TRAFFIC CALL

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Hit and Bounce Net Daily 8:30 AM ET 7042 KHz (Alternate 7114 KHz) Hit and Bounce Slow Net Daily 7:30 AM ET 3714 KHz HBN please use alternate frequency on CW contest weekends



People come into our lives and pass through swiftly. A very few come into our lives and remain forever in our hearts.

Larry Frazer was one of the very few.

-Jack K2GWN

The Larry Frazer, W4SUS Award Committee has chosen Don, N3COR as the next recipient. Don has been a long time supporter of HBN and NBSN. Always ready to step in when help was needed. Thanks for your steady participation and loyalty to the nets Don. CONGRATULATIONS.

-Larry Frazer, W4SUS Award Committie John, K8LJG; Harry, N3DE; Don, WA3UNX

GREATER BUFFALO HAMFEST AUG 7 & 8 (Page 2)

HBN Manager's Report

Good month, April. Sixty stations checked in. QNI 620, QTC 564, cleared 502. Average time per session 39.9 minutes. Sixty stations in **May:** QNI 692, QTC 662, QSP 580, avg 41.9minutes.

Arfer News—Look who's back! Welcome Thad, W8UE, from MI, VE3MG, Rick in ON, KB5W, Jim

MO and WA1RWO, Dave, FL. Great to hear you again and we're looking forward to hearing you more often.

Notice...NCS' and subs: WØUCE can QSP any traffic. **W5TFB** can QSP PAN/CAN.

Welcome our new stations KC2FVN, Boris in NY, and WB9MII, Greg in IL; W3HK, George, PA. In June, W3HL, Herb, NC; KB4T, Frank, FL; WA4KDO, Alan, KY; W4CCU, David, FL.

Dud, **KA8NYY**, went to Italy in May, returned in July, then off again to visit kids and grandkids in the states. He has taped some HBN sessions and has took the tapes and a copy of the roster along for practice. That's dedication!

HBSN: changes in NCS roster-

N2ULY Paul NY is now Saturday NCS, and WD8Q on Monday. KG2HA, Sam has moved to Tuesday and NR9K, Ad, Thursday.

HBSN Manager: For those who did not hear the ONC sent on HBSN:

NR 35 R N3ON 28 FAYETTE CITY PA MAY 8 QNC HBSN –

MIKE WD8DHC IS OUR NEW HBSN NET MANAGER X PLEASE SEND NET REPORTS TO MIKE X MY THANKS AND BEST WISHES TO MIKE FOR ACCEPTING THIS CHALLENGING JOB -- CHUCK N3ON ASST NET MANAGER

Don, **N3COR**, was off the air for a while, but now he's back. Good to hear you, Don.

A note from Henry, WD8Q:

Just got my April 2004 edition of "Traffic Call". Much to my shock, when I turned to page two, I saw my bio from QRZ. Thanks for including me with a great bunch of arfers. I have been active on HBSN since earlier this year, and after getting up my nerve, HBN a little later.

Chuck, KX8B has been a great mentor from my early days on Ohio Slow Net in January of 2003. He has been a super helper. Just 15 days ago, I took over the managers job of that net. I also NCS Buckeye Net on Sundays. CW has almost become an obsession with me. I use the mike, but only on the Ohio Single Sideband Net. My preference is the music of CW.

My hat goes off to the amazing NCS's of HBN. Their choreography of the net is poetry in motion. Sometimes I chuckle at all the fast and furious "hand-offs" during the net. Only a die hard CW buff can appreciate such bedlam!

[Thank you, Henry.] [Add Henry to your 30 Meter list. See roster http://arfernc.tripod.com/id14.html. – Ed]

New email adr: W0UCE@nc.rr.com ab4e@bellsouth.net

HRN TOP DAWGS APRIL

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12+	QTC	15+	QNI			
KA8WNO	94	K2BCL	28			
KW1U	78	WØUCE	27			
NG1A	64	WD8DIN	27			
WX4H	55	WX4H	26			
K8LJG	55	KX8B	25			
N1OTC	31	KA8WNO	24			
N4ABM	27	N4ABM	23			
KK3F	18	K8LJG	22			
AA4AT	16	WA3UNX	22			
W8RTN	16	VE3DTR	22			
WØUCE	15	W2MTA	21			
WA4DOX	13	AA4AT	20			
KX8B	12	KK3F	19			
		N2ULY	19			
		K4IWW	18			
		WØGRW	17			
		KA8NYY	17			
		NG1A	16			
		KW1U	15			

Many thanks to everyone 73 ARF -Sis

Birthday Greetings!

JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
8 KW1U	1 W2MTA	2 N6OD
8 KC1DI	14 WB8KPE	18 KB9IOT
10 WB8SIW	16 W1PEX	24 KC8GMT
12 WØUCE	17 N4DY	30 W4VFJ
14 K4IWW	21 W2EAG	
18 WA4SRD		
29 K2BCL		

*** Greater Buffalo Hamfest ***

ARRL Western NY Section Convention Saturday & Sunday - August 7 & 8th, 2004 Hamfest web site: http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net/ Pavilion Table Reserv.

http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net/GBSHF_IndoorTableResv.htm You can set up on Friday - FREE overnight camping -Huge flea market

Location: Main Transit Fireman's Grounds
6777 Main St., Williamsville, NY
Only 1 mile from NY State Thruway I 90 exit 49
Info & questions mailto:luke@towncountryflorist.com

DAYS GONE BY... KA8WNO

The cooler weather and humidity at our Okinawa anchorage was a big relief from the unrelenting humidity in the Philippines. Nevertheless, when the naval action was no longer needed there, we returned to a berth in Manila Bay. The order to drop devastating atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki had been given and this event occurred about this time. Shortly thereafter, Japan threw in the towel and arrangements were being made for the meeting and signing of the surrender terms by Japan. It was then sometime around the first of September, and the word got around that our ship would be leaving for Tokyo waters in two weeks. At this time a new point system was announced - so many points for length of time served overseas and so many points for dependents at home, and maybe some others. Reservists that had amassed enough points were permitted to be discharged from duty. Four of us qualified, and I was the only one on the Teton with no dependents at home that qualified.

But there was a hitch - we had to arrange for our own transportation back to the states. If that wasn't done, we had to go to Japan with our ship. Swimming back wasn't permitted, as no one had ever swum the Pacific. Two of the guys were CPO's and had permission to quiz different ships and hopefully find one that was returning to the U.S. A couple days of frenzied looking and they found a merchant ship that was returning, but, first this ship was going south to the other big Philippine island of Mindanao to transport about 300 Filipinos back home. They had been brought to Luzon by the Japanese to be laborers for them. Also returning to the states was a Swiss engineer and a German Doctor. The Filipinos were of all ages. One woman gave birth to a boy on the 3-day trip. She named it the full name of the ship, the full name of the doctor, then the family name!

There was still some uneasiness about what Jap sub might still be around ready to attack. So we took the long way back, sailing around the Hawaiian Islands to the north, then finally docking in San Francisco, 26 days after we left Manila. What a difference the merchantman was from navy ships. We ordered our breakfast, and the two other meals were served to us. There was cereal to eat in the evening for those who wanted it. The cook baked bread every day for us and the crew of about 15 as I remember. The men would hold up a slice of bread and then pluck something(s) from it before they ate it. Seemed strange. Finally I ask why. Seems the weevils discovered the flour, multiplied, and were baked with the bread! I was given the job of copying press. This ship hadn't subscribed to any press news service, so the captain said, inasmuch as we were navy, I could copy only one press station, WCC I think it was, and it sent very slow press at about 15 wpm. I used a mill in their radio room and copied with about 4 sheets behind carbon paper, a common method used at times for copying messages.

Last memo: Home at last!

RANDOM RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD HAM

The effects of the "29 Crash continued to challenge. A journalistic history of the life and times in the Amateur Radio world of George Hart, W1NJM.

- by George Hart W1NJM

Part 12 - LIFE ON THE FARM, PART ONE

I'll omit other details except for those which have some bearing on our (Ed's and mine) amateur radio activities.

