

# Centurion



## 3905 Century Club

### July 11-14 2019

Cost: \$65 per Adult, \$25 for Children 7-12, & FREE for 6/under

### 3905 Century Club Eyeball in Delaware

Your Eyeball Host is Keon KE3HAY Ke3Hay@gmail.com 410-499-7117

Thank you so much for coming to the 2019 Eyeball in Newark DE. Delaware, a small Mid-Atlantic U.S. state, sits on a peninsula marked by dune-backed beaches bordering the Atlantic Ocean, Delaware River and Delaware Bay. In Dover, the capital, First State Heritage Park encompasses 18th-century Colonial landmarks like the Georgian-style Old State House.



Special points of interest:

- Election results
- New editor
- Member Column
- Awards for the quarter

**Delaware(DE)**  
Capital City: Dover  
Born: 1787

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**Capital:** Dover . **Abbreviation:** DE **Population:** 961,939 (2017)

The city of Wilmington is known for the Riverfront, a waterside district of parks, boutiques and restaurants. Newark is a town meant for exploring. Stroll down Main Street and do some shopping, dining and people-watching. Wander the University of Delaware campus and enjoy its ivy-covered ambience. Head out to Newark's nearby attractions – **Christiana Mall**, **White Clay Creek State Park** – and discover why Delaware's most picturesque and active college town has so many things to do.

**Where to Dine** A college-town vibe helps ensure that dining in Newark is always affordable, lively and satisfying. It also means the restaurants in Newark embrace an international approach, ranging from the Middle East to Italy to India. Main Street is Newark's hotspot of fun dining destinations, though Delaware travelers wondering where to dine will want

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# Awards Highlights

By Ben – AE4NT, Awards Secretary ([ae4nt@mrbig.com](mailto:ae4nt@mrbig.com))

February 15, 2019

Welcome to the inaugural edition of “Awards Highlights,” a regular column in the *Centurion*. Due to the extended hiatus of the *Centurion* itself, this will be a catch-up column encompassing almost a year’s awards. In subsequent issues we will provide information for the trailing quarter based on the publication schedule established by Michelle Sack, N3YRZ, our new *Centurion* editor and publisher.

Awards highlights include listings of major awards – new members, major progression awards, DX Awards, and WAS awards – along with other awards-oriented information. If we should be so lucky as to have inducted a new Master into the rarefied air of the Club’s highest honor, we’ll do a biographical sketch of the newbie here. Each month, we’ll wrap up the column with either an in-depth presentation of one of the Club’s more than sixty awards, or with hints and tips for efficient pursuit of that wallpaper we all seek.

## Recent Awards

During the period from March 15, 2018 to February 15, 2019, we issued 475 awards to 98 members in all eleven call areas. What you’ll see below are the highlights of several categories of awards; a complete listing is provided elsewhere.

## New Members

Earning their first 100-point awards on our nets during the period, our newest members are:

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**Lanning Levine, WA1LNY**, of Marblehead MA; **Lisa Neuscheler, KC1YL**, of Seminole, FL; **Elsie Janes, N0ESJ**, of El Dorado Springs, MO; **Carrie Krueger, W9FML**, of Baldwin, WI; **Jim Cheatham, AF5P**, of Sarepta, LA; **Robert Wells, W7CSA**, of Gastonia, NC; **Jesse Morgan, KF5GPQ**, of Portales, NM; **James Roberts, KM4RTP**, of Tyrone, GA; **Adam Dye, N4NT**, of Bristol, TN; **Robert Barry, KD8YWF**, of Martinsburg, WV; **Matt Holder, KE0NCP**, of St. Anthony, MN; **Richard Fazzino, AG7RF**, of Weiser, ID; **Tom Watson, WA5ZBT**, of Allen, TX; **Dan Rhoten, AB6UR**, of Kerrville, TX; **Allen McBroom, AG5ND**, of Starkville, MS; **Paul Fink, W1PEF**, of Amherst, NH; **David Talcott, WA7BHC**, of Lovelock, NV; and **Michelle Sack, N3YRZ**, of Waldorf, MD. We welcome our eighteen new members and look forward to their participation in the Club!

## Major Progression Awards

In this section, I'll shine the spotlight on those who have earned major progressive awards during the period. Starting with the 100-point award, progression awards recognize significant, well-rounded achievements on our nets. The Master's Degree, our pinnacle award, requires 1000- and 2000-point certificates on primary and secondary bands. Here, I'll list from 1000-point and up, except that I'll also include 500-point awards for CW, digital modes and 160M all modes.

### 16,000 Points

**Jim Richardson, N5OHL** (Master #17, Former Fifth Area Awards Manager, Member of Presidential Advisory Committee, Member of Awards Committee), of Oklahoma City, OK, is our progressive top dog in this issue! He earned his 16K award on 40M SSB. Jim tells me the toughest part was getting enough Idaho contacts. (To get to this level, he needed something like 80 Idaho contacts through the years.) Congratulations, Jim!

### 9,000 Points

**Jay Wieland, N0PUI** (Master #25), of St. Peter, MN – 40M SSB. (As you can glean from the listing below, Jay brought a big pile of award applications and QSL cards to the 2018 Eyeball gathering, which kept Jim, N5OHL, who bravely volunteered to check the applications, very busy!).

