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GM Net News

July 2012

Dayton 2012



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The GM Nets meet daily Monday through Saturday on 7.277.5 MHz at 17:00Z and Tuesdays on 14.277 +/-QRM at 16:15Z.

GM Net News

Would you like to help out with Net Control Duties? Contact our Net Manager George, KB9VF kb9vf@Comcast.net

Net Preamble & Closing



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Rick, WØPC

Verle, K8VW

Bill, WB9YUR

Denny, N8XLS

Bill, WD9AIH

Phil, W9MPA

Bob, K8MPV

George, N8NPW

David, ABØHU

Charlie, WD9IQV

Ed, K8DSS

Chuck, WA8IHI

Wally, WB8M

Walter, DF4IZ

Net Preamble

This is (your call), today's net control. This net is composed of employees and retirees of the General Motors Corporation .

This net meets daily on this frequency for the purpose of getting better acquainted, expanding our knowledge, and improving our operating techniques. We promote friendship among participants in many locations who have many talents and have or have had a variety of work assignments. The General Motors nets are international in scope on some bands, and visitors are always welcome to check in. Please stay carefully tuned to net control at all times. This is (your call) (working for or retired from) (your) Division in (your city), (state). My home QTH is (where you live). My name is (your name) and we will now take check-ins, one at a time, please.

Net Closing

Are there any late check-ins for the net? (pause for late check-ins). Is there any further business for the net? (pause for any further business) Having no further business, we will close the net at this time. This net is composed of General Motors employees, retirees, and visitors. We meet each day, Monday through Saturday, on or about this frequency, at (1700z or 1800z). Thank you for your participation and please return often. This is (your call) now closing the net. 73 and Good Afternoon.

I can hear you finally ... Cycle 24 is finally Wide Awake! Join US at 1700Z On 7.277.5 MHz

Net Control Schedule

July 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	2	3	4	5	6	7
	KB9VF - Geo	WD9AIH - Bill	K8MPV - Bob	K8VW - Verle	WB9YUR - Bill	N8NPW - Geo
	9	10	11	12	13	14
	W9PMA - Phil	N8XLS - Denny	ABØHU - David	WD9IQV - Charlie	K8DSS - Ed	WB8M - Wally
	16	17	18	19	20	Ž21
	WØPC- Rick	KB9VF - Geo	WD9AIH - BIII	K8MPV - Bob	K8VW - Verle	WB9YUR - Bill
	23	24	725	26	27	Ž28
	N8NPW - Geo	W9PMA - Phil	N8XLS - Denny	ABØHU - David	WD9IQV - Charlie	K8DSS - Ed
	30 WB8M - Wally	31 WØPC- Rick	Notes:		•	,

K8DSS:

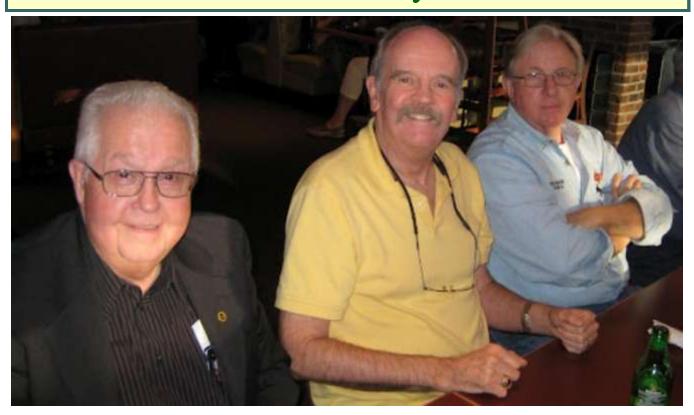
Improvements to the Michigan Radio Shack

I recently built an equipment riser (44'x13"X6") and it really improved the ergonomics of the operating position.

73' Ed



Dinner in Dayton





Resting the feet after a full day at Dayton walking around.

<u>Picture above</u>: Wally-WB8M, Ed-ND8R, George-K5KG

<u>Pictured at the left</u>: Ed - K8dss's brothers-in-law Mike - K8MJC and Pete - K8PDC

<u>Pictured below</u> after making a few purchases is Ed - K8DSS

<u>2013</u> - I'll make it for sure! Every year we say we are going to Dayton and always something pops up and changes the plan. This year it was our oldest grand daughter's High School graduation. Next year for sure... It's on the calendar... cast in concrete... I hope.

Thanks of all the great pictures. Keep them coming. 73, Rick





Ken, KG9O and his son Steve, W9SN Several of you sent pictures of the antenna. I bet you didn't know it was Ken out there. (Rick, WØPC)

Ken says: "This quad is 2 element, and does 20 thru 6 meters, all the wires were not on this display model, we had enough trouble getting the wires untangled after we took it out of the van, Steve just loaded it up with the wires intact and rolled it up, when we unrolled it took some time to get it all straightened out. There were people all around taking pictures of us, one guy had a video camera, and Steve recognized him as Gordon West, so we may be on a video some place. Steve hires a place to make these short booms, they are aluminum and heli arced together with a healthy weld bead, and the aluminum is really heavy gauge. He has one up at 80 ft for 5 yrs and it took wind snow and ice, it had 1/4 inch of ice on it at one time. 73, Ken



