



# The 3905 Century Club Telegraph

## December 2021

A 3905 Century Club Monthly Newsletter

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## Welcome!

Welcome to the December 2021 issue of the 3905 Century Club Telegraph.

The staff at the Telegraph is wishing all our members a Happy Hanukkah/Merry Christmas/Wonderful Kwanzaa!

We are always looking for article ideas and contributions. Please send articles or suggestion for articles to:

[k7qhu@outlook.com](mailto:k7qhu@outlook.com).



## Club Elections in January 2022!



The nominations for the Even Area Directors have closed. The nominations for the Club President will be declared at the Club's Board meeting on December 11th. Please be sure to check out the candidates page on the club's website. Voting starts on January 1, 2022. The club's directors and president define the current and future direction of the club, so please be sure to cast your vote!





## Dean's Column

### Notes from the President

By Dean Davis, N7XG



**I**t seems like Thanksgiving was just yesterday and now Christmas is coming at us in record speed. I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving and took a moment to be thankful for something. Several big things are occurring in December. The first item are the elections where you will be voting for a president and those of you that live in even numbered call areas will be voting for your area director. Remember the actual voting starts on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The second item is the rollout of the new website, [3905ccn.org](http://3905ccn.org), officially on December 12<sup>th</sup>. All of the content has been moved and it will take a little getting used to navigate with the new menu system. Countless hours have been put in by the IT Group and I want to specifically thank

Matt Taylor (K2YS) who is the grand poo-bah, Eric Johnson (AA0HF), and Ben Goldfarb (AE4NT).

The election monitors have set up virtual candidates for a mock election online for those who are registered and those who register before the end of the mock election. This is to provide the opportunity to see how it will work for those wishing to vote online before the real election opens on January 1, 2022. The mock election will run from Dec 1 through Dec 15,

We have provided an election information webpage accessible on the [3905ccn.org](http://3905ccn.org) home page as the first link under "Quick Links" on the left hand side. Here you will find all the information you need to understand your voting options as prescribed by the club by-laws including the online option.

On the main menu, under "Club Info" you will also find an Elections sub menu which provides access to the Election Info page, Candidate Bios (this page will contain the January 2022 Candidates), a mail-in ballot (for email or postal mail) which currently contains the mock election candidates, and if you are logged in, the Online Voting page.

We encourage everyone to review the election information page and if you are a registered user, please also try the online voting page.

You can still register using your member number, email and callsign. Your member number is based on your first 100-point award and you can look it up using the "Member Lookup" page under the "Club Info" menu.





If you run into any difficulties or have any questions about the election or where to find more information, please contact the election monitors at [electionmonitors@3905ccn.org](mailto:electionmonitors@3905ccn.org).

As Steve goes to press with this issue of the Telegram, it is officially holiday season for many of our members. In the past we have had a very informal activity called “Christmas Club”. This is not a special event nor it is a contest or QSO party but rather an effort to bring clubs and 1x1 special event stations to the nets. If you have acquired a 1x1 call before go to <http://www.1x1callsigns.org/> and register for a special event call sign (there is a lot to choose from) and if you don’t have a club borrow one. Finally, check-in to as many nets as you can the last 2 weeks of the month. And one final option you can do is design a special QSL card. In the past this has been lots of fun. So, if you are not doing much around the holidays, please join us for some fun.

73, Dean



## Ben's Column

### Notes from the Awards Secretary

By Ben Goldfarb, AE4NT



Ben is on a Thanksgiving Holiday, so no column this month. Ben will resume his column in the January, 2022 Issue!





## Webmaster report: Our new 3905.org website

By Matt Taylor, K2YS



**I**n January 2021, I became the club's new webmaster, appointed by our club President Dean N7XG, after I had answered an email on the reflector asking for a volunteer. I have been in the IT field for 40 years and have a few websites "under my belt" so I thought this would be a good way to keep busy and also volunteer for the club. At first I thought I was just going to be updating some static web pages, but I soon learned that Dean envisioned a new updated design for the website. I worked with Dean to make that vision a reality, with Dean working on the facelift and me programming the pages to provide the functionality. So far I estimate that I have put about 700-800 hours of work into the new website. Along the way we have also had Ben AE4NT, Gary K9GWS, Kirk AA1NA and Eric AA0HF help with testing and documentation.

We are still not completely switched over to the new site so both the 3905ccn.com and 3905ccn.org are currently active. There are some features of 3905ccn.com that are not yet built out on the .org site, but having said that there are also some new features only available on the 3905ccn.org site.