### 8,000 Points

**Jay Wieland, N0PUI** (Master #25), of St. Peter, MN – 40M SSB.

7,000 Points

**Jay Wieland, N0PUI** (Master #25), of St. Peter, MN – 40M SSB.

6,000 Points

**Bill Dobson, N3WD** (3<sup>rd</sup> Area Awards Manager), of Reisterstown, MD – 40M SSB.

**Jay Wieland, N0PUI** (Master #25), of St. Peter, MN – 40M SSB.

4,000 Points

**Bob Braddock, KC2IYE** (Handi-Ham QSL Bureau Manager), of Blackwood, NJ – 40M SSB

3,000 Points

**Bob Braddock, KC2IYE** (Handi-Ham QSL Bureau Manager), of Blackwood, NJ – 75M SSB

2,000 Points

**Brian Blease, KB4IAN**, of Columbia, SC – 40M SSB

**Dean Davis, N7XG** (Club President), of Salem, OR – 40M SSB

**Alex Lapinski, K9FZ**, of Hudson, WI – 40M SSB

1,000 Points

**Marty Blaise, AG5T**, of Houston, TX – 75M SSB

**Brian Blease, KB4IAN**, of Columbia, SC – 75M SSB

**Mike Evosevich, AC8ER**, of Royal Oak, MI – 40M SSB

**Wayne Harris, WY6N**, of Long Beach, CA – 40M SSB

**Mike Poyser, N9EXM**, of Kendallville, IN – 40M SSB

**Randy Short, KY1KY**, of Jamestown, KY

**Robert W. Silverman, WA6MRK**, of Solvana, CA

**Phil Spargo, N6WKZ**, of San Francisco, CA – 40M SSB

**Rich Walbert, AC2MT** (160M SSB Early/Late Net Coordinator), of Cottekill, NY – 40M SSB

500 Points (CW, Digital, or 160M)

**Jack Cartinhour, N5DY**, of Stillwater, OK – 20M CW and 40M CW

**Bob Hall, KN4EUK** (Vice President Elect, Net Coordinator 40M SSB Early/Late), Pinellas Park, FL–80M CW

**Wayne Harris, WY6N**, of Long Beach, CA – 40M CW

## WAS Awards

We issue several flavors of WAS awards. The **WAS General Award** can be earned on each band/mode combination. WAS General is required on both primary and secondary bands for

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the Master's Degree, as well as WAS YL at Level 35 on the primary band. WAS Awards in the list are WAS General unless otherwise noted and are listed in the order they were issued. Recipients during the period are: **Phil Spargo, N6WKZ**, 40M SSB; **Joe Taylor, N5XJT**, 40M SSB; **Clay Mayrose, WA6LBU**, 40M SSB; **Dave Zelinski, W4CPO**, 40M SSB; **Roger Callewaert, W9ROG** (*YL @ Level 35*), 40M SSB; **Bill Hildebrand, N9BFI**, 40M SSB; **Peter Summers, N2XTT** (*2-Letter Calls*), 40 SSB; **Rich Walbert, AC2MT**, 40M SSB; **Jim Richardson, N5OHL** (*All Nets – Intermediate*), 40M SSB; **Alex Lapinski, K9FZ**, 40M & 75M SSB; **Tom Berry, KD8U**, 40M SSB; **Bill Fuller, K6YEK** (*Mobile*), 40M SSB; **Lynn Janes, N0PMQ**, 40M SSB; **Larry Vanwart, VE3RR**, 40M SSB; **Kirk Frazier, AA1NA**, 40M SSB; **Wayne Harris, WY6N**, 40M SSB; **Dave Meye, KL7QW** (*YL @ Level 40*), 40M SSB; **Bob Silverman, WA6MRK**, 40M SSB; **Dan Rhoten, AB6UR**, 40M SSB; **Bill Fuller, K6YEK** (*In Order of Admission to the Union\* – see write-up below*), 40M SSB; **Matt Andrade, W9NOF** (*WAS General AND WAS All State Capitals @Level 35*), 40M SSB.

### DX Award

Our DX award is simple in concept, but difficult to complete when we run afoul of the propagation gods, requiring twenty-five confirmed contacts with twenty-five unique countries other than the US. It can be endorsed upwards in increments of twenty-five. It is hard enough to get the twenty-five these days, but one member, **Jay Wieland, N0PUI** (Master #25), endorsed his 40M SSB DX Award to 50 during the period! At Level 25, the other awardees, all on 40M SSB, are **Dean Davis, N7XG** (Club President); **Marty Blaise, AG5T**; **Dave Meye, KL7QW**; and **Matt Andrade, W9NOF**. Congratulations to all our DXers and may the prop-gods be with you always!

### Fortieth Anniversary Award

We had four new submissions during the period: **Marty Blaise, AG5T** (536 points), **Bill Fuller, K6YEK** (664 points), and **Jim Hurst, WB7PTC** (310 points), and **Jay Wieland, N0PUI** (1,494 points). At this point, **Peter Summers, N2XTT**, is still king of the hill with 4,670 points. Can anybody knock him off? Remember, although this award entails contacts made during the Fortieth Anniversary Year only, it can be submitted from now until for-

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ever.

### Award Spotlight – Worked All States in Order

If you're looking for an ambitious multi-year project you can complete on our nets, you owe yourself a look at Worked All States in Order. All you must do is make confirmed contacts with all fifty states in the order of their admission to the Union. If that seems easy, think again!

Before **Bill Fuller, K6YEK**, earned the award on 40M SSB during the current period, it had been earned **only once** on 75M SSB and **only once** on 40M SSB – both by **Donnie Hurst, KG4ZOD**, back in December 2012. That's over six years since it was last earned. Why is it so hard?

