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TRAFFIC TOTALS for the month of February. Looks like everyone is still trying to catch their breath after the Christmas season, and traffic is off this month. Comes Easter next month, so here we go again.

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STATI ON	QTC	PP	TOTAL	STATI ON	QTC	PP	TOTAL
W6I AB	2399	494	2893	KH6BGS	78	306	384
W4PFC	2736	32	2768	K4BUJ	291	87	378
W6YDK	1903	59	1962	W4NTR	331	22	353
K4MCL	836	4	840	KR6DI	81	182	263
K56GF	488	332	820	KR6MH	53	204	257
KH6AJF	657	91	748	KG4AM	27	58	85
KR6MD	220	460	680	W6ZJB	8	1	9
KR6MB	225	374	599	W4BHU	0	5	5
W6FCS	51	365	416	K6MCA	0	0	0
				FEBRUARY TOTALS	10384	3076	13460

WELCOME ABOARD TO W4BHU, MCAS, Beaufort, S.C. Been a long time wondering where you wuz, but now we know. They have several licensed ops on station and we're hoping to more from them once some schedules are established. Info comes from Bob, K4UZL.

Route a copy of ZERO BEAT to your unit Special Services Officer; extra copies will be sent if needed.

Heard some nice comments on the operations of KH6BGS from various points on the bands. Even though BGS is pretty well tied-up running phone patches, they always have time to acknowledge breakers on the frequency and at least give them a signal report. Hawaii seems to be pretty scarce for most of the stateside ops so we know they appreciate it. That Hawaiian sunshine must have some bearing on the gang's cheerful attitude. And they're a good example to follow.

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BGS had their share of troubles during February, too. Traffic total shows that. Seems both linears broke down, and lots of wind damage to the antenna systems. Bad time by all, sez Tom, Jerry and Vern. Things are shaping up now. Good luck. fellers.

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Only station left to hear from is W4HBC at MCRD, Parris Island. Especially desired since it could be of a tremendous public service and morale value by originating "arrived safe" messages from the recruits to the folks back home. W6YDK has done a terrific job on such traffic for the west coast MCRD. In most cases, these messages are the first word the parents have from the new marines after they leave for Boot Camp, so it means a lot.

4NTR finally has the KWS-1 perking on all bands. Of course, the fingers are still crossed, but it seems to holding up OK. Had a big assist in repairs from Gus, WA4FCS. Now, methinks we should tear it down again to see what we did right.

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Any items of interest along the communications line, new equipment, modified rebuilt, antenna systems, etc., send them along for the ZERO BEAT. Gotta fill up the spaces.

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