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MUsings from W0MU

Spring is here finally here and that brings snow to Looking out the window I see about 12 inches of the ground. This is the 2nd such snow fall we have had normal for Colorado. I have been pretty busy with have not had much radio time.



the front range of Colorado. heavy much needed snow on in the last week! This is pretty other projects this month and

Self credit and other award changes

As expected, the board voted to clarify the rules to receive self credit for any of our awards that you must physically operate from that county. At this time, it is up to you to keep track of your self credit activities as Logger is not tracking this. N5MLP has created a spreadsheet that was discussed in a previous Roadrunner.

The board also approved some minor changes to some of the other awards to allow people to be recognized for their efforts in County Hunting outside of their contributions to MARAC. The meeting minutes are included in this issue. We will be updated the rules in the very near future to reflect these changes.

Elections

Our annual elections are just around the corner. If you are interested in helping the club, please let the Election Coordinator know your intentions and get on the ballot.

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Convention

The 50th National Convention and 2018 MARAC National plans are coming together nicely and we should have a the website up very soon. The final touches are being applied. As always, all county hunters are invited to attend, MARAC member or not. Lets all get together and have a great time! If you like BBQ then make sure you make plans to attend the poolside BBQ on Thursday! The banquet will be Saturday. Early bird registrations will be entered in a drawing to win a new HF rig! I am looking forward to meeting many of you in person for the first time and of course seeing old friends.

County Hunter Database

We made a change to how the users access the database. In the past, we used version of the database and when we needed to do updates the database would be taken offline. Now we have a "live" version of the database that is updated regularly but will not go "down" when updates are in progress. Keep in mind that we try to update the databases as frequently as possible but there could be times where we are a bit behind.

That is it for this month. If all goes well here at the ranch, F0AL, will be a new addition to our family. We have a horse who is expecting any day. If you have comments or concerns please shoot me an email or give me a call.

W0MU Mike Fatchett President

Contest

Greetings, de KA3QLF.

I have a request for input. Should the county hunters contest continue? I know last year suffered some unintended events surrounding the contest, from poor band conditions, to a computer crash by the chairman.

If one is planned for 2018, should it be in May or Sept (time is running short on May to get it some promotion) Would you participate?? If you do, would you run as a Mobile and activate 5 or more counties? with the increased participation in the POTA program, do you believe some incorporation of POTA sites help the activity level?

How long of a duration? One day event? 2? Should it also include SSB, and Digital, as well as the traditional CW? Please provide any feedback, related to the contest, to my call at comcast dot net.

Thank you, Scott, KA3QLF

Dateline CW Ed, KN4Y

I say what the hell, its summer! Get mobile, show 'em a CW mobile county hunter!

Although not verified, the Federal Government in the Federal Register a proposed Bill county names with four letter abbreviations. considering the abbreviations used by the Mobile Club (MARAC) operators during various high involving the Morse code mode. The congressman the list of county abbreviations from his nephew



supposedly published to replace all State The government is Amateur Radio Awards frequency radio contests sponsoring the bill got who knows Kerry,

W4SIG, an officer of the Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club. The reason for the county name change is to help the subscribers on social media to increase their texting speeds. Mispronounced county names will be a habit of the past as names as now only four letters are pronounced. For instance, instead of saying Chattahoochee, you just say C H A T. Passage of the bills has favorable legislative support and the Bill may be enacted and become law on April 1.

I am relaxing in the shack having put the space heater in storage and now enjoying the output of the air conditioner while I am checking my routes for the Alabama, Georgia and Florida QSO parties. I hear Gator down shift as he slides to a stop at the recycled railroad tie. I listen but hear no thud of a successful Kamikaze possum or squirrel; Gator comes into the radio shack carrying the familiar white cardboard container. "Good morning Dude, I stopped at the plant found no problems so I came here to agitate you." Gator laughs as he open the white cardboard container and hands me a super sized latte and an éclair. I take the latte and the éclair, "Thanks Gator you just made my day and ruined my diet." We sip and nibble, I turn on the radio to hear if any mobile is running but the band is quiet.

