

# NARS NEWS



The Northwest Amateur Radio Society

Houston, Texas

December 2004

## December Meeting – Homebrew Night

December is the annual homebrew, silent auction and flea-market meeting. For those of you who have not been to a NARS homebrew meeting here is a brief idea of the fun to be shared. You probably want to arrive a little early for this meeting so you can set up before the meeting. Just what are you going to set up?

Those who made (homebrewed) a radio related project during the past year such as a transceiver, equipment interface or some special software you created will be setting their project so they can do a show and tell presentation. It is the homebrew show and tell that drives the rest of the meeting with the explanations and following questions and answers.

If that isn't enough of a reason to be early, there will be other things going on as well. During the whole of the show and tell action a silent auction will be taking place. The silent auction is for equipment that members have donated to the club. The bidding takes place silently (a bid sheet is attached to the items) in one-dollar (\$1) increments. The donator may set a minimum or starting bid. All the proceeds from the donated equipment go to the NARS treasury. If you have an unused piece of equipment and would like to donate it, bring it to the meeting a little early so it can be set up on a table. There is one string attached if the item does not sell, you will be responsible for removing it from the meeting place by the end of the meeting. NARS has no storage space and the item will be headed to the dumpster.

That's not all folks! There is also going to be a flea market this year. The flea market will offer members the opportunity to purchase used equipment or sell their equipment to others. The flea-market tables are free, but the seller is requested to donate a portion of the sales price to NARS. The donation will be a minimum of \$1 per item sold and 10% of the sales price for items above \$100, with a maximum of \$5 per item sold. If you are thinking about changing rigs, this is a good opportunity to do so.

I'll see you at the December meeting. This is one meeting you won't want to miss.

## Annual NARS Banquet

Hello Fellow NARSians! The annual NARS banquet is coming.

The facility, Wyndehaven Terrace, is reserved and the buffet is ordered. Mark your new 2005 calendars with the date and time – yes another year is slipping away!

Date: 21 Jan. 2005

Time: 6:30 PM doors open, 7:15 PM Dinner is served, 9:30 PM The End

Menu: Tossed salad with assorted dressings; sliced roast beef with mushroom gravy; marinated grilled chicken breast with cheddar cheese, green onion and diced tomatoes; green beans; corn; fresh hot rolls with butter; assorted desserts; and a cash Bar serving beer and wine.

The board has determined that the price is \$19.00 per person due upon registration. We need to get an attendance count in order to guarantee the facility at Wyndehaven Terrace. A few of you signed-up at the last general meeting and some have paid, but we need for everyone who is coming to sign-up and pay in advance. Joe Sokolowski (kd5kr@arrl.net) is doing the registration and has the list from last meeting. We need the first and last names of each person attending so that we can make name tags for everyone. Nametags facilitate knowing who is at the banquet that night and being able to talk to those whom you may not know.

We have one more general meeting on 17 December at which you may register. Or better yet, you may send your check and name list to:

Joe Sokolowski, KD5DR  
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## Important Dates

**Friday, Dec 17, 7:30 PM** – General Membership meeting, Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church – Eyeball QSOs, 7:00 PM.

**\*\*\*NOTE: NO VE Session Dec\*\*\***

**Saturday, Jan 22, 8:30 AM** – VE License Exam Session, Tomball Community Center, S. Cherry & Market streets (just South of Main).

**Tuesday, Dec 28, 7:30 PM** – Board of Directors meeting, Terra Nova Clubhouse, 5200 Woodville.

### Contests

Dec 18 OK DX RTTY, Russian 160M  
Dec 18–19 PSK31 Death Match, Croatian CW  
Dec 18–Jan2 Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party  
Dec 31 ARRL Straight Key Night

### Wednesday Lunch Bunch

Dec 15 Jason's Deli  
Dec 22 Neal's Restaurant  
Dec 29 Olde City Pub & Grill  
Jan 5 Hill Country Kitchen Buffet  
Jan 12 Red Lobster

### Wednesday Lunch Bunch – West

Dec 15 Cafe Express  
Dec 22 Chili's  
Dec 29 Fuddrucker's  
Jan 5 Escalante Mexican  
Jan 12 Jason's Deli

### Monday "Tail Draggers" Lunch Bunch

12:00 Noon Aviator's Grill, Hooks Airport

**Notice:** NARS membership dues are \$20 per year, renewable on anniversary of last year's full payment.

*Deadline for articles to appear in the next issue is the last day of this month.*

**BREAKFAST**  
**at Joey D's**  
5918 W FM 1960  
**Saturdays**  
**7:30 AM**

## President's Corner

December 2004

A Year in Review

Has it already been a year? Amazing how quickly time flies by when so much is going on. This past year has been no exception. Let me take a few minutes of your time to remind you of just a few of the activities we had the opportunity to participate in and enjoy.

