



## Thoughts from the Board

By Kerry, W4SIG Secretary

Hopefully the extremely hot summer weather is receding where you are. Personally, I made a big move...after 60 years in Tennessee I am now a resident of southern Utah. Wow, what a difference. Along with the big move, we are very busy with exploring all that this part of the country has to offer. We haven't even scratched the surface. It gets hot here as well as TN, but the evenings and nights are pretty fantastic. We are looking forward to lots of off-road activities, long mountain hikes and camping under the hundreds of stars under our dark sky area of the country.

August brought some very high activity on the county hunting frequencies. The dynamic duo of **AB7NK** and **K7SEN** completed a huge trip from AZ to the northeast coast and back. **KE4UP** continues his months' long trek from VA to the great northwest and back. John is still hanging out in the Idaho area as we speak. **NUOQ** put a lot of miles on his vehicle with a trip around lowa, a run to the west coast, back home, and then a big run in the KS QSO party.

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KB6UF made a nice run to SC and NC, and as a result has reached RoadRunner level milestones only one other mobile has ever reached.

N9JF journeyed into Alaska for some fun with the family. AI5P ran some parks and counties. NFON provided a bunch in Nebraska.

Also, yours truly, W4SIG, made the move from TN to UT the county hunter way via GA and the Carolinas before heading west.

Overall, a lot of counties to be had. Hopefully you were able to fill in some needs along the way. Check out the Awards column for a list of some major awards completed!

Please see this issue for information on both the spring Michigan Mini and West Virginia National conventions! Lots of work is being put into these festivities. We will announce more details as we have them. Mark your calendars to attend!

There are also some very important articles in this issue regarding Logger support and how to accurately submit for WBOW awards. These have been some issues of concern lately and we want to clarify the proper procedures for all members.

Ever wonder the background of the US Presidents Award? Check out the article by **KE3VV** regarding this often-overlooked award.

Also, you might want to check out the major discovery I made in Kentucky! My article describing my adventure can be found below.

Have a great holiday weekend, and may you get many counties you need in the very busy State QSO Party month of September! Details can be found here.

73 and Happy Hunting!

Kerry Long W4SIG

**MARAC Secretary** 



Kerry W4SIG MARAC Secretary

## 2023 MARAC Annual Award Winners

By Darl, NA8W

In the last issue of the RoadRunner we announced the 1<sup>st</sup> place winners of the various MARAC annual awards. Here is a list of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners as well. Congratulations to all!!

#### **2023 CHOTY Award Winners**

2023 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	W4SIG	N5MLP	KE4UP
	Kerry Long	Ron Clift	John Howe
CHOTY - CW	W4SIG	K2MF	N/A*
	Kerry Long	Barry Siegfried	IN/A

<sup>\*</sup> There were only two nominations for the CW category.

#### 2023 Annual Awards Announced at Annual Meeting on 7/10/2023

2023 MARAC Annual Mobile and Mobile Assist Award Winners			
Award Title	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Mobile of the Year - SSB	WY0A	W4SIG	КЗІМС
Widdlie of the Year - 33B	Rory (Butch) Porter	Kerry Long	Don Flynn
Mobile of the Year - CW	W4SIG	K8ZZ	KODEQ
	Kerry Long	Ed Eklin	Bill Morgan
	AB7NK/K7SEN	KA9JAC/KB9YVT	KB0BA/N0XYL
Mobile Team of the Year	Mary and Neil Vince	Bob Gedemer and Ann Heimann	Lowell and Sandra Tennyson
Mobile Assist of the Veer SSD	KODEQ	WY0A	N0KV
Mobile Assist of the Year - SSB	Bill Morgan	Butch Porter	Barry Mitchell
Mobile Assist of the Year - CW	KODEQ	КСЗХ	NOKV
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## **MARAC Michigan Mini Dates Announced**

By Kerry W4SIG

The news is out! The dates for the 2024 Michigan Mini are April 25-27 in Midland, Michigan. Dorie is working hard on this again this year. Details will follow as the hotel contract is finalized. Go ahead and mark your calendars for this fun annual shindig. See you there!



## 2024 MARAC National Convention

By Kerry W4SIG

It's official! The 2024 MARAC National Convention has been approved to be held on Oct 9-12 in **Bridgeport**, **West Virginia**! Please thank Alan-**W8OP**/Steve-**K8II**/Ed-**N8OYY** for volunteering to be co-hosts of next year's convention. More details to be announced this October when they are finalized. In the meantime, mark your calendars to attend!



