

**PREZ REPORT...** 

By Ed, K8ZZ

I want to thank all the Board members and volunteers for your time, talent and expertise you have so freely given to MARAC this past year. I thoroughly appreciate your willingness to actively participate in so many new ventures MARAC has improved on this past year. You all have made a difference with your new ideas and participation. Your enthusiasm and improvements to MARAC has not gone unnoticed.

A special shout out to Vice President Kraig, KA2LHO, for all his special talents and knowledge of his position. His willingness to step up and keep MARAC on track in a professional manner as I have and continue to roam around the country putting out counties has been outstanding and appreciated.

Again, thank you all for your time, talents and special expertise in so many areas. Thanks to all the members, who have faith in our decisions and your support in MARAC membership fees. The best of Holiday greetings to all of you.

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Ed, K8ZZ

# We're Back!!!

By Kraig, KA2LHO

After an unsuccessful search for a Roadrunner editor due to the sudden passing of David, I am glad to share that Kerry Long, W4SIG has stepped up to take this on. Please take a moment and send a note of thanks to Kerry for bringing back this important vehicle for communications.

I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday season in whatever manner you celebrate. We had family from up north come to spend a week with us and experience Florida "winter" weather for their first time. Well down here they think it is cold when the temps reach 70 degrees F. Not me!!!

Have spent several decades in the Syracuse, New York winters, I am still in short sleeves and short pants (except for church then long pants) until we drop into the 40's. Then I may put on a long sleeve shirt for a few hours until it gets back into the 50's!!!

During the lapse, the team has continued to keep things moving forward. You can now pay for awards and plaques via PayPal just like membership renewals. Use the PayPal link on the membership renewal page and place details about the award for which you are sending money. This should include at least your call and all specifics about the award. It is better to have too much information than not enough. This is the ONLY method that we have setup to pay for awards via PayPal.

Thanks to K0DEQ and AB7RW for facilitating this process and making the entire awards financial piece much more efficient.

Good news, a National Convention is in the works for 2020. Look for information in this issue for more details. Thanks to Donna, AG6V for taking on this task.

I have been on the air less frequently as of late since I am back among the employed. I was asked by my church to coordinate the children and youth ministry in a part time role. I love working with kids and this is my church, so I said sure!!! It is one of those 40+ hour part time jobs but I am having fun so that is all good.

I do hope to get a county/park trip out in a few months out through the Florida panhandle to give out some needed counties. Additionally, it will be an attempt to complete my goal of ham operations from 100 Florida State Parks. I am currently at 90 so a few days of counties and parks should provide some help to folks.

Hope to hear you out there.

Kraig, KA2LHO, and his new friend!



# A Message from your new Roadrunner Editor

By Kerry W4SIG

MARAC Members, thank you for allowing me to step in as the new *Roadrunner* newsletter editor! It will be impossible to replace Dave, KU4YM, and his many years of serving in this position. He did a fantastic job at compiling articles, pictures, etc for our enjoyment. While I am a rookie at this I assure you I will do my best to bring you all the MARAC and county hunting news that I can. But I can only do it with your help! I need and welcome submission of articles, whether they be pages long or just a paragraph with your thoughts. Feel free to send pictures of your mobile rig, home shack, mobile trip, or anything else you think we might find interesting. We are on a fun journey in the county hunting quest and none of can do it alone. Let's work together to make the *Roadrunner* better than ever!

Submissions are due by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month for me to compile and edit them. For ease of editing, please send articles in Microsoft Word format. Thanks!



