

The Texan

Newsletter of the Texas CW Traffic Net (TEX)

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Bands Changing

Many of you have likely noticed that propagation conditions are again changing as we exit summer into autumn (and beyond). 40 meters has quickly changed to long skip conditions soon after sunset, which occurs earlier now, of course. CAN has had to be moved from 40 to 80 and RN5 is also now primarily on 80. For now, 80 is working pretty well earlier in the evening, but there are signs of long skip coming soon on the late sessions of RN5 and TEX. The band sometimes changes a few times during the late TEX net. Relays are needed during these times and NCS stations should regularly ask others to do net calls (which is generally understood now when the NCS says "QNI" to another station).

Amateur Radio (Part 2) By Vic, W7VSE (SK)

(Continued from the last newsletter)

Here in Oregon, the Portland Amateur Radio Club (PARC) sponsors a yearly convention at Seaside, OR. Attending this get-together was real fun – getting to meet face-to-face with Hams you have talked to over the years. And they have various seminars and meetings that can be attended if you like.

I'd been going to this convention for several years and one day my telephone rang. It was a member of the PARC. He told me he was on the committee of the Radio Club, and that I had been recommended by several people, who said I was qualified, to give a seminar on Traffic Handling, and he wanted to know if I was interested in doing that. I told him I thought those people that recommended me were probably trying to get out of doing it themselves. He assured me that they were not. I told him I didn't think I was qualified to do a seminar, in fact, I wasn't sure I could even spell "seminar."

After I got off the phone with him, I did some thinking about this. I came to the conclusion that it was a good idea for attracting more amateurs to help us on the traffic nets and someone should do it. So, I called him back on the phone and told him, if he still wanted me, I would take a crack at it. He told me to go for it, and he would put me on the roster of Seminars, and help in any way he could.

I spent the next month or so making notes and devising things that I should talk about, and by the time to go to the convention, I think I was ready. I had quite a list of things to discuss and my fingernails were bitten off up to my elbows worrying about it, but I was about as ready as I could get.

The seminar was posted as being from 11AM to Noon on a Saturday. About twenty or so people showed up. When we all got assembled, I told them part of the story above and I said that I didn't know everything about traffic handling, but with a session of questions and answers, maybe we could all learn something, including me. So we carried on for almost an hour and they had some questions that I could answer and some that I could not. I told them that I would contact ARRL HQ and resolve the questions for which we did not know the answers. Later, I did work some problems out.

When the meeting was over, I was thinking that I hadn't done a very good job, but several of the hams came up and patted me on the back and told me what a good job they thought I had done. I think they were just glad that I was doing it and not them, but it was very rewarding for me. Next year, we had two sessions, one on the Basics of handling message traffic on the NTS, and one hour on advanced traffic handling. After a couple more years, we went back to just one hour-long seminar. The idea worked and we did recruit some more Hams to the NTS.

Years later, I quit going to the conventions, and I received a lot of phone calls and letters, trying to get me to come back and do it some more. But, remember the saying, "all good things have to come to an end".

One day at work, a man named Dave Phillips called the Airport Control Tower for some information and I talked to him a short while. One of the things he mentioned was that he was a retired Morse Telegrapher and Dispatcher for the Southern Pacific Railroad. I told him that I had worked a couple of years for Western Union and mentioned the Amateur Morse Telegraph net that we had got started on the ham bands. I mentioned the fact that a lot of retired Morse Telegraphers were checking into that net. A couple of years or so later, Dave called me on the phone and told me he was organizing a local Medford Chapter of the International Morse Telegraph Club and asked me if I would like to join. I was retired at the time, and told him yes. We got together and at the first meeting of the Chapter, elected all the officers, except one. We needed a secretary. To keep things rolling, I told them that I would fill in as secretary until they found someone else. I did that job for a couple of years or more. Finally Dave's wife, Beth Phillips took pity on me, and took the secretary's job. That got me off the hook.

Dave Phillips had an Amateur Radio license, WB7VSN. I asked him why he decided to become a Ham. He reminded me of what I had told him about the Morse Telegraph Radio Club on the air when he called the FAA Tower years ago. So he studied the book and got his ticket and had many happy hours talking with those old time Morse Operators that are mentioned elsewhere in my stories.

