



# THE COUNTY LINE ROADRUNNER

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## Thoughts from the Board

By Kerry, W4SIG Southeast Division Director

Wherever you are, we hope the winter weather hasn't been too severe for you this month. Spring is on the horizon! Several members have been in warmer weather for the season and have put out a lot of counties in the process. Hopefully, you have snagged some that you needed. The 17M and 15M bands have, again, been very active. On my recent runs from Tennessee to Louisiana these two bands way over performed the traditional 20m and 40M. Perhaps it is band conditions, or maybe many are on the pursuit of multiple band awards on these higher bands. Regardless, the mobile activity and conditions have been generally good as of late.

**KE4UP** has continued to slowly make his way back East from California. He is finishing up running all Texas and putting out counties almost daily on his trek home. Thanks, John! Ed, **K8ZZ**, had dashed from the freezing temperatures of Minnesota in January to the palms of Florida. Reports are that he stayed until the Sunshine State's Dairy Queens all knew him on a first-name basis! Jim, **N8HAM**, also decided to stroll through

Florida and put a lot of counties out along the way. He just made it home safely. This month, I made several trips from Tennessee to Louisiana to visit my kids and grandkids and got to finish up LA and MS for several folks. **WB8III** and **W8OP** put out some in West Virginia, **K1YAG** drove from TX to FL for the Orlando Hamcation, and **N8KIE** made the flight over to

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Kauai, HI for many to finish up that state for many.

I was recently fortunate enough to have finished them all off for the “Nth” time. Wow, what a refreshing approach it is to start over! After many months of scratching and clawing for those last few, I now need EVERYTHING (including Cook Cty, Illinois!). It is fun to log dozens of new counties in a single day once again. The Minnesota Winter QSO Party was a great start to my efforts, resulting in over 75% of the state worked that weekend. If you have finished your first time, or about to wrap it up, consider starting on that next time around. It is really quite a ride!

As you will see in this issue, there is a lot on the horizon. Nominations are still being accepted for the annual **County Hunter of the Year**, both SSB and CW. Please consider nominating someone you consider worthy. Many of your fellow members do a lot for county hunting, both on and off the air. Let’s remember to recognize them for their efforts and get them on the ballot. Details can be found in this issue.

The **Michigan Mini** will be here before you know it! Make your plans now to attend. Some have already posted their mobile routes to the convention in April. It is a great opportunity to meet or catch up with your fellow county hunters in a fun atmosphere. Details are in this issue and on the marac.org website.

Remember, if you are chasing parks to check out the cross reference table that is discussed in this issue. Please post the station and their county so your club members can grab a contact for those Park counties.

As always, as your editor, I am eager to receive any information or articles that you all may want to sent to me so I can consider including them in the RoadRunner.

Stay safe, stay warm, and keep the airwaves hopping! Happy Hunting!

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Kerry Long **W4SIG**

MARAC Southeast District Director



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## MARAC Michigan Mini

By Dorie, N8WTQ

Mega thanks to Dorie, **N8WTQ**, for picking up the torch on this excellent MARAC get-together. The dates are **April 20-22** at the Springhill Suites hotel in Midland, Michigan. The negotiated rate for each room is \$119 plus tax. Breakfast is included. There will be a conference room for us to gather in each day. Registration is \$30 with \$15 for the cost of each additional badge for spouses. Banquet tickets include dinner the last night at \$40 per person. Go to the [marac.org](http://marac.org) website for a link to more info and to the Registration page. Or go straight to the link of [MI-Mini.marac.org](http://MI-Mini.marac.org) Time is short, so get your plans made soon. I will see you there!!!!



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## New Member Profile – Dennis W4DWS

By Mary, AB7NK

Join me in welcoming MARAC's newest member, Dennis – W4DWS who's been licensed since 1990. His father, KD5BBT and uncle, W5TM are both hams. Dennis was fortunate to have his uncle mentor him and was taught everything about CW contesting and low band antennas.