Kerry, W4SIG

## **MARAC National Convention**

### October 25-26-27, 2020

## Portland, OR

By Donna, AG6V

### SAVE THE DATES !

The National Convention is ON! Join your fellow County Hunters in October, 2020 in Portland Oregon at the Red Lion Inn at Jantzen Beach. Website: ag6v.com/MARAC

The dates are Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The evening banquet will be on Tuesday evening. Besides the banquet (with the traditional prize drawings), there will be self-guided tours of:

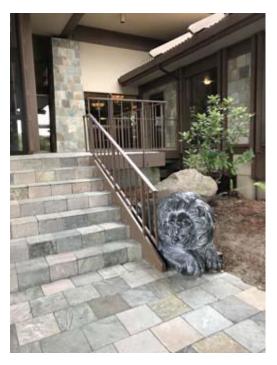
- Powell's Bookstore (a whole city block, multiple stories, of books!)
- Ham Radio Outlet in Portland (no further description needed!)
- Bob's Red Mill store and restaurant
- A yarn crawl of Portland's great craft locations

We'll also have a day of amateur radio related presentations and discussions, such as "Know Your Mobile". And we have confirmed an astronaut from NASA to talk about communications with space – unless NASA sends her back to space that month!

The Red Lion Inn at Jantzen Beach sits right on the Columbia River, and has a full-service restaurant as well as a bar under one roof with all the hotel rooms and the meeting room.

> The Front Entrance of the Red Lion Inn. (A ramp is also available just to the left of this photo.)

Room reservations must be made no later than Friday October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 to get the MARAC discounted rate. Single and double rate for a standard room is \$121. Discounted rates for "Premium View" rooms and "Suites" are also available. These rates apply for the convention dates, as well as three days before and after the convention. Phone (503) 283-4466 or reserve a room via the link on the website at ag6v.com/MARAC/hotel.html.



#### MARAC ROADRUNNER



A room on the second floor, overlooking the pool and the Columbia River.

There are several RV parks close by, for those who do not wish to stay in the hotel.

This event is being organized by Donna Hinshaw, AG6V, Pacific Region Director. Please direct all questions to her at <u>ag6v@arrl.net</u> But first, check out the website.

**WEBSITE**: <u>http://ag6v.com/MARAC</u> with lots of information on the schedule, prizes, travel details, photos and registration, updated as more details are finalized:



# **See You THERE !**

Donna, AG6V

## **Christmas Wishes**

By Kerry, W4SIG

Hoping everyone had a great Christmas holiday with family and friends. What was on your ham radio Santa wish list? Here is what I came up with, courtesy of legendary cartoonist Gil Gildersleeve, W1CJD, and the December 1952 edition of *QST* magazine.



By Kerry, W4SIG



To bring in the New Year of County Hunting we should have a picture of a New Year's 2020 baby, right? Well, the one KN4Y sent me of Gator in his birthday suit wasn't suitable for printing, so we will have to do with my future ham/county hunter grandson! Hi!

## HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!

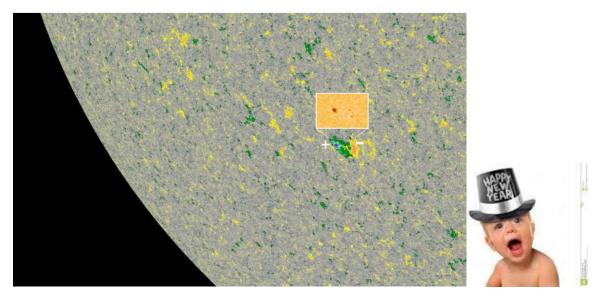


## **HOPE for the New Year!**

Courtesy of Bob N4CD-County Hunter News December 2019 Edition

Want something to brighten your New Year spirits? How about this goodie from N4CD....

Nov. 1, 2019: Breaking a string of 28 spotless days, a new sunspot (AR2750) is emerging in the sun's southern hemisphere–and it's a member of the next solar cycle. A picture of the sunspot is inset in this magnetic map of the sun's surface from NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory:



If forecasters are correct, Solar Cycle 25 sunspots will eventually dominate the solar disk, bringing a new Solar Maximum as early as 2023.

Not getting our hopes for better propagation too high, but at least it's something of a start of the new Solar Cycle! Gotta be positive that 20 meters will come back soon!