**Adopt a Platoon:** Early in March, NARS started to sponsor a platoon of MPs in Baghdad. The club response was nothing short of impressive. Each month would represent a different theme for items that would be collected and sent over. Your donations of merchandise and cash made this possible. Each package would contain letters to our troupe. Then, in August, we received our first letter from them. It was short, but we knew our packages were making it through. In November we were all thrilled to hear they were on the way home. Just last week a final note arrived from Amanda (our contact) telling us the packing was underway and she and the rest of the 48th MP company were on the way home.

**Texas QSO Party:** The TQP is truly the NARS 'ON THE AIR' event of the year. H. O. got the interest up and kept us all focused. The club participation was WAY up and together (as it should be) we did it. The soon to be official scores will indicate that NARS is once again claimed place first in the club aggregate score beating CTDXCC by over 500,000 points.

**Raffle:** This year the club decided to do something totally different. Imagine – a ham radio club that was having a raffle for a cruise and not a radio. The raffle started in late April and ended with selecting the winner at the September meeting. About 25 club members sold tickets and raised an outstanding profit of \$1780.50. The winner of the \$1200.00 gift certificate was Cheryl Tompkins, KD5AXG. The NARS member that sold the most tickets was Jerry Whiting with outstanding total sales of \$311.00. He won \$50.00 for that outstanding effort and quickly donated it to the next activity.

**Redd School:** As many of you know Cal White, John Ellis and Paul Frantz have been working with the students (LAB RATS) for the past couple years. Many of the students now have their tickets and were in need of a new radio. Cal sent an email to the NARS reflector wondering if anyone would like to donate a couple dollars to help with the \$\$ gap. Well, thanks to you, enough money was donated to not only purchase the new transceiver but also a new operating table and many more items.

**VE Sessions:** Once a month a group of NARS members and some non-NARS members meet over on Cherry Street in Tomball. This group, now led by Norm Covey, are all Volunteer Examiners that give the test to potential new hams as well as those wishing to upgrade their tickets to a higher level. In 2004 Norm and the crew turned out 28 new Techs, 4 upgrades to General and 5 upgrades to Extra. Thanks guys – and keep up the great job!!!

**New NARS members:** We added 26 new members to our club roster this year. It is great to see the new people attend our monthly meeting and, as a result, make the decision to become one of us. We must be doing something right. As we add members we occasionally lose members. Three of our members became SKs in 2004. Please join with me in remembering Harry Gage – AC5XD, Lowell Good – KC5UHW and Buddy Lindner – KC5NSW.

**Other on the air activities:** This year has been VERY wet in the Houston area. Unfortunately, the days the rain fell were not conducive to a couple of our annual events. The first event impacted by the rain was the Buffalo Bayou Regatta. It rained that Saturday and the event was canceled. Even though the radio support was therefore not needed, Rob Nixon and Paul Frantz had the volunteers all lined up and ready to go. The one that impacted almost all of us was Field Day. I was one of many that were very disappointed that NARS canceled the participation in Field Day. As I am sure you remember, it had rained most of the prior week and continued to rain for the entire weekend. The FD coordinators (Mike Lodge and Marty Fitzgerald) and NARS board had to make the decision to cancel. There was about 3" of water on the FD site and it would have been much too dangerous to put up the towers and run AC power through the water. The planning is already underway for next year and Mike (volunteering again) is working on two sites; the regular site and one that is inside a covered pavilion. GO MIKE!!

