

THE CENTURION



Hello! Welcome to the June edition of the 3905 Century Club's Centurion Newsletter! With this edition, I am starting to experiment with a different design and welcome your feedback.

May brought us some great contacts from members attending Dayton (including quite the gathering at W8BI) and some much needed contacts from some rarer states thanks to Fred K1UU. KL7JR also took to the road again. I hope everyone has a great summer! I hope you enjoy this edition of the centurion.

-Brian, AA1QW





We are just about three months away from the 47th Annual Eyeball! Hosted by our 1st Area Director, Tom Bates, AA1NZ, September 05-08, 2024 at the Leavitt Park House, 344 Elm Street, in Laconia, New Hampshire!

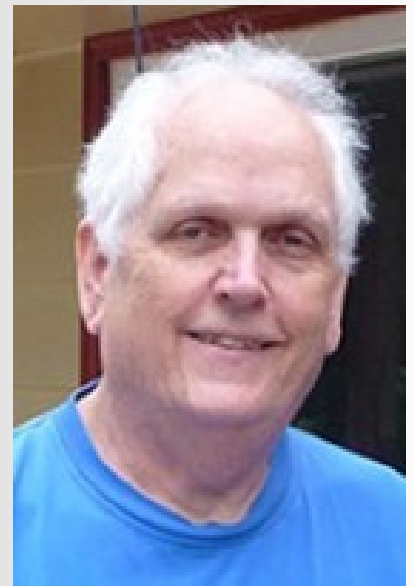
Registration is \$95.00. Please go to <https://www.3905ccn.org/eyeball2024.php> to register and for more information.

Your editor is a NH native and can tell you that it's a beautiful place to visit this time of year.

Many thanks to Tom for his time and effort to make this happen for us. It will be a great time had by all! Register today!!

NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT

DEAN DAVIS, KL7OR (MASTER # 80)



There is a term called “better late than never” and I do apologize for this being a month late. As many of you know, once you retire, dates and times seem to come way too fast.

For starters I would like to thank Brian, AA1QW for picking up the position as editor of the Centurion. I think once he gets going with a couple of more issues under his belt, he will create his own format for going forward.

This past month after almost 22 years I finally got my final card for a 75m DX contact and completed my masters. Over the past month I started digging in to find out how the Masters award was created and discovered several items that I would like to share with the membership from a document dated November 1986 (during the 8th or 9th year of the club).

1. One of the requirements was that you had to have 100-point certificates on all nets.
2. There was a hardship option for members that could not afford paying award fees.
3. Masters were advisory members of the board.

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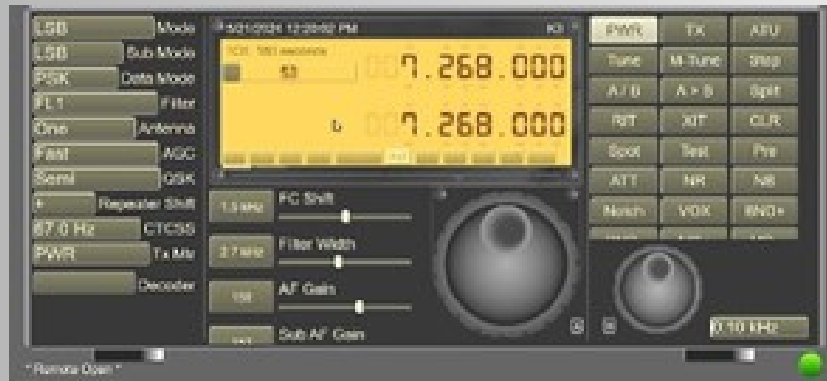
4. Were offered QSL services from NCS stations.

5. Masters were only voted on once a year during an election cycle for approval by the membership (could you imagine having to wait say 10 months or more to get approval of masters?)

Also, remember this was during a time where we did not yet have internet, and long-distance phone calls were expensive. Yet, if you look at the requirements from then to now, they are still very similar. The team that created the master's award only had email to communicate. Also, it's noteworthy that the first master award was issued to Wendell Turner, AB0TX on July 12, 1993.

