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Serving County Hunters — We Solicit Your Input

Congratulations!

The Mobile QSL Bureau is pleased to announce the following *Third Time Awards* have been issued:

G4KHG, **Eddie Scholes**, has been issued Award No. 40 dated February 1, 1992.

NT9V, Ed Dranchak, has received Award No. 41 dated February 13, 1992.

KC5UO, Mary Parsons, has been issued Award No. 42 dated February 13, 1992.

A Master County Hunter Award has been issued to KC5UO, Mary Parsons, dated February 13, 1992.

Complete information on the Master County Hunter and Third Time Around awards is available in the Bureau information packet.

Get Togethers

Act now to attend the MARAC South Central Mini - The 1992 South Central District Mini will be held March 6-8 at the Lake Texoma Resort located on US 70, 13 miles West of US 75 at Durant, Oklahoma. Plans for a Golf Tourney on Friday morning and Choctaw Indian Bingo that evening. A Saturday night dinner, buffet style, is \$17.

Rooms are \$40/night plus tax and will be held until Feb. 6. Write to Lake Texoma Resort, Box 248, Kingston, OK 73439 (405-564-2311).

Registration which includes name tag, group photo and prizes will be \$12 OM/YL or \$9/Single. Mail your registration and dinner payment to WD5JGS, Jerry Weaver, RR#1, Box 267, Denison TX 75020 (903-463-3231). Please let Jerry know how many will attend the Friday night Bingo.

Make plans to attend the Michigan Mini - The 1992 Michigan Mini will be held April 23-25 at the Country Hospitality Inn, 12260 James Street, Holland Michigan which is located on US 31 on the North side of Holland. Plan to visit the golf course or the adjacent outlet mall! Again this year the group will provide a raffle of a home brew mobile amplifier. A limited number of tickets will be available for a \$5 donation. You need not be present to win.

Rooms (including a continental breakfast) are \$41/Single, \$46/Double plus tax. (Whirlpool rooms are \$67/Thursday, \$81/Friday and Saturday.) Deadline is March 30 to Country Hospitality Inn, P.O. Box 2153, Holland, MI 49422 (616-396-6677).

The Saturday night dinner is \$14 including tax/tip. Registration includes name tag, group photo and prizes and is \$12 OM/YL or \$9/Single. Mail dinner, registration and raffle to N8EMV, Paula Batema, 1567 66th Street, Fennville MI 49408.

Spring has just about sprung in the South! That means it is time to set your vacation dates to coincide with the 1992 MARAC Annual Convention – to be held July 8-12, at the Holiday Inn in Hampton, Virginia, near historic Williamsburg. This convention is sure to be a good one! Details to follow.

As always, prize donations are appreciated for any of these get togethers!

The Mobile QSL Bureau 1992 Directory

We have been getting some nice comments regarding the new 1992 Directory! The expanded Directory now has data on over 6500 calls and we have endeavored to include a county listing for each. The new listing by State and County indicating the home county of the various stations that live there has been seen as a great help by some. In addition to the Calls, Names, Addresses, Counties, Telephone Numbers, we have included the spouses name, call changes, MARAC number, and award information when applicable.

We think you will find this new Directory easy to read in a columnar format, with large type. Pages are 8½ x 11", of quality paper, and plastic ring bound to lie flat when in use. Calls are in bold, and the counties are in italic.

Again this year, we will provide three updates to allow you to keep your information current. Cost of the updates which will be issued in April, July, and October will be \$1.00 each. Cost of the Directory alone is \$7.50 in the US and \$9 US funds outside the US shipped via small packet. Order your copy now directly from the Mobile QSL Bureau, Route 3, Box 400, Timmonsville, South Carolina 29161.



Pictured above is G4KHG, Eddie Scholes, who was recently issued Third Time Around Award No. 40. Many of you were able to meet Eddie a few years ago when he attended the MARAC Convention. Eddie is the first overseas DX Station who completed this award. Thanks to Eddie for the picture and for participating!

County Hunters Packet Database

The following is an updated list with changes sent to N7LYR, Dave, and to us.

