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5,505,500 points..... SO FAR!!

CALENDAR OF COMING DISTRACTIONS

POST SS NET ON
3815 KHz

November:

18-19 The big one. SS Phone.
2100Z, Nov. 4-0300Z Nov. 6
25-26 CQWW, CW
27 NCCC post mortem meeting,
Hayward AS&L, 7:30 p.m.

December:

2-3 ARRL 160 meter contest
9-10 ARRL 10 meter contest
11SS LOGS DUE
NCCC Christmas Banquet, Imperial
Gardens Restaurant, Mountain View

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Wow! What an effort you guys turned out last weekend. It was a real thrill to see so many NCCers active (and certainly a boost to the ole score), particularly those of you who haven't been on the air for a while. Even licking my wounds on the plane coming home from Carson City was a little more bearable because of the knowledge that we're a long way towards bringing home another gavel. It was a great showing, and you all deserve a pat on the back for such a turn-out. Let's do it again on ssb November 18th and 19th.

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I haven't used this column to do much editorializing in the past, but an event occurred a week ago which I can't let go by unnoticed. That event, of course, was the untimely departure of Bob and Ellen White, W1CW and W1YL respectively, from ARRL HQ. Most of you know Bob from his many years on (as?) the DXCC desk, and most recently as head of the League's outgoing QSL Bureau. Ellen, a frequent visitor and strong supporter of the NCCC, was the Deputy Communications Manager and was slated to take over the top spot in the CD when George Hart retired November 1st. To be CM had long been Ellen's dream, and, off the record, many of us had been assured by League Directors, by the

"I HAD A RATE OF 143 THE FIRST
HOUR OF THE CW SS!"

Now that I have your complete attention, here are some words of wisdom from our VPCC:

NCCC has completed the first lap in its race toward SS gavel number four -- and in traditional superior style! Congratulations to all of you who helped to swell our CW weekend total to a massive 5.5+ meg!

However, we still have one more lap to go -- the Sweepstakes phone weekend. On November 18th, at 2100Z, we're gonna kick it into high gear and really administer the coup de grace to our contesting competition on the East coast. With NCCC troops dominating the bands, a PVRC SS victory appears extremely dubious.

At our pre-sweepstakes super meeting last month, a panel of experienced NCCC testers offered some tips on how to operate more effectively in the SS...1) Keep the rate up! How? CQ as much as you can, but don't be afraid to search and pounce if CQing becomes unproductive. 2) Both 10 and 15 meters should be very good during the phone weekend, so plan to do a lot of operating there. 3) Don't unnecessarily repeat parts of the exchange. 4) Make a band plan and stick to it. 5) One the dupe sheet, write in the full call sign of all 1 x 2 stations, as well as 2 x 1's and 2 x 2's; fill in just the suffix on 1 x 3's and 2 x 3's.

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VP/CC ramblings...

Every year, after having been awake for about 29 hours straight, battling it out in the SS, I ask myself, "Why are you doing this?" Well, I do know the answer! First, after the contest is over and I look back on my effort, I'll experience a great self-satisfaction in knowing that I did the best that I possibly could. Second, and most important, I will know that I have made a relatively small but extremely important contribution to the Northern California Contest Club Sweepstakes effort. Third, contrary to popular belief, contesting is fun!

So, let's keep the rate up and let's have some fun this Sweepstakes!! QRZ SS de,

GARY WA6VEF

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League's General Manager, and by an Assistant General Manager that she would fill the position George vacated. After all, who else at HQ has so much experience, was so competent, and enjoyed such a tremendous following from League members?

Such was not to be the case. I don't know what happened back in Newington and perhaps none of us ever will. The Whites one day last month both simply tendered their resignations and cited as their reasons only their desire to take an early retirement and to live in a warmer climate. That's a lot of baloney! Rumor has it that top management decided there just "were too many Whites at HQ."

Whatever the reason, I, as a Life Member of the League, am incensed! If it were Bob who had to go, I can't believe League management would be so insensitive as to think Ellen would stay on and thus be a constant reminder of that humiliation to her husband; if it were Ellen they wanted to get rid of, then they have been lying through their teeth to us for months!

