From My Point of View
Joyce, WB9NUL

Can it already be the month of May? It is contest time for the county hunter group. This year the contests, both SSB & CW, are being held at the same time. What a great idea especially with the price of gas being what it is.

I received information on W2EZ. Tom has passed away. Tom had not been on the air for sometime. He will be remembered fondly by the "old timers" of county hunting. Also, I had a note to let me know that Woody, N0CYB has died. Though he was never a member of MARAC he did participate in our hobby. He also will be missed.

The good news…..Terry, WQ7A is finally home from the hospital. For those who sent him greetings, I thank you. Boni is so pleased to have him home and is finding all kinds of ways to spoil him. Terry, may your recuperation go quickly and smoothly.

I've heard that reservations are coming for the convention but that the reservations for the hotel are slow. If you plan on going to the convention please make your hotel reservations now. You have 24 hours to cancel if something would happen to keep you from coming. I am really excited about seeing everyone.

We had some excitement in March and April. Barry was out doing yard work and while picking up palm fronds was bitten by a bat! Well needless to say, off to the doctor and then to the Texas Dept. of Health that carries the rabies serum. After a month of painful shots he did not get rabies. I am having a problem with him though. It seems he wants to hang from the beams in the living room! Our daughter gave him a Batman hat and T-shirt to celebrate his recovery.

Barry and I will be motoring to Illinois this month. Barry will be teaching in Springfield and then we will take a trip up to Will County. I won't be posting a route as we will be taking a direct and hurried trip to Springfield and are not sure when we will be returning to Texas.

It is with great sadness that I must let you know that Alice, N4MYZ passed away today, Wednesday April 30, 2008. I will miss a dear friend who shared my love of county hunting and of needlework. I will remember her humor, her way of helping and her joy of life. Please send cards to her daughter and let her know how we loved Alice.

Jan Deutsch
4678 Kelly Barry Way
Las Vegas, NV 89120

Be sure and look for the mobiles in the contest. Happy County Hunting and to all you Moms, Happy Mother's Day.

Joyce, WB9NUL

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Awards

Roadrunner Issued Per Month			
Call	**Date**	**Award**	**Number**
W6TMD	4/29/2008	Last County Count 425	# 32
N6PDB	4/25/2008	Last County Count 100	# 208
K8ZZ	4/25/2008	Last County Count 150	# 138
N9JF	4/25/2008	Last County Count 150	# 139
W0GXQ	1/31/2008	Last County Count 325	# 47
KL1V	4/29/2007	Last County Count 475	# 26
K3IMC	7/29/2007	Last County Count 325	# 45
W6TMD	4/30/2008	Last County Count 450	# 31
W0NAC	4/30/2008	Last County Count 225	# 74
N0KV	4/30/2008	Last County Count 75	# 236
N5KGY	4/30/2008	Last County Count 75	# 237
N9QPQ	4/30/2008	Last County Count 700	# 10
KL1V	4/30/2008	Last County Count 550	# 22
N0LXJ	4/30/2008	Last County Count 100	# 209
AB4YZ	10/28/2007	Last County Count 325	# 46
N8CBW	1/25/2008	Cliff Corne Jr. (K9EAB) Mem'l	# 100 USA-CA Hldrs
NN9K	4/5/2008	USA-CW II	# 19
N9STL	4/17/2008	BINGO III	# 11
KA4TYG	4/28/2008	Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	# 377
NN9K	4/5/2008	Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	# 376
N7PIB	4/28/2008	Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	# 211

Dateline CW
Ed, KN4Y

*There is nothing which has yet be contrived by man by which so much happiness
is produced as a good CW run on a county line,*

Gator is getting the Virginia QSO party summary. "Dude, you got 15 new counties for fifth time around and 3 new counties on 80-meters all on CW." "The thanks go to the mobile operators who actually ventured outside instead of entertaining themselves with a fly swatter. How many of the mobiles were county hunters?" Gator checks the log against the MARAC data-base, "Looks like Stan, K4UK, Ed, K5EK and Kyle, WA4PGM all braved the high fuel costs."

