

**ERIC KB1EHE & ELSIE KB1IFZ**



**BOB WB1GYZ & BRIAN N1BRI**



**RON W1TK IN MARC FULL UNIFORM**



**N1BRI BRIAN**



**RON W1TK, ELSIE KB1IFZ, KRISTIN KC1ISI & ERIC KB1JL**



**THE SATELLITE STATION**



**DAVE KC1PEN AT WHARTON BROOK**



**STORM KC3UGH & SHAWN KC1NQE**



**STORM KC3UGH, SHAWN KC1NQE & DAVE NZ1J**



**THE GOTA STATION INSIDE THE TRAILER WITH STEVE KC1QWH**

**W3APC'S 5 YR OLD GRAND-TWINS AT FIELD DAY**



**HOT AIR EXPERIMENT WITH ??, DAVE NZ1J & BOB KE1AU**

**ERIC KB1EHE & ELSIE KB1IFZ**



**STEVE KC1SA & JOHN K1LYP**

DAY	TIME (ET)	BAND	FREQ (MHz)	NCS	NAME	TYPE	WHEN
MONDAY	2000 – 2100	6M	50.175	N1ZN - JIM	6M NET	OPEN DISCUSSION	MONDAY
TUESDAY	1930 -2000	2M REPEATER	147.36 PL=162.2	K1TDO - TODD	2M NET	OPEN DISCUSSION	TUESDAY
	2000 – 2100	10M	28.375	K1VDF - JOHN	CASTLE CRAIG 10-10 INTL.	OPEN DISCUSSION	TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY	1900 – 2000	6M	50.175	VARIABLE	W1NRG OPEN DISCUSSION NET	OPEN DISCUSSION	WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY	1930 – 2030	2M and ZOOM	147.36 PL=162.2 *ID: 973 7062 5198 *Passcode: 889386	AB1DQ - JAMES	2M TECH NET	TECHNICAL/ LECTURE	1 <sup>ST</sup> & 3 <sup>RD</sup> THURSDAY
	1900-2030	-	ZOOM	W1YSM – ED	MARC BUSINESS MTG	BUSINESS MEETING	2 <sup>ND</sup> THURSDAY
	1900-2030	ZOOM	*ID: 925 1153 2783 *Passcode: 000377	W1YSM – ED	MARC ACTIVITIES MTG	TECHNICAL/ LECTURE	4 <sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY
FRIDAY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SATURDAY	0900 – 1000	2M REPEATER	147.36 PL=162.2	W1YSM – ED	COFFEE CUP NET	OPEN DISCUSSION	SATURDAY
	1100 - 1300	VARIABLE	VARIABLE	NZ1J – DAVID	FOX HUNT POTA/SOTA/OTA's	Tx Hunt Activations	SATURDAY
SUNDAY	1930 – 2030	ZOOM	*ID: 932 5667 9514 *Passcode: 686029	OPEN	ELMER'S SHACK	NEW HAM SUPPORT	SUNDAY
	OPEN SCHEDULE ~ 0800 – 1600	VARIABLE	VARIABLE	K1RCT- ROB	FIAB (FOX IN A BOX)	HIDDEN Tx Hunt	SUNDAY

\* values subject to change, see <http://www.w1nrg.com/website/index.html> for current values

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**K1LYP JOHN IN FULL HAM RADIO FASHION**



**ED W1YSM &  
BUD W1NSK  
FROM THE  
ARRL**

**JOHN KB1MFU ASSISTING CRAIG FISHBEIN A  
LOCAL POLITICIAN OPERATE A STATION**



**STEVE KC1SA EXPLAINS THE STATION TO CRAIG FISHBEIN  
WITH BART N1BRL AND RAY KC1QLS**





Again, I'll make my pitch to those that will listen. Can MARC ever become a quasi-contesting club? This club has many irons in the fire but with a roster approaching 150 one would conclude that the club would have 25+ people active in all club activities. Fox hunting draws out the same 10 or so people. Field Day brings out 15 or so people (maybe this year will be different). Saturday 'Elmering' has the same 12 or so folks show up. Contesting participation within MARC draws out 5 or less members to play radio for a weekend.

Contesting attracted me to MARC back in 2014 and I had great fun with Field Day that year (including re-fueling the generator at midnight with just a cell phone LED for illumination). I think that year the SSB, under Jim N1ZN, scored in the 400 range while the CW folks (KKF and VDF with others) scored into the 800 range. While FD is no contest, it trains amateur radio operators for preparedness in the event of an emergency. Contesting does that to a degree as well and tests the operators ability to clearly copy messages, albeit most are short, correctly and score your participation with other amateur radio operators.

