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## From My Point of View

Joyce, WB9NUL

This has sure been a year of extremes for Mother Nature. It seems we all know someone affected by tornados, earthquakes, floods or wind. And on top of that, the heat has been intense for such a large part of the country. Even though the temperatures are moderating up north, the bubble of high pressure heat moved down our way and has stuck around.

I'm in San Antonio this week at a stitching seminar. It's been over 110 degrees since I got here late last week. It's not been that bad at home in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, but even with the influence of the Gulf, the temps have hovered around 100 for the last two or three weeks. I thought that I might see cooler weather in the Hill Country around Kerrville the last half of this trip but the Wx gurus say "Only at night."

On a sad note, we have lost a couple good friends from the County Hunter community. I learned that Gene, KD9OD passed away June 25. Also, Fay, the wife of Cliff, K5FBS (ex-WB4FBS) has passed away. Please send your condolences to the families.

I'm looking forward to the SE Mini in South Carolina. I hope you have made your reservations for October 10, 11 & 12. I can't wait to see all of you. Let's also hope that neither "Katia" nor "Lee" nor "Maria" nor "Nate" nor "Ophelia" rain on our parade. Katia was born yesterday in the eastern Atlantic. Let's hope the others will be "still" born.

73, Joyce, WB9NUL



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**Dateline CW**

Ed, KN4Y

He was so generally civil, that nobody knew he also operated CW.

Gator comes into the radio shack, “What you doing Dude?” “I am getting my registration filled out and mailed for the South East Mini at Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.” “When is the shindig?” Gator hands me a super sized Café Latte. I take a sip of the hot milky liquid, “The Mini is October 10-12, 2011. You heard about the mile high club?” “Yes.” “They have this big high bridge and I understand they have a 1550 foot high Wee Wee club.” “Really?” “Maybe.” Gator goes to the radio as I am laughing hilariously and spill my latte.

Gator looks at the service invoice lying on my desk.” “I see you got the van serviced.” “Yes, when we finished the US County QSO party it was time.” “What is this \$49.00 charge to replace the cigarette lighter fuse?” “I called the GMC service department and this is what I was told.” In this case the Mobile electrician, the mobile electrician apprentice, and the mobile electrician wannabe are involved. The electrician wannabe opened the hood and located the fuse compartment. He then took an air hose and blew the dust off the cover, and then removed the cover. The electrician apprentice located the fuse, checked the type and then went to the inventory guy and got a new fuse. He brought the fuse back to the vehicle. The mobile electrician, using special GMC long nosed pliers carefully yanked the old fuse out. He installed the new fuse. The electrician apprentice put the cover back on the fuse compartment and checked the cigarette lighter to see if it worked. The electrician wannabe shut the hood and put the service information in the computer. The service manager explained all this manpower and time costs money.” Gator is not paying attention.

He is looking at a certificate lying on the table, “I see you got first place in Florida in the 2011 Mississippi QSO party. You must have been the only Florida entry.” I ignore Gator and sip my latte.

Gator is looking at the logs for the US County QSO party, “We traveled over 615 miles, made 112 QSO’s in Florida and 424 QSO’s in Georgia. Not bad for a Saturday event, but just think what we could done had you not gone bowling on Sunday.” I shake my head in agreement, but this tournament is the same time every year, so I have to make adjustments. Gator brings up my Maryland QSO party log and starts laughing, “You get drunk Dude, only 5 QSO’s?” “That is all I heard, I worked a club station and four others.” “I would think Maryland would have a bigger club.” Sometimes it is best to drink and not talk. . .

“I see you ran the North American CW QSO party after the bowling tournament in Hudson Florida.” “Sure did, I parked the van in the motel parking lot in Pasco county and waited until it got dark and started calling on 40-meters. I was doing fine when I noticed the engine temperature creeping up. I increase acceleration but there was no wind to dissipate the heat, so I shut down at 60 QSO’s. I also tried the 80-meter antenna and the dash lights came on.” “I thought you had that fixed.” “I did too; guess I need to add more beads.” Gator’s cell phone sounds off, “Got to go Dude, the product cooler is heating up.” He is gone like twenty bucks at a casino.