I hope Director Stevens and his associates on the Board demand a full review of this travesty at the January board meeting (if not sooner). It is incomprehensible to me that two quarter-century veterans could be treated so shabbily. In an organization so desperately needing talent, surely this matter could have been handled differently and we could continue to benefit from the services of the Whites. It looks to me as though it's about time the League's top management themselves took a refresher course in organizational behavior!

Rusty, N6SF

MORE ROSTER UPDATES

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PSE QSY ONWARD...

...and more updates

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NEW RECRUITS

Dave, WA4BAX, is 19 years old and holds an Extra class license. He has been licensed for 7 years and prefers cw to phone 3 to 1. His contest experience includes CD parties, DX contests and various QSO parties.

Pete, KA6CNW, 27 years old, holds an advanced ticket. Licensed 6 years, he operates exclusively cw with an FT-301D. He's been in the CQWW, ARRL DX and 10 meter contests. He used to sign WB8PJR and has QRPp WAC and the 1000 miles per watt awards.

Joe, WB6DFX a fugitive from San Jose State, has been licensed for 8 years and holds an advanced ticket. He runs an FT-101, FL-2100B, 3 element Quad and then some. He has operated FD. Joe is another all-the-way phone op.

Devin, WB6GSZ is 18 years old and has been licensed since age 11. He is currently advanced. He has operated SS, FD and the 10 meter contests. He prefers cw 4 to 1 and runs a Swan 350 to wires.

Doug, WA0JRB is another Stanfordite. He has no mode preference and runs a FT-301 and wires at home in addition to the W6YX station.

Glenn, WA6KEQ, another advanced class has been licensed for 20 of his 43 years. He runs a FT-101E, FL2100B and the FT-227R. He prefers phone and has been on FD and the SS.

Gary, N100 (ex-WB2FCD) is 22 years old and has been licensed for 6 years. He has no mode preference and operates at W6YX.

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Mori, K60YE, has been licensed since age 11. He is currently 36! The station includes a TS-820, TS-520, DM-901, L4B, 2K3 and 4 on 20. He operated both cw and phone and sports a general ticket.

Lloyd, AA6T, an extra class licensee, has been licensed for 11 years of his 27. He has a Ten Tec 21 and an 80 foot tower with monoband yagis planned. He operates 90% cw. Lloyed is ex-WB6TTR.

Hank, WB6TZQ (ex-WA1VSG), operates all contests, mostly phone with his Kenwood station. Running to a 3 element tri-band. He has been licensed 12 of his 28 years and is an extra class

Pete, W6XX formally held W6CXF, W4YZE, KX6NG, and KR60J. He is an extra class licensee with lots of contest experience. His station includes a TS-820, KW and 2 elements full sized on 40 at 80 ft., with more going up. He made 95 K. in the SS, 40m. only!

WELCOME TO EVERYONE!

NCCC 1978 HOLIDAY BANQUET

N6BT announces that the 1978 victory banquet will be held at the Imperial Gardens Restaurant on El Camino in Mountain View on December . The menu is being firmed up now but you will probably have your choice of either Chinese food or Top Sir loin. Price: reasonable, about \$6.00. Make your reservations now! -- Tom, N6BT, (408)-964-5554.

MORE SCORES

CQP wrapup:

W6YL (WD6CHF).335 x 48 N6XI.....100 x ?
KM6BI (WB6CBJ)230 x 48 WB6RIU/m6.....95 x ?
N6RO.....200 x ? N6DA.....5 x 3

Oct. 12 mini-test:

Signal report and number of antennas. 5 minutes, each mode.

N6RO.....20 x 15 N6RZ.....12 x 10
N6TU.....20 x 12 N6PO/mm2.....13 x 8
K6HIH.....16 x 15 WD6DBM..... 8 x 5
WB6SHD.....15 x 14 WD6CHF..... 6 x 5
AI6V.....16 x 12

TEAM SCORES, 1978 SEPTEMBER SPRINT

TEAM NAME	MEMBERS	SCORE	HIGH
Independent Contesters #1	10	96,389	N2NT
Independent Contesters #2	10	78,546	K1AR
Golden Gate Gassers	9	78,294	N6BT
Marky's Marauders	8	60,454	N6AA
Independent Contesters #3	7	56,812	W2JJ
The Paper Club	6	48,087	WA6VEF
Texas DX Society	5	33,970	K5ZD
College Group	2	16,864	W1MX
Boiled Owls	4	16,593	K2LE/1
Buffalo Area DX Club	2	9,787	K2ZL
North Texas DX Club	1	5,145	W5GN

PLEASE QSY ONWARD FOR MORE RESULTS...