A few days ago I received an email from WARCA (World Amateur Radio Contesting Association) which is a non-profit organization who promotes amateur radio contesting especially among youth. W3UA, W1AAU, VA2WA are just a few of the folks organizing this and promoting this group which was founded in 2019. I didn't know of this organization until I receive the email informing me of my ranking as a contester (I feel so privileged – hi hi). So I went to the URL included in the email (<https://www.warca.org/>) and decided to run through our MARC roster to see who else is on the list. Here is the tabulation;

Call Sign	Points	Ranking
N1API	1892.17	5,605
NA2AA	558.47	12,167
WJ1B	274.96	16,433
KC1SA	231.85	17,400
K1LHO	118.82	21,291
W1EDX	80.34	23,434
K1MTD	22.50	29,863
WA1K	20.16	30,310
N1ZN	13.90	31,879
KB1EHE	8.39	33,773
WA1SFH	7.06	34,376
N1XXU	4.50	35,807
W1DQ	3.64	36,435
KB1IFZ	3.44	36,584
K1RCT	3.28	36,701
K1PET	0.62	40,187
AB1DQ	0.01	42,996

It seems we have more contesting folks in MARC than previously thought. Seventeen members participated in at least one contest over the past year. It's no surprise (to me) N1API ranks at the top in our club. The 2022-2023 has 63,322 rankings and that places Al in the top 10% of the testers that the WARCA tracks. Review these scores and compare them with the likes of Dave Sumner (former CEO of the ARRL – K1ZZ) , where Dave placed #39 (top 1%)!

The purpose of this memo was to bring to light Amateur Radio contesting and highlight those members that do actively participate in contesting activities. Congratulations to MARC members honed their radio operating skills by participated in a contest over the past year.

73,

Steve  
KC1SA

## The Contest Scene

Still it is the dog days of summer and contest activity is down. So if you are a CW person there is still lots of short one hour CW Contests (CW Ops Test). There are two ARRL Contests in July & August. ARRL 222 MHz and Up Distance Contest and then the ARRL EME Contest! The CQ World-Wide VHF Contest will start the month with the 10-10 Int. SSB Summer Contest the first weekend of August! At the end of August there will be the Kentucky State Parks on the Air. Have fun and enjoy the summer!

73 and see folks in the contests. De Bob - NN1DX

### July Contests

CQ Worldwide VHF Contest	1800Z, Jul 15 to 2100Z, Jul 16	<a href="http://www.cqwww-vhf.com/">http://www.cqwww-vhf.com/</a>
RSGB International Low Power Contest	0900Z-1200Z and 1300Z-1600Z, Jul 16	<a href="https://www.rsgbcc.org/">https://www.rsgbcc.org/</a>
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	2300Z, Jul 16 to 0100Z, Jul 17	<a href="http://qrptest.com/pigrun/">http://qrptest.com/pigrun/</a>
RSGB FT4 Contest	1900Z-2030Z, Jul 17	<a href="https://www.rsgbcc.org/">https://www.rsgbcc.org/</a>
CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jul 19	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jul 19	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Jul 20 and 0200Z-0300Z, Jul 21	<a href="https://qrptest.com/pigwalk20/">https://qrptest.com/pigwalk20/</a>
NAQCC CW Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Jul 20	<a href="http://naqcc.info">http://naqcc.info</a>
CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jul 20	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Jul 20	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
NCCC FT4 Sprint	0100Z-0130Z, Jul 21	<a href="https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html">https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html</a>
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Jul 21	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html</a>
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Jul 21	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html</a>
CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Jul 26	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Jul 26	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Jul 27	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Jul 27	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data	1900Z-2030Z, Jul 27	<a href="https://www.rsgbcc.org/">https://www.rsgbcc.org/</a>
NCCC FT4 Sprint	0100Z-0130Z, Jul 28	<a href="https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html">https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html</a>
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Jul 28	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html</a>
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Jul 28	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html</a>
MARAC US Counties QSO Party	0000Z, Jul 29 to 2400Z, Jul 30	<a href="http://www.marac.org/contestrules.htm">http://www.marac.org/contestrules.htm</a>
RSGB IOTA Contest	1200Z, Jul 29 to 1200Z, Jul 30	<a href="https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2023/riota.shtml">https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2023/riota.shtml</a>