Bob, N4CD

# **ELECTION TIDBITS**

By Mary, AB7NK

Voting for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter is right around the corner. Remember, when voting, the Net Control award has been replaced with the Mobile Assist of the Year for both SSB & CW.

Voting will be held January 6<sup>th</sup> thru January 21, 2020. All MARAC members in good standing will receive a ballot directly from Simply Voting. If you **do not** receive a ballot, check your junk file, notify me and one will be resent. Once you have reviewed your choices, remember to click on **CONTINUE** and **CONFIRM** 

During the voting timeframe you will receive two reminder emails from Simply Voting. If you vote when the first email is sent, you will not receive any reminders.

If you have voted and receive a reminder email from Simply Voting, it means your ballot was <u>not</u> submitted properly. Go ahead and fill out the ballot and be sure to click on CONTINUE and CONFIRM. This should take care of any issues.

Be sure to read the instructions prior to entering your selection for each category. Verify your choices before submitting your ballot. *Please use CALLSIGNS only.* 

You will be voting for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place for each of the categories listed below. This is for mobile activity during the months of October thru December 2019.

- SSB Mobile of the Year
- CW Mobile of the Year

Team of the Year

SSB - Mobile Assist of the Year

CW – Mobile Assist of the Year

If you have any questions, please let me know. If I don't know the answer, I'll find out and we'll both know.

Mary – AB7NK MARAC Election Coordinator ab7nk@arrl.net

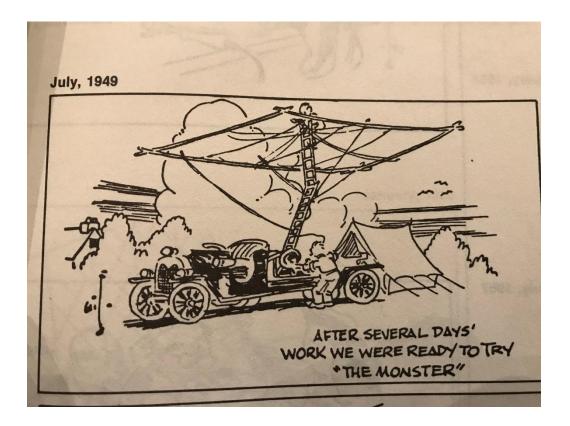


Mary, AB7NK

## **Did You Hear the News?**

By Kerry, W4SIG

Rumor has it that the Super mobile team of Neil (K7SEN) and Mary (AB7NK) have been working on a fantastic new mobile setup. I've been trying to imagine what their Monster will be like, especially considering Neil's antenna expertise. Here is the official layout, courtesy of Gil and the July 1949 edition of *QST*.



# **FT4 Digital Mode Update**

By Al, N1API

### The ARRL Has Added FT4 To It's List Of Logbook Of The World Awards

With the release of the public version of the FT4 protocol by the WSJT-X team, the ARRL has added FT4 to it's WAS Award Endorsements.

The ARRL released the following announcement on July 24 2019:

"ARRL's Logbook of The World has been updated to embrace FT4 contacts for the Digital Worked All States award — one of many digital WAS Endorsements. This follows the WSJT-X Development Group's July "general

availability" release of WSJT-X 2.1.0. No other endorsements are under consideration at this time".

"LoTW users are currently able to upload all FT4 contacts they have made. While the FT4 Digital WAS Award Endorsement functions are now active, award processing and fulfillment remain pending the availability of the new endorsement sticker. Watch ARRL News for this and other updates".

When checking your WAS Awards you will see the following:

	WAS Award	New LoTW QSLs	LoTW QSLs in Process	WAS Credits Awarded	Total
	<u>Digital</u>	50	0	0	50
	<u>FT4</u>	2	0	0	2
	<u>FT8</u>	50	0	0	50
Γ	<u>JT65</u>	26	0	0	26
	<u>OLIVIA</u>	1	0	0	1
	PSK31	40	0	0	40
	<u>RTTY</u>	50	0	0	50

The FT8 and FT4 digital modes presents new opportunities for mobiles who want to do digital mode but find it hard to deal with the pile up of operators calling. Because the mobile can choose its operating frequency and the hunters can also find a clear frequency the pileup is spread out over a wider band spread.

