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Priceless



You may be whatever you resolve to be. Determine to be something in the world, and you will be something. "I cannot," never accomplished anything; "I will try," has wrought wonders. -J. Hawes



Upcoming Events



A Message from the President

Good evening and welcome to the 3905 Century Club Worked-All-State and DX Awards Net. The purpose of this net is to make contacts and then exchange QSL cards. Your Net Control this evening is ...

We've all heard the above snippet from our net preamble countless times across the many nets our Club operates on SSB, CW as well as PSK31 and RTTY. As President of the 3905 Century Club, my primary responsibility is the smooth operation of the Club's nets. Sometimes, this can prove challenging as in the recent resolution of the 40 meter early net problem. Those of you who participated in the speciality Yahoo group that was established to resolve the 40 meter early net problem came away from that group with a much better understanding at just how difficult a solution can be ... especially one that keeps everyone happy!

One area I could use some help with is Net Controls. Currently there are several members doing double, triple and even more duty – often running 3 or 4 nets weekly, filling-in as they can for the open nights. These members are to be commended for their enthusiasm in making sure that all of our nets happen as scheduled. The downside is that, at some point, these members will become “burned out” and withdraw from running any nets. Let's NOT let that happen. Please consider picking up and running one of our nets on a weekly basis.

73 Russ, W2UJ



Field Day

The fourth full weekend in June. Mark your calendars!

beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and running through 2059 UTC Sunday.

Field Day Equipment Policy

Adopted by _____ .

Be it understood that:

As a participant in Field Day operations, whether a club member or visitor, you are using equipment that may belong to someone else. Care for it as if it were your own.

No repairs or modifications, no matter how slight, shall be made to any equipment without the owner (or owner's designated representative) present.

Any apparent malfunction of the equipment shall be reported immediately to the owner.

Be it further understood that:

Equipment which is brought to the Field Day site and made available for use is done at the owner's discretion, and said equipment should be supervised by the owner or his /her designated representative.

Any damage to, or failure of, the equipment at Field Day will be the responsibility of the owner, and NOT that of the _____ or sponsors, organizers, participants, or management of the Field Day Activities.

Fill in the blanks with the name of your club for Field Day. This can be printed out and used by the Field Day clubs if desired.



Century Club Eyeball

July 17—19, 2014

Meet the Host and Hostess

Keith and Elaine Summers

Keith and Elaine are both originally from the Green Bay, WI area. They have been happily married for 38 years and reside in De Pere, Wisconsin. They have a small family, one daughter in her 30's – no grandkids yet. Sadly they had to have their long time beloved cat Morris put down at the age of 17. Presently, they're not ready to adopt another animal. Keith has been a Millwright at RR Donnelley for 20 years. Meanwhile, Elaine has worked in the financial and customer service sectors for 15 years. Presently, she's a Crew Trainer at the local McDonald's.

Both are active in their community. They are both members of the Green Bay Mike & Key Club. Over the years, they both have served as President and other assorted board positions. The couple participates in other amateur radio events throughout the year, including the WI QSO party, transmitter hunts, Field Day, and of course the Century Club nets. To date they've attended approximately 9 Eyeballs across the country. Additionally, they volunteer to assist with communications for numerous events such as March of Dimes, Walk America, and Tour de Cure.

Separately, Keith enjoys geocaching, photography, wood working, riding his motorcycle, reloading ammunition, welding and fabrication. Elaine, on the other hand, is an avid reader, enjoys cooking, spending time with family, and watching movies.

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CAUTION!!!

**Eyeball participation may be hazardous to
your looks!**

On the Road with W3BS



View from the hot seat

The Saga of the High Sierra

I reached over and turned on the radio. The radio sprang to life immediately and the air was filled with a cacophony of noises. Chirps, whistles, a steady carrier and finally, the disembodied voice of Net Control. The net had begun on 7274 kHz. After some last minute adjustments, I was ready. The net control was taking check-ins. Reception was good I thought, and Murphy had not arrived. I was feverishly logging the check-ins as the net control was announcing them. The air crackled with excitement as I picked up the mike and prepared to talk. I pressed the mike button and announced, and in my best voice said, "W3BS mobile Georgia Cap with club N4ER mobile Georgia Cap."

I released the mike button to hear Net Control announce, "Folks, we have been joined by W3BS mobile in the Georgia capital with his club N4ER. Net control acknowledged his call and said twice, "Net Number 17 is W3BS mobile Georgia Capital." followed soon after with, "Number 18 is his club, N4ER mobile Georgia Capital."

After what seemed like hours, but was actually a short time, Net Control had dutifully recorded and announced all the check-ins, said, "Number 1, KE4DYG, Master Degree and Club officer, your turn to make a call." Bob's booming voice responded, and the net was off and running! As the night progressed, I recorded the contacts I had made. I hope I can read my writing when I'm done. The time had arrived to QSY. I checked out of the 40 meter early net and sat back for a much needed break.

After a somewhat successful "run" on the 40 meter early net in the Capital of the Peach state, [that's the state of confusion between Tennessee and North Carolina on the North, and Florida on the South], I started tuning for the 75 meter net. Life is good and the night was young, I thought, as I tuned to 3902 kHz. I pushed the button to extend the screwdriver antenna to tune in 75 meters. Click. Nothing. I tried again with the same result. With sinking heart, I checked the antenna. It would not budge. Murphy, you & *%\$*, why me?

The antenna motor would not budge. I was stuck on 40 meters and

would not be able to operate on 75 meters. I closed down, rolled out into traffic and headed to the motel. I called Donnie, KG4ZOD and told him what had happened. The night was not a total failure. Even though Murphy arrived with bells on, I still considered the excursion a success.

The next morning dawned bright and sunny, with no sign of Murphy. He went to harass another ham I thought. After locating a local HRO "Ham" shop, I purchased two Hustlers. I herded them and their paraphernalia into my pick up. Their magnetic personalities would be a great help. I then headed North out of town for the Tarheel state. Maybe the old antenna was homesick. With no more mishaps, I arrived at Donnie's QTH.



W3BS Mobile setup on arrival at the QTH of Donnie, KG4ZOD



Buddy inspecting the setup and tuning the antenna



A back stage view

A pit stop for repairs

After greetings and salutations were exchanged around, the antenna party began in earnest. Soon the beauties with their magnetic personalities were singing on their respective bands, and so ended the antenna party. After a pit stop at the local Quacker barrel, and more visiting, I was off and running again — East bound and down on I-40 toward the capital of Raleigh for more ether fun.



Installing the new Hustler with the magnetic personality



More tuning [Are we having fun yet?]



Donnie [KG4ZOD] and Buddy [W3BS] holding each other up in his shack after the strenuous antenna party activity.



Donnie's XYL, Ginger, and Buddy, W3BS



Buddy [W3BS], Donnie [KG4ZOD] and Donnie's grandson, Evan.

The results are In!

LOL, should have done a state line test night prior to this trip, the TN/MS line is just a few miles from my house. I had an equipment problem on night 1 in Atlanta. The High Sierra screwdriver froze in the down position. On the last night, night 4, I shut down due to thunderstorms in the Frankfort area. That was the night that the tornado hit Little Rock. I now have a check list of pre-trip to-dos and what to bring on the trip.

1900 miles * 5 days * 4 state capitals

106 40m contacts * 110 75m contacts

As they say on the County Hunters Net, "There will be more".

Thanks to all for making my trip a success.

73 Buddy, W3BS

The 2013 Eyeball Saga of Ron and Sue

Sunday, June 23

Heading east to Torrington, Wyoming. Our 26 foot Lare-do fifth-wheel camper is packed and we are headed for Lookout Pass on the Idaho-Montana border, a mere 110 miles east of our home. From Lookout it is downhill all the rest of the way, except for the continental divide at Butte, MT.

Torrington is a small cow town in the southeast corner of Wyoming. The purpose of our trip there is an annual get-together of a few amateur radio operators who are members of the 3905 Century Club. In ham radio parlance, these one on one meetings are called "eyeballs." This is the club's **2013 EYEBALL** get together. This will be a first for me as I am a relative newcomer to the club and know no one except those I have only spoken with on the air and with whom I have exchanged e-mail notes. And, I have never before been to an organized 'eyeball'.

For the planned Saturday night banquet I have packed a dress shirt and western tie, a sport coat, and a pair of dress boots. Otherwise, it will be jeans, boots, and a hat. I hope that will do. I need a slight trim around the ears, so just as soon as we get to Torrington I will locate a tonsorial parlor and get that taken care of, before being seen by anyone.

Left our home in Spokane today at noon and stopped early at the 50,000 Silver Dollar Bar in Haugan, MT. Free camping there, with electrical hookups included. After unhooking, we got back into the truck and drove around the area, checking out possible ATV riding areas for future ATV trips. Looks like the best bets are along a creek one mile south of the bar, the gravel pit at Taft, or the Silver Dollar Bar, with the Silver Dollar being a distant number three.

Monday night we stayed in a casino parking lot in

Billings. Casinos are like Wal-Marts - you can camp there free in their parking areas overnight and no one ever bothers you. I extended my antenna and actually got on a net for a couple of contacts before we endured a most spectacular directly overhead thunderstorm that blinded our eyes and shook our gizzards.

Tuesday afternoon, a thousand miles after leaving home, we drove into Torrington. Our campsite is at the Goshen County Fairgrounds, which is where the Eyeball is being held. Camp fees, for full hookups, are fifteen dollars per night, most reasonable, in my opinion. There was absolutely NO additional charge for the train horns every half-hour, day and night (track and multiple crossings just across the road from the fairgrounds), or for the smell of horse and cow droppings. Our campmates are the old hippie, N4ACS Jim Wood and his wife, Kat, KDOHER and retired Navy chief Glen Felt, WTOA.