I continue to be impressed with our by-law committee making good progress with the club documents. Look for the next section in either June or July followed by an update to the NCS procedures to get the document aligned with the by-laws. What I am especially impressed with is how the committee has identified all of the board approved NCS policies by digging through many years of back issues of the Centurion.

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And finally, I want to touch on using remote stations to make Century Club contacts. I will focus some comments on using free software called RCForb developed by “Remote Hams aka Elecraft”. Anyone can setup what is called a server making his station available to others. To date I am aware of the following stations who have done this: W8NET, KL7OR, and W3BS. Please keep in mind these servers are not running 24/7. The RCForbClient software is installed on individual’s computers and with a little help with configuration settings, can access any RCForb server including the 3 above. We have already had one interactive Zoom session this past month during the Wednesday Meetup. I plan to repeat this some time in June or July for those of you that missed this meeting.

NOTES FROM OUR AWARDS SECRETARY

BEN GOLDFARB, AE4NT, JUNE 2024

Greetings and salutations, 3905ers!

Here we are on the verge of summer already. Hamvention, the unofficial start of mobile operation season, is happening as I write this, and Memorial Day Weekend is next on tap.



I am happy to see several of our members making the pilgrimage to Xenia, providing mobile contacts along the way and at their destination.

We have a strong connection there, **Rob Lunsford, KE8UEY, Master #77**. As Rob has done many times in the past, he conducted an open house for our members at the DARA club station, W8BI, providing a plethora of “Portable Ohio” contacts to grateful members. If you have never enjoyed Rob’s open house, it is highly recommended, especially if you are HOA antenna challenged like I am. Aside from the main feature of club camaraderie, you get to swing around a 40-meter beam, and when you see firsthand what Rob and “other Rob”, **Rob Gibbs, K8GIB**, do to keep the QSL Bureau running, you will develop a greater appreciation for a function many of us take for granted.

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This month's column is a potpourri of various topics. I begin with some observations regarding how we could provide a better environment for DX stations on our nets, using a current example. Then, I swing back to the awards area, with a rundown of the U.S. and Canadian Call Area Awards. Finally, I will present some awards highlights since I wrote to you in last month's Centurion.

What Is the Speed Limit in Moldova?

Last night on the 40-meter late net, a station from Venezuela checked in. Unlike many DX stations who cut and run, Pablo stuck around for at least one complete round. It was a rough net, too, replete with QRM and the like, which was masterfully managed by **Bob Hall, KI7PM**, who should receive hazardous duty pay for nights like that one. Aside from kudos to Bob, I wanted to make a few comments about how and how not to work DX on our nets.

So, folks, what is the speed limit in Moldova? Let's say ER1QQ (a made-up Moldovan call sign) checks in. You give him his signal report: "five-five, fifty-five, nickels-nickels, fifty-five, speed limit..." Does a Moldovan know what the 1974 U.S. national speed limit was? "And please to tell me, Mr. Yankee, what is this nickel-nickel??"

I cringe when I hear our well-intentioned members treating DX stations like they are wise to all our conventions and expedients. One of the most cringeworthy is the two-two signal report, generally given when one cannot hear the other end. Their intention is to signal that if the DX station cannot hear them, they should give back a two-two and we can play guessing games ad nauseam.

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Well, if you cannot hear them, do not try to work them! For the most part, DX stations rarely have the patience to play our games, and they are not familiar with the two-two rifle-shot bang-bang boondoggle. They do not know how to say “aaaaaaaaaalso”, they probably have no idea what “Heinz 57” is, and they do not know what “lonnnnng string” means. In their usual context, they do not get two-two reports, so that confuses them as well, although some who regularly deal with awards nets are tolerant of our ways.

Patience is a Virtue

Last night, Pablo from Venezuela exhibited considerable patience with our shenanigans. In many cases, Pablo made it clear to Bob that he could not hear anything from the calling station. Then, Bob, exhibiting much patience of his own, endeavored to maintain a balance that kept both ends happy, by asking Pablo to listen to the calling station’s report one time. Pablo played along, listening up and repeating that he could hear nothing. At that point, if you were the calling station, you should take your licks and move on. Be kind to the NCS and the DX station. Folks, NCS is a difficult job, and Bob is one of our best, but none of our NCSs can magically make a contact materialize when one side cannot hear the other. Delaying the net with a five-minute exercise in futility serves no one. If you can hear the DX station, give it the old college try, but if you are not heard, please scratch the call. And if you cannot hear the DX station at all, save the net the time and trouble by not calling it.

