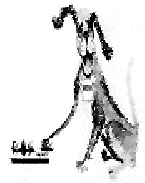


TRAFFIC CALL

July – October 2008 No. 297

Newsletter of the Ben White (W4PL) Memorial Nets founded 1938 by W4PL

Hit and Bounce Net - 8:30 AM Eastern 7042 kHz Hit and Bounce Slow Net - Daily 7:30 AM Eastern 3576 kHz



HBN Manager's Report **AN ANNIVERSARY YEAR**

It was 70 years ago (1938) that Ben White (W4PL) began the Hit and Bounce net. It was 45 years ago (1963) that the first Traffic Call was issued. And, it was 35 years ago that (1973) Kurt Meyers (W8IQ), a personal friend who only lives 15 miles from me, began the Hit and Bounce Slow Net. Details of these beginnings are beautifully presented on our website <http://arfernc.tripod.com/index.html> that is maintained by Sis WD8DIN.

This is an appropriate time to thank all of those through the years (many who are silent keys) who were net managers, net control stations, HC editors, those who submitted articles of HC, those who brought traffic, and those were always around to receive traffic and relay it to other nets. The success of the net, the stability of our operation, and the quality of traffic handling has been an effort of all those who QNI the nets. Thank you so much for your participation both now and in the past years!

We continue to need subs for NCS stations and some areas could use more QNI stations. Please invite others to join us and consider how you might be of help as a sub NCS.

Ole, N4ABM, informs us that funds are low for printing and mailing costs. Please consider a donation. Also, some of us receive TC by email from Sis and do not need a printed copy. Please be sure that Sis has your correct email address. Her address is iconize@yahoo.com. The email issues of TC save a lot of money and provide you with a copy in a much more timely way manner. Thanks.

Here at K3RC, my new tower has arrived (old one blew down in a snow storm last winter) and it should be installed in about a month. Hopefully, my signal will again be about the noise level of your receivers! I have had some fun this summer in my pop-up camper and always take along my qrp transceiver and a couple of antennas to operate in the woods. I am amazed at how well our NCS stations hear me! There are some who say they hear me better than with my 18-foot inverted Vee that I am using at home until the tower goes up. Hi.

I hope all of you have had a good summer. With band conditions the way they are these days, I have been having fun counting how many stations that I hear on HBN. One day recently I heard only three

well enough to copy! My thanks to those who relay my QNCs on the net. It sometimes seems I am transmitting into a black hole. Hi
73 Bob K3RC NM

Silent Key

W8EKR Phillippe H. Perreault became a silent key on February 7, 2008, per Pat Perrault, XYL. No other information given.

New Traffic Call Distribution Policy:

Contributions to the Traffic Call Fund come from only a small percentage of members who contribute frequently while the majority of HBN/HBSN members do not contribute to this Fund. In the past Traffic Call Contributions paid for the cost of printing and mailing of Traffic Call to all members. The costs for Traffic Call publication now exceed Traffic Call Fund resources. Therefore, we ask all HBN/HBSN net members with Internet capabilities to download Traffic Call from the HBN website or request having it sent by E-mail.

Our policy now will be to mail a copy of the Traffic Call to those members without e-mail capabilities, if they request it, and if they have contributed to the Traffic Call Fund during the past three years.

Members are asked to direct these requests to:
Bob Johnson, HBN Manager K3RC,
POB 248, Stony Ridge, OH 43463."

Our current Traffic Call Fund has \$140.60. The last publication costs were 52.92 for Postage and \$82.05 for Printing, (\$134.97 total).

73 Ole, N4ABM

HBN-M-F-8:30AM-7042kHz—Weekends7114 kHz

Current HBN NCS listing is as follows:

Monday – Bill W2MTA
Tuesday – Mark W2EAG
Wednesday – Ole N4ABM
Thursday - Jack N1OTC
Friday – Glenn VE3GNA / Mike KA5NNG
Saturday - John W3FAF / Mike KA5NNG
Sunday – Jack KA8WNO

RANDOM RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD HAM

-by George Hart W1NJM

A journalistic history of the life and times in the Amateur Radio world of George Hart, W1NJM

Geo gets into the "swing" of things at W1AW.

