

# Drumlins Amateur Radio Club, Ltd.

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**Drumlins' Rumblins**

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THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

***KD2DNO***

Short newsletter this month due to no meetings. See you again for a full newsletter next month!!

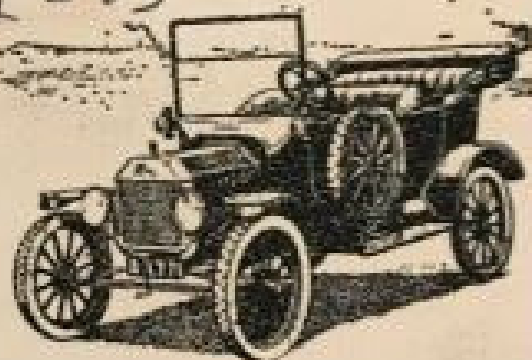
The ROC MS bike ride in Rochester is on need of volunteers. Go to [www.rochesterham.org](http://www.rochesterham.org), click on Public Service on the left side, click on the ROC MS and fill out the form if you can help. Thanks, Bill kd2dno

## **Citizens Radio KNP 8576**

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**PHIL LUNDY**

"GIVE US A SHOUT ANYTIME"



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PHIL LUNDY DARC Member SK  
by Dave, KB2KBY

It is with great regret, to hear of the passing of Drumlins member Phi Lundy on July 23, 2018, a DARC associate member. For the time Phil was a DARC member we knew him more as a scanner man but did have a SWL (shortwave listener) callsign, and was an avid CB-er with the call KNP8576 as you can see. The fact Phil had a CB call shows how early he was interested in 'radio' as CB calls were stopped quite early. (I thank Roger Gay, KB2NL, for the CB card and the info on Phil he sent to me.)

DARC members knew Phil more when he had to move into a 'home.' He was a good faithful member attending DARC meetings. In fact it was mentioned at the funeral service, Phil did not like missing his DARC meetings. He was upset when he could not attend. Hi. (For the non-hams, a "hi" is laughter or laugh in Morse code. I said I would see that Phil's care givers would see a copy of this tribute.) Good for you, Phil. I last saw Phil at the FD (Field Day) at the Varick Fire Hall and waved to him. The ladies at the 'home' said Phil talked about FD for days after. FB, Phil! (Fine Business, which is the highest tribute for a ham that you are doing a good job.) The pastor at Phil's service mentioned to all, at the 'home' Phil explained "Ham radio helps with communication when the phones are down.," and asked the question she hoped she got that statement right. Of course, I said Phil had it right and so did she.

Phil's interest and importance in radio showed. His casket had his room sign "Phil's Radio Room" propped up by his head, a scanner in his hand and his DARC "30th Anniversary Hamfest" hat with him. At our DARC monthly meetings, Phil had the fortitude to stay away from our scone treats, but the pastor mentioned Phil liked his chocolate and he had a bag of M&M candies with him too! (I commented to the ladies who brought Phil, they could have had those scones as well. Sorry they to listen to all the radio stuff that went over their heads. Hi. Bless them.)

When the pastor asked if anyone present would like to say something in tribute to Phil, I had to speak up. I mentioned Phil was a faithful DARC member attending the meetings. But more importantly I mentioned our ham community's thoughts on a member passing. I explained that in our Morse code, the final end of a Morse contact, the operator would send a SK. In our ham philosophy we see a member as SK or a "silent key" when he has passed-meaning he is now in a place where their transmissions are always clear, no noise, go on forever, easily heard. Phil is there in the universe of things, know just silent, a SK but he is still there and listening.

For those at Phil's service, their love and fondness for Phil really showed. It was wonderful to see and feel. None of us could ask for anything more as a SK. Phil is still there but has no need for any scanner frequencies or charts. Phil is listening to it all, smiling and content. Happy SK, Phil.



## RACES-ARES AUGUST 2018

This kid was lazy getting this month's article in. Who would have thought since we had the DARC picnic in place of an August DARC meeting, I'd still have to type an article? Not me! Hi. Oooooops. Lew, our new Rumbling Drumlins" editor gave me a nod "yes" when I asked. Hi. So here I go.

Many TNX for the eleven DARC RACES members who came out early Tuesday August 7th for the Ginna practice exercise. We have had a lot of DARC members not renewing their dues, members moving away, members who find they have to retire at this job and the unfortunate who are SK this past year. Luckily this kid didn't have to worry as "new" DARC RACES members walked up to the plate to bat! Whew! They are a nice addition to the thankfully faithful RACES members who have helped in the past for the Ginna State and federal FEMA drills. Time does keep ticking away and I am very grateful for RACES members who have been a great help in the past but can not help any more and are very honest about it. We all will and I will be there some day too. Out of respect I'll not specify who they are. They know and I have thanked them.

