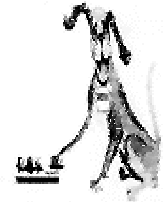




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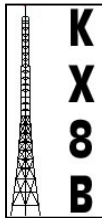
Newsletter of the Ben White Memorial Nets ~ Founded 1938 by Ben White W4PL

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Hit and Bounce Net Daily 8:30 AM EST 7042 KHz (Alternate 7114 KHz) Hit and Bounce Slow Net Daily 7:30 AM EST 3714 KHz
Use alternate frequency on CW contest weekends.

LARRY FRAZER W4SUS AWARD APRIL ~ JUNE



The Larry Frazer, W4SUS Award committee has chosen Chuck, KX8B as the next recipient. Chuck has handled a large and varied amount of traffic from the net. He brings a high level of operating skill to our net. Congratulations, Chuck! Enjoy the W4SUS paddles.

*The W4SUS Award committee
John K8LJG ~ Don WA3UNX ~ Harry N3DE*

Hit and Bounce Net Manager's Comments

Fifty-seven different stations checked in in February... our totals: QNI 650, QTC 583 and QSP 573. That must be some kind of a record. Average time per session: 37.9 minutes.

Top traffic hounds: N1OTC 123; K2BCL 70; K8LJG 68; KA8WNO 58; NG1A 42; N4ABM 34; WX4H 28; W8RTN 22; AA4AT 18; W3KOD 16; K8KV 16; WA4DOX 13; WD8DIN 12; WA3UNX 12; K4IWW 11; N3QA 11.

Perfect attendance K2BCL and W3KOD. QNI 12 or more: KA8WNO 27; WD8DIN 27; W2MTA 26; KX8B 26; K4IWW 25; K8LJG 24; WA3UNX 24; WX4H 22; N1OTC 20; AA4AT 20; WØGRW 20; K3NNI 19; W3JKX 19; VE3DTR 18; KA8VWE 18; K8KV 16; K9PUI 16; W2EAG 15; K1WU 15; K2VX 14; N4ABM 12; KK3F 12; N1DHT 12; K5UPN 12.

Thanks to all for your participation and for doing such a great job keeping HBN alive and well.

Thanks to Ole, we have a **new station, KA8NYY, Dudley in FL.** He has been off the air for some time and is new to traffic handling. Please welcome him. (Profile - page 2)

Get well wishes to Geb, WØGRW, after his surgery this month. He reports that his neck is a little sore, but feeling fine. That's good news.

Lee, W8RTN has gone south in search of warm weather. He has a small rig with him, and might be able to QNI once in a while. He will be back the first of April.

Ole, N4ABM will be away until the last of this month.

New email address for N3COR: **n3cor@pennswoods.net**. The Yahoo address is no longer in service.

Don, **WB8KPE** sends greetings. He has a new G5RV antenna and is planning on

installing it at the first sign of spring. He hopes it will improve his 40 meter operating. At present he is limited to 80 meters. You can find him around 3585 KHz on the WPA CW traffic net about every evening.

ROOA: Another certified arfer, long overdue- Bill, **W2MTA**.

Some of you have had a hard winter. Keep thinking spring, because it is almost here!

Keep up the good work, gang.

73, ARF! -Sis WD8DIN

Birthday Greetings!

MARCH

- 21 N1OTC JACK
- 22 W4FRR CHARLES
- 23 W3JKX EARLE
- 29 WF1M BOB
- 31 KB8ZYY RAY

APRIL

- 05 WA8ZGL TOM
- 06 WA3UNX DON
- 07 K8KFJ GARIE
- 21 KF1L NANCY
- 21 WB4FDT PIP

The Shuttle Disaster

As an ARES DEC/EC of District 10, and the Shuttle disaster in Nacogdoches County which is in District 10 I have a few comments about emergency communications.

