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FROM ROANOKE DIVISION DIRECTOR BUD HIPPISELY, W2RU:

Tom Brown, N4TAB, of Wake Forest, North Carolina is the 2019 Roanoke Division Service Award winner. The Award, which began in 1969, is given to an individual who has exhibited continuing and unselfish leadership on behalf of ARRL members in the Division. For a variety of reasons associated with COVID-19, the 2019 award cycle was postponed until recently.

Appointed as the North Carolina ARES Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) in 2010, Tom revamped relations with that Section's primary served agency, North Carolina Emergency Management. One of the earliest adopters of FEMA's AUXCOMM (Auxiliary Communications) system, Tom rolled out a program with over 700 Amateur Radio operators holding FEMA NIMS / ICS credentials (National Incident Command Structure / Incident Command System). The North Carolina model has been emulated in other states and is cited by FEMA as an exemplary public-private partnership. Tom also recently was named AUXCOMM leader of the year by his peers.

Tom Brown is the 54th recipient of the Roanoke Division Service Award. The Roanoke Division consists of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. More details will be available in the upcoming Spring 2021 Division newsletter.

Bud Hippisley, W2RU
Director, Roanoke Division

FROM ROANOKE DIVISION VICE DIRECTOR BILL MORINE, N2COP:

It is with great pleasure that ARRL Roanoke Division Director Bud Hippisley, W2RU, and I announce that the winner of the 2019 Roanoke Division Service Award is Tom Brown, N4TAB. Of the known 17 living past recipients of the Service Award who are eligible to vote as judges, a total of 11 voted with 10 votes going for N4TAB.

Tom was notified and congratulated Monday night by Director Hippisley. Announcements will be going out soon across the North Carolina section and the Roanoke Division about Tom's accolade. Tom becomes the 54th recipient of the Roanoke Division Service Award in its 53 year history. (NOTE: There were four years where there were two winners, and two years in which no award was given. Nominations for the 2020 award will take place later this year). Director Hippisley, North Carolina Section Manager Marv Hoffman, WA4NC, and I will work with Tom to find a suitable occasion and venue for him to receive his recognition.

Please join us in congratulating Tom on this achievement. If you'd like to drop Tom a congratulatory email, his address is n4tab@arrl.net. Bud and I appreciate all who voted.

Bill Morine, N2COP
Vice Director, Roanoke Division

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