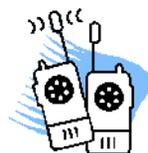


"DRUMLINS RUMBLINS"-AUGUST 2021

REMEMBER: THIS IS IN PLACE OF OUR AUGUST MEETING! Hope you "signed up!"



Summer Fun



DRUMLINS - ANNUAL - SUMMER - PICNIC

SATURDAY - AUGUST 14th***Hope you signed up! (Call quickly!)

Palmyra VFW Post Pavilion 4306 Route 31 Palmyra. Gather 3:00PM for preparation-- EAT at 5:00PM



Well, it was nice to really “see” our SIARC friends for the FD this year. It was a smaller group between the two clubs with the year absence due to the Covid-19 that we all know was necessary to be good and stay safe. That is okay, as let’s face it, we are a very old group of hams generally. Once again I am reminded of my daughter’s words of wisdom pertaining to our “hobby” looking at one of my QST magazines, “Dad, all these guys in the pictures look as old as you.” Hi hi. So you get the idea what I am getting at. But we keep our sense of humor, don’t we? Hi hi.

The FD was more humorous as well. With this long period of Covid restrictions and being able to see our fellow hams, I am sure there was more talking and fewer points for the day. Hi hi. But let’s face it that is not bad either. FD is supposed to be fun to start with. If it is more fun, what the heck, right!

You will see the final points of the day thanks here to KC2TCM, Jay. Jay is the computer guru for keeping all the stats. Jay does an amazing job! All the laptops were coordinated by a hot spot or whatever electronic wizardry Jay came up with. So you can see the points and FD QSOs of all the positions. I was the record keeper for awhile at the CW position inside the Ontario County EMO shack with N0EK, Ed, and a little later with AA2AV, Paul, of SIARC. I had to take off early in the evening so at the time we had 19 contacts which meant 38 points for the CW position. However, I did see K2DCO, Dale, had a few CW contacts as well with one of the rigs under the tent. That was a nice surprise. I usually leave the fast CW-ers for the points as they can pile the points on quicker. I can’t keep up with N0EK or AA2AV’s ears. Hi hi.

Recent Contacts										Score Statistics	
Rec	Call	Class	Sec	Date / Time	Band	Mode	Country	Initi...	Operator	Total CW Contacts	Total Phone Contacts
81	W1NVT	2A	VT	06/27 12:58	40	PH	USA	RH	KC2TNU	30	49
80	K4RC	2A	VA	06/27 12:50	40	PH	USA	RH	KC2TNU	0	0
79	W8ID	4A	OH	06/27 12:48	40	PH	USA	RH	KC2TNU	109	0
78	W8OBC	4A	OH	06/27 12:42	40	PH	USA	RH	KC2TNU	0	0
77	N4EH	4A	NFL	06/27 12:42	20	PH	USA	DCO	K2DCO	0	0
76	W5SSV	3E	STX	06/27 12:40	20	PH	USA	DCO	K2DCO	0	0
75	W4HS	4A	NC	06/27 12:38	20	PH	USA	DCO	K2DCO	0	0
74	K8SCH	3A	OH	06/27 03:12	40	CW	USA	DH	N2EZY	0	0
73	N4LG	1D	NC	06/27 03:02	40	CW	USA	DH	N2EZY	0	0
72	K8ES	4F	OH	06/27 02:44	40	CW	USA	DH	N2EZY	0	0
71	W89FK	1D	IL	06/27 02:36	40	CW	USA	DH	N2EZY	0	0

Call	Class	Section	DX	3	5	7	0
Ready to begin! Please select your band and mode from the menu options!							
Possible Duplicates <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any Portion							
Montana Total = 0							
DE	MDC	AR	NTX	AK	NV	CO	MO
EPA	WPA	LA	OK	AZ	OR	IA	ND
MS	STX	EWA	UT	KS	NE		
NM	WTX	ID	WWA	MN	SD		
AL	SC	MT	WY	Canada			
GA	SFL	AB	NT				
KY	TN	BC	ONE				
NC	VA	GTA	ONN				
NFL	VI	MAR	ONS				
PR	WCF	MB	PE				
ENY	NNY	NL	QC				
NLI	SNJ	IN	SK				
NNJ	WNY						

ARRL Field Day

- Field Day Call Used: K2BWK GOTA Station Call:
 - Club or Group Name: Squaw Island ARC (K2BWK) & Drumlins ARC (WA2AAZ)
 - Number of Participants: 12
 - Number of transmitters in simultaneous operation: 3
 - Entry Class: Check only one. X F. Emergency Operations Center
 - Check All power sources used. Generator/X Commercial mains
 - ARRL / RAC Section: WNY
 - Total CW QSOs: 30 X 2 = Total CW QSO points: 60
 - Total Digital QSOs: 0 X 2 = Total Digital QSO points: 0
 - Total Phone QSOs: 49 X 1 = Total Phone QSO points: 49
 - Total QSO points: 109
 - Power Multiplier (select only one): X 150 Watts or less = 2/ Over 150 Watts = 1
 - Power Multiplier: 2
 - Claimed Score: 218
 - Bonus points claimed: X Set-up in Public Place
- Date: 06/30/2021 Call: K2BWK Operating Period: 2021/06/26 18:25 - 2021/06/27 12:58