Gator goes to the cooler and gets two cool ones, thinking is dehydrating. I point to the computer, "Go finish up the Georgia QSO party and see what we did." I enjoy the cool one while listening to the CW net. Not many mobiles running. "Here it is Dude, you made 1299 QSO's and ran in 38 counties. I read that Texas Dude's score on the Forum and he stomped you good." "He does not have to stop and feed his driver in every county." Gator gives me the taxi driver salute. "Did you find why you could not transmit on 160-meters?" "No, but I plan to do so before the next GQP." "You know a Boomerang that does not work is called a stick."

I get two more cool ones. Gator picks up a log off the floor, "What the heck is an Ontario QSO party?" "This was the first time I worked this Canada QSO party. They have 51 counties and you try to work them all. I only got 27 since I limited my activity to CW." Gator looks at the total, "I bet it was fun working those funny money stations." Sometimes it best to ignore Gator. "Here look at my Michigan QSO party CW totals."

Gator scans the logs, "I see you worked 52 Michigan counties, you got 25 counties for fifth time around, one 'N' prefix and six counties on 80-metrers. That is a productive nine hours of operating time." "Yes, Gator it pays to work the State QSO parties especially if going after the MARAC five band award. There has been a lot of mobile activity on 80-meters in the State QSO parties. Get a band and county at the same time, a real two for one QSO. I think State QSO parties are designed for county hunters."

"Where is the Southeast Mini this year?" "I think the Mini will be held in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. "The dates are October 23-25, 2008." There is the sound of CW, Gator checks his cell phone. "Darn Dude, I will have to discuss the Mini later. That was the Pope's ambassador." Gator is out the door and down the road before one can say Chouteau. Did I hear right? Did he say Pope? This first week of this month is radio active. Concurrent running the first weekend is the MARAC CW contest, the seventh call area, Indiana and New England QSO parties, and on ten meters the 10-10 CW QSO party. The big one is the CQ WPX CW Contest; if you got a prefix work this contest. For a change of pace work the King of Spain contest. I need to check out the mobile. But now it is international nap time.

National
40th Annual National Convention 2008 Registration
July 10th – 13th Visalia, California
(Deadline for Early Registration Prize Drawing is May 1st, 2008)

NAME: (First Mi, Last)_____

ADDRESS:_____

CITY_____**ST/PROV**_____**POSTAL CODE**_____

Convention registration fee: **$ 45.00**
(One registration fee/family unit – Includes 1 prize ticket & 1 group photo)

NAME ON BADGE_____**CALLSIGN**_____**USACA#**_____

Additional Name Badges (list information below) Total # _____**@ $5.00 each** = $_____

Name_____**Callsign**_____**USACA#**_____**Relation**_____

Name_____**Callsign**_____**USACA#**_____**Relation**_____

Relation: W-Wife, H-Husband, D-Daughter, S-Son, M-Mother, F-Father, X-Friend, GD-Grand Daughter,
GS-Grand Son, for any additional badges please attach or list on back of form.

Enter number of persons that will attend events

Wednesday 09 July – Check-In/Do It Yourself Activities

Thursday 10 July (Tour below is limited to Max of 25 People)

Everything Lavender Tour   #Adults_____ X $25.00 = $_____

Friday 11 July (Tour below is limited to Max of 32 People)

Sequoia National Park – Depart 8:00/9:00 AM   #Adults_____ X $35.00 = $_____

Saturday 12 July
Banquet – Herb and Garlic Encrusted Prime Rib   #Adults_____ X $30.00 = $_____
Banquet – Chicken Cordon Bleu Supreme   #Adults_____ X $28.00 = $_____
Banquet – Cajun Salmon   #Adults_____ X $28.00 = $_____

Additional Prize Tickets
Prize (Singles)   _____ X $ 1.00 = $_____
Prize (Book 12 tickets)   _____ X $10.00 = $_____
Cash (singles)   _____ X $ 1.00 = $_____
Cash (Book 12 tickets)   _____ X $10.00 = $_____

Photographs: **Extra:** _____ X $10.00 = $_____
                                              YL: _____ X $10.00 = $_____
                                              USA-CA: _____ X $10.00 = $_____
                                              CW: _____ X $10.00 = $_____
                                              DATA: _____ X $10.00 = $_____

