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Holiday Gift Ideas & Buying Guide 2022 Editors' Pick: Heil Pro 7 Headset

Sound quality is critical in ham radio. **Bob Heil**'s lifetime of innovation in audio technology has set the standard in concerts, home theater systems and broadcast media. An amateur radio operator since his teens, Bob–K9EID naturally also developed superior audio products for ham radio.

Founded in 1966, **Heil Sound** has a division called Heil Ham Radio, an excellent resource for headsets, microphones, receive audio, booms, mounts, accessories and adapters. Though we mentioned last year's Heil Pro 7 BU headset in our Accessories page, this year's newly updated Heil Pro 7 is our favorite Holiday Gift Pick of 2022. Here's why:

The Heil Pro 7 is an aviation-style headset designed for amateur radio use in high-noise environments. The specially designed foam-gel ear pads provide 26 dB outside noise reduction and provide exceptional comfort. A true dual-channel, stereo headset, the Pro 7 features an audio balance control that allows the user to adjust the level of the left earphone to match the right. A unique phase-reversal switch greatly helps the listener "dig out" weak signals. The latest version of the Pro 7 features a monitor jack, which allows a second operator to plug in headphones and monitor audio.

The flexible gooseneck mic boom on Pro 7s may be rotated for use on either the right or left ear. Two production versions are available, depending on whether you require a dynamic or electret microphone element. However, the microphone elements are easily interchangeable, allowing you to swap out elements to be used with different rigs or for contesting or DX purposes. Replacement elements are available in full-range iC Electret, full-range Dynamic, and DX Narrow contesting options for \$69 each. Pro 7 headsets include the following accessories:

- Large PTT Switch
- Military grade straight cable
- Military grade coiled cable
- Extra set of ear pads
- Removable and washable cotton ear pad covers.

PIO PIO

DECEMBER

HEIL PRO 7 Dynamic or Pro 7 iC

Available in Blue or Black, with your choice of a low distortion dynamic HC-7 microphone element or the Heil iC electret microphone element.

\$299.00 at HeilHamRadio.com

The balance control located on the left speaker controls the left speaker. To use, set a comfortable right side level with the AF gain of the receiver. You can then adjust the left side speaker where necessary to balance the audio between the speakers. In most cases, the balance control will be close to maximum. Visit HeilHamRadio.com for additional information on technical specifications, as well as well as matching the correct cables to your radio. *More Holiday Gift Ideas are continued on Page 14...*

ARAC Board Meeting - November 1, 2022

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Board Members

Gene Ellefsen – NOVRM, Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP, Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL, Gary Minter – KD9ABS, Melinda Nelson - KF0GJW. Dave Davis - AA0AC, Grant Forsyth - KC0WUP

Board Advisors (Non-Board Members) Randy Wabik –KR0B

Guests: Elmer Berg – KC0NGY, Del Minter – KE0CLI

Meeting called to order by President Gene – NoVRM at 18:35 (6:35 pm)

Minutes:

Minutes were sent via email. Motion to approve Doug Nelson - AA0AW, Seconded by Gene Ellefsen - N0VRM, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$1,068.32 Savings: \$2,374.93 Repeater: \$4,667.26

Subtotal Cash \$8,110.51

Winter CD: \$1,730.42 Summer CD: \$0.00

Subtotal CD: \$1,730.42

Assets Subtotal: \$9,840.93

Motion to approve by Doug Nelson - AA0AW, seconded by Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW, motion passed.

if you are looking to test or upgrade, please contact Doug Nelson at AA0AW@arrl.net

Christmas Party:

Christmas party will be held December 8th at 18:00 (6:00 pm), In the past we have done up to \$300.00 for food, and \$100.00 in prizes. Will also have elections at this meeting.

Motion made to spend up to \$300.00 for food by Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW, seconded by Gary Minter – KD9ABS, motion approved.

ARAC Board Meeting continued

- Motion made to give \$100.00 in cash prizes by Bruce Carlson KN0NUL, seconded by Gary Minter – KD9ABS, motion approved.
- Potluck please bring a dish to share and any perishable food to donate.

