

GMARC MEETING MINUTES 21-FEB-2017
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I. Call to Order by the Vice-President, Mike W8MJC at 6:55 PM.

II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors

There were (4) Visitors. Larry Camp WB8R, ARRL Michigan Section Manager attended.

III. Minutes

Minutes of the 17-Jan meeting were available at the meeting. Motion to approve January minutes by Ron WD8MNX and seconded by Rich K8OX. Motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report – Bobby N8CY

GMARC Treasurer's Report

February 21, 2017

Last Statement Balance 17-Jan-2017	\$3,776.52
Donation – Trinity Lutheran Church	-200.00
Membership Dues (Jan Meeting)	190.00
Membership Dues (Hazel Park Swap)	100.00
Membership Dues (Mail)	60.00
Heritage Member Dues	20.00
Coffee Fund	2.00
Yaesu DR-2X Fund (Hazel Park Swap)	165.00
Yaesu DR-2X Fund (Jan Meeting)	<u>477.00</u>
February Bank Balance --	\$4,590.52
Raffle Fund	721.08
Repeater Fund*	935.90
Yaesu DR-2X Repeater Fund	1,042.00
New Member Mailpiece Fund	10.96
501(c)(3) Fund	400.00
General Fund	1,480.58
Additional Repeater Fund Pledges:	
- Kurt WU8V -\$100	
*Projected Repeater Fund Balance	\$ 1,035.90

Motion to approve January Treasurer's Report by Scott W1BIC and seconded by Roy W8MRW. Motion carried.

V. Membership Report – Scott W1BIC

We have **41** members who have paid their 2017 dues, and **37** Heritage Members. The following members paid their 2017 Dues at the meeting:

William KE8BZM	Ray KC8LDN	Susan KC8NYR
Marty KB8JIU (PayPal)	Charlene KC8PIC (PayPal)	

VI. GMARC Web Site – Frank W8FKZ

The GMARC Web Site has been completely redone in WordPress by Frank W8FKZ. The new web site is very aesthetic and it should be much easier to maintain the pages in the new system. Frank would like us to send pictures to him that can be used on the Web Site (FrankSonye@comcast.net).

VII. Inter-Club Liaison – Bobby N8CY

Lowell ARC Hamfest	11-Mar-17 Saturday 8:00 AM Lowell, MI
Crossroads Hamfest	18-Mar-17 Saturday 8:00 AM Kalamazoo, MI
Cadillac Hamfest	6-May-17 Saturday 8:00 AM Cadillac, MI
Dayton HamVention	May 19-21, 2017 – Dayton, OH
Monroe Hamfest	18-Jun-17 Sunday 8:00 AM Monroe, MI
Michigan HamCon	Oct 7-8, 2017 – Michigan International Speedway www.glhamcon.org

VIII. Technical Committee Report – Ron WD8MNX

We have a new ArCom RC-210 controller (approx. cost \$600) courtesy of Ron WD8MNX that has been installed. This controller can control (3) devices and interconnect them. It has a total of 691 functions that can be programmed.

Ron noted that we have a future need for battery back-up of our systems.

IX. Presentation – Great Lakes HamCon – Larry Camp WB8R ARRL Michigan Section Mgr

Larry Camp WB8R, ARRL Michigan Section Manager, made a presentation on the upcoming Great Lakes HamCon to be held at Michigan International Speedway Oct 7-8, 2017.

- . The event is sponsored by Great Lakes Amateur Radio Club (a 501(c)(3) organization)
- . They intend to form a Council of Amateur Radio Clubs – each to donate at least \$250
- . \$3,500 in the bank
- . There will be **no** upfront money required to NASCAR
- . NASCAR will provide the food service
- . NASCAR OnLine ticket portal will be used – Ticket sales begin 1-Apr-2017
 - Anticipated price - \$17 advance / \$20 @ gate
- . International Speedway Corp (ISC) owns 12-tracks around the country
- . There are (3) 50 x 150 (1,500 SF) garages on pit row @ MIS

Bill N8SA and Wayne W8WAC each agreed to donate \$250 so that GMARC can make a \$500 donation to become a Council Club.