So TNX to DARC members Laura, KD2FRR, although she has been at Ginna exercises, has taken on a new task; Steve, KA1CNF, for prepping for NCS at the RACES Dose position; and, Charlie, N2DIT, who has joined Army MARS and participating with the Sunday RACES nets and getting back in doing more. I understand completely the time and effort it does take. My XYL is always saying I do too much, let someone do it, and you're always on your nets. It is the nature of the beast I guess. Do remember for the State Ginna exercise, you can come August 14th, Tuesday, 8:30AM and train along with the others to see how it is done. (The FEMA exercise is every two years and so this year is just the State drill.) The State drill is sorta a graded training exercise to prepare for the FEMA graded drill which really counts. You can help get the Dose vans ready, help in the shack, a.k.a. electrical room, see what happens at the 'red' phone now really black, and what is done at the NCS Dose radio position. Extra hands are always welcome. (We're getting together for breakfast at the Cross Park Family Restaurant at 7:00AM that morning too, if you wish. EMO does have a light breakfast and darn good lunch as well.)

Finger Lakes Triathlon, on Sunday, September 9, still needs help! Email Tom, KB2NCI, at kb2nci@arrl.net if you can help. Yes, I am helping there too. We're trying to help and work with our Ontario County RACES friends as much as we can. We are very fortunate to have SIARC and Ontario RACES as true good friends!

Saturday, September 15th, 2:00-5:00PM, is the Canal Town Days parade setup! I have heard from just four DARC members so far. Boy, let me tell you, the XYL wishes I get out of this one commitment, also. I am not joking. Being the Palmyra-ian, if such a word, I have the contacts so it is convenient. In fact I must talk to my pseudo-niece who is in the Pal-Mac Music Boosters about the new band leader and see what is happening there. Shhhhhh!, don't tell the XYL. She'll have more ammunition! Please email me if you can help out with the parade.

Halloween is not to far around the corner! Tuesday and Wednesday November 30th and 31st will come faster than we wish. Part of that "Time Flies" business when a kid we were bored out of our minds. Plan ahead for me, please. Even though Ontario County helps us out greatly I am always getting frantic some bridges are not covered! No one has had to do two nights in a row unless they volunteered to do so. If the bridge over NYS Rte 21 by the Thruway is still out, the other bridges will even be busier this year. It might not be eat snacks and see videos on your laptops this time sitting at a bridge. Hi. Tuesday, 7:00PM, DARC WX nets may look just for fun but they serve a useful purpose. We checking to see if the 745 repeater is working, your rig is working and you can communicate. Sounds dumb but it is not. We had some pretty good T-storms comes through Wednesday evening after last week's DARC WX net. If that WX is getting nasty, weird, goofy, etc., turn your 2m rig or HT on to the 745 repeater and monitor the repeater!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Keep monitoring until it looks like the goofy WX is over and maybe a little longer.

Lastly, TelNET! Bob, K2JJT, a DARC member if you don't know it, helped Dodo Dave getting this old but new to him technology working. My packet situation is even worse than my compromised radio situation most of you know. The packet antennas are not the big trombone high gain things but a better than average home QTH antenna. So my packet getting into WA2EMO-2 and WA2AAZ-2 FlexNet system and WA2EMO-14 really stinks. Now I can get, retrieve, send, mailbox any packet message with TelNET! Is has made my job ever easier, faster and less cumbersome. Wow!

Those of you who don't have packet!, listen up! You too can get the net message and roger from the Sunday night RACES nets on WA2EMO-14 even though you have no packet TNC, radio, or neither by using TelNET. You have a computer and internet you have everything! TelNET is as old as the first computers for communications. The "CW mode" of computers so to speak. As Rus, N2RUS, emailed me, "It may be old but it is new to us old guys." Hi. How true! Remember, any form of communications, no matter what it takes to get a message through, is legal for Ginna drills, declared emergencies, whatever just so the information or message can be passed on to where it is needed! I have to learn EchoLink myself for this reason. Yes, EchoLink is legal for Ginna drills! It gets the message through. That is what counts. It was done by Jeff, N2MKT, a few Ginna drills back! A TelNET DARC meeting night program looks to be in order in the future.

Okay, that is it, I guess. (Whew! Lew, this is all coming your way right now. Hi.) Mum-a-me-a! (By the way the second movie of Mamma Mia!, is better than the first.)



EVERY TUESDAY 7PM.DARC NET on 444.750. Friendly rag  
chew and weather reporting.

EVERY SUNDAY 8:35 pm. WAREC RACES NET 146.685

EVERY SUNDAY 7pm SIARC NET 145.450

***DARC Members: As per the NYS RACES message Sunday on HF and the  
Sunday WARECS net:***

Aug 20 - Aug 24 MARS stations in the US will be conducting an exercise.