In order to provide secure access to member-only features we needed a way to uniquely identify each member. Callsigns change, even names change, but one thing that will remain for life is your first award number. But since the same award number can be issued for example for both 40m SSB and 75m SSB, we decided that using the award number prefixed by the band and mode would create a unique member number. So, the member number is made up of the numeric band and a one-digit number for the mode where SSB=1, CW=2, PSK=3 and RTTY=4. This member number allows you to register on the website for member-only access features and set a password for your login account.

To register you will need to provide your callsign, email address, and member number. You can look up your member number on the website by using the menu item "Club Info" then "Member Lookup". Provide a password of at least 8 characters or more. After providing all the necessary information and pressing [Register] you will receive an email with a unique link to click to complete the registration process. This is to verify the email address provided. You have 30 minutes to complete the process, or you will have to start over.

If you cannot find the email from [webmaster@3905ccn.org](mailto:webmaster@3905ccn.org) look in your junk or spam folder in your email to see if it was diverted to there. If you run into any difficulties, reach out to me via [webmaster@3905ccn.org](mailto:webmaster@3905ccn.org) and I will work with you to resolve the issues.

If you forget your password, there is also a password reset menu option to do so via your email similar to the registration process.

Online voting for officers this year will be on the 3905ccn.org website so it is important that you register if you chose to vote online.



Once you login you can access certain features available only to members, such as the ability to change your address or add an alternate address and set the dates of when that address is current, as well as change your callsign to reflect the official FCC changes you may have made (we keep callsign history and all your awards go along with your membership number).

Another feature on the new website is that active nets provide a list of check-ins. This is accessible from the home page. If you are mobile and unable to run NetLogger, you can use the home page to access the check-ins list for the current net. You will have to refresh the check-ins page yourself, but you will have access to line numbers, and the important info for each check-in. As well you will see their 100-point, 1000-point and 2000-point numbers for the Band and Mode you are on. When the station is checked-out, the M/P (Mobile/Portable) column will show "C/O".

The club profile for NetLogger is now generated from the 3905ccn.org member database. One new feature we have added is for when you are going to run a special event, send me an email for the callsign, name and dates of the SE and I'll make sure it gets into the club profile. I'll assume the SE is No Card Needed unless you tell me otherwise. In the future, members will be able to post their own SE data for the NetLogger Club Profile.

Future features for the new website will be announced here in the Telegraph, on the website and via the reflectors. Once we have completely built-out all the features on the new 3905ccn.org website, going to the 3905ccn.com website will redirect you to the new website.

This is your club's website, so I and the IT Task Force are open to suggestions on how to make this a useful tool for you the members. Send your helpful suggestions to [webmaster@3905ccn.org](mailto:webmaster@3905ccn.org).

73, Matt

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**Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow!**





# W9ROG's Epic Tri-State Road Trip!

## The Tri-State Journey of W9ROG

By Roger Callewaert, Jr - W9ROG



I departed home in Racine, Wisconsin on November 1, 2021, with ample time to reach the MN-ND-SD tri-point prior to net start. But after taking 2 wrong turns, I finally made it to my destination 30 minutes after the net started and it was dark. Info on the route: A lot of dirt roads outside of Wheaton, Minnesota to traverse, hence make it there in the daytime. After the nets, I drove to the Wilmot, South Dakota info center for the night. Thermometer when I woke up said 25f.

I departed Wilmot around 0930 on November 2, 2021 since it was only a 3 hour drive to my next tri-point of IA-MN-SD. I did a little Geocaching before I left, then headed on into the local Culvers in Sioux City, South Dakota to get some warm chow and to recharge my laptop. I arrived at



Marker at the IA-MN-SD Tri-point

the tri-point around 1pm, sat and enjoyed the scenery and relaxed. A good ole boy rode up to me on his 4-wheeler a few hours later and asked what I was doing there since I'd been there all day. I said I have only been there a few hours and I was going to talk on the radio. He gave me a suspicious look and rode off into the sunset. I attached the antenna onto my roof and soon after, a County Mounty drove by slowly and kept on going. Perhaps he had prior contact with suspicious people sitting in vehicles with radio antennas on the roof. Once the nets were concluded, I headed to the Valley Springs, South Dakota travel center for the night.