Gator turns on the computer and is looking at the screen, "Dude did you know George Lee, K5JF? He is a silent key." "Yes Gator, I worked George many times in 2007 and later in 2014 when George used the call K5JF." We bow our heads as Gator recites The Shepherd's Psalm. We quietly sip our lattes and finish our éclair.

Gator starts laughing, "I just pulled up the MARAC web site and there is picture of the attendees at the Michigan Mini." Gator cannot stop laughing, "I would swear that is a picture of attendees at the Wakulla senior center." I give Gator a dirty look, "Gator try to make yourself useful and check my North and South Carolina QSO party logs." He gives

me the high sign and mouses the computer.

Gator knocks on the desk, "Okay Dude during the South Carolina QSO party you completed 83 QSOs, worked 30 South Carolina counties and worked four mobiles. I notice you got four new counties on 80 meters." I set my latte down, "Are any of the mobile operators a MARAC county hunters?" Gator looks at the screen, "Yes, there is Thad, K3TD, and Tom, W1TEF. Just a second, I am now looking at the North Carolina QSO party; you completed 83 QSOs and worked 47 North Carolina counties, and logged two new counties on 80 meters. I also notice you worked six mobiles and that makes a difference in the number of QSOs worked. I also notice the only MARAC county hunter operating mobile was again Thad, K3TD, he worked both QSO parties." I finish my éclair, "Gator how about checking my Oklahoma QSO party log," I hand Gator a tiny memory stick.

Gator sips his latte as he brings up the Oklahoma QSO party log, he smiles. "Dude you sat a long time making 111 CW QSOs and worked 52 Oklahoma Counties. I notice you logged two new 2x2 calls and three new 'A' calls. Not bad for a hairlip." Gator starts laughing. I am not amused, "Gator how many mobiles did I work?" Gator looks at the computer. "Not bad Dude you worked ten mobiles and I notice the only MARAC county hunters was that Texas Dude, Norm, W3DYA. You need to get a membership rally going." I shake my head in agreement.

Gator sips his latte as he reads the computer screen, he smiles, "Dude I see you worked the Louisiana QSO party and made 34 QSOs mostly with the mobiles Norm, W3DYA and Chuck, NO5W. You did log seven No-Star contacts and worked one 2x1 call." I grunt loudly, "Yes Gator there were not many fixed stations operating CW, if not for the mobiles I would have logged only a hand full of CW contacts." Gator laughs, "I would think with all the Cajun Queens the use of a straight key would come naturally." He is laughing hilariously.

Sometimes it is best to ignore Gator, I hand him a memory stick, "Check out my Virginia QSO party log." Gator inserts the memory stick in the USB port. He looks at the computer screen.

"Well Dude you made a whopping 25 QSOs, but you did log a 2x2 and a 1x3 call, so not a total waste of time. I don't think you worked any mobiles." I shake my head yes, "You are correct Gator I did not work a mobile. The QSO party exchange requires a serial number, speaking from experience it no fun operating mobile and logging calls and also keep track of numbers. I tried it once and never again. So until the contest exchange is

changed to remove the serial number exchange, I doubt not many mobiles, if any, will venture out in the Virginia QSO party."

Gator is not listening and shakes his head, "Dude I see you also made a few CW QSOs in the Russian DX contest." I finish my latte, "Yes Gator I like to work only Russian stations but I heard only a few calling and the band conditions did not favor the contest, I heard very few Russian stations on twenty meters and none on forty meters, and a few times I heard their signal they could not hear my signal."

Gator is not paying attention, "Dude you show on your calendar you worked the Wisconsin QSO party, and I cannot find the log." I finish my latte, "Let me tell you what happened. I was working and logging the Wisconsin QSO party when I shut down for the evening. The next morning I could not find the Wisconsin QSO party log on the computer. It had vanished and that is why there is no log." "I told you to back up your files. Your computer did not like the Badger State." We have a good laugh.