The exercise will involve looking for publicly available information like the status  
of resources in a county or community or weather conditions. (KB2KBY  
comment: WX condition reports are usually gotten by airport WX reports. So  
status report is all asked by ham stations.) Individual MARS members will be  
reaching out to hams to obtain this information. They may enter a net, and  
request status information. (Comment: The Tuesday 7:00PM DARC WX net is a  
good time. I'll get your status reports from those who check in on the net. TNX,  
Dave)

See attached document about the county status.

There may be actively on 60 meters Ch 1 on even hours. MARS stations are  
authorized to use their MARS call for this COMEX. (KB2KBY will try this himself.  
CW nets may be used also. I'll send a DARC bulletin out ASAP if & when  
frequencies and times are known. 73, Dave, Army MARS call AAR2MN.)

Any questions give me a call.



Russell Harris, N2IZV

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P.S. Western NY has always been a difficult area to attain 100% of the 30 counties that encompass it:

Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Erie, Genesee, Herkimer, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Tioga, Tompkins, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates.

Your help is needed.

### Roc City Hamfest 8-25-2018

We are meeting at Log Cabin for breakfast and Hamfest at 7AM Sat. 8-25-18.

Everything is free, just drive in and park. The rumor was restaurant parking on the pavement, Hamfest on the grass. The Log Cabin owner just wants to sell food, a great deal! We usually coordinate on 146.55Mhz.

Rt 31F is closed east of Fairport. Alternates. Rt.441 to Ganada Parkway to W.

Walworth Road south or Rt31 to North on Wayneport Road, turn right to W.

Walworth Rd. turn left to 31F and Log Cabin. Info below. Weather looks good so far. Jim

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roc-city-net-hamfest>

## September Program

Jeff will possibly be showing his 10 Ghz microwave setup that he and Dave Halliday, K2DH have built and its workings...



# SIARC 65th

## CONGRATULATIONS SIARC 65th ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL EVENT STATION

See the pictures of some who participated at the SIARC event! And big CONGRATS to our Ontario County neighbors!, on 65 years! Some of us DARC members are also SIARC members and extra special! Tom, KB2NCI, the SIARC President, will have results is the August "Smoke Signals" I imagine. I am not sure if ops got more contacts or gabbed more but it was a good fun time. Hi.



## DARC PICNIC!

As you can see from the pictures, we had a nice group at this years 2018 DARC picnic at the Palmyra VFW. The WX was perfect with great temp and nice breeze under the VFW pavilion. Naturally the food was its best as Rich, KC2TNJ, always has the talent with his cooking. The desserts plentiful and tasty. The gifty-gab sessions are interesting as usual with a bunch of hams with family and friends. We were lucky George Bastedo, the Wayne County EMO Director, was able to drop in and spend time and eat with us. George was to be at our Spring Fling at the Phelps Hotel but it was canceled to be rescheduled at a later date George when could not attend. It was nice George could be there for the picnic. TNX, George, for taking the time away from family for us. Look!, if you missed this year, try to get there next year! You missed a good time! Come and enjoy the food, desserts and comradeship with a good bunch, free thanks to our 50/50 drawings each monthly meeting. CU next year! Thanks , Rich,











# Board of Directors

## BOARD MINUTES

No B.O.D. meeting this month.

## Repeaters

Repeater Report August 2018

**146.685-** Nothing new to report

**146.745-** Report that during nets it seems to cut out...Have to continue to look at squelch/cut out issue..curious if it has to do with the add on board/tone board? thought about bypassing the controller for a net and see if the problem goes away...May need to come up with a troubleshooting plan...

**444.7500-** Been working well.. here some Dstar and Fusion from time to time...

**224.900-** Allstar is active with a voice script..Thanks Justin!! Have to tone down the xmit side its a little hot (aka.. volume is to high)...

**900mhz-** Received email from Dave W2ACC apartenly they have a 900 mhz repeater ready to go..and will be putting it up at Newark soon. Not sure the frequency..more to come

**443.250-** new antenna up but still need to get it above water tower.

Respectfully Entered

Jeff-N2MKT

The other day we lost the internet link to .685... I think when we had all the rain? not sure... this afternoon I climbed up my tower and did a hard reboot on the transmitter am now able to communicate with it via my laptop however its still not talking to the other end...so either I might have to go up to the hill to reboot it? Justin I believe is out of the country messing with the queen, keep her security, secure.... and I've been messing with GHzs.... so hopefully we will have it resolved soon... hehe fun fun.. This effects..wires x, dstar, and echolink.... Jeff



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### **WAYNE COUNTY RACES**

#### **VHF NET**

#### **TIME-FREQUENCIES**

SUNDAY EVENING 8:35PM

PRIMARY:

146.685 (PL 71.9)

WA2EMO REPEATER

Secondary

146.745 (PL 71.9)

WA2AAZ REPEATER

Voice and Digital

FLDIGI MT63-2KL

