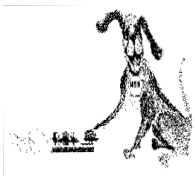


# TRAFFIC CALL



*Newsletter of the Ben White Memorial Nets*  
*Founded 1938*  
*Hit and bounce CW Traffic Net ~ Hit and Bounce Slow Net*  
**FEBRUARY 2001**



## HBN MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Sis, WD8DIN

January traffic totalled 353, clearing 335; with QNI 664 from fifty different stations. Average time per session 30.09 minutes. Welcome to the two new stations, NG1A, Fred in MA. And K1STM, Anne in CT. Please join us whenever you can.

Top arfers in January listing 10 or more: K8LJG 97, KA8WNO 69, KJ3E 18, W2EAG 12, K8GA 12, WA3UNX 11, and WA4DOX 10. Perfect attendance for January, Gail, K2BCL. Its good to have you back with us, Gail. Those who checked in 20 times or more: WX4H 30, KA8WNO 30, W0GRW and N9KHD 28, N4ABM 26, K8LJG 26, W8RTN 25, W2MTA 25, AB4E 25, WA3UNX and N1DHT 24, WD8DIN, W3JKX and W1PEX 23, KK3F and KA8VWE 20. Weekend: WA4DOX and N3QA 9, W1KX 8, WA3JXW 6. All of you are appreciated whether or not you bring traffic.. Thanks for being there. Please come back often and bring friends. Everyone is doing a great job.

Last month, I mentioned Jack's suggestion of using "QST" for "short time" QNI. Another suggestion by Bill W4DNE, is "/st". Either would save some time, and since QST's meaning is "calling all amateurs", the "/st" might be less confusing. Your comments are welcome, about this or anything else.

**Email: Those of you who submit information for Traffic Call, please use the following email address: [arfer@hitandbounce.net](mailto:arfer@hitandbounce.net).** It's called "keeping it all together". Hi. The URL for TC on the web is now <http://hitandbounce.net>.

I think I see Spring peeking around the corner. 73,  
ARF -Sis Wd8DIN

## HIT AND BOUNCE SLOW NET MANAGER'S COMMENTS

C. M. (Sam) Shearer, WB5ZJN

January brought 28 stations to the net which generated a QNI of 423 and a QTC of 54. Having perfect attendance was WA3DUH and WB5ZJN. Eleven (about 40%) of our members had a QNI of 25 to 31., and for our other loyal supporters of HBSN, we thank you for your contribution. Everyone is important, and everyone's participation is appreciated.

**Early Dismissal:** If you find yourself pressed for time, don't hesitate to QNI and ask for an early dismissal. When you need to be dismissed early, there are three ways this can be done. When you check in state the number of minutes you can remain on the net by sending (1) OUT IN TEN, (2) QNO TEN, or (3) QNX. If the NCS gets busy and doesn't get back to you in the requested time, get the NCS' attention and send QNO and your call. Your "friendly" NCS will always try to honor your request.

**Thanks:** I am happy to announce that the unnecessary pre-net dits and dahs have dropped way off. We still have the QRM guy hanging around, but, remember, the best way to handle him is to ignore him. He will eventually get bored and move on to pester someone else. Whatever you do, don't empower him by acknowledging his childish behavior. That is exactly what he wants us to do. Remember the old saw, "You have to lose a few battles in order to win the war."

**Good Morning Vancouver:** Weren't you surprised to hear Mike, VE7MMH, Vancouver, B. C., QNI the net this month? He came into my station with a clear 469. This is by far the most distant QNI I've experienced in my days working

traffic nets. Anyone have a story of a more distant QNI?

Spring is not far away. It will be good to come down to a warm shack again. 73/Sam, WB5ZJN



**Interesting facts:** Ole did some calculating with the DOB list and came up with the following info about our membership: For the ninety operators DOB listed, fifty percent are older than 67 years and fifty percent are younger than 67 years. The oldest is 94 and the youngest is 31. Seventy-five percent of the gang was born between 1924 and 1906. MEDIAN AGE 6.5. Only eleven are younger than fifty, while 13 are older than eighty.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

FEB 22, WA3QNT; 24 W8BEZ; 27 N3COR.  
 MAR 3, AB4E; 4 W3NGO; 13 K3NNI; 21 N1OTC.  
 Best wishes!

