



THE COUNTY LINE **ROADRUNNER**

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Thoughts from the Board

By Kerry W4SIG, MARAC Southeast Division Director

Michigan is calling! Have you signed up yet for the MARAC Michigan mini April 21-24? Now is the time to get your reservations in. I am looking forward to seeing many of you there and catching up after a couple years of cooping up in the house.

During some of the cold, sheltering at home, moments I pondered all the amazing county hunting feats that have been accomplished throughout the years. I am humbled at the dedication of so many of you to achieve nearly impossible goals. Please read the article in this issue of the RoadRunner that I wrote highlighting many of them. Did I miss any out? What do you think is the greatest accomplishment by your fellow hunters? Send me some feedback, if you will, and I will share with the club.

This month, as things warm up a little, it looks like we have some really big mobile trips on the radar. I am going from Tennessee to Utah, W0GXQ is going to Minnesota, K8ZZ is headed to Minnesota as well, KB6UF is cruising around Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska, and Iowa. This is not to mention the opening of State QSO Party season. Other trips are also on the horizon, I am sure.

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MARAC needs you! As you can see in this issue, we have several openings that need to be filled by smiling faces. Please consider joining the Board in these positions. We can only function well if we have everyone on deck. Let any Board member know if you have any questions.

It's also close to the deadline for nominations for 2021 County Hunter of the Year. Get those nominations in quickly. Details in this issue. Board meeting is scheduled for March 14 with details to be posted on marac.org. Proposed changes to Master Gold Award will be discussed and voted upon. Happy hunting and keep the heater on, at least for a few more months....See you in Michigan!!!

2022 MARAC Michigan Mini

By Kerry W4SIG

Everything is set for the 2022 MARAC Michigan Mini in Traverse City, Michigan! Dates are April 21-23. For details on the shindig run by MARAC President, Ed **K8ZZ**, please go to the marac.org website. This annual event has been postponed for several years and it will be great to see everyone there next Spring!! Special guest and presenter will be Logger II creator, Don, **K3IMC!**

Ed **K8ZZ**



2022 MARAC National Convention

<http://ag6v.com/MARAC/>

The 2020 National Convention is set for the *Fall of 2022* !

checkin: Sunday October 2nd, 2022
to
checkout: Thursday October 6th, 2022

Best Western Gran Tree Inn, Bozeman, MT
1325 North 7th Ave. Bozeman, MT 59715
(406) 587-5261



BOOK BEFORE AUG. 1 2022 for the discount



Many details on the website:
<http://ag6v.com/MARAC/>

All rooms \$109. Working on the banquet meals this month – registration will open after that.

You can book your room now; no fee cancellations. No special code word for the discount, just say you are with the MARAC convention.

Submitted by Donna Hinshaw, **AG6V**. Please direct all questions and comments to [ag6v at arrl dot net](mailto:ag6v@arrl.net)



Convention Planner Donna, AG6V

Most Amazing County Feat Ever?

By Kerry W4SIG

I started my county hunting mobile journey back in 1978. Throughout the years I have set some pretty incredibly difficult awards goals for myself. I am sure that you have too. It still amazes me what county hunters set out to accomplish and the mountain they have set before them to climb. When I think I have really accomplished something in this hobby, I am quickly reminded and humbled at what some of my friends in this crazy world of county hunting have already accomplished! As soon as I remind myself of one hill that has been climbed, I recall yet another and another. I ask myself, "what is the greatest county hunting achievement to date"? Here are some of my favorites...

Ran all counties mobile: Are you kidding me?? Last I checked there are 3077 of them, with a few way out in the Pacific Ocean and several more above the frozen tundra of the Arctic Circle! Yet, here we are, with 18 hams, with **K3IMC** being the most recent, who have spent thousands of hours on the road, thousands in dollars on gas, hotels, and plane flights, and countless hours planning, navigating, and logging all those county runs. Did you now that we even have **N4CD** who did it, started all over again, and finished a second time around? Unbelievable! I think **K8ZZ** would be the next to approach this milestone...

