

Drumlins Meeting May 18th! Tour de Cure June 11th!!
Meeting location Change! EMO (somewhere on campus)

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Drumlins' Rumblings

RACES-ARES May 2016 KB2KBY Dave Taylor



May! This is the start of the season of some of our times our help is needed as the weather (WX) gets better. And it is time for national holidays and no nets. Seems like I did this only a few months ago? Hi, time sure does fly.

First, lets get the holiday business out of the way. We already had no WARECS net for Mother's Day Sunday just this past weekend. Although no national holiday, Mother's Day is a lot of competition with families. Therefore starting with last year, Mother's Day there will be no 2m nets in either our Wayne and neighboring Ontario counties. Since we are doing a lot more in conjunction with Ontario County, it is nice to be on the same schedule as they are. It is a well deserved break for the faithful RACES and ARES ops who check in as many are on the same nets.

Of course that is the goal of more cooperation and activities with both the

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Drumlins' Meeting

May 18th, 2016—7:30 PM
Social—7:00 PM
Wayne County EMO, somewhere on campus
7336 Rt. 31, Lyons, NY
Doors open at 7:00 PM, Talk-in: 146.685



RACES-ARES continued

Drumlins and Squaw Island clubs. It is a good chunk of time for the faithful members each Sunday, so any time off for members is a nice reward! I will admit I enjoyed the extra time with family Mother's Day. I had a chance to take the two granddaughters to see their aunt and cousins in Liverpool, NY. It maybe just a little over an hour away but this was our first visit to their new home. I didn't even have to drive, which was another pleasure especially since I could relax and take a little nap on the return trip after a lovely spring picnic supper which ended with the first strawberry and biscuit sundae topped with whipped cream. Yum. My Dad always said if you want to see David, invite him for a breakfast, lunch or dinner and you'll see him. Food is nice incentive isn't it. Hi.

For you faithful RACES-ARES members who report into nets, always know that family, friends and commitments come first -always! Naturally, it is nice to see you for the net and hear all the familiar callsigns. Many of you apologize for missing a net which is very polite. But, I do understand. There is life beyond RACES-AREA and amateur radio, especially with the nicer WX coming. Well, if that nicer WX stays here. Hi. Been as goofy a spring as the winter, hasn't it. At least we have not had the shocking WX extremes as the West, Mid-west and South and even our Canadian neighbors in Alberta have had. That I am very thankful for. Some of the pictures on TV of the fires and tornadoes are just frightening to me. For us the WX has just been nuisance and nothing more. I have been enjoying the cooler WX as all of you know the summer's high heat and humidity and I do not get along well together.

No WARECS and Ontario County nets for Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day weekends. As long as KD2DNO and N2ZVP know ahead of time, this will be on the DARC website and in the "Drumlins Rumblings" newsletters. Thanks, Bill, Walter.

The Manchester-Shortsville, 'twin-cities'-Water Derby has already happened the last weekend in April. With family obligations for me I was unable to help out again. But we did have members help out with SIARC:KB2FSB and KC2YGH helped out. THIS IS A REMINDER TO ALL DARC MEMBERS! Any activity that you help with which involves communications, please, send me your event name, date(s) and time spent to me before the end of the month. This information can be added on to my monthly ARES EC reports. I also got the DARC members who attended the Summer Skywarn training at the Wayne EMO. I thank KB2FSB for that info too. A lot of the pictures taken for the Water Derby are at Littleville where the old aqueduct is on the Canandaigua Outlet. Yes, that is the actual time of the hamlet!-Littleville. I always wondered if the Littles came from there. You know from the children story series with the Little family. Hi. My son loved the series of stories.

The COMEX 16-2 was Mother's Day weekend. I am afraid some events are not good in their timing. Only N2MKT was able to help 3 hours for this event. I was able to send Jeff a County Status report for Monroe County when I was at the son's QTH for an early Mother's Day breakfast. Luckily the father's benefit from these Mother's Day family breakfasts. Sounds like David gets invited out for a lot of eating! Told you it was a good way to see me. Hi. Of course there will be a reciprocal Father's Day early breakfast and the XYL will benefit as well. But, there will be a night net(s) Father's Day Sunday. We're second place to Mom's? Yes, it sure seems so. Hi. That is okay with me. Heaven forbid if us men ever got into the baby labor business in the birth processes. I am a wimp with pain. (I admit it! A hang nail is enough for me to go to the emergency!)