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Many stations could hear Pablo and be heard by him. I applaud his patience and Bob's and I congratulate those who made sorely needed DX contacts. Let us continue to respect the needs of DX stations we welcome to our nets. Keeping the net running smoothly and efficiently will help to ensure that they come back.

Awards Spotlight - Call Area Awards

The U.S. Call Area Award seems easy enough. You must document fifty contacts with stations in a single call area, twenty-five of which are on a primary band and the other twenty-five on a secondary band, but there are some twists:

- You can use a basic call sign only once for the entire application. (In other words, AE4NT, once used, precludes the use of AE4NT, AE4NT/M, AE4NT/P, etc., anywhere else in the application, no matter which state AE4NT was operating from).
- You must have at least five contacts for each state in the selected call area.
- If there are five or fewer states in a call area, you must list each state in both bands, and you must have five contacts for each state you list in either band.
- If there are more than five states in a call area, you must have five contacts in each of those states, but you can split the states between the two bands.
- Once you have covered all the required states, you can re-list states to fill out the remainder of the award. Each re-listed state must have exactly five contacts.

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·An interesting case is the 6th call area, which contains only California and Hawaii, the latter of which is optional for this award. Therefore, a valid application could contain twenty-five contacts with California stations in each of the two bands - an all-California application.

Whether this sounds like fun or a nightmare is up to you! A little strategy goes a long way. Once you play with the application for a little while, you'll figure out how to concentrate on harder states within an area first, later filling in the easier ones.

Over three hundred of these Call Area Awards have been issued. You can earn each area one at a time or apply for all the call areas at once if you have some spare time to organize your contacts. It is interesting that you can apply for as many instances of this award as you would like. For example, **Peter Summers, N2XTT, Master #6**, a notable overachiever, has earned the Call Area Award for all the U.S. call areas four times over, so you all have something to shoot for over the long run!

Some call areas are harder than others, and the difficulty varies with your own QTH. The first and second call areas will be hard for someone who lives on the west coast, whereas the sixth and seventh will be hard for east coast stations.

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Canadian Call Areas

What about Canada? Yes, we have a sister award for Canadian call areas, which is structured a little differently. Instead of a one-to-one correspondence between call areas and instances of the award, it groups the Canadian provinces and territories into four super-areas: Maritime Provinces, Central Provinces, Western Provinces, and Northern Territories, which in turn incorporate multiple call sign prefixes. For example, the Maritime Provinces include VO1, VO2, VY2, VE1, VA1, and VE9 prefixes.

The Canadian version of the award for some reason lost in club history has been given a nickname, as shown in the title on the application: CANADIAN CALL AREA (CANCA) AWARD APPLICATION. I must wonder why this is the only award with a nickname, especially one resembling a cold sore.

The CANCA has been issued only sixteen times. None have been earned since 2012. My investigation revealed that only two members have earned the award for all four of the super-areas. Those members are **Richard Smale, W5IL, Master #10**, and **Carl Durnavich, W900, Master #63**.

Please check out the applications on the Club website and see whether you have the contacts necessary to start working on your Call Area Awards!

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Awards Highlights

While many of you were doing your spring cleaning or dusting off the mobile rig for the summer driving season, several of our colleagues were pursuing awards. Since I last wrote this column, we issued fifty-three awards, endorsements, or certificates of appreciation.

Fourteen of those awards, all instances of the Work 30 Award, one of our remaining 30th anniversary awards, were awarded to one member, **Buddy Spiegel, W3BS, Master #78.**

Michael Rush, KU1V, Master #79, earned only the third Tri-Point Border Patrol Award since its inception in 2016. Others who have earned this award are **Roger Callewaert, W9ROG,** and **Fred Caswell, K1UU, Master #45.** Applicants for the Tri-Point Border Patrol Award are required to prove four contacts made while operating from ten distinct club-authorized tri-points.