After getting set up in the campground, we wandered across the parking lot to the Rendezvous Building to check out any early activity. This was Tuesday evening, three days before the Eyeball officially starts. There were probably a half dozen hams there, working on various projects like portable stations, antennas, displays, etc. When we left to head back to our camper, I looked at Sue and said, "I'll forget the haircut, and I most certainly won't be needing the sport coat and tie this trip."

The Eyeball was hosted by fellow ham, rancher, and attorney/traffic court judge **John Patrick, WK7K**. John has a cattle ranch twelve miles north of the adjoining town of Lingle. John did just an absolutely superb job as Eyeball host and he is going to be a very hard act to follow next year.

John said times are tough out here for ranchers, as good vegetation is sparse and there is very little for the herds to graze on. However, the cattle have adapted nicely. John says the cows in his herds all have mouths three feet wide and they graze at ten miles per hour! The Friday and Saturday lunches and dinners were good, with plenty of food. Everything served cafeteria style. Nothing but beef was served, including roast prime rib, brisket, pulled beef, and roast beef sandwiches. All of this beef supposedly came from John's ranch. On Thursday evening John took Sue and myself, the club secretary (Carl, W9OO, a midwesterner from the South Chicago suburb of Harvey), Glen WTOA from Nebraska and another couple from Missouri (N4ACS the old, OLD hippie and Kat,





KDOHER) to his favorite hangout in Lingle. Lingle is a very small town about ten miles west of Torrington. The establishment is called *THE BITCH'S CORNER BAR* and features the best pub grub in the area. I had a huge burger and Sue had chicken strips and fries.

The rest rooms in the *BITCH'S* had exquisite artwork and photography on their walls; something to please the men in their facility and the women in theirs! Carl, from Chicago, was beside himself. He had never seen a bar with the name BITCH or such exciting restrooms back in Chicago. Sue sprung twenty bucks for a Bitch's Bar tee shirt and a zip-up bottle cooler. Oh, and yes, we did meet the bitch. She is a sweet lady.

Lingle is one of those small towns that has a speed limit. In Lingle it is 25 mph. Lingle is also one of those small towns that has a police force. In Lingle's case the police force is a sweet young single thing that you WILL get to meet if you are doing more than 25 mph. I met Endra Moen Friday night when I walked into Bitch's Bar and saw her standing behind the bar in full department dress, with a Glock 9mm sidearm and a twenty pound duty belt. Her handcuffs were pink, and a pink Susan Koman ribbon was on her badge. I'm not used to seeing a cop IN a bar, much less being BEHIND the bar, when in uniform. She was bullshitting with the barmaid but when we walked in with John she came over and sat with us. As she is the only peace officer in Lingle ("and a damn fine peace officer,"

to quote John), dat make her da Chief.

Three doors down from the *BITCH'S* is the city hall, office and home to this one woman police force and to the part-time traffic court judge. People being less populous than cattle in these parts, it is hard to find a judge. John, being a licensed attorney, is paid one hundred dollars a month by the town of Lingle to be their traffic court judge. He (and she) are fair, but NO ONE escapes the court. John says, "we hear them out, but I run a kangaroo court. They always pay."

We found out on this visit to *The Bitch's* that retired Navy chief Glen, WTOA met 'da Chief' (that be the real chief, Glen) last year and was on the receiving end at the open window of his car! He paid!

Appearance-wise, I thought there were about six or seven of us at the eyeball that were 'normal'. I had an idea of what a ham should look like and how he would act, whether he be a doctor, lawyer, business owner, retired military officer, university educator, or 'professional' amateur radio operator. I formed images accordingly, long before I got to the eyeball. I think everyone does - this is a natural human trait. My eyes got opened at Torrington! But, I must admit, they are all good people.

Finally, Sunday and time to pack up and leave, having



made many new friends in the past few days. Next year's Eyeball will probably be held somewhere back east, maybe in Wisconsin or perhaps Tennessee. Don't know yet, but if we go, it will be a much longer trip for us. The positive offset to that is that we will once again make new friends.

We headed north to Wind Cave Nat'l Park in South Dakota. This is our seventh oldest national park, being designated as such in 1903. This is an impressive park and we ended up spending two days here, staying at Elk Mountain Campground. Camping fees are a staggering six dollars a night.

A tour of Wind Cave was very worthwhile. Entrance and egress was via elevator, with a ranger guided walking tour in the cave.

Wind Cave has a diverse mix of wildlife on its more than 28,000 acres of rolling grasslands and pine forests. Here we could see a small remnant of the prairie and imagine the scene that greeted westward-bound pioneers in the 19th century - not farms and cities, as today, but open plains stretching across the middle of the continent. A piece of that prairie is preserved here in an almost natural state.

I set up my antenna and worked the 75 and 40 meter Century Club nets, with impressive response. N4ACS and his wife were camped across the drive from us. I invited the 'old hippie' and his wife Kat, KDOHER, to work the 75 meter early net from my portable station in the camper. They did, and Miss Sue served them wine and home made ginger cookies while they did the combo. Sounds like a dance, don't it? "Lets do the Combo, dear."

Tuesday, July 2 - Driving north to Deadwood, then west through Spearfish to Sundance, Wyoming brings us to Devil's Tower Nat'l Monument. Our Golden Age pass gained us entrance and the camp fees are once again six dollars per night. Lots of walking and hiking trails here, so we opted for two nights.

Picked a pull-thru spot that gave me plenty of vacant area behind the camper to tie down the end of my dipole. No other sites close to me. What a prime spot! When putting up the antenna (after the camper was dropped and leveled, of course) I noticed that it was passing right under a power line (220 volt triplex) by about six feet, but at least they are at right angles to each other. Nutz, and golly. Dang, we will see what happens. If there is lots of noise and interference, I will just drink beer tonight!

Well, as luck would have it, signals on the 40 meter late



net were absolutely phenomenal, with no noise on the band or from the power line. I, as a 90 watt portable with a less than ideal antenna, received consistent 5 by 8 or 5 by 9 reports. I loved it - never happened to me like this before. Worked stations all over the country. The 75 meter late net was almost as good. Instead of drinking beer, I sipped on a snifter of brandy!

Wednesday - Devil's Tower rises 867 feet from its base and has an area of one and a half acres on its top. The diameter of its base is one thousand feet. The tower is composed of molten magma that contracted and fractured into columns as it cooled, maybe fifty million years ago.

We took the 1-1/2 mile hike around the base of Devil's Tower. The paved hiking trail is situated tightly at the edge of the debris field at the base of the tower. Very nice hike. Saw six to eight climbers on the sheer vertical walls of the tower. Crack climbing is the preferred method here. Crack being that thing in the rocks that helps you get high!

On return to camp, I photographed the huge red outcropping of the Spearfish deposit.

Very hot again today. Peaked out at around 99 degrees. We have no power to run our a/c, so had to suffer. Miss Sue, who does NOT drink beer, poured down three of them, mixed with spicy hot V-8 juice, in rapid succession when we returned from our hike around the tower..

At sunset we drove around to the west side of the tower for more photos. Because of this, I forgot all about the 75 meter early net on at 8:00PM local. I'll try again for the late nets.

Thursday, July 4 - Happy Independence Day! On the road again, heading west through the east central part of Montana.

After a three hundred mile run we are stopped for the

night in the dirt parking area of the Sand Springs Store and Post Office, about 35 miles west of Jordan, MT on Hwy 200. Absolutely out in the middle of nowhere. As no one is around, this is the quietest Fourth of July we ever experienced. Not a single firecracker! The store has been closed forever; the Post Office still works. Not very many pull-offs spotted on the drive today, so we had to take what we could find. No internet or cell phone service here, either. Course, we are out in the middle of hell's half acre; what did I expect? Looks like a paper log again tonight for the nets.

I connected the two 23 foot dipole wires to the coupler, raised the aluminum painter pole extension to twenty feet, strung out the wires in an inverted vee configuration with the insulated ends about 12 feet off the ground and was ready to operate. Takes me about ten minutes to set up the antenna when we are stopped for the night.

The coupler, for those who may be interested, is an SGC-237 Smartuner. Fully automatic, and runs on 12 volts. Covers everything from 160 meters thru six meters with dipole wires 26 feet long or longer. Tunes the frequency when you key the mic - takes about ten milliseconds. Note: it is mounted AT THE DIPOLE FEED POINT, just as a balun would be. It works as advertised. I'm happy with it.

Oops, I should have said net, singular. No 75 meter early that I could hear. The 40 meter late net was started but NCS could hear no one, not even the repeated relays from all over the country, so he closed the net without a single check-in and no one else picked it up. The 75 meter late net had no NCS, so at ten after the hour good old reliable Maynard, AA9ZF, picked it up. I worked a half dozen stations. This will do it for the portable operations on this trip. Tomorrow night one more Montana stay-over, then home.

Friday – Another day-long drive through Montana. Ran into a road block on Hwy 200 this afternoon. A herd of cattle being moved from one range to another. About three to four hundred of them ambling slowly down the road, ditch to ditch. Three or four cowboys, and a cowgirl, all on horses, moving them along. Cows took frequent stops to nurse their calves, on the road. Cow pies everywhere, and they couldn't be fresher. Made me think of Carl, W9OO, although I can't imagine why. This cattle drive took up three miles or more of road. Traffic backed up and stopped, either direction.