                              Total Amount Enclosed: $_____

Mail Registration Form and Check to – Robert Devine (KC6AWX) [Home Phone 1-415-883-8980]
(Make check payable to "MARAC", 407 Alameda Del Prado, Novato, CA 94949
Hotel Reservations – call direct to Holiday Inn-Hotel & Conference Center-Visalia, California
1-(559) 651-5000. Mention: **'Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club' or MARAC'**
Room Rate $89.00 + tax for either Standard King Bed or Two-Double Beds

Antenna Forum
Cliff , K6JN

On Saturday afternoon at the National we will have an antenna discussion forum that I have agreed to lead. Barry Boothe, W9UCW, can not be with us at the National so I am filling in. I am not an antenna guru but I do like to talk about antennas. I also like to hear what you say about antennas and antenna systems. Therefore, I request your help by bringing your best antenna stories and information to the forum and sharing with other county hunters. I hope to see a big turnout there. We will try to have fun.

Barry has given me access to his antenna graphics. I will try to be prepared to use some of the key graphics to make a few points. In the world of antennas occasionally there is a fact or truth that comes along and sort of hits you in the head like a hammer. I recall early on in my county hunting days that I went to one of Barry's lectures and such a statement hit me. The statement was that you must remember that one half of a mobile antenna is the skin or body of the vehicle. BAM, right to the side of my head! Once you understand that simple fact you pretty much understand the need for an excellent grounding system on mobile antennas. You further understand that a mobile antenna is just a different form of a dipole antenna. The antenna is one half, and the vehicle body is the other half. Think about it, it is a pretty simple concept when you do.

There are many principles that I have learned from Barry over the years. Classic among these about mobile antennas, is that the taller mast wins. Another is that a top loaded antenna wins over a bottom loaded or center loaded antenna. I know some of the users of screwdriver antennas may not necessarily agree with these concepts but that is what Barry has taught us. Come to the antenna forum and let's discuss these and other antenna thoughts. See you there. K6JN.

New Members
Please Welcome Our New Members and Add them to Your Database

MARAC No.	Call	Full Name	Address	City and State	Home Cty	Phone Number
R-4343	K6JRY	Jerry Plemmons	46 Breakwater Lane	North Kingstown, RI	Washington	401-295-5666
plemmons1@cox.net						
R-4344	K4PBY	Chuck Jones	522 Carolina Ave	Saint Cloud, FL	Osceola	407-892-2105
k4pby@yahoo.com						
R-4345	W8WKD	Sharon Kirks	6393 Queens Way	Kalamazoo, MI	Kalamazoo	000-000-0000
w8tza@sbcglobal.net						
R-4346	KG4VBK	Justin Beam	P. O. Box 351	Daleville, AL	Dale	000-000-0000
marac@k4ext.com						

Annual Voting

We are currently voting for the following MARAC positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Great Lakes Director and North Central Director. The following candidates are running for the offices:

President: Joyce Boothe = WB9NUL

Vice President: Chuck Secrest = AD8W

Secretary: Eric (Norm) Ellison = W2IBB

Treasurer: Terry Dummler = WQ7A

Great Lakes Director: Randy Hatt = AA8R

North Central Director: Cliff Bird = AC0B

Voting will be taking place during the month of May only. Voting online is preferred at http://www.marac.org/elections/default.asp however: I will also be accepting mailed ballots postmarked during the month of May. As you can see we have one candidate for each position. All current MARAC members will be voting for the officers, but only members living in the open districts can vote for their own director position.

The voting page on the MARAC website will be available starting May 1st thru May 31st. If you prefer to mail your ballot to me, you can either copy this page or cut it out. Please circle the above candidates you are voting for along with enclosing your callsign and MARAC member number to:

Lloyd Smith –NX4W

MARAC Election Coordinator

4413 NW 36th Dr

Gainesville, FL 32605-5424

MARAC Voting Information

Remember, if you are a new member or are REJOINING following a lapse in membership, you are NOT eligible to submit nominations or vote in an election until the first day of the month following receipt of initial payment of dues and valid membership application to the Secretary of MARAC. Those individuals maintaining uninterrupted membership status are not restricted from nominating or voting in the current month.

