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## The Season of Sharing ARAC Continues Tradition

Here it is: December 2021. It has been a year of returning to "normal" in some ways and re-inventing our lives for a "new normal" in others. We've had a good year as a club, resuming inperson meetings and serving our community in relaying essential communications during marathons, races and weather emergences.

We now look forward to continuing our tradition of gathering for our Annual Christmas Party on December 9th, at 6 p.m., an hour earlier than our regular club meetings. We'll share the Christmas Spirit of cheer again, along with beautiful Holiday music from the

very talented pianist Louie Lincoln, and of course, enjoy delicious pot-luck food.

This marks our 92nd year as a club, and of serving the needs of our community in critical times.

The Holiday Season is especially challenging for families in need. ARAC is pleased to answer the call to volunteer as Salvation Army Bell Ringers during their Annual Kettle Campaign. Do-



Salvation Army Volunteer Bell Ringers during the Annual Red Kettle Campaign

nations raised during this time of year help the Salvation Army fund their work providing for the essential needs of children and families in our region. ARAC Club Members also donate muchneeded non-perishable food items every year to the Salvation Army Food Pantry. We invite everyone to bring those food items to our Club Christmas Party on December 9th. For example, I was surprised to find a nice selection of Progresso soups at Menards, and

# **ARAC** Board of Directors

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## **2ND YEAR BOARD**



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# It's time to elect our **ARAC Board Members for 2022!**

## **Nominations for Club Officers**

PRESIDENT Gene Ellefsen- N0VRM

SECRETARY Melinda Nelson-KF0GJW

FIRST YEAR BOARD MEMBER Doug Nelson-AA0AW

VICE PRESIDENT David Pyrlik-K0DJP

TREASURER Bruce Carlson- KE0NIT

## Attend the December 9th Club Meeting at 6:00 p.m. to vote.

The Thomas J Reibold Award honors outstanding service to the Club and to the hobby of Ham Radio.

The 2021 Award will be announced at the December 9th meeting.

ALSO: Don't forget to bring non-perishable food items to our **December 9th Christmas Party for the Salvation Army Food Shelf** to share with families in need this holiday season!

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# ARAC Board Meeting - November 2, 2021

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## 2ND YEAR BOARD



## **1ST YEAR BOARD**

**AAØAC** Dave Davis

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#### Present:

#### **Board Members**

Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM, Mike Lovold-N0PDG, Robin Davis, Dave Davis-AA0AC

#### Board Advisors (Non-Board Members) Doug Nelson-AA0AW, Randy Wabik-KR0B,

#### Guests Elmer Berg-KC0NGY

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President Gene-N0VRM

#### Minutes:

Posted on web site and in the newsletter. Any questions? Move to approve by Mike-N0PDG, seconded by Randy-AA0ME, motion passed

#### Treasurer's Report:

As read by Robin, off Bruce Carlson-KN0NUL's report:

Checking	1,374.43
Savings	
Subtotal Cash	

Winter CD	1,714.37
Summer CD	0.00
Subtotal CD	\$1,714.37

Assets Subtotal:.....\$5,262.37

Outstanding Checks: Mahtowa Repeater .....-1,100.00 Bob Boyd-KD0LYN Memorial .....-1,090.00 Reserved Funds .....-\$2,190.00

Grand Total ......\$3,142.03 (\$2,972.37)

Motion to accept as read by Dave-AA0AC, seconded by Randy, motion passed.

#### Christmas Party:

That time of year again for our Annual Club Christmas Party. Can we do food at the Church for the Christmas party? Yes, if we don't ask permission, it is allowed. Motion to spend \$300.00 for food and \$100.00 for prizes by Randy-AA0ME, seconded by Robin, motion passed

#### Repeater:

\$200.00 check from Lake County, donation towards Repeater Upgrade. We are still waiting on check from Grandma's Marathon, which was mailed according to Doug-AA0AW.



# ARAC Board Meeting - November 2, 2021

Randy-KR0B talked to Randy Haglin-N0BZZ. Four Star Construction is going out of business, closing the doors. The owners have owned it for sixty (60) years and everyone is out of a job as of December 31, 2021. Randy-N0BZZ has decided he will no longer be tower climbing, especially the long, high climbs. This will change the proposal for the changes to the 94 Repeater system. There is a crew out of Bemidji that does tower climbing. FYI – Randy-N0BZZ is done as he is sixty-seven (67) years old and will no longer be climbing towers nor doing the big stuff anymore. General comments were good for him and welcome to retirement

#### Testing:

November 29, 2021, at the Moose Lodge 1302, 415 3rd Ave in Proctor MN. Registration is at 6:30 pm with testing starting by 7:00 pm. VEs are always welcome. The House of Refuge Church has become so busy in the evenings; it is difficult to hold testing sessions. Doug-AA0AW had a long talk with Pastor Dave Ballard and he agreed that it would be hard to schedule and hold testing session with the Church having worship and prayer every night

#### Salvation Army Bell Ringing:

Friday, December 3rd, from noon to 8:00 pm at the Miller Hill Super One, in the lobby as you leave the store. Gene-N0VRM will have a signup sheet at the meeting for members to participate. It is indoors and everyone is encourage to come ring bells

#### Thomas J Reibold Award W9IBM Memorial Award:

No nominations yet from Club Members at this time. If you know of a deserving member, please contact one of the Officers

#### <u>501C3:</u>

Gene-N0VRM is continuing the process of getting the Club registered as a 501C3. He is working on the paperwork that needs to be submitted with the Application, such as the Club Bylaws, etc.