I awoke around 0630 on November 3, 2021 to a chilly 28f where I took off on a 9 hour jaunt. About an hour out on the way to the CO-NE-WY tri-point, I ran into the thickest fog which lasted for over an hour and my thermometer read 23f. Horrible white knuckle driving, but I made it to F.E. Warren A.F.B Cheyenne, Wyoming where I checked into my room for the night. After grabbing some more Culvers and forgetting about the time change, I took off for the tri-point like a bat out of hell. I checked the Yahoo Maps route on my laptop at Culvers and I found the turnoff, so when I drove into Nebraska, I realized I missed my turnoff. I took the first exit and drove South. I

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Marker at the MN-ND-SD Tri-point



Marker at the CO-NE-WY Tri-point



was bombing around on dirt roads at 60 mph to make it before it got dark. I made it just before sunset after almost getting stuck a couple of times (my poor Honda Civic). After the nets I headed back to Cheyenne for the night.

Since it was only a 4 hour trip, I checked out the BX for a while and departed the base around 1030 on November 4, 2021. Not wanting to make the same mistake again, I drove directly to the CO-KS-NE tri-point to make sure I knew exactly where it was. I drove back to Wray, Colorado for some Subway and to enjoy the 70f day. After a very uneventful day and after the nets, I headed out and stopped at a veteran's wayside in St. Francis, Kansas.



Marker at the CO-KS-OK Tri-point

OK-TX. It was only supposed to be a 1:13 to the tri-point, but as my luck was running, I was stopped by a halted train. I tried 2 other crossings which were blocked before I found one that I could get through. I arrived 18 minutes after the 40 Late started. After 75 Late, I drove to a Loves truck stop in Clayton, New Mexico for a few hours of sleep.



Marker at the NM-KS-OK Tri-point

**W**aking up to a 32f morning, I headed out around 0630 on November 5, 2021 for a 4 hour trek to CO-KS-OK. I arrived around 1100 to scope the location out and then back to Elkhart, Kansas for lunch and supper. While sitting on a side street staying out of the direct sunlight waiting for net time, a City Kitty drove up and asked me what I was doing. I told him I was just wasting time until 5:00 when I was going out to the tri-point to talk on my radio. He said "ok" and took off. I grabbed some gas station take out food and made it to the tri-point with plenty of time to relax. After 75 Early, I booked it to NM-

**A**fter another chilly 31f morning, I left at 0800 on November 6, 2021. I saw Shiprock along the way, stopped for some photos and I rolled up on 4-Corners after a very long drive, paid my \$5.00 entry fee to get in and see the site again. I drove back to Teec No Poz, Arizona until just before the net started. After the nets, I drove to a mall parking lot in the city of Shiprock, New Mexico for the night.



Marker at the CO-KS-NE Tri-point



Marker at the NM-KS-OK Tri-point



**O**n November 7, 2021, I woke up to a very chilly 22f morning, grabbed some fuel across the street and then drove to Tucumcari, New Mexico (for all you Lee Van Cleef fans). I then drove to Cannon A.F.B where I checked in, scoped out their BX, before doing the NM-TX border ( I couldn't make it to a tri-point).



Marker at the AR-LA-TX Tri-point

was getting out of his cruiser. I drove past him and he stopped the cars behind me and told them to turn around (a many mile detour). A couple of hours after that, the car right ahead of me was pulled over for speeding along with a couple of more speed traps



Strapped in

Longview, Texas, where I had an appointment at the East Texas Regional Airport at 0900. Pre COVID, I was looking into taking a fighter jet flight, then COVID hit and everything shut down. I checked back with them recently and they were doing flights again, so I booked a flight. I arrived just prior to 0900, met the pilot, had a safety brief, got suited up and walked out to the plane. We took off and headed to an unpopulated area for the aerobatics. I spent an hour in the air. The pilot performed several different maneuvers and then let me do the same thing he did. AWESOME flight, I took 6 g's, flew inverted, didn't pass out and didn't puke. Who could ask for much more?

**O**n November 8, 2021 I took off early since I had an 11 hour trip ahead of me. About an hour out of Cannon, I passed a dead horse along the side of the road (just like the one in Animal House). The mobile gods must have been looking favorably upon me that day (actually the whole journey). I was driving up to a 2 lane bridge, and I noticed a stopped semi about half way across the bridge with a pickup truck that apparently tried beating the truck across the bridge and was sandwiched between the semi and guardrail. On the other side of the bridge a

County Mounty who

was getting out of his cruiser. I drove past him and he stopped the cars behind me and told them to turn around (a many mile detour). A couple of hours after that, the car right ahead of me was pulled over for speeding along with a couple of more speed traps along the way. I made it to the AR-LA-TX tri-point with 15 minutes to spare. After the nets, I drove an hour to Barksdale A.F.B. in Shreveport, Louisiana for the night.

**I** woke up early on November 9, 2021, had a banana for breakfast and headed out to



Roger pre-flying his ride



Ready to Go!