One year, the school system was putting on some movies of the early days of Railroading in Oregon at the Library at Jacksonville, Oregon. I got selected by the Club to set up a Morse station and demonstrate the Telegraph to some 5th graders from schools all over southern Oregon. I had a desk with a Morse sounder and key and a wire running to another room. We

would send back and forth and the kids eyes would open wide when the sounder was clacking from the back room. I told them that could be a wire to anywhere, Washington, D.C. or Miami Florida. They were impressed.

I think we had about a thousand kids, in groups of 15 to 20 with 2 teachers as chaperons of each group. The following year we did it again and I think there were about 1200 kids that year. The groups of kids would watch the movie and then stop by my Morse demonstration desk. I would give them a short spiel about the history of Morse Telegraph. I didn't have the same speech for every group, but there was one part I repeated each time a group stopped by.

These kids were all fifth graders, and about 11 years old. I would tell them, "Samuel F.B. Morse invented the Morse code in 1844, I remember it well, I was there." The kids wouldn't blink an eye and they accepted what I'd said, but the teacher/chaperons would have trouble, trying to keep from laughing out loud. I remember one group, especially. After my speech, they lingered a few minutes and one of the little girls was standing right in front of my desk. I asked her if she thought that I was actually around in 1844? She looked puzzled, and you could almost see the wheels turning 'round in her head. Finally, she looked at me and said, "You're an OLD man, aren't you?" She still believed my story.

Medford's population has been increasing as the years go by. Years ago, they had to abandon a Sewer Treatment plant because it was too small to accommodate the larger amount of people. Some Railroad Clubs saw their chance and were able to obtain the site from the city and they made it a recreational park with miniature trains running on an oval track of about one-half mile in length. The train rides are free. We accept donations from the public. We presently have five clubs at the park. The miniature railroad has trestles, overhead bridges, and a tunnel. It has grown into quite a popular place to take the kids, grandkids, and old folks to ride the small trains. They even have one train with a platform car on it. They can load a wheel chair on that car, lash it down securely, and give a thrill to people who otherwise would not be able to ride the little trains.

Just recently, they have constructed another smaller track for the little kids and the tiny engines are brightly painted with a large smiling face on the front and "Thomas the Train" on the side. The little kids fall in love with Thomas.

I belong to the Morse Telegraph Club, and we have built three Telegraph stations, about fifty yards apart, connected by Telegraph poles, with glass insulators, supporting 6 bare large copper wires that connect the three Telegraph stations. Just like the good old days, almost every communication job was handled by use of the Morse code. The park is open from 11AM to 3PM on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month from April through October. The public can come into any of the three stations, write a telegram, and it will be sent in the original Morse code on the telegraph wire to one of the other stations, and they can pick up their free telegram to take home. We also accept free telegrams for anywhere in the USA or Canada, and some other countries. I bring these telegrams home, and put them into the NTS on the Ham bands and they are delivered by telephone when they reach their destinations.

RR Park also has various railroad cars that can be visited. They are standard size rolling stock that have been restored. There is a Caboose, a Flanger (snow-removal car), boxcars, to name a few, and several others. There is a Railroad Museum, and a building where the

public can operate the little model trains and see many other things. They sell snow-cones, hot dogs and other goodies.

But the old Original Morse code operators are getting to be extremely rare. We are considering a change of our three stations over to the International Morse code and perhaps recruit some Amateurs to keep the three stations running. Most of the public would not realize the difference. It would still be Morse code. The mode that is used to handle the messages is not as important as the message itself. But it remains to be seen if we will be able to continue our presence at the park.

Time will tell.

Is this Newsletter Still Needed or Effective?

I started writing TEX newsletters in September, 2005, and published them monthly until going Bi-monthly a couple years ago. So it has been over 15 years now. Originally, it seemed to spark activity and attract more participation. But in the last few years, participation on TEX has gone way down and RN5 is barely limping along. For all practical purposes, TSN is now extinct. Jason keeps trying, but nobody else is showing up any more.

There is also less and less mail each issue. I am seriously considering doing away with the current newsletter format in favor of a simpler list of stations checking in and the statistics. It is taking many hours of effort to put together the current newsletter and it seems like it may not be helping to encourage more activity. After 15 years, perhaps it is time to become simply a quarterly summary of statistics and any feedback received from the net participants, both TEX and RN5. Let me know your thoughts. If I don't hear otherwise, this might be the last old fashioned newsletter.

TEX / RN5 Mailbox:

Aug 16 from **W7IZ**

Thanks Steve! Hope you guys are staying safe. At least ham radio suits us shut-ins, glad to have this hobby!!