During the month of June you will be voting for the CW and SSB County hunters of the year. Also voting will be available for the 4th Quarter for Best Net Controls, Mobiles and Teams.

73 until next month,

Lloyd Smith – NX4W

MARAC Election Coordinator

Logger Anatomy
Gene, KD9ZP

This month I will demonstrate how to generate the **Needs list** for most **Books**. If you 'dig up' last month's RR, you can compare the Query structure.

To do this, I will use **Microsoft Access** to generate a picture of the **Query** and then convert the picture into a **SQL** (Structured Query Language) statement used in Logger.

As shown below, I start with the **List of Counties** (table) and connect the **County ID** to the **YL Book** (table) **County ID**.

I then create a connection between the **List of Counties County ID** and the **YL Book County ID**.

Notice this connection (called **Join**) have the arrow on the <u>right</u>. These are called **Inner Joins** and effectively means e.g.:

  "Show all Records in 'List of Counties' and only those records from 'Book – YL' where the County ID's are equal "

Or to put it another way, "**Show all counties in 'List of Counties'**

To complete the **Needs** listing, I dragged onto the grid all fields of interest – i.e. **State ID** (E.g. '**WI**'), **County** (E.g. '**Fond du Lac**')
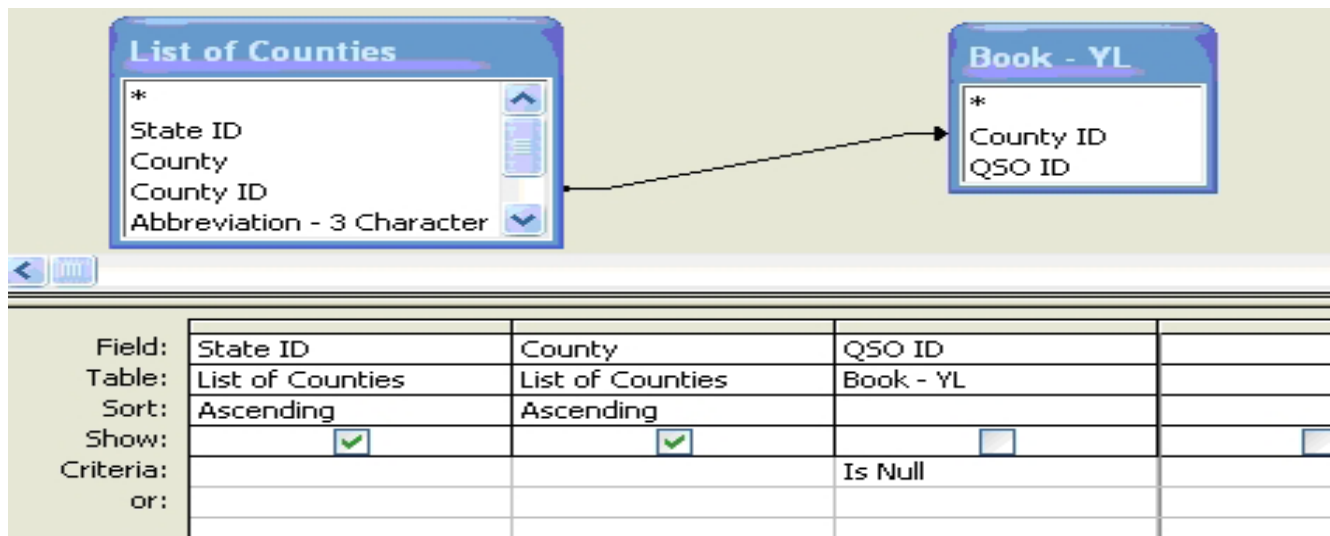
However, this **Query** design differs from last month's in that I added a <u>**qualifier**</u> to the '**Book – YL**' table which effectively says:

"Only show the counties in 'List of Counties' where the 'Book – YL' County ID 'Is Null'"

Or to put it another way – '<u>**doesn't exist**</u>' or in Ch'er terms '**Is Needed**'

I now drag down the items of interest – **State ID** and **County** (name).