Now back to driving, it was about 6.5 hours to AR-MO-OK and then another hour to KS-MO-OK for the late nets. After the nets, I drove about an hour to Joplin, Missouri for maybe 3 hours of sleep and then back on the road so I could miss Chicago Loop rush hour traffic.



Marker at the AR-MO-KS Tri-point

**N**ovember 10, 2021 was a very long and grueling drive, and not much to see. I was able to make it to home sweet home by 1400 that day. Statistics shook out as 5,000+ miles, 70+ hours of driving time in 10 days making 300+ contacts on the nets. I stayed out of Colorado and Illinois and obeyed the laws as much as possible since it wasn't legal for me to carry in those states.



Marker at the KS-MO-OK Tri-point

**H**ere are some takeaways from my trip:

- 1). Always reset your vehicle clock when crossing time zones.
- 2). If you are going to attempt 2 tri-points in a night, BE SURE of where you are going. There is time to make them both if you are lucky and don't cross paths with any local law enforcement (or local wildlife).
- 3). If you are going to attempt this in the fall/winter/spring, make sure you have a nice warm blanket if you do not have accommodations other than your vehicle.
- 4). There is some really gorgeous scenery out there, be prepared for a lot of pictures.



Rogers Mobile Shack



Rogers Mobile Bedroom





**I**n summary, I made about 350 contacts during the trip. my costs were \$255 on billeting, \$450 on fuel, \$150 on food and \$250 on miscellaneous supplies (not to mention the jet flight). Propagation ranged from 5/9 to 2/1, very iffy conditions. It really didn't matter which band it was, some nights were really good on 40 and other nights were horrible, vice versa on 75. It just seemed to depend on my location. I was only running 100 watts out of Hamsticks, so I was deficient on power to begin with. All in all, it was a grueling trip, but I enjoyed the challenge. The fighter jet ride was icing on the cake! Thank you

to all the folks that made the effort to contact me.

73, Rog

## Holiday Anagrams and a Maze

An anagram is a word or phrase made by rearranging the letters in another word or phrase.

### Anagrams:

1. Teachers Trims
2. Causal Ants
3. Brads Itchy Shirt
4. Leg Bins Jell
5. Hatch Sled Elk
6. Sync A Dance
7. If It May Elm
8. Save Knight



### Help Santa Find His Way to the North Pole!



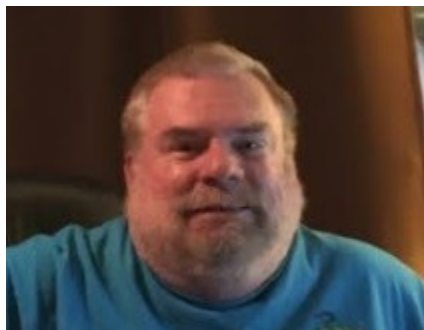
### Anagram Answers:

1. Christmas Tree
2. Santa Claus
3. Christ's Birthday
4. Jingle Bells
5. Deck the Halls
6. Candy Canes
7. Family Time
8. Give Thanks