Chapter 25 - The Dedication of the new W1AW

The dedication was conducted under a canopy erected in front of the station, fortunately the weather cooperated. It was broadcast locally over Hartford radio station WDRC and nationally over the Columbia Broadcasting System. Among the speakers were representatives from the Town of Newington and the State of Connecticut, plus dignitaries from manufacturers who had donated equipment to W1AW, President Woodruff, General Manager Warner and a few amateur radio dignitaries. At the conclusion of the program, President Woodruff pulled aside draperies that had been erected over the memorial plaque and everybody stood up and applauded.

This was by no means the end of the dedication activities. That evening Hal and I conducted the Maxim Memorial Relay. It was the first official on-the-air activity from the new station. As had been announced in QST. The procedure was to make as many contacts as possible and receive messages of congratulations on W1AW's dedication. During the evening, crew members of radio station WTIC arrived and conducted an on-the-air live interview with Communications Manager F.E. Handy, W1BDI. I happened to be operating the station at the time when they started setting up right in front of me. When they started the interview I ceased operating, thinking that the noise of the keying relays would be a distraction, but a WTIC crew member motioned me to continue operating. Apparently the background noise was desired while Mr. Handy was describing what was taking place. It was my first time ever on broadcast radio.

When the interview was concluded, WTIC dismantled their gear and departed, as did Mr. Handy, leaving Hal and me to continue the conduct of the Maxim Memorial Relay. We operated in shifts throughout the night until, 6 a.m. when we closed up the station and went home, after

handling several hundred messages and making contact with amateur stations all over the world.

We settled down into a routine. Hal spending the afternoon hours at the station doing maintenance and construction work. I showed up at 9 p.m. to tend to on-the-air operating schedule and do paper work. Actually, I seldom went home at 3 a.m. when my shift ended, but continued to operate until dawn or after. It was a rare pleasure to have stations calling you by the score each time you stood by after a contact, for the W1AW signal was not only outstanding, the station had received a lot of publicity in the amateur radio world and amateurs everywhere were eager to "work" us and get our QSL (confirmation) cards. It was a new kind of amateur operating for me. I even used phone during these early morning periods when I could operate on any band and by whatever mode I pleased. Most of it was CW, but I do remember one morning about dawn I was called by VK2JZ ("vee kye two jye zee") in Australia. He was calling "W1IW" and at first I didn't realize he was calling me. Even when he gave his own call as pronounced above I didn't tumble and tried to correct him. He continued to call me "W1IW". I'd never heard an Australian accent before. His signal was very strong and he said I was the strongest signal on the band and it was very strange ("strynge"). I think he doubted I was in eastern U.S., or suspected I was using illegal power. I was using a kilowatt on 20 meters. After this contact a whole herd of Aussies landed on me. The rhombic antenna was really working.

Staying on after my shift was overdeveloped into a habit - a bad one, as it turned out. I would operate until 7 a.m. or so, then close up the station and go into Hartford and have breakfast at a White Tower restaurant on the corner of Main and Park Streets where I had struck up an acquaintance with a waitress. It was usually "way past 8 before I got back to Annawan Street and tumbled into my bed, listening to the hucksters peddling their wares. Often I was so keyed up that I was unable to sleep and lay awake contemplating this new life. Once asleep, I would sleep deeply until late afternoon, go the White Tower for supper, then a movie, then report to W1AW for my shift. On free weekends I would often go home to Easton or, if funds

were low, to a couple of movies or go out to W1AW and "hang around," sometimes attending the station while Hal went elsewhere on personal business. On several occasions I worked for Hal on weekends, at his request and promise to make it up to me, and during the week I would sometimes come in early so he could keep a dinner date. I had little else to do so I didn't really mind, and Hal soon seemed to take it for granted that I would work in his place whenever he asked. What he didn't know was that I was keeping careful record of the hours I was putting in on his behalf, just in case at some later date I would want to collect. Many hours of "owed time" were piled up in this manner. Eventually, the irregular schedule, poor meals, too much smoking and lack of exercise took its toll on my health, and I soon realized I was living a lonely and somewhat dejected existence. I was 25 years old.