Finally, I sorted the information, <u>**first**</u> by **State ID**, then by **County**.

When I change to the **View** mode from the **Design** mode in **Access**, the resulting (partial) display is shown below:

Query2	
State ID	**County**
AL	Lee
AL	Macon
AL	Pickens
AL	St. Clair
AR	Arkansas
AR	Bradley

Query2	
State ID	**County**
AR	Calhoun
AR	Izard
AR	Lee

The next step is to convert **Access** design into an **SQL** statement used by **Logger**.

SQL = "SELECT [State ID], [County]"

SQL = SQL & "FROM [List of Counties]"

SQL = SQL & "LEFT JOIN [Book - YL] ON [List of Counties].[County ID] = [Book - YL].[County ID]"

SQL = SQL & "WHERE ((([Book - YL].[QSO ID]) Is Null))"

SQL = SQL & "ORDER BY [[State ID], [County]"

Notice: I broke the **SQL** statements into five paragraphs (groups) for clarity. I also 'concatenated' the next **SQL** statement into the previous by using:

'SQL = SQL &"'

Finally, all that is left for **Logger** to do is open the recordset and for printing as follows:

lngRecordCount = OpenRecordSet (rsTemp, SQL)

Where:

lngRecordCount is the number of records (in this case '**Needs**')

rsTemp is the **Recordset Object**

'**Needs**' from almost all **Books** are generated in a similar fashion. **Books** like "**YL/OM**", "**5 Band**", and "**5 Star**" are a little more complicated, since these **Books** contain more than <u>one</u> "**QSO – ID**", but the concept is the same.

TNX for 'reading' and 'writing' along with me over the last several months. This will be my last article <u>(for now)</u>.

I hope I have given you a little insight into the '**workings of Logger**'.

QSL/Radio

Request a QSL Card and Receive a Radio

By Bill, KD7KST

For those who have collected all those QSL/MRC cards for the USA-CA award and those who still working on their first number, here is a true story which you can relate to. I left out any names or call signs to avoid any embarrassment to the other party.

After working all the states (WAS) using the digital mode PSK31, I was encouraged by a county hunter to start collecting counties for the USA-CA award. Well that sounded like a challenge so five years has gone by and I'm still looking for new counties. Fixed, Mobile, Contests, Special Events or Field Stations are prime candidates for a new county on PSK31. Getting the county confirmed via a QSL card or MRC is another part of the challenge. What happens to all those SASE's sent out and never returned?

Anyway back to the story. One Saturday evening I was in my shack and saw another ham calling CQ on 40 meters. I answered his call and we had a nice chat. He told me he was in Licking County, Ohio which I needed and would be happy to send me a QSL card.

In Monday's mail I sent out a QSL card request with another one of those Self Addressed Stamped Envelopes. The next Saturday I check my mailbox and guess what, a SASE had returned from Licking County, OH. I updated my log, colored in Licking County in my coloring book, and congratulated myself that I was one more county closer to having all 3077 confirmed.

One more Saturday rolls by and while monitoring the radio, I checked my email. In my junk mail folder there was a message with a call sign in the subject line that seemed to be familiar. I decided to read it and found the message from the ham in Licking County, OH.

"Thanks for your recent qsl card, I hope you have gotten mine, but I'm also email you cause I made a big mistake, I sold someone a radio, shipped it today and realized I shipped it to you by mistake, its coming priority mail to your P.O box its about size of a shoe box and has ebay on it...can you please mark it return to sender so it will come back to me, and I can resend it to who it belongs too. I had your qsl card beside his payment, I tried to go back to the post office but it was too late there was no one there... please let me know if you can help."

I checked my log and this all seems to be legit and I sure didn't remember bidding on any radio. Sure enough, on Monday a shoe box sized package from an Ohio address was waiting for me at the post office. I refused the package and emailed the tracking number back to the seller.