X. GMARC Embroidered Logo Gear

All embroidered gear from the current order has been delivered. Ken N8COQ ordered a Blue Jacket Size L. Frank W8FKZ ordered a Blue Jacket size XL.

The following members ordered GMARC Caps: Allen W8EAP.

We will order new embroidered gear when we have enough orders to meet the minimums.

XI. Presentation – DV4Home – Brian W8FP



Brian W8FP made an interesting and informative presentation on DV4Home. The DV4home is another member of the successful family of DV4 products. As usual it supports all digital modes, while simplifying and extending the supported functions. While it acts as a "home" for the DV4mini it can be easily used mobile or portable as well. It is a standalone unit that does not need a PC to operate.

- . Approx. cost \$400 (Internet only version)
- . 20,000 maH battery lasts about 6-hours
- . Mobile (RF) version is available

XII. Old / New Business

The first GMARC Saturday morning breakfast meeting was held 11-Feb-2017 at Sero’s Restaurant on 12 Mile Rd in Madison Heights at 9:30 AM. The following persons attended:

Mike W8MJC	Scott W1BIC	David KE8FVC	Bobby N8CY	Ed KC8SBV
Gordon (SWL)	Ron WD8MNX	Ted AC8SW	Bob W8BHF	Doug N8PYN
Jim N8KKG	Michelle KD8ZYW	Linda (Mike’s XYL)		

We plan to meet every Saturday at 9:30 AM at Sero’s. We have had 7 consecutive meetings that were well attended. Please plan to join us when you can.

XIII. Attendance + Funds Collected

23 Members attended. There were (4) visitors.

The following funds were collected and deposited @ TCF Bank:

Membership Dues	\$ 50.00	
Coffee Fund	3.25	
Yaesu DR-2X Fund	40.50	(Livonia Swap)
Great Lakes HamCon	<u>500.00</u>	Wayne W8WAC \$250, Bill N8SA \$250 (PayPal)
Total --	\$593.75	

Upcoming Events for GMARC:

Next Membership Meeting	21-Mar-17 7:00 PM Tuesday (Packard Proving Grounds)
Lowell ARC Hamfest	11-Mar-17 Saturday 8:00 AM Lowell, MI
Crossroads Hamfest	18-Mar-17 Saturday 8:00 AM Kalamazoo, MI
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XIV. Meeting Adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Corr – N8CY
Secretary – GMARC

GMARC Treasurer's Report

March 21, 2017 (Pro-Forma)

Last Statement Balance 21-Feb-2017	\$4,590.52
Donation – Great Lakes HamCon	-500.00
Great Lakes HamCon	500.00
- Bill N8SA \$250, Wayne W8WAC \$250	
IRS 501(c)(3) Form 1023-EZ Filing Fee	-275.00
Membership Dues (Feb Meeting)	50.00
Membership Dues (PayPal)	30.00
Coffee Fund	3.25
Yaesu DR-2X Fund (Livonia Swap)	<u>40.50</u>
March Bank Balance --	\$4,439.27

Raffle Fund	721.08
Repeater Fund*	935.90
Yaesu DR-2X Repeater Fund	1,082.50
New Member Mailpiece Fund	10.96
501(c)(3) Fund	125.00
General Fund	1,563.83

Additional Repeater Fund Pledges:
- Kurt WU8V -\$100

*Projected Repeater Fund Balance \$ 1,035.90

Agenda

To Be held @ **Packard Proving Grounds**
March 21, 2017

- I. Call to Order – President Tony W8OKX Presiding**
- II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors**
- III. Presentation – Flex Radio – Richard KC8HMJ**
- IV. Minutes – Bobby N8CY (Motion to Approve)**
- V. Treasurer's Report – Page 4 of Minutes – Don K7SDF (Motion to Approve)**
- VI. Membership Report – Bobby N8CY**
- VII. Inter-Club Liaison – Bobby N8CY**
- VIII. Technical Committee Report – Ron WD8MNX**
- IX. GMARC Embroidered Logo Gear (See Minutes) – Bobby N8CY**
- X. Break – (8:30 – 8:45 PM)**
50/50 Prize Raffle
- XII. Adjourn (Before 9:00 PM)**