The printer starts, it is a list of stations heard on the CW frequencies: AB4YZ, AC8W, AF3X, AF5Q, AK8A, K0ARS, K0FG, K0PY, K2HVN, K2RP, K4EXT, K4YFH, K4YT, K8ZZ, KB4RRU, KB6RU,

KC7YE, KE3VV, KG4VBK, KW1DX, N3TG, N4AAT, N4CD, N4JT, N7IV, N9JF, N9QS, ND9M, NF0N, NM2L, NN9K, NX4C, W0EAR, W0MU, W3DQT, W4HSA, W4SIG, W7FEN, W8GEJ, W8JJ, W8MP, W9MSE, WA3QNT, WA4PGM, WE7G, WG6X, WU3H.

I look at the contest corral and see there will be the Colorado, Tennessee, Arkansas, Connecticut, South Carolina, and Texas QSO parties a total of 581 counties up for grabs, and this includes the Washington State Salmon Run. For the 6-meter operators there is the ARRL VHF QSO Party. I make a Post-it to tell Gator his buddy Norm will be mobile in both the AR and TX QSO parties. A month with plenty of action for the CW operators, now it is nap time.



**MARAC Board of Directors Meeting  
August 23, 2011**

The MARAC Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 2400Z by the President (Joyce-WB9NUL).

**Board Members Present**

President - Joyce Boothe - WB9NUL  
Vice President - Leo Bingham - WY7LL  
Secretary - Jim Grandinetti - KZ2P  
Treasurer - Terry Dummler - WQ7A  
Great Lakes Director - Dan Mulford - KM9X  
North Central Director - Tony Mazzocco - WA9DLB  
Northeast Director - Carol-Ann Reitman - AB2LS  
Pacific Director - Robert Devine - KC6AWX  
Southeast Director - Dave Splitt - KE3VV

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Carol-Ann (AB2LS) to accept the minutes of July 9, 2011 meeting. The minutes were accepted by a vote of 7 in favor and none opposed.

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Jim (KZ2P) to approve the Treasurer's Reports for June 2011 and July 2011. The Treasurer's Reports were approved by a vote of 6 in favor, 1 abstention and none opposed.

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Leo (WY7LL) to approve the Awards Manager's Financial Report for July 2011. The Awards Manager's Financial Report was approved by a vote 6 in favor, 1 abstention and none opposed.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Carol-Ann (AB2LS) to accept the recommendations of the Awards Committee for the below USA-Five Mode Award. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 in favor and 1 opposed.

**USA - Five Mode Award**

**OBJECTIVE:** To make contacts with amateur radio stations in **All USA Counties** using five (5)

different **Modes** for each county.

**SPECIAL RULES:** Each of the five contacts for each county must be made using a different **Mode**.

The contacts may be made using any **Band** and may be made on the same **Band** or on any mix of **Bands**. Any of the **Modes** used to complete a particular county may be different from any or all of the **Modes** used to complete other counties.

For each listed **Mode**, variations in speed or other parameters (such as CW-R or PSK 63) do not count as separate or different **Modes**. **Modes** with variations in speed or other parameters are referred to as “**Mode sets**.” Each **Mode set** is considered a single different **Mode** for purposes of this award.

The following **Modes** and **Mode sets** may be used for this award:

AM	DV	JT6M	ROS
AMTOR	FAX	MFSK	RTTY
ATV	FM	MT63	SSB
CHIP	FSK31	OLIVIA	SSTV
CLOVER	GTOR	PACKET	THOR
CONTESTIA	HAM DRM	PACTOR	THRO
CW	HELL	PAX	
DSSTV		HFSK	PSK
DOMINO	JT65	Q15	

**Valid Contacts** that are eligible for other MARAC awards may also be used for this award.

When at least one of the stations is a **Mobile Operation**, both stations may count the contact.

**AWARD LEVELS:** A separate award (certificate and mobile plaque) is available for each State.

All counties in a State must be completed for the award for that State.