When the shuttle disaster occurred one of the members of Nacogdoches County ARES got on echo link via his computer, and started putting out the word that volunteers were needed. It is not clear yet if he was asked to do it by the EC, but from what I gather from others in the accepted area he went a little overboard causing too many to show up to assist. The point is they should have requested that an HF Emergency Net be brought for longer range communications. This type of activity if continued could be the undoing for the real purpose of Amateur Radio. We have had enough problems getting volunteers during some emergency situations.

I have addressed this to our SM, SEC, and the EC who is Coordinator for ARES. The point I want to make is as amateur radio operators we are here to use our radios for communications in a disaster. The computer should be secondary, unless it is being used to relay messages via Pactor. One of the Section leaders of NTX, or STX should have activated an emergency net on HF.

The newer ops we are getting in ham radio probably are from the generation of the computer age. My point is that Echolink, or any other computer type link should not be substituted for the capabilities of HF in amateur radio communications especially in the case of a disaster as this. This could tell the FCC that HF is not needed. We have a hard enough time holding on to our frequencies as it is.

73, Joe K5UPN DEC/EC/Alt DRO Texas RACES

~PROFILE KA8NYY~

Dudley Thomas, a retired daily newspaper Publisher...became a General Class Ham in 1981 in an effort to challenge my mind before hitting the half century mark. I never cared for SSB but chased DX with CW.

Interested in copying only QTH...Name..and RST rather than messages..which explains why now I am starting all over and trying to develop my CW skills more or less from scratch. A job change with a move to Connecticut took me off the air from 1988 until 2002 when I met N4ABM who suggested I give the HBN a try.

Here in Palm Coast I still try to work 10 meters whenever it has a bit of opening. I have a Ten Tech Scout to an end fed 10 Meter dipole (yes end fed..from Par Electronics). I have an ancient straight key I like to use for that. I also have a Cushcraft AR10 along with a Hustler 4BTV connected to a Yaseu 840. The AR10 and the 4VTV are adjacent to a saltwater canal we live on. I have a Bencher Paddle and a Bench straight key for it, but dislike the Bencher straight key..and never use it.

I am not ready but trying to become a contributor to the HBN rather than a mere student.

RANDOM RECOLLECTIONS...

WINJM takes us through the trials and tribulations of a Family in turmoil, as he and Bunch reap the side benefits -W2MTA

A journalistic history of the life and times in Amateur Radio of George Hart, WINJM - by George Hart WINJM

Part 5: BCI

Then BCI (broadcast interference) raised its ugly head. About this time broadcasting listening was just coming into its own, but the receiving equipment was rudimentary and very expensive. Bunch had a Radiola III

using UV-199 Tubes operated by 1-1/2 volt dry cells and "B" batteries, a typical setup of the day, but he never had it turned on when he was using the transmitter, so he didn't realize the havoc he was creating among the few nearby residents who had radios. Our broad raw a.c. signal blotted them out, depending on how near they were. But of course no one knew the Source of the offending interference. One of the nearest was our Uncle Sam, my father's younger brother who lived on College Ave. just below our house, perhaps 500 feet away. Sam had one of the early rudimentary radios; and he and his wife listened to it, or tried to, every night. For a long time he was troubled by interference from Bunch's transmitter without knowing the source, but one night during a visit to our house mention was made of Bunch's radio activities.

Eventually Uncle Sam put two and two together. The next time he experienced the interference, he telephoned and complained to my father, who brushed him off. My father showed little interest in our radio activities at that time But the next time Sam called there was a vituperative exchange resulting in a rare visit by Prof. Hart to our radio emporium.

The Bonanza

"Papa" ignored the warning signals on the steps, and Bunch forebore activating the spark coil, somehow sensing the difference in approach. We weren't afraid of our father, but Bunch and I were at least in awe of him. He demanded to know if our radio activity could interfere with Uncle Sam's reception. Far from being apprehensive, Bunch seemed to delight in the prospect, probably because of his basic sadistic nature as a youth. Naturally, this didn't sit well with Papa, who than asked a lot of questions about the legality of Bunch's activities and the cause of the interference. At the end of the

grilling, Papa said: "Well, I won't have Sam talking to me like that. How much would it cost to buy equipment that would not interfere with his radio?"