Bill Fuller, K6YEK, completed Beat the Clock Awards for 40-meters and 80-meters CW, Certificates #9 and #3, respectively. The Beat the Clock Award has existed since 2006, so this is quite an achievement.

David Feeney, WN1F, Master #73, earned the Worked All Canada General Award, Certificate #9. This award requires all thirteen provinces and territories, and it has been around for a long time, so earning it on our nets is quite a feat.

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In addition to the highlights described above, I want to congratulate all who earned awards during the past month. I derive great vicarious enjoyment through your efforts; it is a joy to send out all those certificates to you worthy members!

Final Note - Awards Committee Report

As Chair of the Awards Committee, I write a comprehensive report each month describing the activities and accomplishments of the Committee. In it, you will find much information about upcoming new awards and changes to existing awards, hot off the press. The Awards Committee works to support the efforts of the Board of Directors, so you can find each month's Awards Committee Report in both the agenda and the minutes for Board Meetings. Being a dry report, it is not appropriate bedtime reading, but I throw in a dash of humor here and there to avert complete boredom.

That will do it for another month. In future months I will be providing more awards highlights, spotlights on individual awards, comments about happenings in the Awards Committee and the Board of Directors, and maybe a funny story here and there. Summer will be well underway when we meet again here. Be well and stay safe!

KNOCK, KNOCK. WHO'S THERE? THE 3905 CENTURY CLUB!

During the April Board of Director's meeting, Clay WA2JIM was dispatched to hand deliver an award to Peter Summers, N2XTT on behalf of the club, recognizing his 28 years of service as the area director for the 2nd call area. Thank you for your service, Peter. Maybe now you'll have some more time to work on those progressive awards, hi hi. (Peter is up to 47k on 40m SSB!)




eQSL & the Century Club: Increase Your QSL rate at no cost!


Submitted by Buddy Spiegel, W3BS (MASTER # 78).

#3 All Time Award Winner (280 awards), # 17 Old Timer, Only 2-Band ROADRUNNER (all 50 capitals) on 40/75 SSB

What is your overall Century Club QSL rate? I estimate it is approximately 80%. Would you like to increase this number without incurring any expenses whatsoever? Would you like to receive QSL cards from those elusive newbies who check in to our nets, but do not have, nor send QSL cards? eQSL is your answer. This article is going to explain why you, as a Century Club member, should strongly consider using the free services available using the <https://www.eqsl.cc/qslcard/Home5G.cfm> web site. See images eQSL_1 thru eQSL_4



Make New Log Entry
Enter QSO details in your online log to create an eQSL



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Saturday, April 27, 2024 13:04 UTC

Call sign:

You are not yet logged in
Please go to the [Login Page](#) and log in

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Call sign: Password: [Forgot password?](#)

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Current System Time: 13:05:43 UTC - Server Zorak 10 (NEW!) - Run time: 0 seconds

<input checked="" type="radio"/>	W3BS	bernard m spiegel	home	01-Apr-1985 00:00 UTC	31-Dec-2025 00:00 UTC	Memphis, USA ,TN ,Shelby ,EM55bc
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Password:

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W3BS, you are Logged In!

There are 1 News items since your last login!

* May 1st Silver membership will be \$36 per year due to inflation. Get it now for \$30 or upgrade to Silver+ for only \$5 per month!

Checking for undeliverable email...

Checking for QSO Date outliers...

Checking for incoming eQSLs...

Checking for outgoing eQSLs...

Checking for Rejected eQSLs...

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From the FAQ's on the club web site ..."Are eQSLs valid for use toward 3905CC Awards? Yes. eQSLs have been valid for 3905CC awards since March 2003." I suggest you read the entire section referring to eQSL in the FAQ's.

A criticism (unfounded, in my opinion) of eQSL has been that it works for fixed station to fixed station, but not so good for situations where one or both stations are a combination of the following:

- /M or /P (/M TN)
- Tri point (TRI)
- High point (HI)
- Low point (LO)
- National park (xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx NP)
- Old Town (OTOWN)
- Old Timer (OTIMER)


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- QRP
- COMBO (CMB)
- YL
- STATE CAPITAL (SC)
- OFFICER/VIP (XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX)
- NCS
- 100 POINT NUMBER (CNNNN)
- 1000 POINT NUMBER (1KNNNN)
- 2000 POINT NUMBER (2KNNNN)
- MASTER NUMBER (MSTNN)
- WILD DEUCE(S) NUMBER(S) (WDNN WDNNN)

One of the data fields available to you is a 60 character free form COMMENT field. The list above contains suggested abbreviations and character strings to denote the various not-at-home conditions. I contend that this 60 character field is adequate for almost any real-lifesituation you would encounter. Try it, and if you find a situation which cannot be handled, please let me know, my email address is good in QRZ. See eQSL_7.