#### **Elections:**

Still seeking nominations for the offices of ARAC, through the Club November meeting

Motion to adjourn by Robin, seconded by Mike-N0PDG, motion passed



## <sup>4</sup> ARAC Official Website http://www.thearac.org



# ARAC Club Meeting Minutes

#### November 11, 2021

#### Present:

President Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM Vice President Mike Lovold-N0PDG Treasurer / Membership Bruce Carlson-KN0NUL Secretary Robin Davis First Year Board Dave Davis-AA0AC Second Year Board Gary Minter-KD9ABS Third Year Board Randy Johnson-AA0ME Special Events – Open / Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM acting Ham Fest / Education Bob Schultz-KC0NFB Property / Picnic Scott Ahlgren-N0VYU Repeater Randy Wabik-KR0B Repeater David Pyrlik-K0DJP Testing Doug Nelson-AA0AW

#### Absent:

Parliamentarian Grant Forsyth-KC0WUP Chaplain (Visiting) Rolland Bockbrader-KB0CK Newsletter / Historian Kim Waller-KE0NQS Newsletter Steve Waller-KE0NQT Repeater Randy Wabik-KR0B Repeater Derek McCorison-W0DNF Repeater Randy Haglin-N0BZZ Web Site Thomas Dorr-KE0RHA

Meeting called to order by President Gene-N0VRM at 7:02 pm

#### Minutes:

Minutes posted in newsletter and on the web site. Motion to accept by Randy-AA0ME, seconded by Scott-N0VYU, motion passed

#### Treasurer's Report:

Checking	2,796.78
Savings	2,374.17
Savings Subtotal Cash	\$5,170.95
Winter CD	1,724.37
Summer CD	0.00
Subtotal CD	\$1,724.37
Assets Subtotal:	\$6,895.32
Outstanding Checks:	
Mahtowa Repeater	1,100.00
Bob Boyd-KD0LYN Memorial	1.390.00
Reserved Funds	
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Grand Total	\$4.405.32

Motion to approve as presented by John Cavanaugh-KC0AFE, seconded by Gary-KD9ABS, motion passed

Gene-N0VRM and Bruce-KN0NUL opened up a new account called the Repeater Fund and the monies from the Bob Boyd-KD0LYN Memorial sales, donations, grants from various entities; all are being deposited into this account. Other account balances will change as the monies have been transferred into the Repeater Account

Two donation grants have been award to ARAC: \$200.00 from Lake County EOC, \$1,500.00 from Grandma's Marathon. The Enbridge Grant of \$800.00 is coming soon. Randy Haglin-N0BZZ has been working on the Mahtowa Repeater. Gene-N0VRM and Randy-KR0B will be ordering the parts for the 94 Repeater project with the funds we have

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## ARAC Club Meeting Minutes, continued

in the Repeater Fund. David-K0DJB volunteered to help maintain the Repeater as well as Randy-KR0B. Plans are to bench test fire all the equipment when it arrives and then put it into place. The upgrade process has begun

#### Christmas Party:

At the Board meeting, two motions were made:

Motion to spend up to \$300.00 for food, seconded by Doug-AA0AW, discussion? Question for the Christmas Party, will we have as many people as in previous years? Probably not and Gene-N0VRM will cut back as needed when buying the food. Motion passed

Motion to spend up to \$100.00 for gifts, seconded by Bruce-KN0NUL, discussion? Motion passed Remember, we collect non-perishable food items for the Food Shelf. Christmas Party starts at 6:00 pm, one (1) hour earlier than our regularly scheduled Membership meeting

#### Salvation Army:

Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army is scheduled for December 3, 2021, noon to 8:00 pm, at the Miller Hill Super One. The Club has not rung bells since 2017

#### Committee Reports:

Education:

Class will be ending in January 2022. We will not have a class in the winter months

#### Testing:

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Session scheduled for Monday, November 29, 2021, new location at 1302 Moose Lodge, in Proctor, MN. 6:30 pm registration, testing to follow. If anyone is interested, please contact Doug-AA0AW via email. He will also set up a test session for the end of class. Remember to bring a copy of your license, testing fee, an email address, a FRN, which is now required, prior to testing

#### Nominations for Officers:

President - Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM

Call for nominations for the office of President three (3) times. Nominations for President are closed Vice President - David Pyrlik-K0DJP

Call for nominations for the office of Vice President three (3) times. Nominations for Vice President are closed Secretary - Robin Davis declined nomination and nominated Melinda Nelson-KF0GJW

Call for nominations for the office of Secretary three (3) times. Nominations for Secretary are closed Treasurer - Bruce Carlson-KN0NUL

Call for nominations for the office of Treasurer three (3) times. Nominations for Treasurer are closed First Year Board Member - Doug Nelson-AA0AW, Mike Lovold-N0PDG declined

Call for nominations for the office of First Year Board Member three (3) times. Nominations for First Year Board Member are closed

Bob-KC0NFB made a motion to close the nominations, John-KC0AFE seconded, call in favor of closing the nominations say aye. Motion passed. A White Ballot will be cast for all offices

#### Thomas J Reibold Award W9IBM Memorial Award:

Nominate a member that is promoting the Club or the hobby of Ham Radio. Presently, no one has been nominated so please contact one of the officers is you know someone who is worthy of receiving the Reibold Award

Drawing for \$5.00 door prize was won by Elmer Berg-KC0NGY

Motion to adjourn by Geoff Bennett-KE0BNX, seconded by many, motion passed





Well everyone, we are coming to the end of yet another year, and that means the December meeting will be Officer Elections (see page 2 for nomination list) and the Christmas Party!!