Lastly, and I almost forgot, don't forget KD2GTA, John's Storm Tracker net on Tuesday and Thursday in the month-please, check the Drumlins website calendar. I would appreciate if John sent me in the DARC members who reported in to this worthwhile net for. I have had one chance only checking into the net. The time I did, there were mostly DARC members checking in. I know John thanks those who check in. The fact we are on the shore of Lake Ontario in Wayne County makes the Storm Tracker very important. Our website has a drop down menu with all the information for the Storm Tracker.

There will be many events coming up in the future. The DARC website will list them all and in the newsletter, as well. Wherever and whoever helps out, please, keep this "kid" informed with all the info. I wish I could help out for all the events but time and things get in the way. We all have this problem and as problems go this is the lesser evil for sure. We all are busy. It is a blessing we can help out the public in these events and the PR sure is a nice side bar.

Once again, thank you for your support of RACES and ARES. Your individual time taken in support of both RACES-ARES is very important and appreciated. Little or a lot!, it all adds up the time you spend. CU at some of these events. If in doubt should I ask Dave? Just send me what you did with the info asked earlier. I can judge if it is applicable. It never hurts.

73 & 88, Dave KB2KBY

Wayne RO/EC

May Program-

Find the meeting! Public service event prep

The Tour de Cure bike event for diabetes is only one month away. All Hams are encouraged to participate in this event. There are several courses with the longest being 100 miles and running largely through Wayne County. There are opportunities on the road, in rest stops, and at the Net Control. Hams from all over the area participate. Join in on the fun!

Go to the RARA website, (<http://www.rochesterham.org>) on the left side of the page click on Public Service and then on Tour De Cure and sign up



June Rumblins
Deadline is: June 10th, 2016

NY State RACES - HF NET
Sunday 0900
3.993.5kHz SSB/LSB

If you have an article that you would like to share with the rest of the club, please submit them to me and I'll work on getting it in the newsletter!
Email address: w Dutcher@tkcontrols.com
Snail Mail address: 144 Berg Rd
Ontario, NY 14519

Upcoming Public Service Events
Tour de Cure 6/11/2016
Bike MS 8/27/2016
Palmyra Canaltown Days 9/17/2016

2016 Hamfest Schedule

DAYTON HAMVENTION May 20-22!	DRUMLINS ARC HAMFEST 4/23/2016 see page 6!
Lockport ARA Hamfest 1/23/2016	Winter Hamfest 2/27/2016 Big Flats
RAGS Hamfest 7/10/2016 Cicero	Ithaca Hamfest 8/6/2016 Trumansburg
KLARA Hamfest & Campout 8/6/2016 Hornell	RARA Hamfest May 28th, 2016 @Eastman Business Park
Barnard Hamfest June 4th, 2016 @ Barnard Exempt	Horseheads Fall Hamfest September 24?

Meeting Notes

The club meeting notes and the newsletters can be found on the member's side of the DARC website at www.drumlinsarc.us

A list of current members is now on our website. You have to be logged in, go to Members, then Members List. Check it out and if you see any errors, email drumlinsarc@gmail.com. While you are checking it out, enroll for 2016 online. Annual membership is for the calendar year January 1st through December 31st. **2016 dues should now be paid.**

Meeting Location Change: Due to renovations are the Sheriff's Office, our first floor meeting room will be unavailable for at least six months. The **Wed May 18th meeting will be at the EMO's campus, stay tuned for specific location and directions.** Same time 7:30

Repeater Committee News!

Repeater Report for May 2016

146.685- Been working good. Have been working on a Linux-Allstar computer that will link with the repeater for echolink , additional features. Computer is done ,still working on interface to the radio.