Worked all counties on a single band/mode: As many of you realize, once you have obtained USA-CA you have probably worked the majority of counties on 20 or 40 meters. But how about striving to work them ALL on a single band? This can be difficult, especially if you need 20 meter contacts on neighboring counties. Some have waited years for unique band conditions while others have traveled away from home to enable them to work counties close to home! Then how about the "other" bands? 30, 17, 80, etc? **KC3X** and **K8QWY** are the only holders of 5-Band-Counties Award for 2000 counties, with **KC3X** having accomplished the 3000 county level!! Amazing!

W0GXQ was the first to complete them all on 30m back in 2006. **N4AAT** was the first to get all 3077 on 40m in 2011. **AC2J** was the first to get all counties on 20m back in 2005. And **K5GE** finished them all on 17m in 2015.

Did you know that two MARAC members have worked all counties on 2 meters??? Yep, **N8KIE** and **N8RLJ** accomplished this while running all counties mobile together. What a team!!

Working them all on a single mode sounds challenging, but how about all on one mode multiple times??? **W0GXQ** has worked them all on CW 7 times!

Worked all counties QRP: Working them all is hard enough, but how about with 5 watts or less? **NN9K** accomplished this feat a few years ago! I can't imagine doing this now, especially with the band conditions the way they have been for years... But how about **WD3P** who did it TWICE all CW, the first time in 1996!

Worked all counties while mobile: Yes, this is a thing! 23 members have spent enough time on the road to accomplish this whopper.

Worked DXCC while mobile: This one, too, requires a lot of time in the mobile. But how about **N3AHA** who has worked over 320 DX entries from his sled!

Worked all counties multiple times: Well, here's one that is going to be hard to match. **KZ2P** has worked them all 19 times. Geesh!

Worked all counties with all prefixes: All "W", "K", "N", "A" prefixes? It used to be unfathomable to work all counties with stations with an "A" prefix. Now, the "W" seems almost as tough. Only 9 members have completed this extremely difficult goal, with **WQ7A** having just completed it last week.

Giving out over 2000 last counties: We all appreciate a last county from a mobile. As a way of thanking the mobile, MARAC makes it easy for us to apply for a Last County award for the mobile at no charge. Did you know **N4CD** has been awarded over 2,700 times? Unbelievable!

Working all counties and running mobile while blind: No, I am not making this one up. **WA6VJP** was a Korean War veteran and worked all counties, all CW, five times. He also gave out over 100 Last Counties running mobile while his wife drove. Ed was also an excellent CW Net Control for many years.

MARAC awards available but waiting for #1: Natural Bingo, USA-CA all digital, No Star, All 80 meters, All 15 meters, Bingo Cinco, XX Star etc.

Have I missed some unique and amazing county hunting feats? Probably so...send me your thoughts on some I may have overlooked or was not aware of. I would love to spread the word as we have some awesome county hunters in our midst and their tremendous accomplishments should be noted!



