Amateur Radio Monthly

BALLOON BUST!



NOT A SPY BALLOON

Investigation reveals high-altitude balloon shot down by the U.S. Air Force to be the Meriden Amateur Radio Club's experimental worldwide repeater

 Forensic experts confirm construction materials match those in a MARC facility



MARC CLUB PRESIDENT ED SNYDER W1YSM HAS BEEN SUBPOENED TO A FEDERAL CONGRESSIONAL HEARING CHAIRED BY MARJORIE TAYLOR GREENE ON THE EFFCTS OF OUR BALLOON ON: WEATHER PATTERNS, JOE BIDENS HEARING AIDS, JEWISH SPACE LASERS & OUR Q-CODES AND A PIZZA SHOP IN D.C. PRESIDENT ED WILL TAKE OUR RESIDENT SCIENCE OFFICER, MIKE ASH K1LHO TO RESPOND TO ANY OF HER QUERIES.





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ALL BUSINESS & ACTIVITY MEETINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE..... HYBRID EVENTS(ZOOM & IN-PERSON MEETINGS) WILL RESUME AS TECHNICAL ISSUES ARE RESOLVED. THEY WILL BE ANNOUNCED VIA OUR CLUB'S VARIOUS INFORMATION NETWORKS

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CLUB DUES STRUCTURE (JAN-DEC) UP TO 64 YRS OF AGE--\$20/YR SENIOR DISCOUNT 65 & UP--\$15 ANY MEMBER WHO IS A LICENSED HAM, 18 & UNDER WILL BE GIVEN FREE DUES.



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STATION ACTIVITIES MANAGER



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MARC PRESIDENT ED SNYDER W1YSM SPEARHEADED THE EFFORT TO GET CT. GOVERNOR NED LAMONT TO DECLARE APRIL 16TH TO THE 22ND AS AMATEUR RADIO RECOGNITION WEEK IN CT. THE FULL DECLARATION IS ON THE NEXT PAGE.





By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an

Official Statement

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AMATEUR RADIO RECOGNITION WEEK

in the State of Connecticut.









SKYWARN IN-PERSON TRAINING SESSION PRELIMINARY NOTICE- WALLINGFORD, CT

FORMAT: In-person (SKYWARN SPOTTER NUMBERS WILL BE ISSUED)

ADMISSION FEE: FREE - NO CHARGE

MASKS OPTIONAL - NOT REQUIRED (We will follow Town Dept of Health recommendations)

CAPACITY MAXIMUM 75 (AS PER FIRE MARSHALL)

NWS REGISTRATION REQUIRED ON-LINE AT: WEATHER.GOV/NYC go to SKYWARN icon (lower left of screen) and click on Spotter Training Schedule to sign up.

If any questions – contact: <u>SKYWARN@w1nrg.com</u>

Must go to NWS web site to register (see above)

Ed W1YSM President, W1NRG
Meriden Amateur Radio Club
ARRL CT Affiliated Club Coordinator
EC SKYWARN NH/Middlesex Counties
W1YSM@arrl.net

CT Governor Proclaims April 16 – 22 Amateur Radio Recognition Week

Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont has released an official statement, designating April 16 – 22, 2023, as Amateur Radio Recognition Week. The proclamation coincides with World Amateur Radio Day (WARD), which is held annually on April 18.

Members of the Meriden Amateur Radio Club (MARC) pursued the proclamation with the Governor's office. "We want the public to know that many of their friends and neighbors are amateur radio operators," said MARC President Ed Snyder, who's amateur radio call sign is W1YSM. "Amateur radio is a worldwide community of volunteers who use their knowledge and skills to serve our communities," added Snyder.