With no commercial electricity, operation at the farm didn't seem possible. Ed set up a battery-operated station of very low power, with an antenna strung between tall trees surrounding the house, but batteries had to be replaced frequently. We used W3AMR at the farm, but the contacts were few and far between and the whole setup was highly unsatisfactory. Ed decided that the only solution was a superior antenna which would make up for our very low power capability.

Down in the valley in front of the house, along the wet-weather stream there, we had noticed a stand of tall trees, some of them over 60 feet. Ed decided we should cut down two of the tallest, drag them to the top of the hill behind the house on which there was a vast open meadow, get them erected and string an antenna between them. He felt that an antenna at such a high elevation (one could see up the Delaware River Valley all the way to Phillipsburg, NJ) would give us an outstanding signal even with our meager little two watts or so of power. But how to get two

trees cut down, stripped of branches, dragged up the hill and set?

The tasks involved seemed insurmountable to me, but Ed got in touch with Raymond Holloway, our 30-year-old cousin who worked the farm in the other valley. Ray took an interest in the project, enlisted the aid of a couple of other cousins and two hired workmen. One Sunday they all came over, with tools and the old Fordson tractor. Ray engineered the whole project. The two tallest trees were duly felled, dragged up the hill and placed 140 feet apart after halyards and ropes were in place at the top of each pole. The way all this was done was most interesting and most ingenious, but I won't take the space to explain it here.

Suffice it to say that the poles were duly erected and stood tall, like silent sentinels, overlooking two valleys and a clear view for many miles north along the Delaware River Valley. Ed and I were most gratified and foresaw great results.

"Those trees are poplar," Ray told us, even before they were felled. "Very pithy, I'll give 'em two years, then they'll rot away and fall." Ray was mistaken. The trees were tulip, but they were pithy. However, they lasted much longer than two years, which was surprising, considering that wood from tulip, or magnolia trees is not considered useful for either lumber or firewood.

"How you gonna feed the antenna to the house?" I asked Ed, skeptically. The house was over 700 feet away. "We'll worry about that later," said Ed. "Maybe an offcenter Windom feed. But right now we'll put up the tent and operate from it until the weather gets too cold. Maybe by that time we can have a real radio shack built.

SAY, DIDN'T WE TELL YOU ALL THAT BEFORE? Thanks to the 4/30 ARRL Letter, Vol. 23, No. 18 "NEW MORSE "@" CHARACTER BECOMES OFFICIAL"

"The International Morse code officially gains a new character on May 3. The Morse lexicon gains the @ symbol as the letter "AC" run together (Yep, we usta call that overscored didn't we folks? n Ozzie) as .---.

"Known as the "commercial at" or "commat", the @ symbol never rose to the level of usage that needed a unique Morse character until it gained as a critical component of e-mail addresses during the past decade or so."

Remember though folks, a lot of us hams still think that use of "AT" .- - does it just as well, like they do on them PHONE mode nets! Ozzie *Submitted by W2MTA*

Note of thanks

Larry Frazer's daughter, Janet and her sister are working on a Memory book for the family. She ran across our newsletter on the web and requested information about the award. She asked me to pass along their thanks and warmest regards to everyone at the Hit and Bounce CW Traffic Net.

Treasurer's Report Ole, N4ABM, Treasurer

Balance Ap	or 22/04 \$71.06		
5/4/04	K2GWN	\$5.00	
5/30/04	WD8Q	\$20.00	
6/3/04	N1OTC	\$20.00	
Balance Jui	ne 9/04		\$116.06
PdPo	6/16/04 \$(42.	18)	
PdPr	6/16/04 \$(47.2	29)	
Balance Jui	n 16/04		\$26.59
6/14/04	WOUCE \$2	5.00	
7/4/04	N9KHD \$2	0.00	
7/6/04	WA2YL \$2	25.00	
Balance Jul	9/04		\$96.59
PdPo	7/10/04 \$(40	.70)	
PdPr	7/10/04 \$(52	.00)	
Balance Jul	10/04		\$3.89

When making contributions, please make checks payable to Merritt W. Olson, 12106 Stirrup Rd., Reston, VA 20191-2104.

