# The Texan

# Newsletter of the Texas NTS CW Net (TEX)

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### **Another Story from Uncle Vic W7VSE**

Some of you may have seen the currently ongoing series entitled Manhattan on WGN (cable channel) that depicts the development of the first Atomic Bomb. It seemed fitting then to run the following story, written by Uncle Vic, with his recollections of the aftermath of the 1945 Atom Bombing.

When the atom bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August of 1945, I was stationed at the Medford airport, which was called the Medford Army Air Base, Medford, Oregon. I had been there for about 6 months. I had completed 25 months in the China, Burma & India (CBI) theatre of war. I had originally signed up for a three-year hitch in the U.S. Army Air Corps, but four years had passed and I could not get discharged because I was a CW (code) operator and we were kept on hand because we might be needed later. I was a member of the AACS (Army Airways Communications System) and we had detachments all over the world at that time. They told me that i would probably go overseas again, possibly to the Philippines. But then they dropped the bombs and ended the war. This may have saved my life and the lives of countless others.

I read in the AACS newsletter a few years ago about a guy in my outfit (AACS) being responsible for contacting the Japanese government and starting the talks about a ceasefire. The way I remember the article was that our government knew that, after we dropped two atom bombs, they would probably want to talk about terms of surrender. But how could we contact the Japanese government and get the talks started? Our government sent word to all the services trying to find a way to contact the Japanese government. (My daughter, Vicki, wanted to know why we didn't just call them on the telephone!)

One of our AACS station chiefs down in the Philippines, (I think), told them he knew a way to contact the Japanese. He said we broadcast weather in morse code many times a day, every day, and he thought the Japanese had broken our code and probably used the weather information for their own military operations. The Pentagon told him to go ahead. So he typed up a short message on the Kleinschmidt perforator, glued the ends together so the message would be transmitted over and over on the Boehme keying head, on the air. The message was addressed to the Japanese government and asked someone to tune up on a designated radio frequency and contact us to discuss meetings about ending the war. In a

short time, someone came up on that frequency and soon the talks began. I had used the same type of broadcast equipment over the years and I was very pleased to hear that someone in my outfit had been instrumental in bringing an end to World War Two.

George Milligan, originator of mercy flights here in Medford, was also a member of the AACS in England and Germany during the war. He was one of the first radar operators. George said that AACS stood for "always avoiding combat service".

Amen! It worked for me too, George! 73, Vic Seeberger W7VSE

### **George Hart Series**

Here is the 21st installment of the George Hart Series. Geo continues to do his best for the sake of the AARS

### RANDOM RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD HAM

A journalistic history of the life and times in Amateur Radio of George Hart, W1NJM (SK) by George Hart W1NJM

Chapter 21 - Penn State Rocky Middle Years

Meanwhile, at Penn State I gradually became a mainstay of the Radio Station Staff. By the end of my sophomore year I was in full charge of all AARS operations. Participation in ARRL trunk lines and other operation by myself and other members of the staff took a low priority, and I was empowered to oust anyone from the operating position if I had an AARS or other traffic-handling function to perform. I seldom had to use this prerogative, but I do remember one time when I arrived for a schedule and found Charlie Kearns at the key contacting friends at home. When he refused to vacate, I pulled his key plug out of the jack and moved his chair aside. He protested loudly but not physically (I was sort if wishing he would) and threatened to consult higher authority. I assume he did, but got nowhere. After that incident Charlie was a less frequent visitor to the station and remained cool with me. I regretted this only in retrospect. At the time, my sole determination was to maintain the integrity of our AARS commitment - a goal for which I had Crossley's complete support.

In the middle of my junior year, after a horrendous first semester academically and emotionally, I transferred from the School of Agriculture to the School of Liberal Arts, where I should have been in the first place. My nature was more attuned to the arts than the sciences, but my early farm experiences and love of animals had led me in the wrong direction. I switched from a major in animal husbandry and a minor in chemistry to a major in English composition and a minor in chemistry, the latter because I already had enough chemistry credits to qualify as a minor. The class schedule became easier, the subjects more in line with my basic qualifications. During the first semester, when my grades had reached the danger point, Crossley had restricted my attendance at W8YA, although he did not take away my key. I visited the station at every possible opportunity, trying to bury my emotions about a lost love by something with which I was familiar and at ease. It was a critical period. I

suppose it might be said that my love of amateur radio rescued me from an emotional storm that might have had far more serious consequences - but I wasn't aware of this at the time.