Remember the Meeting on Thursday, December 9th starts at 6:00 PM. The Club will provide, as usual, several meat and cheese trays and if you would like to bring a dish to share for the Potluck, that would be great! We always get some wonderful offerings to enjoy.

Also, it's that time to get your Membership Dues in. If you can't make a meeting to pay in-person, you can send them in to our Treasurer Bruce Carlson direct or to the Club Post Office Box. Thank you!!!

Bruce Carlson 906 Anderson RD Duluth, MN 55811 A.R.A.C. P.O. Box 7164 Duluth, MN 55807-7164

I hope all of you have a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!!! Gene Ellefsen NØVRM 73

**Prez Picks...** 

# **Need ideas for Stocking Stuffers?**

# Here are a few suggestions from NØVRM:

**FOOD GIFT CARDS** 

from SuperOne or Cub Foods

GAS GIFT CARDS from Kwik Trip

## GIFT CARDS

from Menards or Home Depot SMALL HAND TOOLS
 ELECTRICAL TAPE
 from Harbor Freight or
 Northern Tool Supply





## **U.S. AIR FORCE MILITARY AUXILIARY RADIO SYSTEM**

Minnesota State MARS Director Reginald B. Cass / AFS5MN

Gene Ellefsen NØVRM

Thank you for your time and interest.

Air Force MARS membership could be for you. We do hope that it is.

If you have the following interests, and capabilities, we are interested in recruiting you to become an Air Force MARS member. Completion of the following on line training is mandatory: Personally, Identifiable Information (PII) <u>https://iatraining.disa.mil/eta/piiv2/launchPage.htm</u> <u>Cyber Awareness https://iatraining.disa.mil/eta/disa\_cac2018/launchPage.htm</u>

If you have completed: <u>Incident Command System</u> (ICS) -100, 200, 700, and 800 training, and have obtained certification for Air Force MARS or are willing to obtain this training, again, Air Force MARS could be for you.

You must be interested in joining a group of individuals that are dedicated to amateur radio, emergency communications, and willingness to learn and used military communications procedures for voice and digital communications.

You must have equipment that will meet the minimum requirements for voice and digital operation. The equipment will be: transmitter, receiver, (transceiver) modified to operate out of amateur radio bands, computer, modem, and antenna's that are designed to operate on military assigned frequencies. (The best antennas will be a dipole cut to the operational frequency. NVIS antennas work best. You <u>will not</u> need a linear amplifier, however if you have one that will operate on out of amateur radio bands that will be a plus)

You must go through and complete training. You are allowed up to 180 days to do so.

Air Force MARS operation's and procedures are based upon "MARS Operating Instruction", (MOI). The MOI manual uses as its basis for instruction a series of Allied Communications Publications (ACP's), Department of Defense Directives, Department of Defense Instructions, and Department of Defense Manual.

If you already belong to a MARS program and would like to consider Air Force MARS, please contact one of the recruiting team members.

Our recruitment team is as follows: AFA5XK Dave, WB7DRU <u>wb7dru@gmail.com</u> AFA5ZV Randy, KRØB <u>afa5zv@gmail.com</u> AFA5JY Reg, KAØRJY <u>reg\_cass@msn.com</u>

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# CW Abbreviations

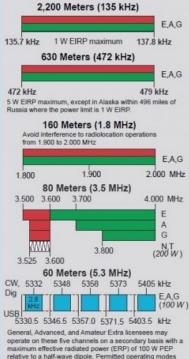
	v		The second s
QRV Are You Ready?	QRX Standby	QRS Transit Slower	
QST Calling all Amateurs	QRL Are You Buzy?	QRU Have anything for n	ne
TU Thank You	PSE Please	K Invite to Transmit	
AR End of Message	AS Pse QRX	BK Back to You	SK End of Contact



#### Amateur Radio Bands . **US AMATEUR POWER LIMITS**

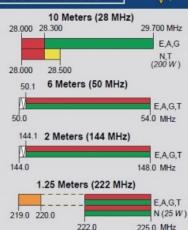
FCC 97.313 An amateur station n m tran ter power necessary to carry out the nsmitter power exceeding 1.5 kW PEP. ns. (b) No station may transmit with a trans

On March 28, 2017, the Federal Communications Co ted rules that will allow Amateur Radio access to 472-479 kHz atopred fulles that will allow Anlateur (Rabid addess to 47.2-47.9 km2) (630 meters), and to 135,7-137,8 kHz (2,200 meters). However, amateurs cannot use these frequencies until 30 days after the Report and Order is published in the Federal Register and the final procedures for registering stations with the Utilities Telecoms Council (UTC) have been approved and announced. At the time this Council (OI C) have been approved and amounted in the published and the UTC online registration site is not yet available. Follow ARRL news for further information. New charts will be published at www.arrl.org/graphical-frequency-allocations when the bands are ARRL news for further information. www.arrl.org/graphical-frequency-al rg/grap ble for



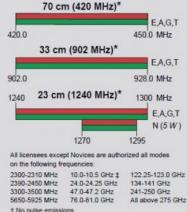
relative to a half-wave dipole. Permitted operating modes clude upper sideband voice (USB), CW, RTTY, PSK31 and ther digital modes such as PACTOR III. Only one signal at a ime is permitted on any channel.