Interests in Amateur Radio comes from many opportunities we encounter in life. For Dennis, he was talking on a CB one afternoon and worked several stations via skip from England. He was hooked, received his amateur license and the rest is history. Over the past 30+ years, the hams he's met and talked to have kept him interested in Amateur Radio.

Collecting awards, certificates, etc., are just one of Dennis's favorite parts of being a ham. He's winding down on getting all the WAS awards for the top three modes and now wants to start with county hunting and collect those awards. He already has between 1200 – 1500 counties but needs to get them verified. Good luck Dennis!

His first radio was a Swan 500CW. His shack now consists of an ICOM 706MKIIg, 751-A, 7100 (mobile), 7300, 7610, 9700, Kenwood TS-850SAT and TS-940. His favorite rig is the IC-7610 because of the filtering and features which helps during contests. Plus the ability to send and decode RTTY without an external computer.

Dennis operates fixed and mobile. Living in Floyd county Georgia, I'm sure a lot of us are anxiously waiting to hear him from his mobile in and around Georgia, or where ever he decides to transmit from. He operates SSB, CW and Digital.

Prior to retirement, Dennis was a line manager for Kellogg's for over 32 years.

Check out W4DWS on QRZ for more information. Quite impressive!

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## County Hunter of the Year - 2023

By Ron, N5MLP

### Nominations for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW Are Open

It is time to begin the process of determining who the County Hunter of the Year is for both SSB and CW operation. This year the nomination process will be different due to a significant change approved by the Board of Directors on January 23, 2023. A copy of the entire updated rule appears below for easy reference and it will be published in an update to the rules effective 1/23/2023 which should be posted on the website by February 1, 2023.



### Important Dates Associated with the 2023 CHOTY Process:

- 2/1/2023 – Nomination period begins for both SSB and CW

- 2/1/2022 through 1/31/2023 – 12 month period of activity associated with nominations for 2023
- 3/15/2023 – Nomination period ends at 11:59pm Pacific Daylight Time. (Nominations must be received by the Awards Manager by that time).
- 3/16 through 4/19/23 – Awards Committee reviews nominations and determines up to three individuals who will appear as nominees for each category (SSB and CW) on the electronic ballot.
- 4/20/2023 – Awards Manager forwards the list of nominees for each category along with supporting documentation (nomination justification and biographical information) to the Election Coordinator for publication in the May, 2023 issue of the RoadRunner.
- 5/1/2023 – Nominee list and documentation appears in the May RoadRunner
- June 2023 – Election Coordinator conducts election via electronic voting service to determine winners.
- July 2023 – Winners announced during the Annual MARAC meeting

### **Revised Award Rule for CHOTY Was Approved by the Board on January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

The revised rule changes the process where all nominations will be forwarded by the original nominator to the Awards Manager instead of one of the District Directors. There will be no limit on how many nominees in any particular category can be submitted from any specific district. The Awards Committee will review the nominations and decide which nominees will appear on an electronic ballot as described in the rule in accordance with dates specified above.