**Annual NARS Banquet:** The third Friday in January is the day of the annual NARS banquet. Over 110 people attended the banquet that was held at the Wyndhaven Terrace on Cutten Road. Judging by the smiles on the faces that night and the pictures that were in the NARS NEWS the following month, everyone had a great time. Get ready – the 2005 banquet is just around the corner. It will again be the third Friday in January, held at the Wyndhaven Terrace and the tickets are on sale right now.

This will be my last President's Column. As I said in the first paragraph, this has been a very quick year. I hope that each and every one of you had the opportunity to participate in one of the above activities or some of the others I did not have room to mention. If not, try it this year. 2005 will be another great NARS year because of you – the members. Next month you will be hearing from your new 2005 NARS President, Lee Kinard.

73,  
Bruce – NILN

## Public Service Events

*Your Radio Skills Are Needed*

Events officially sponsored by NARS include Buffalo Bayou Regatta (May), SIRE Ride-A-Thon (October) and Sunmart Texas Trails Run (December).

Events supported by NARS members include Houston Marathon, MS 150 and Wings Over Houston.

Plan to help with one or more of these events in 2005.

## VE Session Results

There was no VE session in November.

A reminder, the next NARS VE session will be January 22, 2005.

We will not sponsor a session in December because of the Holidays.

73  
Norm  
Covey/K5OS  
NARS VE Session  
Manager

# Ham and "Sheez" News

## Adopt-a-Platoon Update – Final Update

For those of you who are subscribed to the reflector, you are aware that we received a second note from our contact in Baghdad. It was a note letting us know that the platoon is on its way home. If you haven't yet read the note, below is the message that was included:

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01 Nov 04  
Hello everyone!

I just wanted to say thank you for everything. Getting mail is a moral booster over here. I also wanted to let you know that there is no need to send me anything more. I'M COMING HOME!!

We just got the word. I'm so excited. We've all been packing and mailing stuff home. The days seem to drag on a little more though.

Well I guess that's it for now. Thank you, you're all wonderful people! :)

Love,  
Amanda Adams  
428th MP Co.

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We have made the decision not to request a second platoon to adopt. Several of us will be requesting individual pen pals. We'll keep you updated as we are assigned our pen pals. If any NARS member is interested in requesting a pen pal through Adopt-a-Platoon, please send me a note. I'll be happy to forward you the details.

Again, the ladies of Ham and "Sheez" would like to thank all the NARS members who supported the Adopt-a-Platoon effort. Without your support and donations, we would not have been able to provide the supplies and morale boosters that we did. Sincerely – thank you!

## November Activities

In the spirit of the holidays and supporting local organizations, our November meeting was focused on making "boo-boo bunnies" for a local charity. For those of you who may not

remember the "boo-boo bunnies" that we made for the Fort Sam Houston Easter baskets, let me refresh your memories. The bunnies are for children when they bruise themselves. They are made of washcloths and tied to look like bunnies. The belly holds ice cubes and helps to sooth the wounds from scrapes. Schalee has written a very nice poem about the "boo-boo bunnies" to explain their use. In addition to the "boo-boo bunnies", we have also included some "extra" items that we had collected for the platoon in Baghdad. We'll give you an update after the bunnies and toiletry items are delivered to the local charity organization.

Due to the holiday season, we did not have an "official" Ham and "Sheez" event in November. However, there have been several stamping parties that have happened in the last several weeks. (Shannon – You really started an addictive, fun activity for all of us! Thank you!) We have been spending time working on holiday cards and other projects. In fact, we are planning on starting a monthly stamping club beginning in January. If any folks reading this update are interested in joining the club, please contact me for the details. Some of you may even be fortunate enough to receive our homemade holiday cards. Perhaps, there will be some cards that will be part of the silent auction at the December meeting. After all, we do need to show-off our talents in making cards!

## Upcoming Activities

Our third annual holiday party will be on Saturday, December 11, at Tina Sinclair's home. The festivities will begin around 7:00 pm. As in past years, we will share munchies and exchange gifts. A new tradition this year will be a cookie exchange. If you are planning on attending the party, please bring a plate of goodies to share, a gift (no more than \$15, please), and two dozen cookies for the cookie exchange. The gift exchange will be done in the traditional manner – a Yankee swap, which is always a lot of fun. For the cookie exchange, please bring a plate to display your wares, a container to take home the "goods", and about twelve copies of your recipe. Each person will leave with two dozen cookies

that will include samples from everyone who brings cookies. (Guys – If you're good, we'll probably share some of the cookies with you.) If you don't want to bring cookies, candies and other holiday treats are welcomed. We just want an excuse to get into the holiday spirit and sample some sweets!