Each State award may be earned multiple times up to a maximum of ten (10) times, but only the first time is a numbered award. An applicant must complete contacts with all counties in a State (using five different Modes) before starting over in that State.

A special MARAC Trophy will be awarded for completing contacts using five different **Modes** in all **USA Counties**. There is no fee for the special MARAC trophy.

**APPLICATION AND FEES:** Standard application, logs, and fees.

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Jim (KZ2P) to appoint Phil (AB7RW) and Barbra (AC7UH) as conveners for the 2012 MARAC National Convention to be held in Vancouver, WA. The motion was approved by a vote of 8 in favor and none opposed.

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Leo (WY7LL) to advance \$3,000.00 to Phil (AB7RW) and Barbra (AC7UH) for the 2012 MARAC National Convention to be held in Vancouver,

WA. The motion was approved by a vote of 8 in favor and none opposed.

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Dan (KM9X) to appoint Leo (WY7LL) and Chris (WY7ML) as conveners for the 2013 MARAC National Convention to be held in Deadwood, SD. The motion was approved by a vote 7 in favor, 1 abstention and none opposed.

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Bob (KC6AWX) to advance \$4,000.00 to Leo (WY7LL) and Chris (WY7ML) for the 2013 MARAC National Convention to be held in Deadwood, SD. These funds are not to be advanced until after the 2012 National Convention. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 in favor, 1 abstention and none opposed

A motion was made by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Bob (KC6AWX) to adjourn the meeting at 0023Z. The motion passed by a vote of 8 in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Grandinetti KZ2P



### New Members

<u>MARAC Number</u>	<u>Callsign</u>	<u>Name</u>
R4473	KK5QA	Barbara Spencer
R4474	W8GEJ	Al Hunterson
R4475	SM5QU	Frank Vinnerlid
R4476	N7FYP	Jerry Ball
R4477	W8POF	Tom Grove
R4478	NC4MO	Michael Orr



## History Happens

Gary, K4EXT

**B**rian, NX0X and Shari, KB0MHH sent me a box containing the official MARAC banner and a nametag/lanyard from the 2011 National Convention in Duluth. The banner lists all of the attendee call signs ... and CH'ers autographed the banner next to his/her call sign before it got shipped to me. The lanyard was also customized with the convention name and year. Neat stuff - thanks guys!

Toward the end of July, my son Justin, KG4VBK and I met Wes, NX4C for lunch in Elizabethton, Tennessee. Wes is from Knoxville and was running counties in far Northeast TN. The fact that it was Meat Loaf Monday at our local diner may have had something to do with Wes wanting to meet us for lunch. Plus the fact that I said I would buy may have also had some slight influence on him.

A picture of this memorable event appears on the <http://www.CHarchive.com> history website. For those that questioned why, in front of me, I had one full glass of diet Pepsi sitting alongside one empty glass of what was formerly diet Pepsi ... please note that I knocked the first glass off the table about 30 seconds after Lisa delivered our drinks. Hey ... it's what I do!

Speaking of cars (eh?) ... I'm pretty sure that my older brother owned a Chevrolet Corvaire Monza at one time or another. Sort of tough to remember since he used to have a different car every month it seemed. But I think I recall a Monza being in his ever-changing fleet during the 1960's.

Second-generation Corvairs starting in 1965 caught a lot of driver's attention back in those days. From Car and Driver magazine: "... we have to go on record and say that the Corvaire is, in our opinion, the most important new car of the entire crop of '65 models, and the most beautiful car to appear in this country since before World War II."

Which (finally) brings us to the picture below from Jim, N4JT (formerly KB4XK) as he ran the county line of Caswell/Person, NC in August 1983 - mobile in his red 1965 Monza of course!



South Dakota Trip Experience  
Gene, K5GE

First I want thank those who responded with concerns and offers to help on the radio and through phone calls. It is comforting to know that we have radio communications even when there is no cell coverage. We had some good runs also. Thanks for the contacts.

We have made other wonderful trips to South Dakota and we had hopes that this would be one also. It started out as usual by staying at our favorite Bed & Breakfast in the black hills. The next 2 days were filled with sightseeing. I did manage to run a few counties.