Bell Ringing:

Thursday December 15th. Please feel free to dress up sing carols. Just have fun. There is a sign-up sheet. If you are interested, please let Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM know.

Repeater:

Randy Wabik – KR0B, Will be ordering the controller tomorrow 11-2-2022. Will also be looking at buying a new UPS as the one that was donated to the club is 9 years old already. About \$400 for the UPS and \$325 for the controller.

Testing:

Had a testing session last Sunday for Wendy Stanford – KO4YJO. Sent out on the nets that if anyone was interested, we would also take them in and there was no interest. Will have a test for the Technician Class in January. As always if you are looking to test or upgrade, please contact Doug Nelson at AA0AW@arrl.net

Education:

Class is on Tuesday's.

Old Business:

- ARRL Club Grant Gene is still working on the application for the second round of grants.
- 501C3 Still working on the application.

Motion to adjourn by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL, motion passed at 19:04 (7:04 pm)





ARAC Club Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2022

Present:

President: Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM

Treasurer/Membership: Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL

Secretary: Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW First Year Board: Doug Nelson – AA0AW Second Year Board: Dave Davis – AA0AC

Special Events: Open/Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM (acting)

Parliamentarian: Grant Forsyth - KC0WUP

Repeater: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP Testing: Doug Nelson – AA0AW Repeater: Randy Wabik – KR0B

HamFest/Education: Bob Schulz - KC0NFB

Absent:

Vice President: Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP Third Year Board: Gary Minter – KD9ABS Property/Picnic: Scott Ahlgren – N0VYU

Chaplin:

Web Site: Thomas Dorr - KE0RHA

Newsletter/Historian: Kim Waller – KE0NQS Newsletter/Historian: Scott Waller – KE0NQT

Meeting called to order at 19:04 (7:04 PM) by President Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM. Thirty-two (32) members in attendance.

Minutes:

Minutes are posted on the website and in the newsletter.

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Are there any questions? No questions. Motion to accept as presented by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Robert Schulz – KC0NFB, motion passed.

Christmas Party:

Meeting will be on December 8th start at 18:00 (6:00 PM)

Board approved the following:

Up to but not exceed \$300.00 for food. John Pouchak – AA0JP. Motion passed.

Up to but not exceed \$100.00 for prize. Dave Davis – AA0AC. Motion passed. (The board will be handing out cash for these prizes and you may only win once.)

Please bring any perishable food that you want to donate for the food drive.



ARAC Club Meeting Minutes, continued

Education:

Bob Schulz – KC0NFB – Nothing new to report. New class information to come in February.

Testing:

Doug Nelson – AA0AW there will be a testing session January 10th. We had an upgrade from Technician to General a little over a week ago. If anyone needs testing contact Doug Nelson at AA0AW@ARRL.net and they will test individually. **Do not forget to get your FRN number prior to testing.** You can go to FCC.gov/uls and register. You will also need an email address going forward.

Repeater:

Randy Wabik – KR0B, ordered the controller for Mahtowa. David Pyrlik – K0DJP found an amplifier and donated to the club. Dave Davis – AA0AC found a UPS to donate to the club as well. After the 1st of the new year will look into servicing the generator.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing:

We will be doing bell ringing on December 15th from 11:00 am to 20:00 (8:00pm) at the Burning Tree Plaza Super One Foods. There is a sing-up sheet. If you are planning on ringing bells, please have fun, dress up in holiday spirt. If you are interested, please contact Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM.

Nominations for Board of Officers and Board Members:

President: Nomination of Gene Ellefsen – N0VRM Vice President: Nomination of Dave Pyrlik – K0DJP

Treasurer/Membership: Nomination of Sam Fray - KE0YTM

Secretary: Nomination of Melinda Nelson – KF0GJW

First Year Board Member: Nomination of Gary Minter - KD9ABS, Dennis Anderson - W0DIO, Jon

Nelson - N0UOZ

Also looking for a nomination for the Thomas J Reibold Award W9IBM Memorial Award for someone who goes above and beyond to promote amateur radio here in the Twin Ports. If you know someone who deserves that please submit your nomination in writing to a board member.