### **County Hunter of the Year Award – SSB**

### **County Hunter of the Year Award – CW**

<b>IN MEMORIAM:</b>	The County Hunter of the Year Award - CW is in honor of Ed Sanders (WA6VJP, SK). Ed was a seven-time winner of the Net Control of the Year Award – CW, as well as a winner of the County Hunter of the Year Award - CW. Ed had one of the best "fists" in America and worked all counties on CW five times.
<b>OBJECTIVE:</b>	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.
<b>SPECIAL RULES:</b>	The recipients of this award are determined by an annual ballot of the MARAC membership. The vote is conducted before each annual meeting. The nomination process for this award changed in January, 2023 and is described below:
	1 NOMINEES: Nominees for this award must be active members of MARAC in good standing and whose membership has not expired at the time of nomination or at the time the voting ballot is prepared for distribution. As noted in criteria 3h below, the nominees for a particular category (SSB or CW) for this award cannot have been a winner in the prior two years in the same category.
	2 NOMINATORS: The candidates for the award are nominated by any active MARAC Member in good standing at the time of nomination. Good standing includes having a membership which has not expired.
	3 CRITERIA FOR NOMINEES: Criteria for consideration for County Hunter of the Year in either category include the following:
	a Nominees for this award must be active members of MARAC in good standing and whose membership has not expired at the time of nomination or at the time the voting ballot is prepared for distribution.
	b Quality and quantity of operating to provide <b>Valid Contacts</b> from multiple counties while in <b>Mobile Operation</b> or while assisting mobile county hunters as a Net Control Station (NCS), assistant NCS, or independent operator acting alone to announce mobiles or provide relay assistance.
	c Participation in MARAC activities and service to MARAC and the members of MARAC.
	d Other activities in support of county hunting.
	e 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.
	f	Member qualification must be based on his/her activities during the previous 12 months, ending on the last day before nominations are accepted.
	g	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.
	h	A member of MARAC may receive this award multiple times for each category, however, only once every three years for the same category.
4		<p><b>NOMINATION JUSTIFICATION:</b> Any member who desires to nominate someone must prepare a justification for the nomination including two specific sections, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Nominee's Activity/Contributions to County Hunting during the 12 month period ending the day before nominations are opened. This should include pertinent data listed in the Criteria for Consideration listed in section 3 above, and</li> <li>b) A summary of the biographical information concerning the nominee such as the date they were first licensed as an amateur radio operator, the number of years that individual has been a member of MARAC, officer or appointed positions in Marac previously/currently held by the nominee, and other interesting background information.</li> </ul>
5		<b>NOMINATION DEADLINE:</b> the date by which nominations must be received is specified in the MARAC RoadRunner newsletter when the opening of nominations is announced.
6		<b>FORWARDING NOMINATIONS:</b> All nominations and the associated justification documentation should be

		forwarded directly to the MARAC Awards Manager (who will in turn distribute it to the members of the Awards Committee).
	7	The Awards Committee will meet and discuss the justification information submitted with each nomination to determine if that nomination should be placed on the ballot.
	8	If the Awards Committee receives more than three nominations for a category, the Awards Committee will select up to three nominees for each category for the ballot.
	9	If less than three nominations are received, the Awards Committee may (optionally) select additional nominees to bring the number of nominees for the ballot up to three.
	10	If only one nomination is received and the Awards Committee declines to add any other nominees, the Awards Manager may declare that one nominee the winner in that category for that year.
	11	If multiple nominees were on the ballot for a category, then the winners will be held and announced at the annual meeting (usually in July of the same year the election is held).
<b>AWARD LEVELS:</b>		A MARAC special plaque is presented to the nominee in each category who receives the most votes. Certificates are presented to each of the other nominees on the ballot.
<b>APPLICATION AND FEES:</b>		There are no fees for this award.

### Members ineligible to receive this award for the same category in 2023

Per section 3.h of the rule, individuals who have won the award (1<sup>st</sup> place) in the past two years are ineligible for consideration for the same category in 2023. For your



reference, the names of those first place winners in the past two years are shown in the table below:

Category	2021	2022
SSB	K0DEQ – Bill Morgan	K3IMC – Donald Flynn
CW	K8ZZ – Ed Eklin	W0GXQ – Jerry Mertz



**N5MLP – Ron Clift, MARAC Awards Manager**

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## County and Parks Cross Reference

By Barry, K2MF

An updated posting of the [U.S. KFF Park-County Lookup Page](#) is now available at [countyhunter.com](#) under [KFF-County].

If you still see the prior U.S. KFF Park-County Lookup Page displayed from your browser's cache, then force a new page load using the red **[Refresh Page]** button at the top of the U.S. KFF Park-County Lookup Page screen, or the page reload button in your web browser.

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# MARAC General Counsel Opening

By Bill, K0DEQ

## 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.

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## New Members

By Kerry-W4SIG

**N3YRZ** – Michelle Sack, #4847, Charles County MD



Welcome to MARAC  
N3YRZ – Michelle Sack

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# MARAC Director Elections

By Kerry, W4SIG

Elections for Directors for both the MARAC North Central (IL, IA, MN, MT, NE, ND, SD, WI, WY, VE4, VE5, VE6) and South Central (AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, Central and South America) Divisions are upcoming in June. If you are in either of these areas and would like to serve, please contact our Election Coordinator, Ron KF7ZN at [rglogan73@gmail.com](mailto:rglogan73@gmail.com). Deadline for submissions is June 1.