### August Contests

ZL Sprint	0800Z-0829Z (CW), Aug 1 and 0830Z-0859Z (SSB), Aug 1	<a href="https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/sprints/">https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/sprints/</a>
CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Aug 2	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Aug 2	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0000Z-0100Z, Aug 3 and 0200Z-0300Z, Aug 4	<a href="https://qrptest.com/pigwalk20/">https://qrptest.com/pigwalk20/</a>
CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Aug 3	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Aug 3	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
NCCC FT4 Sprint	0100Z-0130Z, Aug 4	<a href="https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html">https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html</a>
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Aug 4	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html</a>
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Aug 4	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html</a>
10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB	0001Z, Aug 5 to 2359Z, Aug 6	<a href="http://www.ten-ten.org/index.php">http://www.ten-ten.org/index.php</a>
ARRL 222 MHz and Up Distance Contest	1800Z, Aug 5 to 1800Z, Aug 6	<a href="https://www.arri.org/222-mhz-and-up-distance-contest">https://www.arri.org/222-mhz-and-up-distance-contest</a>
North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Aug 5 to 0559Z, Aug 6	<a href="https://www.ncjweb.com/NAQP-Rules.pdf">https://www.ncjweb.com/NAQP-Rules.pdf</a>
NAQCC CW Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Aug 9	<a href="http://naqcc.info">http://naqcc.info</a>
CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Aug 9	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Aug 9	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Aug 10	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Aug 10	<a href="https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/">https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/</a>
NCCC FT4 Sprint	0100Z-0130Z, Aug 11	<a href="https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html">https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html</a>
NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Aug 11	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html</a>
NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Aug 11	<a href="https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html">https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html</a>
WAE DX Contest, CW	0000Z, Aug 12 to 2359Z, Aug 13	<a href="https://www.darc.de/">https://www.darc.de/</a>
ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Aug 12 to 2359Z, Aug 13	<a href="https://www.arri.org/eme-contest">https://www.arri.org/eme-contest</a>
Maryland-DC QSO Party	1400Z, Aug 12 to 0400Z, Aug 13	<a href="http://w3vpr.org/mdcqsop/">http://w3vpr.org/mdcqsop/</a>
Kentucky State Parks on the Air	1400Z-2200Z, Aug 12	<a href="https://k4msu.com/kypota/">https://k4msu.com/kypota/</a>

## TYLER N1TS IN TEXAS FOR FD FINDS A LOCAL CLUB



I was out of town for FD but managed to play along with W5KA in Austin. We operated from the central Texas American Red Cross site with our emergency trailer (SSB), alongside a separate digital and CW station.



**ERIC KB1EHE &  
ELSIE KB1IFZ  
DO THE IARU CONTEST  
FROM THE SHORES  
OF THEIR LAKE**



As mentioned the other day, we are operating the IARU HF World Championship contest as a public demonstration on the shore of our lake. As you can see in one of the photos, we are entertaining some of the local fishermen. As the day gets going, the lake will be full with folks on their rafts, paddle boards, and various sail crafts -- and we look forward to engaging their curiosity about amateur radio! FYI, you'll note we're using our homebrew, fishing-pole-based, wire Moxon. Thanks to its superb cardioid pattern, resulting in an amazing F/B ratio, it is the best 20m beam in our arsenal -- even beating our three-element Mosley. It's our primary 20m contest antenna. The rig is our trusty Yaesu FT-840 that we purchased in 1999. We bring out this classic for public demonstrations because of its nice, big tuning display. And it still puts out a great signal!

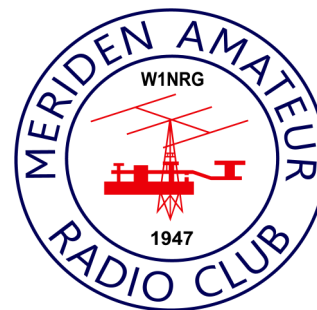
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73, Eric & Elsie / KB1EHE & KB1IFZ

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KC1PEN	David Henry 23 R	W1UFO	Mike Cei 23 R			
KC1PHK	Lincoln Nichols Y	W1UKX	Greg Gherardi 23 S			
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KC1PXX	Dave Alfredson 23 R	W3APC	James Cook 23 S			
KC1PYT	Jeff Gazsc 23 R	WA1EXA	Mark Petruzzi 23 S			
KC1QHO	Mike Beaudry 23 R	WA1FFT	Ray Irwin 23 S			
KC1QLS	Ray Cirno 23 S	WA1JKR	John Rogus 24 S			
KC1QQV	Gary Getrost 23 R	WA1K	Jack Chapman 23 R			
KO1J	Randy Whitehouse 23S	WA1MAC	Paul Clark 23 S			
KC1QWH	Steve Rygiel 24 R	WA1RAB	Bob Martha 23 S			
KC1RBY	Sergio Frutuosa 23 R	WA1SFH	Douglas Sharafanowich 23 R			
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KC1SA	Stephen Allen 23 R	WB1CLT	Steve Duess 23 S			
KC1SJE	Mike Barr 23R	WB1DQT	Bill Bacon 23 S			
		WB1GFI	Stan Hiriak 23 S			
		WB1GYZ	Bob Biancur 23 S			



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