Suddenly the sound of Gator's cell phone CQ, CQ, CQ, is heard, "Sorry Dude, I got to move my butt back to the plant there is a problem with the IRS counter on tank 3." He is gone like a dollar bill at an ice cream store. I hear him yell: "Stephen Hawking you can now study the universe up close." I shut the door. The printer starts and I get the printout, it is the list of mobiles heard during March on the CW county hunters call frequencies.

I read: AF5CC, K8ZZ, KA2LHO, N4CD, N2JNE, N4UP, N5PHT, N9AC, N9JF, NO5W, VE2GT, W3DYA, W4SIG, WB4KZW, and WJ8Y.

I shake my head in disbelief, already it is April. Twenty five percent of the year is already history but the good news is this month is the Georgia QSO party and the Florida QSO party and KN4Y plans to operate mobile in both QSO parties. You would think this was enough excitement for one month but listen up. There is the Mississippi QSO party, the Missouri QSO party, the New Mexico QSO party, the North Dakota QSO party, and the Nebraska QSO party. Maybe State QSO parties are not your bag, then try: the Florida and Texas State Parks on the air adventures or the 10-10 International Spring computerized code contest. All this will make a snappy pappy happy, get with the program. Nap time.

ROADRUNNER

Board of Directors Meeting

Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club (MARAC)

Thursday March 1, 2018

President Mike Fatchett (W0MU) welcomed everyone to the BOD meeting and called the meeting to order at 0106z Friday March 2, 2018

Board Members present via Uberconference:

Vice President – Ed Eklin (K8ZZ)

Past President – Randy (AA8R)

Treasurer – Aubrey Mansfield (W7OLY)

Secretary – Terry Dummler (WQ7A)

Southeast Director – Kerry Long (W4SIG)

Northeast Director – Al Kaiser (N1API)

South Central Director – Barry Mitchell (N0KV)

North Central Director – Mike Nickolas (NF0N)

Members not present:

Pacific Director – Paul Nelson (N7JPF)

Great Lakes Director – Scott (KA3QLF)

The following proposal by W4SIG was approved by the BOD.

Proposal for changes to the CHOTY Award Rules by W4SIG

I propose three changes to the Award Rules for the annual SSB and CW CHOTY Award. They are broken down into three proposals below.

Proposal 1:

I would like to change how frequent a member can be awarded the CHOTY award. Currently it states in the Objective Section:

"A member of MARAC may only receive this award only once (for each category)"

Proposed Change:

"A member of MARAC may receive this award multiple times for each category, however, only once every three years for the same category."

Reason for Proposed Change:

It has been noticed that over the 50-year history of our club many deserving individuals have received CHOTY awards. However, as our membership numbers have declined, most of the heavily active members have already received this award once. As a result, recent history indicates that MARAC has received very few nominations for this prestigious award. It is either that no one cares to take the time

to nominate fellow members, or that everyone that is on the minds of members as deserving has already received this award before. This proposal would open up eligibility for both SSB CHOTY and CW CHOTY to all members except the individuals who won them the prior two years.

Proposal 2:

I would like to specify that qualifications for CHOTY must be based on member activity during the current election year.

Proposed Change:

"Member qualification must be based on his/her activities during the previous 12 months, ending on the first day that nominations are accepted."

Reason for Proposed Change:

The purpose for this addition is to ensure that candidates are only eligible due to county hunting and MARAC activity for the current year, since that is the year being considered for the award. There is no sense nominating someone for activity in prior years for the current year's award.

Proposal 3:

I would like to change the following item in the CHOTY Awards Rules:

"5. MARAC board members are not eligible for this award."

Proposed Change:

"5. MARAC Board members are eligible for this award. However, consideration should not be based upon their fulfillment of their board duties. Their consideration must be based upon activity outside of this such as mobile activity, net assistance activity, spotting activity, service to other members, and general overall enhancement of county hunting."