We then left the black hills and were working our way to Chamberlain, SD where my wife had some museums she wanted to see. The scenery changed and I was running counties along the way. My hopes were to run all SD counties before we started home. We stopped at the small town of Winner to have lunch which is located in Tripp County.

After lunch I headed West on SD 44 toward Gregory county. It was a beautiful clear day close to 90 degrees. Then all of a sudden, there was a blur from my left peripheral vision as a large deer slammed into my side of the windshield. Apparently the deer wanted to cross the road and in the process it tried to leap over the car. It partially hit the windshield, front fender, and other parts of the driver's side. Oh yes, some part of it hit my antenna, bent the mast, and 40m resonator. The view through the damaged windshield was very poor and I pulled over as soon as I could to survey the damage. I then discovered that the driver's side door would not open. It was only about 50 miles to Chamberlain, SD where we had a motel booked, so I decided to move on. The side view mirror was dangling by the cable and banging into the door when I tried to go very fast. As I started to get into town, I pulled over to clean up some of the mess. Believe me; climbing over the center console was no fun at all. Bits of glass were everywhere.

While I was dealing with the car, a local woman who was passing by stopped to help. She offered to lead us to a local glass shop and we took her up on the offer. After all, a new windshield and side view mirror could get us on our way. Unfortunately, the windshield had to be ordered so we were stuck there for a few days. Jesse and his wife, the owners of River City Class were super nice and I would recommend them if you are in their area with a glass need. Jesse vacuumed up broken glass, replaced the side view mirror and taped Plexiglas to the windshield so I could run a few counties while my wife checked out the museums. An interesting side note, Jessie's wife was in the Winner, SD area right after us and saw the deer that had hit us. A very large deer, she said.

After Jesse replaced the Windshield, I revised our trip and headed home to have the car completely repaired. I had motels booked in advance for the planned trip, but had to cancel them all after the accident. Getting a motel in July is not very easy, especially where there are only a few motels. Sorry if I missed your counties, but it could not be avoided.

This was the second collision that I have had with a deer. The first one I hit, but this SD deer hit me. The deer that I hit was fairly small and standing in the middle of the road. It was barely dawn and the deer was pointed straight at me. When I saw it, I laid on the brakes and horn. It didn't move until just before impact. Some of you may ask why I didn't swerve to avoid the deer. Please read tip #4 below.

My statement about the SD deer hitting my car might raise a question to some of you. How could anyone claim that they had been hit by a deer? Well, it's true, just ask Bob, N4CD. In fact, a local woman here had her car hit from behind. Maybe she was driving too slowly.

I have included some Statistics.

### **Deer Accident Statistics from [www.car-accidents.com](http://www.car-accidents.com)**

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration there are about 1.5 million car accidents with deer each year that result in \$1 billion in vehicle damage, about 150 human fatalities, and



over 10,000 personal injuries. The actual numbers are probably higher because the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's figures for deer accidents, rely on inconsistent state reporting- there is no standard reporting of deer accidents in the country yet, and a "reportable deer accident" varies significantly between states.

In an insurance claims statistics study conducted in 2004-2005 the top ten states for deer accidents were listed. According to this study, Pennsylvania drivers experience more deer collisions than any other state. The number of accidents increases with the deer migrating and mating season which occurs between the months of October and December.

**Worst states for deer collisions based on total number of claims filed with one of the countries largest auto insurers:**

- 1) Pennsylvania
- 2) Michigan
- 3) Illinois
- 4) Ohio
- 5) Georgia
- 6) Minnesota
- 7) Virginia
- 8) Indiana
- 9) Texas
- 10) Wisconsin

**Tips to avoid deer accidents:**

- 1) Be attentive when driving! And Slow Down!
- 2) Use high-beam headlights when driving in deer territory to increase your vision and will increase your time to react to a deer hiding on the roadside who decides to jump in front of your car.
- 3) The use of car-mounted 'deer whistles,' do not seem to affect deer and may result in drivers being less aware. These devices don't work! Watch out!
- 4) If a collision with a deer is unavoidable, it is usually best not to swerve to avoid it, brake and hold the wheel straight. Turning the wheel to avoid the deer may result in a worse accident with another car, or cause the car to spin out of control resulting a in much more serious crash.