Non-Satellite QSO Entry

[Change to:](#)  [Satellite QSO](#)

Note: This program now uses only ADIF-compatible MODEs and BANDs.
Read [our ADIF Content Specifications](#)

CALLSIGN	DATE	UTC	BAND	MODE SUBMODE	RST
	2024 ▾ April ▾ 27 ▾		40m ▾	SSB LSB ▾	

COMMENTS

Special Propagation Mode (none) ▾ For Satellite QSOs, use our [specialized entry form](#)

Save

Delete

Note: You can only select dates within this Callsign/QTH time period: 01-Apr-1985 - 31-Dec-2025
Go to [My Profile](#) if you need to make corrections.

Current Time: 13:13:58 UTC

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In addition, all eQSL users have 4 lines of 40 characters each which they can use for miscellaneous purposes. These lines are totally separate from name, address, etc. I use them for data such as: Old Timer #, Master #, ROADRUNNER, and 40M SSB/75M SSB 100, 1000, 2000 certificate numbers. And I still have 1 line available to be used. See eQSL_5 and eQSL_6.



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Please note that we also maintain a **Postage Account mailing address** that is separate from the address below. That is where eAward certificates, eQSL cards that you order from us, plaques, and other items will be shipped. Go to your [Postage Account page](#) to maintain that address.

Displayed Callsign:

Name:

Street:

City, State, Zip/Postal Code:

Country (for mail):

WARNING: If you live in the USA and you enter anything other than USA into the Country field, our system will charge you the INTERNATIONAL RATE for every card you print, every plaque you order, etc. We recommend against putting any comments into this field if you want the best domestic shipping prices on merchandise!

The following 4 lines of text will be displayed on your card. They can be used to discuss your rigs, antennas, awards, VP number, FISTS number, former callsigns, etc.

Line 1:

Line 2:

Line 3:

Line 4:

Advanced Features

Your PayPal EMail Address: ([Help](#))

eQSL Display Format: ☒ JPG
☐ PNG

(You must log out and log in again if you change this selection)

☐ Do not publish exact amount of my donations

☐ Allow me to easily see new countries per mode and band in my Inbox and archive the rest

(Note: Your Inbox will load about 2-3 times slower than normal, so we limit your view to 1000 instead of 5000. But try it, and if you don't like it, come back here and uncheck the box.)

After establishing your eQSL account, go to Profile, scroll down and change PNG to JPG. This will ensure the downloaded images are JPG, which CCLogger expects. See eQSL_6 above.

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There are 4 types of eQSL memberships, ranging in cost and functionality. A REGULAR membership is free, a BRONZE membership is \$1/month, SILVER is \$36/year, and SILVER+ is \$5/month. Please visit the eQSL web site for all the details. The REGULAR membership is their minimum and it is sufficient to send and receive QSLs acceptable for Century Club awards.


It is no secret that many of the newbies who try our nets do not become members or regular check-ins. It is my feeling (I believe a data analysis would support this) that of those precious few who actually receive their free first 100 Point Award, very few go on to receive additional awards. I strongly believe that the introduction of and strong promotion of eQSL can and will change the retention rate of the newbies. The cost of postage is constantly increasing, a one ounce stamp is now 68 cents, adding the cost of a QSL card and envelope, that brings the outbound cost of sending a QSL to approximately 75 cents. The current new ham is not interested in collecting QSL cards. Nor are they interested in using our QSL bureau with its inherent delay. The current new ham is of the “now” generation. eQSL is the solution to these problems - no incurred costs and very little if any delay.

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Uploading QSL data to eQSL

1. Manually entering the QSO data on the eQSL web site. I upload one QSO at a time, approximately 15 seconds. I do this after a contact has been rogered and logged. See eQSL_7.