An example answers that question. Let's say you have completed 30 states in the proper order, but you realize that you never got a QSL card from the station you contacted in Delaware ("The First State"). You then find that the Delaware ham is now an SK and no card will be coming. This happened to one good member who is currently working on the award. The only thing you can do in this case is go back to Square One, find another Delaware contact, and make all the contacts with the other 49 states in order from that point forward.

Now, Delaware is a relatively rare state. If you find that you don't have another Delaware contact, you must make a new one, and you must then do states #2 (Pennsylvania) through #50 (Hawaii) in order afterward. This can be heartbreaking – or at least the cause of considerable heartburn – yet the fateful twists and turns of this amazing award are what make it so interesting. Are you up for the challenge?

Major congratulations to both Bill and Donnie for their arduous pursuit and eventual achievement of one of our toughest, yet most highly fulfilling, awards!

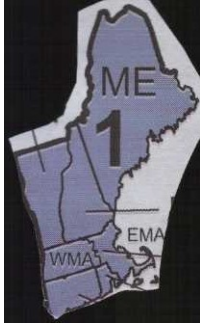
Want to see a specific award featured in this segment? Send me an email with your suggestions for what I should include here.

*We hope you enjoyed reading about the awards earned by your fellow members and other interesting awards factoids. Please look for Awards Highlights in the next issue of the Centurion. In the meanwhile, Awards News, listing all the awards issued during each week is published on the 3905ChatGrp, 3905Checkins, 3905AwdTalk, and Hamtown reflectors each Friday except around Eyeball and Hamcation® weeks.*



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Wyoming		<div style="text-align: center;"> <h2>The 3905 Century Club</h2> <p>Band &amp; Mode _____ Number _____</p> <h1>Worked All States Award</h1>  <p>Presented to <b>Amateur Radio Station</b></p> <p>For having demonstrated outstanding operating skill and persistence by having made certified contacts with stations in all 50 U.S. States, in accordance with the rules of The 3905 Century Club.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div>Date: _____</div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>The Great Seal of the United States of America</p> </div> <div>Signed: _____ Jo Pr</div> </div> </div> <tr> <td>Wisconsin</td><td></td><td>Indiana</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>West Virginia</td><td></td><td>Iowa</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Washington</td><td></td><td>Kansas</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Virginia</td><td></td><td>Kentucky</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vermont</td><td></td><td>Louisiana</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Utah</td><td></td><td>Maine</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Texas</td><td></td><td>Maryland</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tennessee</td><td></td><td>Massachusetts</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>South Dakota</td><td></td><td>Michigan</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>South Carolina</td><td></td><td>Minnesota</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rhode Island</td><td></td><td>Mississippi</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pennsylvania</td><td></td><td>Missouri</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Oregon</td><td></td><td>Montana</td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Oklahoma</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ohio</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>North Dakota</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>North Carolina</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>New York</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Mexico</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Jersey</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>New Hampshire</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nevada</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nebraska</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Montana</td><td></td><td></td><td></td> </tr>										Wisconsin		Indiana		West Virginia		Iowa		Washington		Kansas		Virginia		Kentucky		Vermont		Louisiana		Utah		Maine		Texas		Maryland		Tennessee		Massachusetts		South Dakota		Michigan		South Carolina		Minnesota		Rhode Island		Mississippi		Pennsylvania		Missouri		Oregon		Montana		Oklahoma				Ohio				North Dakota				North Carolina				New York				New Mexico				New Jersey				New Hampshire				Nevada				Nebraska				Montana			
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## News from Call area 1



I'm Fred Caswell K1UU. I took classes at my Boy Scout troop and was licensed in 1972 with the callsign WN1QZC. About a year later my Mom drove me to Hartford to take General test in front of the FCC. I passed and became WA1QZC. I first joined the Century Club in 1988 with 100 pt# 1608 on 75M SSB. I was active on the nets until about 1992 when family priorities took precedence over radio until 2008.

In February of 2008 I was asked to be the Plant Manager of a factory in Santa Isabel Puerto Rico. Each week I flew down on Monday mornings arriving at the plant around noon. Sometimes I would stay for 2 weeks but most weeks I flew home on Friday evenings. On those flights I would read antenna books to relax. Piece by piece on weekends at home I built a four square array for 40M. In October of 2008 I was testing it out & heard an incredibly strong signal – it was K5SVC Frank in Mississippi and he was NCS on a Century Club net! I immediately started checking into nets as often as possible. My assignment in Puerto Rico ended Christmas eve allowing me to check in almost every night.

In 2008 and 2009 there were routinely 100 check ins on both 40M & 75M SSB. There were about 15 of us working toward our Master's Degree Award so we were going mobile quite often. Some of the people would routinely scan the bands and convince DX stations to check in. By mid-

June of 2009 I completed my Master's and was awarded #45.

In 2010 I drove to the Miss-Lou Eyeball stopping in to see Century Club friends along the way. My Honda Accord had a Scorpion SA-6160 mounted on top and I came in second place at the shootout. I held the 2011 Eyeball here in Connecticut and had a great time.

I was elected as area director of the 1<sup>st</sup> call area in early 2011 and was voted in as board chairman by the board at my first meeting. We wrestled with some very contentious issues for the next year. In April of 2012 I was very unhappy with the direction of the club and I resigned all my duties.

The obvious question is "will Fred just quit again?". I don't intend to-I really enjoy the nets and going mobile. I'm retired now and I don't take things as personally as I used to. The reason I'm back is that there are a couple of things that I'd like the club to move toward.