## Logger Support Announcement

By Kerry W4SIG

As mentioned in the opening article of last month's RoadRunner, a new support structure has been created for support of the Logger program. PLEASE, everyone send ALL Logger questions/problems to Dave, **KE3VV**, <u>davidsplitt@erols.com</u>. DO NOT send them directly to Logger programmer, Don, **K3IMC**. Dave will look over your issue and try to resolve it. If he cannot, he will package the issues and effectively relay them to Don for attention. This move is VERY necessary to alleviate the workload on Don. He is very busy making Logger the best program it can be and implementing new features all the time. So, everyone please remember this procedure when you have any issues with Logger. It will make everything flow more smoothly and allow Don to keep some of his hair! Hi!

## Who Stole my WBOW Award?

IMPORTANT - Logger II Information on Last County Pop-Up Reward Feature

The Scoop from the County Lion, Dave-KE3VV

There has been some confusion about the Last County Award in Logger II. While it allows you to give a reward for Last County in a State to the station giving you the contact, the automatic feature has been misinterpreted when the last county is also for the Whole Ball of Wax (WBOW) for an award you just finished.

A few Ops seem to think that using Logger to send a last county reward certificate also includes applying for the actual award. **HOWEVER**, such is not the case. In fact, when you give the last county reward with the Logger pop-up feature, it only sends the

reward to the Op who gave you the last county <u>and</u> it is just for the last county in the State.

If you do nothing else, you will NOT get your Award for finishing up all 3077. Logger II does <u>not</u> include that feature. It also does not send a LC WBOW certificate or plaque to the Op who gave out your last county. You have to do both on the MARAC web site.

OK, my friends. You got it! If you want to give a reward for the LC WBOW, you actually need to fill out the actual Last County Application (LC-1 and LC-2) on the MARAC web site and...

...If you want to get your hard-earned MARAC Award, you have to fill out the Worked All Counties Application (or Ran All Counties Application) and send in your log!

For example, KE3VV finishes the 9<sup>th</sup> time WAC award by working W4SIG in a LC for the WBOW and submits the last county reward for W4SIG using the pop-up feature in Logger II. That is just for the last county in the last state. KE3VV still has to go to the MARAC web site and apply for the 9<sup>th</sup> Time Worked All USA Counties Award using the application form under AWARDS. **It is not automatic!** 

What benefits will accrue from following these instructions? First, it will stop the complaints to Phil and Don (The Everly Brothers of MARAC Awards) from folks who think the Logger pop-up will apply for their award. It will also mean that you will get your award chop-chop and save time and effort calling Phil or Don inquiring "Where's my #%!! Award???"

**Summary:** the automatic pop-up feature in Logger II allows you to give a "Thank You" reward to the mobile (or fixed station) who gave you a contact for your last county in a State. However, if you want to give an award for the Last County for the Whole Ball of Wax, you do that on the MARAC web site. You can then fill out the separate application for the Worked (Transmitted) All Counties award for yourself at the same time.

If you have questions on how applying for the LC-2 and your WBOW awards, please contact Dave **KE3VV** for assistance. davidsplitt@erols.com or 202-669-6630.

## **Location of Batman's Batcave Discovered!**

By Kerry W4SIG

As most of you HF mobiles know, life can become interesting along the backroads and byways of our beautiful country. There are flat tires, navigational issues, propagation failures, and many other issues that can present themselves that can leave you very frustrated. However, on the other hand, you get the opportunity to view and take in all the wonderful sights that most interstate travelers never get to experience. I have written articles about some of my personal adventures in the past. One was the darknight GPS forced usage of a one-horse river ferry in Kentucky. Looked straight out of the Outlaw Josie Wales movie, complete with a one-armed operator with a patch over his eye. Another was in Georgia when a bad GPS decision took me onto a logging road that turned into a road made of only sawdust. I had to back up over a rickety wooden bridge with many boards missing just to get back to civilization.

