 6 people to help. June meeting – no eat-B4-U meet – food will be served after the foxhunt. Dennis made a motion that the club allocate \$1800.00 for FD expenses. Supported by Steve, N8XO. Discussion, vote, motion carried.

New Business:

Dennis made a motion that we nominate Walt, WB8E to fill the vacant position of past president. Don, WB8F seconded the motion. Dennis then motioned that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot vote since there were no other nominations. Motion carried.

Dennis made a motion that we allocate \$750.00 for the purchase of a Yeasu 857D for our next raffle. Seconded by Eddie, N8RUE. Discussion. Vote taken, motion carried.

Dennis reported on the recent “March for Babies” event. He thanked all the volunteers that came out to help.

Ray, K8RDJ reported on the Michigan QSO party contest.

Thanks to Walt, WB8E and crew for providing tonight’s eat-before-you-meet dinner. Char made an excellent rice pudding, thanks, Char!! Lots of compliments!

Larry, W8NIC discussed some ideas for a fundraiser to help raise the club’s coffers.

A proposal was made that dues be increased to \$25.00/year, single membership, and \$35.00 family. This would include a \$5.00 ticket for a drawing for members only. A prize under consideration could be a gift certificate for AES. This statement constitutes the printed notice to all members of a proposed upcoming bylaw change, which will be voted on by the general membership in October. The proposal was discussed by the membership.

Business portion of the meeting concluded at: 8:17 PM.

Tonight’s program provided by Steve, N8XO and Bill N8SA on Field Day plans.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Manor, KT8F, Recording Secretary

USECA NET POINTS

| CALL | NAME | VHF | HF | TOTAL | CALL | NAME | VHF | HF | TOTAL |
|--------|---------|-----|-----|-------|--------|--------|-----|----|-------|
| N8ZA | CHUCK | 69 | 158 | 227 | KC8C | TONY | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| N8ZY | BOB | 32 | 163 | 195 | N8UZE | DEE | 7 | 4 | 11 |
| N8YBY | LEONARD | 71 | 42 | 113 | K8DJE | JONESY | 8 | 2 | 10 |
| W8NIC | LARRY | 35 | 78 | 113 | KC8CTZ | BOB | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| AK8S | ALAN | 43 | 60 | 103 | KC8NQA | MIKE | 2 | 8 | 10 |
| KD8CXJ | ED | 64 | 12 | 76 | KD8IUO | RUSS | 8 | 2 | 10 |
| N8ZBA | DAN | 18 | 49 | 67 | N8UO | KEN | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| K8RDJ | RAY | 33 | 30 | 63 | K8QLM | JANICE | 9 | 0 | 9 |
| WB8E | WALT | 22 | 34 | 56 | N8RUE | EDDIE | 9 | 0 | 9 |
| W1IK | JIM | 31 | 24 | 55 | KD8GVT | ERIC | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| KD8HIZ | ANDY | 27 | 26 | 53 | KF9FK | ALLEN | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| WB8F | DON | 26 | 26 | 52 | N8KC | KEN | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| N8UJ | CHUCK | 18 | 32 | 50 | W8BUJ | ROB | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| W8SOX | LARRY | 29 | 18 | 47 | W8IR | MARK | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| N8AE | CARL | 11 | 34 | 45 | WB8QGT | JIM | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| KD8CFU | DAVE | 19 | 18 | 37 | AC8AK | GENE | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| WY8I | JIM | 20 | 16 | 36 | KD8HNC | PHIL | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| KD8JDC | RYAN | 15 | 20 | 35 | KD8JTU | JAMES | 1 | 6 | 7 |
| KC8REX | BERNARD | 1 | 33 | 34 | KW8Z | KEN | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| KC8UHK | RANDY | 6 | 28 | 34 | N8KA | JOE | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| W8AOQ | STEVE | 0 | 34 | 34 | K9DLW | DENNIS | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| KD8HTU | MARTY | 14 | 18 | 32 | KD8IGM | BEAU | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| N8CR | DENNIS | 20 | 12 | 32 | KZ8N | BOB | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| KA8POZ | SHAWN | 26 | 2 | 28 | WB8SJD | LARRY | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| KC8ZRY | RANDY | 12 | 14 | 26 | K8RFP | RON | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| N8FGB | RICH | 0 | 26 | 26 | KD8DHS | WES | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| KD8CIA | JEFF | 3 | 22 | 25 | K7SDF | DON | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| N8EB | KEITH | 24 | 0 | 24 | N8JGU | MIKE | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| WB8WKQ | JEFF | 14 | 10 | 24 | W8EDX | ED | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| KD8ENP | ROB | 16 | 6 | 22 | W8VO | CLEM | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| KD8JNS | SHAUN | 5 | 14 | 19 | K8LFE | JIM | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| KF8XO | JEFF | 0 | 18 | 18 | W1NB | SCOTT | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| N8ZI | TOM | 4 | 14 | 18 | W8TRC | TOM | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| W8OMC | KEN | 0 | 18 | 18 | WB8FUI | PHIL | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| AA8OZ | PAUL | 15 | 2 | 17 | WB8OAF | BILL | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| KV8Z | CHRIS | 17 | 0 | 17 | | | | | |
| WD8IFL | DAVE | 15 | 2 | 17 | | | | | |
| KB3PTA | JAMES | 0 | 16 | 16 | | | | | |
| KD8GZE | TOM | 10 | 6 | 16 | | | | | |
| KG4JTC | DAVE | 16 | 0 | 16 | | | | | |
| W8DFG | DENNIS | 14 | 2 | 16 | | | | | |
| KD8GVO | PHIL | 14 | 0 | 14 | | | | | |
| KC8CPT | DON | 13 | 0 | 13 | | | | | |
| KI8JN | PHIL | 11 | 2 | 13 | | | | | |
| W8RIT | DAVE | 1 | 12 | 13 | | | | | |
| K8DXX | BILL | 6 | 6 | 12 | | | | | |
| K8GIM | ED | 0 | 12 | 12 | | | | | |
| KA2IBE | JOHN | 10 | 2 | 12 | | | | | |
| KD8JWF | GENE | 10 | 2 | 12 | | | | | |
| AA8GK | PETE | 11 | 0 | 11 | | | | | |