So when you request a QSL card you might receive one of the following:

1. Nothing (one of those SASE that never returns).

2. A QSL card.

3. A radio. In a later email he told me it was a 900 mHZ radio which I'm not sure how I could use it, especially for county hunting.

Ron Pollack, K2RP
USA-CA All Counties #1159, September 15, 2007

When I received USA-CA All Counties #1159 in September 2007, it was the culmination of almost 47 years of participation in the program. To be fair, for most of those years I wasn't chasing counties. In the very beginning of CQ's USA-CA program, *I* was being chased. In those very early days there were no mobile nets designed for putting out counties, and I was one of the very few active hams in Sullivan County, New York. Even today, it's a "rare" one! I was much in demand in the NYS QSO parties during those years. I'm sure my original call, WA2GLP, appears in some of the early USA-CA 500 applications. I left for college in 1963, but a few years later my brother, WA2GXN (now K2BP), provided Sullivan County for many county hunters.

I didn't keep track of how many counties I worked, but fortunately I kept my shoebox full of QSLs through several moves and periods of inactivity. After college, I was active on Long Island, NY, and then back to Sullivan County for a number of years. I still didn't keep track of counties worked, but happily confirmed Sullivan for many county hunters both with my original call and, beginning in 1977, as K2RP.

Eventually my family and I relocated to San Diego County, California. Then followed a number of years of inactivity. In the late '90s we became "empty nesters," providing time and space to resume amateur radio. My Heathkit SB-303 and 401, which I built in 1971, were cleaned up and serviced, and I was back on the air with a dipole in the suburban backyard. I soon discovered the county hunter nets on 20 meters SSB and CW, got a record book, and began going through my old QSLs. The availability of the internet made classifying old cards a snap, and I was on my way.

Soon I came upon an old Yaesu 757 that was quicker to use than the Heathkits, and soon after that came a 767, which is still in use. So, the newest setup that I used in the quest for all counties is over 20 years old!

I missed the old tube-type gear that I had used and still longed for the ones I wish I had owned. Boatanchors started to follow me home, and I spent many hours restoring those while waiting for a new county to come on on one of the nets. Several hundred counties were worked with equipment over 40 years old! The photo shows my favorite, a Hallicrafters HT-32 receiver and SX-101 receiver, 1957 vintage. Many, many counties were worked using this setup.

A highlight of my county hunting experience came this past summer when I traveled to the MARAC convention in Denver. I was able to meet, at long last, many of the mobiles who had traveled many thousands of miles to put out counties for me and so many others. Even though we had never met, it was like a family reunion. Although there were plenty of well-planned scheduled activities, mostly everyone gathered at the hospitality suite and talked and socialized well into the night. This is as fine a group of folks as it's been my privilege to meet.

There are no words to express the appreciation I feel toward the mobiles who selflessly roam the country and the net controls who spend countless hours keeping the nets running smoothly and providing needed relays. It seems unfair to single out any one of them, but I have to mention Rich, WB4VFN, who made two separate trips to Kentucky to give me three of my last four counties, including my very last one, Letcher, Kentucky. To make this even more remarkable, Rich had spent most of the summer recuperating from surgery, but he still wanted to make those trips! My hat is off to him.

What's next? Everyone is asking if I'll go for a second time around. Maybe, but it can't take another 47 years! I may put in some effort when, or if, the sunspots ever return, as I'm in a corner of the country and restricted to a dipole. But I work a lot of contests and keep track of the counties. I do want to finish my CW-only endorsement and have about 500 to go.

See you on the nets!

—73, Ron, K2RP

Treasurer's Report
March 1- April 30, 2008

Funds Balance January 31, 2008 $27,800.67*

- A bookkeeping error was corrected from the August 2007 Statement. Deleted $40.00

Income:

Awards Manager Income	$451.00
Dues	$1550.00
Money Market Interest	$35.89
Logger Distribution	$340.00
	<u>$2376.89</u>

Expenses:

Awards Manager Expenses	$103.34
Fairmont Awards – Plaques	$176.30
Print Right – Road Runner	$918.01
State of Kansas Incorp	$40.00
Secretary Expenses	$84.67
Bank Fee	$7.00
	<u>$1,329.32</u>