73/Scott W7IZ

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Aug 20 **W6SX**

GE Steve, Read latest The Texan today and thought of you.

I hope all is good for you considering Covid situation. We are biking, hiking, kayaking, and hamming and keeping away from people. So far so good.

Thank you very much for working to keep traffic handling going OM.

CW, Cope Exuberantly,

Hank, W6SX

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Aug 27, From Ken, **K5RG**, to Pete, **K5GM**, regarding Hurricane Laura preparations:

Pete,

Thanks for attempting to cover for me on RN5 last night. I had thought we would be in the outskirts of the storm but as the evening progressed the rain bands looked like they wouldn't arrive until 10 PM. I thought making TEX and WAN was not going to be possible. As it turns out, we got nothing – not even a drop of rain (which we need). Guess I should be thankful but

I spent two days getting the house prepared. I didn't take down any antennas but had them ready to be lowered to the ground if necessary. From Hurricane Ike it seems as if my beam comes undone when the winds hit over 85 MPH but I use the 80 meter delta loop and the 40 – 10 Meter windom for almost all of the traffic nets. Send the Houston evacuees back home from Austin.

73, Ken K5RG

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Sep 14, **K5WNU** before Hurricane Sally was forecast to hit close to his place in MS:

I dropped the antenna for safety measures. We are in for quite a blow. Looks like a category 3 when it hits the beach. Sam (W5CU) said he would cover for me. I'll be back on the air when it's all over. 73. Jack

Sep 16: K5WNU: Made it thru with no damage. Very little rain and no wind. Antenna is going back up today.

73, Jack

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Hi Steve. Hope you are doing well. I wanted to let you know we have started a weekly VHF Houston Area Traffic Net Monday Evenings at 6:30pm - 146.940 repeater with pl of 167.9.

73, Bill KA9IKK

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TEX Net Topics

The TEX Duty Schedule and Roster are shown below as updated for Sam's return from CO. Note the many Open positions. If you are willing to take any of them, please advise so the schedule may be updated.

TEX CW Net Weekly Schedule

Local	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
NC 1	W5FEA	N5RL	W5FEA	N5RL	N5RL	No Net	W5CU
Backup	Open	Open	K5GM	W5FEA	Open	No Net	W5FEA
NC 2	Open	K6JT	K6JT	K6JT	K5GM	No Net	W5CU
Backup	K5GM	W5FEA	Open	Open	Open	No Net	W5FEA
RN5 1	N5RL	Open	K5GM	Open	Open	No Net	W5CU
Backup	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	No Net	Open
RN5 2	W5CU	K6JT	K5RG	K6JT	K5GM	No Net	W5CU
Backup	Open	Open	W5CU	Open	Open	No Net	Open

TEX/1: **3541**/7106/3593 at 19:00 CT; TEX/2 **3541**/3593/1841 at 22:00 CT

RN5/1: **3567**/7108 at 19:30; RN5/2: **3567**/7108/3598 at 21:30 CT

TSN: **3570** - 19:45 CT; CAN: **3552**/3590/7052/7108 - 20:30 CT; WAN: **3552**/7052 - 22:30 CT

RN5 Backup: W5CU, K5GM, K5RG, N5RL
 NCS Backup: W5CU, W5FEA, K5GM, K5RG, N5RL

TEX Roster

Call	Name	Location / Notes	Call	Name	Location / Notes
KW5AS	Skip	Victoria	WA5MS	Marty	Argyle
N5BA	Brian	Houston	* W6LFB	Jim	Denton
WA5CAV	Dick	Pineville LA	NM5M	Eric	Plano
W5CU	Sam	Edmond OK	N7NET	Scott	Crossett AR
N5CXX	Steve	Richardson (K6JT)	* KB5NJD	John	Duncanville
W5DAE	Don	San Angelo	K9NY	Bill	Canyon Lake
W5DY	Rodney	Goliad	K1PKZ	Paul	Tom Bean
W5ESE	Scott	Dripping Springs	WA5PRI	Don	Thibodaux LA
* W5FEA	Jim	Graham	K5QOW	Gary	(SK)
W5GKH	Charlie	West Columbia	* K5RG	Ken	Houston
K5GM	Pete	Austin	N5RL	Randy	San Antonio
W9GVW	Eric	San Antonio	KD5RQB	Jason	Atlanta
KM0I	John	Hattiesburg MS	W5TMO	Mike	Austin
KA9IKK	Bill	Katy	K5TSK	Hank	Pearcy AR
K5IX	Dave	Brackettville	KD5TXD	Pat	Kingsville
K5JFB	Jim	Fort Worth	W9VE	Don	Dallas
K6JT	Steve	Plano	WB8WKQ	Jeff	Michigan

* Capable of 160 meter operation

Statistics:

August 2020:

Jim, W5FEA, was first place with 48 (92%), Don, W5DAE, was 2nd with 44 (85%), and Pete, K5GM, was third with 29 (56%). Thanks again to all of you who checked in.