Total Contacts by Band and Mode:

Band	CW	Power	Dig	Power	Phone	Power	Total	%
20	4	150	0	150	20	150	24	30
GOTA	0	150	0	150	0	150	0	0
Total	30	0	49	79	100			



Speaking of AA2AV, I have to mention Tom's, KB2NCI, welfare and health net! Tom is still going strong with the weekday night 8:00PM SIARC sponsored net on the 146.820 repeater. Tom started the net up at the start of the Covid first with Saturday nights added in there as well. Once things improved with the Covid, Tom kept the nets going on just weekday nights. As I am typing away on this article, I was just on the welfare net with 14 checkins and listening to the other checkins. This was net #355! Yes, kudos once again for Tom doing very faithfully the nets. Without the nets I would not have know of AA2AV, Paul. In one of the pictures you'll see Paul and I talking with NOEK in the background. This was my very first "eyeball" QSO with Paul. I would not have even known of Paul's existence if it was not for Tom's welfare net.

Thus, I ENCOURAGE Drumlins members to CHECK IN THE NET once in awhile. NOEK has checked in almost as much as I but, please, consider on an evening you're not busy, check into the welfare net. KC2TCM has checked in at times but more DARC members could do so. Yes, I and those DARC members mentioned are all SIARC members as well.



IT WAS A FUN TIME! IT WAS NICE TO REALLY "SEE" MEMBERS WHO WE HEARD FOR OVER A YEAR ON THE DIFFERENT NETS. THE NUMBERS WERE NOT THE IMPORTANT PART OF THE DAY! S-E-E YOU NEXT YEAR !!!!!



RACES-ARES AUGUST 2021



*****The 60m MARS nets on Channel 1 USB at noon, 1200L, on the last Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each month. ***** HAS BEEN SUSPENDED AT TIS TIME!***** If this changes I'll send out a club email.

The Labor Day weekend will be coming up soon after this month. What? Already? Summer? Huh? Really?



(Sorry!) THERE WILL BE NO WARECS AND ONTARIO COUNTY NETS Sunday September 5th for the Labor Day weekend. Be safe! Enjoy!

GINNA STATE FEMA DRILLS?

Question Mark? Hi hi. Yes! The Feds happened to visit the EOC on July 12th, Tuesday. John O'Toole asked if we could have some warm bodies there. There was no grading for RACES but Rus, N2IZV and I warmed up the shack as a favor to John. It was productive however as I programmed the shack IC7300 with a SD card which had my QTH Army MARS settings on it. This meant all I have to do in the future is take my laptop only to easily operate in a COMEX at the EOC. This is an amazing feature of the 7300. You download different setting for modes, operators, etc., and just use the menu and retrieve them. Of course Rus is one of the Region 2 Army MARS gurus and he was kind to bring me up to snuff with the COMEX 21-3 that was coming up.

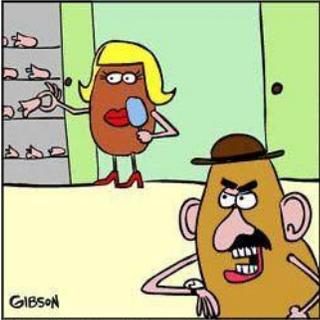
I haven't mention about the COMEX on purpose. COMEX 21-2 and COMEX 21-3 have been training exercises for MARS only. The reason it seems is MARS is emphasizing more "voice" messaging as of late. They are finding voice being a challenge and voice messaging that follows more the military manuals on the subject. We RACES ops are very familiar with voice messaging. (Of course more volunteering for NCS and helping a net with ANCS would be greatly appreciated.) Because of this the amateur community has not been asked to help in the COMEXs. But the powers to be say COMEX 21-4 will be different. As more comes out we'll get that out to you.

The State Ginna graders visited the EMO July 27th, Thursday, and Jeff, N2MKT; Rich, KC2TNJ, and I hung around in the EMO shack and checked our equipment out in the shack and the Dose 2m positions. We did not participate per say. I thank Jeff and Rich for their loyalty jumping in with short notice. Rich had a fun time playing with the Dose room position. He usually is in a van for the drills. Of course being the computer geek he figured things out easily. Dodo Dave would flounder like a fish. Hi hi. Jeff upgraded the new firmware for the 7300 and he put the upgrade on a SD so I could upgrade my firmware as well. He also showed me more features of the 7300. For a simple CW guy, this 7300 is just a wonder.

Covid has made our participation in Ginna and MARS sort of tipsier. You can't figure where up or down are. Hi hi. Hope things will fully improve in the future. Let's hope anyway. 73 & 88, Dave KB2KBY



FINAL HAPPY NOTE!



I don't believe this...we're a half hour late for the dinner party and you're still picking your nose!



SEE YOU NEXT MONTH IN SEPTEMBER!



Time is flying to fast!