Non-Satellite QSO Entry

Change to:  [Satellite QSO](#)

Note: This program now uses only ADIF-compatible MODEs and BANDs.
Read [our ADIF Content Specifications](#)

CALLSIGN	DATE			UTC	BAND	MODE SUBMODE	RST
<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="2024"/> ▼	<input type="text" value="April"/> ▼	<input type="text" value="27"/> ▼	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="40m"/> ▼	<input type="text" value="SSB LSB"/> ▼	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
COMMENTS <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>							
Special Propagation Mode		<input type="text" value="(none)"/> ▼ For Satellite QSOs, use our specialized entry form					
<input type="button" value="Save"/>				<input type="button" value="Delete"/>			

Note: You can only select dates within this Callsign/QTH time period: 01-Apr-1985 - 31-Dec-2025
Go to [My Profile](#) if you need to make corrections.

2. ADIF file upload, at your convenience. See next page for a screen shot showing this; 1 file at a time. See eQSL_8.

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Now accepting up to ADIF V3.1.3 logs

New Submodes supported: C4FM, DMR, DSTAR, VARA FM 1200, VARA FM 9600, VARA HF, VARA SATELLITE

Important Note

Please attempt to upload *only* ADIF format log files. If you aren't sure if your log is ADIF format, use WordPad or NotePad to look at the .ADI file you are going to upload, and verify that it is in the format described [in this document](#).

Please only upload records that are not already in your OutBox. Repeatedly uploading thousands of duplicate records overloads our system and slows it down for everybody. Use your logger to extract only the newest records needing to be uploaded!

[Date of Last ADIF Upload](#)

Upload ADIF Log

This uploader runs at 40 to 50 records per second.

1. Click the BROWSE button and FIND THE ADIF LOG FILE on your disk;
2. Click the UPLOAD button to upload the file;

STEP 1: ADIF File to Upload: No file chosen

STEP 2: ☐ WSJT-X: Import COMMENTS? ([What is this?](#))

Notes

eQSL [Click here](#) and see a list of ADIF compatible loggers, reviews, and statistics. Make comments on your experiences with various logging programs. Also, ask your logger publisher if they have a Real-Time eQSL Import feature to make it even easier to upload your data!

[The ADIF Specification](#) and our minimum tag and content requirements

3. CCLogger will be modified to upload to eQSL immediately after a QSO is logged. CCLogger users will have to make minor configuration changes to support the auto-eQSL function. Please check the CCLogger documentation for the specifics.

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Downloading QSLs from eQSL.

1. Manually downloading one QSL at a time. At the present time eQSL does not have a batch download function. See eQSL_9 and eQSL_10.

Filters	
Sort order	QSO Date/Time, Band, then Callsign ▼
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Newest First <input type="radio"/> Oldest First
Limit to 1 Callsign	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Callsign</div> <small>Leave blank to retrieve ALL callsigns</small>
QSO Date range	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">02/01/2024</div> <div style="margin: 0 5px;">-</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">04/27/2024</div> <div style="margin-left: 5px; font-size: 0.8em;">(MM/DD/YYYY)</div> </div>
Only Band	40M ▼
Only Mode	SSB ▼
Confirmed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Only Unconfirmed
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px 20px; background-color: #f0f0f0;">Apply Filters</div>	

[How to REJECT an eQSL](#)
[How to CONFIRM an eQSL manually](#)

[Problem with a log entry?](#) It won't move to the Archive?
[How to move an entry to the Archive without displaying it](#)

New eQSLs									
LIMITS==>	01Feb24 - 27Apr24	40M	SSB	Country	AG	Signal Report and Comments	Received Date/Time	Actions	
View/Mail Card	Callsign	QSO Date/Time	Band	Mode (SubMode)	Country	AG			
	AC2MT	2024-02-05 00:21	40M	SSB	USA	Y	59	2024-02-06 ADIF	
	KI6KTI	2024-02-02 05:31	40M	SSB	USA	Y	59	2024-04-02 ADIF	
2 records									

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eQSL From AC2MT - Google Chrome

eqsl.cc/QSLCard/DisplayQSL.cfm?Callsign=AC2MT&VisitorCallsign=W3BS&QSODate=2024-..