Many thanks to "Zoo", Henry, Jack N1OTC, WØUCE, N9KHD and WA2YL for your contributions.

HBSN arfers... I'm sure you've missed Chuck, N3ON. He sprained his foot and is limiting his activities, including radio, for the time being.

HIT AND BOUNCE SLOW NET APRIL 2004 REPORT MICHAEL FOX, WD8DHC, MANAGER CHUCK PUNZELL, N3ON, ASST. MANAGER QNI - 273 QTC - 85 Sessions 30

CALL	NAME	STAT	QNI
Math	EDED	E	1.0
NG1A	FRED	MA	13
AB1AV	BILL	NH	15
W1KX	BILL	ME	2
N1SX	ARNOLD	NJ	1
K1WU	MARCIA	MA	1
WA2CUW	TOM	NJ	2
KG2HA	SAM	NY	23
W2MTA	BILL	NY	1
N2ULY	PAUL	NY	13

K2VX	DAVE	VA	2
VE3DTR	JOHN	ON	25
KK3F	PAT	MD	14
W3JKX	EARLE	EPA	11
WA3JXW	DUDLEY	EPA	5
N3ON	CHUCK	WPA	19
N3QA	CAL	MD	1
W3QQ	CID	DE	30
WA3YLO	TONY	MD	1
N4ABM	OLE	VA	2
W4VLL	VIC	VA	2
KX8B	CHUCK	OH	28
WD8DHC	MIKE	WV	7
K8KV	BEN	MI	1
WD8Q	HENRY	OH	14
NR9K	AD	EPA	30
N9KHD	ANDY	WI	10

HBSN MAY 2004 QNI 295 QTC 70 TIME 700 MINS - Mike WD8DHC, Net Manager

HBN QNI APRIL

FRED	MA	16	64
KEITH	CT	7	0
DAVE	ME	3	0
BILL	ME		0
JACK	MA	3	31
DAVE	FL	1	0
MARCIA	MA	15	78
GAIL	FL	28	0
TOM	NJ	7	8
MARK	MA	6	0
BORIS	NY	1	0
JACK	NY	1	0
BILL	NY	21	5
PAUL	NY	19	2
DAVID	VA	3	0
JAN	NJ		0
HARRY	MD	3	0
JOHN	ON	22	0
PAT	MD	19	18
JOHN	MD	2	0
EARLE	PA	11	0
DUDLEY	PA	3	1
RICK	ON	1	0
RON	PA	10	0
JOHN	MD	7	0
CAL	MD	8	7
BOB	OH	13	0
DON	PA	22	7
OLE	VA	23	27
ART	VA	20	16
OBIE	VA	7	13
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AB4E	A B	NC	5	1
K4FUM	JERE	GA	4	0
WX4H	MORT	FL	26	55
K4IWW	WILL	NC	18	0
WX4J	EARL	FL	1	0
AF4QZ	ADAM	SC	1	0
W4VFJ	CHAS	NC	9	0
W4VLL	VIC	VA	2	0
W4WXA	TOM	GA	8	0
KA5NNG	MIKE	AR	14	5
KB5W	JIM	MO	1	0
KX8B	CHUCK	ОН	25	12
WD8DHC	MIKE	WV	2	1
WD8DIN	SIS	NC	27	1
W8IM	BOB	FL	6	0
K8KV	BEN	MI	13	9
K8LJG	JOHN	MI	22	55
KA8NYY	DUDLEY	FL	17	0
AA8PI	DON	MI	2	0
WD8Q	HENRY	ОН	9	1
W8RTN	LEE	MI	14	16
W8UE	THAD	MI	1	0
KA8WNO	JACK	WV	24	94
WD9F	WOODY	IL	2	0
N9KHD	ANDY	WI	5	0
WB9MII	GREG	IL	1	0
K9PUI	DICK	IN	1	3
WØGRW	GEB	MN	17	0
WØUCE	JACK	NC	27	15

