

Greetings, 3905ers!

I hope your holidays have been going well and you have been faring well with winter weather.

Uneventful week for awards, although we issued 39 certificates to 18 members in nine areas. Highlights, aside from sheer volume, was a rare 160M CW Award, currently wending its way toward the Frozen North. No new members joined our ranks, alas.

But I digress... On with the awards!

NEW MEMBER(S)

None.

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS

DX AREA

CRAIG MCLOUGHLIN, VE3CMB (*Master #57, DX Area Director, DX Area Awards Manager, Presidential Advisory Committee, 20M Digital Mode Net Coordinator, Audit Committee*), of Ottawa, ON, received two **Baker's Dozen Certificates of Appreciation** on 40M SSB from NOPUI, for Craig himself (#3895) and for club call sign VA3TUV (#3891). Thanks for that prolific road trip, Craig!

JOHN GADOUA, VA3YKT (*DX Area Assistant Director*), of Newmarket, ON, earned **100-Point Award** #56 on 160M CW. Big top-band congratulations to John! Dit-dit.

FIRST CALL AREA

BRIAN CHALOUX, AA1QW (*Centurion Editor*), of Portland, ME, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3896 on 40M SSB from NOPUI. Thanks for those remote contacts, Brian!

CLAY STATMORE, WA2JIM (*Second Area Awards Manager, Former Eyeball Host*), of Westport, MA, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3890 on 40M SSB from NOPUI. Thanks for those road contacts, Clay!

DAVID FEENEY, WN1F (*Master #73*), of Scarborough, ME, received two **Baker's Dozen Certificates of Appreciation** on 40M SSB from NOPUI: for David (#3902) and for club W100 (#3897). Thanks for all the contacts through the years, David!

SECOND CALL AREA

PETER SUMMERS, N2XTT (*Master #6, Second Area Assistant Director, Awards Committee*), of Little Falls, NJ (which is about to be snowed in if Accuweather is as accurate as the Accuweather moniker suggests), received two **Baker's Dozen Certificates of Appreciation** on 40M SSB from NOPUI: for Peter (#3903), and for club NJ2LH (#3904). Thanks for all those contacts, Peter, and see you when you dig out!

THIRD CALL AREA

None.

FOURTH CALL AREA

ALAN LONGWORTH, KO4LEM, of Canton, GA, earned **Baker's Dozen Award** #3888 on 40M SSB with AA1NA. Congratulations, Alan!

DAVID YARBROUGH, AI4K (*DX Bureau Co-Mgr*), of Atoka, TN, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3893 from NOPUI. Thanks for your prolific mobile contacts, David!

DEBBIE YARBROUGH, K9DBB (*DX Bureau Co-Mgr*), of Atoka, TN, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3892 from NOPUI. Thanks for your prolific mobile contacts, Debbie!

GARY REASOR, KM4BMA, of Louisville, KY, earned **100-Point Award** #165 on 20M SSB. Congratulations, Gary!

BILL NASON, W5WJN, of Old Hickory, TN, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3894 on 40M SSB from NOPUI. Thanks for all those road contacts and for your kind words regarding my retirement.

FIFTH CALL AREA

KIRK FRAZIER, AA1NA (*Master #74, Club Vice President, Fifth Area Awards Manager, Awards Committee, 40 and 75M Early Net Coordinator, Former Eyeball Host, Practicing Veterinarian, (and what did I forget, already?)*), of Hattiesburg, MS, received two **Baker's Dozen Certificates of Appreciation** on 40M SSB, one from KO4LEM (#3888), and one from (who else?) NOPUI for club W5NA (#3905). Thanks for all those contacts and even more, for all you do for the club, Kirk!

SIXTH CALL AREA

None.

SEVENTH CALL AREA

DEAN DAVIS, KL7OR (*Master #80, Club President, Past President, Former Eyeball Host*), of Salem, OR, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3900 on 40M SSB from NOPUI. Thanks for the contacts, Dean!

BILL FULLER, K6YEK, of Post Falls, ID, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3898 on 40M SSB from NOPUI. Thanks for all those road contacts, Bill!

EIGHTH CALL AREA

TIM MYERS, WA8MD, of Dayton, OH, earned **100-Point Award** #164 on 20M SSB. Congratulations, Tim!

NINTH CALL AREA

ROG CALLEWAERT, W9ROG (*Ninth Area Director, Ninth Area Awards Manager*), of Racine, WI, received **Baker's Dozen Certificate of Appreciation** #3889 on 40M SSB from NOPUI. Thanks for your road work, Roger!

TENTH CALL AREA

And then, there's our man of the hour, our overachiever of the week, the one, the only, **JAY WIELAND, NOPUI** (**Master #25**, *Tenth Area Assistant Director*), of St. Peter, MN, who inundated his AAM, W6PNY with seventeen – count 'em – SEVENTEEN **Baker's Dozen Award** applications. Let me sort them out for you. I'll first state that they are all on 40M SSB. Let's do the ones for basic call signs first, then we'll do clubs. Basic call signs: W9ROG (#3889), WA2JIM (#3890), K9DBB (#3892), AI4K (#3893), W5WJN (#3894), VE3CMB (#3895), AA1QW (#3896), K6YEK (#3898), KL7OR (#3900), W6PNY (#3901), WN1F (#3902) – and that's a **WILD DEUCE**, Jay OM – and, finally, N2XTT (#3903); for da clubs, let me enumerate, as it were: VA3TUV (VE3CMB) (#3891), W1OO (WN1F) (#3897), KP2JR (W6PNY) (#3899), NJ2LH (N2XTT) (#3904), and W5NA (AA1NA) (#3905). Oy vey, that was a boatload, Jay – big congratulations to you and Mac!

And speaking of **MAC MCCRACKEN, W6PNY** (**Master #84**, *Tenth Area Awards Manager*), of Grand Forks, ND, not to be left out of the party, he received two **Baker's Dozen Certificates of Appreciation** on 40M SSB from NOPUI, for Mac himself (#3901) and for club KP2JR (#3899). Thanks for all your mobile contacts, Mac!

That's it for awards this week. We'll soon be changing our name to The Baker's Dozen Club!

A FEW WORDS OF THANKS

Friends, I thank the many of you who have shared your thoughts regarding my impending retirement through the reflectors and in private. I want you to know that I have greatly enjoyed the time I've spent serving as your **Awards Secretary**.

I might have told you this before, but it bears repeating. I derive vicarious pleasure from each award I issue, the sum of which represent a level of achievement I can only aspire to. My goal has always been to ensure that awards are printed accurately and reach you quickly. I hope I have accomplished what I

set out to do ten years ago when Skip appointed me to this position. Your kind expressions of thanks mean so much to me.

I hope whoever is chosen by the President and the Board to succeed me serves the Club and its members as well as, or better than, I have tried to do. The Club deserves no less.

***I WISH YOU ALL A HEALTHY, HAPPY, AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. MAY 2026
BE MEMORABLE FOR ALL THE RIGHT REASONS! SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!***

Respectfully submitted,

Ben - AE4NT
Awards Secretary