Snyder said that his radio club, which includes amateurs from Meriden, Wallingford, and the surrounding region, participate in many outreach activities to help introduce amateur radio (ham radio) to the public. Club members support demonstrations for schools, student groups, and scouts. The club also provides communications support for the National Weather Service storm spotting program, SKYWARN®, and an annual cycling event that benefits the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp. An annual scholarship is awarded to a deserving Meriden or Wallingford, Connecticut, high school senior. Snyder also explained that amateur radio groups organize and train to provide emergency communications when disasters or other incidents damage or disrupt critical communications infrastructure, including cell towers. MARC is closely linked with the Wallingford Fire Department and the town's Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) and holds its monthly meetings at the Wallingford Emergency Operations Center. ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio said members of its nationwide Amateur Radio Emergency Service® include nearly 24,000 volunteers who contributed over 491,500 hours of service to their communities in 2021. The equivalent commercial value of their volunteer efforts is 14 million dollars.

"There are over 40 radio clubs in Connecticut. We're grateful for the Governor's recognition of our amateur radio community," noted Section Manager of the ARRL Connecticut Section Bud Kozloff, W1NSK.

The Connecticut proclamation reads as follows:

"State of Connecticut

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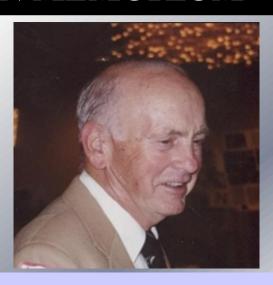
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Ned Lamont Governor"

A similar resolution was made by the Maine State Legislature, recognizing April 18, 2023, as World Amateur Radio Day, and acknowledging "the accomplishments and public service provided by amateur radio operators." The resolution was advanced by ARRL Maine Section Manager Phil Duggan, N1EP. Duggan said he pursued the resolution on behalf of all radio amateurs in the state of Maine.

In the US, hams are required to get a license to operate an amateur radio station. An Amateur Radio Service license gives you access to the broadest and most powerful wireless communications capability available to any private citizen. To get started in amateur radio, visit www.arrl.org.

IN MEMORIUM DON MITCHELL KE1AY





Donald G. Mitchell KE1AY, passed away on March 5, 2023, with his loving family by his side. Beloved husband to the late Mary Ann K. (Worzniak) Mitchell; loving father to Tracy Mitchell, of Madison, CT, and Gregg Mitchell (Steven Kirkby) of Sudbury, MA; and four loving grandchildren, who brought him much pleasure, Tessa and Christian Amato of Madison, CT and twins Joshua and Caleb Mitchell of Sudbury, MA. Don was born in New Haven to Rose (Bertrand) and Raymond Mitchell. He attended Hamden Schools and later graduated from New Haven State Teachers College in 1957 and received a master's degree in 1961. He taught in the North Haven schools until he was awarded a position as a principal of Griffin School in Watertown, CT where he served 25 years before retiring. He leaves a brother Marshall (Carol) of Hamden, CT; a sister Nancy of Titusville, FL; and sister-inlaw Eleanor Tetreault of Wallingford, CT; along with many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister Dorothy Moulter; and brothers Robert, Al, and Raymond. He and his wife celebrated 63 years of marriage. Both loved to travel to many parts of the world and all through North America. They spent the winter months on the island of Barbados in the Caribbean. He served in the army during the Korean War and was a member of the Meriden Amateur Radio Club where he was chair of the W1FD Scholarship and the Volunteer Examiners Committee's He was also a docent at the Peabody Museum for many years.

VE SESSIONS AT THE OEM, 143 HOPE HILL ROAD WALLINGFORD EVERY 2ND SATURDAY, NEXT ONE IS SATURDAY MAY 13TH 2023

WB1GYZ IS STARTING A NEW CW CLASS FOR ANYONE INTERESTED

New CW code course forming for beginners and for those wishing to increase their speed. Beginner: Starting April 17th every Monday. Sign-in on Zoom at 7:15pm class begins 7:30 for about an hour or so. April 18th every Tuesday, for a refresher and higher CW speed/accuracy. We'll also discuss adding additional evenings to suit the class.