Here is a description of the role and its responsibilities:

## Responsibilities of MARAC District Director

- Shall adopt all policies of MARAC in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws
  - Serves a 3 year term, with the option of volunteering for subsequent terms
  - Participates in Board discussions regarding topics related to MARAC. This can be via email or during periodic (usually monthly) conference calls
  - Attend and participate in official Board Meetings via conference call. These meetings are held when needed, usually about 4 per year. During these meetings make motions and vote on orders of business. This includes the MARAC annual Board meeting usually held during the National Convention
  - Act as a focal point of communications for members of your District when issues or questions arise
  - Serve as a liaison of communications to an appointed MARAC position
  - Be creative in finding ways to assist MARAC in supporting its members and growing our club
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# Awards Committee Opening Northeast District

By Kerry, W4SIG

Are you in the MARAC Northeast District? This would include **CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, RI, VT, VE1, VE2, VE9, VY2, Europe**. If so, your club could use your help. We have had an opening for a representative from this district to serve on the Awards Committee for several years. You would be involved in the decisions on any MARAC Awards rules changes or any new awards that are proposed. We have a very experienced and dedicated group on the committee, with our Awards Manager Ron **N5MLP** heading up the committee. Interested? Please contact Ron and let him know. We sure could use you!

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## PJ2/KE3VV

By Dave, KE3VV

I am a member of the PJ2T Contest Team and will be in Curacao for the ARRL SSB DX contest and a few days before, so if anyone needs PJ2, I will be on the air from there look for PJ2/KE3VV or email me for some possible band/time/mode connections. We will be looking to win as multi/multi again this year.

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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 for various awards. 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** CW Mobiles - **AK**: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> **HI**: Hawaii

**W4SIG** W Prefix - **AK**: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> **HI**: Kauai **NJ**: Hudson

**W4SIG** 1X2 Callsigns – **ME**: Piscataquis, Somerset **MA**: Dukes

- W4SIG** 40M CW – **NJ:** Ocean
- W4SIG** 30M --**WA:** Ferry
- W4SIG** ALL SSB – **AK:** 2<sup>nd</sup> **MN:** Pennington **NJ:** Hunterdon **PA:** Northhampton
- N4RS** 40M CW – **AK:** 2<sup>nd</sup>
- N5MLP** A Prefix – **LA:** Grant, Vermillion, Vernon **MS:** Issaquena **TN:** Hardeman, Houston, Marshall **VA:** Mathews **WA:** Garfield
- N5MLP** Mobile Diamond – **MA:** Franklin
- N0KV** K Prefix – **ID:** Teton **NE:** Nance **SD:** Haakon **WV:** McDowell **WY:** Goshen
- NOKV** Mobile to Mobile – **GA:** Wheeler **KY:** Knott, Larue, Menifee **NC:** Catawba, Lee **VA:** Lunenburg, Mathews
- K4YT** Mobile to Mobile – **CA:** Marin, Nevada, San Joaquin, Yolo **MD:** Calvert **OR:** Benton
- K4YT** A Prefix – **MS:** Issaquena, Sharkey **TN:** Perry **VA:** Craig
- K4YT** W Prefix – **HI:** Kalawao **KY:** Grayson, Magoffin Morgan **NY:** Lewis **PA:** Delaware **WV:** Hardy
- K0MAF** USA-CA – **IA:** Cherokee, Emmet **KY:** Monroe **MN:** Pennington
- W4YDY** A Prefix – **MS:** Oktibbeha **OH:** Putnam **PA:** Philadelphia **VA:** Amelia, King William
- W4YDY** W Prefix – **AK:** 1<sup>st</sup> **NY:** Essex, Montgomery **OR:** Sherman **PA:** Tioga **SC:** Union **TX:** Dickens, Runnels, Somervell **VA:** Floyd
- WA3QNT** Masters Gold – **AK:** 2<sup>nd</sup> **NY:** New York, Yates
- NU0Q** Master Gold – **AK:** 4<sup>th</sup>
- NU0Q** Master Platinum – **NJ:** Hunterdon **PA:** Cameron
- NU0Q** K Prefix – **GA:** Newton **NC:** Burke **NE:** Antelope