On several free weekends during this period I decided to travel to Coudersport and visit Louise. I would ask Hal to swap shifts with me on Friday so I could leave at 9 p.m. and revert to our normal schedule on Monday so I wouldn't be back on shift until 9 p.m. Hal was usually willing to do this as I often did it for him on his free weekends. It was some 365 miles to Coudersport by the short route, and before superhighways; through many towns and cities all replete with twists and turns, traffic lights, up and down steep hills and often quite bumpy roads. The trip took about ten hours, from Hartford to Poughkeepsie, crossing the Hudson River, Binghamton, Elmira, thence down into Pennsylvania and Coudersport, a grueling journey, fighting sleep all the way. Once I went into a trance after passing through Binghamton and didn't come out of it until 30 or 40 miles later when a bump in the road alerted me. I had been driving in this condition through a number of traffic lights, intersections and other landmarks I had no recollection of passing. The incident frightened me so that I stopped at an all-night diner in Elmira for coffee then at a Sunoco station to get gas. On future trips I habitually made these two stops and became acquainted with members of the night crews. I particularly remember the gas station attendant, a young fellow named Church. He I became quite

friendly.

I would arrive at the Stebbins' Coudersport residence at about 8 a.m. They would give me some breakfast, then I would take Louise's sister to work after which I would hit the sack until about noon, when Louise would awaken me and we would spend the day together. Sleep was less important than the many other social activities during those idyllic weekends. On Monday morning I would get back into my little Chevy coupe (I had sold the Willys for the same price I had bought it. \$75) and head back to Hartford, arriving in time to start my shift at 9 p.m. and try to stay awake until 3 a.m. Those weekends took a lot out of me, and I relate them only as an ancillary part of my early amateur radio career at W1AW. Such asides may seem unimportant to the main subject, but they are a definite part of it. *Coming in Chapter 28: The Hurricane.*

ARL Forty-Six

November: 2 N1DHT; 3 WA3VAT; 12 N9KHD; 14 WX4H; 19 WD8LDY; 26 K1BTD

December: 6 N4ABM; 7 W4DJ; 15 K4FUM; 23 N8IY

Arfer News

Mort, WX4H, is recuperating from a stroke and at present staying with his son in Alabama. I talked with him on November 4. He is looking forward to getting back on the air and should have his radio there sometime this month. He sends 73 to all. Contact him via email, h4xw [at] aol.com or C/o Adam Goldweber, 1107 Iredell Circle, Homewood, AL 35209.

NCS' Mark your rosters— Our Michigan "snowbird" **Ben, K8KV**, has flown the coop! He will be in the Sunshine state for the duration of the winter.

WB8SIW is once again WB8SIW. Jim had a vanity call (K8SIW) for a while, but has taken back his old call. Details are posted in his bio at QRZ.

Welcome to these new Stations: K4OSO, Milt, VA; W1DWA, Don, MA; W1DFU Bert, VT; W1PID, Jim, NH; AB8LA, Sandi, OH; K8DD, Henry, MI; W2GJ, Pete, SC; KB8V, David, NC; W3OKX, Walt, EPA.

QNI QTC JUN 2008

KA8WNO	30	K8LJG	109
WX4H	29	KA8WNO	75
W1WCG	25	N1OTC	69
W2EAG	24	WX4H	67
W2MTA	24	KW1U	60
K8LJG	24	VE3GNA	44
KK3F	22	WB9JSR	21
K4IWW	22	W1WCG	20
KA5NNG	22	W2EAG	20
K8KV	22	W2MTA	13
WB8KPE	21	KK3F	13
N4ABM	18	K8KV	11
WD8DIN	18	K4IWW	9
N1OTC	15	N4ABM	8
K3RC	15	KA5NNG	5
KW1U	14	WD8Q	3
W3FAF	13	WA3JXW	2
K2TV	11	K3RC	1
VE3GT	10	VE3GT	1
W2PL	8	W1KX	1
WB9JSR	8	K3MIY	1
W8IM	7	K6YR	1
W1KX	6	WB8KPE	0
VE3GNA	6	WD8DIN	0
K3MIY	5	W3FAF	0
WA3JXW	4	K2TV	0
N3ND	4	W2PL	0
W4VFJ	4	W8IM	0
K6YR	4	N3ND	0
WD8Q	3	W4VFJ	0
W8RTN	3	W8RTN	0
WA2CUW	2	WA2CUW	0
K3IN	2	K3IN	0
W4WXA	2	W4WXA	0
NG1A	1	NG1A	0
K2VX	1	K2VX	0
K3GHH	1	K3GHH	0
KX8B	1	KX8B	0