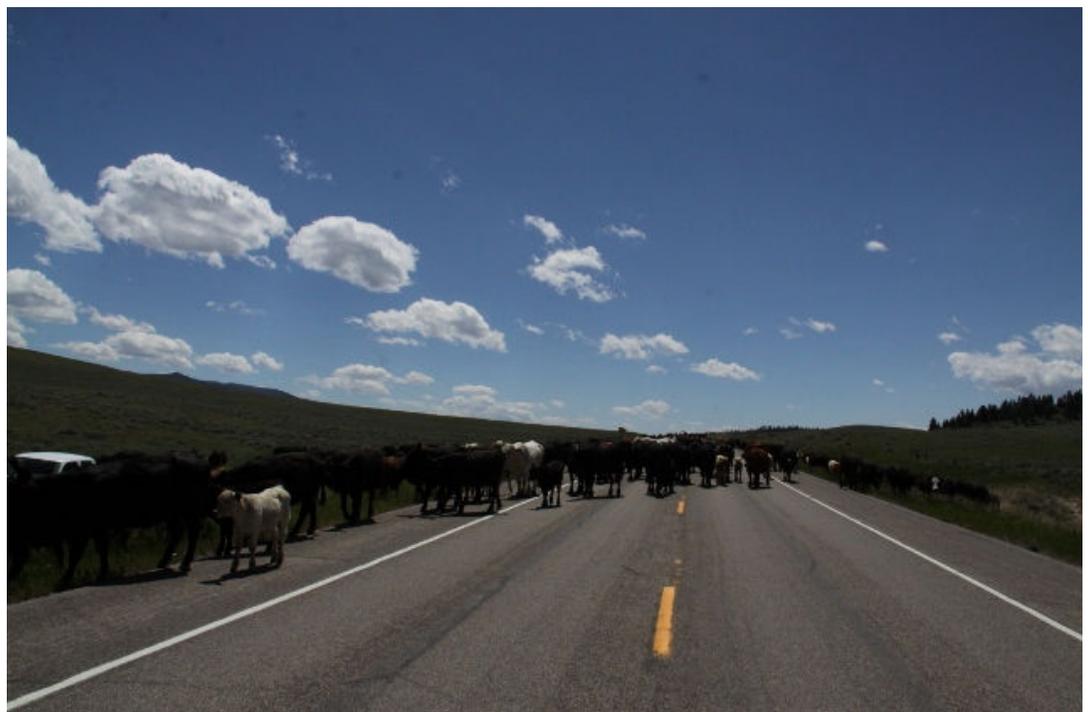
By the time we got through it and back up to road speed, and despite my

swerving, the truck and the camper were covered with fresh cow manure from the front bumper to the rear spare tire carrier. Smelt like a cattle truck. Fortunately, about a half hour later a thunderstorm developed and we drove through some heavy rain at road speed. The crap melted off and left a green trail on the highway behind us! The rigs are now clean once again. Well, sort of. Still has splotted stains present. This is going to require soap and water and a brush at home.

About four hundred miles for us today. Will this drive through Montana EVER end? Almost 600 miles through this state so far. We finally stopped at 7:00PM just east of Missoula. The Exxon Travel Plaza, a truck stop at Milltown on I-90. Another free camp spot. Just another hundred miles to go to get to Idaho.

Saturday, July 7 – Ahhh, back home again in Spokane after a 2,500 mile trip. Always good to get home after a nice vacation or get-away. Had about 115 portable radio contacts on this trip – the most I've ever done. The Eyeball was a wonderful experience for me. There were probably sixty or seventy hams in attendance. Some flew in from as far away as Maine and Florida, but Russ, W2UJ probably had the most brutal trip as he drove all the way from Albany, NY. For Miss Sue? Well, she is not a ham, but I think she did OK, and she DOES like to travel. Now that I have been to a Century Club Eyeball, I will do almost anything to attend the next one. Century Club guys and gals, if you can possibly attend one, do it. It will be an experience you will not regret, and most certainly not forget. Good times will be had by all! Lots of fun.

73, Ron Seese



New 4th Area Director

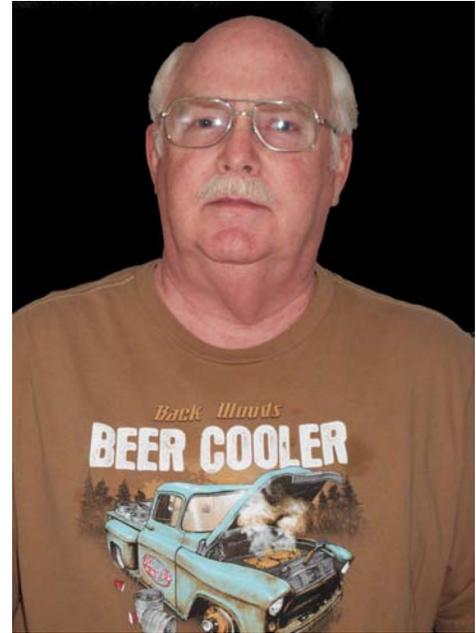
Hello, my name is Jim Higgins, KB3PU, and I'm your new (since Mar 1st) 4th Area Director. I'm honored to be able to serve the 4th Area and the Club in this capacity. Area Director is a position that at one time I told myself you couldn't pay me to hold. (And they aren't paying me.)

My first 3905CC net was on March 22, 1977, 75M certificate #92 in May '77, and not long after a series of moves (plus a good dose of apathy) interfered with any serious hamming until mid-2000 when I got back on the air and re-discovered the 3905CC. Since then successive Presidents have appointed me to the offices of Information Officer, Awards Committee Chairman, Club Recorder and Webmaster.

Then in late 2011, 4th Area Director Ronnie Stanley, NC4RS, honored me by asking me to be his Alternate Director. I was a bit apprehensive, but with my main responsibility being to stand in for Ronnie if he had a conflict, I figured I'd be OK. (I knew he had an excellent attendance record.) Not long after Ronnie began to talk about retiring, but I was able to talk him into just one more term. Little did I know that he'd use that time to soften me up to run for the office when he retired from it earlier this year. He did, I threw my name in the hat, and here we are.

Your Club's Area Directors are responsible for setting the policies and rules for the Club and for adjudicating disputes within their areas, and your Area Director is your representative on our Board of Directors. I feel it is my responsibility as a Director to be aware of and involved in all matters that affect our Club for which the Board is responsible.

Assisting and advising me is your Alternate 4th Area Director, Clarence Meese, K4CNM. I'll admit I was having a hard time with appointing an Alternate, but when Clarence was suggested to me it was a "eureka" moment. A brief chat made it clear we would work well together and Clarence



accepted my request to be my Alternate and, again, here we are.

I believe the 3905CC is the premier Worked All States and Awards Net on our amateur bands and that the model we follow has worked very well for us over our 37 year history. My philosophy regarding the 3905CC is that while nothing is perfect, and while progressive improvement should always be our goal, we aren't broken and thus don't need major fixing. I intend to be an active Director and am always open to areas where progressive improvement might benefit the Club. I thank all 4th Area members for this opportunity to serve you, and I invite all 4th Area members to contact me involving any issues that you feel affect the 4th Area or the Club as a whole.

A Word on W1BML from Gary/KA1J (his son)



W1BML 4/26/1917 - 5/17/2014

He was a brilliant man and loved the 3905 club more than any activity. When it came time to be on the air he would come alive in a way that nothing else would do. He was an avid bowler missing a perfect 300 by two points, a Bridge master, a fisherman and the only man in the Chess club to bring a touring master to a draw. Of all things, the 3905 club gave him the greatest joy. When his vision became impaired his main complaint to the Ophthalmologist was he couldn't see his BMLLog logging program clearly enough to read. He was terribly saddened when his vision made it impossible to make further software changes to add improvements that he wanted to do. Of all his many awards received in his life, none meant more to him than the myriad awards and accolades at his last eyeball. The 3905 club was his family.

Update: 5/17/ @ 11:30 am Earl passed away.

Rest in Peace, my friend. My sincere condolences to Gary and his family for their loss.

New Assistant 4th Area Director

Hi, my name is Clarence (amateur call K4CNM) and I'm the newest member of the 3905 Century Club officers. Jim Higgins (KB3PU), the elected 4th call area director called me on the afternoon of 28 February 2014 and asked me if I would be his assistant director. I was speechless for a few seconds before accepting his offer. We then chatted for about 30 minutes as he explained some of his philosophy and what his expectations were. As an assistant or alternate area director my job description is relatively simple: I represent the 4th call area members on the board of directors whenever Jim is unavailable. In addition to the defined duties, Jim has also asked me to be actively involved in discussions of any matters coming before the Board and to participate and share my opinion on any matters I might become aware of that might affect the 4th call area or the Club as a whole. Jim expects me to be a visible and active participant in discussion of any matters coming before the Board, not just marking time until such a time that he might be absent from a Board Meeting.

To understand the duties of a call area director you need to know that 3905 Century Club has a constitution and by-laws and the business of the Club is conducted by a Board of Directors just like most other clubs or organizations or businesses that you have been associated with. As Jim explained during our initial discussion, while the Club by-laws limit the assistance director's ability to vote or make motions, they don't muzzle us when it comes to being activity involved in discussion of matters affecting our call area and the Club. I intend to do just that whenever I have pertinent or relevant information for the Board.

I gave up my day job in early December 2011 after forty years as a civilian engineer for the US Army. Since that time I have divided my time among home projects, ham radio, and our three-year old granddaughter. I am a fairly new ham, having become a General in February 2010, and upgrading to Extra a month later. Having a BSEE helped with the studying needed, for sure. Although I'm relatively new, I've been interested in ham radio for many years; my father was in the radio TV repair business and that got me interested when I was quite young. I built a Lafayette Radio KT-200 shortwave receiver kit (that I still have) and became an SWL in the late 1950's. Even though I started late in this hobby, I've jumped in enthusiastically to make up for lost time: my ham radio activities include participation in Army MARS for about



sixty hours a month, checking into various 3905 Century Club nets several times a week, involvement with the Prince William County (VA) ARES, and working with the county 4-H office to introduce ham radio to the youngsters aged five through 18 throughout the county (with plans to take the project statewide) We will have the 1x1 call sign N4H active at three separate events this summer with the 4-H youth at the microphone.

The Board of Directors meets on the second Saturday (local date) of each month. Anyone can listen to the board meeting because it is conducted on air somewhere on 40 meters (the exact frequency is posted on several 3905 CCN reflectors just before the meeting starts). I had listened to a few of these on air meetings before, but the one on Saturday 8 March 2014 was my first one as a club officer. And I was very happy that Jim was available for this meeting, even though he had prepped me beforehand, just in case. The board minutes and financials are always posted on the 3905 CCN web site for review by all members.