Effective Date for

\*Geographical and power restrictions may apply to all bands above 420 MHz. See The ARRL Operating Manual for information about your area.



#### KEY-Note: CW opera tion is permitted throughout al amateur bands. MCW is authorized above 50.1 MHz except for 144.0-144.1 and 219-220 MHz Test transmissions are authorized above 51 MHz, except for 219-220 MHz = RTTY and data = phone and image = CW only NWW = SSB phone = USB phone, CW, RTTY, and data Fixed digital message forwarding systems only E = Amateur Extra A = Advanced G = General T = Technician N = Novice See ARRLWeb at www.arrl.org for detailed band plans. ARRL We're At Your Service RL Headquarters: 50-594-0200 (Fax 860-594-0259) nail: hq@artl.org Publication Ord

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# 🛸 NETS

Have a favorite HF/6m/2m/1.25m/7Øcm net that you check into or listen in on? Also, please send corrections and we will add it to the list below - Kim KEØNQS at my email KEØNQS.mn@gmail.com.

- Northland Weather Group Net: Mondays 2ØØØ on the ARAC repeater (146.940 MHz with a tone of 103.5 and standard offset).
- Minnesota D-Star Net: Sundays at 19:3Ø on Reflector 53A
- Minnesota Section Net 12ØØ and 173Ø on 3.86Ø [Net Manager: NØYR] http://www.mn-section.org/dept\_stm.html
- The non-non-net: Evenings 2000 144.200 USB except for Sunday evenings.
- Badger WX Net: Ø5ØØ-Ø715 on 3.985. Give 24 hour high/low/current temperature, precipitation and snowfall.
- PICONET: 3.925 from Ø9ØØ-11ØØ CT Mon-Sat and 16ØØ-17ØØ CT Mon-Fri. Info at: http://www.piconet3925.com
- Michigan Upper Peninsula Net: 16ØØ (CST) on 3.921 MHz Sun-Sat and 12ØØ Sun. Info: http://www.michupnet.com
- Great Lakes Marine/Maritime Mobile Net: Morning Ø7:3Ø 3.932; Ø8:15 7.261 MHz and evening 18:3Ø 3.173Ø927; 19:15 7.268 MHz. Weekend extra net: 1Ø:ØØ 7.261/7.268 MHz. All CST, LSB and +/- QRM. See: http://www.sailblogs.com/member/glmmnet/
- MIDCARS: Ø7:3Ø-13:ØØ 7.258 MHz. See: http://www.midcars.net
- Iowa snowbird net on 14.257MHz, M-W-F at 1Ø:ØØ am Local Time. This is an open net.
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL) on 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Maritime Mobile Service Network: Daily at 1100-2100 Central on 14.300. http://mmsn.org and http://www.14300.net
- RV Radio Network: Every day at 19ØØ Central on 7.265 MHz. Web site: http://www.rvradionetwork.com
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Wisconsin Sideband Net: Daily @ 5:15 PM 3985 [or 3982.5] KHz LSB
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Hobby Helpers Net Tuesday @ 8 PM 28.33Ø MHz USB (Isanti MN) LSB [Net Manager: WOØA].
- Northstar Trader Net: 3.9Ø8 +/- at Ø83Ø CST Sundays
- WARFA: 3.9Ø8 +/- Sun/Tue/Thu nights at 22ØØ CST, http://warfa.org/
- Youth Net: 14.32Ø-1433Ø Sundays 18ØØ-19ØØ UTC, Net Control: AC8PI
- YACHT: Saturdays 19ØØ CST on EchoLink #481872, http://yachthams.webstarts.com
- Northwestern Ontario ARES Net: Evenings at 2Ø:15 (Central) on +/- 3.75ØMhz
- The Iron Range Net: Saturdays at Ø8ØØ Central time on or near 3.919 Mhz. Look them up on Facebook!
- FORX Net: Mondays at 19ØØ Central at 3.941 Mhz +/- QRM. WAØJXT -- Grand Forks, North Dakota
- HF CW: Fridays Ø8:ØØ CST, 7.112 MHz. Informal slow speed CW Net. W8IRT NCS. Email: w8irt@aol.com
- Minnesota ARES Digital Net: Thursdays at 2ØØØ CST, 3.5835 MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: Olivia 8/5ØØ.
- SARA Digital Net: Sundays at 19ØØ Local, 3.582.15Ø MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: BPSK31/BPSK63
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL): 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Broadcaster Net: 7.231 or 3.855 M/W/F @ 15ØØ UTC. 14.255 M-F @ 213Ø UTC. http://www.cbsretirees.com/ham.htm
- Old Military Radio Net: 7.268 +/- nightly at Ø2ØØz. Other times/Frequencies too. See: http://www.mrca.ar88.net/
- Rag Chew Crew/Tailgaters/Freewheelers Nets: 3.916 +/- nightly at 19ØØ CST, http://www.tailgatersnet.com
- North South Net: 7.214.6 +/- at Ø7ØØ CST, Monday-Saturday



Next ARAC Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 7, 2Ø21 @ 6:30 p.m. Sammy's Pizza



## ARAC CHRISTMAS PARTY 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 9th at the Coppertop Church!

**Musical Guest:** 

Piano Player Louie Lincoln with a selection of Christmas favorites!



