



MARAC



THE MOBILE AMATEUR RADIO AWARDS CLUB, INC.

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL FROM THE EDITORIAL STAFF!!!!

MINUTES OF THE MARAC MONTHLY MEETING

The November MARAC meeting was held on Saturday, November 1, 1986 at the Holiday Inn East, St. Paul, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by WBØTVL at 9:00 A.M. Present were: WBØTVL, WBØKIN, WØKMH, WØOWY, W9LHG and WBØUPU.

The minutes of the October meeting were read. Motion by WØKMH to accept, seconded by W9LHG, passed.

Treasurer's report submitted by W9LHG. A review of income versus expenses indicated that if the present trend continues, alternative sources of income will have to be considered to keep from depleting the Savings Account. Motion to accept by WBØKIN, seconded by WØKMH, passed.

Discussion was held relative to possibly limiting the size of the Newsletter. A report submitted by KØAYO, Newsletter Editor, was reviewed detailing the monthly printing and mailing costs. No action was taken as it was felt that KØAYO was using excellent editorial discretion in the preparation and content of the Newsletter.

The question of additional income was discussed and it was decided that WBØUPU and W9LHG would prepare a letter to appear in a subsequent Newsletter detailing some of the ideas for increasing our income and asking for input and comments from club members, keeping in mind that we are a non-profit organization and must abide by IRS limitations.

WBØTVL, as Awards Chairman, reported on the recent balloting for a MARAC sponsored All County Award: 198 members voted NO and 132 members voted YES. The Chairman will arrange a separate audit of the ballots to confirm the vote, with the audit results ready for the next meeting.

WBØTVL reported that the Awards Committee had decided that the CW Net Control of the Year Award would be named after Paul Edmonds W8RYP.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

The next MARAC meetings will be on December 6, 1986 and January 3, 1987 at the Holiday Inn East and starting at 9:00 A.M.



Bill
Bill Olsen WBØUPU
Secretary



FROM THE SECRETARY

If your mailing label indicates 1286, 0187 or 0287, it is time to renew. Dues with 1st class mailing of the Newsletter is \$11.00. Dues with 3rd class mailing of the Newsletter is \$8.00. Note also that 3rd class mailing is available within the continental U. S. only. Dues with the Newsletter mailed Air Mail to all continents other than North America is \$20.00.

Please make your check or money order payable to MARAC and mail to the Secretary, Bill Olsen, WBØUPU, 2221 Ogden Court, St. Paul, Minnesota 55119. We still have a quantity of decals...merely write the word "decal" on your check or renewal notice and one will be returned with your membership card and dues receipt. As usual, SASE's are cheerfully accepted!

From the President. WBØTVL

The Sixth Annual Manchester, Tn. Mini is now history. Hard working Bill. KM4W, his brother Ira, KA4SAX, and their lovely wives hosted what Bill said was the best attended Mini so far. Over 140 people were present for the Saturday dinner and each got at least one door prize. So many people arrived at the hotel in mid-week that Bill is considering an earlier start to the Mini he is already planning for next year.

At what was billed as an ICHN meeting I was able to inform the members present about the results of the balloting for a MARAC All Counties Award [132 for and 198 against] and to read some of the comments received. A number of members objected to the Awards Committee recommendation for a "No Vote" which was shown on the ballot.

I have been told that in a policy vote of this kind it is quite proper for the ballot to indicate the preference of a committee representing the membership.

There were some questions about "Team Contacts" and the NOGYN situation, after I had explained what I knew about the CQ decision Ken, KB7QO told the meeting that he had met with NOGYN and was of the opinion that Dave was in the wrong.

Dave, NOGYN, was disqualified from the CQ USA-CA Award Program because he persisted in claiming credit for contacts that were not made according to the April 2. 1985 rule change and because Team Members, perhaps well meaning, had signed cards covering those contacts knowing that they were to be used in Dave's application. To now blame the USA-CA Custodian for Dave's predicament is like blaming the State Trooper who gives you a speeding ticket.

Members working a "Team" and needing the contact for the CQ Award are urged to request that the team member giving them a report, also acknowledge their report to the mobile. Teams are doing a dis-service when they fail to make contacts that are acceptable for the CQ Award or to at least advise people that they will do so on request.

Our's is a fun hobby with many wonderful people part of MARAC it would be nice if we could put all the recent unpleasantness behind us and get back to enjoying County Hunting.

73 & Good Hunting

Jim, WBOTVL

CONVENTION NEWS

KM4W-----The Sixth Annual S.E. Mini-Convention was held at the Holiday Inn, Manchester, TN on November 7th and 8th, 1986.

There were 159 registrations this year but due to one cause or another we wound up with 145.