A shocked silence followed. Prof. Hart was a wealthy man by standards of the day (his net worth was estimated at \$400,000, which would be the equivalent of at least ten times that much in today's buying power), but he was not known as a spendthrift -- quite the contrary. I could see Bunch's struggle against asking too much and greed at asking too little. "Would a hundred dollars be enough?" asked Papa, impatiently. This was considerably above the maximum Bunch had expected, but he controlled his elation very well, replying mildly, "I think so." Whereupon Papa pulled out his wallet and peeled off five \$20 bills. I had never seen a \$20 bill before. "Now I don't want to hear any more complaints about interference to Sam's radio," Papa said, ominously, and trudged down the steep stairway.

Bunch gleefully fondled the crisp bills. "Do you know what we can buy with this?" he asked, but didn't wait for an answer. I can have one of the best stations in the country. I'll go to New York, to Vesey Street and Courtland Street, and buy everything we need. That whole area is alive with stores that sell ham stuff." "But will it stop the interference to Uncle Sam's radio?" I asked. "Who cares? But sure, I'll get a choke and filter condensers and rectifier tubes. We'll have a DC note!" A "DC" note meant a signal of musical quality, without the rasp of raw a.c. or the buzz of rectified but unfiltered a.c. There weren't many of them heard on the amateur bands in the late 20's.

I was all set for the exciting trip to the Big City in Bunch's flivver, but Bunch ruled otherwise. Instead, he took George Suydam, 3OK, a

young electrical engineering major at Lafayette. George and Bunch had become friends even before Bunch got his ham license, and Bunch felt George would be a more suitable companion. I pleaded that three could fit into the front seat of the little red roadster, but Bunch predicted I would be a nuisance. "Let the kid come along," said George. But Bunch was adamant. I stayed home while Bunch took his \$100 bonanza and, with George, set out for "radio row" in New York.

They set out early in a Saturday morning and spent the entire day in the city, also spent the entire \$100 plus a little extra that Bunch had saved from his allowance of \$3 a week. Does that sound like a petty amount? In 1927 it was a lot. I, because I was younger, only got \$2 and spent every cent of it plus whatever I could squeeze out of my mother. I ate a lot of candy and drank milk shakes. Bunch, at 17, started chain smoking, which eventually killed him 60 years later, but he cared little for sweets. George Suydam was a close friend of the family, spent a lot of time at our house on the campus, ate many meals with us, often slept over on a cot in Bunch's radio room. We all liked him, and he and Bunch (ED) remained friends all their lives.

The two young adventurers returned after dark, the little Ford loaded with radio parts of many and varied kinds. Among the purchases was an RCA 852 tube and a special socket and stand for it. The 852 was a triode which could be used as a self-excited oscillator or as an amplifier. It consisted of a bulb with three glass extensions, one at the bottom which could be plugged into a standard 4-hole socket. The extension out the side was for plate voltage, with the grid lead coming out of the top extension. A special socket contained a holder to keep the tube steady.

Another major purchase was a big Thordarson transformer with

primary leads on one side and five secondary leads on the other. Accompanying literature said it was capable of delivering 1500 volts each side of center tap, with taps for 1000 volts, at a current load not exceeding 300 ma. The 852 was rated at a maximum of 3000 plate voltage with a plate current of 75 ma., but the nominal voltage was 1500.

Then there was a magnificent "helix" manufactured by R.E.L. (Radio Electronic Laboratories) to replace our oatmeal box inductance, a large variable Cardwell capacitor, a 20-Henry iron core filter choke, a 4 mfd. Flechtheim filter capacitor (we called them "condensers"), two 281 rectifier tubes rated at 450 volts, but the clerk at the radio emporium had assured Bunch they would withstand a much higher voltage - and a Jewell 300-milliamperere meter for measuring our plate current, which we could not do before.