K2PF	@ W2EMU-4.NJ	Ralph
WN3C	@ WB3V.MD.USA	Mac
KB3GN	@ N8FJB.WV	George
KZ3K	@ N3GIY.MD	Pete
KC3QC	@ K3PGB.#EPA.PA	Geoff
KB3WN	@ W8FW.#DAY.OH	Dick
W4HMV	@ W8BI.OH	Bill
AA4LY	@ N4CCK-2.NC	Scott
N4MMX	@ N4CCK-2.NC	Dell
KB4XK	@ KC4LWI.VA	Jim
K5HT	@ KD5GD.TX	George
N5MIV	@ KA5LZG.TX	Dave
AA7CP	@ KB7DBD.OR	Red
N7LYR	@ K7BUC.AZ	Dave
N9BDM	@ NØBIL.MN	Glen
WB9JSW-	@ WB9ZRE.WI	Carl
KYØE	@ WØGVF.CO	Milt
WAØYFQ	@ KØCNM.IA	Wes
VE7OR	@VE7VBB.	
	#ISLAND.BC.CAN	Norm

I had a few questions regarding frequencies, etc. Perhaps Dave will give us a report on exactly how these packet connections work!

Counties Needed

The following listings are for counties needed by the stations indicated. If you are traveling through one of these counties, please try to make contact with the stations if possible.

N4IXV, George, has cut down his list over the last few months and now needs the following to complete USA-CA: GA: Marion, Screven. ID: Custer, Oneida. IA: Adams, Monroe, Page, Taylor, Wapello. KS: Edwards, Hogeman, Phillips. MO: Mercer. OH: Geauga. PA: Adams, Perry. SD: Edmunds. TX: Sabine. WV: Hardy, Pleasants, Webster. 2/13/92

W6NAT, Bill, 208-454-3887, is looking for 20 meter SSB ONLY counties to finish up the Second Time: KS: Wilson, Woodson. KY: Adair, Knox. MI: Charlevoix, Alpena, Benzie. Manistee, Ionia. MS: Calhoun. MO: Butler. NH: Cheshire. OH: Defiance, Geauga. VA: Giles, Bath, Madison, Essex. 2/9/92

NØDRX, Shel, 612-439-1272, is also nearing completion on his quest to attain USA-CA. Due to work schedule, no special trips, but he would appreciate a call if you are in any of the following—all SSB, Mobile: IL: Cass, Marshall, Stark. IA: Appanoose, Boone, Grundy, Howard, Madison, Monroe, Shelby, Winnebago. KS: Kearney. MN: Clay, Dodge, Koochiching, Morrison, Murray, Stevens +2. MS: Marion. MO: Bates, Grundy, Henry. MT: Prairie. NE: Clay, Cuming, Garfield, Hooker, Loup, McPherson, Wayne, Washington. ND: Burke, Dunn, Emmons, Logan, McIntosh, McLean, Nelson, Oliver, Ramsey, Rolette, Tower. 2/9/92

N7LWX, Bart, is down to 50 counties for USA-CA. As he also has a long, sometimes 6 days/double shifts, he may not be available, but

would appreciate a call from any of the following: AR: Lee. FL: Lafayette, Lee. GA: Elbert, Evans, Heard. HI: Hawaii. ID: Adams. IL: Gallatin. IA: Boone, Hardin, Page. KY: Allen, Edmondson, Harlan, Kenton, Martin, Owen, Pike (Where is N4IWY?), Spencer, Union. MO: Perry. MT: Fallon, Lake, Meagher. NC: Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Hertford, Lee, Lincoln. TN: Chester, Johnson, Lewis, Perry. TX: Camp, Dickens, Kendall, Kinney, Milam. VA: Bland, Cumberland, Giles, Lancaster, Northhumberland. Nottaway, Prince William, Russell. WV: Logan, 2/10/92

In the spirit of good County Hunting, W9ZD, Lou, advises that WM9F, Joe (ex WA9YZD) is down to 21 for USA-CA. As Joe is not able to listen while at work, Lou will accept calls at his home (317-453-5665) and call Joe at work so he can go to his car in case someone is in these counties prior to 2100 UTC. After 2100 UTC and weekends, Joe can be reached at 317-566-3269: AR: Cleburne, Randolph. IL: Tazewell. IA: Emmett. KS: Scott, Wichita. MO: Clinton, Linn, Nodaway, Ripley. NE: Boone, Johnson. NV: Storey. NY: Yates. OH: Paulding. TN: Lewis, Obion. WV: Mineral. WI: Florence, Menominee, Pierce. 2/4/92