The pictures are my view before and after the deer.





## Awards

Awards Issued For August			
Call	Date	Award	Number
W5IL	7/22/2011	YL Mobile	# 200
			Counties
W4YDY	8/4/2011	USA-PA - K	# 22
W0NAC	8/23/2011	USA-PA - K	# 23
W9UX	7/27/2011	USA-CW	# 119
KY0E	8/12/2011	USA-CW	# 120
N0XYL	8/26/2011	BINGO	# 334
W0NAC	7/24/2011	BINGO II	# 80
AA9JJ	7/17/2011	BINGO III	# 18
N9STL	7/31/2011	BINGO IV	# 7
N4PJ	8/12/2011	USA-CA WAC 1 <sup>st</sup> Time	# 1218
K4AMC	7/27/2011	Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	# 407
W9UX	7/27/2011	Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	# 406
NN9K	7/21/2011	Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	# 229
W9OO	8/3/2011	Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	# 230
N4AAT	8/24/2011	Worked all Counties - 9th Time	# 6

Roadrunner Issued For August					
Call	Date	Count	Award		
N4PJ	8/13/2011	Last County Count 75	Last County Count 75		# 259
N6PDB	8/12/2011	Last County Count 150	Last County Count 150		# 152
AA9JJ	8/12/2011	Last County Count 850	Last County Count 850		# 8
N4AAT	8/12/2011	Last County Count 850	Last County Count 850		# 9
KWIDX	8/12/2011	Last County Count 75	Last County Count 75		# 258
WQ7A	8/13/2011	Last County Count 375	Last County Count 375		# 40
N9QS	8/13/2011	Last County Count 725	Last County Count 725		# 14
N4CD	8/13/2011	Last County Count 1925	Last County Count 1925		# 1
N4JT	8/13/2011	Last County Count 775	Last County Count 775		# 12
N0KV	8/29/2011	Last County Count 300	Last County Count 300		# 61
N2OCW	8/13/2011	Last County Count 225	Last County Count 225		# 86
W0EAR	8/18/2011	Last County Count 100	Last County Count 100		# 223
A15P	8/18/2011	Last County Count 925	Last County Count 925		# 6
N0DXE	8/18/2011	Last County Count 100	Last County Count 100		# 224
NF0N	8/28/2011	Last County Count 200	Last County Count 200		# 104
KC0OER	8/13/2011	Last County Count 150	Last County Count 150		# 153
W0GXQ	8/28/2011	Last County Count 575	Last County Count 575		# 25
K8YJ	8/18/2011	Last County Count 100	Last County Count 100		# 225
KM9X	8/28/2011	Last County Count 325	Last County Count 325		# 51
ND9M	8/28/2011	Last County Count 200	Last County Count 200		# 103
AB4YZ	8/28/2011	Last County Count 650	Last County Count 650		# 20
WA4PGM	8/28/2011	Last County Count 100	Last County Count 100		# 226
KA1JPR	8/28/2011	Last County Count 475	Last County Count 475		# 34
AB4YZ	8/28/2011	Last County Count 625	Last County Count 625		# 21
AB4YZ	8/28/2011	Last County Count 675	Last County Count 675		# 18



Birthdays

Roadrunner - Birthdays	
Call	Birthday Date
KQ4KI	Sep - 01
W1VA	Sep - 01
LA9SN	Sep - 01
AD4IA	Sep - 01
KK5LC	Sep - 01
W3GQJ	Sep - 01
WE8D	Sep - 01
W1QK	Sep - 01
KJ9P	Sep - 01
AC4GO	Sep - 02
K6CRA	Sep - 02
K1BS	Sep - 02
WA6GQY	Sep - 03
N5ZF	Sep - 03
WB2GFE	Sep - 03
K4XI	Sep - 03
N3RM	Sep - 04
W9GUY	Sep - 04
N9PM	Sep - 04
W6RK	Sep - 04
KB7RE	Sep - 04
NN9K	Sep - 04
KA0W	Sep - 05
WD9HAW	Sep - 05
WA3LVH	Sep - 05
W3UJT	Sep - 05
KU4MP	Sep - 05
N7MPS	Sep - 06
W9OO	Sep - 06
KN4S	Sep - 06
KE5JA	Sep - 06
W9LMT	Sep - 07
N5NAA	Sep - 07
WA2BEG	Sep - 07
W5DAM	Sep - 07
N9AC	Sep - 08
WX7E	Sep - 08
KG9HC	Sep - 09
KN5H	Sep - 09