- K4CGY** USACA – **GA:** Quitman **ME:** Franklin **MN:** Lake of the Woods
- W9DC** 5 Star – **AL:** Bibb
- W9DC** K Prefix – **NE:** Arthur, Webster **WV:** Tyler **WY:** Converse
- W9DC** 20 SSB – **IN:** Sullivan
- NS2N** 20 Meters – **IN:** Delaware, Marshall **KY:** Woodford **OH:** Shelby
- N2IGW** USA-CA – **HI:** Kalawao
- N2HVN** **HI:** Kalawao
- W8GU** USA-CA – **AK:** 2<sup>nd</sup> **GA:** Macon **KS:** Norton **KY:** Cumberland **LA:** East Carroll **NE:** Franklin, Hayes **OR:** Wheeler **TX:** Terrell
- K7SEN** Bingo II & Master Gold – **NY:** Jackson
- W8OP** CW – **KY:** Morgan, **NY:** Chautauqua, Jefferson, Lewis, **OR:** Columbia, **TN:** Cocke, **TX:** Duval, **VT:** Orange, **WI:** Kewaunee
- N1API** N Prefix – **MA:** Nantucket, **MD:** St Marys, **MS:** Issaquena, **TN:** Moore
- N1API** W Prefix—**MD:** Worchester, **NC:** Warren, **NH:** Sullivan, **NY:** Richmond, Tioga, **VA:** Accomack, Buchanan, Northumberland, Page, Richmond
- N8CIJ** 8th Time – **AK:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Dist, **IN:** Union, **KY:** Elliott, Lee, Lewis, **MT:** Golden Valley, Treasure, **OR:** Gilliam, **SD:** Oglala Dakota
- N8CIJ** N Prefix – **TN:** Johnson, **WI:** Burnett
- N8CIJ** 1x3 Calls – **VA:** Charles City
- N8CIJ** K Prefix – **CO:** Hinsdale, **PA:** Forest
- KE3VV** 9<sup>TH</sup> Time – **KY:** Allen, Fleming, **LA:** Morehouse, **OH:** Perry
- KE3VV** Bingo IV – **NC:** Hertford
- KE3VV** 1x2 Calls – **MS:** Neshoba, **SD:** Turner
- KE3VV** A Prefix – **LA:** East Feliciana, **OH:** Morgan

**KE3VV** W Prefix – **IN:** Jennings

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.

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## Awards Committee Report

By Ron, N5MLP

**Reminder: March 15, 2023 is the deadline for submitting nominations for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW**

A special article concerning changes to the County Hunter of the Year nomination process appeared in the February, 2023 edition of the newsletter. As explained in that article and the revised rule for CHOTY which was approved on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, all nominations from anyone are to be forwarded directly to the Awards Manager no later than 11:59pm Pacific Daylight Time on March 15, 2023. The specific individuals who have won either category (SSB or CW) in the last two years are ineligible to be nominated for the same category for 2023. Those individuals are listed in that article for your convenience.

**Please check the accuracy of your personal contact information in the MARAC online database**

Phil Yasson who is the Awards Secretary indicates that quite a few award applications are showing a discrepancy between the personal contact data on the application and the current online database information for the person making the application. It is requested that you take a moment to review your online contact information and forward any updates to K2MF who is handling updates to the membership data currently.