The Club recognizes the importance of its membership being fully represented by officers on the Board of Directors at meetings of the Board. I consider it an honor and a responsibility to help Jim with the administration of the 4th call area and hope to serve all members there during the next two years.

References such as the constitution and the by-laws of the Club are available on the 3905 CCN web site.

7th Area Alternate Director

Hello, my name is Ron Seese, WB7ASC. Happily married to Miss Sue, retired, living just west of Spokane, WA. Been there, done that. Also been around the block a time or two. Seventy years old. Still wearin' jeans and boots. When you see my name it means redneck, General Motors, right wing, Cabela's, Smith & Wesson, Busch Lite, and probably a few more. I am not now, nor have I ever been, 'politically correct'. I generally say what I think, which causes my wife to frequently cringe. Shyness is not one of my traits.

Spent six years in the Navy, got out as an Electronic Technician, First Class. Moved to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho in '74. Bought a small avionics business at Spokane's Felts Field. That evolved into three avionics shops 150 miles apart. Bought a plane to travel between them. Retired in 2003.

Became active once again in ham radio in 2012 after



about a thirty year break to run the business. I was first licensed in 1964. I now enjoy working with the 3905 Century Club group.

I have lots of hobbies, more than any one man deserves. Dare I bore you with a list of them? Woodworking, electronics, amateur (ham) radio, aviation (private pilot), cooking, gas and charcoal barbecuing and grilling (I've got an honest-to-God chef's coat and hat which I don't deserve, compliments of Miss Sue)), snowmobiling, firearms and the shooting sports, music (Country and Western, is there any other kind?), writing, four-wheeling, camping, and

traveling. Oh, and drinking beer.

In spite of the foregoing, I do have some humility. Nine years ago I was diagnosed with colorectal cancer. Why me, I thought. Well, why not me? After extensive surgery I am still alive and healthy, thanks to God and Miss Sue. I've learned that though the days may be long, the years are short. Make the most of them.

Ron Seese, WB7ASC
January, 2012

The (Half) Century Club

(The Wake-Up Call)

How well I remember that day in late December, 1964 - an early Christmas present arrived. My General class amateur radio license was in the mailbox. I was off and running as a newly minted 'Ham'. I had been preparing for this day for almost a year, however. I held a novice license (WN8NCK) which allowed me to transmit on the air, using limited power and transmitting CW only, no phone. The 'N' in the call prefix signified that I was a novice operator, and the '8' indicated the call area of the country in which I resided.

My ham shack was quite modest; a crystal controlled Johnson Viking Adventurer transmitter running about 50 watts through an 807 transmitting tube to a 40 meter folded

dipole, and a Hallicrafters SX-99 receiver for my novice operating experience. And it was an experience - that receiver wanted to be touched ever so lightly or it would chirp, burble, squeal and drift off frequency, maybe to return, maybe not. But youth and perseverance overcame that obstacle and I made many contacts using Morse code.

By December, 1964 I was ready for the exam for my General class license. I had gotten my code speed up to five words per minute and had my appointment made with the FCC regional office in Cleveland, Ohio, fifty miles north of my home. There was a large room with a lot of other people in it, all of them as tense and nervous as was I. The code machine was one of those big mechanical boxes that a strip of paper with holes in it was run through at the smoking speed of 5 wpm!

When that general class ticket finally arrived a few weeks later, I was prepared for it. The call sign now automatically changed, with the prefix 'N' being replaced with an

'A'. I had a home brew modulator and a desk mic for that Adventurer transmitter and I was ready to go. Of course no profanity was permitted over the air, by direction of the FCC, and politics and religion were not discussed, by a gentlemen's agreement. All other topics were fair game. And we did - we talked about everything! A copy of the Radio Amateur's Callbook was always at my side. I had to update to a new copy every year or so to keep up with the addition of new licensees.

Every month I eagerly looked forward to the latest issue of *QST* magazine appearing in my mailbox. There was a phenomenal amount of useful information contained in those issues, produced by phenomenal writers. Names that I looked up in the index each month. Writers such as Bill Orr W6SAI, technical writer and editor. He wrote many ham books including *The Radio Handbook*. Lew McCoy W1ICP for build-it projects, antennas his specialty; Ed Tilton W1HDQ was the VHF editor and a VHF pioneer. And who could ever forget John Troster W6ISQ, a *QST* contributing editor whose name will always be associated with ham radio humor and fiction. And, in competition with *QST* was *CQ* and *73* magazine, edited by Wayne Green N2 Never Say Die. Sadly, all these calls are now SKs.

Our local ham group in the Canton, Ohio area all hung out on the ten meter band, at 28.8 mcs, and there was a net every Sunday at noon. At this frequency you had decent coverage in about a thirty mile radius, and you didn't need a lot of power. We had a ready, cheap, and seemingly inexhaustible supply of radios to use as a base or mobile on our 28.8 net - used or unwanted CB radios! You could get them anywhere as the 10-4 guys rapidly became disillusioned with the novelty of eleven meters.

These were the days when CB radios were twenty-three channel CRYSTAL CONTROLLED radios. All we had to do was order a crystal for a given radio to work on 28.8 mcs, do some minor tuning and we were in business. And the three to five watt limitation was no problem at ten me-

ters. As the band tended to open in the afternoon, I was talking with California and working skip into other countries on five watts!

Two meter FM was just coming into its own for us at this time in the mid-sixties. A lot of the old tube-type 150 mcs mobile police and fire radios were becoming available. Units such as Kaar, Motorola, and GE. They were loaded with tubes (and most ran a 2E26 final), were power hungry, and were bulky. BUT, the price was right, and by putting in the proper crystals and retuning these radios slightly we could get on two meters. "Hello there, International Crystal in Oklahoma City? I have another order for you."

Through my local radio club and on my own I met many of the area hams. Some of these guys were absolute masters of the art of home brewing equipment. I have seen transmitters, receivers, and power supplies home built; the result would equal or exceed in appearance and/or performance that of the manufacturers. Some of these home brewers were what I considered 'old timers'. Golly, a few of them even belonged to the QCWA (Quarter Century Wireless Association). Imagine, being a ham for twenty-five YEARS.

It was about this time that I acquired a Teletype Model 19 teleprinter with typing reperforator (TDs I believe they were called). Standard shift was 850 cycles; narrow shift was 170 cycles. I had built a tuning unit with scope display and would tune the signal until the two oval patterns were at right angles to each other.. At that point the print magnets would lock and the machine would start printing. Later on I upgraded to a Model 28 ASR console. The sound of those keys or type block striking away was absolutely hypnotizing. Visualize Walter Cronkite reading the CBS evening news on TV, the teleprinters clacking away in the background. His closing words, "....And that's the way it is," followed by the date.

These were the halcyon days of companies well-known to amateurs: E.F. Johnson Co., Collins, R.L. Drake, Knight-Kit (Allied Radio), Swan Electronics, Hallicrafters, and of course the Heath Co. of Benton Harbor, MI. Was there ever a ham who did not have a copy of the current Heathkit catalog? And for electronic parts we had only to open the pages of catalogs such as Olson Electronics, Lafayette Radio, Allied Radio, Newark Electronics, or Burstein-Appleby Co. Affordable test equipment was available through Eico, Knight, Heath and others. Remember the Heath grid dip oscillator with those plug-in coils for various frequencies that were always being misplaced? During my Navy days I operated the Collins S-Line equipment, and purchased my own Drake TR-3 transceiver with an RV-3 remote VFO. But basically that equipment tuned up the same as my novice transmitter of three years before: peak the grid drive, then dip the plate current, then repeat until grid is at maximum and plate current is at



minimum. At that point everything is happy.

During my eighteen month tour on Guam I was in the KG6AAY ham shack almost daily. The hams stationed there at the Naval Communications Station took turns sitting in front of the S-Line with an Astatic D-104 mic, running phone patch traffic back to the U.S. west coast; from there by toll land line to all parts of the country. to family and friends of sailors stationed at NCS Guam. All equipment would be turned on at least thirty minutes before scheduled traffic or phone patch time to allow it to stabilize and minimize drift. The Collins KWM-2 transceiver had a built-in crystal calibrator which, when turned on, would generate a signal every 100 kilocycles. We used that to calibrate the receiver dial for frequency accuracy. Just the cat's meow! Single sideband was such that when running patch traffic we would sit with one hand on the PTT switch and the other constantly 'riding' the receiver tuning knob in an attempt to keep the voice sounding "normal" to those on either end of the telephone. One kW was fed to the ubiquitous Mosley TA-33 or Hy-Gain TH6-DXX beam antenna.

The rest of my tour in the Navy involved being based on the west coast. I had a California drivers license and a California address then, so to keep the FCC happy I applied for and received a 'six land' license, WB6QHK. I maintained that license until 1974 when I was discharged from the Navy and moved to Idaho. Once again I applied for a change of address and received the appropriate '7th call area' call, the one I currently hold. You could always tell what part of the country a ham was from by the number in his call.

It was this era that heralded the last hurrah for electron tubes. RCA came out with the nuvistor in 1959 and produced it until 1971. It was a compact low noise series of metal enclosed tubes such as the 6CW4 and 6DS4 that enabled production of the RCA New Vista color TV in the early 60s. That TV, by the way, sold for around \$495.00, a princely sum at the time.

GE entered the market with their Compactron in 1961 to compete with transistorized electronics. This tube style had a 12-pin base and carried designations such as 6C10 6AG11, etc. Bye, bye, vacuum tubes.

In 1964 there were 775,000 licensed hams worldwide; one third of them or about 225,000 resided in the U.S.