Hit and Bounce Net

APRIL	QNI	QTC	QSP	TIME
1	24	6	2	26
2	24	9	9	22
3	20	34	34	52
4	20	29	28	33
5	20	25	20	52
6	20	19	19	43
7	19	9	0	31
8	18	15	8	52
9	21	22	26	69
10	18	40	30	31
11	16	32	32	28
12	20	23	23	50
13	20	23	19	35
14	23	13	11	34
15	25	28	32	60
16	21	11	6	41
17	20	16	16	45
18	20	10	10	31
19	19	21	15	48

20	28	31	29	38
21	21	10	7	35
22	22	12	12	35
23	20	12	12	42
24	19	12	11	31
25	16	10	9	33
26	21	14	14	40
27	21	25	21	27
28	21	20	14	55
29	22	11	11	38
30	21	22	22	41
	620	564	502	39.9

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CALL	NAME	STA	QNI	QTC
NG1A	FRED	MA	3	10
AB1AV	BILL	NH	1	0
K1BTD	KEITH	CT	10	0
KC1DI	DAVE	ME	5	0
W1KX	BILL	ME	9	0
N1OTC	JACK	MA	15	140
WA1RWO	DAVE	FL	3	0
KW1U	MARCIA	MA	16	76
W1WCG	VAN	CT	1	0
K2BCL	GAIL	PA	30	6
WA2CUW	TOM	NJ	5	0
W2EAG	MARK	MA	13	3
W2MTA	BILL	NY	26	5
N2ULY	PAUL	NY	13	1
K2VX	DAVID	VA	6	8
WA2YL	JAN	NJ	5	0
N3DE	HARRY	MD	4	0
VE3DTR	JOHN	ON	26	1
KK3F	PAT	MD	23	10
W3HK	GEORGE	PA	1	0
W3JKX	EARLE	PA	13	0
WA3JXW	DUDLEY	PA	5	7
K3MIY	RON	PA	5	0
K3NNI	JOHN	MD	16	0
N3QA	CAL	MD	4	5
WA3QNT	BOB	PA	2	0
K3RC	BOB	ОН	16	0
WA3UNX	DON	PA	24	9
WA3YLO	TONY	MD	2	5
N4ABM	OLE	VA	26	25
AA4AT	ART	VA	20	12
WA4DOX	OBIE	VA	5	6
AB4E	A B	NC	1	0
WB4FDT	PIP	MD	1	0
K4FUM	JERE	GA	4	3
WX4H	MORT	FL	31	68
K4IWW	WILL	NC	29	0
KB4T	FRANK	FL	1	1
W4VFJ	CHAS	NC	1	1
			1	0
K4VIZ	TOM	AL	1	U

MIKE	AR	11	0
JACK	TX	1	0
CHUCK	OH	29	33
MIKE	WV	6	27
SIS	NC	29	1
BOB	FL	12	0
GARIE	WV	2	0
BEN	FL	4	1
JOHN	MI	24	64
DUD	FL	19	0
HENRY	OH	20	6
LEE	MI	10	6
JIM	MI	1	0
JACK	WV	26	77
WOODY	IL	4	0
DAVID	WI	1	0
ANDY	WI	2	0
GEB	MN	20	0
JACK	NC	28	52
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HBN Monthly Totals May

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	MAY	QNI	QTC	QSP	TIME
	1	22	17	15	46
	2	18	21	21	30
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	7	23	7	7	28
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	9	18	33	25	33
	10	25	39	39	33
	11	23	23	15	40
	12	23	25	24	62
	13	23	9	9	37
	14	27	20	20	52
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	16	19	24	24	30
	17	24	17	15	41
	18	23	10	10	41
	19	23	19	19	43
	20	28	17	17	39
	21	27	32	17	40
	22	21	33	32	34
	23	19	30	18	70
	24	16	35	27	45
	25	20	26	24	45
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THIS n' THAT FROM LAST MONTH'S TC - W2MTA

Wow, I can't wait for Jack's next "DAYS GONE BY"! Wonder what he'll tell us about them battlewagons? →

My Elmer, W2QHL, was Chief Radio Technican on the South Dakota, BB-57. He used to tell me about their most harrowing experiences at Okinawa with Kamikazis trying to make 'em use up their ammo.