**HBN QNI JANUARY 2001**

7042 KHz 0830 EST Daily (Alt 7114 KHz)

<u>CALL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STA</u>	<u>QNI</u>	<u>QTC</u>
NG1A	FRED	MA	3	
N1DHT	GEORGE	VT	24	7
W1KX	BILL	ME	8	
N1OTC	JACK	MA	7	
W1PEX	DAN	NH	23	
K1STM	ANNE	CT	1	
KWIU	MARCIA	MA	4	
K2BCL	GAIL	PA	31	1
WA2CUW	TOM	NJ	11	1
W2EAG	MARK	MA	19	12
W2MTA	BILL	NY	25	1
N3DE	HARRY	MD	14	4
KJ3E	AL	MD	9	18
KK3F	PAT	MD	20	1
AA3GV	ERNIE	MD	1	
W3JKX	EARL	PA	23	1
WA3JXW	DUDLEY	PA	6	4
N3QA	CAL	MD	9	7
K3RC	BOB	OH	4	
N3SW	SCOTT	PA	3	
WA3UNX	DON	PA	24	11

WA3YLO	TONY	MD	3	7
N4ABM	OLE	VA	26	6
AA4AT	ART	VA	12	2
W4DNE	BILL	NC	16	1
WA4DOX	OBIE	VA	9	10
AB4E	AB	NC	25	5
WB4FDT	PIP	MD	2	
W4FRR	CHAS	VA	1	1
WX4H	MORT	FL	30	9
W4KFR	JIM	KY	1	
KJ4N	JAN	FL	3	8
W4VFJ	CHAS	NC	3	
AA4YW	MARVIN	NC	1	1
KA5NNG	MIKE	AR	15	1
K5UPN	JOE	TX	1	
WB5ZJN	SAM	OH	1	
WD8DHC	MIKE	WV	7	
WD8DIN	SIS	NC	23	8
K8GA	JERRY	MI	3	12
KC8GMT	LORA	MI	8	4
K8KV	BEN	MI	17	5
K8LJG	JOHN	MI	26	97
AA8PI	DON	MI	12	6
W8RTN	LEE	MI	25	5
KA8VWE	WALLY	OH	20	1
KA8WNO	JACK	WV	30	69
N9KHD	ANDY	WI	28	4
K9PUI	DICK	IN	3	1
W0GRW	GEB	MN	28	1

**HIT AND BOUNCE SLOW NET**  
**JANUARY 2001**

C.M. (Sam) Shearer WB5ZJN, Mgr.  
 QNI 423 QTC 54 SESSIONS 31

<u>CALL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>QNI</u>
K1BTD	KEITH	CT	10
W1KX	BILL	ME	8
K2BCL	GAIL	PA	28
KG2HA	SAM	NY	31
W2MTA	BILL	NY	28
K2YAI	DON	NY	29
N3DE	HARRY	MD	8
VE3DTR	JOHN	ON	30
WA3DUH	JIM	DE	31
W3JKX	EARLE	EPA	17
WA3JXW	DUDLEY	EPA	7
N3ON	CHUCK	WPA	28
WA3QNT	BOB	PA	4
W3QQ	CID	DE	18
WA3YLO	TONY	MD	2

WB5ZJN	SAM	OH	31
VE7MMH	MIKE	BC	1
WD8DHC	MIKE	WV	11
WD8DIN	SIS	NC	2
KA8WNO	JACK	WV	2
WA8ZGL	TOM	OH	2
NR9K	AD	EPA	29
N9KHD	ANDY	WI	28

**DEADLINE FOR NEWS VIA USPS 25th** of each month, and with the marvels of cyber technology and the "copy and paste" feature, you may **submit via email through the 5th of the following month.**

**On the road again....**

**QNG NEEDED FEB 28 and MARCH 7-** Ole will be traveling and will return around March 8 or 9. Volunteers welcome. Preferably someone who is not a regular NCS. There's always a first time, and remember, you're among friends!

Bill, W4DNE is leaving February 13<sup>th</sup> ... off to the Sunshine State for three weeks! Safe trip to both of you.



**PROFILE : W2EAG, Mark Rappaport**

I got my start and interest in Amateur Radio when a family moved in next door and a boy my age, 15 had just got his Novice ticket. My brother, 4 years younger than us always tagged along with us

wherever we went, so he got interested at the same time. We all joined the audio-visual group in school, providing lights, sound etc for school plays, band, choir, and other functions. We spent many hours upstairs in his shack working mostly 40 and 15 meters with a rockbound 50 watt transmitter and an old Hammerlund rcvr.