Zoom Room 83594942316 PW 569899

The President's Podium Ed Snyder WIYSM President



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN, APRIL 2023 KEY KLIX

BUT THAT'S MY JOB

Being President of MARC means many things to me. It means bearing great responsibilities and obligations towards making the best possible decisions for Club members. It means being mindful of opportunities to grow --- yet, not too much, or too fast, or too slowly. It means dealing with multiple personalities and strong points of view. It means having to listen more than you speak - a goal I am still working on and still failing to achieve. It means listening to criticism and even the (very) occasional kudo. Regardless, I try to do my best, staying up late hours almost every night, trying to keep MARC moving forward. There are rewards – twice this week we were told we were the strongest and most active Amateur Radio Club in the State. I believe we are strong with a robust membership BECAUSE we have so many irons in the fire. Good for us.

So, the question is what else are we doing this year to move the envelope and grow. Here is:

My Annotated MARC To Do List:

Complete the task of generating 7 MARCONI Operational Guidelines and sending them to the League. So far, 6 are completed. The 7 program Directors are all helping here (NZ1J, KC1NQE, WB1GYZ, K1RCT, N1ZN, KB1JL, K1LYP)

Start the 2nd Phase of MARCONI – trying to reinvigorate NARL – the Newington Amateur Radio League. This club needs to grow and become active – like it was many years ago. The idea of a Club Elmering a Club is semi-novel but will take a bunch of work. Lead hams are W1YSM and N1BRL

- Coordinate the effort to Launch a Club Weather balloon (Ray KC1QLS) is taking the lead
- Coordinate the Park & Rec FCC License Course lead is AB1DQ
- Coordinate the Nutmeg Hamfest (N1GNV and WA1TRY)
- Organize Field Day (Captain TBA soon; in Field site KC1NQE)
- Start the Constitution/Bylaws Committee and guide it through its given task
- Consider assisting with Closer to Free Yale Bike Ride for Cancer Care
- Host a SKYWARN Session May 17 at OEM
- Facilitate MARC involvement with Served Agencies YMCA, HITWG, MS Walk, Town of Wallingford – (All coordinated by KB1JL)
- Promote involvement in the BIG E (again) thanks to KC1OYN
- Support CERG/WARG activities (lead by KB1JL)
- Several other seasonal activities: Town Strolls, Town "Tastes",
- CQ Santa, Scholarships, Holiday Party are waiting in the wings.

Yup, it's a lot of things. I am pleased, grateful and proud, that so many Club members are participating in all these efforts. If you ask me what I view my job at MARC is, my answer might surprise you. It is not to write agendas, order coffee mugs, run meetings, contest on 20m, run the Coffee Cup Net, form committees, or eat roadkill (although I do).

No, my main job is to plan. I thank you all for your efforts on the Club's behalf. Planning, however, is just one part of the dichotomy – the other part for which all Club members are needed, is execution.

We didn't get recognized as the best club in the state by sitting on our hands and chewing the proverbial rag. The Officers and I are grateful for the support of the membership and we are humbled by your trust in our leadership. We try to earn, and to be worthy of, this trust every year.

So why do we do as much as we do? Because we can, because we should, and because we ought to. Fasten your seat belts – it will be an active Spring. I wouldn't have it any other way.

SATURDAY MORNINGS AT THE OEM













On Saturday, 15 April 2023, John, KC1KQH, brought in his vintage 1920's Federal Jr Crystal Radio. The crystal was located in a holder on top. Two sliders were used to tune the radio. One was marked antenna, the other was detector. These worked along the internal coil as seen in the I have attached a link photos. to radio museum, org with details about the radio. The pictures of the antenna side and the coil are courtesy of radio museum.

https://www.radiomuseum.org/r/federal ra federaljr.html

Saturday may have been April 1st but there were no fools at MARC, just hams doing what they do best. We had a great crowd and plenty of activities going on. The AM radio project was in full swing along with Dave, NZ1J continuing his electronics class. Bill, NR1B and Bart, N1BRL experimented with an SSTV setup using two HT's on 2 meters. Cell phones running Robot 36 software provided the camera images which were successfully transmitted between them. SSTV isn't usually sent on handhelds due to the 100% duty cycle draining the batteries but this was overcome by keeping the HT's in their chargers. While not recommended by the manufacturer, this didn't seen to bother them.