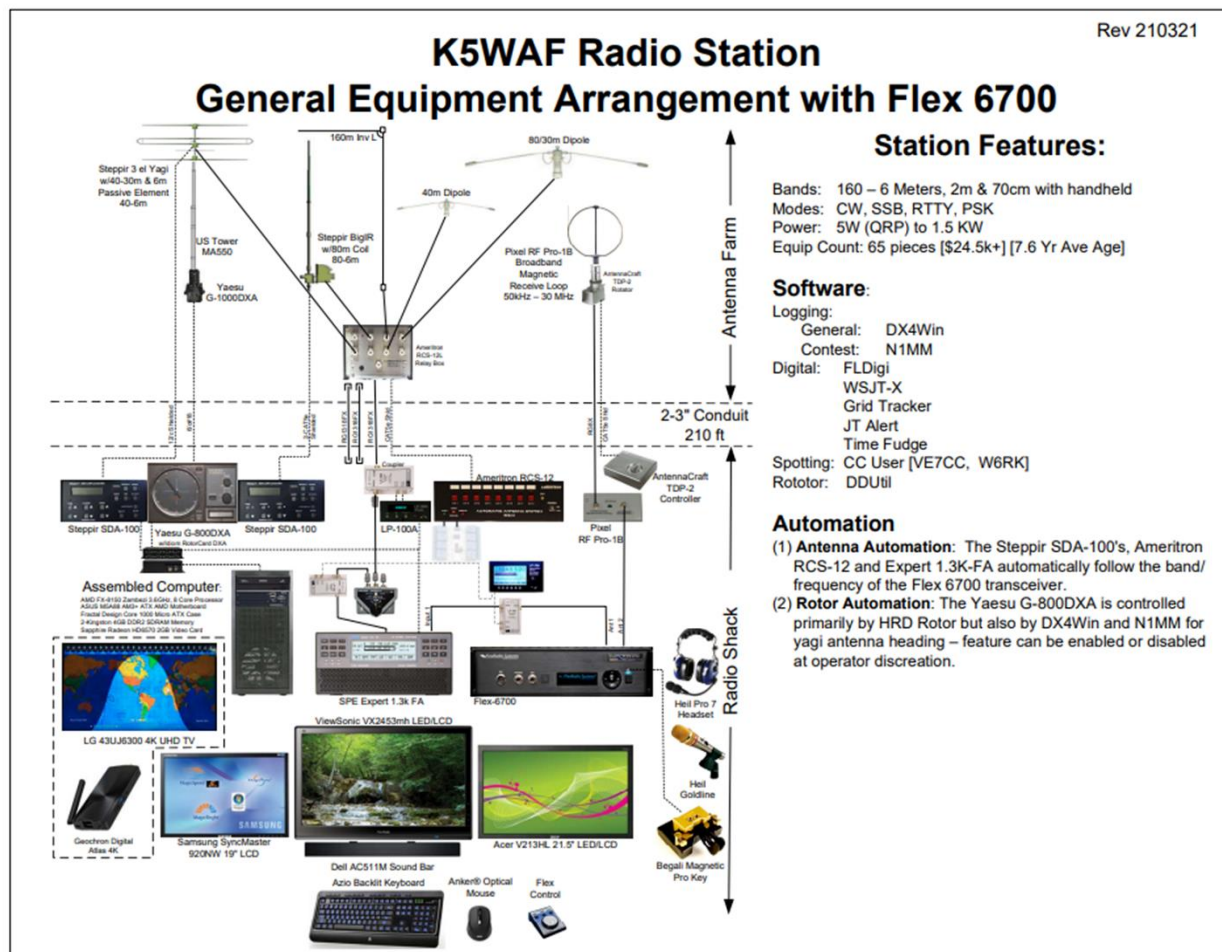
Kerry-W4SIG

Home and Mobile Shacks

This month featuring Bill-K5WAF

K5WAF





CHOTY Nomination Schedule for 2022

By Ron, N5MLP

Nominations are Now Open for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW

Nominations open February 1st for CHOTY for the 12-month period of activity ending January 31, 2022. Individuals who won a category in the prior two years (listed below) are ineligible to be nominated for that same category this year.

Deadline for Nominations from the Membership

The deadline for nominations to be received by the District Directors is **Wednesday, March 9th.**

Objective of the County Hunter of the Year Award

From the current rule for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW in MARAC’s Award Rules document (page 16), subsection “Objective”:

“To recognize members of MARAC who have made a significant overall contribution to MARAC and county hunting during the 12 months immediately prior to start of nominations for this award.”