New Business:

Dues are due – you can start paying now to Bruce Carlson – KN0NUL Looking for Net Control Operators.

Door Prize was won by Paul Gilsdorf - KF0GEX

Motion to adjourn by Doug Nelson – AA0AW, seconded by Robin Davis, motion passed at 19:33 (7:33 PM). Program was a from ARRL representative Bill Lippert – AC0W, Dakota Division Director.





HO HO HO MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Thursday, December 8 is the Annual ARAC Christmas Party! Starting at 6:00 PM, we'll have our Business meeting with the Election of Officers. We have 3 people running for First Year Board:

Dennis Anderson WØDIO
Jon Nelson NØUOZX
Gary Minter KD9ABS

After the Elections we will enjoy the Pot Luck meal, so please bring your favorite dish to share. The Club will provide Meat & Cheese Trays, so come and enjoy some fellowship and good times.

Gene Ellefsen NØVRM



LOOKING for an Amateur Radio License TESTING SESSION?

Schedule your own Testing Session TODAY!

Contact Doug Nelson-AA0AW at aa0aw@arrl.net or 218-391-5874

All Exam Candidates are REQUIRED to have an FCC Registration Number (FRN) before exam day, which will require your email address.

Not Currently Licensed? For New License Candidate FRN registration: go to www.fcc.gov/new-users-guide-getting-started-universal-licensing-system-uls

Upgrading to General or Expert Class & not sure you have an FRN number? go to https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/searchLicense.jsp

Upgrade Candidates: Please bring a copy of your current license to the exam session.

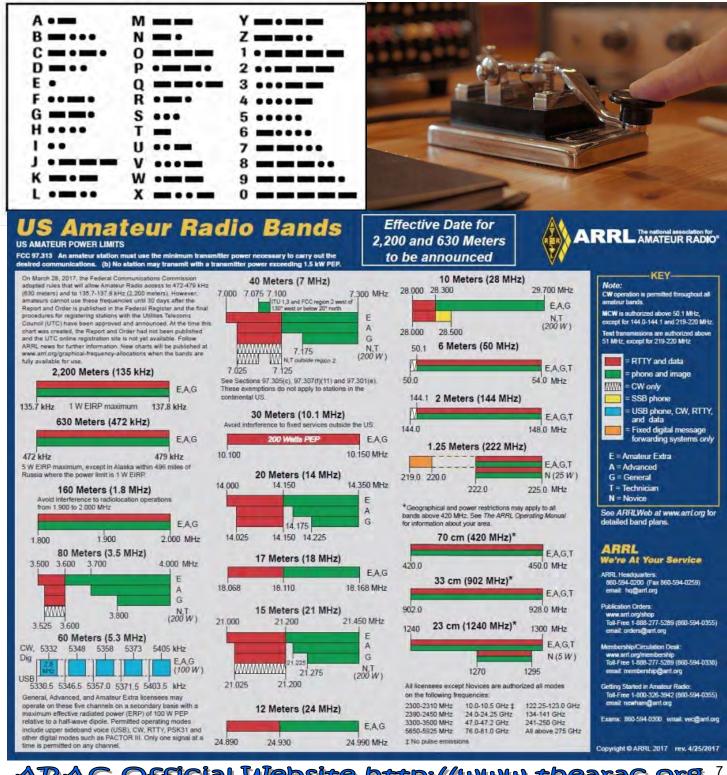
CW Abbreviations

AS Pse QRX SK End of Contact AR End of Message BK Back to You

TU Thank You **PSE Please** K Invite to Transmit

QST Calling all Amateurs QRL Are You Buzy? QRU Have anything for me

QRV Are You Ready? **QRX** Standby **QRS Transit Slower**



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 2ØØØ 144.2ØØ 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 11ØØ—21ØØ Central on 14.3ØØ. http://mmsn.org and http://www.143ØØ.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
- 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 2000 CST, 3.5835 MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: Olivia 8/500.
- 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 6, 2Ø22 @ 6:30 p.m.

Sammy's Pizza



ARAC CHRISTMAS PARTY 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 8th at the Coppertop Church!

POTLUCK

Please bring your favorite dish to share!

