



# QSP



March 2014

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The March Meeting is  
Friday March 28th at  
KWU

## March VE Report

7:30 PM

For the **March 12th** session, we had NO Candidates. Rare, but it does happen from time to time

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VE's in attendance were: Sid, NØOBM, Paul, KS1P, Rom, WAØPSF, Leon, WAØJFC, Alvin, WØME, and Eric, NØYET.

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The next scheduled session is **Wednesday April 9th**, at **7:00 PM**, at the Saline County Sheriff's Office Classroom. CKARC Board meeting to follow.

Sid NØOBM VE Team Leader

## Minutes of the February Meeting

7:30 PM Alvin opened the meeting with the Pledge Of Allegiance followed by introductions. 13 members and guests were present.

Previous minutes approved as printed with the change of the typographical error for the checking balance from \$ 11514.32 to \$1514.32

Eric – NØYET – Secretary / Treasurer report.

Current balances are Checking - \$ 1514.32 and Savings \$1565.87

Membership applications were accepted.

Eric, NØYET, reported on the status of the KWU hamshack. He and his daughter Kathryn, KDØOWZ, were using the shack before the meeting. The new rotor and coax work fine and the dipole works well. Several DX contacts were made.

Sid – EC/ VE report

Bernie Boston – KDØOXA – is the new assistant Director of Emergency Management for Saline County and has started his new position.

1 Person from the Fort Riley area tested and successfully passed the Technician exam. Next test session will be on March 12.

The Storm Spotter presentation from the National Weather Service was well attended and very informative.

Alvin, WØME, brought up the subject of renewing / changing the Bylaws for the club. They were passed out last meeting and discussed. The proposed changes to the amended copy are to add the Hamfest Coordinator as a Board member, Pass on the duties of controlling an Inventory List to the Club secretary / treasurer . And finally to create a Heirarchy for assuming the duties of office if no one is able to fulfill the office for whatever reason. That change will be in the following order:

President, Secretary/Treasurer, VE Coordinator, Hamfest Chairperson.

John, KCØJNK, mentioned he will report back what he finds from the SATERN group about a program and demo at the Hamfest.

Eric, NØYET, will report back on a date to go through the club equipment and supplies for the purpose of getting rid of broken items, or those which no longer are used and to create a list of these for Inventory purposes. The Secretary position will in no way be responsible for repairing the equipment, selling or disposing of it, rather only for maintaining a current list.

No other business. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

## Reminders

City of Salina Siren Test Net, **April 7th** at 4:30 PM if the Weather cooperates! Otherwise April 14th.

ARRL-VEC Test Session on Wednesday **April 9th** at 7:00 PM.

Board meeting follows the exam session on **April 9th** after Testing in the Saline Co. Sheriff's Office Classroom.

**CKARC** March Meeting April 25th at 7:30 PM, Kansas Wesleyan's Peters Science Hall Room 211

## ARRL Announces Centennial Station Giveaway!

03/21/2014

The ARRL has announced a "**Centennial Station Giveaway**" as part of its **National Centennial Convention** to be held in Hartford, Connecticut, **July 17-19, 2014**. Sponsored by the ARRL and **R&L Electronics**, the first-prize winner will receive a Grand Prize voucher worth up to **\$5000** of equipment — radio, antenna, and accessories — redeemable for products sold by **R&L Electronics**.

A second-prize winner will receive a **\$2500** prize voucher for products sold by **FlexRadio Systems**, also co-sponsored by ARRL.

All *paid* convention registrants will be entered in the prize drawings (door prizes). Winners will be drawn from among eligible registrants at the end of the convention on Saturday, July 19, 2014. The winner does not need to be present during the drawings.

Three-day convention tickets are \$75 and include an all-day training workshop and lunch on Thursday. Two-day tickets are \$25 (\$30 at the door), good for admission on Friday and Saturday. Everyone who attends the convention must register.

For complete convention details and advance online registration (recommended), visit the **ARRL National Centennial Convention 2014** web page.

*From the ARRL Web Site*

## Special Event Stations to Mark International Marconi Day

03/18/2014

A few dozen special event stations will take to the air April 26, 0000 UTC to 2359 UTC, to commemorate **International Marconi Day** (IMD). Among them will be GB4IMD, in Cornwall, England, OE14M, in Vienna, Austria, IY0IMD in Italy, VO1AA, on Signal Hill in St Johns, Newfoundland, VK2IMD in Australia, and WA1WCC on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. All stations planning to participate are urged to **register**. A **list** of registered participants is on the IMD 2014 website.