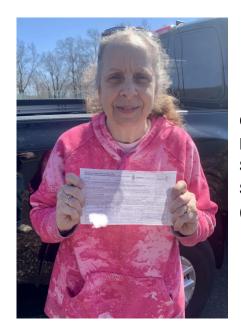
Not only was this fun but it served as an example of the kind of project that might appeal to the upcoming generation of hams and that also might attract other kids to amateur radio. I may even try it myself. No Fooling!

MARC MEMBER NEWS

I got a piece of 100 feet of RG-8X coax for my Yeasu FT-7900R and Comet GP-1 base station from QS Radio. Now it works like new.

Also, my friend Steve N1UIR found water in my old coax along with a short and a bad connector.

73, de Todd K1TDO



CONGRATS TO DEBBIE K1PET, SHOWN HERE PROUDLY EXHIBITING HER LICENSE UPGRADE TO GENERAL AT THE SOUTHINGTON HAMFEST. WATCHOUT ANDY N1XXU, NOW SHE IS FREE TO ROAM THE ENTIRE HAM UNIVERSE (WITHOUT YOU)

"I'm excited to be hosting my first ever ham radio Net. Following in the tradition of the coffee cup net, the Sunday brunch net will be an open forum over the air get together. This net will be held on the KB1MMR repeater located in the Middletown area. I've have had much success reaching this repeater with just my HT from both the Middletown and Wallingford areas.

So please Join me Sundays at 12 PM EDT on the KB1MMR Repeater.

446.92500 -5.00 MHz FM Tone 77.0

Learn more about the Net at sundaybrunchnet.com

73, KC1QWH Stephen Rygiel

QUICK SILVER RADIO IS LOOKING TO HIRE

Hi Friends:

I'm looking to hire some help in my shop, located in the North End of Meriden.

Duties include shipping customer orders and light assembly work -- coax cables, power cables, and similar. May also include trips to Hamfests in the Northeast and possibly the Midwest.

Hours are flexible - could be full or part-time. Ideal for a retiree looking to make a little side money. If you -- or someone you know -- are interested, e-mail me directly - jbee@qsradio.com -- or call me in the shop weekdays at 203-440-4973.

JOHN BEE N1GNV

MARC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 2023

APRIL 8.....VE SESSION AT THE OEM

APR 13.....MARC BUSINESS MEETING 7:00PM AT THE ZOOM...

APR 16-APR 22 AMATEUR RADIO WEEK IN CT. SEE ARTICLE ENCLOSED

APR 27.....ACTIVITIES MEETING 7:00PM THE ACTIVITY IS HIGH ALTITUDE

BALLOONS WITH RAY CIRMO KC1QLS ON ZOOM

SATURDAY MORNINGS AT THE OEM FROM 9AM (+/-) SUNDAY MORNINGS FOX HUNTS VIA NZ1J & K1RCT...

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS WHO WERE VOTED IN AT THE MARCH & APRIL

BUSINESS MEETINGS:
NA2AA DAVE MINSTER
KB1TBL DAVE LALIBERTE
KC1SLV JOSHUA WINN
KB1RHQ GENE CAPUTO

KC1PYT JEF GAZSO

KD0BMW MARTY CRANDALL-GRETA

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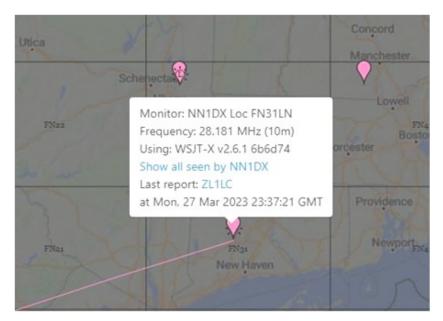
Worked All States Awards and the Chase – Bob Munro NN1DX

So everyone usually has a goal at some point to get some sort of WAS award. There are several awards now available from the ARRL in the mode you choose, the band and even the digital type of mode you use. You have CW, Digital, RTTY and phone for starters and then toss in the band you want to get the WAS in.

