

SPURIOUS EMISSION

ORLEANS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (OCARC)

14064 West County House Road Albion, New York 14411

OCARC Newsletter April 2011

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Meeting Time

The Orleans County Amateur Radio Club (OCARC) meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Orleans County Emergency Management Office at 14064 West County House Road in Albion, New York except in September when we have a dinner meeting. The next meeting will be April 11, 2011. Refreshments are by Chuck N8CL and Steve KZ2R.

Club Officers

President: Steve Maier KZ2R

Vice president: Ray Hertel N2VDR

Secy: Charles Lind N8CL

Treas: Richard Toussaint KA2BCF

Dir: Bruce Sidari WA2TMC

Net Mgr: Marion Toussaint KA2BCE

Contest Manager Wayne King N2WK

Program Bruce Sidari WA2TMC

ORLEANS CO. AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 2-METER NET

WA2DQL repeater 144.67 MHz in/145.27 MHz out with a tone of 141.3. Every Tuesday night at 9:00PM. We will be calling for officers first then anyone else that wishes to join in. We also have a simplex net once a month on the Third Monday at 9:00PM on 145.270.

April 12	KC2JKU	Terry
April 18	KA2BCE	simplex Marion
April 19	KA2BCE	Marion
April 26	WA2TMC	Bruce
May 3	KA2BCF	Dick
May 10	KC2JKU	Terry

This Months Program LIGHTS

2-Meter Check-ins for the Month of March

All together we had a 21 stations check into the 2-Meter Net. During the month of MARCH.

That was a little less than last month.

Remember the Net meets every Tuesday evening at 9:00 PM. You do not need to be a member of the to check in, all are welcome.

KC2JKU-6, WA2HNA-6, KA2BCE-5, KA2BCF-5, WA2TMC-5, WB2SQS-4, KC2EJZ-4, WB2GLU-4, KC2HJM-3, K2EDW 2, KB1JAE-2, KB2BLS-2, N2VDR-2, KF7IILU-2, . The following stations each checked in Once: K2ZI, KA2DYN, KC2ZUP, KB2YLO, N8CL, N2WK, and WF2S.

OTHER NETS

2 Meter Sideband Net 144.260 USP 9:00 Mondays

Lara (Lockport Amateur Radio Club)

Sunday 8 p. m. 146.820

Swapnet after regular net Sept- May

Items

Walt Chaya, W2WFC is looking for a power supply that will allow him to put a 100 watt rig on the air. Walt is blind and we are trying to set him up. If ya have one or know of someone who does, let me know. CHEAP is the magic word!!!!

Kenwood TH-22AT handtalkie for sale \$50.

Alice G Tyler -- KC2OKL

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BARTG HF RTTY Contest

Call: W2ORC

Operator(s): K2EN KA2BCE KA2BCF KC2JKU KZ2R N2OBX N2WK N8CL WA2HNA WA2TMC
WZ2MM

Station: W2ORC

Class: M/S LP

QTH: NY

Operating Time (hrs): 19.5

Summary:

Band QSOs Countries Call Areas

80:	24	3	10
40:	95	14	14
20:	101	25	9
15:	135	35	11
10:	8	6	1

Total: 363 83 45 Continents = 6 Total Score = 278,784
Club: Orleans County ARC

Comments:

A Great time was had at our club station. We got a few new folks involved in RTTY and that is always a good thing for RTTY. We used our new call sign Whiskey 2 Orleans Radio Club (W2ORC) for this BARTG (British Amateur Radio Telegraph Group) event. However we did use WA2DQL for one contact in 20m (tnx Rich for the heads up) to work the last state we need for Worked All States (Nevada).

So now WA2DQL has W.A.S and the certificate has been ordered.

We got started on Saturday, March 19th around 8:30AM. Terry and I replaced the G5RV that was down (broken wire and very badly cut up feed line) so we would have 2 antenna's (Folded Dipole and G5RV) to choose from, which came in handy BTW. We used the Kenwood 570DG exclusively for the contest I started working a few stations on 40m while waiting for Dan N2OBX to show up and then we QSY'd to 20m. After demonstrating a few RTTY contacts and going over the Writelog software with Dan he took over and worked many stations on 20m before we QSY'd to 15m where we could work new stations. Dan enjoyed his turn at the controls and after he left he went home a ordered

WL. BTW, Dan is very new to RTTY.

Next up was Chuck N8CL who has lots of experience with WL and RTTY. He got busy and went right to town logging many RTTY QSO's.

Marion KA2BCE and Dick KA2BCF were introduced to RTTY in the afternoon and both had a turn at the controls logging several nice new multipliers. Marion worked New Zealand and Dick logged Japan. Very nice contacts for the club.

In the evening around 6:00 PM Mike WZ2MM took over the controls and he enjoyed working the club station and logging a bunch of new QSO's. Mike is also new to RTTY and was a guest who is going to join OCARC very soon. Rich took over after Mike and worked the club station until 10:20 PM Saturday evening when we shut it down. Rich is a very good operator and like Chuck has loads of RTTY time on the air.

Bruce WA2TMC and Terry KC2JKU were there as Official Observers on Saturday to make sure we were doing it right. After all, someone has to keep an eye on me. :)

Sunday morning Terry met me at the door around 8:00 AM and we fired everything up and started working stations on the bands that were open.

After an hour or so the doughnut man (Mike WZ2MM) showed up and we put him right to work. Even though he brought the goodies we made him work the station before he had his first doughnut. Terry made the coffee and we chatted and kept the station on the air. Mike bagged Saudi Arabia on 15m for the club.

The nice thing about RTTY is you can carry on a conversation while your busy at the keys/mouse.

Later in the morning Dick WA2HNA showed up to observe how were doing and then our President Steve KZ2R showed up and gave us his blessing. We shut the station down at 1:00PM and called it a day. After, I found out that Dick and Marion wanted to come back and try it again. I apologize that we shut down but if I had known earlier I would have stayed a while longer. All in all it was a great success and we hope to get a few more members or even non members involved with the club station in the future. It's fun to work

as a team. Try it some time.

73, Wayne N2WK

Orleans County Amateur Radio Club

March 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm by VP N2VDR. 14 members were present. After the Pledge to the Flag a moment of silence was observed for Marlene Maier. On a motion by WA2TMC and N2WK it was voted to donate \$50 to a charity of KZ2R's choice. The minutes of the February meeting were read by N8CL and approved on a motion by N2WK and KA2BCE.

New business:

A Skywarn training session on 4-27 was announced

The W2ORC call had arrived

KC2JKU gave a Hamfest update

WA2TMC gave an in depth Field Day review, including:

possible satellite station points

media presence

alternate power

where we were with filters

the state of our computers

the GOTA station-KB2BLS

coordination of operator times-N2WK

media-N2OBX

messages-KA2BCE

elected officials-N8CL

a public info table-N2OBX

radios—Omni VI's-N2WK and WA2TMC

The treasurer's report was given by KA2BCF, showing a previous balance of \$2082.69, expenditures of \$301.00, no receipts, and an end balance on 3-14-2011 of \$1781.69.

N2WK described the filter needed for the club's Kenwood radio, and on a motion by WA2TMC and N8CL funds up to \$130 were voted.

N2WK noted that operators were needed for the upcoming weekends' BARTG contest at the club.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm on a motion by KC2JKU and WA2HNA.

Following refreshments WA2TMC presented a program on spectrum analysis using a software defined radio-USB port analyzer. The entire HF spectrum was able to be viewed, and frequencies coveted by commercial interests were painfully obvious.