Eligibility Requirements for this Year’s Nominees

As noted last year, the Board of Directors changed the Bylaws of MARAC concerning “Eligibility for MARAC Awards” in December, 2020 to read (in part) as follows:

“MARAC Awards are available to any licensed amateur radio operator anywhere in the world except that the **County Hunter of the Year**, Mobile Assist of the Year, Mobile Team of the Year, and Mobile of the Year Awards may only be received by a member of MARAC,”

Therefore, please ensure that anyone you might wish to nominate for County Hunter of the Year is a member in good standing of MARAC by checking their dues expiration date in their personal callsign account record in the CH Database located on the MARAC website. If their dues have expired or will expire within the next three months, they may not be eligible to receive the award.

Special Rules Pertaining to the CHOTY Award

From the current rule for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW in MARAC’s Award Rules document (page 16), subsection “Special Rules”:

“The recipients of this award are determined by an annual ballot of the MARAC membership. The vote is conducted before each annual meeting. The candidates for the award are nominated by MARAC District Directors.

Each District Director may select one nominee for each category (SSB/CW) to be placed on the ballot from among the nominees submitted by MARAC members from that Director’s district.

The District Director must receive nominations not later than the end of the fourth month preceding the annual meeting or by the deadline announced in the MARAC newsletter.

The District Director must forward his or her selection and reasons for the nomination to the Awards Manager by the middle of the following month.

If the Awards Manager receives more than three nominations for a category, the Awards Committee will select the three nominees for each category for the ballot.

If less than three nominations are received from District Directors, the Awards Committee may select additional nominees to bring the number of nominees for the ballot up to three.

Criteria for consideration for County Hunter of the Year include the following:

1. Quality and quantity of operating to provide Valid Contacts from multiple counties while in Mobile Operation or while assisting mobile county hunters as a Net Control Station (NCS) or assistant NCS.
2. Participation in MARAC activities and service to MARAC and the members of MARAC.
3. Other activities in support of county hunting.

4. Technical proficiency in design or usage or implementation of enhancements to mobile operation or county hunting net operations. Overall amateur radio general support in a manner consistent with good operation and advancement of the hobby.
5. Member qualification must be based on his/her activities during the previous 12 months, ending on the first day that nominations are accepted.
6. 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.
7. A member of MARAC may receive this award multiple times for each category, however, only once every three years for the same category.”

List of Recent Winners Ineligible for Nomination in the Same Category in 2022

With regard to criteria #7 above, members listed below who won a particular category in the previous two years are ineligible to be nominees for that same category in the current year:

| Year: | SSB | CW |
|-------|-------|------|
| 2020 | K7SEN | KC3X |
| 2021 | K0DEQ | K8ZZ |

Submission of Nominations

Nominations should be sent to the District Director of the district in which the proposed nominee resides. Below is information regarding which states are included in a particular MARAC district and the callsign/name of the Director of each district as well as the each director's email address.

| District: | Great Lakes | North Central | Northeast | Pacific | South Central | Southeast |
|--|-----------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
| Director: | NA8W Darl Deeds | NF0N Mike Nickolaus | N1API Al Kaiser | W0FLZ Paige Butler | KC5QCB Janet Camron | W4SIG Kerry Long |
| Director email address: | greatlakes (at)marac.org | northcentral (at)marac.org | northeast (at)marac.org | pacific (at)marac.org | southcentral (at)marac.org | southeast (at)marac.org |
| Note: Replace the characters "(at)" with the "@" symbol. No spaces before or after @. | | | | | | |
| States or international areas represented in that district: | PA, WV, OH, IN, MI, VE3 | IA, IL, MN, MT, ND, NE, SD, WI, WY, VE4, VE5, VE6 | CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, RI, VT, VE1, VE2, VE9, VY2, Europe | AK, AZ, CA, HI, ID, NV, OR, UT, WA, VE7, VE8, VY1, VY3, Asia, Pacific | AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, Central and South America | AL, DC, DE, FL, GA, KY, MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, Africa, Caribbean |

Documentation Needed in Nomination Submission

The nomination documentation should include:

1. a written justification of why this nominee should be awarded the County Hunter of the Year award for: a) the designated 12 month activity period (2/1/21 through 1/31/22), and b) the specific category (SSB or CW) that the nominee is being nominated for. If possible, it would be very helpful to members to know the quantity of activity during the 12 month period such as:
 - number of days of mobile activity by the nominee for this category
 - number of counties transmitted from (total for all trips)
 - number of bands typically transmitted from in each county for this category
 - number of miles driven (total for all trips)
 - total number of contacts made during the year on all bands/modes whether mobile, portable, or fixed (if using Logger subtract the first contact number on the 1st day of the period from the last contact number on the last day of the period).

