



# SHORTS

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## **Hyndman Area Health Center Welcomes Assistance from BCARS**

Despite threatening skies and QRM from the Norfolk and Southern Railroad, several BCARS volunteers made it to Hyndman by 7:30 AM to assist the Hyndman Fire and EMS departments on the occasion of the Hyndman 5K Run. Incident organizers, Robin – KC3EXR and Mark – KC3CMF did an excellent job in getting our members deployed to various locations on the course. WB3JEK and KC3CMF were assigned a

maliciously misnamed spot called, “Beer Stop.” Much to their chagrin, the duo discovered there wasn't any beer within miles. Adding to the complaint department, K3QNT made a town-wide search for coffee, finding none. Only later was KC3CMI successful in providing the life-sustaining fluid. Other members of BCARS who participated, were: *(First we will get the “Steves” out of the way.)* Steve – KC3DNB, Steve- KE3ZT and Steve – KA3UDR. In addition there was: Robin – KC3EXR, Mark - KC3CMF, Robert, KC3CMI, Kenny – WB3JEK, John - KB3DFZ and Lloyd – K3QNT.

The uneventful run had no issues and the Hyndman Area Health Center expressed its gratitude for the BCARS support.

Approximately 50 runners and bicyclists participated over the entire course. In surprise “Ham Sighting,” K3QNT spotted a three-element TH-3 beam atop a residence, not a half a block from the health center. He discovered it belonged to Bud – K3WWW, a long-time CW operator. KA3UDR, KC3CMI and K3QNT had a long eyeball QSO with the 83-year old Korean War Vet. Bud expressed interest in attending the next BCARS meeting and may soon be a check in on the Tuesday 10 meter Net.



**WB3JEK KC3CMF KC3DNB KB3DFZ & KC3EXR**

## **K3NQT's “NIGHT OUT!”**

BCARS put on a good show of our new van, equipment and antennas at the Bedford Safety Night Out on 2 August. Situated next door to host of police cars, fire trucks and even a U.S. Army Striker Vehicle from the PA National Guard 28<sup>th</sup> Division at Everett. K3SCM, KE3ZT, KC3EXR, KB3DFZ, (Lance 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic) K3QNT, KA3UDR, KC3FSX KC3BTA & KB3HUA assisted with the event.



## VERY SPECIAL EVENT STATION!

In August of 1858, President James Buchanan while he was staying at his summer White House, received and sent a Transatlantic Telegraph Message between Queen Victoria at Buckingham Palace and Bedford Springs. BCARS commemorated the event with **N3B**, a Special Event Station set up at the Omni Bedford Springs Resort.



BCARS Club members operated SSB stations from all over the county. On Tuesday, 16 August a special CW station, manned by W3DRW and K3QNT operated directly from the resort.



### **N3B Mobile Van**

Bernie -W3DRW and Lloyd – K3QNT worked GB3RS on 14.030 CW direct from Bletchly Park. Signals were marginal but the message got through.



### **W3DRW Sending**

N3B was in contact with Trevor at GB3RS . Bletchley Park has a well-equipped station, which is operated by the

Radio Society of Great Britain is their version of the ARRL.



**Trevor at GB3RS**

The N3B Message from Chairman Josh Lang was sent at 2045Z . According, to Steve Thomas, M1ACB, President of the RSGB the traffic is on the way to Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace. Our Special Event was widely covered by: The Bedford Gazette, 6 WJAC-TV and WTAJ-TV-10.

***If you have any news for the monthly S\*H\*O\*R\*T\*S, send your submission to K3QNT.***

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