We will not be scheduling a separate cookie baking party this year. The baking shop that is our usual location changed owners fairly recently. Rather than bombard the new owners with our potential cookie baking party this year, we are going to wait until next year to approach them with the request. Our cookie exchange at the holiday party will ensure that we are all still able to share our cookie recipes and cookie samples.

## Monthly Recipe

Ham and "Sheez" Empanadas from the Campbell's Kitchen recipes  
(This is a quick appetizer recipe that is perfect for the upcoming holiday season.)

Prep time: 25 minutes  
Cook time: 20 minutes

1/4 cup Pace Picante sauce  
1/4 teaspoon ground cumin  
1/3 cup chopped cooked ham  
1/3 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese  
1 package (15 ounces) refrigerated pie crust dough

Mix picante sauce, cumin, ham, and cheese. On a lightly floured surface, unfold one pie crust. Cut into 10 (3 inch) rounds. Top half of each round with 2 teaspoons of the cheese mixture. Moisten edges of the rounds with water. Fold over and press edges together. Seal edges with a fork. Repeat with remaining pie crust and cheese mixture. Bake at 400F for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm with additional picante sauce. Makes 20 appetizers.

Enjoy!

Best regards,  
Laurie Meier – N1YXU  
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## QUA\* Anita Townsend N5AOK?

Have you met the Texas QSO Queen? Since this group is into acronyms, I think we should call her TQ2 (The Terminat-her). Anita, N5AOK was the First Place Mobile two years ago and has made it her mission in the last two TQPs to do so again, but alas, circumstances have held her back. But we should keep watching because she'll do it in future years, I'm sure.

Anita was born in Woodward, OK located in the panhandle. As her mother told the story, the snow was piled higher than the telephone poles! Sounds like a tall tale to me.

Her father was a "doodle-bugger". He placed dynamite for seismographic testing for oil deposits. As you can imagine, she has lived in many states; Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, California; to name a few. She even lived in Tripoli, Libya in North Africa. Africa was where she developed her love of movies. They made friends with people of many nationalities, but had very little entertainment except the weekly "picture show". In third grade she was in 13 different schools!

Anita attended Texas Women's University, studying to become a nurse. She dropped out her Junior year to have Judy, her oldest child. So, obviously she met H. O. in between classes!

Since then they have had two boys, Chip and Rob. Chip sang Lee Greenwood's "Proud to be an American" at the Sergeant Major's annual Ball. Rob is in the process of getting married to a National Champion barrel racer and they both enjoy horses in Wichita, Kansas. Judy is busy with the four grand-children, ages 14 to 5.

They also have Buster, The Wonder-dog. Buster likes horses, but no other critters. He bites and barks at turtles that cross his property line – until he met the snapping one! Anita found him rolling on the ground trying to get it off his nose.

Since leaving college Anita has used her medical studies as a lab technician,

nurse/office manager and medical transcriptionist. She left the medical transcription job in Richardson out of frustration and H. O. encouraged her to find a new field. She did. She began her career in technical writing. She was hired as a temporary by Texas Instruments and they brought her on permanently during a hiring freeze – they can make things happen when they want to! Her group started a new Quality Control program which changed TI's approach to their business. I think we should add another "Q" to her title, for Quality – TQ3 (Arnold better watch out!)

During this time she took some classes in journalism and was picked to interview Ann Richards for their newspaper. She set aside her conservative nature to "capture the story". In the process she spotted Koki Roberts and was surprised she was at this state event. She finally had an opportunity to ask her why she was in Texas. Koki replied that this position would shift the balance of power in the country. Boy, or should I say, Girl, was she right! – And Anita had her story!

She left H. O. in Dallas and moved to Seattle, WA to find a position with Boeing. The day she arrived they initiated a hiring freeze! She couldn't get around this one, but accepted a temporary position with a company providing support for Microsoft related networks. A year later H. O. moved northwest also and took a position with Microsoft. But, they missed Texas and moved to Houston a year later.