There are quite a few band options you can choose from, is in from 3 CM all the way to 630 Meters. You have WAS awards in every mode available to Amateurs all by band, by mode and endorsements to boot. The hardest part is finding a way to find that elusive state on the band or by the mode needed for WAS.

If the logging program you are using allows you to post stations to your log and also allows the station in the mode you're using to be posted to Network spotting or PSK Reporter then all the better.

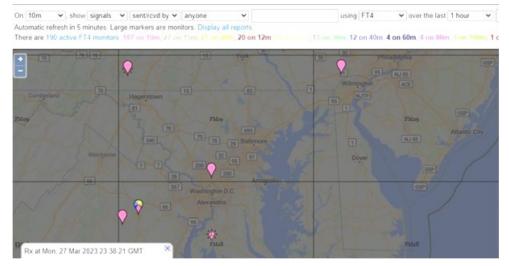
So if I am tuned to 28.180 on FT4 via my WSJT-X program, then my WSJT-X program will send my call and location (Grid) to PSK reporter with a flag on my location which gives other stations notice that I am on that band. In the PSK reporter Map below it show the stations making reports to PSK Reporter.



This picture to the left is what you will see if you were to click on a specific marker on the screen. It identifies the station and the Grid square where the station is located, the last reporting station of the stations call and any other calls that I can have seen from my location. So the last station to see my signal was ZL1LC and if you click on where it says, 'Show all seen by NN1DX', then that will show all the stations that have actually reported my call to PSK Reporter.

This becomes real handy if you are trying to call another station via FT4 such as say, NH6JC. Well, if he has seen your call and reports it, then he is hearing your signal.

So now let us go to the map below. You are looking for that one state your missing such as Delaware. You can zoom in on the map and look for markers in Delaware. I have also put the grid squares as an over lay on the map if comparing grid squares to grid squares as seen on the WSJT Screen. Well, it is showing no stations for Delaware on FT4.

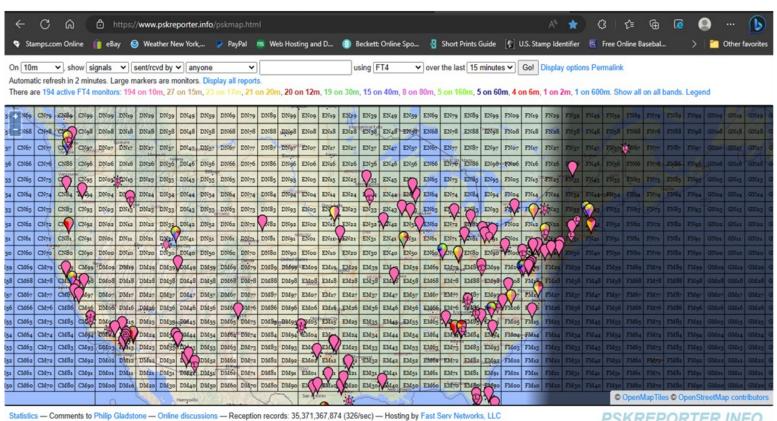


So it is night and the state lines are a little harder to see, but you get the idea. So I will show another map below with a call in the sun shine still. Now we are looking for Idaho and there is a station on. WB7CYO is on. Cool now click the Show all Seen by WB7CYO!