Submitted by Bob, N8ZY

Da prez sez!—From Page 1

It is always a fantastic time for all who attend. We have a wonderful party Friday night after the stations start setting up, including a band, DJ, etc., followed by 24 hours of what Walt, WB8E calls, "real people, real radio". Thanks for the quote Walt. This weekend more than anything we do as hams helps to justify our continued access to and the use of the radio spectrum we enjoy. We have more frequencies than even the Federal Government! They want to see a return on their investment once in a while, and you whining about this or that on 2 meters on your way to and from work daily is not the return they expect or

USECA Guide to Field Day 2009—From Page 1

Field Day is officially an operating event not a contest. The purpose remains today as it did in the beginning: **to demonstrate the communications ability of the amateur radio community in simulated emergency situations.** USECA does very well because of the hard work and dedication by MANY volunteers. Groups across the continent use Field Day as a literal "show and tell" exhibition. At sites from the tundra of Alaska to the sandy beaches of Rio de Janeiro, amateur radio brings together its resources to show officials in government and various agencies what "amateur radio can do."

Many clubs, like USECA, use Field Day as the focus of their annual calendar. Many hams that are not otherwise interested in contesting or DXing find themselves meeting various challenges to help their club run a successful Field Day operation. While Field Day may not be a contest, it IS the thrill of the "non-contest contest" that brings out the best in thousands of amateurs who under most circumstances choose not to participate in the various sponsored contests.

First, and foremost, is **Field Day should be a fun activity.** USECA excels at this—just ask any past participant. Field Day serves as one of the biggest introductory "drawing cards" to expand interest in the hobby. A Field Day that is technical in set-up may well produce a good score, but remember that a Field Day that practices **the "KISS" principle (Keep It Simple, Silly)** is more likely to attract interest and participation than one which is run like a hard-core contest. USECA holds its Field Day at the Home/Farm of Jim (N8MCD) and his wife, Kathy. The farm is located on Powell Rd., ? mile east of M53 and 30 Mile Rds., near Romeo MI. If you are coming from the west side, take either M-59 East or I-696 East to Van Dyke Rd. (M-53) North. If you're coming from the Thumb (Yale, Capac, Bad Axe, etc.), come south on M-53 to 30-Mile Rd., and go left (east) until you hit Powell. This is a working farm, and farm animals are present—so please be mindful of this. This means that all beverages, alcoholic or not, should be consumed in either plastic or cans. NO GLASS—this can maim or seriously injure them as they graze the field throughout the year.

Field Day's success is not determined by finishing first, or with "bragging rights" over your cross-town rival. (Well, for USECA it is!) Success is measured by attaining the goals set by your group.