The day they arrived here H. O. interviewed and received a job with Tenneco, so they stayed. He then took a temp-to-perm position with BMC – and the rest is history. Anita started working at BMC four years ago in Technical Support.

As mentioned earlier, Anita's specialty is mobile, especially during TQP. She has two FT900's (one is the backup). She had 368,501 points, 1041 QSOs, with 161 multipliers. Which provided her with the 2002 Single-operator Mobile First Place trophy.

She got her first license in May, 1998 and

upgraded to General in 2000, with the new call N5AOK.

She really enjoys talking to voices she recognizes when she is on the road, but her favorite was when she was warming up for the contest and called CQ for someone listening back here. An OM from Snyder, Texas answered. He had just finished a net from his home and introduced her to all his buddies and then turned the frequency over to her.

She enjoys reading mysteries, especially those by Jack Bickham because he was a personal friend. Here's the story. H. O. was raising an antenna in Norman, OK when a HAM friend came by to help. He brought a friend and introduced him as Jack. H. O. asked what he did for a living. Jack replied he wrote books. H. O. said, OK, as long as you don't expect me to read them. One of his books is "The Apple Dumpling Gang", a well-known children's book.

HO and Anita visited England in 1990: another story. A student knocked on their door in Norman, OK. He wanted to know if H. O. would let him talk with his father in England. They set up a schedule and every Sunday afternoon he would come by. They continued this even after the son went back to Oxford. While in England for a wedding they met G5RV, of antenna fame! They also watched the making of a thatched roof – quite an art.

Anita enjoys watching gymnastics. Judy trained under Bart Connor's coach. He saw her at nine years old, practicing balance beam on the curbs in Norman and coached her to five weeks before Olympic trials. She landed in a bad spot off the vault and had to have surgery on her ankle.

When I asked Anita my favorite question she said, "I am what I need to be for the moment." Well, Anita we will always need you to be just what you are . . . AOK.

*Schalee Lodge, KD5WLL  
Ham & Sheez Reporter*

\* QUA: "Q" signal meaning "Have you news of . . . ?"

# DX News

## “For All the NARS DX News Fit to Print”

*Hello Fellow DXers*

Well another month has come and gone and propagation wasn't too bad for this stage of the cycle. I didn't work any new ones, but was excited to be able to hear and work VP8DXL, Keith on 15M phone. Always a thrill to work someone you know from 6000 miles away. Keith, thanks for the new band contact. The only other significant contact I logged was S9BB on 17M phone for another new band contact. Still holding at 222 confirmed on my phone DXCC with 5 new ones hopefully heading my way. Well I guess that's it for me, so let's see what the other folks reported.

**George, K5VUU** has a great report,

Not much to report in the way of new contacts this month. I am anxiously awaiting my QSL cards back from the YV0D DXpedition to Aves Island. I have a CW and Phone contact on their website for 20 meters but forgot to send the cards earlier. This new one will bring my DXCC Mixed up to 304 worked and 302 confirmed. I also now have my new "300 Stamp" endorsement on my DXCC Mixed as well and I am sure the remaining 31 countries to work will be a great challenge!

I really enjoyed and learned a lot from Paul's club meeting presentation on the Logbook of the World. Before then, I really didn't see much to it since I didn't know anything about it. The next day after the meeting I downloaded and installed DX4WIN so I could move my logs over and join the Logbook of the World process. I am still getting all the cards entered into my old logging program before moving them over and joining the computer age of QSLing.

**Jim, K5JDB**

K5JDB had a slow month in November. Had 18 DX contacts. Did make contact with Marti S9BB. Others were just new bands. Got 6Y5/G3ZMK

Jamaica on 17 meters, CP6XE Bolivia on 12 meters, VP2MLA Montserrat on 12 Meters and I "think" I got 7W50ZRK Algeria, but will see if I get a card before I brag too much. Bands were really dead in the evenings. Heard VP8DXL on 12 meters and made a call and "think" I heard Keith give me a 5/5, but that one is subject to confirmation as well. I hope to have more to report for December. Hope everyone else heard more than I did. Still listening . . . 73 Jim

Well Jim, sounds like you didn't have a bad month. I always hear you in the pileups. Gud Luck.