The Club will provide meat & cheese trays



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

Frequency	Offset	Tone	Location
146.940	minus	103.5	Duluth
146.940	minus	107.2	Lakeside (recv)
146.940	minus	151.4	Two Harbors (recv)
146.940	minus	100.0	Gary-New Duluth (recv)
146.940	minus	110.9	Cloquet (recv)
147.000	minus	103.5	Mahtowa
444.100	plus	103.5	Duluth UHF Link

N9MMU/N9QWH System (WI)

minus	110.9	Duluth
minus	110.9	Solon Springs
plus	110.9	Hayward
minus	110.9	Rice Lake
minus	136.5	Holcombe
minus	110.9	Eau Claire
	minus plus minus minus	minus 110.9 plus 110.9 minus 110.9 minus 136.5

WECOMM - WI Statewide Linked System WE9COM

147.075	plus	110.9	Meteor Hill
			(closest repeater to Duluth)

LSAC System #1

147.330	plus	151.4	Proctor
147.330	plus	103.5	Duluth (recv for Proctor)
147.270	plus	114.8	Two Harbors
147.270	plus	103.5	Wales
147.090	plus	114.8	Silver Bay
145.410	minus	114.8	Finland
147.300	plus	114.8	Isabella
145.150	minus	103.5	Washburn, WI
146.700	minus	103.5	Bayfield, WI
443.850	5.00	none	Bayfield, WI
147.165	plus	110.9	Hurley, WI
146.640	minus	151.4	Ely
443.500	5.00	141.3	Gilbert
147.060	plus	103.5	Virginia
147.360	plus	162.2	Cook
147.165	plus	114.8	Coleraine
443.925	5.00	110.9	Brainerd
443.200	5.00	114.8	Tamarack
147.360	plus	203.5	Aitkin
146.865	minus	146.2	Giese
147.570	simplex	146.2	Hinckley
444.575	5.00	146.2	Hinckley
443.325	5.00	146.2	Isanti

NARC System NAØRC

147.135	minus	1Ø3.5	Knife River
145.45Ø	minus	114.8	Park Point (rcv)
147.135	plus	114.8	Knife River - Park Point (rcv)

Stand Alone Repeaters

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

Fusion

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

147.15Ø	plus	151.4	NTØB Gilbert, MN Fusion Repeater
145.17Ø	minus	11Ø.9	WA9KLM Superior - Douglas County
RACES/ARES	Fusion Rep	peater (Digital	I only) Fusion Room 28373

443.1ØØ 5.ØØ1Ø3.5 KBØYHX Cloquet - Carlton County RACES/ ARES Fusion Repeater

Fusion continued

444.3ØØ 5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO (Analog only) Fusion Room 40494

444.3ØØ 5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO (Analog only) Fusion Room 40494

444.400 5.00 103.5 NAØRC Knife River, MN – Wires X Connected to NØEO Room 40494

444.500 5.00 103.5 NØLCR Two Harbors,MN- Wires X Connected to NØEO Room 40494

444.600~5.00~103.5~ NØLCR Silver Bay, MN – Wires X Connected to NØEO Room 40494

D Star

147.375 plus NØEO D Star 442.200 plus NØEO D Star Revised by KCØWDO on 4/29/2022 for The ARAC Relay

ST. Louis County Department of Emergency Services Net Control Roster

N9DMG Scott Swanson NØVRM Gene Ellefsen
AAØAW Doug Nelson KCØWDQ Paul Dallavia
WØNWO Dave Miller WØDIO Dennis Anderson
KØDSL Diane Saunders AAØME 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 NUØW Gary Hanson WØDIO Dennis Anderson AAØME Randy Johnson Sunday Nights at 2000 on 28.450 MHz USB

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 2Ø3Ø on the ARAC System

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

Elmers

El-mer / ɛl-mər/ [el-mer]

- 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.