Continued on the next page



If you have transmitted in the last 15 minutes and he has seen you on his screen then when you see the new map then your marker will be there! So in the bottom large map it is showing you all the stations markers that have either reporting call signs and all the stations that are also reporting stations seen via that stations software. Using the web site can help in almost every mode that we can use in finding a station. Phone seems not to be used. You can ask the site to give you any mode or any band. You can specify how long ago also up to 24 hours. You can also place the map over any location such as Asia or **Europe.** One thing to remember while chasing states is that an NH6 Call or a KL7 Call could now be located in Florida, Not in Hawaii or Alaska as intended! Or an Area 1 Call may be in Nevada and so on.



Try it out.

Bob Munro - NN1DX

It's a great tool!

https://www.pskreporter.info/pskmap.html

73 and Good DX!



MERIDEN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB/W1NRG CLUB ACTIVITIES



WWW.W1NRG.COM

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^{*} values subject to change, see http://www.w1nrg.com/website/index.html for current values

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Elmer's Shack The perfect place start or learn more about ham radio

Sunday evenings @ 7:30 PM we have "Elmer's Shack" on Zoom where we offer support for new and prospective hams. During this meeting experienced hams are available to answer questions on a variety of topics. No question is too simple or obvious for this net. Zoom Meeting *ID: 932 5667 9514; *Passcode: 686029

Tech Net

1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 7:30 PM are "Tech Net" Zoom presentations on various technical topics by members and outside guest presenters. Zoom Meeting *ID: 973 7062 5198; *Passcode: 889386

MARC Activities Meeting

4th Thursday is the monthly MARC Activities Meeting. These meetings are usually conducted at our club facility however during COVID restrictions they are on Zoom. They include presentations, discussions or hands on activities. Similar but different from the Tech Net. *ID: 925 1153 2783; *Passcode: 000377

Coffee Cup Net

Every Saturday morning from 9:00 to noon we have an open house at our club facility. It's an informal activity where hams gather and talk about various topics of interest, catch up on what's going on with each other, drink some coffee, eat donuts and bagels, get a radio repaired or programed or simply operate one of the stations rigs. The Coffee Cup Net was born out of necessity due to COVID. Not being able to gather at the club instead we bring our own coffee and donuts to the repeater and catch up on things with each other. All are welcome at the club facility but of course you need to be a ham to use the repeater, now W1NRG/R @ 147.36 PL 162.2

MARC Business Meeting

2nd Thursday is the club business meeting held at the club facility or on Zoom as needed by COVID. Open to all members. **Fox Hunts, POTA/SOTA/OTA's**

Saturday is the timed live 'Fox Hunt' when one member hides with transmitters and everyone uses radio direction finding techniques to find him. At the fox we discuss the details of the hunt. Sunday is a do it yourself search for the fox in a box, no rush at your leisure. Several members participate in Parks On The Air/Summits On The Air/ and various On The Air activations.

*All Zoom ID's and Passcodes subject to change, see http://www.w1nrg.com/website/index.html for current values

The Contest Scene

There are quite a few good contests coming up in the next month. IG RTTY Contest is a good one and if you are a CW person there is lots of short one hour CW Contests (CW Ops Test). ARRL Rookie Roundup is another Classic contest. There are two 10-10 Contests also that are good club participation contests! There is a Texas Parks on the Air event that is listed as a contest, so that could be interesting. The New England QSO Party will round out the contests for the next 30 days!