**John, W5PDW** has an interesting report. Always good to hear about the LABRATS.

This month's highlight was when my YV0D QSL arrived. The new ones are few and far between! Also got a nice bunch of cards from the BURO. They were all from 2003!! Wonder where they have been all this time? Cal helped me lower my tower for some antenna and rotor maintenance. Got it back up before the guys departed for the Falklands. Also got new finals and a tune up for my amplifier. Thanks Dutch, WB7DYW.

The Redd School's Icom 718 has a new 6' operating console in the works. Gonna be really nice. Presently the class is building a crystal radio and working on the code. Gerry Whiting got hooked on the LABRATS and has become a regular. We have a sked today with the VP8 gang. Got our fingers crossed! Got 'em last year while they were on Yap. Think I will go look at my YV0D card some more.

73 w5pdw

And here is a fine report from the most humble and gracious DX'er of all time, **Jim, KJ5X**

Some modest activity in the KJ5X shack this

month. Among the conquests 5U7JB, OM5DP, HA5MY, HB9FMJ, 3E1A, PY7ZY VP8WPF, VP8DXL, VP8WWW, VP8WMJ. Not a stellar performance but I tried. The big disappointment was the 9N7BCC so called DXpedition. They spent nearly all the time working EU and AS on the low bands. There are still a few days left but I'm weary of watching them go everywhere but NA. Oh well. Kerguelin and Glorioso are supposed to be on the first half of '05. Maybe there will be #526. My fingers are crossed.

73 KJ5X

Well Jim, if you need any more then 525 I wish you well. By the way, are you working other planets or what? I didn't know you were a SETI man. HI.

And coming in on the rear is our fearless leader **Bruce, NILN**.

Well – still inching closer and closer –  
As of Oct 29th: 106 worked / 94 confirmed  
As of Nov 30th: 106 worked / 95 confirmed  
New 160 confirmations:  
FS/N7DD – St. Maarten – 160 CW  
As for other DX this month – Worked the gang in the Falklands a few times: VP8WMJ – 17 CW, 15 CW, 12 CW; VP8WFW – 40 CW; VP8WPF – 20 CW  
New Band Countries: 6O0X – Somalia – 40 CW; S9BB – Sao Tome – 40 CW, 20 SSB; TI2GBY – Costa Rica – 75 SSB

73 and good hunting!! Bruce

OK, I guess that's all for this month's newsletter. Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and will see some of you at the December meeting.

73

*Al Fritsche W5ADF*

## Highlights from the NARS Board Meeting

The regular monthly NARS board meeting was held on November 30 at the Terranova Clubhouse. The following board members were in attendance: Bruce Meier, Lee Kinard, Joe Sokolowski, Jerry Whiting, Rob Nixon, Tom Hoherd, Laurie Meier, and Chuck Sanders. Highlights of the meeting:

- VE Sessions – It was reported that the next VE session sponsored by the club will be on January 22, 2005.
- Ham & Sheez – Laurie reported that a second letter has been received from the platoon we sponsored and that they are coming home. Future plans are to sponsor a local charity.

- Awards Banquet – The group discussed Lee's plans for the banquet and decided on a price of \$19.00 per person. Be sure to reserve your spot ASAP as a headcount is needed in order to finalize plans with the Wynnhaven facility.

- Programs – Bruce reported that the club has received a thank you note from the ARRL for the contribution we made at the special October program presented by Coy Day. It was also noted that the December meeting will include a silent auction and was reiterated that all proceeds from the auction go to the club treasury.

- Texas QSO Party – Bruce reported that NARS has recaptured the Club Trophy from the

CTDXCC Club in Austin. As the 2005 club president Lee will be presented with the trophy at the June 2005 Hamcom. High fives all around to those NARS members who supported the club in TQP-2004.

On the last Tuesday of each month the board meets at 7:30 pm at the Terranova Club House to discuss club business and to set direction for the club. All members are invited to attend the board meetings and if interested should contact any board member if directions are needed or if they desire a specific item to be on the agenda.

*C. W. Sanders, NO5W  
NARS Secretary*

# Welcome, Congratulations and Condolences

Congratulations to the VP8WW team for doing well in the 2004 CQ WW CW contest.

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