I got married in 1974 and in 1975 we started a business in avionics. The demands on my time and the forming of other interests caused amateur radio to take a back seat. I sold my equipment and donated the Model 28 Teletype machine for deaf applications. Ham radio for this operator was about to enter into a long period of hibernation.

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Fast forward to the year 2010. After thirty years of being employed in, and then retiring from, the avionics business, after seven years of retirement and travel, the ham radio genie began some quiet stirrings in the back of

my mind. This Rip Van Winkle was about to awake from a thirty-seven year nap, much longer than the twenty year 'nap' Rip took in Washington Irving's 1819 story.

I needed to re-acquaint myself with ham radio, and to do this I purchased, in February 2011, a VHF-UHF transceiver. This would give me access to the hams on the local repeater, presumably on 146.94, the national calling frequency. But wait a minute here, 146.94 is no longer the calling frequency, and there is no longer just a single repeater for Spokane. Now there are twenty-nine active repeaters in the area, including a couple on 900 MHz. And, the former calling frequency is now part of a repeater pair. AND the term is now megaHERTZ, not megacycle. AND, AND, the word 'break' is no longer accepted except for an emergency. Not only that, but I keep hearing strange words, the meaning of which I cannot begin to fathom. Words such as Reflectors, Beacons, APRS, D-STAR, Echolink, and on and on. Hmmm, this cowboy has got some catching up to do.

The hardest change for me to accept is the fact that anybody can now apply for and 'buy' a vanity call. Call areas no longer have any relation to location, except for original issue. A ham with a brand new license could now hold a one by two call that fifty years ago would be an original FCC issued call, held by a genuine old timer. Another very hard moment was when I discovered that our Guam DX call of KG6AAY is now being held by a high schooler in California. And in this year of 2014, there are now 717,000 hams in the U.S. alone!

Well, a month later I was already becoming disillusioned with the VHF 'intercom' so started planning the purchase of an HF rig. Now another set of obstacles presented itself. The old familiar names of amateur radio equipment manufacturers were gone. My recently renewed membership in ARRL and the publication of *QST* showed me that *the big dogs in this business were now called Yaesu, Kenwood, and Icom. I knew nothing about them. And the equipment looked strange. Everything was in one compact box weighing around six pounds, and there was no longer a 115 VAC power cord. Where did all the good important stuff go?*

I did have some familiarity with the Icom name, as I had sold, installed, and serviced their aircraft radios, and some of their land mobile equipment. Sooo, I concentrated on Icom. Immediately I hit another snag. Their least expensive radio, the IC-718, appeared to have specifications far exceeding those of the Collins and Drake gear I had been used to. And the advertised price was only five hundred eighty-five dollars. How could I get something this good this inexpensively? After much consideration, "Ron," I thought, "You're risking less than six hundred dollars. If the radio is no good you are not out that much." Sooo, "*Hello, Ham Radio Outlet?*"

Upon receipt of the transceiver and opening the box, my heart sank. Where were the tuning controls, the ones that would be similar to the grid and plate controls on my old gear? I saw nothing familiar but the ON-OFF switch. No

band switch, just a key pad. And, FM on ten meters? Heresy. I had to pull out and read the manual before it dawned on me that all radios now tune automatically. All I had to do was present the proper antenna for the frequency, key the mic and talk. Wow! No more peak the grid, dip the plate. Also, most of these rigs now seem to have a frequency coverage from DC to daylight. My first HF contact in thirty-five years occurred in May, 2011.

Now the real learning curve began. I felt like a newbie looking around for his 'Elmer'. Some things never change - we still have 'lids' and the basic dipole antenna still reigns supreme. But what's all this talk about loggers, DX spotters, waterfall displays, fold-back, beacons, electronic logbooks or no logbooks at all, e-QSLs, SDR, and DRM? Mosley and Hy-Gain are still in the beam antenna business, but what is a Step-pIR, a spider beam, a log periodic, or a CCD dipole?

On December 11, 2011 I got up the courage to check into a worked all states, DX, and awards type of net after listening to this net for several days to get the feel for how it is run. That net was the 3905 Century Club 40 meter net being run by Kathy, KB3NTJ in Delaware as the NCS. Kathy 'held my hand' and guided me through that first net. Thank you Kathy. I'll never forget your kindness.

In March 2012 I purchased an Icom 7410 transceiver which had a few more features than the 618, and I really like



it. The 618 now travels with us in the fifth wheel camper and is the unit with which I do all my portable operating.

This half-century-long trip has been most enjoyable, and in spite of all the changes, and after the passage of fifty years, the thrill of amateur radio is still there for me in each and every call.

I think I'll have a cold '807' to celebrate!

Are You Waiting to be Called?

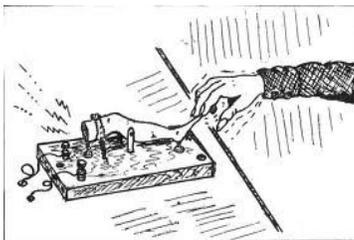
Back when the telegraph was the fastest method of long-distance communication, a young man applied for a job as a Morse Code operator. Answering an ad in the newspaper, he went to the office address that was listed.

When he arrived, he entered a large, busy office filled with noise and clatter, including the sound of the telegraph in the background. A sign on the receptionist's counter instructed job applicants to fill out a form and wait until they were summoned to enter the inner office.

The young man filled out his form and sat down with the seven other applicants in the waiting area. After a few minutes, the young man stood up, crossed the room to the door of the inner office, and walked right in.

Naturally, the other applicants perked up, wondering what was going on. They muttered among themselves that they hadn't heard any summons yet.

They assumed that the young man who went into the office made a mistake and would be disqualified.



Within a few minutes, however, the employer escorted the young man out of the office and said to the other applicants, "Gentlemen, thank you very much for coming, but the job has just been filled." The other applicants began

grumbling to each other, and one spoke up saying, "Wait a minute, I don't understand. He was the last to come in, and we never even got a chance to be interviewed. Yet he got the job. That's not fair!" The employer said, "I'm sorry, but the last several minutes while you've been sitting here, the telegraph has been ticking out the following message in Morse Code: 'If you understand this message, then come right in. The job is yours.' None of you heard it or understood it. This young man did. The job is his."

We are so busy living in a world that is full of noise and clatter, like that office. people are distracted and unable to hear what is going on around them.

[author unknown]



Life With The Generator!

Peter Mann, KF5RD

I really figured we would escape the power outage as it was Monday morning and we still had service that is till 08:32! That started the FIVE days with the 6500 watt generator that was bought in January 2007. Up till this time the only run time on the generator was to power the amateur radio for communications drills.

I set in up behind the Ford van (under the carport) between the garage door. I had stocked piled 20 gallons of gasoline in four red "jerry cans". Along the way I came up with another can for a total of 25 gallons of gasoline. The fuel usage was FIVE gallons each twelve hours.

The first thing I found out about "life with the generator" was PLANNING, PLANNING and more PLANNING! First thing you MUST have plenty of extension cables of the RIGHT size! I had four cables and needed six. One 65 footer ran the furnace (a life saver), and the heaviest cable of 25 feet ran the freezer for the last two hours of each twelve run. The rest of the time it ran the refrigerator. Another cord of 50 feet ran the one lamp and the TV/Satellite system. Got to have our TV! And the longest cable ran to the amateur radio room where it powered the HF/VHF/light and TV. No reason to run the internet as COX cable was pulled from the pole four houses south of me.

I run the generator for twelve shifts with 8 A.M. and 8 P.M. as the refuel times. The first night (Monday) I was advised to chain the generator up so it would not be stolen! I did just that. Big logging chain around the rear axle of the van that the generator sat behind. For the first three days I was the only one on the street with a generator. On the fourth day when I shut down for refueling I could hear another one running down the street. My good friend Lee, K5LEE who himself went thru TEN days without power in January

Emergency Preparedness

2007 reminded me in a e-mail just before the power went out to have OIL (remember the planning part?) on hand for oil changes. I always have oil on hand for the other powered equipment. So I did my first oil change Wednesday at

the 8 A.M. refueling. Slipped an old cookie sheet under the frame and opened the oil drain while I refueled the generator. Added what I figured was enough oil, checked the dipstick and restarted the generator. It ran THREE minutes and quit! I rechecked the dipstick and YEP the low oil switch DOES work! Added the rest of the quart of oil and it ran fine the rest of the day and was ready to do another oil change when



the power returned thanks to the men from PSO stationed in Shreveport, LA! Thanks guys!

Peter Mann, KF5RD

The Check-In

By Ron Seese, WB7ASC

"Welcome to the Worked All States, DX, and Awards net. This is WB7ASC, Net Control, taking check-ins for the 75 meter late net, starting with the first call area. Anyone in the first call area, ones, ones, come now with your call and location."

"KM8X@#\$%"

"The Kilo Mike 8 station, come again with your call."

"KM8XY@#\$"

"Kilo Mike 8 Xray Yankee question mark, you are very weak

and garbled. Please try again. Give me your suffix only."

"This is KM8XYZ/AG."

"OK, I've got you now. Kilo Mike 8 Xray Yankee Zulu/AG. Congratulations on the upgrade to General class and welcome to the net. What state are you in?"

"Ohio."

"Ohio? I'm calling now for stations in the first call area. Please stand by until I get to the eights, OK?"

".....OK, now taking check-ins from the eighth call area. Eights, eights come now."

"KM8XYZ/AG"

"There we are. Net, check in KM8XYZ/AG. Again, congratulations on the upgrade. Say again your state."

"Ohio, Ohio. I live in Belpre, Ohio."

Oh, a River Rat

"The QRZ site shows that you live in Parkersburg, West Virginia."

"I moved over here to Belpre last week."

Ah, someone let this guy cross the bridge from P-Burg.

"OK, that is fine. And your name shows up as Gladstone Bagg. Do you go by Gladstone or do you have a nickname or other name that you prefer?"

"I go by Glad. Just call me Glad."

"OK, I'd be glad to."