No visitors - all stations are on the roster.

The complete list of stations and traffic / liaison totals are shown in the following table. Note there were 51 sessions reported out of a possible 52 (no Saturday nets). Traffic averaged 1.6 per net session (2.0 last month). Net time averaged 8.9 minutes per session (compared to 9.9 last month). Check-ins averaged 3.8 per session (4.1 last month).

TEX Net Statistics (August 2020)

Call	Name	QNI	Total	NCS	RN5	TTN	DFW	TSN
N5BA	Brian	1	1					
		0						
W5CU	Sam	1	10	1	1			
*		9		4	9			
W5DAE	Don	20	44					

Call	Name	QNI	Total	NCS	RN5	TTN	DFW	TSN
		24						
W5DY	Rodney	7	12		1			
		5						
W5FEA	Jim	23	48	14	1	23		
*		25		2		25		
K5GM	Pete	9	29	5	6			
*		20		8	4			
KA9IKK	Bill	0	1					
*		1						
K5IX	Dave	2	4					
		2						
K6JT	Steve	0	12					
*		12		12	8		12	
KB5NJD	John	7	7				6	
		0						
K5RG	Ken	0	5					
*		5			4			
N5RL	Randy	11	16	5	5			
*		5						
K5TSK	Jim	1	1					
		0						
W9VE	Don	1	1				1	
	Dallas	0						
WB8WKQ	Jeff	0	4					
		4						
		195		51	39	48	19	0
				98%	75%	92%	37%	0%
QTC 1		0	83					
QTC 2		83		Sessions:		52		
Time 1		180	453					
Time 2		273						

September 2020:

Jim, W5FEA, was 1st with 49 (98%), Don, W5DAE, was 2nd with 46 (92%), and Pete, K5GM, was 3rd with 24 (48%). Thanks again to all of you who checked in for your support.

There were no visitors.

The complete list of stations and traffic / liaison totals are shown in the following table. Note that there were 50 sessions reported out of a possible 52 (no Saturdays). Traffic averaged 1.9 per net session (1.6 last month). Net time averaged 10.2 minutes per session (compared to 8.9 last month). Check-ins averaged 3.9 per session (3.8 last month).

TEX Net Statistics (September 2020)

Call	Name	QNI	Total	NCS	RN5	TTN	DFW	TSN
W5CU	Sam	1	9		1			
*		8		3	8			
W5DAE	Don	23	46					
		23						
W5DY	Rodney	3	3					
		0						
W5FEA	Jim	25	49	16		25		
*		24		2		24		
K5GM	Pete	5	24		4			
*		19		7	3			
KA9IKK	Bill	1	2					
*		1						
K5IX	Dave	5	6					
		1						
K6JT	Steve	0	13					
*		13		13	9		13	
KB5NJD	John	5	5				5	
		0						
K5RG	Ken	0	4					
*		4			4			
N5RL	Randy	19	21	9	7			
*		2						
W9VE	Don	3	3				3	
		0						
WB8WKQ	Jeff	0	9					
		9						
Totals		194		50	36	49	21	0
				96%	69%	94%	40%	0%
QTC 1		8	94					
QTC 2		86		Sessions:		52		
Time 1		220	511					
Time 2		291						

Operating:

The curtailment of nets on Saturday night continues to be working OK with Sunday nights picking up the traffic instead. RN5 has returned to 3567 both sessions and W5CU is back in Oklahoma from Colorado.

We are in need of more NCS/backup stations and particularly RN5 liaison stations. Monday late TEX has no assigned NCS and multiple backup NCS slots remain open. RN5/1 has 3 open slots and all backup positions remain open as well.

Although RN5 major participants voted to cease scheduled Saturday net call-up, Jack, K5WNU, has been calling up the net and anyone who wants to call the net is welcome to do so. Since TEX no longer meets on Saturday, perhaps having RN5 also skip Saturday would be acceptable, but CAN liaison still operates and LA is almost always available to take traffic.