That justification will eventually be published in the *RoadRunner* and on the electronic ballot if the individual is recommended by their District Director to be a nominee from that district for either the SSB or CW category.

2. A brief biography of the nominee pertaining to their participation in county hunting.

I encourage all members to participate in: a) nominating deserving members for this award, b) voting in the elections (if held), and c) congratulating the ultimate winners and runners-up after the results are announced.



N5MLP – Ron Clift, MARAC Awards Manager

Idaho QSO Party 2022

Kent, KV7N

The annual Idaho QSO Party will be held this year on the weekend of March 12 and 13, 2022.. As in the past two years, this year's contest is sponsored by the [Magic Valley Amateur Radio Club](#). There will be some significant changes in how you will submit your logs this year. Participation in the contest has grown substantially over the past two years. In 2021 the MVARC processed nearly 400 logs. Because of the growing participation the need has arisen to find a better and more efficient way of processing the logs. A process is being worked out now and all information on how to submit your log will be listed on the IDQP web (www.pocatelloarc.org/idahogsoparty) site as soon as the details are finalized. This is a very important step because any logs not meeting the proper criteria will have to be resubmitted until they are correct. This is necessary due to the time it was taking to process incorrectly submitted logs. We are looking forward to the contest again this year and want everyone to have a lot of fun. Here is the link to the Idaho QSO Party rules and information...

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Kelly Klaas

Ham Radio Operator K7SU

Woodworker

Voice Over for ads and audio books

MARAC Secretary Opening

By Kerry W4SIG

OPENING! SECRETARY FOR MARAC NEEDED

Our club has been fortunate to have Randy, K7TQ, serve as our Secretary for the last year. He has done an excellent and professional job for MARAC. He now has a need to step down, so we need someone to move in and fill his shoes. Training will be provided ☺

MARAC SECRETARY DUTIES:

- Is Elected by MARAC membership for a term of 2 years. Can volunteer to serve subsequent terms
 - Notifies Board members of date, time, and location of upcoming Board of Director meetings, along with proposed Agenda
 - Notifies MARAC webmaster prior to an official Board meeting so that notice can be created at least 7 days prior to a meeting
 - Notifies Board members of date and time of conference calls needed for discussing club business
 - Creates, from Board input, a meeting Agenda
 - Attends and participates in Board conference calls and official BOD meetings. Votes on motions made. Conference calls are usually monthly, official Board meetings are roughly 4 per year.
 - Takes the minutes during a Board of Directors Meeting
 - After each meeting, distributes a draft of the minutes for Board members to review. A final copy of these minutes should be attached to the agenda of the next Board meeting so that they can be voted upon for final approval. These minutes are then sent to the MARAC webmaster for posting on the marac.org website
 - Keeps a list of topics for Board discussion at each monthly conference call.
 - Either runs each meeting, or assigns another Board member to run it for him/her.
 - Gathers required reports from MARAC positions needed to create the Annual Report each July meeting. Distributes this annual report to the Board for approval. Then sends a copy to the webmaster for publishing on the MARAC website
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MARAC General Counsel Opening

By Bill, KODEQ

OPENING! GENERAL COUNSEL FOR MARAC NEEDED

MARAC GENERAL COUNSEL DUTIES:

The general counsel for MARAC is responsible for providing legal advice to the officers, directors and other officials of MARAC concerning the business and activities of the corporation.

This includes reviewing proposed contracts with the venue at which a MARAC meeting is to be held, as well as giving advice concerning communications received by MARAC relating to possible legal issues.

