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## **Thoughts from the Board**

By Kerry, W4SIG MARAC Secretary

BRRRR.....It's been a cold and wintry January! Many have been snowed in and keeping the fireplaces lit with a warm beverage in hand. It has been tough for many mobiles to get out in these conditions, but we have had a few folks head out and provide some nice counties. **W0FLZ** put out some in WA, **AB4WL/NN4JM** ran some AL, **KB6UF** was out in MS, **NA8W** ran some on digital in FL, **N8MD** was in WI, **K0DEQ** in MO, **K8II/W8OP** put out a bunch in WV, **W4SIG** ran some UT, **N8HAM** was in warmer weather of NM, and **K8ZZ** in MN. As things warm up, I am sure more people will hit the road. Good luck in snagging some new counties for the many MARAC awards that are offered!

Kalawao County, HI, as we all know, is the toughest county to get of them all. Even with the activation last year by **K4YT**, it still remains the most wanted county on the Final Countdown listings with a whopping total of 8 folks needing it for the very last or one of their last 10 to finish an award. Maybe we can twist the arm of Bob, **N8KIE**, to drop in to Kalawao while he is in Hawaii. Bob plans a trip to the big island of Hawaii

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County later this month. Keep an eye out on the Forum for more details.

The State QSO Party season for 2024 kicks off this month with LOTS of mobile activity scheduled for the Minnesota party this first weekend. More details on other state parties at the end of this newsletter. It is always tough to lose a fellow county hunter. This month is especially sad as we lost two

stalwarts in the community. Steve, **K5KDG**, was the 73<sup>rd</sup> member of MARAC and got his USACA award way back in 1970. He was in attendance of the very first MARAC convention and was still active chasing the counties up til last month. Lowell, **KB0BA**, has been a regular presence at all the MARAC conventions for many years with his lovely XYL, Sandra, **N0XYL**, at his side. Lowell was half of one of the most prolific Mobile Teams of all time with over 12 Annual Team awards to his credit. Lowell also volunteered to man the MARAC booth in Dayton for many years. Our hearts and prayers go out to both the families of Steve and Lowell. They will be greatly missed. Many thanks go out to the likes of Jeff, **N4RKK**, for all the POTA spots. We have all gotten a lot of good counties, especially for the No Star Award, thanks to the efforts of Jeff and others to post these portable stations in their counties.

As we start a new month, let's go get those counties! Looking forward to hearing you all on the air.

73 and Happy Hunting!

Kerry Long W4SIG MARAC Secretary RoadRunner Editor



**Kerry W4SIG** 



## MARAC Michigan Mini By Kerry W4SIG

The dates for the 2024 Michigan Mini are April 25-27 in Midland, Michigan. Dorie has the hotel all lined up and the marac.org website is all set up to accept your reservations. Please go ahead and make your reservations online and secure your MARAC group rate at the host Springhill Suites Hotel. 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. Details can be found on the MARAC website under Events. Hotel reservations can be made now for the special rate. Convention registration will be available online early in 2024. In the meantime, mark your calendars to attend!



West Virginia in the Fall!

### **Ham Radio on NBC**

By Art, K0AIZ

There was an absolutely delightful segment on the NBC Today show this morning about amateur radio and ARISS. If you missed it or want to see it again, here's the link to stream it. And watch all the way through to the end. The hosts say some nice things about ham radio.

https://www.today.com/video/high-school-students-use-ham-radio-skills-to-contact-space-station-201408581756

Happy New Year to all of you.