First is mutual respect. We are all from different backgrounds and each have our own opinions but our common cause is having fun on the nets. If we respect and help each other and if we all follow the basic club rules we will all enjoy ourselves more.

Second simplicity. Our Constitution and By-laws have more pages than any other club that I am aware of including Yankee Clipper Contest Club, North East Weak Signal Group and the ARRL!! We have had over \$10,000 in our treasury for almost 7 years...more than Y.C.C.C. and N.E.W.S. Group combined! Our goal should be to have 1 page of bylaws and \$20 in a cigar box! Okay, I'm exaggerating but you get what I mean...let's just have fun.



## News from Call area 2

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Well to start your day in tomorrows traffic...Most Amazing Intersection in the World! In this time lapse video we see the intersection at Meskel Square , Addis Ababa , Ethiopia.

Check out the pedestrians as they navigate this chaos. Driving this intersection requires guts, split second timing, a brake and gas pedals that work!

[www.youtube.com/embed/UEIn8GJlg0E?rel=0](http://www.youtube.com/embed/UEIn8GJlg0E?rel=0)



## News from Call area 3

Keon Hayes is our new area director

Gearing up for spring-Try **Fredfest** 3/16/19 8am. Independent Hose Fire Station 310 Baughmans Ln. Frederick. contact Jeff Fishman KB3FIO lfish1@comcast.net.

Or our neighbor (4th area's) 43rd annual **Winterfest** hams & equipment vendors March 24, Several amateur radio clubs will be on hand to provide information about the ham radio hobby, Dealers in new and used

communications equipment, antennas, cabling, parts and supplies will be on hand to help find the hard-to-find.

<http://viennawireless.net/wp/events/winterfest/>



## News from Call area 4

First, we would like to welcome our new *Centurion* editor and publisher, **Michelle Sack, N3YRZ**. Thank you, Michelle, for volunteering your time to serve the Club in this important function. We look forward to the new and improved *Centurion*!

This column, which is devoted to happenings of interest to Fourth Area members of the 3905 Century Club will appear in each issue of the newsletter.

We wish to congratulate **Bob Hall, KN4EUK**, an accomplished Fourth Area member who was

elected Vice President in the January election. By the time this is published, Bob, formerly known to some of you old-timers as **KI7PM**, will have assumed the office of VP along with his important role as Net Coordinator for the 40M SSB Nets.

Orlando Hamcation®, the second-largest hamfest in the country, took place on February 8-10. There, we were happy to log some face-to-face rag chewing time with several 3905 Century Club Fourth Area members, among them our Vice Presi-

dent-elect **Bob, KN4EUK**; ex-President **Dwight, WF4H**; Current KD3FM Service Awardee **Jim, KB3PU**; **Panhandle Phil, K4LO**; recent Maryland transplant **Glenn, WU3Z**; and Orlando's own **Dick, N4ORL**. Also, **Bob, NC8I**, was there in attendance, but he told us after the show that he had a nasty cold so he made himself scarce.

Did you know that the Fourth Area has its own message board and email reflector? We use it for communications of interest to area members, including agendas and minutes of Board meetings. To subscribe to it, send an email to [3905ccn-4th-area+subscribe@groups.io](mailto:3905ccn-4th-area+subscribe@groups.io). We do accept guest subscriptions from other call areas, which are read-only. Fourth area members get full posting privileges.

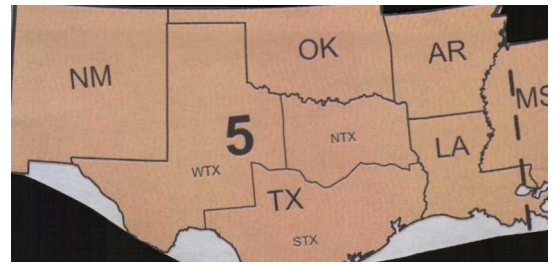
Your Fourth Area Team, Dave, KI4DFS (AAD), Ron, NC4JR (AAM) and I, are here to serve the needs of area members. Please feel free to discuss matters of importance to you with any of us either directly or through the Fourth Area reflector. Our email addresses are available on the Club website.



## News from Call area 5

A special election was held for area 5 director -

Welcome to area director Clay Mayrose, WA6LBU



## News from Call area 6

My name is Ginger Wonderling, AB6YL, and I am the 6<sup>th</sup> Area Director. I've been active with the 3905 Century Club since 1993. Over the years I have earned several progressive and miscellaneous Century Club Award on SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. I remained active with the club because of the people and variety of nets available. My favorite award so far is the Triple Play Award that I have endorsed to the Double Header level. Check it out if you want a challenge and you operate on multiple modes.

Our club has had some challenges over the last few years and the band conditions have made it harder to get the contacts we need for awards. We cannot do anything to improve the band conditions, but we can improve our nets. We need your help to move us forward and attract new numbers or encourage past members to return. I urge all 6<sup>th</sup> area hams reading this to check into our nets. We are handicapped by our location and often need relays to check in to the early nets – don't give up keep trying.

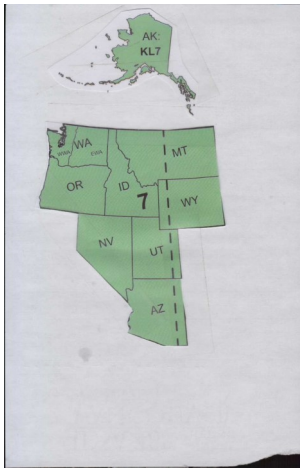
That brings me to a situation I've noticed with the "lurking" window of Netlogger. Back in the day before computer logging stations would check into our nets with their call area and hope a station they needed to work also checked in. Some nights we were lucky and made much needed contacts. Most nights there was some one checked in and waiting to give us a call. Now stations "lurk" and often do not check in unless a station they want to contact checks in. Please check in instead of "lurking" and give some one the chance to work you. OK, I am off my soapbox for now.