Roadrunner - Birthdays	
Call	Birthday Date
KG7Q	Sep - 09
KJ7PO	Sep - 09
K4SL	Sep - 09
W5XFM	Sep - 09
N7WL	Sep - 09
N8STF	Sep - 09
KB5FU	Sep - 10
NX0V	Sep - 10
NW1O	Sep - 10
K8XF	Sep - 10
W3RWJ	Sep - 10
W0OWY	Sep - 11
KB7ZTI	Sep - 11
K9WA	Sep - 11
N9PC	Sep - 12
W5SM	Sep - 12
WG9A	Sep - 12
N5DUQ	Sep - 12
W0MU	Sep - 12
N9STL	Sep - 12
N8MBW	Sep - 12
KD6WW	Sep - 13
N8RYD	Sep - 13
WU7R	Sep - 13
WA9QNI	Sep - 14
K4NK	Sep - 14
WA5OPO	Sep - 14
NE5Y	Sep - 15
KG5IZ	Sep - 15
KJ4KX	Sep - 15
N7CYQ	Sep - 15
KF4PHW	Sep - 15
VK7BA	Sep - 16
KF2GP	Sep - 16
W3IQ	Sep - 16
W9CTA	Sep - 16
WA0LRQ	Sep - 16
K8NI	Sep - 16
AK6H	Sep - 17

Roadrunner - Birthdays	
Call	Birthday Date
AD7QN	Sep - 17
K0XT	Sep - 17
WM3T	Sep - 17
W0IM	Sep - 17
KG5RJ	Sep - 17
WJ9S	Sep - 17
WA4CUU	Sep - 17
W6QE	Sep - 18
KE3NR	Sep - 18
NX4P	Sep - 18
N8MYC	Sep - 18
N4PJ	Sep - 18
N5QQ	Sep - 19
K0HNC	Sep - 19
K5KDG	Sep - 19
NB7B	Sep - 20
KC7OD	Sep - 20
WB3JDC	Sep - 20
W9NS	Sep - 21
NN6AA	Sep - 21
AC4SW	Sep - 21
KN4CQ	Sep - 21
WB7PMZ	Sep - 21
KA1OCL	Sep - 21
N9BAE	Sep - 22
KL7IFP	Sep - 22
WT6P	Sep - 22
K1CGI	Sep - 22
N9IHZ	Sep - 22
W3CR	Sep - 23
KR4ZH	Sep - 23
N0GUR	Sep - 23
KA6RAT	Sep - 23
K2UF	Sep - 23
KG4FJC	Sep - 24
K7SEN	Sep - 24
AD8W	Sep - 24
KA1SF	Sep - 25
K3VQO	Sep - 25

Roadrunner - Birthdays	
Call	Birthday Date
KR4OE	Sep - 25
N0XYL	Sep - 25
KD5YN	Sep - 25
N7WO	Sep - 25
KB5WY	Sep - 26
W5HV	Sep - 26
N0UF	Sep - 26
AJ0C	Sep - 26
WB0JYB	Sep - 27
W7KFA	Sep - 27
KO4EA	Sep - 27
K1LH	Sep - 27
W8EB	Sep - 27
AE2Z	Sep - 27
K7GA	Sep - 28
NK8P	Sep - 28
K9FP	Sep - 28
W7FGD	Sep - 28
WA2CNJ	Sep - 29
N5VT	Sep - 29
KD4RKJ	Sep - 29
KC3X	Sep - 29
W11BS	Sep - 29
N4NX	Sep - 29
N4RNR	Sep - 29
N5KB	Sep - 29
K0BXF	Sep - 29
WA6OTV	Sep - 29