For example using 14.068 as a base frequency if the mobile calls using 500 Hz as it's transmit frequency your actual transmit frequency is 14.067. If the caller chooses a 1000 Hz calling shift he is calling on 14.0675. Operators can choose an offset up to 3000 CPS which is 14.0695. There is no reason or advantage of everyone being on the same transmit offset.

The mobile is not piled up on and can pick off the calling stations much more easily than everyone piled on one frequency.

The new FT4 mode is faster than FT8 and with it gives county hunters working on the 5 mode award a new mode to work, and just may be that elusive 5th mode.

The mobile also has the choice of working the Fox and Hound mode, though unless you have hundreds of callers the standard mode will be just as effective. The mobile can use the "free text message" to announce its next mode or move.

Short messages like "NOW SSB" "NOW CW" "NOW QSY 40 M" can be sent. They can be stored and easily recalled.

Using the RR73 message shortens the transmission cycle and when the called station sees the LOG QSO window you know you've made the contact and there is no need to work an insurance contact.

The biggest advantage of FT4 and FT8 is that it is called a weak signal mode. Anyone who has worked FT8 or FT4 from home has seen its advantages especially when the bands are not in good condition. The WSJT-X modes have given new life to many who are apartment dwellers or have less than optimum antennas and stations.

FT8 as been used by "rovers" in the VHF contest to work different grids. So who will be the first county hunter to work FT8 or FT4 from the mobile?



Al, N1API

## **DATELINE CW**

By: Ed, KN4Y

### If you were Queen of Counties, and I King of Hunters. We'd hunt as Royal County Hunters in a NEW YEAR!

I am sitting at my desk in the radio shack, the heater thermostat at 75 degrees. I am thinking here is another New Year, many new adventures when out county hunting, new MARAC conventions, new amateur radio awards, I glance at the mirror, but not a new me, same old, same old. I am jolted back to reality when I hear Gator downshift and slide to a stop at the recycled railroad tie. Gator does the red neck hip slide out of the truck cab then reaches into the back and grabs a large white cardboard container. He stops at the mailbox box, grabs the mail and enters the radio shack.

He tosses the mail on the desk, "Happy New Year Dude, ready for new adventures in a new year?" Gator opens the white cardboard container and hands me a ultra-sized latte and says, "Enjoy this circle of love," and hands me a donut covered with sparkles of many colors. I laugh, I never thought of a donut as a circle of love. We sip the latte and consume the circle of love.

Gator turns on the computer and his eyes open wide, "Dude did you know Hollis, W4MPY, the guy that printed QSL cards for amateur radio operators and county hunter Jerry, K5YAA." I shake my head, "No Gator I did not know Hollis but he printed many of my QSL cards." I show Gator my mobile QSL I ordered from Hollis when I used when I lived in Franklin County. "I did know Jerry, K5YAA he was a MARAC member and I worked him mobile and in contests from the year 2000 to 2017." We turn the volume down on the radio, dim the lights and bow our heads as Gator recites The Shepherd's Psalm.

Gator leans back, sips his latte, and suddenly spits out latte. "Dude you will not believe this but that Kerry Dude, W4SIG, is taking on the role as the MARAC Roadrunner Captain Bird or commonly called the newsletter coordinator." I almost fall out of my chair, "Gator are you kidding me?" Gator wipes off the computer screen, "No really Dude I have the announcement on the computer screen." We bow our heads; we wish Kerry the best and Gator recites the verse Isaiah 44:28. (Stay tuned for further developments.)