He also had a tale about being THE Fleet expert on LORAN, which qualified him for breeches buoy duty on too many occasions. Bob was a great one, who also repaired their RADARs and could copy Press with the best of them....my Elmer from 1946 to 1989.

Was at the NYSPT&EN's meeting in Albany May 8th. Betty and I sat at the table with Walt, AA2FT, who like Jack, saw WWII duty in the Pacific as a Navy radioman.

His team supported the Marine amphibious landing operations throughout WWII. Starting in Alaska with the ATTu landing, etc. situations, thus missing Guadalcanal, but in support for all landings from Tarawa to Iwo Jima.

Jack and Walt should get together. Walt went ashore to setup the Ship-to-Shore radio links. He copied Press too!

Got a look at that thing just titled "EAN' on TC pages 4&5, Wow, I've been an NCS on EAN since 1963 and Phil, K9HI, SM of EMass, sure has shown me a new way to "run" EAN!

I see he's proud, in that fictionalized example of clearing 67 pieces of message traffic in "55 or so minutes" with 100% accuracy. What's this "or so" bit? And Phil made me the TCC Station Bravo too (that's PAN RX folks), my thanks for the recognition to Phil and K8KFJ. - Bill, W2MTA

This story from QST has an interesting twist in it!

HAMS IN COMBAT -- SEE YOU IN TOKYO! By Sgt. Joseph L. Coleman, K6TTY QST, January 1945

My last message had just been completed to W4PL in the early morning of December 7, 1941. Ben and I had our usual QSO and then said, "Coffee, here I come" that old familiar phrase which meant "Brother, that's all for tonight." Switching off the rig, spinning the band switch on the RME-99 to the broadcast band to hear some of the swing music from the States, I let out a healthy yawn and wheeled around to the mill to type out my traffic for Monday's mail. Like countless other hams, little did I realize that this would be my last night in the old ham shack. K6TTY -- K6TOP was now silent.

I was awakened by the "wumph" of exploding bombs. At first I thought that some unit was having practice on the artillery range. Thinking this rather strange for a Sunday morning, I nevertheless turned over and started to go back to sleep, cussing under my breath for being awakened so early. O'Connor, the supply sergeant who slept across the hall from my shack, came running into the room. "Joe, for heaven's sake, get up. Some damn fool is bombing Wheeler Field!" -- which was the air strip adjacent to Schofield Barracks.

At this time several Japanese planes flew overhead, peeled off and started to strafe us. It was hard to believe at first that we were really getting bombed and strafed. However it didn't take us long to gather what was taking place. Little time was lost in loading equipment and taking to the field to man our tactical positions. A few of our planes were in the air now and we could see several dog fights. As we neared Pearl Harbor we could see heavy oily black smoke rising to the sky. It looked

like Hell had broken loose. At eleven hundred hours it was over.

Thanks to Coleman and QST – Ozzie

A LIST FROM OUR PAST -- WHO MADE B.P.L.?

This "B.P.L." is the Brass Pounders' League award, not that other "nowly known, and noisey" BPL. An old friend, veteran of Guadalcanal, the other day asked me to look up a 1945 QST article -- sooo that lead to one thing and another -- until I saw the BPL list in the January 1942 QST...guys & gals, that was the last of the "netters" (as they were called in them days) activity published in QST before WW-II ham shutdown. Note how they counted for BPL (Del. + Extra Del.)!!!