We currently do not have many active 6<sup>th</sup> area stations. If you belong to a local radio club maybe take a minute at your next meeting to invite members to check us out. If you haven't been on in awhile consider coming back to the nets. If you are interested in getting more involved with the club, I am looking for an Assistant 6<sup>th</sup> Area Director. If you want more information, contact me. If you just want to share your feelings or ideas for the club contact me. I can be reached via email at [ab6yl@earthlink.net](mailto:ab6yl@earthlink.net).

73,

Ginger



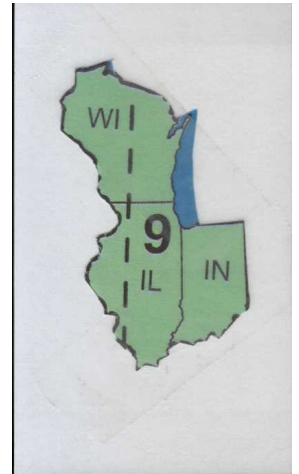


## News from Call area 7

Welcome to area director Ron Seese,  
WB7ASC

## News from Call area 9

Welcome to area director Roger Callew-  
ert, W9ROG



# Century Club Cares

Clark (KB0EL) was injured in an accident. He is expected to go home March 7 but will need a balance of rest & rehab. To allow that balance, please contact Kirk AA1NA ([banjo39402@aol.com](mailto:banjo39402@aol.com)) who is in contact with Clark's wife; Kirk has agreed to relay to and from the family so we can know what is the best way to help. Please keep him in prayer as he deals with an extended recovery.

The 3905 Century Club created Century Club Cares (CCC) 2010-May-09. The CCC Fund will provide caring notes/cards/etc. to Century Club members who are ill, injured, or have had a serious illness or death in the immediate family. Since the volunteer managing this program cannot be aware of every situation, if you are aware of a Century Club member who might like to hear from the club during their illness, convalescence or grieving, please send an email to our [CCN Cares Chairman](#) with the details. Notes and cards will typically go out within 1 to 2 days.

If you email the Centurion editor ([msack@verizon.net](mailto:msack@verizon.net)) she'll work with you to publish notice for members who might need further assistance.

# Election Results

The 3905 century club held elections

Results are:

Vice President - Bob Hall, KN4EUK

1st area - Fred Caswell K1UU

3rd area - Keon Hayes KE3HAY

5th area- Clay Mayrose, WA6LBU

7th Area - Ron Seese, WB7ASC

9th Area - Roger Callewaert, W9ROG

DX Area - Craig McLoughlin, VE3CMB



## Presidential column

Greetings from the west. During this first year as president there have been many accomplishments I would like to share.

In 2015 the Governance Committee was formed and I am happy to report that they have delivered proposals for changes to both the Constitution and by-laws. Over the next 6 months or so the board will be reviewing these suggestions and hopefully revising these documents.

Our Membership Committee, that was formed last year, is making good progress. They have started some new processes- sending out welcome letters (via email) to people new to our nets, looking at ways to promote the club thru through the use of handouts that can be used at radio club meetings and hamfests, and developing banner ads to be used on QRZ.

Several months ago I asked Frank Drewes, KK5XX to take a look at our website and evaluate how we might give it a overhaul. He identified a piece of free software that implements a interactive content based system that will allow key people in the club to directly update the website. Examples of this are technology that allows the Centurion editor to directly upload new issues, permit the secretary to upload minutes, and empower the chairman of the board to update what we currently see on "Matters before the board".

During the summer of 2018 we had a very successful Eyeball in Edmond, OK, hosted by Clay Mayrose, WA6LBU. Even though it was hot outside we all had a good time inside, the food was good, and it gave everyone a chance to meet with one another.

The board of directors approved the location for the 2019 in Newark, DE (a very rare state) that will be hosted by Keon Hayes, KE3HAY, on July 11-14, 2019.

In early 2018 an informal group of people got together and put together a list of recommendations on how our nets might operate more efficiently. I formed a Net operations committee to review these findings, review net specific areas in the by-laws, Net Controllers Guide, Website, and NCS scripts assure they are synchronized; then make recommendations to the board for improvements. This committee has been working hard & despite the time needed for the holidays and club elections, are expecting to have their initial draft completed by the end of April.

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# About our newsletter

## This is our newsletter!

It is to share news and information about the club, its activities, and its members. Since the club is spread across the globe, the editor can't be everywhere and therefore relies on the rest of the members to provide the information. Please help make this the best by being my eyes & ears there.

Did you do a mobile expedition-send where you went, what you visited, who you contacted, what you learned, & pictures. Made a new discovery, learned a new mode, or got a cool QSL card - please share. Have a question we have lots of members...I suspect some member knows an answer.

Did you think of something that you want to share with fellow members? Know a fellow member who could use some assist? Think of a column that would be useful to see in the newsletter...send me a note.

Please be patient as we build the newsletter to what you like...but let me know suggestions and especially columns you like or don't like. I'm not trying to just copy what is elsewhere but want to highlight and inform our members. I can't report if folks don't let me know. I'm especially interested in getting input from the members about the members. See the Who are we question of the quarter!