"Sorry about the misunderstanding on the check-in. I thought the eight in the call indicated my test results on a scale of one to ten. This is my first time on HF. "

Uh huh. Probably his actual test score. I can see we're gonna have fun tonight.

"OK Glad, what you stumbled across is a Worked All States type of net. What we do is exchange signal reports and then follow up with a QSL card. Does this sound like something that would interest you?"

"Oh, yes indeed. Sounds like fun."

"This is WB7ASC, Net Control, for this session of the 75 meter late net.. Glad, listen up. you're getting a call from California."

"All the way from California? Oh, my goodness. My name is Glad and I am running a Kingbox transceiver to a Powermaster amplifier and feeding a real long wire with some heavy black cable. You have a mighty fine signal here in Belpre. Back to you."

"Uh, Glad, that is a great station, but what signal report did you receive from California?"

"Well, I would say he is a good nine over ten, or maybe even better."

"Uh, no, Glad, what set of numbers did he send to you?"

".....I don't remember."



"OK, California, send the report again. What do you hear, Glad?"

"Uh, a four by four, a four by four?"

"That's a roger, that's a roger. Now, go back to him with a report."

"Well, like I said, a nine over ten."

If I had a Glad bag now I know what I'd like to do with it.

"No no, Glad. The report has to be a pair of numbers between 21 and 59.

"Oh, OK. I would guess that he is a 40."

"I'm sorry, Glad, I should have told you that a zero can't be used. Please send California the report again."

"Uh, he's maybe a 29, you think?"

"Well, congratulations, that is a good contact. Glad, you've just made your first HF contact. This is WB7ASC closing this session of the 75 meter late net. Good night to all."

Ahhh, I think I need a drink after all that - about three fingers worth.

"WB7ASC, this is Glad. I had so much fun tonight that I think I'll check in again next week. And I should be able to order some QSL cards in a couple of months or so."

I'm so glad.

Looking for DX?



For the complainers about the contests that "interfere" with our nets, whether they are on the weekends or the week days. You are missing out on a great opportunity! Instead of complaining, jump into the contest, work the DX and when you send your card to them requesting theirs, put a note in the envelope inviting

them to our nets. You just worked a South American station or a Caribbean station, a single op, running 100W into a G5RV equivalent. He might be working for the coveted WAS on that band. With all the "big guns" in the contest, the "little guy" gets left out in the cold.

He might work enough to place in the contest, but he might be

looking for that "rare" state. You just might be that rare state, and if not, inviting him/her to the nets might net you or another member a card to fill the DX spot on their 1k or 2k. Maybe even your 100 point on RTTY, CW or PSK. Not to mention they would have the opportunity to work any other state on the net without the big guns interference. And if they use eQSL, "We do that" too! The South American Countries as well as the Caribbean Countries are all in the same Region and can operate on our frequencies without running split. And at the same time as our 40m and 75/80m net operate. Lets be part of the solution, instead of part of the problem.





Awards Listing

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160 Meter CW 100 Point

VE3CMB 32 160 Craig McLoughlin 3/27/2014

160 Meter SSB 100 Point

K4KRK 604 160 James Randy Upchurch 3/14/2014
 W3BS 605 160 Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel 3/24/2014
 AC0TP 606 160 Michael D. Toothaker 4/2/2014
 K1HIF 607 160 Michael J. Rush 4/14/2014
 KD8MQ 608 160 John E. Myers 4/23/2014

20 Meter CW 100 Point

WN1F 68 20 David B. Feeney 3/27/2014

20 Meter PSK 100 Point

WQ1H 73 20 David E. Smith 3/14/2014
 KJ8O 74 20 Joseph B. Miller 3/20/2014
 K1HIF 75 20 Michael J. Rush 4/7/2014

20 Meter RTTY 100 Point

N0MNO 75 20 David R. Johnson 3/4/2014
 WQ1H 76 20 David E. Smith 3/14/2014

40 Meter CW 100 Point

W4NFT 217 40 James M. McKellips 2/11/2014
 W3BS 218 40 Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel 5/5/2014

40 Meter CW Bakers Dozen

KM9U 6 40 Charles W. Barnett II 3/13/2014

40 Meter CW Bakers Dozen COA

N6RSH 6 40 Steven D. Panattoni 3/13/2014

40 Meter PSK 100 Point

K1HIF 87 40 Michael J. Rush 4/7/2014
 AD7DB 88 40 David G. Bartholomew 4/12/2014
 N7JY 89 40 John L. Bartholomew 4/14/2014

40 Meter RTTY 100 Point

KJ8O 171 40 Joseph B. Miller 3/20/2014
 KB4IAN 172 40 Brian T. Blease 4/29/2014

40 Meter SSB 100 Point

KK9KK 2847 40 Rich Milcarek, Jr. 1/26/2014
 KC8LKB 2848 40 Dana S. Evans 2/8/2014
 WA6MRK 2849 40 Robert W. Silverman 2/18/2014
 KK6ABZ 2850 40 Jan L. Pettit 2/25/2014
 WN8U 2851 40 Mark W. Tannert 3/18/2014
 KJ8O 2852 40 Joseph B. Miller 3/20/2014
 WB5LAI 2853 40 Stephan Van Carpenter 3/20/2014
 KK4IQD 2854 40 Peter F. Tanton 3/21/2014
 KF7WWP 2855 40 Roger Ringer 3/29/2014
 AC0TP 2856 40 Michael D. Toothaker 4/2/2014
 W7RNX 2857 40 Joseph J. Wallace, Jr. 4/21/2014
 W4RHB 2858 40 Robert H. Byers 4/30/2014

40 Meter SSB 500 Point

KC2IYE 149 40 Robert L. Braddock 1/26/2014
 N1RNJ 150 40 Gary R. Sheridan, Jr. 2/17/2014
 K5SRG 151 40 Stephen "Skip" R. Guenter 2/27/2014
 K6YEK 152 40 William G. Fuller 3/1/2014
 N6ISY 153 40 Richard J. Bruno 4/5/2014
 WN1H 154 40 Elaine R. "Ginger" Smith 4/16/2014
 N9EXM 155 40 Hobart M. Poyser 4/21/2014

40 Meter SSB 1000 Point

KC2IYE 576 40 Robert L. Braddock 1/26/2014
 N1RNJ 577 40 Gary R. Sheridan, Jr. 2/17/2014
 WN1H 578 40 Elaine R. "Ginger" Smith 4/16/2014

40 Meter SSB 2000 Point

KB1NGD 291 40 Glenn S. Jackson 3/13/2014
 W3BS 292 40 Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel 4/9/2014

40 Meter SSB 39000 Point

N2XTT 1 40 Peter B. Summers 1/30/2014

40 Meter SSB Beat The Clock

W9ROG 98 40 Roger G. Callewaert, Jr. 5/6/2014

40 Meter SSB Nite Owl

W3BS 346 40 Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel 2/10/2014
 KB1NGD 347 40 Glenn S. Jackson 2/24/2014
 AE4NT 348 40 Benjamin I. Goldfarb 4/16/2014

40 Meter SSB Nomad

WT0A 188 40 Glen K. Felt 2/11/2014
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40 Meter SSB Numbers Racket

WU9T 231 40 Donald G. Chinnery 2/16/2014
 KB1NGD 232 40 Glenn S. Jackson 2/24/2014
 N9PYR 233 40 David R. Paradise, Jr. 4/21/2014

40 Meter SSB WAC - 2-Letter

W9OO 9 40 Carl E. Durnavich 4/11/2014
 W9OO 9 40 Carl E. Durnavich 4/11/2014
 W9OO 9 40 Carl E. Durnavich 4/11/2014
 W9OO 9 40 Carl E. Durnavich 3/8/2014

40 Meter SSB WAC - General

W9OO 7 40 Carl E. Durnavich 3/8/2014

40 Meter SSB WAC - Mobile

W9OO 4 40 Carl E. Durnavich 3/8/2014

75 Meter SSB 100 Point

KF7WWP 3040 75 Roger Ringer 1/21/2014
 KK6ABZ 3041 75 Jan L. Pettit 2/6/2014
 W5MKC 3042 75 Thomas V. Briggs 2/7/2014
 KD8AQH 3043 75 Joseph W. Sheline 2/20/2014
 K6YEK 3044 75 William G. Fuller 3/1/2014
 KJ8O 3045 75 Joseph B. Miller 3/20/2014
 AC0RL 3046 75 Jerome G. Kahn 3/29/2014
 N0UEC 3047 75 Bradley R. Brookes 4/19/2014
 KD0WGB 3048 75 Donald J. Hesselting 4/24/2014

75 Meter SSB 500 Point

KG7BAN 134 75 Lee Kanon 3/9/2014
 W5MKC 135 75 Thomas V. Briggs 3/29/2014

75 Meter SSB 1000 Point

AA6MK 542 75 Michael W. Kelly 3/21/2014
 N4ACS 543 75 James F. Wood, Sr. 4/20/2014

75 Meter SSB 2000 Point

W0PTL 234 75 Eric J. Johnson 1/25/2014
 W3BS 235 75 Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel 3/24/2014
 KC2IYE 236 75 Robert L. Braddock 4/15/2014

75 Meter SSB 6000 Point

WQ1H 34 75 David E. Smith 3/20/2014

75 Meter SSB Beat The Clock

K6YEK 73 75 William G. Fuller 3/30/2014

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75 Meter SSB Nite Owl

KF5KCE	385	75	Patrick A. Caldwell	4/11/2014
K6YEK	386	75	William G. Fuller	4/25/2014
W9ROG	387	75	Roger G. Callewaert, Jr.	4/30/2014

75 Meter SSB Nomad

K4CNM	164	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014
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75 Meter SSB Numbers Racket

KB1NGD	186	75	Glenn S. Jackson	2/24/2014
N4ACS	187	75	James F. Wood, Sr.	4/6/2014
AA6MK	188	75	Michael W. Kelly	4/24/2014
N9PYR	189	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/24/2014