## Join us on the 3905cc PSK31, RTTY and CW nets!

By Marty Blaise, AG5T

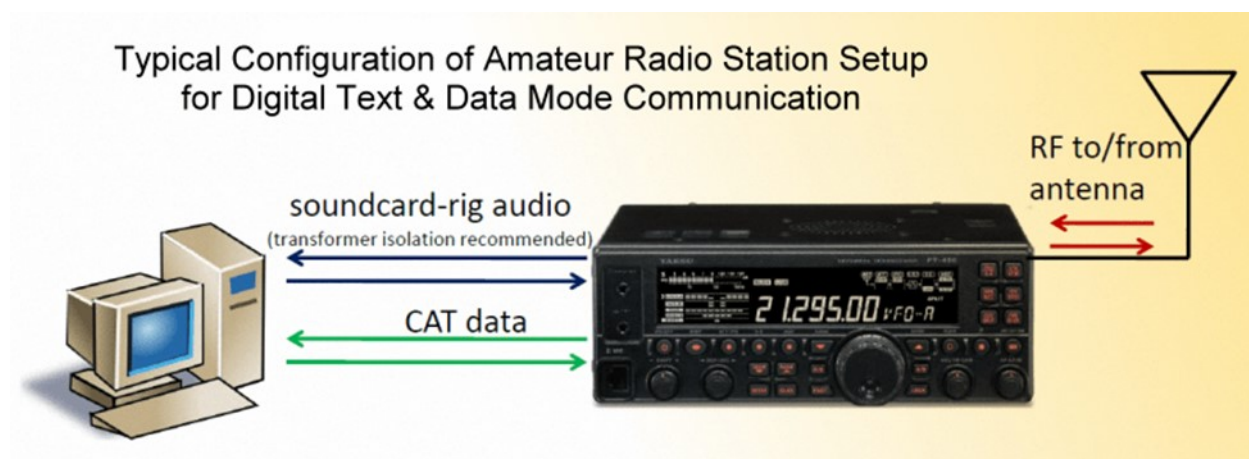


**T**he 3905 Century Club needs more hams, clubs, and special events on PSK31, RTTY and CW! The PSK31 and RTTY are digital nets and since some people use digital software to work CW, I will include that as digital. We need new check ins on these nets. How to get started?

The first step in digital operation is to setup an SSB phone HF station. You do not need a fancy station for digital HF operations – a 100W transceiver and a dipole or vertical antenna will work. Most digital communications can operate *really well using only 25 – 75 watts of power*. I've worked Europe from Texas on FT8 with 50 watts on 40 meters with an inverted vee antenna. Some use *much less power output*.

Secondly, you will need a personal computer that will run a software program to decode the information in digital signals received by your transceiver, as well as to generate properly modulated audio signals and key your transceiver, enabling you to transmit digital information on the HF bands. You will need an interface to make the computer and radio talk to each other.

Here is a basic look at setting up for digital modes:



Something to consider is buying a second computer dedicated to ham radio use only. Your loggers, digital mode software, online logbooks, etc. This way there is no personal information on the computer in case you are hacked. And remember always to set an automated backup of your log files and programs. Today's computer prices may be affordable, and a refurbished model might work great for your ham station.

Examples -- If your rig is an IC-7300 and you want to use HRD DM780, you only need a USB cable. Do not rely on the many sub-optimal YouTube videos. Once set up, you can



switch modes and bands in less than a minutes and often with just a couple of mouse clicks.

**Yaesu 450D setup** - At my location (AG5T fixed) I use a Dell Inspiron windows computer linked to a Rigblaster Nomic and my Yaesu 450D. I currently have my output set at 50 watts. Other digital interfaces include Rigblaster Plus and Signal Link. The only negative is that I must unplug my mic to plug in the digital cable and vice versa. However, I have found some sturdy RJ45 cables to handle that.

## Digital software

There are many types of digital software out there. Here are some of them with links to their websites. Most can be downloaded off the internet and set up with a few mouse clicks.

- Fldigi - <https://sourceforge.net/projects/fldigi/>
- Ham Radio Deluxe - <https://www.hamradiodeluxe.com/>
- WinPSK - <https://www.moetronix.com/ae4jy/winpsk.htm>
- TruTTY - <https://www.dxsoft.com/en/products/truetty/>
- MixW - <http://mixw.net/>
- MultiPSK - [http://f6cte.free.fr/index\\_anglais.htm](http://f6cte.free.fr/index_anglais.htm)
- Digipan - <https://www.apkfollow.com/articles/2020/06/digipan.net.html>
- Hamscope - <https://www.qsl.net/hamscope/>
- MMTTY - <https://hamsoft.ca/pages/mmtty.php>

Many others out there as well.

## About the PSK31, RTTY and CW modes

PSK31 uses USB and signals will be found at about 1500 Hz offset in the waterfall display. NCS should turn off AFC in his/her software. Set your frequency to the net frequency and then fine tune with your mouse and waterfall display. Do NOT use DSP, or adjust RIT or your VFO after you check in. BPSK modulation is recommended. Strong signal will appear as bolder yellow lines in the waterfall.

RTTY uses LSB with AFSK tones of 2125 Hz mark and 2295 Hz space (170 Hz shift), 45 baud (60 wpm). If you use FSK, tune 2.125 kHz lower, equivalent to zero beating the mark tone of an AFSK station tuned to the specified net frequency. If you must use USB, then invert your AFSK tones and tune 4.250 kHz lower.

CW nets (all of them) are very accommodating and will adjust to your sending speed when contacting you so. DO NOT send faster than you can receive comfortably. CW nets may conduct housekeeping transmissions, such as the preamble and those involving relay stations, at much faster speeds for the sake of economy.



## Making contacts on the net

The 3905 Century Club uses the scale of 229 as the weakest report to 599 as the best signal. On CW, you can send 599 as 5nn which is a recognized abbreviation to 599. If you copy most of the letters in PSK31 and RTTY, you might send a 579 or 559. With solid copy you would send a 599 or 5nn. Anything below a 339 means you are getting very little copy and it would be challenging to complete a contact, although it has been done. After you've made contacts, it's time to fill out your QSL cards and send to the bureau or direct. While waiting, start filling out your 100-point application.