AC2MT
Richard Walbert
249 Cottekill Road
Cottekill, NY 12419
USA

To: W3BS Confirming 2-way SSB QSO, Band: 40M
Date: February 5, 2024 Time: 00:21Z, RST: 59

ITU:8 CQ:5 Grid:fn21wu Ulster County

[Printable 4x6 \(A6\) format](#) (Chrome: right-click to print)
This QSL card was created online at www.eqsl.cc

QSO 



Click on icon to view Authenticity Guaranteed certificate
If you believe this is one of the BEST cards you have seen,

2. CCLogger at the present time can do this heavy lifting. It will log into eQSL using your ID and password, and based on a date range of your choosing, will download QSL images to the Scanned Images Folder (created by CCLogger) for QSOs which do not yet have a QSL card attached to them. Then, using the CCLogger “Catalog QSL Cards” function, the downloaded images are married to the QSOs. Easy peasy.

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3. If you prefer, after CCLogger does the download, you can print the QSL images and file them with all your other QSL cards.

Glossary of Illustrative Screen Captures

eQSL_1.jpg eQSL web site splash screen

eQSL_2.jpg LOGIN

eQSL_3.jpg Select account

eQSL_4.jpg LOGIN confirm

eQSL_5.jpg Menu

eQSL_6.jpg Non-variable data in PROFILE

eQSL_7.jpg Manual upload, 1 QSO at a time

eQSL_8.jpg ADIF upload, 1 file at a time

eQSL_9.jpg Manual download, select criteria and list of QSOs available, click one

eQSL_10.jpg Downloaded QSL image, save or print

EDITOR'S NOTE:

I have done my best to make Buddy's screen captures as visible as possible within the newsletter, however the images start to distort when trying to get larger than currently shown.

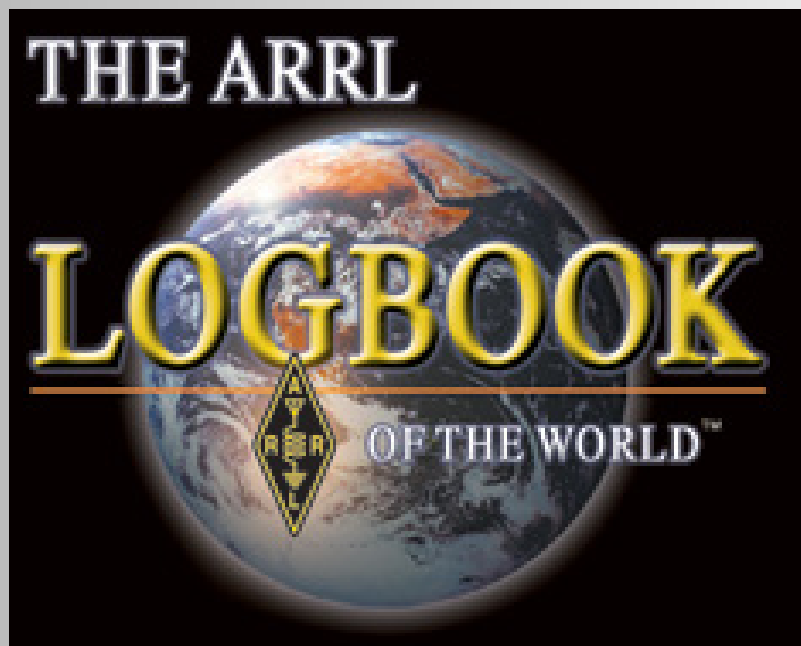
LoTW: What Constitutes a QSO “match” ?

Submitted by John, WN0P

Two submitted descriptions of a QSO match if

- Your QSO description specifies a callsign that matches the Callsign Certificate specified by the Station Location your QSO partner used to digitally sign the QSO
- Your QSO partner's QSO description specifies a callsign that matches the Callsign Certificate specified by the Station Location you used to digitally sign the QSO
- Both QSO descriptions specify start times within 30 minutes of each other

For a contact in the LoTW system, the times entered by both parties need to be within 30 minutes of each other. This can be found in the FAQ section for LoTW.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

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THE HISTORY OF THE 3905 CENTURY CLUB, INC.