73, Art KØAIZ

### **2023 MARAC Contest Results**

By John, WA4JA

#### **DX-Single OP**

		Call	QTH		Mode		Score	QSOs	Club
	1	VE2FK*	QC	DX	CW	Fixed	32886	74	Contest Group du Quebec
	_	VLZIK	QU	DΛ	011	TIXCU	02000	, -	Fuzesgyarmati Radios
	2	HA8IB	HA	DX	Mixed	Fixed	7296	24	Egyes
	3	SP5SA	SP	DX	CW	Fixed	5208	33	
	4	VA6RCN	AB	DX	SSB	Fixed	210	15	Contest Club Ontario Contest Group du
	5	VE2GT	QC	DX	SSB	Fixed	1	1	Quebec
CW-Mobile									
	1	NU0Q/M*	IA		CW	Mobile	41634	331	
	2	N1QY/M	MA		CW	Mobile	19932	137	

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								5
	3	WA4AUG/M	GA	CW	Mobile	14938	139	
	4	AD4EB/M	TN	CW	Mobile	13970	157	Tennessee Contest Group
	5	KC3FQF/M	DE	CW	Mobile	11556	89	
	6	K5TIA/M	TX	CW	Mobile	3240	23	
	7	N4CD/M	TX	CW	Mobile	714	32	
SSB-Mobile								
	1	WA4JA/M	TN	SSB	Mobile	306	9	Tennessee Contest Group
	2	N8MD/M	MN	SSB	Mobile	9	3	
Mixed-Fixed								
	1	NE1C*	MA	Mixed	Fixed	394930	694	YCCC
	2	N8II	WV	Mixed	Fixed	350922	577	Potomac Valley ARC
	3	KA6BIM	OR	Mixed	Fixed	146985	157	WVDX Club
	4	N1API	CT	Mixed	Fixed	50008	67	
								Potomac Valley Radio
	5	N3CKI	NC	Mixed	Fixed	7772	83	Club
	6	K4BAI	GA	Mixed	Fixed	7546	63	South East Contest Club
	7	N4NTO	NC	Mixed	Fixed	1426	29	PVRC
	8	WN8Y	TN	Mixed	Fixed	12	4	Tennessee Contest Group
CW-Fixed								
	4	NICONI+	NIV	0144	Et d	07005	444	Niagara Frontier
	1	NS2N*	NY	CW	Fixed	97665	111	Radiosport
	2	W5TM	OK	CW	Fixed	46980	109	Deep Dixie Contest Club
	3	WB2FUV	NY	CW	Fixed	6650	45	Hudson Valley Contesters
	4	W8BZY	OH	CW	Fixed	6424	26	
	5	N2EIM	NJ	CW	Fixed	2109	23	
	6	NM2A	NY	CW	Fixed	2028	48	T
	7	W4CMG	TN	CW	Fixed	585	15	Tennessee Contest Group
	8	KEOTT	MN	CW	Fixed	100	10	
	9	N7NU	OR	CW	Fixed	25	5	
	10	KF3G	PA	CW	Fixed	15	1	
	11	AC2YD	NJ	CW	Fixed	15	1	
Phone-Fixed								
	1		CA	SSB	Fixed	9	3	
	2	W9TCV	FL	SSB	Fixed	4	2	
	3	N1ADX	VT	SSB	Fixed	4	2	

Certificate winners denoted with a "\*". Thanks to all who participated and to WA4JA and N7NU for coordinating the contest!

NOTE: The 2024 edition of the MARAC County Hunting Contest will be on July 27-28. More details will follow.

### **Top List News!**

By Barry, K2MF - County Challenge Award Top Lists Custodian:

A hearty congratulations to Ed **K8ZZ**, who has achieved Combo Modes Level VI, which is the highest number of reported Combo Modes county slot totals ever achieved by any county hunter!

The Combo Modes slot totals are drawn from three different transmission modes (CW + SSB + Data), which calculates out to 3077 USA counties x 3 modes = 9231 / CCA Level x 6 = 55,386 total Combo Modes slots!

This is an absolutely incredible achievement and Ed might very well be in the #1 Combo Modes position on the Traditional Combo Modes Top List for some time to come, since Gene **K5GE** who is in the #2 Combo Modes position trails him by about 5,000 county slots.