Although the mini dates were 7th and 8th there were 61 who came in on Thursday the 6th. There were eight of us got in a dry day of fun on the Golf course. The other two days were quite wet. I understand there was approximately 6 inches of rain that fell in those two days.

WD9GBH had reservations for 43 persons at the famous restaurant of Miss "Bobo's" in "Jack Daniel Country", Lynchburg, Tennessee. Herb says all enjoyed the meal and had plenty of good things to eat.

Friday afternoon was registration and meeting new friends and greeting the ones you already knew. Saturday morning after breakfast my XYL Jimmie met with the women and let them know what was going on in the area and things to do and gave them directions on how to get there.

After the ladies departed on their activities for the day there was an informal meeting of county hunters and the MARAC members chaired by KM4W and WBØTVL. 73 persons were present. There was some discussion on the team contacts and other items. The majority was in agreement that we should quit bickering among ourselves and get back to the fun of Amateur Radio. After the meeting a group got together with W9UCW Barry and exchanged ideas on Mobile Antennas building and operating. Thanks, Barry, very interesting. The rain let up long enough for N4ANV to make the group picture, but some of the YL's were still out shopping or whatever they were doing, Hi! So what else is new.

There were 142 persons at the banquet. Afterwards prizes were drawn and several awards were presented, everyone present received at least one prize. Thanks to all present, this was the largest S.E. Mini to date. Thanks to all who donated prizes, food and drink. There were 28 states represented. See you next year, the dates are: November 6th and 7th, 1987

Those attending were: KA1NX, W2CUK and Ruth, WA2JTY and Janet, WA2TJL and Rita, K2UPD, WB2NFB, WB3DWH and Ann, WA3QNT and Jackie, WA3TUC and Rena, KC3X, W3IJT, WA3ESH and Mary, K4CCW, K4BZV, K4ELK and Lucile, KA4IOW and Peggy, W4IZR and Jin, WDX4KEF and Jean, W4OWY and Barbara, W4RKV, KA4SAX and Imogene, KM4W and Jimmie, N4IWI, WB4FBS and Faye, W4ARH, KD4ON and Betty, N4ANV, Pat, Dallas and Stella, WD4NEG, N4EED and Jane, WA4HIG and Art, WA4HXG and Beverly, WA4WIN, WD4CYV and Renate, WB4V, WB4T, WA4RRR, WD5JGS, WD5AAH and Pat, W5QLD and Clara, N5FSW, KC5CV, W5FS, K5OUK, KA5SMD, KE5WL, K5UTH, WA5INV and Wanda, KF5AT and Carol, KG5J and Evelyn, AD5F, K5HT and Janet, NB6A and Don, W6PXE, Betty Cruz SWL/6, KB7QO and Norma, N7AKT, N8BGF, WD8ATC, N8CIJ and Carol, K8DIO and Jean, K8OOK and Nancy, AK8A, N8EMV, K8OHC and Kathy, N8FEB, KA8WTZ, K8CW and Ann, N8AIL and Sally, N9AUV and Sandy, N9CHU, K9CSL, N9CLZ, K9DCJ and WDX9DCJ, WD9GBH and Joan, NG9L and Ellen, KD9Q, WB9CCQ, W9UCW, WB9NUL, N9ATA and Barbara, W9JR and Marguerite, K9KKX, WØFF, KCØJG, KØIFL, KKØL and Shawna, WBØTVL and Audrey, KAØHJR and Dee, NFØX and Wilma, NØCKN, NØCOL, KAØFJA, WDØEMS, VE3BFJ and Sybil, W5HDK and Dottie KA5NXF

COUNTY HUNTER HANDLE LIST

11/01/86

KUØA	NELSON	WDØCNX	ANDY	NØGAK	DOROTHY	WBØJNP	DAVE
WBØABM	NOEL	NØCOL	GWEN	OM:	WBØNRO	WAØJRZ	DON

During the past annual County Hunters Convention in Asheville, one topic that was discussed was the need to frequently know the spouses' handle. It was asked if this could be included in the data base that is used to prepare the Directory. Thusly, when the need arises, one would have the spouses' name available.

With some fine effort on the part of Vern, WAØRJ, the programming has been accomplished that not only will permit having this data in the Directory but also gives us the capability of including this information in the handle list as shown in the Handbook.

Additionally, we can now print an OM/XYL handle list which can be used in conjunction with those OM/XYLS that frequently run counties together.

If you would like to have your information included in the next Edition of the Directory and/or the Handbook, please complete the information form shown below and send it to me. Thanks for your help.