MARAC Publicity & Advertising Coordinator Opening

By Kerry W4SIG

**VOLUNTEER OPENING! MARAC PUBLICITY & ADVERTISING
COORDINATOR NEEDED**

A new position has officially been created by the MARAC Board. Might YOU be interested in volunteering for this new position? The intent is to promote county hunting and MARAC to increase involvement and membership.

MARAC Publicity & Advertising Coordinator duties:

- Advertise and promote MARAC and County Hunting to the Ham Radio community.
- Design posters, palm cards, and other promotional materials.

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- Oversee the creation of promotional materials for shows, magazines and clubs.
 - Actively promote County Hunting and MARAC on Social media as appropriate.
 - Recruit new County Hunters from those who are active on State QSO Parties.

MARAC Contest Manager Opening

By Kerry W4SIG

VOLUNTEER OPENING: MARAC CONTEST MANAGER NEEDED

Folks, it has been a few years since we have had a MARAC sponsored contest. For many years we had significant participation around the country with many new county hunters joining in. However, for various reasons, this contest has been a no-go for awhile. We would like to get it rolling again! We need a volunteer to chair the contest...could this be YOU??? Here are the requirements for the MARAC Contest Chairman position:

MARAC Contest Manager Duties:

- Shall be appointed by the MARAC Board
 - Shall spearhead MARAC sponsored contests, usually yearly
 - Shall create the rules for MARAC sponsored contests
 - Shall publicize in advance any upcoming MARAC sponsored contest in whichever means determined to be effective
 - Shall receive and calculate scores from submitted logs and announce winners
 - Shall mail results to everyone who submitted a log
 - Shall communicate to Awards Secretary the award recipients in order to have the awards created and mailed
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Final Countdown

Kerry-W4SIG

The following MARAC Members need less than 10 counties for the “Whole Ball of Wax”, also known as WBOW. Let’s give them a hand! If you have less than 10 to go in the entire country for any MARAC Award please send those needs to Kerry, W4SIG, for inclusion in this new monthly article. Please keep me updated as these lists dwindle so we have accurate info for mobiles that want to help you out.

K2MF- WBOW CW MOBILES

AK: 2ND, 4TH

HI: Hawaii, Honolulu

W4SIG/WBOW W PREFIX

AK: 1st, 2nd, **HI:** Kauai, **IN:** Spencer, **NH:** Coos, Sullivan, **NJ:** Hudson

W4SIG/WBOW 1X3 CALLSIGNS

AK: 2ND, 3RD, 4TH

W4SIG/WBOW 1X2 CALLSIGNS

ME: Aroostook, Piscataquis, Somerset, Waldo, **MA:** Dukes

W4SIG/WBOW ALL CW 3RD TIME

HI: Kalawao

W4SIG/WBOW BINGO III

HI: Kalawao

W4SIG- WBOW 40M Using CW Only

NJ: Ocean, **ND:** Griggs, McIntosh, **OR:** Crook, Curry, Grant, Wheeler, **TX:** Borden, **WA:** Kittitas

W4SIG – WBOW 20M Using SSB Only

IL: Clay, Putnam, Vermillion, **KS:** Leavenworth, **KY:** Campbell, Russell, Shelby, **OH:** Hamilton, Morrow, **PA:** Lehigh, **VA:** Cumberland, Nottoway

N4RS – WBOW 40m Using CW Only

AK: 2nd District

KC3X – WBOW 40 Meters

MT: Daniels, Pondera, Prairie, **OR:** Sherman

N5MLP – WBOW A Prefix

AR: Arkansas, **LA:** Grant, Vermillion, Vernon, **MS:** Issaquena, **TN:** Hardeman, Houston, Marshall, **VA:** Mathews, **WA:** Garfield