73 and see folks in the contests. De Bob NN1DX

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CW ops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 6	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 7	https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html
QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party	0000Z-0600Z, Apr 8	http://qrparci.org/contest/spring-qso-party
IG-RY World Wide RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 8 to 1800Z, Apr 9	https://www.ig-ry.de/ig-ry-ww-contest
New Mexico QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 8 to 0200Z, Apr 9	http://www.newmexicoqsoparty.org/
Georgia QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 8 to 0359Z, Apr 9 and 1400Z-2359Z, Apr 9	https://gaqsoparty.com/
CW ops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 12	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 12	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 13	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 13	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 14	https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html
Nebraska QSO Party	1300Z, Apr 15 to 0100Z, Apr 16 and 1300Z-2200Z, Apr 16	https://nebraskaqsoparty.com/
Texas State Parks on the Air	1400Z, Apr 15 to 0200Z, Apr 16 and 1400Z-2000Z, Apr 16	http://www.tspota.org/
Michigan QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 15 to 0400Z, Apr 16	https://miqp.org/index.php/rules/
North Dakota QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 15 to 1800Z, Apr 16	https://www.ndarrlsection.com/
Ontario QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 15 to 0500Z, Apr 16 and 1200Z-1800Z, Apr 16	http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/rules.htm
Quebec QSO Party	1200Z-2000Z, Apr 16	https://wp1.quebecqsoparty.org/
ARRL Rookie Roundup, SSB	1800Z-2359Z, Apr 16	http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup
CW ops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 19	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 19	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 20	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 20	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Apr 21	https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html
SP DX RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 22 to 1200Z, Apr 23	http://www.pkrvg.org/strona,spdxrttyen.html
CW ops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Apr 26	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Apr 26	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Apr 27	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Apr 27	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital	0001Z, Apr 29 to 2359Z, Apr 30	https://www.ten-ten.org/
Florida QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 29 to 0159Z, Apr 30 and 1200Z-2159Z, Apr 30	http://floridaqsoparty.org/rules/

May Contests

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CW ops Test	1300Z-1400Z, May 3	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	1900Z-2000Z, May 3	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0300Z-0400Z, May 4	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
CW ops Test	0700Z-0800Z, May 4	https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, May 5	https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, CW	0001Z, May 6 to 2359Z, May 7	https://www.ten-ten.org/
7th Call Area QSO Party	1300Z, May 6 to 0700Z, May 7	http://7qp.org/
Indiana QSO Party	1500Z, May 6 to 0300Z, May 7	http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/rules.html
Delaware QSO Party	1700Z, May 6 to 2359Z, May 7	https://www.fsarc.org/
New England QSO Party	2000Z, May 6 to 0500Z, May 7 and 1300Z-2400Z, May 7	https://neqp.org/rules/