I accept input **all the time** but if received by 1 week before the 1st of March, June, September, & December can be in that edition otherwise will appear in the following quarter.

Provide input by emailing to **msack@verizon.net** or **your area director**.

**Snail mail Michelle Sack PO Box 1182, Waldorf, MD 20604**

## WHO ARE WE?

So we can get to know each other better, lets do a member column. With the size of our club, a quarterly newsletter- the chance of featuring each would be improbable.

So a Question of the Quarter will be a way to get to know folks. Respond to the editor (msack@verizon.net) for inclusion in the newsletter, talk about it on AIM during nets (leaving the radio open for exchanges), or on the radio airways outside of the nets.

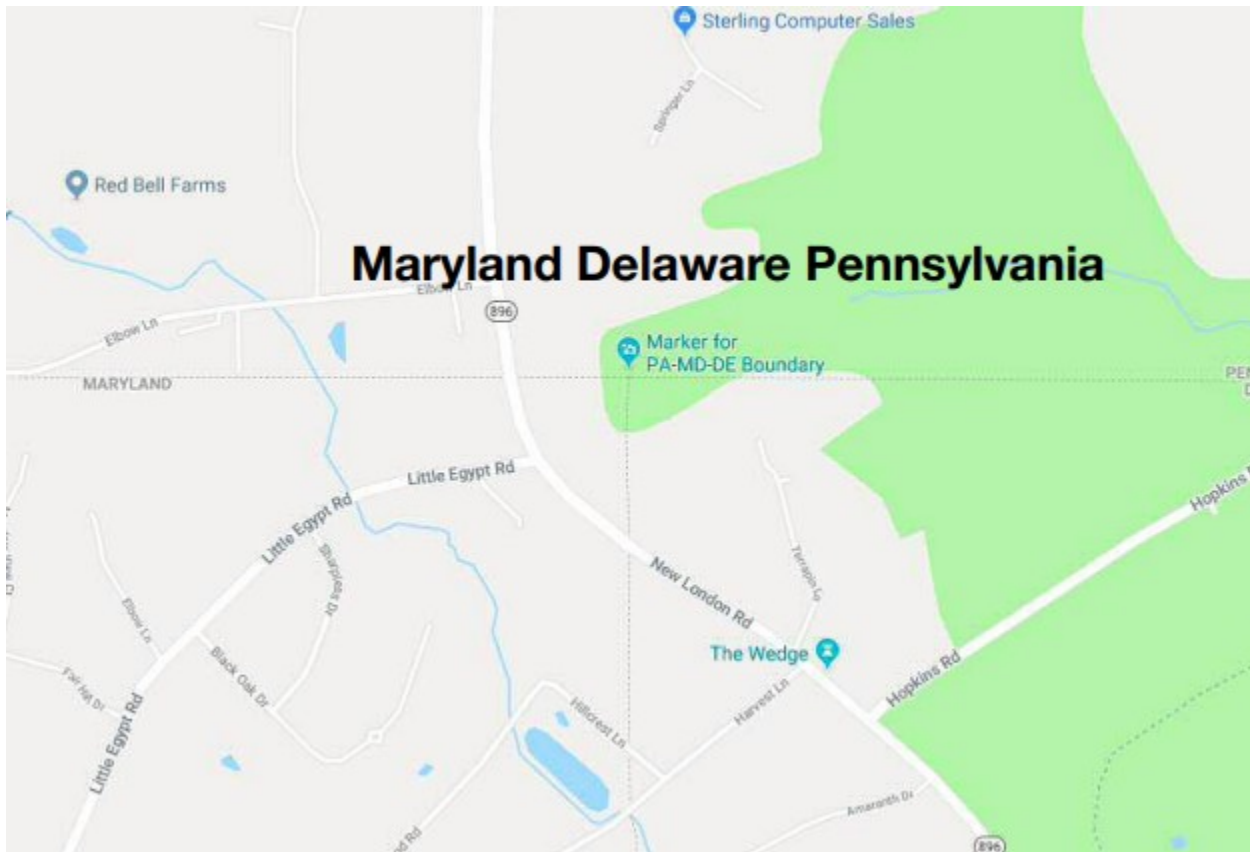
First question: what got you interested in amateur radio?

Look in the newsletter next quarter to see what brought us to this community!



MOBILE OPERATION State Lines for the Eyeball There are several interesting state lines close to the eyeball hotel sight. MD DE is easiest as its 2mi from the hotel. However there are a few that may be more appealing.

The first is the Maryland Delaware Pennsylvania Line.



The Second is the DE NJ line.



Most of the lines for these states are wet but according to Google maps this may be the only place you can actually get to the line.

Maryland and Virginia is a distance away and you may want to hit this line when your on the way to the Eyeball - its on the eastern shore of Maryland.



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to explore beyond downtown, where some gems await. Here are a few of Keons' favorites ...

## Argilla Brewing Company at Pietro's Pizza

2667 KIRKWOOD HIGHWAY

NEWARK, DE 19711

PHONE: (302) 731-8200

Some foods were made to pair with a beer, like pizza. And Argilla Brewing is what happens when a couple of home brew do-it-yourselfers love that pairing and own a well-loved pizzeria. This nanobrewery uses a 1.5-barrel system on-site at Pietro's Pizza. So, its brewers are constantly experimenting with new tastes and ideas.