Reason for Proposed Change:

The original reason for eliminating eligibility of MARAC Board Members for this award was the perception that one had to be a board member or host a convention to be qualified for the service to MARAC requirement. It has since been pointed out that a Board Member could have significant impact on county hunting outside of their board duties. Therefore, they should be able to be considered based on these conditions.

Discussion was held concerting the use of remote operations for self-credit. The BOD approved the rule that remote operation cannot be used for self-credit. N5MLP has the details and will discuss it with the Awards Committee. Essentially the BOD agreed that self-credit can only be claimed if the operator was physically in the county.

Meeting adjourned at 0142Z

Respectively Terry, WQ7A

Conventions

50th National Convention

October 3 - 6, 2018
The Holiday Inn Country Club Plaza
One East 45th St. Kansas City, MO. 64111 816-753-7400

Book your room online at:

http://ichotelsgroup.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=HI&GPC=MAR&hotelCode=MKC

OE& PMID=99801505

or call the hotel directly and use code MAR Cut off date is **September 3**, **2018** for group rate.

Rooms are \$119.00 per night (1 king or 2 queen beds) plus tax.

Hotel parking garage size restriction (6.0 x 7.0 x 12.0 ft) Oversized parking for larger vehicles and antenna's.

There will be NO organized tours. The hotel is centrally located with FREE shuttle service 7am-11pm within 3 mile radius. (more info to follow)

Forums will include, CW, SSB, KFF, & (FT8 hopefully). You won't want to miss the Special Forum consisting of *50 yrs worth of County Hunting memorabilia*, articles, past convention pictures & more.

A plan to raid the MARAC Historian's arsenal, which resides at the residence of Gary, K4EXT is in the works. Surely there will be several treasures to peruse which will undoubtedly jog memories and thought of the "good ole days!"

There will be a Pool side BBQ on Thurs. evening (inclement wx indoors). Annual banquet on Sat. evening followed by award presentation and drawing for prizes.

Please bring a gift (approx \$15.00) for gift exchange.

Details should be on the MARAC website soon. (hopefully)

See you in October! Ed - K8ZZ Chairman

2018 Michigan Mini is drawing near

April 26, 27, & 28th Traverse City, Mi

Cut off date for the special room rate at the Holiday Inn West Bay Resort is March 25th. Get your reservations in now.

Visit marac.org and click on corresponding link for more details and to register. There's still time to get registered and come have a great time.

> See you in a few weeks. K8ZZ - Ed

Awards

Awards Committee

Tominations for County Hunter of the Year – April 1 to May

Changes to the rules for County Hunter of the Year - SSB and CW were proposed and approved at the March 1, 2018 Board of Directors meeting. Part of the rationale for these changes is to increase the number of people who are eligible to receive the award and to encourage more nominations by the membership. Another reason was to clarify the time period that should be considered when nominating someone for the award. Changes adopted include:

- 1) Limitation on number of times someone is eligible for this award:
- a) Previous wording: "A member of MARAC may only receive this award only once (for each category)
- b) Revised wording: "A member of MARAC may receive this award multiple times for each category, however, only once every three years for the same category".
- 2) Limitation on time frame to be considered when nominating or voting for this award:
 - a) Previous wording: (None)
- b) New wording: "Member qualification must be based on his/her activities during the previous 12 months, ending on the first day that nominations are accepted."
- 3) Limitation on officers and directors with regard to eligibility for this award:
- a) Previous wording: "Current MARAC officers and directors are not eligible for this award".
- b) Revised wording: "MARAC Board members are eligible for this award. However, consideration should not be based upon their fulfillment of their board duties. Their consideration must be based upon activity outside of this such as mobile activity, net assistance activity, spotting activity, service to other members, and general overall enhancement of county hunting."