Ed also owns the #1 Combo Modes position on 6 out of 9 bands! The only bands for which he is not in the #1 Combo position are 30m (#3, Karl **K4YT** is in the #1 position and is ahead of him by about 200 county slots), 15m (#2 Gene **K5GE** is in the #1 position and is ahead of him by about 100 county slots), and 6m (#2 Gene **K5GE** is in the #1 position and is ahead of him by about 200 county slots).

It is likely that Ed will continue to chase the #1 Combo Modes positions on these 3 bands (30m, 15m and 6m) in the months to come!



Ed, K8ZZ

### **CW Statistics**

By Mike, NF0N

## **CW County Hunter Stats 2023**

CALL	2023	2022	2021	2020
AA8R		3043 #2	3041 #2	3035 #2
AB7RW	3019 #4	2977 #4	2909 #4	2696 #4
DL3IAC	2830			
<b>DL6KVA</b>				
K2MF		3077 #2	3076 #2	3057 #2
K4XI				3047 #3
K5GE	3073 #3	3042 #3	2992 #3	2803 #3
K7REL	3070 #6	2972 #6		
K8IW				3077
K8OOK	2959	2917		2845
K8TE				
K8ZZ	3058 #3			2191 #3
KA4RRU		3072		3061
KA9JAC	2519 #2	2306 #2	2112 #2	1992 #2
KC3X	3055 #6	2914 #6		3066 #5
KC5P				3036
KC7YE	2618	2618		
KE3VV	2962 #3	2791 #3	2429 #3	757 #3
KK7X				2268
N1API	3066	3065	3052	3047
N4CD		2821 #6		2788 #6
N4RS	2950 #6	2747 #6		1310 #6
N5MLP	2879	2615	2408	1706
N8CIJ	1858 #2	1602 #2	1163 #2	568 #2
N9JF				239 #2
NF0N	2550 #3	1912 #3	1008 #3	3074 #2

NS2N	3076 #3	3066 #3	3053 #3	2941 #3
NU0Q	3062 #3	3014 #3	2937 #3	2630 #3
NX0X				2601
SM6VR				2020 #2
W0GXQ	3077 #8	3059 #8	3031 #8	2741 #8
W3DLM				
W4SIG	2401 #4	266 #4		3072 #3
W4YDY	786 #3	185 #3	3076 #2	3075 #2
W7EEC	1687 #1			1466 #2
W8BZY		3077 #1	3063	2967
W8OP				2954
WA1ZIC				2954
<b>WA3QNT</b>	2284 #2			
WD40IN	3002 #2	2946 #2		2764 #2
WQ7A				





W0GXQ's new tattoo!

**Morse Dedication!!** 

### San Juan County WA Ferry News

#### Contributed by Phil, AB7RW

Apparently, there is some news that presents challenges to activate San Juan County Washington for now and the foreseeable future. Details below:

## Washington State Ferries confirms passenger fears: Service disruptions will continue for years

A perfect storm of increasing demand for ferry services, crew shortages, and an aging fleet means Washington ferry passengers will continue to see limited sailings and frequent cancellations over the next four to five years.

The latest <u>"Service Contingency Plan"</u> released this week by Washington State Ferries projects that the combined stress on the system means that service will be limited and potentially disrupted on multiple popular ferry routes until new vessels enter service in 2028.

The report, which comes on the heels of a more optimistic 2023 report, cites multiple stressors — including a fleet that has been reduced from 24 to 21 vessels in the last nine years and a "global shortage of mariners" — as the primary factors in the ongoing reduction of ferry service.

More than 1,000 ferry trips were cancelled during the three-month period from July to September 2023, according to the Washington State Department of Transportation. Of those, more than half, 60%, were due to a lack of crew.

WSF is launching a new recruitment campaign backed by \$20 million in state funds that should increase staffing levels over the next 18 to 24 months.

The current fleet of 21 vessels range from 5 to 64 years old. Half of the fleet is more than 30 years old.



While the number of ferry passengers continues to increase toward prepandemic levels, state ferry officials acknowledged that they are unable to accommodate those customers the way they could before the pandemic.