During the summer of 1935 I went on one drunken binge after another with reckless abandon. Ed had reestablished W3NF at the farm and I spent a great deal of time in the third floor apartment in which he lived with his wife and child, operating the "rig" and trying to shake off depression. All in all, it was a bad summer. On my return to State College in the fall I found the academic pace easier and became reestablished as the undergraduate assistant manager of W8YA. Walter Hawk, W3AJN, who had returned for graduate work, became Gil's right-hand man. Hawk had become a close friend and confidante and helped me through some bad emotional storms during my senior year, during which I breezed through the academics and recouped many graduation credits. Penn State was not the mammoth degree factory it is today. The Depression was still on, money was tight, and the college needed students. If it hadn't been for this, it is highly likely that I would not have survived.

During my senior year, although not fully recovered from mental depression, I felt atop the heap, respected if not admired by my fellow students, assured of graduation in the spring of '36. Life at W8YA went on pretty routinely. Walter Hawk changed keying arrangements so that the crystal oscillator was keyed instead of the first buffer stage, thus permitting break-in operation, a requirement in the type of operation conducted in the highest levels of AARS, but otherwise little was changed. In all my tenure at W8YA, which went on for a couple more years after graduation, no operation was conducted by voice or any mode other than CW. Crossley was vigorously opposed to it. Other members of the staff wanted to sack the old "breadboard" construction and build an entirely new transmitter capable of voice operation, but Crossley would not hear of it. I was not opposed to it, but entirely willing to continue with what we had and with our commitment to AARS.

It was the custom for the radio station staff to visit the national capital, Washington, each year with Gil Crossley in charge. I'm not sure just when these trips occurred, probably during spring vacation, or what the arrangements were, but I believe each student paid his own way under group rates wherever available. I went along on such trips at least twice, perhaps three times. Visits were made to the standard tourist attractions and, during the years of our AARS affiliation, to the AARS operating point in the Munitions Building on Constitution Avenue and the transmitter location at Fort Myers, across the river in Virginia, about 7 miles away. There was also a receiving station at Battery Cove, MD, but this facility was seldom used for AARS and I don't remember that we visited it - at least not at that point in time. I do, however, have very strong memories of our visits to WLM/W3CXL at the Munitions Building and at Fort Myers.

On my first visit during my sophomore year, we met the officer-in-charge of the AARS facility, whose name I don't remember, and Pvt. Ed Day who was the principal (not chief) operator of WLM. There were several other operators also. I became familiar with all of them but don't remember most of the names. One was Cal Skaggs, another named Bradley, several more now forgotten. My familiarity with them was mostly on the air, but some of them I met personally during those trips. The WLM facilities were crammed in with all the WAR facilities, largely ignored by the many commercial and military operators present. At the WLM position there was only a receiver and a keying jack through which the transmitter at Fort Myers could be keyed. Also, of course, a typewriter and the ubiquitous military forms. Ed Day was a

highly proficient operator, as were also the other operators who attended the WLM position, all of them amateur licensees.

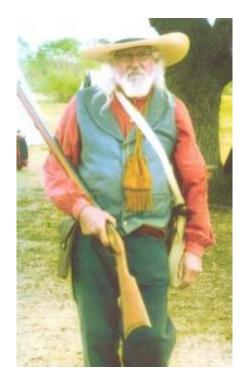
Coming in Chapter 22: The WLM Fort Myers operation and a visit to a burlesque show.

### **TEX Mailbox:**

Jo Ann, **KA5AZK**, was kind enough to collect some old pictures of the TEX CW net, mostly taken at the 7290 picnics in years past. When there is time, I will put them on the TEX website, but for now, I'll run a couple in the newsletter for your viewing pleasure. Thanks, Jo Ann !!!