80 Meter PSK 100 Point

WU9T	63	80	Donald G. Chinnery	2/16/2014
KJ8O	64	80	Joseph B. Miller	4/8/2014

80 Meter RTTY 100 Point

WU9T	80	80	Donald G. Chinnery	4/12/2014
WA0RKQ	81	80	Reynold D. "Mac" McGinnis	4/15/2014

Alphabet 40 and 75 Meter SSB

W0PTL	612	75	Eric J. Johnson	1/20/2014
KB1NGD	613	75	Glenn S. Jackson	1/28/2014
KB1NGD	614	40	Glenn S. Jackson	2/24/2014
KC2IYE	615	75	Robert L. Braddock	4/29/2014

Bakers Dozen

WT0A	2626	75	Glen K. Felt	1/20/2014
W4NFT	2627	40	James M. McKellips	1/22/2014
KC2IYE	2628	75	Robert L. Braddock	1/22/2014
N8BF	2629	40	Byron J. Fiedler	1/25/2014
W9OO	2630	75	Carl E. Durnavich	2/9/2014
KC2IYE	2631	40	Robert L. Braddock	2/17/2014
N9PYR	2632	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	2/24/2014
KB1NGD	2633	40	Glenn S. Jackson	3/1/2014
W9OO	2634	40	Carl E. Durnavich	3/8/2014
W9OO	2635	40	Carl E. Durnavich	3/8/2014
KB1ODO	2636	40	Andrew E. Toce, Jr.	3/20/2014
VE3CMB	2637	75	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2638	75	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2639	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2640	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2641	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2642	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2643	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2644	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2645	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
VE3CMB	2646	40	Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
KC2IYE	2647	75	Robert L. Braddock	4/8/2014
W9OO	2648	40	Carl E. Durnavich	4/11/2014
W9OO	2649	40	Carl E. Durnavich	4/11/2014
K4CNM	2650	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014
K4CNM	2651	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014
K4CNM	2652	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014
K4CNM	2653	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014
K4CNM	2654	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014



K4CNM	2655	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/20/2014
K4CNM	2656	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/21/2014
K4CNM	2657	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/21/2014
WT0A	2658	40	Glen K. Felt	4/21/2014
WU9T	2659	40	Donald G. Chinnery	4/22/2014
WU9T	2660	40	Donald G. Chinnery	4/22/2014
WU9T	2661	40	Donald G. Chinnery	4/22/2014
K4CNM	2662	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
K4CNM	2663	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
K4CNM	2664	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
K4CNM	2665	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
K4CNM	2666	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
K4CNM	2667	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
W2UJ	2668	40	Russell L. Sawyer	4/27/2014
W2UJ	2669	75	Russell L. Sawyer	4/27/2014
W2UJ	2670	160	Russell L. Sawyer	4/27/2014
W2UJ	2671	160	Russell L. Sawyer	4/27/2014
K4CNM	2672	40	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/29/2014
K4CNM	2673	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/29/2014
W3BS	2674	75	Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel	4/29/2014
W3BS	2675	75	Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel	4/30/2014
W3BS	2676	40	Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel	4/30/2014
W3BS	2677	75	Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel	5/1/2014
W3BS	2678	40	Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel	5/1/2014
KC2IYE	2679	75	Robert L. Braddock	5/4/2014
W3BS	2680	40	Bernard "Buddy" M. Spiegel	5/5/2014
W9OO	2681	40	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2682	40	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2683	75	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2684	160	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2685	40	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2686	75	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2687	160	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2688	40	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014
W9OO	2689	75	Carl E. Durnavich	5/7/2014

Bakers Dozen Cert of Appreciation

W0WSP	2626	75	Douglas V. Aldrich	1/20/2014
NM8Q	2627	40	Franklin E. Sturgill, Jr.	1/22/2014
N6RSH	2628	75	Steven D. Panattoni	1/22/2014
NM8Q	2629	40	Franklin E. Sturgill, Jr.	1/25/2014
NM8Q	2630	75	Franklin E. Sturgill, Jr.	2/9/2014
NM8Q	2631	40	Franklin E. Sturgill, Jr.	2/17/2014
N6RSH	2632	40	Steven D. Panattoni	2/24/2014
WT0A	2633	40	Glen K. Felt	3/1/2014
N3WD	2634	40	William A. Dobson, III	3/8/2014
WV4EVR	2635	40	Jacqueline D. Williams	3/8/2014
N6RSH	2636	40	Steven D. Panattoni	3/20/2014
KD8JCO	2637	75	Zachary Williams	3/27/2014
WW7OO	2638	75	Les Bois Amateur Radio Club	3/27/2014
NM8Q	2639	40	Franklin E. Sturgill, Jr.	3/27/2014
AB8MW	2640	40	Franklin Sturgill	3/27/2014
KF4PAF	2641	40	Jesse A. Cox	3/27/2014



Awards Listing

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Certificate Hunters 40 and 75 SSB

W9ROG	577	40	Roger G. Callewaert, Jr.	1/23/2014
KB1NGD	578	75	Glenn S. Jackson	1/28/2014
KB1NGD	579	40	Glenn S. Jackson	2/24/2014
K6YEK	580	40	William G. Fuller	3/30/2014

Crossword Puzzle

W9OO	18		Carl E. Durnavich	3/8/2014
W9OO	18		Carl E. Durnavich	3/8/2014
W9OO	18		Carl E. Durnavich	3/8/2014

Double Vision

W9OO	11		Carl E. Durnavich	2/9/2014
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DX 40 and 75 Meter SSB

KB1NGD	231	40	Glenn S. Jackson	1/28/2014
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Master Degree

KI4DFS	67		David C. Reece	3/28/2014
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Net Control Operators

K5SRG	174		Stephen "Skip" R. Guenter	4/2/2014
KB4IAN	175		Brian T. Blease	4/2/2014

Net Controllers Basic

N1RNJ	308		Gary R. Sheridan, Jr.	3/15/2014
KI4DFS	309		David C. Reece	3/15/2014

Net Controllers Cum Laude

WK7K	24		John B. Patrick	2/11/2014
KE4RUG	25		Augustus "Mac" Beauchat	4/12/2014

Net Controllers Journeyman

KM9U	125		Charles W. Barnett II	4/12/2014
N9PYR	126		David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/12/2014
WB7ASC	127		Ronald L. Seese	4/12/2014

Net Controllers Magna Cum Laude

KG4ZOD	10		Donnie Hurst, Jr.	3/15/2014
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Officers 40 and 75 SSB

W9ROG	957	40	Roger G. Callewaert, Jr.	1/23/2014
W9ROG	958	75	Roger G. Callewaert, Jr.	2/20/2014
N9PYR	959	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	2/24/2014
N9PYR	960	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	2/24/2014
KG7BAN	961	75	Lee Kanon	3/9/2014
KD8HSV	962	75	Robert A. Gibbs	3/13/2014

Pick 30

KG7BAN	57		Lee Kanon	3/9/2014
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Roaming Master Rover

WT0A	3		Glen K. Felt	4/21/2014
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Roaming Master Tracker

VE3CMB	7		Craig McLoughlin	3/27/2014
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Triple Play

W9OO	10		Carl E. Durnavich	4/11/2014
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NA0L	2642	40	Richard J. Lorenzen	3/27/2014
K7OPQ	2643	40	Western Oregon Amateur Society	3/27/2014
WW7OO	2644	40	Les Bois Amateur Radio Club	3/27/2014
KB3PU	2645	40	James B. Higgins	3/27/2014
KJ4FSQ	2646	40	Fellowship Of The Trving Skunk	3/27/2014
N9PYR	2647	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/8/2014
N6RSH	2648	40	Steven D. Panattoni	4/11/2014
KK4TE	2649	40	Charles H. Moss, III	4/11/2014
N9PYR	2650	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/20/2014
N9PYR	2651	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/20/2014
WT0A	2652	40	Glen K. Felt	4/20/2014
KF4PAF	2653	40	Jesse A. Cox	4/20/2014
W9JAY	2654	40	Jay W. Fadness	4/20/2014
NA9TC	2655	40	North American Truckers ARC	4/20/2014
KF4PAF	2656	75	Jesse A. Cox	4/21/2014
W5MNO	2657	75	Bluff City ARC	4/21/2014
K5DUG	2658	40	Rowland Doug Thompson	4/21/2014
NI7F	2659	40	Richard W. Harris	4/22/2014
W7F	2660	40	Sp. Event	4/22/2014
N7BYU	2661	40	Bringham Young Univ ARC	4/22/2014
K7OPQ	2662	40	Western Oregon Amateur Society	4/22/2014
N6RSH	2663	40	Steven D. Panattoni	4/22/2014
N6RSH	2664	40	Steven D. Panattoni	4/22/2014
K7OPQ	2665	75	Western Oregon Amateur Society	4/22/2014
N6RSH	2666	75	Steven D. Panattoni	4/22/2014
N6RSH	2667	75	Steven D. Panattoni	4/22/2014
N9PYR	2668	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/27/2014
N9PYR	2669	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/27/2014
N9PYR	2670	160	David R. Paradise, Jr.	4/27/2014
WT0A	2671	160	Glen K. Felt	4/27/2014
AD0RK	2672	40	Southeast Nebraska ARC	4/29/2014
AD0RK	2673	75	Southeast Nebraska ARC	4/29/2014
WT0A	2674	75	Glen K. Felt	4/29/2014
AD0RK	2675	75	Southeast Nebraska ARC	4/30/2014
AD0RK	2676	40	Southeast Nebraska ARC	4/30/2014
N9PYR	2677	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	5/1/2014
N9PYR	2678	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	5/1/2014
WT0A	2679	75	Glen K. Felt	5/4/2014
WT0A	2680	40	Glen K. Felt	5/5/2014
KG9E	2681	40	Nicholas A. Krebs	5/7/2014
N9PYR	2682	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	5/7/2014
N9PYR	2683	75	David R. Paradise, Jr.	5/7/2014
N9PYR	2684	160	David R. Paradise, Jr.	5/7/2014
AD0RK	2685	40	Southeast Nebraska ARC	5/7/2014
AD0RK	2686	75	Southeast Nebraska ARC	5/7/2014
AD0RK	2687	160	Southeast Nebraska ARC	5/7/2014
AJ4FN	2688	40	By Invite Radio Society	5/7/2014
AJ4FN	2689	75	By Invite Radio Society	5/7/2014