Groups for many years have used alternative power sources rather than commercial sources to run their Field Day ops. To encourage this, an easy **100-point bonus** may be earned by **making at least five QSOs using a "natural power" source.** Solar, wind, water-power, methane or grain alcohol all qualify here. (Sorry, dry cell batteries are a non-starter.) A new Category, **Bio-Fuel**, allows diesel-powered gen-sets fueled exclusively by 100% bio-fuel. (Sorry—no petro-bio blends). Bio-fuel sources include used restaurant grease, vegetable oil, and other organically-based fuels. It was once reported that someone wanted to fuel their generator with moonshine or alcohol. This would proba-

need. Do we enjoy our hobby? Do we want to continue to enjoy it? Let's support it. DO FIELD DAY! It is THAT simple! Steve and I will be doing our annual dog and pony show to rally the troops to the call for FD Help---it is not really help—here is a little secret. It is FUN! So come to our fun day and play radio while you are there, or not! But if you don't, and we start losing frequencies and privileges to commercial interests, we will have only ourselves to blame. Think on this heavily while contemplating that sock drawer! See y'all at the meeting!

NUFF SAID!

bly be OK, as long as they don't gum up the carburetor or burn out the motor!

OK, so what next? Glad ya' asked, cuz WE NEED YOU! You might be needed to man the kitchen during a meal, to help set up tents, or solder a connector to a feedline for a newer ham. Everyone of you has skills we can use. You have had to prove that with the tests you took. Now, we can improve each other. You learn more in one Field Day than in a year of rag-chewing on the air! So, when you are asked to step up & help out at Field Day, you'll be ready to jump in.

Remember these dates: **26-28 JUN 2009**—this is Field Day weekend. We start setting up stations, etc., after 1400hrs (2:00pm) local on Friday. Before that, we work on Kitchen set up. That is MOST IMPORTANT! We all love to eat and Dennis W8DFG & crew always rise to the challenge and prepare enough food for over 1000 meals the entire weekend. They will be looking for a little muscle to set up tents, grills, etc on Friday. Not a bad trade off for the great food we enjoy every year.

The contest starts at 1400hrs (2:00 pm) Saturday and runs 24 straight hours until 1400hrs Sunday. We stop for nothing. Again this year, we will be running 5W QRP transmitter power, powered by batteries. If you need batteries for your station, Bill, N8SA will have some available as always. Make sure you contact him ahead of time to arrange you to get what you need. Jerry N8KLX has been updating his always useful software for computer logging and Bill and myself will be testing it before FD to work out any bugs there might be. There are other software packages out there, but Jerry's is simple to use and robust. We will be using all three modes: SSB, DIGI, and CW. Each SSB contacts make 5 points, while DIGI & CW score 10 points. As always, we need CW and DIGI operators for high scores. With QRP power, antennas become the most important part of your station. Plan on using both high- and low-angle radiators for most bands. Obviously, this is not practical for 80- & 160M, but for rest of HF, it's great to be able to switch quickly between antennas. Horizontal and vertical antennae of some type usually work well. Beams also work great. Regardless, a second antenna is always good idea, if for no other reason than preparing for a visit from Murphy, when you least expect it. Have backups for everything that can fail; rig, computer, battery, antenna, interface, Hawaiian shirt, etc.

Sign up for a station, a chair, or just to help by E-mailing me at: N8XO@aol.com or get me on the repeater. Also, please ask any of us questions on any forum, repeater, phone, or E-mail.

As your Field Day Chairs, Bill, & I are looking forward to seeing everyone have a fun, safe, and successful Field Day this year.

'73, USECA Field Day 2009 Wrecking Crew:

Steve, N8XO - N8XO@aol.com

Bill, N8SA - N8SA@arrl.net

USECA APPLICATION



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DATE _____ NEW RENEWAL MAIL PRINTED NEWSLETTER
 CALL _____ CLASS _____
 NAME _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 TELEPHONE # _____ PRINT # IN ROSTER NO
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____
 MEMBER: **ARRL** YES NO **RACES** YES NO

FOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS ONLY:

CALL _____ CLASS _____
 NAME _____
 MEMBER: **ARRL** YES NO
RACES YES NO

CALL _____ CLASS _____
 NAME _____
 MEMBER: **ARRL** YES NO
RACES YES NO

Annual Membership Dues: Regular: \$20 — Family: \$30 — Mail Printed Newsletter, ADD \$10.00

New Member applications must be mailed to P.O. Box address below.

Please make check payable to: **USECA** — Address: **P.O. Box 46331, Mt. Clemens, MI 48046**

All mailed-in applications to the P.O. Box must include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

(Allow 4-6 weeks for processing.)