**Hours:** Sunday-Saturday: 11:00 a.m.-1:00 a.m.

**Tour Hours:** No set hours, but usually available on request.



**Featured Beverages:** Meeting House Pale Ale, Blonde on Belgian

## Christiana Mall

132 CHRISTIANA MALL NEWARK, DE 19702

PHONE: (302) 731-9815

Christiana Mall provides **tax-free** shopping with brand-name stores and is conveniently located off of I-95 in northern Delaware. Shoppers can enjoy shopping tax-free at the Christiana Mall stores including Apple, Microsoft, Nordstrom, Cabela's, Michael Kors plus, much more. The Christiana Mall also offers dining options

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There are plenty of activities for families and the XYL's to have fun fun fun.

Mileage is from the host hotel

Christiana Mall - 7mi

Wilmington and Western Railroad -13mi

Skating - 8mi

Bowling - 7mi

Casino at Delaware Park - 8mi

Philadelphia - 35mi

Dover Downs Casino - 46mi

Baltimore - 55mi

Six Flags Great Adventure - 90mi

Six Flag America (DC) - 90mi

Washington DC - 97mi

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such as; the Cheesecake Factory, JB Dawsons and Brio Italian Grille. Next to the mall, visitors can enjoy a newly built movie theater.



## Hotel

The Red Roof Inn  
1119 S College  
Ave, Newark, DE  
19713 Phone (844)  
-289-6189

\$65 a Night Sin-  
gle King \$69 for  
Double Queens

They offer an en-  
hanced continen-  
tal breakfast eve-  
ry morning  
& meeting rooms

on the lower level



## Campground

Lums Pond State  
Park - \$40 per night  
(Will take 40ft Coach-

es) 3488-3598 Red Lion Rd, Bear, DE 19701 To Reserve Campgrounds please go to Re-  
serveAmerica.com (Reserve as soon as possible as these sites go quickly)

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**There are several airports in the area to service the Newark DE Area. For those who fly private- Wilmington (ILG) Airport located on Dupont Highway in New Castle DE. They are about 9 miles from the host hotel and offer three major runways, ten taxiways, and several really nice aircraft parking ramps.**

**Philadelphia (PHL) International Airport is 35 miles north of Newark DE and they offer any type of transportation you need, from commercial flights to rental cars they have it all.**

**An hour south of Newark is Baltimore (BWI) Washington International ( BWI Marshall) airport that is the Mid Atlantic Hub for Southwest Airline. They also offer any type of transportation you need, from commercial flights to rental cars.**

## Agenda

**Wednesday** - 5:00pm Dinner and Campfire at Lums Pond State Park

At Eyeball Host campsite for those camping and those willing to come over from the hotel. Will be on the 40M and 75M nets. Dogs - Burgers - Baked Beans - Drinks - and I might fry some fish!

**Thursday** - Arrival in the meeting area starting at 9:00am and

Registration from 1pm until 4:30pm

-\*Group Dinner at Local Restaurant

-Net Time - 8pm 40m and 10pm 75m

**Friday** - 9am until 12:00pm 40m and 75m SSB QRP Nets

- Noon until 1:30pm we will break for Lunch Hamburgers - Hot Dogs - Chips - Soda

- 1:45 to 3:00 QRP nets 40 CW 80 CW AND 20 CW

- 3pm to 5:00pm Afternoon on the Town

- 5:30pm to 6:30pm Dinner\*

-7:30pm to 11:30am Radio Fun Time (8pm 40m & 10pm 75m)



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**Saturday** - 9:30am-12:00pm Antenna Shootout Glasslow High School Parking Lot

- 12:00pm Lunch

- 1:00pm 20m SSB Net Activity for XYL's YL's and folks who don't want to get in the 20M net

- 3:00pm Annual Meeting

- 4:00pm General Membership Meet to include

(Presidential Awards, Door Prizes and Raffle)

- 5:00pm Group Photo

- 5:30pm Dinner

**8pm** Net Time **40m 10pm 75m** Bingo & other games Will be Run while nets are going

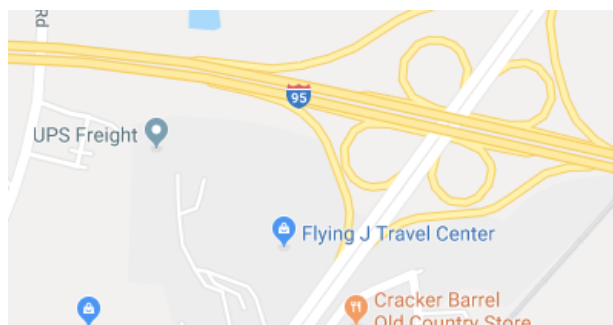
**Sunday** -7:30am

Departure Breakfast

at Golden Corral in

Elkton Maryland

Flying J Travel Center



\*Food will be up to the attendee.

Group arrangements can be  
made.

**Link for registration coming soon to the 3905CC website**

Go to page 14 & 15 for mobile operations at the state lines

# What Happened To KI7PM?

## KI7PM TO KN4EUK STORY

Hello Again 3905 Century Club! This is Bob Hall (Ki7pm) Now KN4EUK. I am guessing that the Ki7pm call sign rings a bell with a lot of the long-time members of the Century Club. As Ki7pm I was highly active in the Club. I was an NCS on sideband, CW and digital nets. I cut my teeth with the 3905 Century Club on the 40 Meter CW Nets. Thanks to Joe Burnett W4BUR and Tom Bates AA1NZ. After I received my 100-point award for club membership, both Tom & Joe talked me into becoming a net control station on 40 CW. I have been hooked ever since on CW. This was back in late 2004 and my full membership started in early 2005. At that time, I was living in Tucson, AZ. One thing led to another, and all the sudden I was a Net Control Station on 40 Late SSB Nets. I really had some vintage equipment at that time. My primary Rig was an FT-101ZD.