## Still time to get a low award number

Highest 100-point awards as of this newsletter date

**CW 160 #44 WN0P**

**CW 80 #195 W9ROG**

**CW 40 #263 KA0BMX**

**CW 20 #105 - W9ROG**

**PSK31 80 #80 AA1NA**

**PSK31 40 #118 KK0HF**

**PSK31 20 #106 KK0HF**

**RTTY 80 #113 WA1LNY**

**RTTY 40 #211 KI0Y**

**RTTY 20 #105 W9ROG**

Higher awards - it appears only two 1,000-point awards have been issued on any digital/cw nets. If there are more, please let us know. 1000 pt. on CW 40 meters - 1. KK2M 2. WB5FDP

Several stations at 500 point levels on various digital/cw nets. See <http://3905ccn.hamshackonline.net/awards/getAward.php> to view additional totals.

## Great reasons to get on our digital nets

1. Usually a short list and if you need them, you work them on one net if you can print/hear them.
2. Shorter lists mean faster rounds on the net. More rounds mean more contacts.
3. Check-ins usually start 15 to 30 minutes before the net, so you have plenty of time to make sure your digital set up is working.
4. Masters Awards require 100-point numbers on several RTTY and CW nets.
5. If you have a sore throat and cannot talk, you do not have to talk on these nets.
6. CW nets are an effective way to practice your sending and receiving speed.



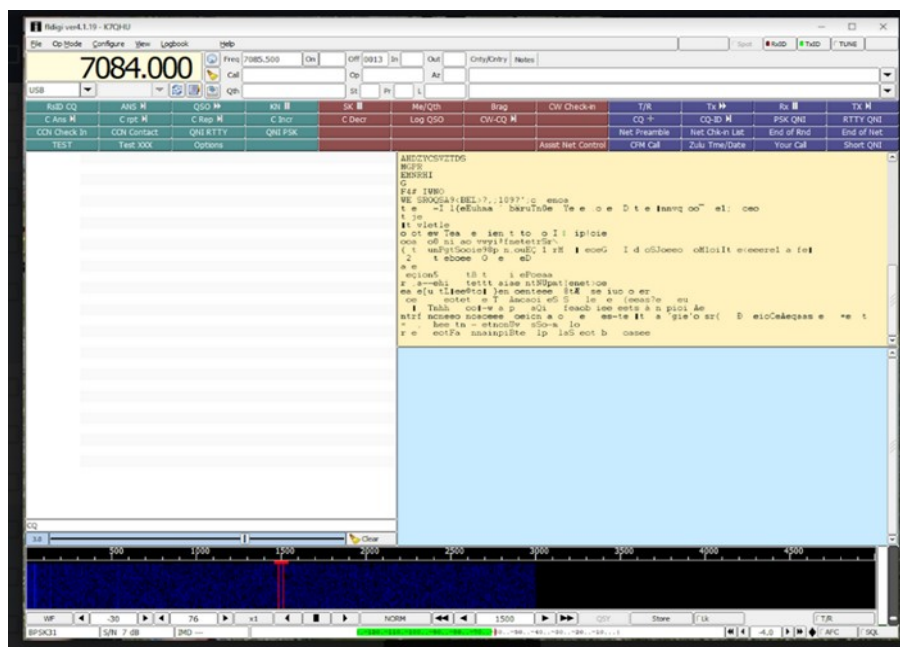
7. The format is a little different than the SSB nets, but it is easy to learn and NCS stations do an excellent job on these nets.
8. Sometimes DX stations check into these nets as well as NEW stations that could be potential club members.
9. With a modest setup of antenna and fifty watts you should have no trouble on digital nets.
10. Lots of 3905ers willing to tutor you. These modes can help you work more DX in contests.

## Tutors (Elmers)

Steve K7QHU can help those using FLDIGI with a RIGblaster. He also can try to help those that are using radios that have internal sound cards (in this case it is mostly getting the radio parameters set correctly). He is always willing to set up an “on the air” session to try to work out problems. Email Steve at [k7ghu@outlook.com](mailto:k7ghu@outlook.com) ----- Marty, AG5T, can help on Digipan, MMTTY and Hamscope. [martingblaise@gmail.com](mailto:martingblaise@gmail.com) ---- Lanning, WA1LNY [WA1L-NY@arrl.net](mailto:WA1L-NY@arrl.net), is available for tutoring on the IC7300 and HRD DM780.