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	County Hunter of the Year – SSB, and
П	County Hunter of the Year – CW

can be made between April 1st and May 15th by submitting your nominations to your MARAC District Director.

Eligibility this year: As a result of the changes noted in item (3) above, the Board of Directors

members can now be considered to receive the award with the provision that the reasons must be based on activity and service other than fulfillment of their BOD duties. The only members <u>not eligible</u> to be nominated this year are the previous winners in the past two years, specifically:

☐ CHOTY – SSB: AB7NK (2016) and K0DEQ (2017)

☐ CHOTY – CW: KB6UF (2016) and NM2L (2017)

Previous winners up through 2015 are now eligible to receive the award in each category. The period of activity which should be used for consideration as defined in change #2 above will essentially be the months of April, 2017 through March, 2018.

Your nomination(s) can be done via email and should include the following information:

- 1) Award name for which you are submitting a nomination
- 2) Name/callsign of person being nominated for the award
- 3) Your name/callsign
- 4) Explanation of why you feel your nominee is deserving of consideration for this award based on the qualification guidelines defined in the actual award rules document for these awards. District Directors will review the nominations pertaining to members located in their respective district and will select one person for SSB and one person for CW to be forwarded to the Awards Committee. Up to three candidates for each of the two awards will be chosen to appear on an online ballot during the month of July. The Board of Directors and the Awards Committee would very much like to see many nominations being submitted this year so we can have a meaningful selection of the most deserving candidates by the entire membership.

Awards Issued:

The listing below from Phil, AB7RW covers new awards issued in the past month:

Awards Issued:		Roadrunner Awards Issu			ed:		
Call	Date	Award	Number	Call	Date	Last County Count:	Number
K8ZZ	11/25/2017	WAC - 3rd Time	254	(None iss	ued this mon	th)	
W9DC	1/28/2018	Bingo II	103				
W8WKD	3/10/2018	USA-CA	1264				
WA4UNS	3/15/2018	Bingo III	40				

Rule Changes for Self-credit:

At the Board of Directors meeting on March 1st, the following wording was approved to be added to all awards which have been designated to be eligible for optional self-credit when transmitting as a mobile/portable station:

"Self credit can only be claimed if the operator is physically located in that county." The purpose of this change was to clarify that remote operation of a transmitter in the county would NOT be valid for self-credit.

New Version of Awards Rules To Be Posted Shortly

A new updated version of the Awards Rules (dated 3/1/18) which reflects all of the changes mentioned in this newsletter has been forwarded to W0MU to post on the website. All changes to the rules approved on 3/1/18 have been highlighted in yellow to make it easy to see what is new.

Info from the Awards Secretary – AB7RW:

The following information is provided to help all county process to be utilized when submitting applications for or inappropriately used forms provided on the MARAC



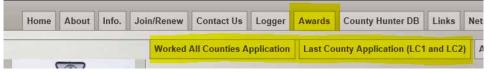
Phil Yasson,

hunters understand the awards. Incomplete website can cause the

application processing program to halt and interrupt the processing of awards. Your support in using the correct form and completing the application information needed will be very much appreciated and make the Awards Secretary's job much easier.

1. How to find the appropriate forms

The latest version of the forms will be available from the MARAC website at http://www.marac.org on the "Awards" tab at the top of the home page (see screenshot below):



Currently there are only two forms (highlighted on the second row above and described below) which are used for submitting applications. NOTE: It is preferred that all submissions be made using these forms on the website rather than from older forms within Logger. We will be making changes to the form fields and drop down list choices and currency of the forms on the website can be ensured while we have no control on how often users update their logger program code.

a. Worked All Counties Application

The first form listed as a sub-tab under the Awards tab is "Worked All Counties Application". It is used to request an award for <u>yourself</u> when you feel you have completed all the necessary requirements for an intermediate level of an award <u>or</u> when you have completed all counties available for that same award (typically all 3,077 counties but all counties available for awards such as the US Presidents or Native American award would be less). It is also used to request a plaque <u>for yourself only</u> if you decide you desire to have a plaque when you have completed all available counties. (Plaques are not available for intermediate levels such as 500, 1000, etc.). Note: intermediate level requests should be submitted with a note in the freeform text entry field at the bottom of the form indicating what intermediate level is being applied for since there is no field in which to enter that information.

