

The Amateur's News

November & December 2025

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Ogemaw Arenac Amateur Radio Society – www.K8OAR.club – an ARRL Affiliate

Fox hunt

Fall Fox Hunt results are...
1st. W8COP and his wife.
2nd. N8RSH/ N8RWG
3rd. N8TIM/KF8AMA
4th KC8JOZ
5th WD8CRQ/W8DMI
IT WAS ALOT OF FUN. Thanks to all who came out...KC8ARO the Fox!



Jamboree on the Air

This is an annual event getting scouts on the air with amateur radio. On October 18, 2025 We Chris W8COP, Pete W8PVP, Tom KC8FCQ, Russ N8RSH worked with the local scout pack out of West Branch to explain and demonstrate Amateur Radio. We all had a good time while enjoying doughnut and cider.





Upcoming club events

December 3, 2025, Nominations for club officers for the 2026 year will take place during out December club meeting. If you are interred in being a club officer, feel free to ask an officer. We will be having elections at our January meeting.

OAARS Club Christmas Party December 17th, 2025.

Come join us at Dee's Pizza in Skidway lake for our annual Christmas Pizza Party. Festivities start at 6:00pm, come have some fun and good conversations with Club Members, their families and other Hams.

Purple Crystal Awards

Russ N8RSH is on the lookout for people who timeout the repeater. If you hear the repeater time out. Please let me know so we can get that person a Purple Crystal award. Anyone timing out one of the amateur repeaters in Ogemaw and Arenac counties are eligible to win.

Upcoming Events:

Nov 5, 2025 – Club Auction/Meeting

Dec 3, 2025 – Club Meeting

Jan 7, 2026 – Club Meeting

Feb 4, 2026 – Club Meeting

Mar 4, 2026 – Club Meeting

Apr 1, 2026 – Club Meeting

Come join us at our Monthly club Meetings, First Wednesday of the Month.

Monthly Club Attendance

Jan 2025: 15

Feb 2025: 15

Mar 2025: 25

Apr 2025: 25

May 2025: 26

June 2025: 21 July 2025: 20

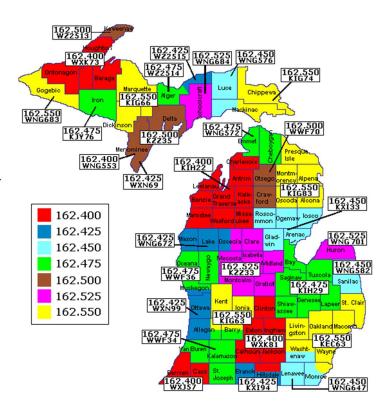
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Something most people have forgotten about is the NOAA weather radio system. It is a 24-hour FM Weather radio system design in the VHF bands on seven stations across the United States. The stations will broadcast a three to eight-minute program with local observations and weather forecasts from the National Weather Service in that area. In the event of weather advisories/warning/watches are issues they will interrupt the broadcast to relay this information. Most if not all of our 2m, radios can tune into these stations. On the left is a map of the channels in Michigan. ~Russ



The Ogemaw Arenac Amateur Radio Society meets the first Wednesday of every month at the Mills Township Hall, 2441 Greenwood Road, Skidway Lake, at 7 PM. For more information on the club or club events, contact Dean W8BUH.

The Prescott Testing Group has scheduled Amateur Radio Examinations the Third Wednesday of every month at the Mills Township Hall. Registration begins at 6:30 PM, Exams begin at 7 PM. For more information on testing or to pre-register, please contact: Dave, K8BD.

The Monday Night Talk Net on the 146.940 Mhz West Branch Repeater, Monday at 8PM EST Please review the 'Repeater Rules of Conduct' on the web site for repeater operation use.

Local Repeaters in the area

West Branch Repeater 146.940Mhz -T103.5 Gladwin Repeater 147.180Mhz +T173.8 Bay City 145.310Hmz -T131.8 Rose City Repeater 145.110Mhz –T131.8 Lupton Repeater 147.080Mhz +T123 C4FM Mio Repeater 444.975Mhz +T123

Club Officers 2025		Club Info	
President:	W8BUH Dean Coleman	Websit	e: <u>www.k8oar.club</u>
Vice President:	Dave Burnell K8BD	Mailing	g Address: O.A.A.R.S
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