Charlie, W(D)5GKH presenting the Pfeiffer Pfist Award to Harry Pfeiffer, W5CTZ, 1991.



Message-ID: <246908WB5BBW>
From: WR5WCYMRESBBW
To: STX0508TXALL
Subject: "James Dunn Award" Winner
Path: WB5BBW

South Texas Bulletin 05-90
07 May 1990

TO: All Radio Amateurs in South Texas
FROM: ARRL Bulletin Manager, South Texas Section
SUBJECT: James Dunn Memorial Award

The winner of the Prestigious JAMES DUNN MEMORIAL AWARD for
EXCELLENCE IN TRAFFIC HANDLING for 1990 is Charles Ogilvie, WD5GKH.

Charlie is the Section Traffic Manager for South Texas. Charlie
resides at 729 Loggins Drive, West Columbia, Texas, 77486.

Cend of Bulletin >
Comments or Questions about this bulletin should be directed to
Roger H. Runnels, WASWCY, Bulletin Manager for South Texas, at
11786 Wolf Run Lane, Houston, Texas, 77865, or the WB5BBW PBBS.

Charlie, W(D)5GKH, STM STX out LID hunting (?), circa 1990.

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Pat, **KD5TXD**, enjoyed the article last month sent by Dean, W8IM. She wrote: Hi Steve, I really enjoyed the link from W8IM in the newsletter. It brought back memories of Floyd, N5EL, and the enjoyable times we spent visiting on CW and talking about trains. Back when I was volunteering with our little train depot museum I had encountered information, and even a patent sketch, of this railroad wireless setup. People at the train depot kind of rolled their eyes at me when I presented my discovery. I was thrilled at the thought of wireless railroad telegraphy, but the only other person in my world who appreciated the historical tidbit was my code buddy, Floyd. Thanks and 73!! Pat KD5TXD

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Brian, **N5BA**, had some comments about the lead story in last months' newsletter. He wrote: It's kinda scary to think that the Board of Directors had "non-familiarity with NTS".

What are the middle two words that make up A. R. R. L.? The whole shebang is based on a message transfer system based on the early work of Hiram himself!

When I got really into radio and League activities, the SCM and Division Director could easily be found on one of the traffic nets. Phone, CW or both. With cell phones and email, traffic has headed down a slippery slope, but still a needed function to keep our licenses.

As you know, I'm not real active in NTS currently, but still think I need to keep my hand in it once in a while. I'm not sure where I stand concerning WinLink and Radio-email. They have different formats, and not sure how they interact. Tried to get WinLink to work, they say it's easy, but so far, no joy. 73, Brian N5BA

For Brian and others confused about this digital stuff - see the NTS Digital Operations white paper via the link on the TEX website - Ed.

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George, K5BMR, sent this link to a very interesting article about electromagnetic warfare and what it could mean to us. A reminder about why we continue to support our "low tech" NTS: <a href="http://spectrum.ieee.org/aerospace/military/electromagnetic-warfare-is-here">http://spectrum.ieee.org/aerospace/military/electromagnetic-warfare-is-here</a>

Jason, **KD5RQB**, reports that he has a new job that keeps him busy in the evenings, so he is only able to check in to TEX (and TSN) on his days off, which are currently Sunday and either Monday or Tuesday.

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Dave, **WB2FTX**, has updated a document entitled "What is the National Traffic System". It gives a good synopsis and may be useful to those of you who wish to give a program at your club or explain things to newcomers. I have put a link to it on the TEX website.

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Finally, for those of you who also have digital capability, note there is a new NTS Digital website with lots of good information. You can find it at: <a href="http://nts-digital.net/mw/index.php?title=Main Page">http://nts-digital.net/mw/index.php?title=Main Page</a>

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# **TEX Net Topics**

There are 2 backup slots open (shown in *yellow*), both for RN5 liaison, and no open NCS slots. Jim, W5FEA, has been filling in on the Sunday backup RN5 slot, so he is now shown there. Please check the duty roster and advise if you are no longer willing to take the positions you are scheduled for on a regular basis. Also please advise if you are interested in filling either of the backup slots.