Name Call Sign **Expertise KCØMKS** Jeff Nast APRS, EchoLink, WinLink, Fusion, Contesting Contesting Bob Schulz **KCØNFB** NØJWA Jim Anderson QsoNet Doug Nelson **AAØAW** HF, VHF/UHF, Contesting,

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SUNDAY NIGHT NETS

193Ø - CW - 28.125 MHz USB-CW 2ØØØ -USB 28.45Ø MHz

2100 - Southern St. Louis County Emergency Services Net MONDAY NIGHT NETS

2ØØØ- Northland WX Net - ARAC Repeater



CLUB EVENTS

TUESDAY NIGHT NETS

2ØØØ -Douglas Cty 145.49Ø MHz 2Ø3Ø -Central Carlton County WEDNESDAY NIGHT NETS

19ØØ -Lake County - LSAC1 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 21ØØ -BWAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Cw 1930 nøpdg usb 2000 nøvrm	5	6 ARAC BOARD MEETING Sammy's Pizza 6:30 pm DC Net 2000	7	ARAC Club Meeting & Christmas Party! Coppertop Church	9	10
ES 2100 AAØAW	WX 2000 KCØMKS	CC Net 2030	21ØØ - BWAR	6:00 PM		
CW 1930 AAØAW USB 2000 NØPDG ES 2100 KD9VKI	DC ARES/ RACES Mtg 1900 DC EOC	DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	Lake County ARES/RACES Meeting 1800 Lake County Net 1900 21ØØ -BWAR	15	16	17
18 CW 1930 NØPDG USB 2000 AAØAW ES 2100 KCØWDQ	19 wx 2000 kcømks	20 DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	21 St Louis County ARES/RACES Meeting 1800 21ØØ -BWAR	22 Carlton County ARES/RACES Meeting ??? 1900 CC EOC	23	24
25 MERRY CHRISTMAS! CW 1930 AAØAW USB 2000 WØLWU ES 2100 WØNWO	26 wx 2000 ксøмкs	27 DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	28 Lake County Net 1900 21ØØ -BWAR	29	30	ARAC Club Breakfast The Chalet 4833 Miller Trunk Hwy Hermantown, MN 8 AM

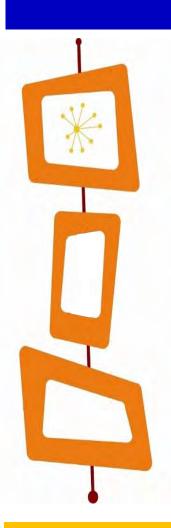
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Contest Calendar at www.contestcalendar.com

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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:

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QRZ web site at www.qrz.com

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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.



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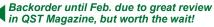
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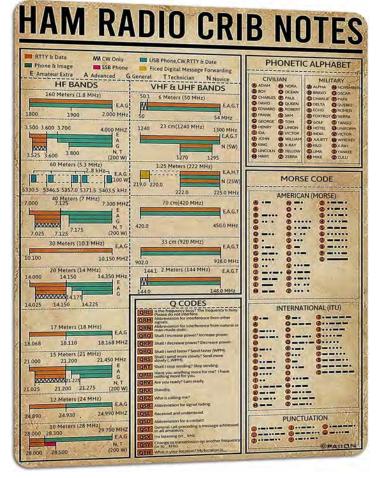
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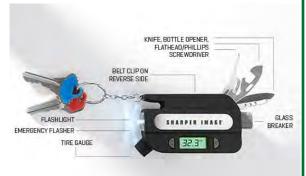
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+ FT Roundup

+ K1USN Slow Speed Test

Contest Calendar - December 2022

+ QRP ARCI Topband Sprint	0000Z-0300Z, Dec 1
A Well for the Dance ODD Octob	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 1 and
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0300Z, Dec 2
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 1
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 1
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 1
	1800Z-1900Z, Dec 1 (CW) and
L ND ALL 40m Antivity Contact	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 1 (SSB) and
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 1 (FM) and
	2100Z-2200Z, Dec 1 (Dig)
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	2000Z-2200Z, Dec 1
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 2
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 2
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 2
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 2
+ ARRL 160-Meter Contest	2200Z, Dec 2 to 1600Z, Dec 4
+ Kalbar Contest	0000Z, Dec 3 to 2359Z, Dec 4
	0500Z-0800Z, Dec 3 and
+ UFT Meeting	1500Z-1800Z, Dec 3 and
	0700Z-1000Z, Dec 4
	0600Z-0629Z, Dec 3 and
+ Wake Uni OPP Sprint	0630Z-0659Z, Dec 3 and
+ Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0700Z-0729Z, Dec 3 and
	0730Z-0800Z, Dec 3
+ PRO CW Contest	1200Z, Dec 3 to 1159Z, Dec 4
+ INORC Contest	1400Z, Dec 3 to 1359Z, Dec 4