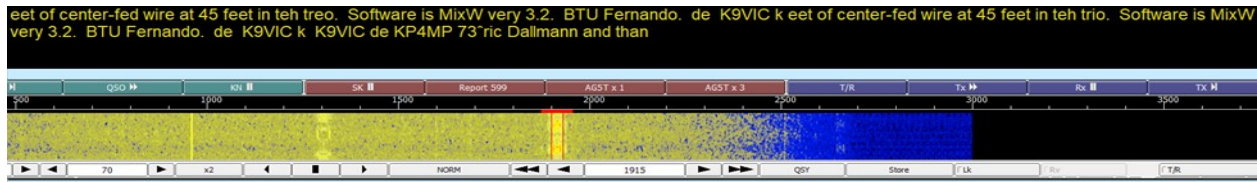
## Screen captures

Below are some screen captures from popular RTTY and PSK software:



FLDigi Main Screen





Here is a screen shot of the waterfall on FLdigi showing PSK31 transmissions

HamScope 1.56 - - AG5T

File Edit View Settings Rig Control Clear Rcv Clear Xmit DemoMode Help

Call  Clear CQX CQ CALL 3 CALL BTU Panel 1 Rx

Name  Signoff Equip QRL x3 qni 3905 Home

RST 599 Log It 1x report CW ID Tune Pause Auto Mac

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Zoom Freq Mode Display Gain Receiver

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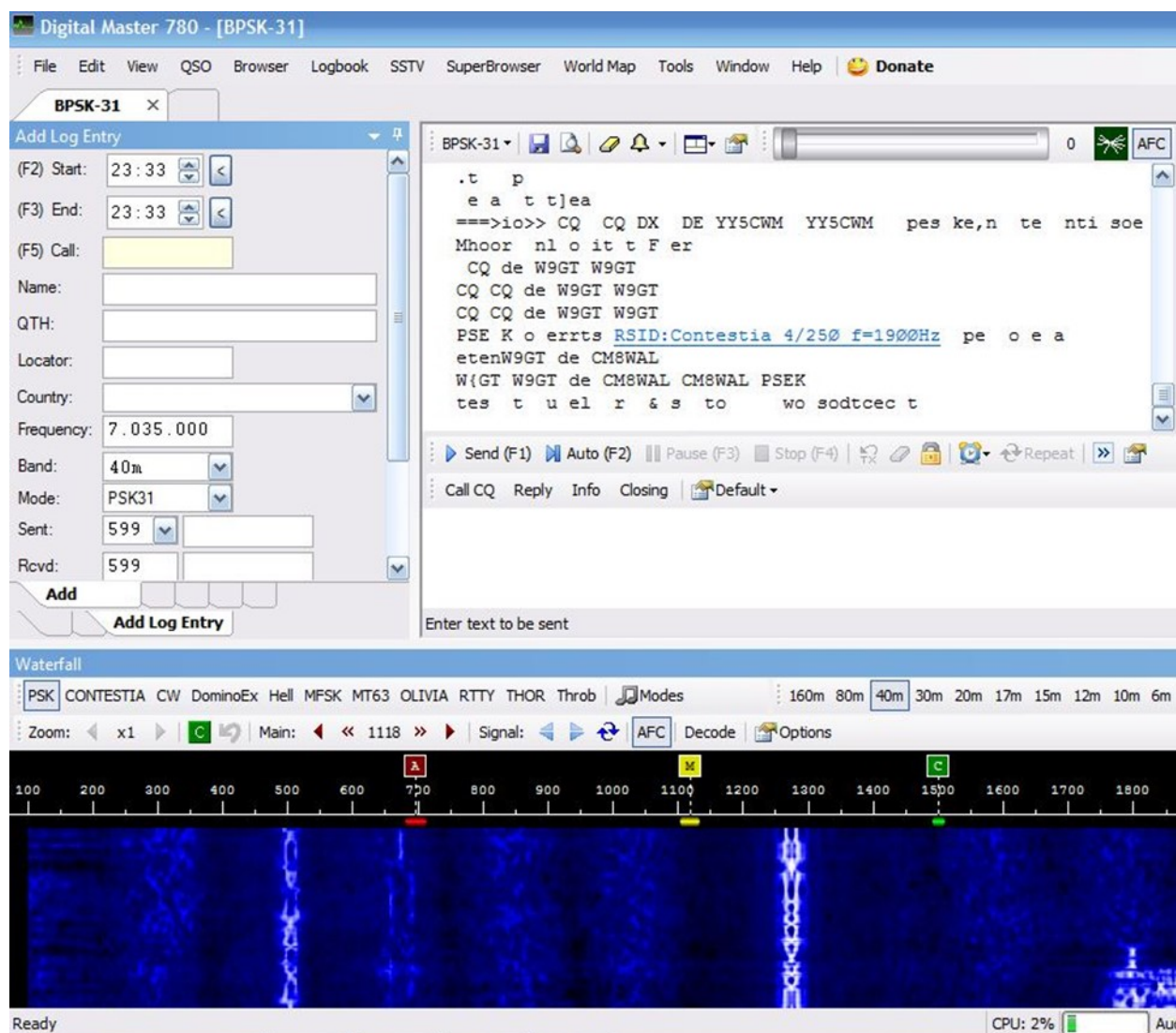
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Spectrum Waterfall Input Data Sync