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AB1HB	Charlie Dudac		KC2MLH	Adam Castracane	
K0OZ	Brian Boccuzzi	23 S	KC3UKG	Storm Murrell	
K1BTR	Bryan Ragaini	24 R	KD0BMW	Marty Crandall-Grela	23 R
K1DMS		23 S	KE1AU	Robert Kaczor	
K1JCF	Joe Farrel	24 S	KE1AY	Donald Mitchell	23 S
K1LHO	Mike Ash	23 S	KO4EEL	Tom Williams	
K1LYP	John Yusza	24 S	KR1U	Bob Eslinger	23 S
K1MMK	Mike MacKennedy	27 R	KS1WK	Seth Kolasinski	
K1MTD	Mary Duval	23 S	KX1USA	Rob Messercola	23 R
K1MVM		23 S	N0HIO	David Koerner	23 R
K1PET	Debbie Purchia	23 R	N1AKN	Jeff Dwyer	23 S
K1RCT	Rob Cichon	23 R	N1API	Al Kaiser	24 S
K1SCI	Stuart Isaac	23 R	N1BRI	Brian Beegan	24 R
K1STM	Anne West	23 S	N1BRL	Bart Toftness	25 S
K1TDO	Todd Olsen	23 R	N1FNE		24 S
K1TGX	Jerry Molaver	24 S	N1GNV	John Bartscherer	23 S
K1VDF	John Blevins	23 S	N1GY	Geoff Haines	25 S
K1WJL	Dave Swedock		N1IBE	Wade Martell	23 S
K4AVM	Andrew Olsson	23 R	N1JEO	Joel Corneal	23 S
KA1BED	Bill Green	24 R	N1JMX	Jeff Martin	28 R
KA1KJV	Bob Trussell	23 S	N1JRC	John Collin Jr.	23R
KB1EHE	Eric Knight	23 R	N1LES	Joe Murray	23 R
KB1HAX	Bill Reyor III	23 R	N10KF	Bob Parisi	23 R
KB1IFZ	Elsie Mathews	23 R	N10KR	Frank Ciccone	23 R
KB1JL	Eric Olsson	23 S	N1XXU	Andy Purchia	23 R
KB1KTZ	Carl Fosse	23 S	N1YLN	Edward O'Lena	
KB1LWS	Jeanne Gherardi	23 S	N1YLO	Andrew Fiertek	23 R
KB1MFU	John Ramadei	24 R	N1ZN	Jim Savage	24 S
KB1PZS	Robert DelGreco	23 R	N2RTS	•	23 R
KB1RHQ	•	23 R	N2TAG	Dave Taglianetti	
KB1TBL	Dave Laliberte		NA1L	Dale Clift	23 R
KB1TMC	Clare O'Lena	-	NA2AA	David Minster	23 R
KB1TTV	Jonathan Martin		NN1DX	Robert Munro	
KB1YFJ	Glenn Couture		NR1B	Bill Huggins	23 S
KC1DOY		23 S	NZ1J		23 R
KC1HQX	Preston Byrne		UT3UY	Anatoly Kirilenko	
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KC1MEB	Bean Lefebvre	-	W1BOB		23 R
KC1MJZ	Michael Berube	-	W1DQ	John Elengo	23 S
KC1NQE	Shawn Warren		W1EDX	Paul Stasieluk	
KC1NRD		23 S	W1IKW	lain K White	23 R
KC1NXP	•	23 R	W1LV	Steve Morley	23 S
KC10CF	Karl Polak	23 S	W1POP	Fred Liedke	23 S
KC10CS	Richard Dewick		W1PRK	James Procaccini	
KC10GL		24 S	W1RCI	Ron Isaac Jr.	23 R
KC10WD	Kevin VanKeuron		W1TK	Ronald Wakefield	
KC10YN		23 R	W1UFO	Mike Cei	23 R
KC1PBQ		23 R	W1UKX	Greg Gherardi	
KC1PEN	David Henry Lincoln Nichols	23 R	W1YSM	Ed Snyder	24 R
KC1PHK			W2OFR	Mark Dickson	
KC1PSM		23 R	W3APC	James Cook	23 S
KC1PU		23 R	WA1EXA		23 S
KC1PXX KC1PYT	Dave Alfredson Jeff Gazsc	23 R 23 R	WA1FFT	•	23 S
KC1QHO			WA1JKR WA1K	John Rogus	24 S 23 R
KC1QLS	Mike Beaudry	23 K 23 S		Jack Chapman	
KC1QL3	•	23 S 23 R	WA1MAC WA1RAB	Paul Clark Bob Martha	23 S 23 S
KO1J	Gary Getrost Randy Whitehouse	-	WA1KAB WA1SFH		23 S
KC1QWH				Douglas Sharafanowich	
KC1QWH KC1RBY	Steve Rygiel Sergio Frutuosa	24 R	WA1TRY WA1ZVY	Rich Aubin Jim Martin	28 S
KC1RB1	-	23 R 23 R			28 S
		-	WB1CLT	Steve Duess	23 S
KC1RLQ KC1SA		24 R	WB1DQT	Bill Bacon	23 S
KC1SA KC1SLV	Stephen Allen Joshua Wrinn		WB1GFI WB1GYZ	Stan Hiriak Bob Biancur	23 S 23 S
KC13LV KC1TAD		24 K 23 R	WB1G1Z WB8IMY	Steve Ford	23 S 25 R
NOTIAD	Tom Dipinto	20 IX	A POLIAL I		20 K
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WJ1B Harold Kramer 24 S
WV2LKM Steve Waldmann 23 S
xKB1HEA Loreen Heavens 23 R
Spencer Rygiel Y
Dave Devito 23 S
Lucas Molloy Y