Other purchases included a 10-volt transformer for the 852 filament, a small brown resistor to replace our liquid grid leak, a few tools, coils of wire, connectors and binding posts, spring clips. Between the two of them, they hardly had a penny left, were dog tired but flushed with excitement.

Coming next in Part 6, The Great Discovery at 3NF.

DAYS GONE BY **Part 3 -KA8WNO**

I spent several weeks at the Corpus station, located on the Navy air station. There were something like 30 or more men plus officers in a rambling-type wooden building. The radio room had a couple operating positions with one operator on duty. Xmtrs were set up on our regular freq of 2716KHZ WITH, I THINK, 100 WATTS, AND ANOTHER XMTR WAS SET ON THE EMERGENCY FREQ, 3000 KHZ THAT NEVER GOT USED. We monitored it all the time,

anyway. One receiver on that freq and one on 2716. Believe we had Hallicrafters SX28 rcvrs, and we used CW most of the time and fone quite a bit. Our teletype was hooked into commercial lines and we used it mostly for official reports to the New Orleans station - or sometimes late at night to gab with the operator.

Later they sent me to Port Aransas, part of the tanker surveillance outfit. There was a deep chnnel between Port Aransas and the mainland. Port Aransas is on Mustang Island, and across the channel a little further west is St. Joseph Is., one of the chain of barrier islands. Our station was in a wooden building on pilings that put us up about 8 feet above the ground and our radio equipment was about the same as in Corpus. Our tx/rx msgs were concerned with the tanker tfc. Tankers would come in, tie up, and take on a load of crude, then steam away in about 6 hours. Attached to us were 2 patrol boats. They patrolled for German submarines, which were pretty active then (1942) and did a lot of damage to shipping. One patrol boat would be out all the time.

We had a hurricane the summer I was there. Our piower was knocked out on the island, and we evacuated our building in 100 mph winds , going on a rope to the coast guard station about 200 feet away. It did lots of damage but much more damage on Matagorde Island some 50 or so miles to the south. The people there were cut off, and the navy sent a cummunication truck to get relief msgs in and out. I was sent to the slip to communicate from whichever patrol boat was at anchor. The patrol boats had only radiophone. The Corpus station was over us as to chain of command. The communication truck called them with urgent messages but suppose the Corpus guys didn't have ears. So I answered the trucks CW signal with phone. It worked. I

received his messages, relayed them to Corpus, etc, for about three days and nights. Didn't know when he might call me, so tried to monitor as near to 24 hours as I could, as the situation seemed that important. Then he contacted a station in New Orleans, finally, and my sleepless days ended. I had handled about 150 messages from his truck.

We had about 18 men and 3 officers at our station. Best food I ever had in the navy: we ordered our breakfast, had steak once or twice a week, fresh fruit on the table in our lounge. And for Obie's information, we accepted the cook's inquiry "would you like to try some grade A horse meat for a change?" and it was as good as any beef I've ever eaten!

I whetted my CW skills at Port Aransas, but the war was on and I wanted a taste of the action. So, after about a year in Texas, I was transferred out.

W4PL CALLSIGN TRAIL

continued from February TC

Source - The 1927 issue of Call Book listings

- 1AW H.P.Maxim, 276 N.Whitney St., Hartford, Conn.
- 1BDI F.Edward Handy, Riverside Drive, Augusta, Maine
- 2AXX Not Listed
- 2BBS C. Shoreys, 9131 Gold St., Ozone Park, N.Y.
- 2BJZ & 8BOA E.M.Little, 21 Clayton Ave., Cortland, N.Y. *
- 2EC F.C.W.Thiede, 15 Willow Avenue, Hempstead, N.Y.
- 2FR E.R.O'Connell, On-the-Lake, Lakehurst, N.J.
- 2MK E.F.Raynolds, Central Valley, Oranage County, N.Y.
- 2PL Robert B.Taylor, 7 Elm St., Schenectady, N.Y.
- 3NF E.Hart, Jr., Colledge Campus, Eston, Pa.
- 4DT C.J.White, Jr., Vewrnon Rd., La Grange, Georgia **
- 4HA E.L.Feaglin, 226 Hyman Ave., Hendersonville, N.C.