N5MLP—WBOW Bingo IV

AK: Fourth, **CA:** Lake, **HI:** Kalawao, **WA:** Columbia, Garfield

N0KV—WBOW K Prefix

ID: Teton, **NE:** Nance, **SD:** Haakon, **WV:** McDowell, **WY:** Goshen

N0KV—WBOW Mobile to Mobile

GA: Wheeler, **KY:** Knott, Larue, Menifee, **NC:** Catawba, Lee, **VA:** Lunenburg, Mathews

K4YT -WBOW 4th Time

HI: Kalawao

K4YT – WBOW 1x2 Calls

MS: Jefferson

K4YT – WBOW Mobile to Mobile

CA: Marin, Nevada, San Joaquin, Yolo, **MD:** Calvert, **OR:** Benton

K4YT – WBOW A Prefix

MS: Issaquena Sharkey **TN:** Perry. **VA:** Craig

K0MAF- WBOW USACA 1st Time

IA: Cherokee, Emmet, **KY:** Monroe **MN:** Pennington

NF0N—WBOW N Prefix

IA: Palo Alto, Winnebago, **ME:** Franklin, **MN:** Benton, **ND:** Griggs

W4YDY/ WBOW CW 2ND TIME

OR: Crook

W4YDY/WBOW A PREFIX

MS: Oktibbeha **OH:** Putnam **PA:** Philadelphia **VA:** Amelia, King William

W4YDY/WBOW W PREFIX

AK: First J. D. S E **NY:** Essex, Montgomery **OR:** Sherman **PA:** Tioga **SC:** Union **TX:** Dickens, Runnels, Somervell **VA:** Floyd

WA3QNT—WBOW MASTERS GOLD

AK: 2nd Dist **IN:** Morgan **PA:** Bucks **NY:** New York, Yates

NU0Q – WBOW MASTER GOLD

AK: 4TH District

NU0Q/ WBOW MASTER PLATINUM

IA: Franklin, Hamilton, **MD:** Worcester, **NJ:** Hunterdon, **OH:** Darke, **PA:** Cameron, Dauphin, Lebanon, Potter

K5WAF- WBOW SSB

GA: Rabun **WV:** Morgan

K5WAF- WBOW CW

GA: Crawford, **KY:** Magoffin, Todd, **NY:** Greene, **TX:** Houston, Karnes, Nacodoches

K4CGY- WBOW USACA

GA: Quitman, **ME:** Franklin, **MN:** Lake of the Woods

W9DC- WBOW MASTERS GOLD

AL: Bibb, **AK:** 3rd District, **TN:** Lawrence, **NC:** Scotland, **TX:** Swisher

W9DC- WBOW 5 STAR

AL: Bibb, **NC:** Gaston, Scotland, **TN:** Hamblen, **VA:** Buchanan

W9DC – WBOW 5th TIME

HI: Kalawao, **KY:** Elliott, Morgan, **LA:** La Salle, Union

NS2N – WBOW 6TH Time

GA: Crawford, **MT:** Lincoln, **TN:** Warren, **TX:** Houston, **VA:** Wise

NS2N – WBOW 20 Meters

IN Delaware, Marshall, **KY** Kenton, Woodford, **OH** Shelby, **PA** Wayne, **WV** Wetzel

W6OAT – WBOW First Time USA-CA

NY: Lewis, **KY:** Hickman, **AR:** Clark, **LA:** Avoyelles, **MI:** Alcona

Remember to keep me updated as you scratch off any of these that you need. I want to keep this list up-to-date. Many have completed their awards from this column as mobiles are aware of the few you may have to finish them up. Always glad to add YOUR needs to this column!

Awards Committee

Ron-N5MLP

Nominations for County Hunter of the Year – Deadline is March 9th

See the separate article in the February 2022 issue of the RoadRunner concerning the details pertaining to the nomination process for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW. The nomination period ends on Wednesday, March 9th.