The TEX Duty Schedule and Roster are shown on the following page (for easier printing of a single page). The Duty Schedule was updated, as was the Roster. Note that W5GKH is shown in Yellow, as is W5CU. Charlie is still awaiting return of his repaired rig and Sam is in the process of moving to a new QTH across town and still does not have any antennas up there. Hopefully they will be back on soon. Thanks to those who have been filling in their slots.

If you are scheduled for an NCS or Liaison slot, and you cannot make it, if at all possible, please notify both K6JT and W5DY (see email addresses and cell phone numbers at the top of page 1) as soon as you can before the net meeting so that the backups can be alerted. Thanks to those of you who have been doing this.

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# **TEX CW Net Weekly Schedule**

Local	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
NCS #1	W5GKH	N5RL	KD5TXD	KD5TXD	N5RL	W5FEA	W5GKH
Backup	W5DY	W5FEA	W5DY	W5DY	W5FEA	K6JT	W5FEA
NCS #2	W5GKH	K6JT	W5TMO	W5TMO	K5KV	W5DY	W5GKH
Backup	K6JT	W5DY	K6JT	K6JT	K6JT	K6JT	W5DY
RN5 #1	K5KV	N5RL	W5CU	KA5KLU	N5RL	KA5KLU	W5CU
Backup	W5DY	Open	W5DY	Open	W5ESE	W5ESE	W5FEA
RN5 #2	K5KV	K6JT	W5CU	KA5KLU	K6JT	KA5KLU	W5CU
Backup	W5DY	W5DY	K6JT	K6JT	W5DY	K6JT	K6JT

TEX/1: **7053**/3541/7108 at 19:00 CT; TEX/2 **3541**/3595/1841 at 22:00 CT RN5/1: **7108**/3567 at 19:30; RN5/2: **3567**/3598/7108 at 21:30 CT

TSN: **3570** - 19:45 CT; CAN: **7052**/3552/7108/3595 - 20:30 CT; PAN: **7052**/3552 - 22:30 CT

RN5 Backup: W5CU, W5DY, W5ESE, W5FEA, K5GM, K6JT, KA5KLU, K5KV, K5RG, N5RL NCS Backup: W5CU, W5DY, W5ESE, W5FEA, K6JT, K5KV, K5RG, N5RL, W5TMO, KD5TXD

### **TEX Roster**

Call	Name	Location / Notes	Call	Name	Location / Notes
N5AF	Sam	Cleveland	N7NET	Scott	McKinney
KW5AS	Skip	Victoria	* KB5NJD	John	Duncanville
N5BA	Brian	Houston	N5NVP	Jim	Scott LA
W5CU	Sam	Edmond OK	W50MR	Geoff	Houston
W5DH	Tom	Dallas	AC5P	Mike	Bartlesville OK
W4DLZ	Frank	Florida	K1PKZ	Paul	Tom Bean
* W5DY	Rodney	Goliad	K5QOW	Gary	Reagan Wells
* W5ESE	Scott	Dripping Springs	* K5RG	Ken	Houston
W5FEA	Jim	Graham	N5RL	Randy	San Antonio
W5GKH	Charlie	West Columbia	W5ROK	Steve	Richardson (K6JT)
K5GM	Pete	Austin	KD5RQB	Jason	Atlanta
W9GVW	Eric	San Antonio	W5TMO	Mike	Austin
K5JRN	Si	Austin	KD5TXD	Pat	Kingsville
* K6JT	Steve	Plano	NE5V	Chris	Liberty Hill
KA5KLU	Doug	San Antonio	WB8WKQ	Jeff	Michigan
N7KRT	Jeff	Victoria	K6YBV	Bob	Placerville CA
* K5KV	Benny	Star	W5YE	Brian	Harlingen
* W6LFB	Jim	Denton	W5ZD	Pat	Kingsville (KD5TXD)

<sup>\*</sup> Capable of 160 meter operation

#### **Statistics:**

Checkins were about the same but traffic was up compared to last month. All RN5 slots were covered and TTN / DFW / TSN representation were very good.