                                                                 $1,223.87

Account Balances $28,848l24

Checking Account	$8,445.06
Money Market Account	<u>$20,403.18</u>
	$28,848.24

Note:

The following monies are not included in the above:

Awards Chairman's Funds	$1,200.00
Convention Chairman's Funds - 2008	$2,500.00

Birthdays

Roadrunner - Birthdays	
Current Call	**Birthday Date**
N1CP	May - 01
K9GI	May - 01
AD5WI	May - 01
W0IZV	May - 01
W8WVU	May - 01
KB9ER	May - 01
KF5EH	May - 02
KA5AGM	May - 02
AC7DC	May - 02
K5IW	May - 02
KC2RNA	May - 02
VA3XOV	May - 03
W5AL	May - 03
VE3KZE	May - 04
KA1JPR	May - 04
NK2W	May - 04
N2DFC	May - 04
W5BAK	May - 05
W7CA	May - 05
WD5O	May - 05
W4USA	May - 05
WV8LNX	May - 05
K5PKQ	May - 05
KB0LN	May - 05
KC8EM	May - 06
K4RYE	May - 06
KE1GI	May - 06
KJ8V	May - 06
W8CDC	May - 06
W8RCW	May - 07
WY7LL	May - 07
N5ZXR	May - 08
AC4WF	May - 08
K6TWX	May - 08
W7KWR	May - 09
K3KX	May - 09
K3PN	May - 09
K7VI	May - 09
N1ETC	May - 10
N2NL	May - 10
W4LTF	May - 10
K4FPF	May - 10
W7CFR	May - 11
AA6PI	May - 11
N4GJ	May - 11
N2TR	May - 11
K5CBS	May - 11
NX0X	May - 12
AE3Z	May - 12
ND3T	May - 12
KO4VP	May - 13
K0MT	May - 13
KI0AZ	May - 13
KI4HL	May - 13
W6RJC	May - 13
KU9UUU	May - 15
N7JPF	May - 15
KM9X	May - 15
N9JZ	May - 15
AD4LQ	May - 15
KB4XK	May - 15
KA7ICF	May - 16
WA0RVG	May - 16
W4MAT	May - 16
K4PLB	May - 16
N8BGF	May - 16
W5IUA	May - 17
AA6AF	May - 17
N0SM	May - 17
N9QPQ	May - 17
W5VD	May - 17
K5CJ	May - 17
KB4TI	May - 17
KG5RQ	May - 17

Roadrunner - Birthdays	
Current Call	**Birthday Date**
N3AO	May - 17
AH9B	May - 17
K0SSE	May - 18
WB9UKS	May - 19
AB5OK	May - 20
N4DDK	May - 21
WA1LJD	May - 21
KM5QF	May - 21
KF0KC	May - 21
NH7N	May - 21
W9DC	May - 21
W1TY	May - 22
NA4FM	May - 22
KJ6C	May - 22
K8LJG	May - 22
AB2LS	May - 22
KF7CT	May - 22
W4RSD	May - 23
N2CWG	May - 23
N9QEI	May - 23
N7AZ	May - 23
N1RL	May - 23
KJ4VV	May - 24
AA9GF	May - 24
K1CXP	May - 24
ND9M	May - 24
K9KBK	May - 25
N5MLP	May - 25
WA8OWR	May - 25
KL7NV	May - 26
KE9SZ	May - 26
NU9M	May - 26
WB4KZW	May - 27
KC8AKM	May - 27
N7LON	May - 27
NK0L	May - 27
KN4JR	May - 27
KF9LI	May - 27
W5VDW	May - 28
N0ALC	May - 28
KA4NZG	May - 28
NL7KM	May - 28
N8CIJ	May - 28
KE9FG	May - 29
W9PIP	May - 29
K1CN	May - 29
K8AO	May - 30
K4ZZ	May - 30
N6VQQ	May - 30
K2MF	May - 30
KI0JD	May - 30
W1KSI	May - 31
N6PDB	May - 31
K7INA	May - 31
W9GBH	May - 31
W0ICP	May - 31

Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25th!

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