"Dude, I just read your email and you received a Last County Award from Barry, N0KV, for when you operated mobile in Lafayette County, Florida. Did you Thank Barry?" I sip my latte, "No Gator, not yet, but I have it on my bucket list."

"Dude I almost forgot to ask you, how was your trip to the Florida Senior Games in Broward County?" I take a big sip of my latte, "Well Gator it was a great adventure the weather was great and, on the way, to Fort Lauderdale I operated from 16 Florida counties and made 180 QSO's. I hope everyone that needed one of the counties worked me. I also operated in the ARRL 160-meter contest parked in the motel parking lot. It was not as successful as I had hoped. I could not load the vertical antenna below 1820 MHz. I had no problem loading above that frequency. I replied to stations calling CQ but only a few stations heard my signal, I tried for 3 hours and made only 9 QSO's when my hand started cramping a good excuse to shut down the radio and go watch television in the motel. I plan to see what will be required to upgrade or get a different mobile 160 meter vertical."

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Gator laughs, "Well Dude at least you had fun now the big question, how did you bowl?" I take a sip of my latte "Well Gator my partner and I did not bowl well enough in doubles to get a medal, but in singles I won the GOLD medal. I reach into my pocket, take out the GOLD medal and hang it around my neck like the Olympic guys do. Gator smiles, "Awesome Dude, where you the only bowler in your age class?" I give Gator the finger, lean back and finish my latte. We both have a good laugh.

"Gator, I was part of the Florida Contest Group list of stations operating in the ARRL ten-meter contest. Check out my score." I sip my latte as Gator looks at the computer logging module, "Well Dude, you made 189 QSO's with 29 Multipliers for a score of 21924. Is that good?" I shake my head yes, "Considering how dead ten meters has been lately I feel good about the score." Gator motions to me, "Dude over the years of you running ten meter and verifying the county worked you may have worked every county that has a radio operator. The reason I say this is I looked up the 198 calls on QSZ and you only got one new county on ten meters. Awesome." I shake my head in agreement, "Gator ten meters was the only band I operated on for years, so that makes sense."

"Well Dude I know the men's seniors and Woman's senior bowlers participated at the same time period, did you meet any senior chicks" I laugh, "Gator, I would not say senior chicks but elderly bowlers with bowling skills accumulated over the years." Gator laughs, "The big question is how do you seem to know about their other skills... Gators cell phone goes CQ, CQ, CQ, Gator answers, Dang it Dude I have to get back to the back forty there is a Vermiculturist setting up a tent next to the stream. He is gone like a CW county hunter after finishing a county run on the County Hunters Net. I hear Gator yell; Bye-bye King Kong Bundy.

The printer starts and then stops, I extract the printout listing the mobile county hunters that checked into the county hunter's CW call frequencies during the month of December.

I read: AB7NK, AI5P, K4YT, K8ZZ. KA4RRU, KB6UF, KN4Y, N4CD, NF0N and W4SIG.

The year starts with the ARRL Kid Day on sideband, this our future. Then the Old New Year Contest where in the exchange is the sum of your age and your years on the air, going to hear some large numbers? The only QSO party this month is the North American CW QSO party. Maybe you want some DX? try the LZ Open Contest. Need some counties on six meters work the ARRL VHF Contest or maybe lower your frequency and do the CQ 160-meters CW Contest

The month ends with the Winter Field Day operation. SPARC, the local amateur radio club with be operating from the Love Fire Fighter's training Field and using the club call K4WAK on CW, Sideband and computer. If you hear K4WAK give a call. I plan to operate the CW station.



QTH of Ed, KN4Y (watch for Gator's tire tracks!)