Well...on my recent trip thru Kentucky I came across yet another adventure that would have had my wife, Amy, yelling to "turn around NOW"! Fortunately, I was traveling solo. The curvy back road thru the forrest got darker and darker and more narrow as I cruised along. Then I came upon a barely-one-lane tunnel that looked like it had been carved out of the mountain over a hundred years prior. The tunnel was pitch black. The tunnel had vines drooping over the entrance. The only sign visible said "one lane tunnel, turn on lights"! How would you ever know if another car was already in the tunnel, and what would you do if you encountered another car half way through? I pulled over to the side of the narrow entrance when another car pulled up behind me. He promptly looked at me and whipped a U-Turn back from where he came! No other vehicle came to or through the tunnel for 5 minutes. I said a long prayer, removed the antenna from my car, turned my headlights on, and slowly cruised to the tunnel entrance. Pitch black as far as I could see. A few feet into the tunnel, water started to drip heavily from the ceiling and bats literally flew across my lights! About 30 feet into the cave the road made a two foot dip down to lower elevation. Too late now, I had to continue on. I could actually stick my hand out the window and drag my fingers along the cave wall which was obviously dug out by hand as the walls were jagged and far from straight. After about 30 seconds, I could see a glimmer of light up ahead. No, it was not headlights, but rather sunlight! I carefully continued on until I exited the darkness. After stopping the car and another prayer of thankfulness I climbed out and reinstalled the antenna. When returning to my car, another vehicle approached. The scared look on the woman's face made me chuckle. After a short, reassuring conversation I was happy that she proceeded to the tunnel entrance.

I resumed my mobile runs, but will never forget the tunnel. Adam West could have easily been flying out of this entrance in his Batmobile. VROOOOOM!!!





**Entrance to Bat Cave!** 

## **MARAC Awards Report**

By Kerry, W4SIG

The following are the awards that were earned and processed for the last month. Congratulations to all the award winners!

Awards			
Issued:			
			Cert.
Call	Award	Level	No.
W4SIG	Mobile Diamond	3077	10
AB7NK	Mobile Diamond	3077	11
<b>W0GXQ</b>	1x2 Callsigns	3077	6
<b>W0GXQ</b>	1X3 Callsigns	3077	7
<b>W0GXQ</b>	YL Mobile	1000	8
K8II	US Presidents		62
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Awards:		
	LC	Cert.
Call	Count	No.
KB6UF	2075	2
KB6UF	2100	2
K7SEN	350	66
K7SEN	375	60
AB7NK	1200	9
AB7NK	1225	9
AB7NK	1250	8
AB7NK	1275	8
AB7NK	1300	8
AB7NK	1325	6
AB7NK	1350	6
KE4UP	275	88
KE4UP	300	81
NU0Q	225	114
W4SIG	1025	14
W4SIG	1050	12
W4SIG	1075	11
W4SIG	1100	10

#### **Abbreviations**

RAS\* Ran All State

WAC\* Worked All

**USA Counties** 

## Opening - MARAC Awards Manager

By Kerry W4SIG

Please consider volunteering for this important MARAC role. Contact any Board member for more info. The description of the position is stated below.

#### Responsibilities/Duties of the MARAC Awards Manager

- Administers the MARAC Awards program in accordance with the policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Directors
- 2. Acts as the chairperson of the Awards Committee, which creates and considers proposals for new MARAC awards or changes to existing awards
- 3. Maintains the official MARAC Award Rules document and ensures that all rule changes are published in a timely manner after they are approved by the Board of Directors on both:
  - a. The MARAC Awards subsection of the MARAC website, and
  - b. The Awards Committee section of the monthly newsletter to members.
- 4. Initiates reviews of new awards or modifications to existing awards by the Awards Committee. Suggestions for award additions or modifications may originate from awards committee members, members of MARAC (including but not limited to officers/directors), or outside persons not currently members of MARAC.
- 5. Establishes the timeline for the process to determine winners of certain MARAC awards which occur on a recurring basis each year, including:
  - County Hunter of the Year SSB/CW, Mobile of the Year-SSB/CW, Mobile Assist of the Year-SSB/CW, Mobile Team of the Year
- 6. Communicates to the Election Coordinator when electronic elections should occur to support the determination of award winners listed in section 5 above. Also, notifies the Election Coordinator during the execution of the process whether electronic elections will not be required for certain awards (e. g., County

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Hunter of the Year) if there was only one nominee identified during the nomination process.