Don't forget to bring non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army Food Shelf to share with families in need this holiday season!

## **Duluth** Area Repeaters



#### ARAC System WØGKP

Freq. Offse	etTone Locat	ion
146.940	minus103.5	Duluth
146.940	minus107.2	Lakeside (recv)
146.940	minus151.4	Two Harbors (recv)
146.940	minus100.0	Gary-New Duluth (recv)
146.940	minus123.0	Solway (recv)
146.940	minus110.9	Cloquet (recv)
147.000	minus103.5	Mahtowa
444.100	plus	103.5 Duluth UHF Link

#### N9MMU/N9QWH System (WI)

145.310	minus	110.9	Duluth
145.490	minus	110.9	Solon Springs
147.255	plus	110.9	Hayward
145.110	minus	110.9	Rice Lake
147.345	minus	136.5	Holcombe
145.230	minus	110.9	Eau Claire

#### WECOMM – WI Statewide Linked System WE9COM

147.075 plus 110.9 Meteor Hill (closest repeater to Duluth)

#### LSAC System #1

147.330 147.330 147.270 147.270 147.270 147.270 145.150 145.150 145.150 145.150 146.700 443.850 147.165 146.640 443.500 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360 147.360	plus plus plus plus plus minus minus +5.00 plus minus +5.00 plus plus plus plus +5.00 +5.00 +5.00 plus minus	151.4 103.5 156.7 114.8 103.5 114.8 114.8 114.8 103.5 103.5 103.5 none 110.9 151.4 141.3 103.5 162.2 114.8 110.9 114.8 203.5 146.2 146.2 146.2	Proctor Duluth (recv for Proctor) Duluth (North) (Fish Lake) Two Harbors Wales Silver Bay Finland Isabella Washburn, WI Bayfield, WI Bayfield, WI Hurley, WI Ely Gilbert Virginia Cook Coleraine Brainerd Tamarack Aitkin Giese Hinckley
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#### NARC System NAØRC

#### 1Ø3.5 145.45Ø minus Solway Twp 145.45Ø 114 8 Park Point (rcv) minus 147.135 plus 114.8 Park Point (rcv) Knife River 147.135 plus 1Ø3.5

#### **Stand Alone Repeaters**

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145.21Ø	minus	11Ø.9	Clam Lake, WI
146.88Ø	minus	123.Ø	Grand Rapids
146.91Ø	minus	146.2	Duxbury, MN

#### **Fusion and D Star**

Fusion (Analog has tone and C4FM digital with no tone)

147.15Ø plus NTØB Gilbert Fusion Rptr 151.4 WA9KLM Superior -145.17Ø minus 11Ø.9 Douglas County RACES/ARES Fusion Repeater 443.1ØØ +5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 KBØYHX Cloquet -Carlton County RACES/ARES Fusion Repeater 444.3ØØ +5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO (Analog only) Fusion Room 40494 NØÉO D Star 147.375 plus 442.2ØØ NØEO D Star plus

Repeater list compiled by Dr. Frequency—KCØWDQ

#### ST. Louis County Department of **Emergency Services Net Control Roster** Scott Swanson

N9DMG AAØAW WØNWO **Dave Miller** KØDSL

**NØVRM Doug Nelson** KCØWDQ WØDIO **Diane Saunders** AAØME

Gene Ellefsen Paul Dallavia **Dennis Anderson Randy Johnson** 

Sunday Nights at 2100 on the ARAC System (See Calendar for net control schedule)

Ten Meter SSB Net	Control Roster
AAØAW Doug Nelson	WØLWU Joe Mee
NUØW Gary Hanson	K9KDK Al Babco
WØDIO Dennis Anderson	NØVRM Gene Ellefs
AAØME Randy Johnson	<b>KØDSL Diane Saund</b>
Sunday Nights at 2ØØØ	on 28.45Ø MHz USB

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Ten Meter CW Net Control Roster AAØAW Doug Nelson NØPDG Mike Lovold Sunday Nights at 193Ø on 28.125 MHz

Northland Weather Group Net Control Roster KCØMKS Jeff Nast

Monday Nights at 2000 on the ARAC System

**Douglas County Net** Tuesday Nights at 2000 on 145.490 (N9QWH System)

Central Carlton County Net Tuesday Nights at 2030 on the ARAC System

Lake County RACES/ARES Net 2nd & 4th Wednesday Nights at 19ØØ on the LSAC 1 System



#### El-mer / ɛl-mər/ [el-mer]

Expertise

1. a male given name: from Old English words meaning "noble" and "famous." 2. an adhesive used to bond like or unlike materials

3. An experienced ham radio operator who mentors new and prospective hams.

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SUNDAY NIGHT NETS 193Ø - CW - 28.125 MHz USB-CW 2ØØØ -USB 28.45Ø MHz 21ØØ - Southern St. Louis County Emergency Services Net

MONDAY NIGHT NETS 2ØØØ- Northland WX Net - ARAC Repeater

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TUESDAY NIGHT NETS 2ØØØ -Douglas Cty 145.49Ø MHz 2Ø3Ø -Central Cariton County WEDNESDAY NIGHT NETS 19ØØ -Lake County - LSAC1 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 21ØØ -BWAR

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💵 CLUB EVENTS

## Get this newsletter *faster* via email! Email Doug AAØAW at <u>aaØaw@arrl.net</u>

## **Next Meeting: Thursday,**

**December 9th, 2021 - 6 pm** at the Coppertop Church!

# **ARAC** Committee Chairs



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#### Contest Calendar at www.contestcalendar.com

National Contest Journal at www.ncjweb.com

**QSO Party Note:** State/Province/National QSO Parties are abbreviated with the 2 or 3 letter abbreviation for the state/province/national designation followed by QP for QSO Party:

Examples: Minnesota QSO Party is MNQP British Columbia QSO Party = BCQP

QRZ web site at www.qrz.com VHF Propagation site at www.aprs.mountainlake.k12.mn.us

**Reminder:** The Contest Corral monthly listing of contests can be found in each issue of QST. ARRL sponsored contests can be found in Contest Corral, highlighted, or on the ARRL's web site at arrl.org.