The first seven fields of information on the form must be filled in or the program will halt processing. The first five of those fields are about you (the applicant) and fields six and seven pertain to the person with whom you made your last contact and the date of that contact. Fields 8-11 pertain to the award you are applying to receive. The first three of those are required and the last one is optional.

In the "Payment Information" section, if you have sufficient funds already "on account" with the Awards Secretary to cover the cost of this award, simply put "On account" in fields 12 and

13. If you don't have available funds on account, then enter the requested information for those fields and actually send the necessary funds via check or money order to the Awards Secretary at the address listed on the bottom of the form. (NOTE: do not send cash via mail – it will not be accepted). The check or money order must be made payable to "Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club" to satisfy bank requirements for deposit. Do <u>not</u> make it payable to the abbreviation "MARAC" or to the Awards Secretary personally.

Field 14 is labeled "Plaque?" – this pertains only to whether you want to receive a personal plaque for this particular award. It does not apply to a last county plaque for the person who gave you the last needed contact. That plaque is handled on the Last County Application form described below. Field 15 requires that you enter the cost of the award. There is a link below the field that will display current certificate and plaque costs for both members and non-members of MARAC. Check the CH database on the MARAC website to see if you are still an active member as of the date of application in order to be eligible for the "member" rate. If not, you may wish to renew your membership prior to submitting the application or you might incur additional costs for a plaque which exceed the annual dues rate. For all applications using this form, a log is required to be sent to the Awards Secretary which supports the application. This may be pasted into the window at the bottom of the application form or it can be emailed as an attachment directly to the Awards Secretary. Note: The application will not be processed until a log file is received, so be prepared to paste it in or send it via email to the Awards Secretary immediately before or after filling out the form so it will not hold up processing of this and other award applications. If using email, please use a title such as "Log file attached for application for XXXXXX award" (where XXXXXX is the title of the award).

2. Last County Application (LC1 and LC2)

The second sub-tab below Awards is labeled "Last County Application (LC1 and LC2)" which is the form to be used when sending either of the following:

- ☐ LC1 Last County award to an operator that gave you a last county in one state
- ☐ LC2 Last County award to an operator that gave you a last county in the USA (known as the "Whole Ball of Wax"/WBOW)

If someone gives you your last contact in a state for a particular award, it is only proper (and expected) that you would acknowledge this with a thank you submission of an LC1 award for giving you that county. LC1 awards have no cost to the sender (since October 1, 2015) and it encourages more mobile activity from the receivers because the mobiles can get free RoadRunner awards from the club for every 25 last county (LC-1) awards they receive.

The format of the Last County application form is different from the Worked All Counties form. Here, each field is labeled with a field number shown as "Box XX" where XX is the unique field number from 1 to 23 as well as a descriptive title for the field which identifies the expected content of each field. Below the bottom of the actual form, there is a help reference document which is called "Instructions" that gives a description of the expected content for each field. The entry in Box 20 designates whether you are submitting an LC-1 or LC-2 award. The default in this field shows the choice of LC-1 as the award type. However, if you are submitting an LC-2, click the down arrow symbol on the right side of the entry field which will bring up a list of both LC-1 and LC-2 options – then select the LC-2 option. When filling out the form, boxes 2, 7, 8, 18, 19, 21, and 22 do not have to be completed unless you are submitting an LC-2 award.