- 7. Creates and publishes notifications in the monthly newsletter when the nomination process for County Hunter of the Year – SSB and CW actually begins and the subsequent deadlines that must be followed in order for members and Directors to complete and submit their nominations to support the determination process.
- 8. Ensures that the activities in items 5, 6, and 7 supports conclusions on each of the annual awards by June so that the information can be incorporated in the annual MARAC report to the membership and is annual cat the MARAC annual meeting in July.
- 9. Responds to inquiries from the Board of Directors or any member concerning: a) award rules, or b) interpretation of the rules.
- 10. Oversees the activities of the Award Secretary to support:
  - a. Processing of applications for awards from members and non-members
  - b. Creation of certificates and plaques requested by members which are supported by electronic applications.
  - c. Reporting of cost expenditures for the awards function to the MARAC Treasurer who receives payments from members, pays invoices from plaque/award vendors, or reimburses the Awards Secretary for other expenses including office supplies, computer equipment purchase/maintenance, shipping costs, etc.
  - d. Timely reporting of awards issued to the membership using various vehicles including but not limited to the monthly newsletter articles and direct posts to the K3IMC forum or CountyHunter.com website.
  - e. Acquisition of plaques, trophies, etc. from appropriate vendors of such items.
- 11. Authors a monthly Awards Committee article to the *RoadRunner* editor (by the date specified by the *RoadRunner* editor) for inclusion in the monthly newsletter. As a minimum, one section of each month's article should include a summary of all awards issued during the month. Special topics within the article may address new award types which have been recently approved, clarification of award rules, changes in online application forms, information about known award processing issues in the computer systems supporting awards, or other topics of interest regarding awards to the membership.
- 12. Handles awards related special tasks as assigned by the MARAC Board of Directors.



### **New MARAC Members**

By Kerry-W4SIG

MARAC would like to welcome the following New Members as well as those who have rejoined after a lapse of membership of two years or more. We want every member to feel welcomed. If anyone has any questions, contact your District Director or one of the board members. We'll be glad to get you in touch with the proper person.

Welcome New MARAC Members

K0JDR- John Rogers, member #4855, Audrain Cty, MO

## **Silent Keys**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to these members and their families.

KL7GN – Gordon Nightingale, MARAC # 1991, USACA #1023, RoadRunner Level 50

WA4EEZ - Leslie Johnson, MARAC #3160, USACA #1236, BINGO #374



## **List of Counties - US Presidents**

#### By Don, K3IMC

Recently, it came to the attention of Phil, **AB7RW**, that there is no clear listing of the counties that make up the MARAC US Presidents award and why these counties are included. Although these counties have been present within the Logger program, a clean list was not readily available. Don, **K3IMC**, has now provided us with one! Note: If you would like a copy of this file emailed to you, just let **W4SIG** know and he can send it to you.

#### There are a total of 196 counties listed:

County	<b>Etymology</b>
Adams, IL	John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)
Adams, IN	John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)
Adams, MS	John Adams (1797-1801)
Adams, ND	John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)
Adams, NE	John Adams (1797-1801)
Adams, OH	John Adams (1797-1801) or his son, John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)
Adams, PA	John Adams (1797-1801)
Adams, WA	John Adams (1797-1801)
Adams, WI	John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)
Arthur, NE	Chester A. Arthur (1881-1885)
Buchanan, IA	James Buchanan (1857–1861)
Buchanan, MO	James Buchanan (1857–1861)
Buchanan, VA	James Buchanan (1857–1861)

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Cleveland, AR Stephen Grover Cleveland (1885-1889) and (1893-1897)

Cleveland, OK Stephen Grover Cleveland (1885-1889) and (1893-1897)

Fillmore, NE Millard Fillmore (1850-1853)

Garfield, CO James A. Garfield (1881–1881)

Garfield, MT James A. Garfield (1881–1881)

Garfield, NE James A. Garfield (1881–1881)

Garfield, OK James A. Garfield (1881–1881)

Garfield, UT James A. Garfield (1881–1881)

Garfield, WA James A. Garfield (1881–1881)

Grant, AR Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, KS Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, LA Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, MN Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, ND Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, NE Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, NM Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, OK Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, OR Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, SD Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, WA Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Grant, WV Ulysses S. Grant (1869–1877)

Harding, NM Warren G. Harding (1921-1923)

Harrison, IA William Henry Harrison (1825-1828)

Harrison, IN William Henry Harrison (1825-1828)

Harrison, MS William Henry Harrison (1825-1828)

Harrison, OH William Henry Harrison (1825-1828)

Jackson, AL	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, AR	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, CO	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, FL	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, IA	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, IL	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, IN	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, KS	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, KY	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, LA	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, MI	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, MO	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, MS	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, OH	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, OR	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, TN	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, TX	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, WI	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jackson, WV	Andrew Jackson (1829–1837)
Jefferson, AL	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, AR	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, CO	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, FL	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, GA	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, IA	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, ID	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)