As mentioned before, CAN has moved back to 80 meters. Early RN5 has also moved to 80.

Here are the composite reports for the last 2 months for traffic handled at the region and above levels. Traffic was pretty good in September, 800+ better than August.

Central US Nets Activity for August 2020

Net	Sessions	QTC	QNI	QTR	Rate
Day 5 th Call Area	13	25	77	96	0.260
Cycle 2 9RN*	13	231	70	72	3.208
Day 10 th Call Area #	13	49	64	84	0.583
Night 5 th Call Area**	52	86	203	414	0.208
Night 9 th Call Area	57	408	191	553	0.738
Night 10 th Call Area	59	54	149	290	0.186
Day Central US	13	111	77	259	0.429
Night Central US @	31	560	188	577	0.971
Day Inter-Area Traffic	39	73	39		100%
Night Inter-Area Traffic	81	312	81		100%
Total Voice/CW Nets		1909	1139	2345	
DTN Digital			Received	Sent	
WB9FHP Central Area HUB		4607	2065	2542	
Digital Stations (13)		1669	548	1121	
Total DTN Digital		6276	2613	3663	
Total Central US		8185			
* Not Radio Relay International affiliated					
# Manager recovering - thanks Dave, ND0CW, and Ron, WB9WKO for their reports					
@ Manager resigned, nominations open. Composite from NCS reports received					
** Nominations open for manager - thanks to NCS stations for statistics					

Central US Nets Activity for September 2020

Net	Sessions	QTC	QNI	QTR	Rate
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Net	Sessions	QTC	QNI	QTR	Rate
Day 5 th Call Area	13	41	79	94	0.436
Cycle 2 9RN*	13	187	278	77	2.429
Day 10 th Call Area #	12	36	49	76	0.474
Night 5 th Call Area**	49	93	173	413	0.225
Night 9 th Call Area	55	369	207	576	0.641
Night 10 th Call Area	60	79	179	326	0.242
Day Central US	13	117	76	241	0.485
Night Central US @	30	453	189	554	0.818
Day Inter-Area Traffic	39	87	38		97%
Night Inter-Area Traffic	81	164	79		98%
Total Voice/CW Nets		1626	1347	2357	
DTN Digital			Received	Sent	
WB9FHP Central Area HUB		5878	2827	3051	
Digital Stations (12)		1517	649	868	
Total DTN Digital		7395	3476	3919	
Total Central US		9021			
* Not Radio Relay International affiliated					
# Manager recovering - thanks Dave, ND0CW, and Ron, WB9WKO for their reports					
@ Manager resigned, nominations open. Composite from NCS reports received					
** Nominations open for manager, thanks to NC Stations for statistics					

Keep sending your TEX net reports and inputs for this Newsletter to me, either on the air on TEX or RN5, via Winlink, or via standard Email.

Let's hope propagation gets better and we can have a good Thanksgiving celebration. Stay safe – masks and proper social distancing are still highly advised and required in Texas and other states right now.

73, Steve K6JT
TEX Newsletter Editor and Statistician

TSN Corner

Texas Slow Net (Tuesday - Friday) 1945 CT 3570.0 KHz +/- QRM

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Photo Courtesy of VE3UU

Greetings From Northeast Texas

Jason, KD5RQB, has been calling the net when he is able. There have been no other check-ins for several months. Help is needed for more support of TSN. Jason tries to call up the net Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Please look for him.

Net Control Stations

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
(No Net)	(No Net)	(KD5RQB)	(OPEN)	(KD5RQB)	(KD5RQB)	(No Net)

TSN Activity Reports

Month	QNI	QTC	QTR	Nr. Operators	Sessions
August 2020	8	0	56	1	8
September 2020	7	0	70	1	7

TSN Roster (January 2019 to Current Date)

Callsign	Name	QTH
KX5C	Ron	SILSBEE, TEXAS
W5DAE	Don	SAN ANGELO, TEXAS
W5ESE	Scott	DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS
KK4HCF	Sam	MARYSVILLE, TENNESSEE
WD8LDY	David	BRIDGEPORT, WEST VIRGINIA
KD5RQB	Jason	ATLANTA, TEXAS
N5XGG	Joe	ROCK ISLAND, TEXAS
WB8YLO	Steve	TOLEDO, OHIO

Stop by any evening Tuesday through Friday on 3570kHz at 7:45p.m. CT and start the net if you do not hear anyone there. This is a great place to learn how to handle traffic on CW. If you are a voice net traffic handler, this is a great addition to your amateur radio skill set. See you on the air!!