"This puts pressure on the entire ferry system, as customers wait longer to

board, crews work longer hours and frequent overtime, and unexpected service disruptions create ripple effects felt throughout the system," the contingency plan states.

Source: NPR Network, January 5, 2024

## **MARAC Booth at Dayton Hamvention**

By Kerry W4SIG

Great news!! MARAC will once again host a booth at the 2024 Dayton Hamvention this spring. Mike, NF0N, is spearheading the booth this year with help from Alan, W8OP, and Sharon, KJ8F. We will be in Building 5 at booth number #5103. Please stop by for a chat, sit for a spell, and maybe give a break to one of the other county hunters so they can walk around a bit.

### **USACA Award Custodian Opening**

By Kerry W4SIG

As mentioned last month, Brian, NX0X, has resigned as the *CQ Magazine* Award Custodian due to obligations with his work. This position processes and promotes the USACA Award which is critical to an influx of new hams to chase MARAC awards and join our club, USACA award recipients are where most new MARAC members come from. It is vital that this award be continued and supported. This position is critical to the continuance of the USACA award.

**EXCITING NEWS!!** Word has it that an very qualified individual has stepped forward to volunteer for this position. Communications are ongoing with *CQ Magazine*. Hopefully this position will be filled soon. We will keep you informed

## Logger Support Announcement

By Kerry W4SIG

This is a reminder....As mentioned in the opening article of previous months' RoadRunner, a new support structure has been created for support of the Logger program. PLEASE, everyone send ALL Logger questions/problems to Dave, **KE3VV**, davidsplitt@erols.com. 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!

## **MARAC** Awards Report

By Kerry, W4SIG

The following are the awards that were earned and processed for the last month. Note that some members do not apply for levels of awards (i.e. 1000, 2000, 3000, etc), but rather wait until they work all 3077 to apply. Thus, some may have worked all 3077, yet do not have the various lower level awards.

Awards Issued:			
Call	Award	Level	Cert.
K8ZZ	Call Combo 1x2 Calls	3077	7
K3IMC	Single Band 17M	2000	10
КЗІМС	Ran all Georgia-2nd Time		5
KSIIVIC	Ran all Arizona-2nd		
K3IMC	Time		3
K3IMC	Single Band 30M	1000	4
W4SIG	Single Band 17M	3000	2
W4YDY	Single Band 10M	1000	5
N7LFX	USA Digital Mode	2000	9
KB6UF	USACA - 7th Time	3077	28
W4SIG	US President's Award		64
	Native American		
W4SIG	Award		67
W4SIG	Single Band 15M	1000	15
W4SIG	Single Band 15M	2000	4

Roadrunner		
Awards:		
	LC	Cert.
Call	Count	No.
NM1G	50	365
N8HAM	200	132

## 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

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.

## Silent Keys

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



**K5KDG – Steve Cope, MARAC Member #73, USACA #45, Worked All Counties 5** Times, USACA All CW, RoadRunner Level 25

K3SEW - Ron Klock, MARAC Member #4581

**KB0BA – Lowell Tennyson,** MARAC Member #3000, USACA #1154, Worked All Counties 3 Times, Road Runner Level 350, 5 Star Award, Masters Gold, Masters Platinum, Bingo II, Ran All States Award for 27 States, Best Team Mobile of the Year (with N0XYL) First Place 3 Times, Second Place 7 Times, Third Place 2 Times.



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.