My brother, now WA2AWG, got his ticket first, in 57. The next year, 58, my neighbor and I joined the Navy, a week after graduating High School. Being that I already knew the code, and had some basic technical experience in electronics, I scored high in those areas in boot camp. So, off to Radioman's school I went. I served four years of service aboard several different ships, and did a years service at the Naval Communications

Station,(NSS) about a year, just outside of Washington, DC.

While I was home on leave, in 1959, I went down to NYC and passed my novice exam after being pressured by my brother. I got the call WV2FNK. That call expired while I was away on duty. I didn't know there was a dispensation to military personnel from the FCC, and I let it lapse.

Several years later, I retested and got WB2EAG. It was around 1971 when I stumbled across the New England Novice Net (NENN), and was curious as to what was going on. I gave my call, and the NCS explained the whole procedure to me, and invited me to QNI the next day, which I did.

I was hooked! I've been a traffic handler ever since. By the way, my first checkin on that net was a busy one, as many of the stations had QTC for me welcoming me into the folds of the net. I had a heck of a time putting it down on paper as I didn't know the Amateur Message Form, but I got through it.

To make a long story a lot shorter, The following years rewarded me with an ORS and many other Field Appointments. In compliance with ARRL's wishes for the NTS to adhere to all four cycles, I grandfathered NYS/M (morning), cycle 1.

It wasn't long after, that New Jersey followed suit. Both nets are still going strong and provide a much needed outlet for traffic, especially when conditions at night are not good. The morning, C/I nets, can get the overflow etc.

My main interest today is training others to become traffic handlers. I have written a very comprehensive training guide for instructors who want to train. It is geared mainly for training on phone nets, but has enough CW language written in to get the interest of those willing to do CW nets, and the last sessions are dedicated to CW traffic handling.

Anyone interested? I can send it via email.

73 to all, ARF.....de W2EAG

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**N4ABM, Treasurer**

Balance Brought Forward	Jan 5/2001	\$61.85
Contributions:		
W3JKX	Jan 19/2001	\$10.00
AB4E	Jan 19/2001	\$20.00
WA4SRD	Jan 20/2001	\$20.00
N3DE	Jan 20/2001	\$20.00
K8GA	Jan 23/2001	\$15.00
Total Contributions Through	Feb 7/2001	\$85.00
Expenditures for Postage	Jan 10/2001 -	\$34.00
Fund Balance	Feb 7/2001	\$112.85

When making contributions, please make checks payable to:  
**Merritt Olson, 12106 Stirrup Rd., Reston, VA 20191-2104. Checks are preferred for purposes of record keeping.**



**FORTY YEARS AGO (From Watchwords for January 1961)** submitted by Mike, KA5NNG

" TO JACK, K2GWN - A REAL HUMAN BEING

On behalf of the whole MW gang, sincere thanks for a stellar performance as Keeper of the Kennels, January 1, 1958 to January 1, 1961.....In an unprecedented action, you have been designated **KEEPER OF THE KENNELS EMERITUS....."**

" The Traffic Hounds' Morning Watch celebrates its fifth anniversary on January 23, 1961....."

.....A few items of interest: Our mascot, Rouser was named by K2EQP.....

Our bulletin name, Watchwords was the brainchild of W0UTD, who won a contest for the best name.....

The Royal Order of Arfers (ROOA) was introduced in April 1957 to recognize outstanding MW supporters....."


"I read somewhere that 14 years ago, speed of commercial air travel was about half of what it is today. You can leave California on Saturday, spend two days in New York, three days in Florida,

and return to California by Friday morning. Thus, now that travel speed has doubled, we triple our distances and wind up more exhausted. The speed at which some hams try to send code has the same effect on me -- exhausts me just listening to it. What I'd like to know is what they do with the time they (think they) save."

" The plight of an NCS when several stations call in simultaneously reminds me of the young Sultan who had just inherited his father's large harem. He knew what to do, but didn't know where to start. (Idea stolen from K4LQS and Florida Skip)."