- 4KX A.M.White, 2101 Lee Pl., Memphis, Tenn.
- 4MG R.S.Thompson, 315 Neely St., West Point, Ga. **
- 4PL C.H.Maddox, 207 Monnie St., Ashburn, Ga.
- 4QK J.M.Thompson, 834 Dakota St., Tampa, Fla **.
- 4QL J. McDonell Thompson, 834 Dakota St., Tampa, Fla.**
- 8AJ E.B.Redington, 441 Waverly St., Waverly, N.Y.
- 8AXX C.Galbreat, 625 Wendell St., Endicott, N.Y.
- 8DSS K.E.Mann, Main St., Macedon, N.Y.
- 8HJ J.J.Young, 717 W. Gray St., Elmira, N.Y.
- 8VW J.W.Meyer, 1184 College Ave., Elmira, N.Y.

*Ed Little was quite the wizard until joining SK four years ago. He held both a 2 and a 8 callsign BEFORE WW-II because the gov'ment refused to recognize that Cortland was not down the Hudson River! He held w9ymy in Illinois in 1934, before returning to Ithaca/Dryden NY to build his stone Tydol gas station -- where his widow Helen, age 98, still operates a super basket shop! Ed in his wizard hat would put on shows with his Tesla coil in about 1905 as a pre-teen and later, even did so in the 1990s in his shack.

** Those Thompsons were a slippery bunch too, pulling the wool over them gov'ment boys' eyes. Them White boys got around, but none of em are called Benton! Not yet! (Next, June 30, 1931 USDOC - Radio Division listings)

June 27-July 9
 175TH ANNIVERSARY FAIR
 OF THE IRON HORSE
 B&O Railroad Museum
 Baltimore MD
 Steam Locomotives
 Complete working telegraph
 office
 Details in April Traffic Call

Treasurer's Report

Ole, N4ABM, Treasurer

BALANCE JAN 29,2003 139.58
 Jan 31/03 AA8PI 20
 Jan 30/03 WB3CPG 10
 Feb 1/03 W3QQ 20
 Feb 15/03 K8KFJ 25
 Feb 15/03 N3COR 10
 BALANCE Feb 15/03 224.58

Pd Jan/03 TC pr Feb 23/03 -53.89
 Pd Feb/03 TC pr Feb 23/03 -53.78
 Pd Feb/03 TC po Feb 23/03 -40.70

BALANCE FEB 23/03 76.21
 Feb 24/03 WA3UNX 20
 Feb 23/03 K4IWW 25
 Mar 1/03 WA3DUH 35
 Mar 2/03 WD9F 20

BALANCE MAR 11/03 176.21
 Nice to see us in the black. Loads of thanks to all the Arfers. -Ole
 When making contributions, please make checks payable to: Merritt W. Olson, 12106 Stirrup Rd., Reston, VA 20191-2104

Important notice to arfers:

A big change is taking place in our kennel. Up until this month, all of the CW that he has been sending to us when he sends his important woofings. He has now learned to send with his right foot (paw). It will be interesting to hear if any changes are coming from his forthcoming dogspatches. Nice going Rouser!!

Arfie Woofingham

HELPFUL HINTS

When coming back to net frequency after passing traffic, sign back into the net with your suffix, nothing else, unless you didn't meet your counterpart.

The NCS will automatically know you have passed your traffic. It is not necessary to add the word CLR or anything else.

When checking into any CW net, all stations should wait for a callup to do so. Any other time will disrupt the net controls trend to run the net. The key word is patience.

A good practice to sending traffic is before sending the

message to the receive station, give your call, and if you have QSK send QSK just previous to the message number of the preamble. This might save a lot of time, especially in poor band conditions.