HBN SUMMARY JUNE 2008

QNI	451
QTC	554
QSP	523
QND	898
Sessions	30

QNI QTC JUL 2008

KA8WNO	31	N1OTC	168
WX4H	29	K8LJG	113
W1WCG	28	WX4H	62
W2MTA	28	KW1U	41
W1KX	27	W1WCG	35
K4IWW	27	KA8WNO	31
K8KV	27	W2EAG	24
K8LJG	26	K4IWW	18
N1OTC	24	K8KV	17
K2TV	23	N4ABM	15
W2EAG	22	VE3GNA	14
K3RC	21	W2MTA	11
WD8DIN	20	KX8B	11
WB8KPE	19	KK3F	8
KA5NNG	17	KA5NNG	4
KX8B	17	K3MIY	4
KW1U	16	WD8Q	4
N4ABM	15	KB8ZYY	3
KK3F	14	W1KX	2
K3IN	11	K2TV	2
W3FAF	10	K3IN	2
K3MIY	9	K3RC	1
N3COR	7	WB8KPE	1
VE3GNA	7	N3COR	1
W8IM	7	WA3JXW	1
WB9JSR	6	W4WXA	1
VE3GT	5	WD8DIN	0
WA3JXW	5	W3FAF	0
W8RTN	5	W8IM	0
K6YR	3	WB9JSR	0
NG1A	2	VE3GT	0
W4TY	2	W8RTN	0
W4VFJ	2	K6YR	0
WD8Q	2	NG1A	0
KB8ZYY	2	W4TY	0
W2CUA	1	W4VFJ	0
K2VX	1	W2CUA	0
K3GHH	1	K2VX	0
W4WXA	1	K3GHH	0

HBN SUMMARY JULY 2008

QNI	520
QTC	594
QSP	546
QND	958
Sessions	31

QNI QTC AUG 2008

WX 4H	29	N 1OTC	155
KA 8WNO	29	K 8LJG	109
W 2EAG	28	KW 1U	45
W 2MTA	28	WX 4H	41
W 1KX	26	N 4ABM	30
N 1OTC	26	KA 8WNO	20
W 1WCG	25	K 8KV	15
K 4IWW	25	W 2MTA	14
WB 8KPE	25	W 2EAG	12
K 8KV	25	K 4IWW	12
N 4ABM	24	KA 5NNG	10
KA 5NNG	24	KX 8B	7
K 8LJG	24	KB 8ZYY	5
K 2TV	20	W 1KX	4
KK 3F	20	WA 3JXW	4
K 3RC	20	KK 3F	3
WD 8DIN	20	K 3RC	3
KW 1U	18	WD 8DIN	3
KX 8B	17	WD 8DHC	3
W 3FAF	16	K 3MIY	2
K 3IN	14	W 8IM	2
K 3MIY	13	K 6YR	2
W 8IM	12	K 8DD	2
WA 3JXW	11	W 1WCG	1
N 3COR	10	W 3FAF	1
VE 3GT	7	K 3IN	1
N 3ND	3	WA 2CUW	1
W 4VFJ	3	N 3AO	1
WB 9JSR	3	KB 8V	1
W 1DFU	2	N 9NY	1
W 2PL	2	WB 8KPE	0
K 6YR	2	K 2TV	0
WD 8DHC	2	N 3COR	0
AB 1AV	1	VE 3GT	0
WA 2CUW	1	N 3ND	0
W 2GJ	1	W 4VFJ	0
K 2VX	1	WB 9JSR	0
N 3AO	1	W 1DFU	0
K 3GHH	1	W 2PL	0
W 4DLZ	1	AB 1AV	0
W 4TY	1	W 2GJ	0
K 8DD	1	K 2VX	0
AB 8LA	1	K 3GHH	0
KA 8NYY	1	W 4DLZ	0
W 8RTN	1	W 4TY	0
KB 8V	1	AB 8LA	0
KB 8ZYY	1	KA 8NYY	0
N 9NY	1	W 8RTN	0