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## **AWARDS COMMITTEE**

### **Consolidated Article – August, 2019 to January, 2020**

Since the last newsletter was published in early July, 2019, this edition covers major awards results and announcements for the period including July through December of 2019. The winners of the annual awards were published on the MARAC website in August but were not published in a previous edition of the newsletter. Therefore, they are shown below:

### **County Hunter of the Year (CHOTY) Results:**

Nominations for the SSB and CW categories for this award were solicited from the membership in early 2019. Nominations were routed through the District Directors who selected nominees to forward to the Awards Committee for review. The three nominees for the SSB category were placed on an electronic ballot and voted on by the membership in the month of June. Results of the electronic vote were compiled by the Election Coordinator and forwarded to the Awards Manager. The winners of the CHOTY awards in 2019 are as follows:

2019 MARAC County Hunter of the Year (CHOTY) Award Winners				
Award Title	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	
CHOTY - SSB	AB7NK	КСЗХ	N8KIE	
CHOTT - SSB	Mary Vince	Hollis Thigpen	Robert Woody	
	AB7RW	N/A*	N/ / A *	
CHOTY - CW	Phil Yasson	N/A*	N/A*	
* There was only one nomination for CW. Therefore, no election was necessary and				
there are no 2nd or 3rd place w	inners.			

#### Congratulations to all of these 2019 CHOTY winners!

### Mobile and Net Control of the Year Results:

Members who were current on their dues were given an opportunity to vote online in several separate votes for different periods of activity for those they felt were most deserving of the following awards:

- Mobile of the Year SSB
- Mobile of the Year CW
- Mobile Team of the Year
- Net Control of the Year SSB
- Net Control of the Year CW

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The Election Coordinator conducted all of the online ballots during the year and combined the results of the various voting periods to determine the overall winners. Those results were forwarded to the Awards Manager and the winners are as follows:

2019 MARAC Annual Mobile and Net Control Award Winners				
Award Title	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	
Mobile of the Year - SSB	AB7NK	N8OYY	KC6AWX	
Woble of the real - 555	Mary Vince	Edward Messenger	Bob Devine	
Mobile of the Year - CW	N4CD	K8ZZ	W4SIG	
Woble of the real - CW	Bob Voss	Ed Eklin	Kerry Long	
	AB7NK/K7SEN	KBOBA/NOXYL	KA9JAC/KB9YVT	
Mobile Team of the Year	Mary/Neil Vince	Lowell/Sandra Tennyson	Bob Gedemer/Ann Heimann	
Net Control of the Year - SSB	KZ2P	WY8I	WY0A	
Net control of the fear - 55b	Jim Grandinetti	Jim Odam	Butch Porter	
Net Control of the Year - CW	KODEQ	КСЗХ	WOGXQ	
the real - cw	Bill Morgan	Hollis Thigpen	Jerry Mertz	

Congratulations to all of these 2019 annual mobile and net control winners!

### Changes to Annual Awards for 2019 – 2020 period:

As noted in the April, 2019 issue of the Road Runner, the MARAC board of directors voted in March to delete the Net Control of the Year awards effective July 1, 2019 and replace them with new Mobile Assist of the Year awards for both SSB and CW. These are to recognize those individuals who help mobiles in each category of operation by one or more of the following:

a) announcing the mobile,

b) posting the mobile station's callsign, county name and state, and frequency on the spotting sites, and

c) assisting the mobiles with relays.

The membership began voting on who is deserving of the new awards after the first quarter of activity in July through September of 2019 was completed. Voting will be held after January 1st for the second (Oct – Dec) quarter.

### **Changes to Online Awards Application Forms and Processing:**

During the spring and in early July, K3IMC implemented some additional changes to the awards application forms and added a totally separate form dedicated to the Ran All State award which was not previously covered in the forms. His effort included rewriting the awards processing code to make the application processing much more efficient which reduces the amount of manual effort required. This should increase the speed and accuracy of awards processing. The Awards Secretary and I greatly appreciate all of the time Don spent in making these improvements to the awards processing software.