Bakers Dozen Dozen

WT0A	47		Glen K. Felt	1/20/2014
W9OO	48		Carl E. Durnavich	2/9/2014

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US Call Area

K5SRG	350	4	Stephen "Skip" R. Guenter	3/17/2014
K5SRG	350	9	Stephen "Skip" R. Guenter	2/8/2014
K5SRG	350	10	Stephen "Skip" R. Guenter	1/27/2014
N8BF	351	1	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	2	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	3	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	4	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	5	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	6	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	7	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	8	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	9	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014
N8BF	351	10	Byron J. Fiedler	3/11/2014

WAS 40 75 and 160 SSB

KC2IYE	1398	40	Robert L. Braddock	1/20/2014
W9OO	1399	160	Carl E. Durnavich	2/9/2014
KB0EL	1400	40	Clark B. Ashworth	2/11/2014
K5SRG	1401	40	Stephen "Skip" R. Guenter	2/17/2014

N9PYR	1402	40	David R. Paradise, Jr.	2/24/2014
KD8HSV	1403	40	Robert A. Gibbs	3/13/2014
AE4NT	1404	40	Benjamin I. Goldfarb	3/14/2014
N0HGA	1405	75	Jeff E. Guenter	4/19/2014
N4ACS	1406	75	James F. Wood, Sr.	4/20/2014
KB1NGD	1407	75	Glenn S. Jackson	5/4/2014

WAS Caps 40 and 75 SSB

K4CNM	549	75	Clarence N. Meese, Jr.	4/22/2014
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WAS YL 40 and 75 SSB

KK4TE	233	40	Charles H. Moss, III	1/24/2014
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Work 30

K6YEK	121		William G. Fuller	3/1/2014
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Worked All Nets

WB7PTC	38		James R. Hurst, Sr.	3/9/2014
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Congratulations! Have Fun! Keep on Going!



"That's the problem with calling "CQ Field Day" too long!"

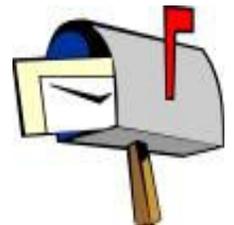
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73, Peter J. Mann, KF5RD OMISS letter k buro manager



Life Blood...

Skip Guenter, K5SRG

That's what new folks are to our club and our nets.



Remember back when you checked into a net and had more folks you hadn't worked than you could ever work on one net? You know, the 'Greenies'. Vaguely?

For some of you that was decades ago. For some only a year or so ago. Yes working with folks brand new to the net can take a little patience but if you make it easy for them you'll see them back the next night or next week and really getting the hang of it.

These are the future contacts for future awards for you, me and most of us. I really believe that if we could get just 1 new person to try out

an HF net from each town or city big enough to have a Radio club we'd do amazingly well. Imagine just 50 new folks checking into our nets! Even spread across multiple nets over a month that would result in what most would call a really good net.

How does that happen?

It happens with *YOU* being a recruiter for *YOUR* 3905 Century Club!

It's easier than you think. Here's one simple 3 step way to do it.

1. Download the new handout from the web site under the **blue** front page menu item "New To Our Nets". It's called "Member Recruitment Handout"
2. Print enough to give everyone at your next local club meeting / event a copy of the handout.
3. Actually take it to the meeting and hand them out before the meeting or pass them around during the meeting (might be good to ask the local Pres first).

If just one person at that meeting gives it a try you've set us on the path.

Another random thought... What about that ham buddy of yours you see about once a month or talk to once a month... or that new General Class guy a few blocks over from you. How about you invite him over and both work a 3905 net on your station one night. He might just think that was fun and you'll either get more questions or he'll show up on a net and surprise you the following week!

'73 to all. This net is now closed ;-)
Skip - K5SRG

Tuning Up on the Air

Ron Seese, WB7ASC

There is a point that needs to be brought up, once again, and this is strictly my soap box now. On a recent 75m early net, tune-up carriers on the frequency lasted for about twenty minutes. They were blocking NCS and his relays from efficiently receiving check-ins. Repeated comments about the "lids" and "the frequency is in use" did no good.

Guys and gals, stop and think about this for a minute. Those tuner-uppers and lids are us; our very own club members. Not the first time check-ins, or visitors - we don't have that many. No, those clowns are our own lids. Notice, if you will, that the carriers start a couple of minutes before the nets start and then continue for five or ten minutes past the start of the net. From then on, for the duration of the net, you hardly hear another carrier. There just aren't that many QSOs going on right next to our net frequency to account for all those carriers. Sadly, it is a portion of our club membership that causes the problem. Makes me wonder which of those guys I worked on the net was the lid responsible for the carrier!

Hey, I hear this on the 75m late net when I am NCS. That tells me that at least one person will hopefully be checking in! When I hear those carriers, immediately followed by a check-in, I can't help but wonder whether that check-in was the one responsible. These lids (and they are that) don't understand the equipment they

are operating. They don't know that when you return to a given frequency the amplifier tunes up at exactly the same dial settings as it did before. Rain, snow, ice, heat, cold, night, day generally have an insignificant effect on the tune-up settings. Haven't these people ever heard of or understand the use of dummy loads or, more importantly, cold tuning, or preset tuning?

I run 1800 watts input to my Heath SB-221, with 1200 watts output. I operate it on 75 meters and 40 meters. I have written down the dial settings for 3.902 MHz and 7.188 MHz. I have not "tuned" my amplifier in over a year now, and it is still right on. I simply dial in the pre-determined 'TUNE' and 'LOAD' dial settings for the frequency on which I wish to operate, turn on the power switch and the amp is good to go. The output and SWR is monitored with a Bird 43 watt-meter. I 'cold tune' the amplifier before power is even applied, and that is all that it needs. The settings are perfect. Nobody hears *me* tune up on the air. By the way, my 3-500 finals are the original Eimac tubes that came with the kit in 1978, and they are still going strong. For those of you whose habits and practices will not change, regardless of what is said, please extend to your fellow hams and Century Club members the courtesy of moving ABOVE or BELOW the frequency in use by **at least 4 kHz** before tuning up on the air. Technically, on lower sideband (LSB) you need to move below the frequency by 4 kHz or above the frequency by 0.5 kHz.

There may be some nit-pickers out there who question the validity and accuracy of my procedures and suggestions, but basically they work, and work very well. If NOTHING else is accepted, cold tuning will prolong the life of your expensive finals.

April Board Meeting Minutes

3905 Century Club, Inc. Board of Directors			
Area	Director / Alternate Director		Area Director / Alternate Director
1 st	KC1AU-Bob Wilson N1RNJ – Gary Sheridan		8th K8PGM – Ron Belanger KD8HSV-Robert Gibbs
2 nd	N2XTT – Peter Summers K2UNI – Keith Tilley		9th WA9DIY – Jim Foster NJ9T – Pete Thornton
3 rd	K3ATY – Kathy Krajewski K3QX – Ed Herbrechtsmeier		10th WB0PYF – Ray Myers W0YV – Tim O’Hara
4 th	KB3PU – Jim Higgins K4CNM—Clarence Meese		DX VE3CMB – Craig McLoughlin VE4ABU -- Al Rowe
5 th	AG5T – Marty Blaise AE5XL – Larry Stout		Pres W2UJ -- Russ Sawyer
6 th	W6LJK –George Huett AB6YL – Ginger Wonderling		VPres N7XG—Dean Davis
7 th	AC7RA – Ricky Asper WB7ASC – Ron Seese		
Board Members Present Are Shown In Bold Text			

3905 CCN Board Meeting minutes 4/13/2014 (4/12 local) at 0200z called to order by the acting Chairman, Marty, AG5T, 5th Area Director, on 7211 kHz and in the board chat room.

Attendance: 1-KC1AU, 2-N2XTT, 3-K3ATY, 4-KB3PU, 5-AG5T, 6-W6LJK, 7-N/P, 8-N/P, 9-WA9DIY, 10-N/P, DX-N/P, VP-N/P, PRESIDENT-N/P. Also present: N1RNJ, K4CNM, NJ9T.

Old Business: none

Motion by acting Chairman Marty, AG5T, to approve March 8, 2014 BOD meeting and March 28, 2014 Special BOD meeting minutes.

Second by: KC1AU

Roll call vote: 1: KC1AU-yea, 2: N2XTT-yea, 3: K3ATY-yea, 4: KB3PU-yea, 5: AG5T-yea, 6: W6LJK-yea, 9: WA9DIY-yea

Motion passed.

Motion by acting Chairman Marty, AG5T, to approve the March financial report.

Second by: KC1AU

Roll call vote: 1: KC1AU-yea, 2: N2XTT-yea, 3: K3ATY-yea, 4: KB3PU-yea, 5: AG5T-yea, 6: W6LJK-yea, 9: WA9DIY-yea

Motion passed.

New Business: none

Adjournment:

Motion made by N2XTT and second by KB3PU to adjourn. No objections. Meeting adjourned at 0209z.

Submitted by,

W9OO, Carl Durnavich

3905 CCN Secretary

From the Editor's desk

I welcome all comments, questions and articles you would like to share about the club or its operations. And, any ham-related articles that would be of interest to the membership at large.

This is your newsletter and through it you can share your ideas and experiences with the rest of the membership. Let's not forget our DX friends and neighbors either. All members are invited to submit articles for consideration and inclusion.

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