If you do not know how to access your personal info online, do the following:

- Open the main club website at [www.marac.org](http://www.marac.org)
- Click on the “CH Database” tab in the menu across the top of the home page
- Put your cursor in the left most entry field on the form
- Type in your callsign and then click the “Go” button just below that field

This will cause your personal profile information to be displayed. Be sure to check your:

- Email address
- Home phone number
- Cell phone number
- Mailing address
- Membership expiration date **Awards Issued January 25, 2023 through February 24, 2023**

Awards Issued:				
Call	Date of Last Contact	Award	Level	Cert. No.
N5MLP	4/4/2008	US Presidents Counties		61
N5MLP	7/6/2008	Native American Count's		66
NIAPI	5/27/2021	Master Gold		74
KE4UP	11/3/2021	RAS <sup>+</sup> - NV		36
KE4UP	1/5/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - CA		30
KE4UP	1/9/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - AZ		45
KE4UP	1/13/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - NM		35
N5MLP	9/16/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - AZ		46
N5MLP	10/13/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - WA		34
N5MLP	10/17/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - CA		31
N5MLP	10/18/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - OR		30
N5MLP	10/19/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - NV		37
N5MLP	10/22/2022	RAS <sup>+</sup> - UT		32
N5MLP	11/11/2022	Bingo IV		14
NIAPI	1/17/2023	USA - Single Band - 12m	1,000	2
WB8III	1/28/2023	RAS <sup>+</sup> - WV		28
N8KIE	2/7/2023	Bingo V		9
K5GE	2/7/2023	Bingo III		46
KE4UP	2/17/2023	RAS <sup>+</sup> - TX		36

Roadrunner Awards Issued:			
Call	Date of Last Contact	L C Count	Cert. No.
N0KV	5/25/2017	975	15
N5MLP	10/24/2022	375	57
WB8III	2/1/2023	50	364
N8KIE	2/7/2023	1,300	7
W4SIG	2/16/2023	975	16
Legend of Abbreviations:			
RAS <sup>+</sup> = Ran All State			
WAC <sup>+</sup> = 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, 2023

Beginning Account Balance		\$19,124.06
Income:		
Savings Account Interest	\$	5.05
Awards Income		
Misc Income		
Membership Income		150.37
Logger Distribution Income		58.20
MI MINI income		67.91
Total Income		<u>\$ 281.53</u>
Expenses:		
Awards Expenses	\$	370.14
Misc. Expenses NOTE 1		350.65
Office Expenses (Postage, etc.)		
Total expenses		<u>\$720.79</u>
Net Income Less Expenses		(\$439.26)
Cash Balance		\$18,684.80
Checking Account Balance	\$	2,626.27
Savings Account Balance		16,058.53
Total all accounts		\$18,684.80

NOTE 1- \$332.29 Paid to Mercer Consumer for insurance premium; \$18.36 paid to NOXYL for postage expense

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC cash balance shown above should be discounted by \$6364, which is the amount of award fees pre-paid by members. After subtracting this amount, the true (spendable) Cash Balance is \$12,320.80



**Bill K0DEQ, MARAC Treasurer**

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## State QSO Parties

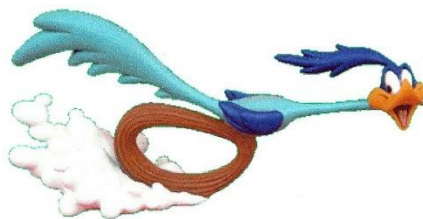
Courtesy WA7BNM

### March

Oklahoma	<a href="#">± Oklahoma QSO Party</a>	1500Z, Mar 11 to 0200Z, Mar 12, 2023 and 1500Z-2100Z, Mar 12, 2023
Idaho	<a href="#">± Idaho QSO Party</a>	1900Z, Mar 11 to 1900Z, Mar 12, 2023
Wisconsin	<a href="#">± Wisconsin QSO Party</a>	1800Z, Mar 12 to 0100Z, Mar 13, 2023
Virginia	<a href="#">± Virginia QSO Party</a>	1400Z, Mar 18 to 0400Z, Mar 19, 2023 and 1200Z-2400Z, Mar 19, 2023

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## The County Line ROADRUNNER



*“A Roadrunner Is A Very Fast Bird”*

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

### Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club Leadership Team

#### Board of Directors

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Dues with an Electronic copy of the Newsletter copy are \$15.00 per year, check or money order.  
Dues may also be paid via Pay-Pal and directed to [treasurer@marac.org](mailto:treasurer@marac.org)

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