HBN SUMMARY AUG 2008

QNI	568
QTC	510
QSP	482
QND	935
Sessions	31

QNI QTC SEP 2008

W 2EAG	29	N 1OTC	127
W 2MTA	28	K 8LJG	93
K 4IWW	28	KA 8WNO	50
KA 8WNO	28	KW 1U	41
K 8KV	26	NG 1A	32
KA 5NNG	25	VE 3GNA	24
W 1KX	24	K 8KV	21
WB 8KPE	23	N 4ABM	21
N 1OTC	22	KK 3F	14
K 8LJG	22	WB 9JSR	12
N 4DY	21	W 2EAG	11
W 1WCG	20	K 4IWW	11
N 4ABM	19	KA 5NNG	7
KK 3F	18	W 1WCG	7
KW 1U	16	W 2MTA	6
K 2TV	16	N 3AO	6
K 3RC	16	KB 8ZYY	6
WD 8DIN	14	K 2TV	4
NG 1A	13	K 3RC	4
W 3FAF	13	WA 3JXW	4
KX 8B	13	WX 4H	4
K 3IN	9	K 4OSO	3
WA 3JXW	9	WD 8Q	2
WB 9JSR	9	AB 1AV	2
WX 4H	8	W 1KX	1
W 8IM	7	N 4DY	1
W 2PL	6	K 3IN	1
K 3MIY	6	K 3MIY	1
N 3AO	5	W 4WXA	1
VE 3GT	5	N 9NY	1
VE 3GNA	4	WB 8KPE	0
N 3ND	4	WD 8DIN	0
K 2VX	3	W 3FAF	0
WD 8Q	3	KX 8B	0
WB 8RFB	3	W 8IM	0
W 4DLZ	2	W 2PL	0
W 4VFJ	2	VE 3GT	0
WD 8DHC	2	N 3ND	0
KB 8ZYY	2	K 2VX	0

AB 1AV	1	WB 8RFB	0
W 1PID	1	W 4DLZ	0
N 3COR	1	W 4VFJ	0
K 4OSO	1	WD 8DHC	0
W 4WXA	1	W 1PID	0
K 7IFG	1	N 3COR	0
WD 9F	1	K 7IFG	0
N 9NY	1	WD 9F	0

HBN SUMMARY SEP 2008

QNI	531
QTC	518
QSP	462
QND	1015
Sessions	30

Treasurer's Report		
N4ABM, Ole, Treasurer		
Treasury Sep 2008		
Balance	19-Jun-08	\$183.03
	6/22/2008 pd Post	(\$52.92)
	6/22/2008 pd Print	(\$82.05)
	6/22/2008 pd Labels	(\$7.46)
Balance	6/22/2008	\$40.60
N3COR	6/29/2008	\$10.00
K3RC	7/1/2008	\$20.00
WB4FTD	8/3/2008	\$10.00
K8KFJ	8/18/2008	\$25.00
KA5NNG	8/20/2008	\$15.00
K2TV	9/23/2008	\$20.00
Balance	9/1/2008	\$140.60
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From the Farmer's Almanac:

Memorable Halloween Weather Events.

Forget the ghosts and goblins. Halloween has had some scary weather events over the past 20 years. Here are a couple of the most memorable.

A massive Halloween Snow Fall in Minnesota.

During the afternoon of October 31, 1991, a major winter snow storm pounded the eastern half of Minnesota over a three-day period. When it was

finished, the storm dropped 28.4 inches of snow on the Twin Cities, setting a single storm record for the metropolitan area. Duluth received 36.9 inches, the largest single storm total in Minnesota history. Guess trick-or-treaters wore their skis to get around!