-W2EAG

HBN MONTHLY

FEB	QNI	QTC	QSP	TIME
1	29	43	43	60
2	10	13	11	32
3	21	11	11	24
4	21	30	30	39
5	19	26	26	35
6	21	32	32	41
7	22	5	5	21
8	27	27	27	36
9	20	16	16	32
10	18	14	14	30
11	26	16	16	42
12	23	14	14	36
13	27	20	20	35
14	26	27	27	50
15	29	8	8	35
16	21	16	16	25
17	28	21	14	37
18	22	9	6	28
19	20	12	12	34
20	29	27	28	47
21	26	24	24	36
22	26	35	34	50
23	30	22	22	33
24	31	30	30	37
25	26	43	43	61
26	25	18	18	39
27	27	24	26	47
28	25	29	28	37

“QNI QTC”

Mike, KA5NNG, was talking about Having stations with tfc to QNI at beginning of the net. As he suggested, the way HBN is set up, it wouldn't be a good idea. I remember that in years past, this idea was tried a couple of times. As I recall, it was a miserable failure, and one session was all it took to convince everyone of that.
 - KA8WNO

HBN QNI FEBRUARY

CALL	NAME	ST	QNI	QTC
NG1A	FRED	MA	9	42
N1DHT	GEORGE	VT	12	2
W1KX	BILL	ME	6	1
N1OTC	JACK	MA	20	123
W1WCG	VAN	CT	1	0
K1WU	DALE	MA	15	0
K2BCL	GAIL	PA	28	70
WA2CUW	TOM	NJ	2	0
W2EAG	MARK	MA	15	7
K2GCE	BILL	NY	1	0
K2GWN	JACK	NY	1	0
W2MTA	BILL	NY	26	9
K2VX	DAVID	VA	14	1
WA2YL	JAN	FL	5	2
N3COR	DON	PA	3	0
N3DE	HARRY	MD	6	0
VE3DTR	JOHN	ON	18	1
KK3F	PAT	MD	12	5
K3FT	CHUCK	MD	1	0
K3GHH	JOHN	MD	7	0
W3JKX	EARLE	PA	19	1
WA3JXW	DUDLEY	PA	8	2
W3KOD	HARRY	PA	28	16
K3MIY	RON	PA	11	0
K3NNI	JOHN	MD	19	4
N3QA	CAL	MD	9	11
K3RC	BOB	OH	7	0
WA3UNX	DON	PA	24	12
N4ABM	OLE	VA	12	34
AA4AT	ART	VA	20	18
WA4DOX	OBIE	VA	8	13
K4FUM	JERE	GA	4	0
WX4H	MORT	FL	22	28
K4IWW	WILL	NC	25	11
W4VFJ	CHAS	NC	7	0
W4VLL	VIC	VA	3	0
AB4XK	CHET	FL	2	0
KA5NNG	MIKE	AR	11	3
K5UPN	JOE	TX	12	0
KX8B	CHUCK	OH	26	6
WW8D	TOM	WV	9	0
WD8DHC	MIKE	WV	4	0
WD8DIN	SIS	NC	27	12
W8IM	BOB	FL	3	0
K8KV	BEN	FL	16	16
K8LJG	JOHN	MI	24	68
AA8PI	DON	MI	9	1
W8RTN	LEE	MI	9	22
WB8SIW	JIM	MI	1	0
K8TPF	BILL	WV	1	0
KA8VWE	WALLY	OH	18	1
KA8WNO	JACK	WV	27	58
KB8ZYY	RAY	MI	2	7
WD9F	WOODY	IL	4	0
KB9IOT	DAVID	WI	1	0
K9PUI	DICK	IN	16	2
WØGRW	GEB	MN	20	0

Email update. Please check your address and notify of any changes. Thanks.