Steve took his IC 7200 and 2 solar panels that dumped 10 amps into 2 deep cycle batteries, we had fun there , but it was a job getting set up . Ken



Wal-Mart Car Show



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August 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
otes:	2 %		1 KB9VF - Geo	2 WD9AIH - BIII	3 K8MPV - Bob	4 K8VW - Verle
	6	7	8	9	10	11
	WB9YUR - BIII	N8NPW - Geo	W9PMA - Phil	N8XLS - Denny	ABØHU - David	WD9IQV - Charlle
2	13	14	15	16	17	18
	K8DSS - Ed	WB8M - Wally	WØPC- Rick	KB9VF - Geo	WD9AIH - Bill	K8MPV - Bob
)	20	21	22	23	24	25
	K8VW - Verle	WB9YUR - Bill	N8NPW - Geo	W9PMA - Phil	N8XLS - Denny	ABØHU - David
t	27 WD9IQV - Charlie	28 K8DSS - Ed	29 WB8M - Wally	30 WØPC- Rick	31 KB9VF - Geo	Notes:



Tim, K8NWD, George, N8NPW and Minnie, KD8PAZ



Introducing Chuck Barnett, KM9U from New Whiteland, IN

I was licensed as a novice in 1978 as WD9JFY. I soon upgraded to general and then extra in 1980 when I received my current call sign. I kept my license current but was inactive from June of 1982 until February, 2010.

I'm a retired electrician having worked 32 years for General Motors after serving 4 years in the US Army Security Agency as a cryptographic equipment repairman. After retirement, my interest in Ham Radio was re-kindled.

I remember working Oscar 7 long ago but my current interest in satellites began after learning they had amateur radio aboard the ISS. I already had a Kenwood TH-F6a HT so I ordered an Arrow II antenna. My very first contact using it was with Col. Doug Wheelock aboard the ISS during Expedition 24. I was very privileged to meet Col. Wheelock at the 2011 Dayton Hamvention and have him autograph my card!

73, Chuck





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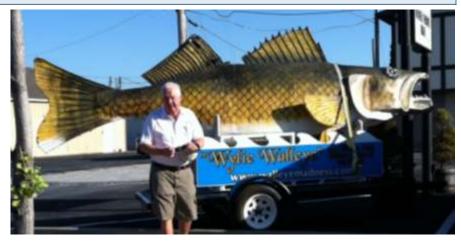
September 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
otes:		2				1 WD9AIH - BIII
	3	4	S	6	77	8
	K8MPV - Bob	K8VW - Verle	WB9YUR - Bill	N8NPW - Geo	W9PMA - Phil	N8XLS - Denny
	10	11	12	13	14	15
	ABØHU - David	WD9IQV - Charlie	K8DSS - Ed	WB8M - Wally	WØPC- Rick	KB9VF - Geo
6	17	18	19	20	21	22
	WD9AIH - BIII	K8MPV - Bob	K8VW - Verle	WB9YUR - BIII	N8NPW - Geo	W9PMA - Phil
3	24	25	26	Ž27	28	29
	N8XLS - Denny	ABØHU - David	WD9IQV - Charlie	K8DSS - Ed	WB8M - Wally	WØPC- Rick
0	Notes:	Net: Walter,	DF117 resur	nes Novemb	ner 6th	ļ

Wally, WB8M Has Been Fishing Again!

Port Clinton, Ohio is definitely the place to catch the big ones. Ever since the Firebirds had there annual meeting there, Wally has been returning to catch the big ones. The charter boats only charge an arm and a leg but guarantee the biggest stories. Sometimes it takes a crane to lift the tales out of the boat. This year was no exception. We always enjoy following Wally's travels and seeing the catch of the day.

Thanks Wally, 73, Rick



The Kenwood Salesmen told me... this new TS-990 has such a HOT front end they need to put it in a thermally protected case to protect the hamfest guests. Maybe he was stretching the truth a little... but it's nice to see the new equipment. If I saw the price tag on this beauty, it would probably cool my heals and dim my dreams of owning one. Well, I can always dream about having some new equipment. A big amplifier or maybe a new tower, how about a new StepperIR. After all, there is nothing wrong with dreams. They are affordable.

73, Rick (WØPC)



The Deaf Wife Problem

Bert feared his wife Peg wasn't hearing as well as she used to and He thought she might need a hearing aid. Not quite sure how to approach her, he called the family Doctor to discuss the problem.

The Doctor told him there is a simple informal test the husband could Perform to give the Doctor a better idea about her hearing loss. 'Here's what you do,' said the Doctor, 'stand about 40 feet away from Her, and in a normal conversational speaking tone see if she hears you. If Not, go to 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response.'

That evening, the wife is in the kitchen cooking dinner, and he was In the Den. He says to himself, 'I'm about 40 feet away, let's see what happens.' Then in a normal tone he asks, 'Honey, what's for dinner?' No response.

So the husband moves closer to the kitchen, about 30 feet from his wife And repeats, 'Peg, what's for dinner?' Still no response.

Next he moves into the dining room where he is about 20 feet from his Wife and asks, 'Honey, what's for dinner?' Again he gets no response.

So, he walks up to the kitchen door, about 10 feet away. 'Honey, what's For dinner?' Again there is no response.

So he walks right up behind her. 'Peg, what's for dinner?'

'Damn it Harry, for the FIFTH time, CHICKEN!'