The Perfect Storm. On October 31, 1991, the "perfect storm" was responsible for the deaths of several Massachusetts-based fisherman and billions of dollars in damage. The nor'easter ravaged the Atlantic Ocean over the course of several days before it destroyed the fishing boat, the Andrea Gail.

How it happened: In October 1991, several rare weather events that would have been far less threatening had they happened individually, coincided at the same time. The result: an exceptionally powerful storm rained down across a very large area. It's widely believed that if the storm had been more concentrated, it would have resembled a hurricane. Because the storm occurred without the typical hurricane warnings, smaller vessels at sea were caught off-guard in hurricane-like conditions. The event became the basis for the best-selling novel "The Perfect Storm" by Sebastian Junger.

So was there ever a Halloween when a full moon appeared? After a 55-year hiatus, ghosts and goblins trick-or-treated by the light of a full moon in 2001. But according to astronomers, it won't be until this group has children of their own before the next Halloween full moon appears in 2020.

Full Moon Names and Their Meanings

Full Moon names date back to Native Americans, of what is now the northern and eastern United States. The tribes kept track of the seasons by giving distinctive names to each recurring full Moon. Their names were applied to the entire month in which each occurred. There was some variation in the Moon names, but in general, the same ones were current throughout the Algonquin tribes from New England to Lake Superior. European settlers followed that custom and created some of their own names. Since the lunar month is only 29 days long on the average, the full Moon dates shift from year to year. Here is the Farmers Almanac's list of the full Moon names.

• **Full Wolf Moon - January** Amid the cold and deep snows of midwinter, the wolf packs howled hungrily outside Indian villages. Thus, the name for January's full Moon. Sometimes it was also referred to as the Old Moon, or the Moon After Yule. Some called it the Full Snow Moon, but most tribes applied that name to the next Moon.

• **Full Snow Moon - February** Since the heaviest snow usually falls during this month, native tribes of the north and east most often called February's full Moon the Full Snow Moon. Some tribes also referred to this Moon as the Full Hunger Moon, since harsh weather conditions in their areas made hunting very difficult.

• **Full Worm - March Moon** As the temperature begins to warm and the ground begins to thaw, earthworm casts appear, heralding the return of the robins. The more northern tribes knew this Moon as the Full Crow Moon, when the cawing of crows signaled the end of winter; or the Full Crust Moon, because the snow cover becomes crusted from thawing by day and freezing at night. The Full Sap Moon, marking the time of tapping maple trees, is another variation. To the settlers, it was also known as the Lenten Moon, and was considered to be the last full Moon of winter.

• **Full Pink Moon - April** This name came from the herb moss pink, or wild ground phlox, which is one of the earliest widespread flowers of the spring. Other names for this month's celestial body include the Full Sprouting Grass Moon, the Egg Moon, and among coastal tribes the Full Fish Moon, because this was the time that the shad swam upstream to spawn.

• **Full Flower Moon - May** In most areas, flowers are abundant everywhere during this time. Thus, the name of this Moon. Other names include the Full Corn Planting Moon, or the Milk Moon.

• **Full Strawberry Moon - June** This name was universal to every Algonquin tribe. However, in Europe they called it the Rose Moon. Also because the relatively short season for harvesting strawberries comes each year during the month of June . . . so the full Moon that occurs during that month was christened for the strawberry!

• **The Full Buck Moon – July-** July is normally the month when the new antlers of buck deer push out of their foreheads in coatings of velvety fur. It was also often called the Full Thunder Moon, for the reason that thunderstorms are most frequent during this time. Another name for this month's Moon was the Full Hay Moon.

• **Full Sturgeon Moon - August** The fishing tribes are given credit for the naming of this Moon, since sturgeon, a large fish of the Great Lakes and other major bodies of water, were most readily caught during this month. A few tribes knew it as the Full Red Moon because, as the Moon rises, it appears reddish through any sultry haze. It was also called the Green Corn Moon or Grain Moon.