KM7S – Michael Sexton, MARAC Member #4859, Placer County, CA

## **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 and would love for you to join them. Interested? Please contact any Board member 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

**K2MF** 40 Meters – HI: Kalawao, ID: Lewis, MT: McCone

**K2MF** 30 Meters – CA: Alpine, Yolo, HI: Kalawao

W4SIG W Prefix - NJ: Hudson

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

W4SIG 20 CW - AR: Scott, GA: Jasper Newton, TN: Cannon

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

W4SIG 40M CW—LA: Avoyelles, TX: Foard, Runnels

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**N5MLP** A Prefix – LA: Grant, Vermillion, Vernon MS: Issaquena TN: Hardeman,

Houston, Marshall VA: Mathews WA: Garfield

NOKV K Prefix – ID: Teton NE: Nance SD: Haakon WV: McDowell WY: Goshen

**N0KV** Mobile to Mobile – KY: Knott, Larue, Menifee NC: Catawba, Lee VA:

Lunenburg, Mathews

**K4YT** Mobile to Mobile – CA: Marin, Nevada, MD: Calvert OR: Benton

**K4YT** A Prefix – MS: Issaquena, Sharkey TN: Perry VA: Craig

**K4YT** W Prefix – **GA**: Baker, HI: Kalawao NY: Lewis

**K4YT** Mobile Diamond – IN: Christian, WA: Island, San Juan

**K4YT** 40 Meters – HI: Kalawao, MT: Carter, Golden Valley, Meagher, Mineral,

Roosevelt

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

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

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

VA: Floyd

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

Wheeler, IA: Audubon, TN: Gibson, Meigs

NU0Q Master Gold – AK: 4th

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

NU0Q 4<sup>th</sup> 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: Webster

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

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

SD: Haakon, VA: Nottaway

W9DC: Bingo III – AR: Madison, KY: Letcher, NY: Livingston, OH: Ross, SC: Cherokee, TX: Cottle, Swisher, Zavala, VA: Goochland

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

NS2N CW III – SC: Laurens

**NS2N** Five Star – NJ: Monmouth

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

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, MT: Golden Valley, Treasure, OR: Gilliam

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

**W0GXQ** N Prefix – VA: Greene

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

**KODEQ** All 20 Meters – **KY**: Bourbon, **OH**: Lawrence

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

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

**KC3X** USACA 13<sup>th</sup> Time – TX: Dewitt, Willacy

K8II USACA – HI: Kalawao

**K7REL** CW 6<sup>th</sup> Time – KY: Letcher, NC: Chowan, Greene, Hertford, TX: DeWitt,

Duvall, Tyler, Willacy

LY5A 5<sup>th</sup> Time – CO: Hinsdale, GA: Screven, KY: Menifee, MN: Fairbault, Waseca, SD: Edmunds, McPherson, TX: Mitchell, Stephens

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, K0DEQ

Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club

Dec 20 Through JAN 19, 2024

Beginning Account Balance \$15,350.71

Income:

Savings Account Interest \$

Awards Income 2.00

Misc Income

Membership Income 177.75 Logger Distribution Income 20.00

**Donation** 

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Total Income	\$ 199.75	
Expenses:	Φ 00.44	
Awards Expenses	\$ 80.44	
Misc. Expenses NOTE 1 Office Expenses (Postage, etc.)	288.09	
Total expenses	\$ 368.53	
Net Income Less Expenses	(\$168.78)	
Cash Balance	\$15,181.93	
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Checking Account Balance Savings Account Balance	\$ 2606.20 12575.73	
Total all accounts	\$15,181.93	

NOTE 1: \$26.57 to ship MARAC materials to NF0N for use at Dayton; \$240 annual fee to Dial Pad Meetings; \$21.52 to KM6QF for Sunshine Coordinator expenses.

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC cash balance shown above should be discounted by \$6076, which is the amount of award fees pre-paid by members. After subtracting this amount, the true (spendable) Cash Balance is \$9,105.93.



Bill, K0DEQ, MARAC Treasurer

### **State QSO Parties**

#### **Courtesty WA7BNM**

State QSO Party Season is kicking off for 2024! Here are the parties for this month:

### **February**

Vermont ± Vermont QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 3 to 2400Z, Feb 4, 2024

Minnesota ± Minnesota QSO Party 1400Z-2400Z, Feb 3, 2024

South Carolina ± South Carolina QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 24 to 0159Z, Feb 25, 2024

North Carolina ± North Carolina QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 25 to 0100Z, Feb 26, 2024



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