Jim, W5FEA, with 62 out of 62 (100%) maintains his "perfect attendance record" yet another month. Jason, KD5RQB, had 51 (82%) while Rodney, W5DY, with 47 (76%) captured third. Thanks again to all of you who checked in for your support.

Visitors to the net included Frank, W4DLZ, from Florida, Bob, K6YBV, from CA, and Pat, KM5L, from Dallas. It was good to also have Sam, N5AF, and Paul, K1PKZ, again check in after an absence.

The complete list of stations and traffic / liaison totals are shown in the following table. Traffic averaged 3.2 per net session (2.7 last month). Net time averaged 12.9 minutes per session (compared to 13.1 last month). Check-ins averaged 6.9 per session (7.1 last month).

**TEX Net Statistics (August 2014)** 

Call	Name	QNI	Total	NCS	RN5	TTN	DFW	TSN
N5AF	Sam	2	2					
		0						
KW5AS	Skip	3	3					
		0						
W4DLZ	Frank	0	2					
	FL	2						
W5CU	Sam	7	18		5			
*		11			5			
W5DY	Rodney	21	47	3	7			
		26		6	4			
W5ESE	Scott	11	11	1				
*		0						
W5FEA	Jim	31	62	11		20		
*		31		1				
W5GKH	Charlie	1	2	1				
*		1		1				
K5GM	Pete	13	25					
*		12						
W9GVW	Eric	0	1					
*		1						
K6JT	Steve	15	44				3	
*		29		10	10		29	
KA5KLU	Doug	9	18		9			
*		9			9			
K5KV	Benny	12	27	1	4			
		15		4	3			
KM5L	Pat	1	1					
	Dallas	0						
KB5NJD	John	24	24				24	
		0						
N5NVP	Jim	1	4					
		3						_
K1PKZ	Paul	1	1					

Call	Name	QNI	Total	NCS	RN5	TTN	DFW	TSN
		0						
K5RG	Ken	0	10					
*		10						
N5RL	Randy	21	44	5	6	2		
*		23				19		
KD5RQB	Jason	21	51			6		21
		30				1		30
W5TMO	Mike	0	16					
*		16		9				
KD5TXD	Pat	11	11	9				
*		0						
K6YBV	Bob	0	1					
		1						
Totals		426		62	62	48	56	51
				100%	100%	77%	90%	82%
QTC 1		97	201					
QTC 2		104			Sessions	62		
Time 1		433	799					
Time 2		366						

### Operating:

A reminder that when QSL'ing a received message, it is not proper to send the message number. This is done often on voice nets, but it is not correct there, either, per the NTS Methods and Practices Guide (MPG). A simple QSL is all that is needed on CW and a simple Roger is all that is needed on voice.

From MPG 3.3.7.4, "When the receiving station is certain that it has copied the message(s) correctly, and accepts same, the response to the sending station is "QSL" for all messages received; one message, several messages, a book of messages, or any mix thereof. Acknowledgments such as "QSL NR ##" (the message number) are considered poor practice."

The new NTS Methods and Practices Guide, which is Appendix B of the Public Service Communications Manual, is now on the ARRL website. Updates were made primarily to Chapter 6, NTS Digital, but the other chapters are also to be used, especially Chapter 3 for TEX, TSN, and RN5, which deals with sending messages on CW. See:

### http://www.arrl.org/table-of-contents-nts-methods-and-practices-guidelines

We may not agree with everything that is there, but we should still adhere to the guidelines as closely as possible. Suggestions and requests for changes may be made to the Area Staff Chair(s).

Finally, as Chair of the Central Area Staff, I again put together a monthly total of traffic handled on the Region and Above nets and NTS Digital. Note that we handled over 20,000 pieces of traffic during August!

