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Dear Mad River Radio Club Member:

Hello to all of you and hope all is going well for you. The purpose of this letter is short and pointed, several MRRC members want the MRRC to become active again.

The MRRC was disqualified from the 1971 Sweepstakes by the Awards Committee for two stated reasons; the MRRC did not meet the intent of the rules for ARRL club contest participation because members did not attend inperson club meetings; the MRRC submitted SS scores from 18 calls that were outside the 175 mile club limit as the ARRL measured in a National Geographic Atlas.

Both of these points may be complied with with some adjustment. First, having four in person meetings each year. Next, submitting proof of the location of those stations the ARRL has questioned as outside the 175 mile limit. Please note that the 175 mile issue did not come up until the ARRL disqualified the MRRC. We were never given the opportunity to even respond to the issue prior to their letter of disqualification.

The MRRC is an ARRL affiliated club and nothing that has happened has changed that status. Jim Stahl and myself have talked with the League and have been told that all we have to do is have one inperson meeting before the 1975 Sweepstakes to qualify the MRRC and its members for SS club recognition.

If you think the MRRC is worth reviving and want to join the fun again all you have to do is attend the next meeting to be held at the 1975 ARRL great Lakes Convention, Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday, October 11 at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will last no longer than one hour.

There is little chance that the MRRC can beat out the east coast in 1975 because of the organizational problems. What we must do is get recognized so our name is in print and the word spread that we are still going. Bring new members to the meeting so they to can become qualified to take part.

Additionally, I will be on the air at 3899 \pm 5 kHz each Sunday night at 8:00 P.M. local time (Monday at 0000 CUT or Z time) to talk with anyone who has suggestions or comments.

It will take time to get the MRRC built up to its old self. We must start somewhere so this is it and I hope that you will give the idea consideration. We can have a lot of fun.

Vy 73 and hope you will have suggestions.

Yours truly,

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