USECA reserves the right to accept or reject New or Renewal Memberships.



Local Area FM Nets

| DAY | TIME | CLUB | FREQ. |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| SUN | 1:00 pm | USECA/Information | 147.180 |
| SUN | 8:00 pm | USECA/Traders/Tech Sup. | 147.180 |
| SUN | 9:00 pm | HPARC/Info | 146.640 |
| SUN | 9:00 pm | Garden City ARC | 146.860 |
| SUN-SAT | 10:15 pm | S. E. Michigan Traffic Net | 145.330 |
| MON | 7:30 pm | SATERN | 147.180 |
| MON | 8:00 pm | MECA/Info | 147.200 |
| MON | 8:00 pm | GMARC (PL 123) | 443.075 |
| TUE | 9:00 pm | Motor City Radio Club | 147.240 |
| WED | 9:00 pm | ARPSC/Info | 145.490 |
| THU | 8:00 pm | RACES/ARES | 147.200 |
| THU | 8:30 pm | LCARC/Info | 147.080 |
| SAT | 11:45 pm | Hoot Owl | 147.180 |

VHF PL'S — 100 Hz

On The World Wide Web

USECA Home Page

WWW.USECAARC.COM

Local HF Nets

| DAY | TIME | CLUB/DESCRIPTION | FREQ. |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| MON | 7:30 pm | LCARC/15 Meter CW | 21.165 |
| MON | 9:00 pm | LCARC/15 Meter Phone USB | 21.395 |
| TUE | 8:00 pm | USECA/80 Meter Phone LSB | 3.830 |
| WED | 7:00 pm | USECA/6 Meter Phone USB | 50.140 |
| THU | 7:30 pm | LCARC/10 Meter Phone USB | 28.435 |
| THU | 9:00 pm | USECA/15 Meter CW | 21.140 |
| FRI | 10:00 pm | USECA/80 Meter CW | 3.570 |
| FRI | 11:00 pm | USECA/10 Meter Phone USB | 28.425 |

Listings in **BOLD** are USECA club nets, but **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Net Ops Schedules

2-METER NETS

| | SUN. 1 PM | SUN. 8 PM** | FRI. 11:45 PM |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| WEEK | 147.180 MHz | 147.180 MHz | 147.180 MHz |
| 1 | KD8CXJ | W11K | -OPEN- |
| 2 | N8ZA | W8NIC | -OPEN- |
| 3 | -OPEN- | -OPEN- | -OPEN- |
| 4 | WB8E | KD8GZE | -OPEN- |
| 5* | KT8F | -OPEN- | -OPEN- |

*If applicable

**Traders/Tech Support

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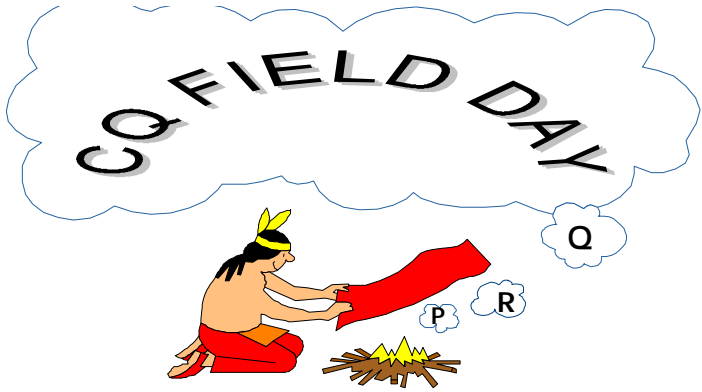
NCO's—If you're unable to take your net please get a replacement or contact Chuck, N8ZA (586) 557-4983—Don't wait!

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JUNE 2009

"The Happenin' Club"

Club Activities

| MONTH | DATE | TIME | EVENT |
|-------|------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| SEP | 14 | 7:30 pm | General Meeting |
| SEP | 21 | 7:00 pm | VE Test Session |
| OCT | 12 | 7:30 pm | General Meeting |
| OCT | 19 | 7:00 pm | VE Test Session |
| OCT | 25 | | USECA 24th Annual Swap |
| NOV | 6 | 7:30 pm | General Meeting |
| NOV | 13 | 7:00 pm | VE Test Session |
| DEC | TBA | | USECA 22nd Annual Christmas Party |
| DEC | 14 | 7:30 pm | General Meeting |
| DEC | 21 | 7:00 pm | VE Test Session |

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