# OR SALE



For Sale: Four sections Rohn 25G tower, plus one top section.

Included are mast and homebrew gin pole. \$500.

Located in Warba, can be delivered to Duluth area for \$50.

Contact Jeff Bodin, WA0VOM at jdbodin@gmail.com

Denny Burt KB0SPA has a close friend—Lynn Johnson KB9PFF of Siren, WI—who became a Silent Key. KB9PFF's radio equipment is now located in Barnum at the house of KB0SPA. Denny has difficulty hearing phone calls, so those interested in the following items, please send texts to KB0SPA at 218-341-4033

- 1. Lafayette swr signal strength meter. 30.00
- 2. Radio shack htx 242, 2 meter mobile 50.00
- 3. Icom 2000 2 meter mobile.65.00
- 4. Icom 2100 2 meter mobile 65.00
- 5. Kenwood ts-480 hf 200 watt radio 550.00
- 6. Palomar dx-100 hf mobile amp 3-30 MHz 50.00
- 7. mirage 35 watt 2 meter mobile amp FM only 30.00
- 8. Mfj 259 antenna analyzer 150.00
- 9. Uniden bc60lt handheld scanner 20.00
- 10. Kenwood HT-22at 60.00
- 11. Mfj RF line insulator 25.00
- 12. 2 tv antenna rotors 40.00 each
- 13. 2 vintage regency crystal scanners 10.00 each
- 14. Homemade 80 meter antenna 30.00
- 15. 1/4 inch guy wire 80 feet. 20.00
- 16. Stud finder 3.00
- 17. Straight line Lazer tape 5.00
- 18. 2 realistic speakers 5.00
- 19. Homemade 2 meter beam 5.00
- 20. Yaesu hf 757 gx Radio 200.00

List Your FOR SALE items in the next ARAC Relay ! Submit photos and descriptions to ke0nqs.mn@gmail.com

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## HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS & BUYING GUIDE



YAESU FTM-6000R 50W 144/430MHz Dual Band FM Mobile Transceiver \$319.95 at Ham Radio Outlet, HamRadio.com

> Tram 11861 Amateur **Dual Band** Hi-Gain **Hi-Power** Magnet Antenna, \$61.74 from Amazon.com



#### **KENWOOD SP-23 External** Speaker

for TS-590SG / TS-450 / TS-690

Matches several Kenwood transceivers including the TS-590SG, TS-450S, TS-570S/D and TS-690. \$92.95 at HamRadio.com





W/2250mAh Li-ion **Battery & Traditional** BNC Connector. \$128.95 at HamRadio.com





#### **MMDVM Hotspot Spot Radio Station** WiFi Digital Voice Modem

Supports Digital Radio Only NXDN POCSAG P25 YSF DSTAR C4FM DMR

Pre-configured for a Wi-Fi network. SSID: Pi-Star (or Pi-Star-Setup) Just connect to temporarily WIFI: pi-star, access the device through your web browser using Pi-Star. Then save your own house WIFI details to HOTSPOT \$128.73 at Amazon.com



The SDS200 incorporates the latest True I/Q **Receiver tech**nology

Best digital decode performance in the industry

\$699.99 from Amazon.com

YAESU FTDX-10 HF/50MHz 100W SDR Amateur Radio Transceiver \$1,599.95 at HamRadio.com



#### SDRPLAY RSPdx

Single-tuner 14-bit SDR 1 kHz to 2 GHz 2-SMA 1-BNC

Complete redesign of the popular RSP 2 pro multi antenna receiver. Wideband full featured 14 bit SDR, covers entire RF spectrum from 1 kHz to 2 GHz. Combined with the power of readily available SDR receiver software (including SDRuno supplied by SDRplay), you can monitor up to 10 MHz spectrum at a time.

3 software selectable antenna inputs & an external clock input. With a computer and an antenna, it provides excellent communications receiver functionality. A documented API allows developers to create new demodulators or applications around the platform. \$239.99 at HamRadio.com





**UNIDEN SDS200** Advanced X Base/Mobile Digital **Trunking Scanner** 







Vintage-look Sign, 11"X17" \$19.36 from Amazon.com Parking Only Sign, 8"X12" \$16.99 Etsy.com



Vintage-look unframed poster, 24"X36" \$26.99 on Ebay.com





CUSTOM Call Sign Circle Sign, 18" Shown, \$79.95. Other Sizes: 8"- \$32.95, 12" - \$48.95, 14" - \$61.95, 24" - 99.95, 28" - \$147.95, 32" - \$185.95 at Pamotee.com



CUSTOM US Navy Cut Metal sign. Choice of ship model, Choice of ship name. Multiple sizes: 8" - \$36.95. 12" - \$51.95, 14" - \$62.95, 18" - \$79.95, 24" - \$98.95, 28" - \$151.95, 32" - \$161.95 at Pamotee.com

