



MARAC, Inc.
2019 Annual Report
and
Annual Meeting Agenda

MARAC President Introductory Comments - Ed Eklin, K8ZZ

We are pleased to present the 2019 Annual Report for MARAC, the Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club. The past year has seen many positive things taking place including...

- Successful convention in Kansas City
- Another great Mini in Michigan
- The first time in several years that we have a full slate of elected Officers and Directors
- Substantial updates and improvements in our IT areas
- Directors are now serving as point of contact for various working areas of the organization such as Historian, Election Coordinator, Awards, IT, Public Information, Digital and Contests and more to facilitate better communication among these important areas and the Board
- and more

This Annual Report provides information on most areas of the organization so please take time to read through it. Thank you to all members of MARAC who are the reason the organization exists.

73,
Ed, K8ZZ

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**MARAC 2019 Annual Secretary Report
July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019**

Current Active Members: 343

New Active Members: 9

Recent Silent Keys: 17

It is with deep regret that we report the following Silent Keys.

Recent Silent Keys

Call	SK Date
N9QS	04/14/2019
WD9ITQ	04/01/2019
WD6CKT	03/26/2019
K6KLL	01/01/2019
W7VSE	01/01/2019
AA9GZ	11/09/2018
W0AIH	10/31/2018
KE9CA	10/14/2018
W5OXK	09/28/2018
KD8DD	09/28/2018
W5PKE	09/19/2018
AK4N	09/17/2018
W0FF	08/16/2018
KT4CB	08/04/2018
NV4Z	07/21/2018
W4EHT	07/17/2018
AD8P	07/10/2018

Respectfully,
Brent Schaefer, K9MIX
Secretary

MARAC 2019 Annual Awards Report

June 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019:

June 2018-79
July-67
August-83
September-13
October-20
November-35
December-4
January 2019-17
February-0
March -88
April-132
May-73
June-37

TOTAL 648

MARAC 2019 Annual Treasurer's Report

APRIL 1, 2018 - MARCH 31, 2019

Item	Prior Year	Current Year
INCOME		
Membership	\$5362.92	\$2582.98
Awards	865.20	380.54
Interest	11.52	24.00
Logger	399.32	268.98
Misc.	29.50	0
Reimbursement from Annual Conv.	0	2618.23
Total Income	\$6668.46	\$5874.73
EXPENSES:		
Awards	\$5017.34	\$2029.31
Bank Charges	0	9.25
Convention	2950.49	600.00 Note 1
Corporation Registration Fee	40.00	40.00
Postage/Office	251.91	278.09
Sunshine Expenses	0	47.19
Insurance Premiums	1062.00	1095.00 Note 2
Computer Hardware/SW	45.51	0
Uber Conference	356.06	265.71
Spotting Site Recurring Expenses	60.64	14.99
MARAC Booth at Dayton Hamvention	134.51	309.51
Simply Voting	434.20	434.20
Miscellaneous	317.66	0
Total Expenses	\$10,670.32	\$5123.25
Net Gain (Loss)	(\$4001.86)	\$751.48
Checking Account	\$9029.23	\$8532.94
Savings Account	15,123.40	16371.17
Total account balances	\$24,152.63	\$24,904.11 Note 3

Note 1 – Seed money for Michigan MINI

Note 2 – Total premiums for liability insurance policy & Errors & Omissions policy

Note 3 – Total end of year account balances include award fees prepaid by members which should be discounted to determine true (spendable) Cash Balance. For current year the prepaid amount is \$6126.15, which means that spendable cash balance is \$18,777.96

Respectfully Submitted
Bill Morgan, KODEQ
MARAC Treasurer

MARAC 2019 Annual Historian Report

By Gary, K4EXT

The 50th MARAC Convention in October 2018 included a display of articles, pictures, brochures, awards, and newsletters collected over the past nine years by MARAC Historian K4EXT.

County hunters Mary, AB7NK and Neil, K7SEN travelled to Northeast Tennessee to pick up the collection and return it all to Arizona where Mary could develop an organized presentation to be taken to the Convention and where Neil could spiffy up the initial Worked-All-Counties trophy from Cliff Corne, K9EAB. The final display (shown below) created by Mary and Mike, NF0N was highly successful.

Afterward, Mary and Neil made yet another Tennessee trip to return all items to K4EXT. A big thank you is owed to those two ... they made me look good!



The CH History/Archive <http://www.charchive.com> website maintained by K4EXT and KG4VBK is home to many MARAC historical collections including the US County Sign Project with 2940 county line pictures (leaving just 137 US counties to go) and the County Hunter collection which has grown to 392 entries.

Future plans for the website include more MARAC historical documents and yearly CW Contest results.

MARAC 2019 Annual Information Technology Team Report

As your MARAC North Central Director, I also have an added responsibility to oversee the Information Technology Team. This Team is a dedicated volunteer group of MARAC Members who are working together to move the MARAC Awards Programs and Logger Program into the future.