N9AC, Jerry, is down to just a few for USA-CA and will accept collect calls at 708-566-6518 during the week-evenings unless he knows in advance: IL: Pulaski. IA: Chickasaw, Clarke, Fremont, Harrison, Mitchell. MO: Douglas, Osage. NE: Brown, Fillmore. SD: Aurora, Ziebach. TX: Kent, Lavaca. 2/1/92

KB3GN, George, 304-229-5335, is looking for some reworks for USA-CA: ID: Boise, MI: Iron, Ogemaw. MN: Sherburne. NM: Curry. NY: Franklin. NC: Wayne. WI: Vilas. 2/5/92

NØEHS, Pete, is down to 26 for USA-CA and submits this needed list: AL: Choctaw, Geneva. MI: Dickinson, Menominee. MO: Nodaway. VA: Arlington. 2/2/92

KA9ACS, Charles, 708-395-0403, could use some USA-CA counties: AL: Lauderdale, Winston. AR: Cleveland, Dallas, Drew, Grant, Logan, Newton, Ouachita. LA: Jackson, St. Helena, Union. MT: Lake, Treasure, Wibaux. ND: Benson, Burke, McIntosh, Pembina, Ransom, Sheridan. SD: Brule, Grant, Hand, Hyde, Marshall, Sanborn, Sully. VA: Buchanan, Northumberland, Warren. WV: Brooke, Grant. TX: Floyd, Hansford, Kent, Randall, Sabine, Stonewall, Gaines. TN: Hardeman, Hardin, Jackson, Meigs, Overton, Scott. PA: Cambria, Crawford, Lackawanna, Porter. MS: Amite, Calhoun, Humphreys, Lawrence, Neshoba, Tate, Winston. KS: Clay, Doniphan, Greeley, Hamilton, McPherson, Rooks. 2/5/92

N8ELQ, Randy, 313-269-2848, has made great progress towards completing USA-CA and is down to 49: CO: Conejos, Hinsdale, Pitkin. GA: Evans. HI: Kalawao. ID: Jefferson. IL: Cass, Hancock, Jersey, Mason, Stark. IA: Allamakee, Shelby, Winnebago. KS: Lincoln, Stafford. KY: Green, Rowan. MI: Iosco. MN: Beltrami, Isanti. MT: Broadwater, Stillwater. NE: Kearney, Pierce. NC: Lee. ND: Bottineau, Rolette, Sioux, Towner. OH: Columbiana, Mercer, Morrow, Perry. TX: Archer, Coke, Edwards, Fisher, Swisher, Zavala. VA: Appomattox, James City, King & Queen, Prince William. WI: Door, LaCrosse, Pepin. 2/3/92

N9DEH, Tim, is down to two for the 4th Time: HI: Hawaii, Maui. As you may know, Tim is on the air much of the time.

WB8RFN, Larry, could use some help with the following for USA-CA: HI: Kalawao. IA: Ida, Lyon, Shelby. LA: Allen, Catahoula, Plaquemins, Winn. MD: Charles. MI: Houghton, Keweenaw, Luce. NM: Catron, Hildago, Los Alamos. NY: Cattaraugus. NC: Alexander, Martin, Richmond. OR: Benton, Curry. UT: Piute, Sevier, Washington, Wayne. WA: Columbia, Garfield. WY: Hot Springs, Parks, Weston. 1/23/92

Just as a reminder, please do not make a special trip for ANY of these counties without first checking to see if the station still needs the county and if he or she will be available! Please also remember that some of the awards above require specific qualifications. (Although I make every attempt to spell the counties right, some lists are not so easy and there may be some mistakes!)

At The Bureau!

In addition to the mailing services provided by the Bureau, we also print and sell many supplies of interest of County Hunters and hams. This month, we thought we would remind you that we print QSLs, MRCs, etc. and would appreciate your thinking of us the next time you order. For prices and samples and complete data on the Bureau, let us know and we will send you our information packet. (Stamps appreciated).