**SE Mini**

**2011 SE Mini**

- Location: Quality Inn & Suites; Mount Pleasant, SC
- Dates: October 10-12, 2011 (Monday through Wednesday)
- Directions: Follow I-26 East until it ends and take exit 220. Follow signs to Mt. Pleasant/Hwy 17 North. Cross Cooper River Bridge and take Coleman Blvd./Hwy 703 exit. On Coleman Blvd/Hwy 703 turn right at first traffic light. Hotel is on the right.  
More details will be posted at <http://semini.superhosts.net/>
- Room Rate: \$99.99 per night plus tax. Call the hotel directly for reservations and mention "amateur radio". The phone number is 800-704-4480. The rate is valid only through September 10<sup>th</sup> - Make your reservations early!
- Hotel Notes: There is a 2 night minimum stay, and a one night deposit is required. Cancellations must be done 2 weeks in advance, and all but \$25 of your deposit will be refunded. Cancellations within 2 weeks will be charged for 2 nights.
- Parking: Ample FREE parking, with no overhangs to eat antennas!
- Activities: The only group activity is dinner at The Fat Hen. Area attractions include Historic Charleston tours, shopping, dining, golfing, plantations, Patriot's Point, The Hunley & Fort Sumter.
- Dinner: Buffet Style Dinner- \$25/person.
- Registration: \$15 for first person, \$5 each additional person.
- Website: More information, including online registration is available at: <http://semini.superhosts.net/>

Send registration and fees to:

John M. Hoyt – W5UGD  
118 Halifax Rd  
Easley, SC 29642

Email: [amicon@amicon.net](mailto:amicon@amicon.net) for additional information

## 2011 SE Mini Registration

Callsign: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (to be put on badge):

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

USA-CA#: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Names/Calls/USA-CA Numbers:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Basic Registration: \$15.00

Additional Registrations \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total of above 3 items**

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On Tuesday, there will be a group going to The Fat Hen for dinner. This is an "Order from the menu, pay your own bill" event. How many seats should we reserve for you? \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurer's Report  
July 31, 2011**

Funds Balance June 30, 2011 **\$20,946.43**

Income:

Money Market Interest	\$2.32
Awards Manager Income	\$952.00
Membership Income	\$574.87
Logger distribution	\$145.00
	<u>\$1,674.19</u>



Expenses:

Awards Manager Expenses	\$129.00
Logger support software	\$24.95
	<u>\$153.95</u>

Account Balances **\$22,466.67**

Checking Account \$8,826.50

Money Market Account \$13,640.17

**\$22,466.67**

Note

The following monies are not included in the above:

Awards Chairman's Funds \$1,500.00

**Awards Manager's Report  
August 31, 2011**

Funds Balance July 31, 2011 **\$1,500.00**

Income	\$ 1458.00
	<u>\$ 1458.00</u>



Expenses:

Office supplies	\$ 0.00
Plaque Suppliers	\$ 347.00
Postage	\$ 142.27
	<u>\$ 489.27</u>

Sent to Treasurer \$1458.00

Reimbursement received from Treasurer \$489.27

Funds Balance August 31, 2011 **\$1500.00**



Calendar

~ September 2011 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
ONLY START DATES SHOWN		CLICK ON ITEM TO GO TO EVENT WEB SITE		1	2	3 CO QP QCWA QP
4 TN QP	5	6	7	8	9	10 AR QP
11 NA CW SPRINT	12	13	14	15	16	17 CT QP SC QP WA SALMON RUN
18 NA SSB SPRINT	19 CW BACON RUN	20	21	22	23	24 TX QP
25	26	27	28	29	30	Notes:



*The County Line Roadrunner*  
**MARAC Secretary**  
**2690 Bohicket Rd**  
**Johns Island, SC 29455**

*“A Road Runner Is A Very Fast Bird”*

**Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25<sup>th</sup>!**

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