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1800Z, Dec 3 to 2359Z, Dec 4

0000Z-0100Z, Dec 5



+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 5
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 5
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 5
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 6
+ ARS Spartan Sprint	0200Z-0400Z, Dec 6
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 6
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 6
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 7
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 7
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Dec 7
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 7
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Dec 7
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Dec 7
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Dec 7
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 7
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 8
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 8
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 8
+ EACW Meeting	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 8
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 9
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 9
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 9
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 9
+ ARRL 10-Meter Contest	0000Z, Dec 10 to 2400Z, Dec 11
+ PODXS 070 Club Triple Play Low Band	0000Z, Dec 10 to 2359Z, Dec 12
<u>Sprint</u> + TRC Digi Contest	Cancelled for 2022
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Dec 10 to 2400Z, Dec 11
	1300Z, Dec 10 to 1300Z, Dec 11
+ ARI 40/80 Contest	13002, Dec 10 to 13002, Dec 11



+ International Naval Contest	1600Z, Dec 10 to 1559Z, Dec 11
+ QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Sprint	2000Z-2300Z, Dec 11
+ CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run	2100Z-2259Z, Dec 11
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 12
+ 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Dec 12
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 12
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 12
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 12
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 13
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 13
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 13
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Dec 14
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 14
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 14
+ A1Club AWT	1200Z-1300Z, Dec 14
+ CWops Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 14
+ Mini-Test 40	1700Z-1759Z, Dec 14
+ VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest	1700Z-2100Z, Dec 14
+ Mini-Test 80	1800Z-1859Z, Dec 14
+ CWops Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 14
+ Walk for the Pagen OPP Contact	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 15 and
+ Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0300Z, Dec 16
+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 15
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 15
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 15
+ NTC QSO Party	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 15
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 16
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 16



+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 16
+ AGB-Party Contest	1600Z-1700Z, Dec 16
+ Russian 160-Meter Contest	1800Z-2200Z, Dec 16
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 16
+ OK DX RTTY Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Dec 17
+ RAC Winter Contest	0000Z-2359Z, Dec 17
+ Feld Hell Sprint	0000Z-2359Z, Dec 17
+ Croatian CW Contest	1400Z, Dec 17 to 1400Z, Dec 18
+ Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Dec 17 to 1500Z, Dec 18
+ ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW	1800Z-2359Z, Dec 18
+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	2300Z, Dec 18 to 0100Z, Dec 19
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 19
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 19
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 19
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 19
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 20
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 20
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 20
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Dec 21
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 21
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 21
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+ CWops Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 22
+ CWops Test	0700Z-0800Z, Dec 22



+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 22
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 23
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 23
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 23
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 23
+ CW QRS Xmas Activity	0000Z, Dec 24 to 2359Z, Dec 31
+ RAEM Contest	0000Z-1159Z, Dec 25
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	0000Z-0100Z, Dec 26
+ DARC Christmas Contest	0830Z-1059Z, Dec 26
+ QCX Challenge	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 26
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 26
+ OK1WC Memorial	1630Z-1729Z, Dec 26
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 26
+ QCX Challenge	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 26
+ Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest	0100Z-0159Z, Dec 27
+ ICWC Medium Speed Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 27
+ QCX Challenge	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 27
+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 27
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Dec 28
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 28
+ Phone Weekly Test	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 28
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+ RTTYOPS Weeksprint	1700Z-1900Z, Dec 29
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 30
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 30
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 30
+ YOTA Contest	1200Z-2359Z, Dec 30
+ K1USN Slow Speed Test	2000Z-2100Z, Dec 30
+ Bogor Old and New Contest	0900Z-2359Z, Dec 31

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