• **Full Harvest Moon - September** This is the full Moon that occurs closest to the autumn equinox. In two years out of three, the Harvest Moon comes in September, but in some years it occurs in October. At the peak of harvest, farmers can work late into the night by the light of this Moon. Usually the full Moon rises an average of 50 minutes later each night, but for the few nights around the Harvest Moon, the Moon seems to rise at nearly the same time each night: just 25 to 30 minutes later across the U.S., and only 10 to 20 minutes later for much of Canada and Europe. Corn, pumpkins, squash, beans, and wild rice the chief Indian staples are now ready for gathering.

• **Full Hunter's Moon - October** With the leaves falling and the deer fattened, it is time to hunt. Since the fields have been reaped, hunters can easily see fox and the animals which have come out to glean.

• **Full Beaver Moon - November** This was the time to set beaver traps before the swamps froze, to ensure a supply of warm winter furs. Another interpretation suggests that the name Full Beaver Moon comes from the fact that the beavers are now actively preparing for winter. It is sometimes also referred to as the Frosty Moon.

• **The Full Cold Moon; or the Full Long Nights Moon - December** -During this month the winter cold fastens its grip, and nights are at their longest and darkest. It is also sometimes called the Moon before Yule. The term Long Night Moon is a doubly appropriate name because the midwinter night is indeed long, and because the Moon is above the horizon for a long time. The midwinter full Moon has a high trajectory across the sky because it is opposite a low Sun. ~ *Farmer's Almanac*

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If your email or mailing address has changed, please notify Bob K3RC.

Hard copies will be mailed to those who do not use email, and to those who regularly contribute to the treasury unless otherwise requested. Like almost everything else, the printing cost has increased considerably.

Your comments, pro or con, are most welcome.

Thanks. 73, Sis WD8DIN

The pdf of this and the May-June issue will be online at the hit and bounce site as soon as I find out how to make it downloadable. Luckily, I know someone who knows how to do that. Hi. -Sis

ARLB017 W1AW 2008/2009 Winter Operating Schedule

Morning	Schedule:	0000 " " CWf Tue, Thu	= 5, 7.5, 10, 13 and 15 WPM
<u>Time</u> <u>Mode</u> <u>Days</u>		0100 " (8 PM EST) CWb	CWf = Morse Code practice (fast) =
1400 UTC (9 AM EST) CWs		Daily	35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 13 and 10 WPM
Wed, Fri 1400 UTC (9 AM EST)		0200 " (9 PM EST) RTTY	CWb = Morse Code Bulletins = 18
CWf Tue, Thu Daily		Daily	WPM
<u>Visitor</u> <u>Operating</u> <u>Hours:</u>		0245 " (9:45 PM EST) VOICE	
1500 UTC to 1700 UTC - (10 AM		Daily	CW frequencies include code
to 12 PM EST)		0300 " (10 PM EST) CWf	practices, Qualifying Runs and CW
1800 UTC to 2045 UTC - (1 PM to		Mon, Wed, Fri	bulletins.
3:45 PM EST)		0300 " " CWs Tue, Thu	
(Station closed 1700 to 1800 UTC		0400 " (11 PM EST) CWb	RTTY = Teleprinter Bulletins =
(12 PM to 1 PM EST)		Daily	BAUDOT (45.45 baud) and
<u>Afternoon/Evening</u> <u>Schedule:</u>	<u>Frequencies (MHz)</u>		AMTOR-FEC
2100 UTC (4 PM EST) CWf	CW: 1.8175 3.5815 7.0475		(100 Baud). ASCII (110 Baud) is
Mon, Wed, Fri	14.0475 18.0975 21.0675 28.0675		sent only as time allows.
2100 " " CWs Tue, Thu	147.555		
2200 " (5 PM EST) CWb	RTTY: - 3.5975 7.095 14.095		Code practice texts are from QST,
Daily	18.1025 21.095 28.095 147.555		and the source of each practice is
2300 " (6 PM EST) RTTY	VOICE: 1.855 3.990 7.290 14.290		given at the beginning of each
Daily	18.160 21.390 28.590 147.555		practice and at the beginning of
0000 " (7 PM EST) CWs	<u>Notes:</u>		alternate speeds.
Mon, Wed, Fri	CWs = Morse Code practice (slow)		

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