1000 2000

Old school software – Hamscope K4FHI calling cq on 20 meters





Digital master (DM780) screen shot





**Marty's (AG5T) Digital Setup**

## Conclusion

Operating in the digital modes is fun! Besides PSK and RTTY there are other digital modes to try. The most popular seem to be FT8 and FT4, but there are plenty of other digital modes out there. And fun software like WSJT-X and Grid Tracker.

I hope this article has helped to make you curious enough about working the digital modes to give it a try. I would really enjoy seeing the check-in lists for our PSK and RTTY and CW nets start to get longer and longer! See you on the nets. And don't be afraid to ask for help. We were all new to digital at some time. 73, Marty AG5T.



## December 2021 Contests

Contests in December that could impact net operations:

- ARRL 160-Meter Contest - 2200Z, Dec 3 to 1600Z, Dec 5
- **K4JEL JEFF**



## Upcoming Events and Special Nets in December, 2021

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.

### Upcoming Events:

- 3905CCN Board Meeting: Saturday December 11, 2021.

### Special Nets:

What is a special net? A special net is planned by the Net Coordinator and the Net Control Station. Examples of a special net might be:

All YL's checked in to the net get two calls on their turn.

All State Capitals checked in to the net get two calls on their turn.

All stations checked in to the net get as many calls as they can make in 90 seconds.

Any station checked in at a National Park gets two calls on their turn.

If you have a particular special net you would like have happen, contact the appropriate Net Coordinator.

Note to Net Coordinators: If you schedule a special net, please let the Telegraph know!

**No Special Nets have been submitted to the Telegraph this month.**



## Road Trips!

**John, KL7JR** - Following in the Florida footsteps of Mike KU1V, Claire and I will also visit Everglades and Biscayne National Parks in Florida. We're told internet and cell phone coverage is spotty in places (been lucky most places so far!). Please relay on the nets if you can. Will try to do all nets including 20m and 160m Late SSB. Don't forget to include the park name on your outgoing QSLs. NCN for all clubs except KL7RST. 73, de Yukon John KL7JR



Dec. 4 Everglades NP... KL7JR/m, K7ICE/m and SE K9J/m

Dec. 5 Everglades NP... KL7JR/p and KL7RST/p W4

Dec. 6 Biscayne NP... KL7JR/m, VE8AU/m W4 and SE K9J/m

Dec. 7 Biscayne NP... KL7JR/p and K8ICE/p

## Club Stations/Special Event Stations on the Move!

If you are hosting a club station or special event station, this is the place to let members know!

**No notifications about hosting a club station or special event were received this month.**

## CLASSIFIED ADS

This section is for members who would like to sell, swap, or purchase ham gear. If you would like to list your equipment here, please send the information to [k7qhu@outlook.com](mailto:k7qhu@outlook.com). The deadline for ads is the 25th of the month.



## Sorry, No Classified ads this month!



## The End - Exit with a Smile!

### Mysterious Member Appears at Zoom Meeting!



An intrepid Telegraph reader submitted this photo from a recent club zoom meeting, hoping that someone could identify this member. Apparently he mysteriously joined the meeting and seemed to be in a meditative trance (I am giving him the benefit of the doubt as I recall back in the day seeing many people at frat parties that exhibited this same expression and it definitely was not from meditating!). Or perhaps he fell asleep listening to Dean. Could be. Could this be Mona Lisa's brother? Some folks who have seen this photo swear it is Obi-Wan Kenobi from planet Stewjon. I have compared my Obi-Wan Bobble Head to the photo and am not sure. Others have declared it's Santa Claus in disguise, joining the meeting to see if the Century Club will have a Christmas Party this year. Looks like Santa may have already been partying! Who knows? But, have no fear! After an intensive investigation, the Telegraph has identified this mysterious Wanna-Be Kenobi and his name and call appear upside down somewhere in this issue! May the Force be with you!