# NTS Central Area Activity for August 2014

Net	Sessions	QTC	QNI	QTR	Rate
RN5 Cycle 2	52	94	492	628	0.150
9RN Cycle 2	13	511	58	180	2.839
10RN Cycle 2	21	711	173	314	2.264
RN5 Cycle 4	55	286	264	737	0.388
9RN Cycle 4	51	145	158	390	0.372
TEN Cycle 4	61	226	232	703	0.321
CAN Cycle 2	13	96	96	261	0.368
CAN Cycle 4	31	337	249	459	0.734
TCC Cycle 2#		35			
TCC Cycle 4		229	90		
Total Mar	nual Nets	2670	1812	3672	
NTS Digital *			Received	Sent	
KB0OFD		12209	4223	7986	
WB9FHP		2610	1290	1320	
W5SEG		2530	1556	974	
Total NTS Digital		17349	7069	10280	
Total Central Area		20019			

<sup>#</sup> No report received - estimated from CAN reports

Until next month, 73, Steve K6JT

(TSN Corner starts on the next page)

<sup>\*</sup> Only the Area Hub / 10RN MBO, KB0OFD; 9RN MBO, WB9FHP; and RN5 MBO, W5SEG, are shown, not the DRS stations, but some duplication occurs due to mutual interchange.

# **TSN Corner**



Texas Slow Net (Daily) 1945 CT 3570.0 KHz +/- QRM Website: <a href="http://www.k6jt.com/tsn/">http://www.k6jt.com/tsn/</a> Net Manager: Jason KD5RQB, tsn.3570@aol.com

# **Greetings From Northeast Texas**

I want to start off this month's TSN Corner by wishing Mr. Carroll KB5TCH a Happy Birthday who turned 87 on August 18th.

Sam KK4HCF from Marysville, Tennessee is now NCS on Saturday evenings.

Scott W5ESE from Drippings Springs, Texas and Jim N5NVP from Scott, Louisiana checked into TSN on August 4th....It was good to hear Jim and Scott...Please check in as often as you can.

I now have a job that keeps me busy in the evenings. I have Sunday off and either Monday or Tuesday. So I will check in when I am able.

# **TSN Activity Report for August 2014**

Total Sessions 31 Total Check-ins 99 Total Traffic 31 by 9 different operators.

### **August 2014 QNS**

Name	Callsign	QNI
Carroll	KB5TCH	31
Jason	KD5RQB	29
Sam	KK4HCF	16
Jim	W5FEA	9
Phil	KD5MMM	8
Jeff	N7KRT	3
Mike	WD0ESF	1
Scott	W5ESE	1
Jim	N5NVP	1

### **September 2014 Net Control Stations**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ı	Jeff	Carroll	Carroll	Jim	Phil	Carroll	Sam
١	N7KRT	KB5TCH	KB5TCH	W5FEA	KD5MMM	KB5TCH	KK4HCF

#### 2014 TSN Roster

Name	Callsign	QTH
Jason	KD5RQB	Atlanta, Texas
Caroll	KB5TCH	Douglassville, Texas
Pat	KD5TXD / W5ZD	Kingsville, Texas
Phil	KD5MMM	Fentress, Texas
Rodney	W5DY	Goliad, Texas

Name	Callsign	QTH
Mike	WD0ESF	Medicine Lodge, Kansas
Sam	KK4HCF	Maryville, Tennessee
Scott	W5ESE	Drippings Springs, Texas
Jim	W5FEA	Graham, Texas
Joe	AC5BE	Matagorda, Texas
Steve	KJ6T	Plano, Texas
Dave	AB0DK	Kirksville, Missouri
Jim	N5NVP	Scott, Louisiana
Gary	K5QOW	Reagan Wells, Texas
Randy	N5RL	San Antonio, Texas
Mike	W5TMO	Austin, Texas
Larry	W5LPD	Katy, Texas
Jeff	N7KRT	Victoria, Texas
Arley	WB5NKC	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Pat	WB5NKD	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Paul	K1PKZ	Tom Bean, Texas
Carl	AA5VE	Texarkana, Texas
Roy	W5JZ	Tyler, Texas
David	W5TRX	Justin, Texas
Joe	K5BRY	Austin, Texas

# Silent Keys

Floyd	N5EL	2013
Dave	W5VXI	2014

Stop by any evening on 3570kHz at 7:45p.m. CT.