73 de Bill, WØOWY

OM/XYL HANDLE LIST

10/18/86

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WØAYL	ELLA	WØSA	PETE	WA3ZTY	CHARLES	WD5GNX	GREG
OM:	KØYGP,	XYL:	WBØIYQ,	XYL:	WB3JDC	XYL:	KA5KIO
	CHARLES		CHRIS	WB4AFH	ALEX	WA5INV	ALMA

WØC.							H,
XY.	*****						T
NØC.	*						:
XY.	* NAME		HANDLE		CALL		ID,
	*						E
NØD.	* ADDRESS						
OM	*						WD,
	* CITY		ST		ZIP		
NØD.	*						E
XY.	* SPOUSE'S HANDLE		SPOUSE'S CALL				T,
WDØ.	*						:
OM	* Do you both operate making contacts with County Hunters?	Yes	No		Date		
	*						IO,
KAØ.	*		Signature				
XY	*****						

Please send the completed form to: Bill Nash, WØOWY, 1348 Pinewood Dr., Woodbury, Minnesota 55125

ADDRESS CHANGES, NEW CALLS,

R801 WA6GQY 8 Puesta del Sol Oak View CA 93022
R721 WBOMNE 204 Lake St Fairmont MN 56031

R845 W0DSY 2626 Porter Wichita Ks 67203
R1204 N40A 312 Holland Hill Dr Goldsboro NC 27530
R678 W2IN 22 Charlotte St Baldwinsville NY 13027
R1569 KA9MQS The Univ of Oklahoma 1400 Asp Av Box 798W Norman OK 73026

NEW MEMBERS

R1949 KJ9R Charles Schacht 13149 E 44th St SW, Tulsa OK 74134 (TULSA)
R1950 N4ILE Jeffery Stanton 220 NW Spanish River Rd Boca Raton FL 33431
(Palm Beach)
R1951 WA2KZF Glenn Ward R D 2 Box 316A Seaford DE 19973 (Sussex)
R1952 WV4M Bob Dalton RT 2 Box 125L Concord VA 24538 (Appomatox)
R1953 W9VX Bill Burke 1539 N George St Arlington Heights IL 60004
(Cook)
R1954 ISVIT Vittorio Viti Via Salvagnoli 20 50053 Empoli Italy

NOTES FROM THE USA-CA CUSTODIAN

LATEST USACA AWARD WINNERS!

#522 G2AFQ 10/23/86 #523 HH2WL 10/31/86 #524 AK8A 11/01/86

CONGRATULATIONS.

SILENT KEY

The following sad news has been received from Buster, N0CKC;

SILENT KEY--WBOODS George Wells, Denver. USACA (CW) 476. Passed away March 11, 1986.

WANTED

FOR SALE

TRADE

WANTED K3VQO Joe Hemler 107 Rosewood Av Baltimore MD 21227

A HAM auto license tag from the state of OREGON. Will trade another ham tag, buy, accept freely or whatever to complete a collection of tags from the 50 states. AS rare as a last county!

MEMBERS SPEAK!!

From N0RKC:

For the benefit of anyone who received a copy of THE COUNTY LOG from me, here are some changes for two bugs that are Present.

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3212 PRINT#15,"P"CHR$(2+96)CHR$(Z-256)CHR$(1)CHR$(1)
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3216 PRINT#15,"P"CHR$(2+96)CHR$(Z-256)CHR$(1)CHR$(15)
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5790 GOSUB 9050
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These three lines should be changed as follows:

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3212 PRINT#15,"P"CHR$(2+96)CHR$(Z-254)CHR$(1)CHR$(1)
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3216 PRINT#15,"P"CHR$(2+96)CHR$(Z-254)CHR$(1)CHR$(15)
```

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5790 GOSUB 9000
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The first two lines correct an error that occurs when trying to store data into the record for Zavala, TX. The third line is for a bug in the MRC Print routine.

NOCKC--Buster. I have the following update regarding the trial in New Mexico for the murder of KVOE, Mike Mutnick. The trial has been postponed at the last minute until January, 1987 due to surgery on one of the state's witnesses.

QUARTERLY BALLOT FOR N/C AND MOBILER

The following are the results from the 2nd quarter voting for Best Net Control and Best mobile operator, SSB and CW. All votes received are tabulated during the quarter, so when you receive your ballot you have some time to consider your response. It is not necessary for you to vote for all positions on the ballot. However, IT IS USELESS for you to vote for your candidate for both 1st and 2nd place!! I will count it only once. ALSO, please be sure you have the call correct, I do not attempt to correct calls. This time I had several similar to this, W1XXX, WA1XXX, N1XXX, KA1XXX, K1XXX, etc. There is really not much excuse if your vote doesn't get counted to the right individual. Now I know what a tremendous problem the QSL bureau people have, but they try harder!!

Included with this N/L is a ballot for the current quarter, DEC/FEB voting period. All ballots for this quarter must be received by 3rd week in Feb, 1987 to be tabulated. I am also including the vote count for the first 4 places in each category. In most cases, there is not a great deal of difference. As a final note, I received ballots from 108 individuals out of 750 mailed out. That is a return of almost 15%, considerably better than the past average of 7 or 8%, let's try and double it again. Bob

SSB-NC		SSB-MOB		CW-NC		CW-MOB	
W0G0Q	156	KB7QO	257	WA4KER	70	W1TEE	35
WA5INV	120	KB5FU	164	N0CYB	22	N0CYB	30
KG5J	26	VE3NQG	17	WA6VJP	14	N5QO	14
KC3X	25	N7AKT	15	W6NNV	10	WA6VJP	17
				N5QO	10		

COUNTIES NEEDED TO FINISH USA-CA

KBOKS TOM 913-682-7390 anytime (2nd time around)

AZ LaPaz GE Hancock Johnson KY Davies Edmonson Larue
Washington MS Alcorn NC Columbus Mitchell Orange OK Woodward
TX Garza

KA2CNG John 607-797-7891 after 2100Z weekdays, anytime weekends

ID Boise IL Bureau Moultrie IN Switzerland IA Monroe Shelby
KS Harper lane MI Alpena Otsego Sanilac MT Chouteau ND
Roulette TX Bailey

MARAC CLUB STATION WBODPD ANY OFFICER OR DIRECTOR

AL LAMAR GE HART OGLETHORPE WASHINGTON IN FAYETTE KY CAMPBELL
WAYNE MO REYNOLDS NC DUPLIN GRAHAM TX CASS

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COUNTIES TO FINISH A PARTICULAR STATE

KA9AC8-

WA San Juan Okanogan OR Wallowa CO Cheyenne Kiowa Mineral
 Prowers Fremont FL Citrus Collier Wakulla Washington SC Chester
 Chesterfield Oconee Pickens York NY Essex Lewis Putnam
 Rensselaer Seneca

N1API A1 203-634-0430

WA Chelen Columbia Skamania WI Barron Dodge Grant Langlade
 Ozaukee Polk Sheboygan Vilas Washington

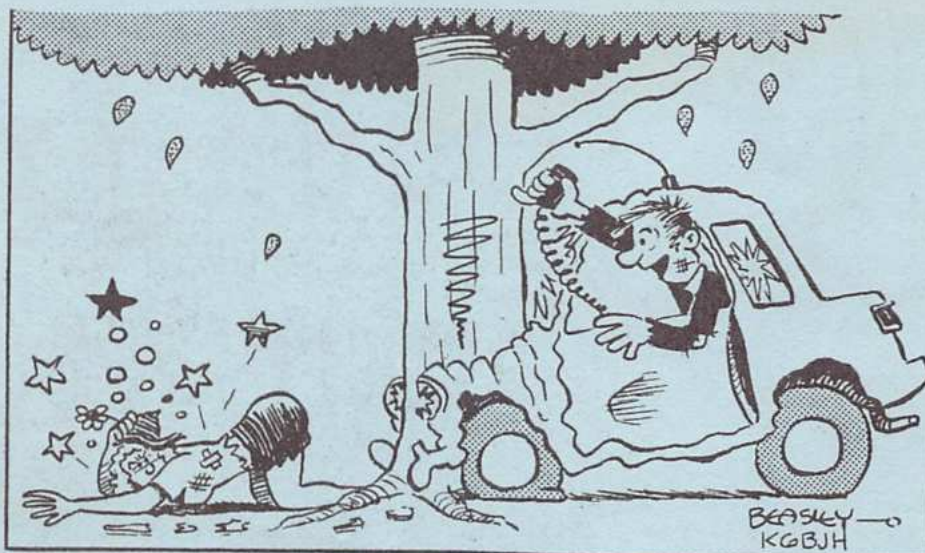
W2PDM Stu 704-495-7736 (Collect)

AL Geneva Hale Tallapoosa AR Drew Grant Independence GA Dodge
 Grady Telfair Treutlen IA Grundy Louisa LYon Montgomery KY
 Elliot MI Oceana Sanilac Wexford MO McDonald Perry

N4DA Harold 919-734-8320

CA Colusa CO San Miguel FL Union Okeechobee Indian River HA
 Maui IL Madison MO Dunklin MONiteau NJ Cae May OH Sandusky SC
 Bamberg VA Grayson WV Boone WI Wood

Editors Note: These lists are printed each month. Entries are limited to a maximum of 25, however, I will go over in order to include all of a state submitted. Lists of more than 25 will be held for future editions. If a list is received for "Counties to Complete USACA" but it has more than 25, the counties will be listed as "Counties to Finish a Particular State." Bob.



HEY--THE RIG STILL WORKS!

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