Prior to beginning entry in the form, count up the total number of LC awards you intend to enter at one time which is referred to as a "session". It is suggested that you limit a session to a reasonably small number that you can enter without leaving the computer for a long period of time in the middle of a session. Enter the estimated total in Box 6 on the form. Once you enter data in boxes 1 – 6, that information stays intact for the remainder of the session, but the data in Box 5 is incremented automatically by the system as you finish each individual entry. Boxes 9 – 17 are required fields and comprise the contact data for each LC-1 that is unique to that particular contact. Once a state is selected in Box 15, click the "Load Counties" button to the right of Box 15 to cause the system to load the list of counties for that state in the drop down list for Box 16 where you then select the specific county for the contact. Endorsements in Box 18 and 19 are not necessary for an LC-1, so you can leave the default in 18 and skip 19. For submission of LC-2 awards, you must ensure that LC-2 is selected in Box 20, a choice of whether a plaque is requested for the person who gave you the last contact for the entire USA is made in Box 21, and the engraving for the award plate is entered in Box 22 (limited to 40 characters). (See the help document below the bottom of the form if more info is needed. Any notes to the Awards Secretary can be made in Box 23 such as "Payment sent on MM/DD/YY via US mail" (limited to 50 characters).

After each individual award entered during the session, click the "View Application" button at the end of the form. The screen will change to a summary of the data field labels and the data submitted for each one for your verification before actually submitting the data. After verifying that it is correct, then click the choice to submit the data. The award number in this session (Field 5) will be incremented and the Contact Data section will be reset to default entries for you to enter the next award. Make out checks or money orders payable to "Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club" and send payments to Phil Yasson, AB7RW at the address shown at the bottom of the form.

MARAC Awards Committee



N5MLP - Ron Clift, Marac Awards Manager

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Treasurer's Report (W7OLY) February 2018*

Beginning Account Balances February 13, 2018

\$24,407.69

Income:

Money Market Interest	\$0.72
Awards Secretary Income	\$0.00
Misc. Income	\$0.00
Membership Income	\$327.36
Logger Distribution	<u>\$0.00</u>

Total Income: \$328.08

Other Expenses:

Awards Secretary Expenses	\$0.00
Misc. Expenses (1)	\$20.30
(2)	\$434.20
Office Expenses (Postage, Etc.)	<u>\$78.74</u>

Total Expenses: \$533.24

Net Income Less Expenses

(\$205.16)

New Total Cash Balance ALL Accounts:

\$24,202.53

Total Cash All Accounts:	
Money Market Account Balance	
Checking Account Balance	

\$15,123.40 **\$24,202.53**

\$ 9,079.13

Notes:

- (1) Reimburse W0MU for EasyCGI Backup
- (2) Reimburse K7DM 2018 Simply Voting service



^{*} Includes Transactions posted through 2/9/2018

^{*} The \$1,500.00 Awards Secretary Funds are not included in the above balance.

[#] From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC Total Funds at the end of August should be discounted by \$5,985.15. This amount is a Deferred Liability of award fees pre-paid by members. After discounting, our true (spendable) Cash Assets are \$18,217.38.

Events

4/7	MS QP
4/7	MO QP
4/7	TX STATE PARKS ON THE AIR
4/8	NA SSB SPRINT
4/9	4 STATES QRP
4/14	NM QP
4/14	ND QP
4/14	GA QP
4/15	ARRL SSB ROOKIE ROUNDUP
4/21	NB QP
4/21	MI QP
4/28	10-10 SPRING DIGI
4/28	FL QP
10/3/18	50 TH NATIONAL (NO LINK)



ONLY START DATE SHOWN

CLICK ON EVENT TO GO TO THAT WEB SITE

Awards Committee

These MARAC members are serving on the Awards Committee:

Awards Manager - Ron Clift (N5MLP)

Robert Woody - N8KIE

Tony Mazzocco -WA9DLB

Robert Hallock - K7TM

Bob Voss - N4CD

Jack Jacobs - WD4OIN

The County Line Roadrunner MARAC Secretary PO Box 500 Yelm, WA 98597

"A Road Runner Is A Very Fast Bird"

Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25th!

Board of Directors

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