Each has a unique skill that may have been learned in the commercial world or on their own, to improve the current Awards processing and Logger programming. As you know, MARAC Awards processing and Logger programs have evolved over the years and most of us depend on both for our Awards and County Hunting tracking. Over time, new awards are added, new functions incorporated, and errors may creep in. The IT Team is working to correct errors and incorporate new function and new technology in their efforts.

Over time, the IT Team will be transitioning into new technology and improved and efficient methods for our Awards and Logging programs. These efforts are currently taking place and will continue into the future.

I would ask if you have problems with Awards or Logger, please use the current method of problem reporting. Instead of posting on the forum, reach out directly to me and things will move much more quickly. My email is on the MARAC website with the following steps **MARAC.org>About>Directors**. We want to help correct the problem as quickly as it can be done. Some problems do take time to correct.

I would also mention, if you have technical skill that can be utilized, please contact me and you will be considered for the Team.

Mike, NF0N
MARAC North Central Director

MARAC 2019 Annual Meeting

Agenda

July 8, 2019 9:00 pm EDT

1. **Call meeting to order**

Time:

Members in attendance:

Ed-K8ZZ: Kraig-KA2LHO: Brent-K9MIX: Bill-K0DEQ:
Al-N1API: Kerry-W4SIG: Donna-AG6V: Mike-NF0N:
Darl-NA8W: Janet-KC5QCB

2. **Agenda Changes/Modifications**

3. **Motion** to accept the Annual Financial Report included in the 2019 Annual Report.

4. **Motion** to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of May 6, 2019 (Attachment 1)

Discussion:

Reports

5. **Membership Committee Report**

6. **County Hunter of the Year Announcement**

7. **Other Reports:** Included in the 2019 Annual Report

Old Business-None

New Business

8. **Motion** to approve Outstanding Service Award for N7JPF

Discussion:

9. **Motion** that Ed Eklin, K8ZZ and Kerry Long, W4SIG be designated as signatories on the MARAC financial accounts in addition to the Treasurer.

Discussion:

10. **Motion** that the Board authorizes the Treasurer to use Citizens Bank of Newburg, an FDIC insured Missouri banking corporation, as depository for Corporation funds under the treasurer's control.

Discussion:

(continued)

11. **Motion** that the following are appointed to the listed positions within the MARAC organization for the 2019-2020 year.

- **Election Coordinator:** Mary Vince-AB7NK
- **IT Team:** Don Flynn-K3IMC, Bob Gedemer-KA9JAC, Barry Siegfried-K2MF
- **Historian:** Gary Beam-K4EXT
- **Road Runner Editor:** David Hyatt-KU4YM
- **Awards Manager:** Ron Clift-N5MLP
- **Awards Secretary:** Phil Yasson-AB7RW

Discussion:

12. **Motion** to Adjourn the annual meeting.

Time:

Open Discussion with membership.

Attachment 1

Unofficial Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

May 6, 2019 – 9 pm EDT

Pending Board of Directors Approval

Submitted by Kraig Pritts-KA2LHO

1. **Call meeting to order; Quorum Check Time: 9:00 EDT**
Board Members Present: Ed-K8ZZ, Kraig-KA2LHO, Janet-KC5QCB, Darl-NA8W, Al-N1API, Kerry-W4SIG, Donna-AG6V and Michael-NF0N
2. **Agenda Changes/Modifications**-None per KA2LHO
3. **Motion** to approve the attached minutes (Attachment 1) of the Board of Directors Meeting on March 4, 2019.
Motion by NA8W, Second by KC5QCB Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Old Business-NONE

New Business

4. **Motion** to accept, with regret, the resignation of Paul Nelson- N7JPF as Pacific Director effective May 4, 2019.
Motion by NF0N, **Second** by N1API **Vote:** Unanimous in favor
5. **Motion** to affirm the appointment of Donna Hinshaw-AG6V as Pacific Director, retroactive to May 4, 2019, until midnight, June 30, 2019 at which point the newly elected Pacific Director will take the position.
Motion by KC5QCB, **Second** by NF0N **Vote:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention AG6V
6. **Motion** to set the Annual Meeting date of Monday, July 8, 2019 via Uberconference to begin at 9:00 pm EDT.
Motion by N1API, **Second** by KC5QCB **Vote:** Unanimous in favor
7. **Motion** to Adjourn the Board of Directors meeting.
Motion by W4SIG, **Second** by NA8W **Vote:** Unanimous in favor
Time: 9:05 EDT

Open Discussion with membership moderated by W4SIG

- W4SIG thanked AG6V for stepping up and helping out in the Pacific Director role.
- NF0N pointed out that the timing of the annual meeting will be different than in recent years when the National Convention was in the Fall. KA2LHO, acknowledged and referred to the general standard of Annual Meetings following the start of elected position time periods since there would be no National Convention this year.
- W4SIG reminded those who will be in Hamvention to stop by the MARAC booth.
- Open Discussion ended at 9:12 EDT#