73, Jason KD5RQB

RN5 Corner

RRI Fifth Call Area Net (Daily) 1930 CT and 2130 CT on **3567**
Alternate Frequency 7108 or 3598 when conditions warrant
Serving TX, OK, LA, AR, MS, TN, AL, and NFL
Due to Frank W4DLZ becoming a Silent Key
Nominations are still open for Net Manager

Hello all and welcome to Edition 74 of the **RN5 Corner**.

Received a notice from Jack, K5WNU, on SEP 19: Sorry guys, I have to leave for TN in the morning. My camper has had some storm damage and I need to do some repairs. I will be back a week from Tuesday, the 29th. See you all then. Sorry for such short notice.
73, Jack K5WNU

Yes, we really missed you, Jack. Several nets during that time were missed. Thank you very much for your continued service and interest.

Thanks to all RN5 Stations for manning the NCS and CAN liaison slots and sending your reports the last couple months. Participation has fallen off for CAN and TEX liaisons.

Following is a list of the stations sending NC reports for August and September (in order from earliest date station first reported that month). Thanks to you all for supporting RN5!

August: K5WNU 23, W5CU 20, K6JT 8, K5GM 1
September: K5WNU 19, K6JT 9, W5CU 21

If you show up and there is no NCS and you do not want to do a formal net callup, just send RN5? a few times. If nobody answers in a couple minutes, please just report that as 1 station QNI, 0 traffic, 3 minutes. Thank you, Dick, WA5CAV, for reporting these and your nightly check-ins.

CAN liaison stations are asked to briefly open the net to handle any listed traffic if there is no formal NCS.

Thanks to all for your support of RN5, especially regulars WA5CAV, on nearly every session, K5WNU, K5GM, K6JT, and K5RG. John, KC4FL, continues to regularly check in from FL. Ben, KZ8Q, and Dean, W8IM, check in from FL some nights. Jeff, WB8WKQ, has also been occasionally checking in from Michigan. Please continue to pass AR and OK traffic to the TEX liaison station to take to the 7290 Traffic Net.

TN traffic can be sent to Jim, WA4VGZ, who is the manager of cycle 2 RN5 and located in TN. Reach him via Winlink (preferred). Use WA4VGZ at Winlink dot org and be sure to put //WL2K as the first 7 letters (including space) in the subject line.

(Schedule, statistics, and roster on the next page)

RN5 Duty Roster

Local	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
NCS #1	K5WNU	Open	W5CU	Open	Open	No net	Open
NCS #2	K5WNU	K6JT	W5CU	K6JT	K5WNU	No net	W5CU
CAN TX	Open	Open	W5CU	W5CU	Open	Open	Open
CAN RX	Open	Open	W5CU	K6JT	Open	Open	W5CU
DRN5	Open	Open	K5RG	Open	Open	Open	Open

2020 Statistics

MONTH	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
SESSIONS	52	49
QTC	86	93
QNI	203	173
QTR	414	413
AVG QTC	1.7	1.9
AVG QNI	3.9	3.5
AVG QTR	8.0	8.4

The following roster shows stations coming to RN5 in the past 3 years and their states.

Region Net 5 Roster

Call	Name	State	Call	Name	State
WA4BAM	JOHN	FL	K6JT	STEVE	TX
WA5CAV	DICK	LA	KZ8Q	BEN	FL
W5CU	SAM	OK* / CO	K5RG	KEN	TX
W4DLZ	FRANK	(SK)	N5RL	RANDY	TX
W5DY	RODNEY	TX	W4SU	JERRY	(Retired)
W5FEA	JIM	TX	K5TSK	HANK	AR**
KC4FL	JOHN	FL	K4VIZ	TOM	AR**
W5GKH	CHARLIE	TX	WB8WKQ	JEFF	MI
K5GM	PETE	TX	K5WNU	JACK	MS
W8IM	DEAN	FL	WA4ZPZ	TOM	(Retired)

* When W5CU is not present on Late RN5, OK traffic may be sent to the TEX station

** K4VIZ and K5TSK are only marginally active. Send AR to the TEX station for the 7290 net (do not use DRN5 since there is only an occasional AR liaison station there).

73, Steve K6JT

Newsletter editor and RN5 statistician