BRASS POUNDERS' LEAGUE

(October 16 - November 15)

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		Extra Del.			
Call	Orig.	Del.	Rel.	Credit	Total
W6LUJ	552	805	570	794	2721
W5FDR	103	289	1666	270	2328
W7EBQ	150	237	1734	165	2286
W4PL	22	49	1800	44	1915
W5OW	139	103	1574	50	1866
W2SC	176	194	1268	129	1767
W9INU	10	230	912	212	1364
W6FWJ	306	204	588	200	1298
W3BWT	70	90	797	87	1044
W3FJU	30	50	934	30	1044
W9DIR	42	86	778	80	986
W9OZN	11	6	968	0	985
W4AOB	17	118	633	115	883
W6DH	82	133	476	119	810
W8DAQ	12	17	677	14	720
W9ILH	24	35	606	20	685
W2BO	55	36	554	20	665
W4KK	6	42	580	9	637
W5MN	41	92	402	79	614
W9GFF	19	46	529	19	613
W6LTA	3	21	567	14	605

W9BRD	26	63	450	61	600
W9NSU	8	5	556	5	574
W4FWZ	460	52	22	30	564
W5HBQ	20	20	512	11	563
W8CJL	6	17	522	9	554
W8SJF	6	21	502	18	547
W4DD	0	0	530	0	530
W6IOX	9	24	474	23	530
W9QKL	15	14	491	3	523
W2DXS	12	18	458	17	505
W4DGS	0	0	504	0	504
W90UD	21	91	370	20	502
MORE-TI	HAN-ONE-C)PERAT	OR STA	TIONS	
			Extra D	el.	

Call Total Orig. Del. Rel. Credit KA1HR 1909 1575 12 1387 4883 W3USA 151 128 2577 128 2984 W1AW 30 146 310 145 631

These stations "make" the B.P.L. with a total of 500 or over. One hundred deliveries + Exra Del. Credits also rate the B.P.L. on deliveries. Deliveries count.

W6RBQ 244	W9GPA 132	W3ZI 115
W9YOS 297	W3FGJ 129	W5CEZ 112
W8TZD 203	W3JAS 125	W3AOC 109
W6CFN 183	W2KI 124	W9IHN 105
W6TYF 178	W2CGG 121	W3HAZ 104
W1MIM 176	W2BGV 119	W6IOJ 103
W8UFH 140	W8CKO 117	W2MLW 102
W9YOS 135*	W8JIW 116	W8KNP/5 101
		W6LLW 101

A total of 500 or more or 100 deliveries + Ex. D. Cr. will put you in line for a place in the B.P.L. * Sept.-Oct.
-TNX F.E.Handy, W1BDI es QST, I wonder how many later Gold Stars are in that list? – Ozzie
Submitted by W2MTA



Chuck, N3ON vacationed in Arizona in April, and was held up by this overturned truck. He says more than 2 feet of snow fell overnight in the Rockies.

NCS ROSTER

HBN DAILY 7042 KHz 8:30 AM ET ALT 7114 KHz			HBSN DAILY 7:30 AM ET 3714 KHz			
SUNDAY	W2MTA	BILL NY	SUNDAY	VE3DTR	JOHN ON	
MONDAY	KA8WNO	JACK WV	MONDAY	WD8Q	HENRY OH	
TUESDAY	WA3UNX	DON PA	TUESDAY	KG2HA	SAM NY	
WEDNESDAY	N4ABM	OLE VA	WEDNESDAY	KX8B	CHUCK OH	
THURSDAY	OPEN		THURSDAY	NR9K	AD PA	
FRIDAY	WD8DIN	SIS NC	FRIDAY	WD8DHC	MIKE WV	
SATURDAY	WA4DOX	OBIE VA	SATURDAY	N2ULY	PAUL NY	

Top Dawgs -

May: QTC: N1OTC 140; KA8WNO 77; KW1U 76; WX4H 68; K8LJG 64; WØUCE 52; KX8B 33; WD8DHC 27; N4ABM 25; AA4AT 12; NG1A 10; KK3F 10.

May QNI: Perfect Attendance WX4H. K2BCL 30; WD8DIN 29; KX8B 29; K4IWW 29; WØUCE 28; W2MTA 26; VE3DTR 26; N4ABM 26; KA8WNO 26; WA3UNX 24; KK3F 23; WØGRW 20; WD8Q 20; AA4AT 20; KA8NYY 19; KW1U 16; K3RC 16; K3NNI 16; N1OTC 15.

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