I forget who got me started on the Digital nets. I became highly active on both the PSK and RTTY nets, becoming an NCS for both. Some of you will remember Al VE4A-BU. He designed and created two great programs for the Digital nets. Both programs for PSK and RTTY were created for the NCS's and members of the 3905 Century Club. Rick WB5FDP and I did the initial beta testing of these two programs. Here it is 2018 and I still use the programs when I work the Digital nets.

While I was still in AZ, I attended both the LaSeur and Oklahoma City Club Eye Balls, where I finally met a lot of the old-time members of the Club. By the way I took TOP GUN in the antenna shoot out both years.

Shortly after the Oklahoma Eye Ball my folks who were elderly (mid and late 80's) were having trouble functioning properly so I moved to Grand Junction Colorado to assist them. I reset my station and resumed working as an NCS from there. Here is where it gets rough. I had a severe heart attack and was unable to maintain helping my folks let alone take care of myself. I fell away from the club during those trying times. My dad passed in the nursing home I put him in after the heart attack I had. Mom wanted to come to Florida to live with her sisters in Jacksonville. So, we loaded the old dodge and the biggest trailer U Haul had and came to Florida

Both my son and daughter live here in central Florida, so I stayed with my Daughter till I found a place to live. I wound up paying cash for the home I am in now! The lot is ridiculously small. Not much room for antennas LOL. Well as I started collecting gear for the new QTH I found my Ham Ticket had expired for over two years. Woops had to retest. Well FCC no longer awards my previous class of Advanced. So, I am stuck with General until I test for Extra (to get a 2x2 call again) So here I am now KN4EUK. I like the way it sounds in CW I will more than likely keep it. I am sure a few of you have heard me sign starting with Kilo-India before I caught myself.

I have had fun designing full size  $\frac{1}{2}$  wave dipoles for my limited size lot. But have mastered it. All but one of my antennas is resonant at net frequencies no antenna tuner needed. Even with 1500 out.

I am back doing what I love doing more than anything else, volunteering as an NCS

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for CW, SSB and digital nets. Only this time I am retired. I only work on Sat and Sunday at the local flea market where I sell various pieces of Jewelry I design and make. I have been doing that now for about 6 years.

Right now, I am the 40 Meter SSB Nets Coordinator. Also, you the members of the 3905 Century Club have elected me as your upcoming Vice President. I am deeply honored that you have selected me to be your next VP. Let me reassure you I will make every effort to assist all members of our club in making the Century Club Better. If we all work together, we can do it.

I could not make the eyeball last year, but I will most certainly attend this year if I am able.

73's all and I thank you all for your support!!

Best to All

Bob Hall KN4EUK (ex KI7PM)



# Masters Writeups

To recognize the work put in to get the masters degree for the Century Club, we want to make sure each has been spotlighted in the newsletter. Over the next few months, we will be contacting those who haven't yet appeared in a newsletter for information if we missed you please help us by contacting N3YRZ Michelle [msack@verizon.net](mailto:msack@verizon.net)



You can get this sign at:

[http://www.hamcrazy.com/index.php?main\\_page=product\\_info&products\\_id=345](http://www.hamcrazy.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=345)



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 PROMOTE THE CENTURY CLUB
 

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Ask your local club editor to post this recruitment letter in those newsletters

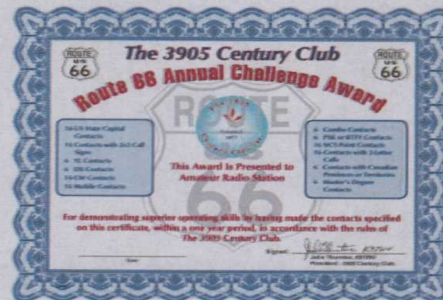


## The 3905 Century Club

### Worked All States & Awards Net

The **3905 Century Club** is an international amateur radio club founded in February 1977 by former participants of the Bicentennial Net.

Our purpose is to provide all amateurs interested in **Worked All States** or other awards with **organized nets** for making the necessary contacts and receiving the necessary QSLs. The QSL cards from these contacts may also be used to obtain ARRL and other awards.



**We also have our own extensive awards program and with almost 70 beautiful awards certificates offered, we can help you paper that bare wall in your shack!**

We offer a **free domestic QSL Bureau** for your convenience and economy when exchanging QSLs for contacts made on our nets. For our DX check-ins we also offer a **free DX QSL Bureau**. And for Handi-Hams, we offer QSL management services via our **Handi-Ham QSL Bureau**. Our domestic bureau is **free** in the sense that you supply only self-addressed, stamped envelopes or even simpler, just use a PayPal® payment to the QSL Bureau for postage and envelopes to become "Good In Bureau." Our DX bureau is supported by our domestic members and is completely free to DX participants. See the web site for details.

We invite you to explore our web site and—more importantly—we invite you to join our nets. All of our SSB and digital nets operate in the **US General Class amateur bands**, while our 40m and 80m CW nets operate in the **US Novice/Technician Class amateur bands**. CW NCSs will slow to the speed sent. All amateurs, domestic and DX, are invited to check in. Our net control operators will listen split for DX when our frequency is not accessible to all DX stations.

Please visit our 3905 Century Club web site at <http://www.3905ccn.com> for a complete overview of our purpose, how our nets operate, our QSL Bureaus, and all the fine certificate awards we offer.