444.750- Repeater has been working good, the link to the EMO for wires-x has been also working good also. Additional training is in the works for an upcoming meeting to understand all its functionality.

146.745- Been chugging along, need to get to the hill and turn of the heaters. Some minor repairs to shed maybe needed. (outlet covers etc.) Adding a Ethernet switch etc . Storm Tracker Nets have been working nicely on this repeater and 443.250.

Future objectives?

Need to put together a small to do list for the repeaters /wish list /

May need to do some preventative maintenance items.....

Respectfully Submitted

Jeff-N2MKT

VE Testing

Drumlins ARC / Laurel VEC Testing

June 22nd, 2016

Testing will start at 7:30 PM (At the Drumlins ARC Monthly Meeting

CONTACT for individuals registering in advance is: Sabrina Hamill, WD2STK - (585)727-2091

The SquawIsland ARC (SIARC) has VE testing at the Ontario County EOC-911 center on County Road 46 near the fire training area every other second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM. VE sessions are held prior to their meeting. The VE testing is headed by Dave Foster, AB2WZO of SIARC. The SIARC website (www.SIARC.us) can be used for directions and information.

VE Testing At RIT

RARA is once again testing under Laurel VE. They will also be testing at the RARA Hamfest May 28th.



HAM RADIO OPERATOR
ON THE AIR

JUNE 25 & 26, 2016

SIARC & Drumlins ARC Field Day

Location: Watkins Lodge

Ontario County Park at Gannett Hill

6475 Gannett Hill Park Drive

Naples, NY 14512

Route 64 (North of Naples)

Setup: Saturday June 25th, 10AM

On the Air: June 25th 2PM till June 26th 10AM

Break down: Sunday June 26th , 10AM to 1PM

Talk-in: 145.450 PL 110.9

More info at: www.siarc.us or DrumlinsARC.us

What is ARRL Field Day?



ARRL Field Day is the single most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend of June of each year, more than 35,000 radio amateurs gather with their clubs, groups or simply with friends to operate from remote locations.

Field Day is a picnic, a campout, practice for emergencies, an informal contest and, most of all, FUN!

It is a time where many aspects of Amateur Radio come together to highlight our many roles. While some will treat it as a contest, other groups use the opportunity to practice their emergency response capabilities. It is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate Amateur Radio to the organizations that Amateur Radio might serve in an emergency, as well as the general public. For many clubs, ARRL Field Day is one of the highlights of their annual calendar.

The contest part is simply to contact as many other stations as possible and to learn to operate our radio gear in abnormal situations and less than optimal conditions.

We use these same skills when we help with events such as marathons and bike-a-thons; fund-raisers such as walk-a-thons; celebrations such as parades; and exhibits at fairs, malls and museums — these are all large, preplanned, non-emergency activities.

But despite the development of very complex, modern communications systems — or maybe because they ARE so complex — ham radio has been called into action again and again to provide communications in crises when it really matters. Amateur Radio people (also called “hams”) are well known for our communications support in real disaster and post-disaster situations.

What is the ARRL?

The American Radio Relay League is the national association for Amateur Radio in the USA, representing over 171,000 FCC-licensed Amateurs. The ARRL is the primary source of information about what is going on in ham radio. It provides books, news, support and information for individuals and clubs, special events, continuing education classes and other benefits for its members.

What is Amateur Radio

Often called “ham radio,” the Amateur Radio Service has been around for a century. In that time, it’s grown into a worldwide community of licensed operators using the airwaves with every conceivable means of communications technology. Its people range in age from youngsters to grandparents. Even rocket scientists and a rock star or two are in the ham ranks. Most, however, are just normal folks like you and me who enjoy learning and being able to transmit voice, data and pictures through the air to unusual places, both near and far, without depending on commercial systems.

The Amateur Radio frequencies are the last remaining place in the usable radio spectrum where you as an individual can develop and experiment with wireless communications. Hams not only can make and modify their equipment, but can create whole new ways to do things.

For More Information visit: www.arrl.org

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