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Completed questionnaires have been received from sixteen stations so far. Still have a few outstanding, and would appreciate prompt return of same. Of those submitted, we have a total of six listed as Navy MARS members; five in either Army or Air Force and five with no MARS affiliation at all. We're strongly recommending that all stations apply for Navy MARS at the earliest.

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W4NTR still has a few DD Form 630 available for those who wish to apply for Navy MARS. Let us know if you want same, and we'll ship them off by return mail. Also have the latest FCC Form 610, Application for Amateur Radio Station and/or Operator License. Have you forgotten to renew or modify your present ticket? Tsk, tsk...

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Bud, ex-KR6GF, now operating under W5GPS/4 at Cherry Point, stopped by for a short visit with the whole family a few days ago. Always happy to have you folks stop in to see the shop. You'll find us in Building #1.

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W4NTR's new shack is coming right along, and we hope to be re-located very soon. Not only do we have two big windows to see the outside world, they threw in a studio-type peep hole so the outside world can see us. Yuk!

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Bits from Oki... Bob, WA4KPF, now coordinating the KR6's... MH now in full swing with a good looking shack... MD making a 'swinging' modified xmtr room... DI 'stole' the beam and tower from MD who is an exclusive rhombic user now... Mike at MB received a letter of appreciation for outstanding work at Schwab... GF plugging along steady with traffic and Ski is giving the DX boys a jolly CW work-out... And Bob, the ole Cotton Picker, spends his time climbing the walls at CP....

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When submitting traffic totals, QTC is to include all received, relayed, delivered, and originated. PP, of course is to include all completed phone patches. We hope, at a later date, to begin listing MARS traffic totals. So, even if you only get one piece of traffic out, let us know about it so we can list same in the monthly traffic totals....

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SPARKY GAP



"3 hours and no DX in sight, so



good time to pull that relay and fix it...."

boso



"CQCQCQ FROM 99G6 IN OOGA-OOGA--ANYONE ON??"

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BULLETIN BOARD! The recent addition of fees to applications for various type Amateur Radio Licenses prompts us to run the following schedule of fees as published In Section 12-86, FCC Regulations:

- Applications for initial license, including new class of operator license, and applications for renewal of license..... \$ 4.00
- Applications for modification of license without renewal..... 2.00
- Applications for a combination of modification and renewal of license..... 4.00
- Application for a specific call sign pursuant to 12.81(a) (Regs)..... 4.00

FEES ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF AMATEUR APPLICATIONS;

- Applications for Novice License.
- Applications for a license for a station for recreation under military auspices.
- Applications filed in the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service.

And when did you last check the expiration date of both your personal and recreational class station license?

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K4BUJ - Long time no hear... But, we recently had a letter from Tom, K4PLR, who tells us he's working at it. BUJ is again in business, and we're sure glad to have them back. Tom sez the whole station had to be rebuilt. Completely re-worked the Viking Desk Kilowatt, 323-1 & power supply, and much, much more... Trying to build the Cherry Point Radio Club to its former hard-charging status and stir up some new interest. The station was presented a public service award recently for its part in relaying North Carolina Election Returns during the May primary elections. This activity is covered in more detail in the September QST... Congrats to all, Tom.....

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Anyone else have any ideas for Sparky Gap? This guy is the one with two left feet for sending CW, and nothing good has happened to him since he first saw the light of day. Ship us your suggestions, and we'll see if can demolish same with the scribble pencil.

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WHO'S WHO - Ran into a bit of a problem this month for the personal write-up on the big pic from Albany. Could not get the picture to come out on the mat, so we're without for this issue. Hope we can run the story and picture next month. Stay with us, Bud. We're also looking for some more pics and info from the rest of you Marine HAMS. A good, clear, head and shoulders view about 3" x 4"; plus a short story on your activities in Amateur Radio and/or MARS. These stories are being read with interest by all hands, and it gives us all a chance to see what everyone else looks like on paper rather than through, a speaker....

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TRAFFIC: Again, fourteen stations reporting traffic activities for the month of August, Totals are off a little for this issue, but keep plugging and we'll get them back up where they should oughtta be....At this moment, we have not received reports from W6YDK, W6FCS, K6MCA, or W6ZJB. Wonder what's happening out in California? counts, so send them along.

LATE REPORTS JULY

| <u>STATION</u> | <u>QTC</u> | <u>PP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>STATION</u> | <u>QTC</u> | <u>PP</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|----------------|------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| W6FCS | 6 | 366 | 372 | KG4AM | 0 | 306 | 306 |
| | | | New Totals: | July | 13720 | 4041 | 17761 |

AUGUST

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|--------|------|-----|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| W6IAB | 3620 | 520 | 4140 | K4BUJ | 117 | 208 | 325 |
| W4PFC | 771 | 13 | 784 | W4NTR | 131 | 117 | 248 |
| KH6AJF | 510 | 147 | 657 | K4MCL | 220 | 26 | 246 |
| KR6GF | 409 | 230 | 639 | KR6MH | 25 | 221 | 246 |
| KR6MD | 371 | 214 | 585 | KP4AZJ | 15 | 210 | 225 |
| W4LEV | 245 | 250 | 495 | KR6DI | 47 | 141 | 188 |
| KR6MB | 122 | 211 | 333 | W4PKS | 33 | 135 | 168 |
| | | | Totals: | AUGUST | 6636 | 2643 | 9279 |
| | | | | 1964: | 60539 | 16473 | 77012 |

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Also missing reports from KH6BGS, so with the absence of four of the big stations, the month's activities look a little sparse. How about some listings, gang? Even if only one piece of traffic is handled, let us know. Every little bit helps.

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Expect to publish information from the questionnaires you have returned. This list may be helpful if you're trying to arrange schedules, and don't know what bands or modes of transmission the other station has available. Look for this next month.

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ARRL Official Bulletin #969 reminds us of those countries which still object to communications between their amateurs and those of other countries, Cambodia XU, Indonesia PK (JZØ] Viet Nam 3W8, and Thailand HS. Like the man says, VERBOTEN....

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Don't forget your issue of the October LEATHERNECK for the USMC Amateur Radio article. And spread the word. Keep your finals dry and we'll see you next month.

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Thus we come to the end of an abbreviated edition of ZERO BEAT. Keep writing and let us know what you want to read on these pages, and we'll do our best to get it in print.

73 from BOS0 K4PYV (Editor?)
 GUS WA4FCS
 JIM WA4ROZ

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