" Some telephone company official said that his ideal in communications was a radio transceiver from which you could dial any person on earth from any point on earth; and, if he didn't answer, you would know he was dead. Better enjoy MW while you can -- once this guy perfects his dream, we're dead! "

**The meeting places, when and where...**

<b>HBSN</b>	<b>3714 KHz</b>	<b>7:30 AM Daily</b>
Sunday	OPEN	
Monday		
Tuesday		Ad
Wednesday	WB5ZJN	Sam
Thursday	N3ON	Chuck
Friday	WD8DHC	Mike
Saturday	OPEN	
<b>HBN</b>	<b>7042 Khz</b>	<b>8:30 AM Daily</b>
	<b>(alt 7114 Khz)</b>	
Sunday	W2EAG	Mark
Monday	KA8WNO	Jack
Tuesday	WA3UNX	Don
Wednesday	N4ABM	Ole
Thursday	KC8GMT	Lora
Friday	WD8DIN	Sis
Saturday	WA4DOX	Obie

## WATS NEW IN THE KENNEL

The collection of Flying Horse Call Books here's a bit sparse before the '60's -- here goes -- after listening to OBIE's callups for the Ben White Memorial Net, founded in 1938.

Whites in 4-Land

1921- 4DT Clarence and Eugene H. White, 510 Park Avenue, Lagrange Ga. 72 watts 4HA T.  
Aubrey White, 415 Wrightsville Avenue, Wilmington, N.C. 250 watts

1927 -- 4IM W. R. White, Ridgeway St., Warrenton, N.C

4KX A. M. White, 2101 Lee Pl., Memphis, Tenn.

4OM R. White, c/o So. Rwy. Co., Concord, N.C.

1932 – W4Pxx and W4Zxx were portable call signs for hams with one or more other station call signs.

W4IM---- blank (1929 got him)

W4KX Ellis E. McBride (Who's he??? Name change???)

W4OM--- blank (1929 got him)

W4PL Lamar Bryan, 99 Main street, Conway, S.C.

W4AHH John C. White, Box 1092, Fayetteville N.C. (Stn at 217 Bradford Ave.)

W4AXO George W. White, 1005 Bridge Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

1948 –

W4OM Pressley B. White, 1407 Graydon Ave., Norfolk, Va.

W4PL Benton White, 3 1/2 miles S. of Shepherd, Tenn.

W4AHH John C. White, 317 Mason, Fayetteville, N.C.

W4AXO George Wm. White, 261 Neely's Bend Rd., Madison, Tenn.

W4AXO George W. White, 261 Neely's Bend Rd., Madison, Tenn. (How about that? Must be twice as good a ham!)

[I gave up on looking up other Whites after this]

1963 in 4-Land:

W4OM Pressley B. White, 106 66th St., Virginia Beach, Va.

W4PL Benton White, 6612 E. Brainerd Rd. N.E., Chattanooga 11, Tenn.

1965 in 4-Land

W4PL Chattanooga Old Timers Amateur Radio Soc., 107 Melrose Dr., Chattanooga, enn

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In a past TC, Hambone updated K2GWN's list of HX instructions:

HXH (letter) When delivering message, sign it in the key of (letter).

HXI If delivering message in person, carry a can of mace. –Bill, W2MTA



## ROOA

If you are not listed on the ROOA roster and you have a certificate dated before 1989, please contact me and I will add your name. The list printed in the January issue begins 1989, the year NJ4L became manager. Thank you.

Thanks to everyone for your contributions, both financial and items of interest submitted for publication. Keep those profiles coming.. We'll make it a monthly item. –Sis

<u>Larry</u>	<u>Frazer</u>	<u>Award</u>	<u>Roster</u>
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1996

July-September  
October-December

N1DHT ~ George  
KA5NNG ~ Mike

1997

January-March  
April-June  
July-September  
October-December

N3DRM ~ Pete  
KA8WNO ~ Jack  
W3KOD ~ Harry  
NJ4L ~ Gale

1998

January-March  
April-June  
July-September  
October-December

AA4AT ~ Art  
WD8DIN ~ Sis  
K8LJG ~ John  
W2EAG ~ Mark

1999

January-March  
April-June  
July-September  
October-December

AB4E ~ AB  
W0GRW ~ Geb  
K4MTX ~ Casey  
WX4H ~ Mort

2000

January-March  
April-June  
July-September  
October-December

WA4DOX ~ Obie  
W2WSS ~ Pete  
N3QA ~ Cal  
N3DE ~ Harry

2001

January-March

N9KHD ~ Andy