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Jefferson, IL	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, IN	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, KS	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, KY	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, LA	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, MO	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, MS	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, MT	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, NE	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, NY	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, OH	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, OK	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, OR	Mount Jefferson, which was Thomas Jefferson
Jefferson, PA	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, TN	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, TX	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, WA	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, WI	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Jefferson, WV	Thomas Jefferson (1801–1809)
Lincoln, AR	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, CO	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, ID	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, KS	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, LA	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, MN	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, MS	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)

Lincoln, MT	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, NE	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, NM	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, NV	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, OK	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, OR	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, SD	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, WA	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, WI	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, WV	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Lincoln, WY	Abraham Lincoln (1861 – 1865)
Madison, AL	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, AR	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, FL	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, GA	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, IA	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, ID	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, IL	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, IN	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, KY	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, LA	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, MO	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, MS	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, MT	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, NC	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, NE	James Madison (1809–1817)

Madison, NY	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, OH	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, TN	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, TX	James Madison (1809–1817)
Madison, VA	James Madison (1809–1817)
McKinley, NM	William McKinley (1897-1901)
Millard, UT	Millard Fillmore (1850-1853)
Monroe, AL	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, AR	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, FL	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, GA	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, IA	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, IL	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, IN	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, KY	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, MI	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, MO	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, MS	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, NY	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, OH	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, PA	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, TN	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, WI	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Monroe, WV	James Monroe (1817–1825)
Pierce, NE	Franklin Pierce (1853-1857)

Franklin Pierce (1853-1857)

Pierce, WI

Polk, AR James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, FL James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, GA James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, IA James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, MN James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, NE James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, OR James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, TN James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, TX James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Polk, WI James K. Polk (1845- 1849)

Roosevelt, MT Theodore Roosevelt (1901-1909)

Roosevelt, NM Theodore Roosevelt (1901-1909)

Taylor, FL Zachary Taylor (1849–1850)

Taylor, GA Zachary Taylor (1849–1850)

Taylor, IA Zachary Taylor (1849–1850)

Tyler, TX John Tyler (1841-1845)

Tyler, WV John Tyler (1841-1845)

Van Buren, AR Martin Van Buren (1837-1841)

Van Buren, IA Martin Van Buren (1837-1841)

Van Buren, MI Martin Van Buren (1837-1841)

Van Buren, TN Martin Van Buren (1837-1841)

Washington, AL George Washington (1789–1797)

Washington, AR George Washington (1789–1797)

Washington, CO George Washington (1789–1797)

Washington, FL George Washington (1789–1797)

Washington, GA George Washington (1789–1797)

Washington, IA	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, ID	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, IL	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, IN	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, KS	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, KY	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, LA	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, MD	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, ME	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, MN	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, MO	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, MS	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, NC	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, NE	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, NY	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, OH	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, OK	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, OR	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, PA	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, RI	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, TN	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, TX	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, UT	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, VA	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, VT	George Washington (1789–1797)
Washington, WI	George Washington (1789–1797)

## **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.

## 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!

## **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 that 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 - HI: Hawaii

W4SIG W Prefix - NJ: Hudson

W4SIG 1x3 Callsigns --- AK: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4th

**W4SIG** 20 SSB – IA: Lucas, LA: Bienville, Tensas, MO: Marion, TN: Crockett

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

**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

**KOMAF** USA-CA – IA: Cherokee, Emmet, MN: Pennington

**W4YDY** A Prefix – MS: Oktibbeha OH: Putnam PA: Philadelphia VA: Amelia, King

William

**W4YDY** W Prefix – NY: Essex, Montgomery, PA: Tioga TX: Dickens, Runnels,

Somervell VA: Floyd

**W4YDY** 1x2 Callsigns—AL: Perry, AR: Phillips, FL: Calhoun, GA: Montgomery,

Wheeler, IA: Audubon, TN: Gibson, Meigs

NU0Q Master Gold – AK: 4<sup>th</sup>

**NU0Q** K Prefix – GA: Newton NC: Burke NE: Antelope

NU0Q 4th Time – HI: Kalawao, IN: Scott, MI: Allegan, MO: Adair, Wayne, NY:

Orleans

**K4CGY** USACA – GA: Quitman ME: Franklin MN: Lake of the Woods

**W9DC** K Prefix – NE: Arthur, Webster WV: Tyler WY: Converse

**W9DC** CW – GA: Chattahooche, Effingham, Jones, KY: Woodford, PA: Mercer

W9DC 1x3 Callsigns – GA: Grady, HI: Hawaii, NC: Clay, Jones, OK: Kiowa,

SC: Laurens, SD: Haakon, VA: Nottaway

**W9DC:** Bingo III – AR: Madison, KY: Letcher, MN: Waseca, NY: Livingston, OH:

Ross, SC: Cherokee, TX: Cottle, Swisher, Zavala, VA: Goochland

NS2N 20 Meters – IN: Delaware, Marshall KY: Woodford OH: Shelby

N2IGW USA-CA – HI: Kalawao

W8GU USA-CA – AK: 2<sup>nd</sup> OR: Wheeler

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

N1API 1x3 Callsigns—MD: Worcester, NC: Warren, NH: Sullivan, NY: Richmond,

VA: Accomack, Buchanan, Northumberland, Richmond

N8CIJ 8th Time – AK: 2<sup>nd</sup> Dist, IN: Union, KY: Elliott, Lee, Lewis, MT: Golden

Valley, Treasure, OR: Gilliam, SD: Oglala Lakota

N8CIJ N Prefix – TN: Johnson, WI: Burnett

N8CIJ 1x3 Calls – VA: Charles City

N8CIJ K Prefix – CO: Hinsdale, PA: Forest

**KE3VV** Bingo IV – NC: Hertford

**KE3VV** 1x2 Calls – MS: Neshoba, SD: Turner

**K7REL** Bingo 6th – NY: Sullivan

**W0GXQ** N Prefix – VA: Greene

**W0GXQ** 8<sup>th</sup> Time CW – WA: San Juan

**W0GXQ** Mobile Diamond – IN: Elkhart, RI: Providence, VA: Hanover

**W0SK** USACA – AR: Phillips HI: Kalawao

**KODEQ** All 20 Meters – AL: Cullman, AR: Howard, KY: Bourbon, Bracken, Harrison,

OH: Lawrence, TX: Tyler

**K8MW** 2<sup>nd</sup> Time – TX: Goliad, Jim Hogg, Zapata

**W8OP** Bingo – AL: Perry, CA: Mendocino, FL: Martin HI: Maui, KS: Chase,

Russell, NJ: Hudson

**AB7NK** Mobile to Mobile – GA: Emanuel, Jefferson

**AB7NK** 1X3 Calls – MA: Barnstable, PA: Sullivan

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!

## Treasurer's Report By Bill, KODEQ

# By Bill, K0DEQ Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club Treasurer's Report July 20 Through Aug 19, 2023

Beginning Account Balance Income:		\$18,322,51
Savings Account Interest Awards Income	\$ 6.00 67.90	
Misc Income		
Membership Income	262.38	
Logger Distribution Income MI Mini Income	19.40	
Total Income		\$ 355.68
Expenses:		
Awards Expenses Refund	\$ 175.10	
Misc. Expenses NOTE 1 Office Expenses (Postage, etc.) MI Mini	851.00	
Total expenses		\$ 1026.10
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Net Income Less Expenses		\$(670.42)
Cash Balance		\$17,652.09
Checking Account Balance	\$ 2581.62	
Savings Account Balance	15070.47	
Total all accounts		\$ 17652.09

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NOTE 1: Annual premium on D & O liability insurance policy.

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC cash balance shown above should be discounted by \$6483, which is the amount of award fees pre-paid by members. After subtracting this amount, the true (spendable) Cash Balance is \$11,169.09



Bill, KODEQ **MARAC** Treasurer

### **State QSO Parties**

#### **Courtesty WA7BNM**

#### September

Colorado + Colorado QSO Party 1300Z, Sep 2 to 0400Z, Sep 3, 2023 Tennessee + Tennessee QSO Party 1800Z, Sep 3 to 0300Z, Sep 4, 2023 Alabama + Alabama QSO Party 1500Z, Sep 9 to 0300Z, Sep 10, 2023 Texas + Texas QSO Party 1400Z, Sep 16 to 0200Z, Sep 17, 2023 and 1400Z-2000Z, Sep 17, 2023 Iowa + Iowa QSO Party 1400Z, Sep 16 to 0200Z, Sep 17, 2023 1600Z-2200Z, Sep 16, 2023 and New Hampshire + New Hampshire QSO Party 1600Z-2200Z, Sep 17, 2023 New Jersey + New Jersey QSO Party 1600Z, Sep 16 to 0359Z, Sep 17, 2023 Washington + Washington State Salmon Run 1600Z, Sep 16 to 0700Z, Sep 17, 2023 and 1600Z-2400Z, Sep 17, 2023

Maine + Maine QSO Party 1200Z, Sep 23 to 1200Z, Sep 24, 2023

#### The County Line ROADRUNNER



"A Roadrunner Is A Very Fast Bird"

#### Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25th!

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