Contest Advisory Committee Semi-Annual Report

For the American Radio Relay League Board of Directors Meeting

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1. Executive Summary

With no additional taskings, the CAC has been inactive over the last six months. Prior to the January 2013 board meeting, the CAC made recommendations relating to the addition of a Single Operator Unlimited category to several ARRL contests as well as rewording of the off-time rule in the RTTY Roundup. The PSC did not act on the first of these recommendations at its January meeting. However, on June 19th I was informed by PSC Chairman David Norris, K5UZ that the PSC had further discussions on this issue via their reflector and that they have accepted the CAC's recommendation. Their recommendation will be formalized in July.

As for rewording of the RTTY Round Up off-time rule, the PSC recommended that the CAC take this up directly with the Contest Branch. The CAC Chairman has made several attempts to contact the Contest Branch on this issue but there has been no response to date. The CAC Chairman had a very brief discussion with Sean Kutzko, KX9X at the Dayton Hamvention in May but no consensus was reached. The CAC encourages action on this wording recommendation in time to clarify the wording for the January, 2014 ARRL RTTY Round Up.

2. Discussion

Because no additional taskings have been assigned over the last six months, there is no additional discussion beyond that presented in the Executive Summary.

3. Administrative Notes

There have been no changes to the CAC roster over the last six months. With Sean Kutzko, KX9X's new responsibilities, the Staff Laison for the CAC is now Mike DeChristopher, N1TA.

4. Recognition

Charles Fulp, K3WW (CAC Representative – Atlantic Division) was inducted into the CQ Contest Hall of Fame at the Dayton Hamvention in May, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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