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!!

Until next month

73, Jason KD5RQB

#### **RN5 Corner**

Region Net 5 (Daily) 1930 CT on <u>7108</u> and 2130 CT on <u>3567</u>
Alternate Frequency 7108 (early/late) or 3598 when conditions warrant Serving TX, OK, LA, AR, MS, TN, AL, and FL
Frank Thrash W4DLZ (W4DLZ@ARRL.NET)
RN5 Net Manager

Hello guys and welcome to Edition 31 of the *RN5 Corner*.

We had a good month as far as traffic is concerned. Even with only 55 out of 62 sessions reported, there were nearly 300 messages, a full 100 more than last month. Traffic seems to have slowed down in September, though.

Welcome back to Jim, W4AGL, who has been away for a while. It is really great to hear your booming signal again, Jim.

We still need a Sunday NCS station, which Sam, W5CU, had been handling most of the time. Sam is currently in the process of moving to a new QTH and, as of this writing, does not yet have antennas there, so please fill in for his Wednesday and Sunday slots as you are able. OK traffic should be sent to the Texas liaison station in Sam's absence. Monday and Sunday still need CAN RX slots, while Monday thru Wednesday need TX slots. I do appreciate all of you who are supporting the net and filling in when needed.

If there is no CAN TX station, but you are an RX station, please fill both slots that evening. There is rarely a need for separate TX and RX stations. However, if there are more than about 3 messages going to CAN, then it is best to have separate TX and RX.

Special thanks to Ben, KZ8Q, who has been filling in as both NCS and CAN liaison far more often than he should have to. Thanks to all of you who continue to support RN5.

73, Frank W4DLZ RN5/4 CW Net Mgr.

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

# **RN5 Duty Roster**

Local	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
NCS #1	KZ8Q	W4DLZ	W5CU	W4SU	W4SU	W4DLZ	Open
NCS #2	KZ8Q	W4DLZ	W5CU	K6JT	W4SU	W4DLZ	Open
CAN TX	Open	Open	Open	KA5KLU	W4SU	KA5KLU	W5CU
CAN RX	Open	W4DLZ	W4AGL	KA5KLU	W4SU	KA5KLU	Open
DRN5	Open	Open	K5RG	Open	Open	Open	Open

### **August 2014 Statistics**

SESSIONS	55
QTC	286
QNI	264
QTR	737
AVG QTC	5.2
AVG QNI	4.8
AVG QTR	13.4

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

# **Region Net 5 Roster**

Call	Name	Section	Call	Name	Section
W4AGL	JIM	FL	AA4HT	BOB	FL
WA4BAM	JOHN	FL	W8IM	DEAN	FL
WA5CAV	DICK	LA	K6JT	STEVE	TX
W5CU	SAM	OK*	KA5KLU	DOUG	TX
AC5CW	ERIC	LA	K5KV	BENNY	TX
KO9D	BENNY	IN	K8KV	BEN	FL
W4DLZ	FRANK	FL	N5NVP	JIM	LA
WD4DNC	BARRY	FL	K4PG	KEVIN	FL
AD4DO	JOHN	FL	KZ8Q	BEN	AL
W5DTR	CURT	IL	K5RG	KEN	TX
K1DW	DALLAS	LA	N5RL	RANDY	TX
W5DY	RODNEY	TX	W4SQE	ANDY	TN
NY4E	BILL	FL	W4SU	JERRY	AL
W5ESE	SCOTT	TX	W6SX	HANK	CA
KJ4FDV	TREY	AL	KI5T	WADE	LA
KC4FL	JOHN	FL	K4VIZ	TOM	AR**
KA4FZI	PHYL	FL	K5WNU	JACK	MS
W5GKH	CHARLIE	TX	K6YR	ROB	CA
K5GM	PETE	TX	WA4ZPZ	TOM	AL

<sup>\*</sup> When W5CU is not present on Late RN5, OK traffic may be sent to the TX station

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<sup>\*\*</sup> K4VIZ is no longer active on RN5. Send AR traffic to the TX liaison station