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## **APPAREL**



**Grandpa Ham Radio Legend** hat, \$27.33 at RedBubble.com



Ham Radio Works Tee Multiple colors & sizes, \$17 & up, Teepublic.com







Ham Radio Ugly Christmas Sweater T-Shirt, 24 Colors, Sizes Small to 5XL, \$14 from Teepublic.com





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"I Love" Tee - \$14 & up, available in 20 assorted solid colors & 8 sizes up to 5XL, from Teepublic.com



Hat with custom call sign, khaki (shown), black, navy or olive, choice of 23 thread colors \$20.95, Etsy.com, seller JohnsEmbroidery





Ham Radio The Original Social Network Amateur **Operator T-Shirt. 6 colors; Men, Women, Youth** Sizes, \$18.45 at printerval.com

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## Accessories

"I Love Ham Radio" CW Pop Socket grip for phones & tablets, \$14.99 at Amazon.com



#### **HEIL PRO7BU**

Heil Rugged Passive Noise Reduction Headset with Dynamic HC-7 Element - Blue \$274.95 from

Ham Radio Outlet

HamRadio.com



## Drinkware

Amateur Radio International Symbol iPhone Case \$22.75 from RedBubble.com



"I Think therefore I HAM" Drinkware

19 oz pilsner pub glass \$18.95 from Amazon.com

Stemless wine glass, \$25.94 from Etsy.com seller RealPeopleGoods



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Personalized "Amateur Radio Knowledge/ I'm Radio-Active" 20 Oz. Insulated Cup with Lid \$29.99 at Amazon.com

#### "Goddess of Ham Radio" Mug

15 oz mug is printed on both sides for fleft hand or right hand view

Truly Permanent special ceramic ink will never fade or wear

\$21.95 at Amazon.com

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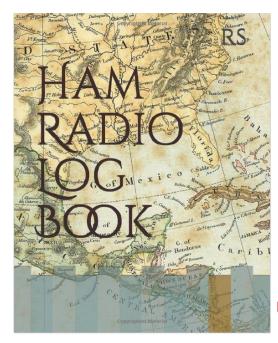
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#### "May The Morse Be With You" Mug

Available in two sizes: 11 oz - \$14.95 15 oz - \$17.95

Go to Etsy.com and select the seller PicksPlaceGifts

# MORE FUN GIFT IDEAS ....





Amateur Radio Operator Log Book, "8"x10", by Vintage Ham Operators

Record all the details of your contact:

- Start and end time
- Frequency
- Station contacted
- Signal report
- Contact's location
- Additional notes

Vintage world map globe cover style, Paperback, 102 pages.

\$8.99 from Amazon.com





Bench Mount Rack Stack Clean up your desktop by going UP instead of out! Sturdy & made in USA with choices of side color; tops are choice of white or wood-grain look. \$29.99 from Ebay.com



Proud Ham Radio Operator Tote Bag Colors: black, white, navy, red, natural 15.25"X15.75", \$15.95 at Printerval.com



24x36 Ham Radio World Map 2021 Edition, with the DXCC country list. Professional quality offset printing (NOT an inkjet digital print). Highly detailed, with CQ zones, US and Canada call areas, and all current DXCC entities. \$34.99, Amazon.com

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for a price that it usually lower than anywhere else in town. Dollar Tree also has a really good selection of canned and boxed items as well, and often they are name-brand, really high quality items. In addition, those multipacks you purchase at Sam's Club make great sources of canned & boxed food to share. If you're shopping at Fleet Farm, they have a small, but generally well-priced, non-perishable food selection. And finally, don't forget to consider donating pet food to the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Families in need often have pets, and thinking of their furry friends is very much appreciated.

The Duluth Salvation Army is a wonderful way to share the joy of the Holiday Season, from your family to another less-fortunate family in our area. Christmas toys for kids, the Food Panty, and help paying for heat through the Heat Share program are just a few areas of immediate impact. What's more, Salvation Army is dedicated to serving the needs of Northland families the whole year through. See below for an "at-a-glance" summary of their programs and services. You, or someone you know, may just need a "hand up" this year. If not, consider being a helping hand to someone in our community that does.

#### Merry Christmas Everyone! \*

### **Duluth Salvation Army Programs and Services**

Our programs and services are funded by generous donors and staffed by kind-hearted volunteers. When you donate online or become a volunteer, we can do even more good for people in need in the Greater Duluth area.

Call 218-722-7934 to learn about the help that is currently available.

You may also visit https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/northern/Duluth/

Local programs and services include:

#### FOOD

- Weekday hot lunch Our hot lunch program provides a free, nutritious weekday meal to anyone who visits our Salvation Army service center at 215 South 27th Avenue West. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
- Emergency Food Shelf Our food pantry offers free groceries to individuals and families in need who live between 10th and 40th Ave. W., and in the Piedmont neighborhood. Food is distributed at the Salvation Army service center on Mondays and Thursdays from 1:30 – 4 p.m.
- Medical food shelf Our medical food shelf is available by appointment on Wednesdays from 1:30 3 p.m. This service is for people with special dietary needs. A medical referral is required.