Awards Issued January 25, 2021 through February 24, 2022

| Awards Issued: | | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------|-------|-----------|
| Call | Date of Last Contact | Award | Level | Cert. No. |
| K8ZZ | 1/7/2022 | RAS* - LA | | 30 |
| WY0A | 1/13/2022 | RAS* - WI | | 36 |
| WQ7A | 1/29/2022 | USA-PA - ALL | | 9 |
| WQ7A | 1/29/2022 | USA-PA - W | | 15 |
| K2MF | 2/7/2022 | USA-CW II | | 42 |

| Roadrunner Awards Issued: | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| Call | Date of Last Contact | L C Count: | Cert. No. |
| | | | |
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| Legend of Abbreviations: | | | |
| RAS* = Ran All State | | | |
| WAC* = Worked All USA Counties | | | |

MARAC Awards Committee



N5MLP – Ron Clift, MARAC Awards Manager

MARAC Treasurer's Report

Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club

Treasurer's Report (K0DEQ)

JAN 20 Through FEB 19, 2022

Beginning Account Balance \$18,821.78

Income:

Savings Account Interest \$ 5.99

Awards Income 50.00

Misc Income

Membership Income 97.37

Logger Distribution Income

Donation

Total Income \$ 133.36

Expenses:

Awards Expenses \$ 55.22

Misc. Expenses NOTE 1 557.29

Office Expenses (Postage, etc.)

Total expenses \$612.51

Net Income Less Expenses (479.15)

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|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Cash Balance | | \$18342.63 |
| Checking Account Balance | \$ 2,306.40 | |
| Savings Account Balance | _16,036.23 | |
| Total all accounts | | \$18,342.63 |

NOTE 1- \$332.29 Paid to Mercer Consumer for insurance premium; \$225 paid to K1YAG for booth at HamCation

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC cash balance shown above should be discounted by \$6393, which is the amount of award fees pre-paid by members. After subtracting this amount, the true (spendable) Cash Balance is \$11,949.63



Bill KODEQ- MARAC Treasurer

Silent Keys

By Kerry W4SIG

It is with sadness and respect that we note the passing of fellow county hunters. Prayers go out to their friends and family...

NT9V-Ed Dranchak, MARAC#2223, Ed was a great Net Control on the airwaves and put out over 250 Last Counties while mobile in the 1990s.

WB0PYF-Ray Myers, MARAC#4479, USACA#1256, Ray was a pleasure to visit with at the MARAC Conventions for many years. He also ran club station W9GHX, in honor of his grandfather who was one of the first licensed hams in Ohio. Ray traveled a lot and ran many counties, and he really loved it, mostly on cw. His wife Debbie drove him all over the country while Ray sat in his wheelchair and ran counties.

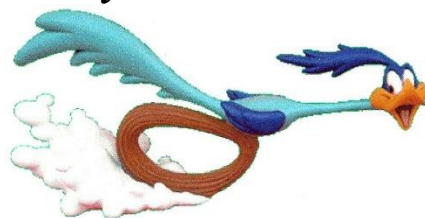
WA7ETH-Ed Empey, MARAC# 1768, Holder of the Polaris Award

2022 State QSO Parties

Courtesy of WA7BNM

Here is a look at March:

| | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Oklahoma | ± Oklahoma QSO Party | 1500Z, Mar 12 to 0200Z, Mar 13, 2022 and 1500Z-2100Z, Mar 13, 2022 |
| Idaho | ± Idaho QSO Party | 1900Z, Mar 12 to 1900Z, Mar 13, 2022 |
| Wisconsin | ± Wisconsin QSO Party | 1800Z, Mar 13 to 0100Z, Mar 14, 2022 |
| Virginia | ± Virginia QSO Party | 1400Z, Mar 19 to 0400Z, Mar 20, 2022 and 1200Z-2400Z, Mar 20, 2022 |

The County Line ROADRUNNER*“A Roadrunner Is A Very Fast Bird”*

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| Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25 th ! |
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Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club Leadership Team**Board of Directors**

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Dues with an Electronic copy of the Newsletter copy are \$10.00 per year, check or money order. Dues may also be paid via Pay-Pal and directed to treasurer@marac.org

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