AA4AT	thiemens@pinn.net	N3QA	N3QA@arrl.net
AB4E	abbrackett@bellsouth.net	N4ABM	MWON4ABM@aol.com
AF4QZ	af4qz@arrl.net	N4DY	n4dydes@juno.com
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KC8GMT	kc8gmt@home.com	WB8SIW	wb8siw@aol.com
KE4WCW	retberet@cytechcis.net	WD8DIN	arfer@hitandbounce.net
KJ3E	w1klr@juno.com	WD8DIN	iconize@yahoo.com
N1DHT	n1dht@arrl.net	WD9F	fghester@aol.com
N3AO	n3ao@arrl.net	WF1M	wf1m@juno.com
N3COR	sdneal57@pennswoods.net	WØGRW	w0grw@juno.com
N3DE	n3de@aol.com	WØUCE	GIG38@aol.com
N3ON	radio@libcom.com	WV4VFJ .	w4vfj@aol.com
N3QA	n3qa@lee.win-net.org	WX4H	wx4h@juno.com

Hmmmm...

Steve, WZ0WOW, had about five messages to send to me recently on a TCC sked. QRN was pretty bad. He send one msg and I asked for a few fills. He then asked me to wait, then returned and sent the other messages. His signal was a bit stronger and the QRN was mostly gone. I told him his amp made a noticeable difference, especially with the QRN. He said, "no, I didn't use my amp - I changed from my dipole to a vertical."

He explained that he was a Dr. of Electrical Antenna Engineering, and had made studies on QRN. He lives in a spot where they have lots of snow and ice. Snow and ice had covered the dipole and caused the QRN, he said, but the vertical, due to its pointing straight up, had no ice stuck on its surface, thus less QRN. --Arfie Woofingham

30 Meters: Lately, several stations who have been sent to 20 meters to pass traffic have been unable to make good contact there. Jack, KA8WNO, suggests trying 30 meters, so we need to know how many of you can use that band.

Those who returned the survey forms need not send the info again.

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AA3GV	2003	W8ENX	1998	KB2EPU	1991
AB4XK	2003	WB8KPE	1998	NR3Q	1991
K1WU	2003	WD8DIN	1997	W2DMM	1991
K8LJG	2003	KF1L	1997	AC4DV	1991
KB9IOT	2003	KK3F	1997	K3NNI	1991
KX8B	2003	N1OTC	1997	K6HAP	1991
NG1A	2003	N3COR	1997	KA8BBY	1991
W2MTA	2003	W4SVG	1996	KD8WX	1991
W4VLL	2003	W8RTN	1996	N1DHT	1991
WA2YL	2003	AA8PI	1995	N4DY	1990
WA3JXW	2003	AB4E	1995	WØGRW	1990
K3FT	2003	KO4BJ	1995	W2WSS	1990
KJ3E	2002	N3DRM	1995	W3DP	1990
WA3QNT	2002	N6OD	1995	W3JKX	1990
K8KV	2002	WØUCE	1994	WA3UNX	1989
K8LJG	2002	W1WCG	1994	WI2G	1989
KB8ZYY	2002	W4VFJ	1994	WT8L	1989
KC8GMT	2002	W8SKK	1994	AA4AT	1989
W8JWX	2002	WA2CUW	1994	W2EAG	1989
WA4DOX	2002	KA8WNO	1994	K2BCL	1989
WB8SIW	2002	KB2SRT	1993	K2VX	1989
K8KFJ	2002	KC1DI	1993	K3MIY	1989
KA8VWE	1999	KD2WP	1993	W4VLL	1989
KK3F	1999	VE3GSQ	1993	K4FUM	1989
N4ABM	1999	W3KOD	1993	N3AO	1989
N9KHD	1998	WA1KKP	1993	K4IWW	1989
N3QA	1998	WB5ZJN	1993	WW8D	1989
WB2RPW	1998	WX4H	1993	WD9F	1989
KA5NNG	1998	K4MTX	1993	WD8DHC	1983
N3DE	1998	K5UPN	1992	K9PUI	1983

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*During CW contest congestion on 7042, please use the alternate frequency.

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