#### HOUSING

Housing assistance is a cornerstone of our mission to offer a hand up to Duluth residents who are homeless or are at risk becoming homeless

#### **OTHER BASIC NEEDS**

We support Duluth residents with a wide array of basic needs by providing help with:

Rent and mortgage payments

Heat and other utilities

Clothing and household items from our Salvation Army Store

Transportation

Meeting the needs of disaster survivors

Christmas toys and food for low-income families

#### YOUTH ENRICHMENT

Our youth enrichment programs offer fun and fellowship for boys and girls. Wednesday youth programming during the school year includes Bible study, music, crafts and dinner.

Our popular Rookie Basketball Association teaches teamwork, skill formation and character development through the game of basketball.

#### ADULTS

Forever 50s is a senior group that meets twice a month (2nd and 4th Wednesday) for outings and social activities. Anyone over 50 is welcome. Call us to request a program schedule.

Our Caring Ministries support monthly events at three Duluth nursing homes. Seasonal visits and gift distribution take place at nine other centers. Visits are also made to home-bound seniors.





# Contest Calendar - December 2021

+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 1
+ Phone Weekly Test - Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 1
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 1
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2000Z, Dec 1
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 1
	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 2 and
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0300Z, Dec 3
+ QRP ARCI Topband Sprint	0000Z-0300Z, Dec 2
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 2
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 2
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 2
	1800Z-1900Z, Dec 2 (CW) and
	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 2 (SSB) and
	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 2 (FM) and
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	2100Z-2200Z, Dec 2 (Dig)
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	2000Z-2200Z, Dec 2
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 3
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 3
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 3
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 3
+ ARRL 160-Meter Contest	2200Z, Dec 3 to 1600Z, Dec 5
	0500Z-0800Z, Dec 4 and
	1500Z-1800Z, Dec 4 and
+ UFT Meeting	0700Z-1000Z, Dec 5
	0600Z-0629Z, Dec 4 and
	0630Z-0659Z, Dec 4 and
	0700Z-0729Z, Dec 4 and
+ Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0730Z-0800Z, Dec 4



	1200Z, Dec 4 to 1159Z, Dec 5
+ PRO CW Contest	
+ Two-Meter Classic Sprint	1300Z-1330Z, Dec 4
+ INORC Contest	1400Z, Dec 4 to 1359Z, Dec 5
+ FT Roundup	1800Z, Dec 4 to 2359Z, Dec 5
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 6
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 6
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Con- test	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 7
+ ARS Spartan Sprint	0200Z-0400Z, Dec 7
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 7
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Dec 8
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 8
+ Phone Weekly Test - Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 8
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 8
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2000Z, Dec 8
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 8
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 9
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 9
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 9
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 10
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 10
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 10
· + K1USN Slow Speed Test + PODXS 070 Club Triple Play Low Band Sprint	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 10
	0000Z, Dec 11 to 2359Z, Dec 13
+ ARRL 10-Meter Contest	0000Z, Dec 11 to 2400Z, Dec 12
+ TRC Digi Contest	0600Z, Dec 11 to 1800Z, Dec 12
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Dec 11 to 2400Z, Dec 12
+ ARI 40/80 Contest	1300Z, Dec 11 to 1300Z, Dec 12
+ International Naval Contest	1600Z, Dec 11 to 1559Z, Dec 12



+ QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Home- brew Sprint	2000Z-2300Z, Dec 12
+ CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run	2100Z-2259Z, Dec 12
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test + 4 States QRP Group Second Sun- day Sprint	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 13
	0100Z-0300Z, Dec 13
+ OK1WC Memorial + Worldwide Sideband Activity Con- test	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 13
	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 14
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 14
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 15
+ Phone Weekly Test - Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 15
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 15
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 15
	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 16 and
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0300Z, Dec 17
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 16
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 16
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 16
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 17
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 17
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 17
+ AGB-Party Contest	1600Z-1700Z, Dec 17
+ Russian 160-Meter Contest	1800Z-2200Z, Dec 17
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 17
+ OK DX RTTY Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Dec 18
+ RAC Winter Contest	0000Z-2359Z, Dec 18
+ Feld Hell Sprint	0000Z-2359Z, Dec 18
+ ARRL EME Contest	0000Z, Dec 18 to 2359Z, Dec 19
+ Padang DX Contest	1200Z, Dec 18 to 1159Z, Dec 19

	14007 Dec 19 to 14007 Dec 10
+ Croatian CW Contest	1400Z, Dec 18 to 1400Z, Dec 19
+ Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Dec 18 to 1500Z, Dec 19
+ ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW	1800Z-2359Z, Dec 19
+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	2300Z, Dec 19 to 0100Z, Dec 20
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 20
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 20
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 21
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 21
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Dec 22
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Dec 22
+ Phone Weekly Test - Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 22
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 22
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 22
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 23
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 23
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 23
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 24
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 24
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 24
+ Gedebage CW Contest	1200Z, Dec 25 to 1159Z, Dec 26
+ RAEM Contest	0000Z-1159Z, Dec 26
+ DARC Christmas Contest	0830Z-1059Z, Dec 26
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 27
+ QCX Challenge	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 27
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 27
+ QCX Challenge	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 27

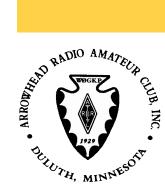


+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 28
+ QCX Challenge	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 28
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 28
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 29
+ Phone Weekly Test - Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 29
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 29
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 29
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 30
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 30
+ YOTA Contest	1200Z-2359Z, Dec 30
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 30
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 31
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 31
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 31
+ Bogor Old and New Contest	0900Z-2359Z, Dec 31
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 31

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