Early in 1976 - the U.S. Bicentennial Year - a "Bicentennial 'Worked All States' Net" was organized to meet nightly at 3905 kHz, in the 75 meter phone band.

After December 31, 1976, some of the regulars of the "BiCWAS Net" were reluctant to let go of the many friendships that they had formed and the structured operation that had permitted these friendships, simply because the Bicentennial Year was over. So, in January, 1977, these "regulars" began discussions on the formation of a permanent net on 3905 kHz.

It was decided that a solicitation would be made to obtain a charter-membership of 100 amateurs to provide initial funding for printing the awards certificates and for postage requirements anticipated. The charter subscription drive was so successful that 128 Charter Members were accepted before the charter membership drive could be "turned off". (The 100 - member target and the club's operating frequency inspired the club's name - The 3905 Century Club - which was suggested by Emil Scholz, W1EJI, now /4, in Port Richey, FL.) The Club commenced net operations on February 17, 1977.

By late 1977, the Club had grown to a size where it was thought necessary to formalize its administration. The Club's "faithful" appointed a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Publicity and Promotions Officer, and one Director to represent each of the U.S. call-areas and one for DX members.

In the Spring of 1978, it was decided that it was best to incorporate the Club. On September 4, 1978, the Club became the 3905 CENTURY CLUB, INC. - a corporation not for profit - incorporated in the State of Florida.

The further growth of the corporation militated the formation of a net on another band. Accordingly, a nightly net was formed, in September, 1978, on the 40 meter phone band, on or near 7233 kHz.

During 1978, free QSL bureaus were formed for each of the two nets. In addition, Awards Managers were designated for each U.S. call-area and for DX participants.

On January 28, 1979 (GMT date), an election was held ON THE AIR and IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CLUB'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, for our first constitutionally-elected President and Vice-President. (Directors previously had been elected by mail.) Provisions were made for non-duplicative voting on both of the Club's net frequencies, during the normal four-hour net time. 144 members' votes were duly recorded. This number represented 37% participation.

In addition, since the formation of the administration and the Board of Directors, the Club has conducted monthly ON-THE-AIR Board of Directors' Meetings. This, coupled with our on-the-air elections, we believe, makes us unique in U.S. amateur radio.

At the end of May, 1979, our two nets show a combined membership of 714 (with several duplicates - net-to-net - and 3 Silent Keys.) In addition, we have strong indications that, at least, an equal number of stations have joined us at least once, who have not pursued confirmed contacts on our nets to the degree necessary to gain them our 100-point Award - the criterion establishing "membership". Therefore, we believe that, over the last 27 months, our nets have been "visited" by nearly 1,500 amateurs from throughout the Western Hemisphere and Oceania!

(June 1979)

JUNE 2024 CLUB EVENTS

**SPECIAL
EVENTS**

NOTE: REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS HELD ON THE SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, LOCAL TIME AT 9PM EASTERN, 8PM CENTRAL, 7PM MOUNTAIN, 6PM PACIFIC.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: SATURDAY, JUNE 08.

Did you know that videos of all Board Meetings are posted on the Club's YouTube channel? Courtesy of the Board and produced by Sammy KB1XP, you can view them at:
<https://www.youtube.com/@3905CenturyClub>

zoom

Weekly Zoom Meetings on Wednesdays at 4:30pm Eastern/1:30pm Pacific Time. Check your email for the Zoom log-in information.

“The Centurion would not be the same without your articles”-Kirk, AA1NA (MASTER # 74)

Please continue to send in your articles as well as suggestions for articles to your editor, Brian, AA1QW to: AA1QW@startmail.com.

Deadline is the 20th of each month to be included in the next month's edition.

Ideas I shared last month that I'd like to highlight again:

Master Degree Holders: Share your journey of reaching our pinnacle award and your tips & tricks for others as they work their way toward that achievement.

“From the Old Timers”: Similar to above. How did you discover the Century Club?

Area Director Updates: I would like to start including updates on what is going on in your areas.

PSK/RTTY/CW Nets: Anyone want to do a write up/tutorial on participating on these nets?