International Marconi Day is a 24 hour Amateur Radio event held annually to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi on April 15, 1874. IMD is held each year on a Saturday close to Marconi's birthday, with Amateur Radio stations on the air from around the world, including some **Award Stations** operating from historically significant sites.

The event is not a contest; it is an opportunity for amateurs around the world to make point-to-point contact with historic Marconi sites using HF communications techniques similar to those used by Marconi, and to earn an award certificate for working or hearing a requisite number of Marconi stations. — *Thanks to The Daily DX; International Marconi Day*

*From the ARRL Web Site*

# EYEBALLS & HAM B.B.Q. AFTERNOON

1PM -SUNDAY 30-MARCH-2014 -13:00hr local

Featured Speaker- From the NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

**SUZANNE FORTIN - Meteorologist in Charge WICHITA**

WØVFW Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring it's quarterly meeting.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER or a Ham Operator TO PARTICIPATE.

BBQ Luncheon is \$5.00 donation to WØVFW ARC

Beverages available- proceeds to VFW post 3115

**DOORPRIZES!** Bring a buddy and your family. Stay a while after, as eyeball bull sessions, show & tell demonstrations, and WØVFW Shack tours continue after the formal part is over.

**Where:** Parking lot side use Patio Entrance

**VFW POST 3115**

**4801 East Douglas (corner of Anna)**

**Wichita, KANSAS 67209**

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## March 2014 Contest Calendar

From the WA7BNM Contest Calendar

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html>

QRP Fox Hunt	0100Z-0230Z, Apr 2
SARL 80m QSO Party	1700Z-2000Z, Apr 3
QRP Fox Hunt	0100Z-0230Z, Apr 4
LZ Open 40m Sprint Contest	0400Z-0800Z, Apr 5
<b>Mississippi QSO Party</b>	1400Z, Apr 5 to 0200Z, Apr 6
SP DX Contest	1500Z, Apr 5 to 1500Z, Apr 6
ARS Spartan Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Apr 8
NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint	0030Z-0230Z, Apr 9
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 11
JIDX <b>CW</b> Contest	0700Z, Apr 12 to 1300Z, Apr 13
OK/OM DX Contest, <b>SSB</b>	1200Z, Apr 12 to 1200Z, Apr 13
New Mexico QSO Party	1400Z, Apr 12 to 0200Z, Apr 13
EU Spring Sprint, <b>CW</b>	1600Z-1959Z, Apr 12
<b>Georgia QSO Party</b>	1800Z, Apr 12 to 2359Z, Apr 13
Hungarian Straight Key Contest	1500Z-1700Z, Apr 13
ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party	0001Z, Apr 17 to 2359Z, Apr 22
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 18
Holyland DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 18 to 2100Z, Apr 19
TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest	0000Z-2359Z, Apr 19
ES Open HF Championship	0500Z-0859Z, Apr 19
CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest	1200Z, Apr 19 to 2359Z, Apr 20
<b>Michigan QSO Party</b>	1600Z, Apr 19 to 0400Z, Apr 20
EU Spring Sprint, <b>SSB</b>	1600Z-1959Z, Apr 19
<b>Ontario QSO Party</b>	1800Z, Apr 19 to 1800Z, Apr 20
YU DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 19 to 1700Z, Apr 20
NCCC Sprint Ladder	0230Z-0300Z, Apr 25
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, <b>Digital</b>	0001Z, Apr 26 to 2359Z, Apr 27
SP DX <b>RTTY</b> Contest	1200Z, Apr 26 to 1200Z, Apr 27
Helvetia Contest	1300Z, Apr 26 to 1259Z, Apr 27
QRP to the Field	1500Z, Apr 26 to 0300Z, Apr 27
<b>Florida QSO Party</b>	1600Z, Apr 26 to 2159Z, Apr 27
BARTG Sprint 75	1700Z-2100Z, Apr 27

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**SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL QSP IS APR. 17, 2014**

## **CKARC April Birthdays**

KCØHHU	Sharon	House	4/7
F/Member	Diana	Gray	4/13
KDØOXA	Bernard	Botson	4/24 <b>SCEM</b>
WØME	Alvin	Wiechman	4/30