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### Awards Issued Between 6/24/19 and 12/27/19:

Awards Issued:				Roadrunner Awards Issued:			
	Date of Last				Date of Last		
Call	Contact	Award	Number	Call	Contact	Last County Count:	Number
NS2N	3/5/2013	Bingo II	104	KB6UF	7/17/2010	1550	2
WD40IN	11/15/2013	USA - Single Band - 20m	33	KB0BA	7/19/2019	350	60
W4SIG	4/30/2017	RAS* - IN - 1st Time	32	W4SIG	7/25/2019	575	34
W4SIG	1/8/2018	RAS* - AR - 1st Time	25	N8KIE	7/26/2019	1250	5
K3IMC	8/28/2018	Bingo II	105	N4CD	7/28/2019	2700	1
N5MLP	4/25/2019	USA - PA - N	23	N0XYL	7/29/2019	450	47
WQ7A	5/3/2019	RAS* - KS - 1st Time	35	AB7NK	7/30/2019	850	16
N4RS	5/5/2019	USA - Single Band - 30m	5	K8ZZ	8/14/2019	725	22
W4YDY	6/14/2019	USA - PA - N	24	W0GXQ	8/16/2019	1175	7
K8QWY	6/26/2019	Five Band - Level 2000	1	KC3X	9/14/2019	425	49
N8OYY	7/6/2019	Polaris (Cliff Corne Jr.)	481	K5GE	9/19/2019	600	30
AB4WL	7/9/2019	USA - Single Band - 40m	3	AB7NK	9/24/2019	875	16
AB4WL	7/10/2019	USA - Digital - Level 1000	18	AB7NK	9/27/2019	900	15
AB4WL	7/10/2019	County Chall Lev. 4000	1	AB7NK	9/25/2019	925	15
NF0N	7/11/2019	WAC** - 5th Time	118	K7SEN	9/27/2019	275	84
W1BQL	7/21/2019	RAS* - AK - 1st Time	22	WY0A	10/12/2019	50	362
K2JG	7/21/2019	RAS* - AK - 1st Time	23	K8ZZ	10/25/2019	750	22
KC6AWX	7/21/2019	RAS* - AK - 3rd Time	2				
W3CR	7/27/2019	WAC** - 9th time	11				
NF0N	7/28/2019	Bingo III	42				
N0XYL	7/28/2019	Master Gold	71				
KF4INA	8/11/2019	RAS* - AL - 1st Time	25				
K8ZZ	9/22/2019	USA - CW II	40				
WY0A	10/8/2019	Bingo	372				
WY0A	10/13/2019	WAC** - 2nd Time	442				
N9JF	12/1/2019	WAC** - 2nd Time	443				
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** Worked	* Worked All USA Counties						

Congratulations to all who received the awards listed above!

MARAC Awards Committee



N5MLP – Ron, N5MLP - MARAC Awards Manager

# **MARAC Treasurer's Report**

Submitted by Bill, K0DEQ

#### Nov 20, 2019 THROUGH Dec 19, 2019

Beginning Account Balance	\$25645.23			
Income: Savings Account Interest Awards Income Misc Income Membership Income Logger Distribution Income	\$ 20.00 216.77			
Total Income	\$236.77			
Expenses: Awards Expenses Misc. Expenses NOTE 1 Office Expenses (Postage, etc) Total expenses	\$ 85.89 4000.00 \$4085.89			
i otal expenses	24063.65			
Net Income Less Expenses	(\$3849.12)			
Cash Balance	\$21,796.11			
Checking Account Balance	\$ 4866.96			
Savings Account Balance	_16929.15			
Total all accounts	\$21,796.11			
Note 1 \$4000 Paid to AG6V for 2020 National Convention				

**Note 1** \$4000 Paid to AG6V for 2020 National Convention

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC cash balance shown above should be discounted by \$6124.15, which is the amount of award fees pre-paid by members. After subtracting this amount, the true (spendable) Cash Balance is \$15671.96.



Bill, KODEQ – MARAC Treasurer

### The County Line ROADRUNNER



"A Roadrunner Is A Very Fast Bird"

Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25th!

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