NCCC 1978 SWEEPSTAKES, CW TOTALS

<u>CALL</u>	<u>QSO</u>	<u>MULT.</u>	<u>CALL</u>	<u>QSO</u>	<u>MULT.</u>	<u>CALL</u>	<u>QSO</u>	<u>MULT.</u>
N6BT.....	1149	75	N6RZ (+WA60CV, AA6T)			W6BB (N6KL) (A)....	340	64
WA7NIN (N6SF).....	1122	74		817	75	K6AO.....	203	74
N6RO.....	1143	72	W6YKM.....	817	73	W6LH.....	267	55
W6XR.....	1093	75	W6YX (M/O).....	804	74	KB6DU (A).....	203	61
W6JZU (W1ARR).....	1078	75	AA6DX.....	806	73	WA6ITV (A).....	221	51
N6TU.....	1075	75	W6TPH.....	779	73			
N6TV.....	1068	75	N6VV.....	730	75	Others known active: K6CSL, WD6-		
N6BV.....	1065	74	K6ZM (+WA6DGX).....	730	72	CGS, N6JV, N6JM, W6KZJ, AA6KB, N6-		
N6SF (WB6DSV).....	1080	72	WB6RIU.....	725	70	OP, K6PJY, K6SG, W6WB, K6XV, K6BR,		
W6BH (WA6VEF).....	1019	75	AA6G (+WD6AGJ).....	709	75	WB6FCR, K6MA.		
N6DA (WB6SHD).....	1010	75	WA6DIL.....	739	71			
N6IG.....	1035	73	N6NE (A).....	666*	75	<u>OTHER SCORES</u>		
K6XO.....	930	75	W6XX (40m. only !)	659	72	VE5DX.....	1250	75
N6CN.....	925	75	AI6V.....	632	72	W2GD.....	1238	74
WB6ION.....	919	73	AA6UO (A).....	600	74	K3UA.....	1204	75
K6HIH (+K6AUC).....	957	72	K6FB.....	552	75	K3LR.....	1215	73
K6AYA (+WA6OEC).....	858	74	K6KLY (WA6HJV).....	601	67	K1GQ.....	1204	74
N6TA (+N6KT, VQ)....	846	74	WD6EPV (+WB6CBJ)....	485	68			
W6YL (WA6HCI).....	850	73	N6CQ (A).....	565	75	(A) indicates low power entry		
N6XI (A).....	830	75	K6DC.....	401	72	* indicates duped total		
K6RU.....	811	74	N6HT (A).....	450	67	(M/O) denotes multi-op entry		
W6BIP (+WA6DJI)....	800*	75	AA6GM.....	393	63	Unless otherwise indicated, en-		
N6KB.....	817	75	N6QW (A).....	358	67	tries are high power (B).		
						TOTAL = 5,505,500 points		

NCCC NET QNI

80m.) 4) K6XO, WB6SHD; 3) N6TU, N6NE, W6BB (N6IG); 2) K6HIH, N6DA, KB6DU, WB6FCR, WA7NIN, N6PO/mm2, N6RO, AI6V, N6XI; 1) WA6MFJ, N6BT, WB6CBJ, WD6CHF, N6CQ, WD6DBM, WB6DFX, WD6EPV, WB6ION, N6QW, N6TA, N6RZ, N6VR, N7KR, WA7UWE, W9mamana.

Held each Tuesday (Local) at 1930 (PST) on 3.815 Mhz. All are welcome.

2m.) 3) N6XI, WA6VEF, N6IG; 2) WB6CBJ/KH4, AA6UO, WD6EPV, WB6DSV, N6AMG; 1) N6TU, W1ARR, K6KLY, N6RO, N6NE, WB6SHD, W9mamana.

Held each Wednesday (Local) at 1930 (PST) on WR6-ADM, 147.84/.24. All are welcome.

MINI-CONTESTS

Oct. 24. Sweepstakes format. 10 minutes each, cw and ssb. Score QSO's x multipliers (Sections)

- FIRST PLACE - WA7NIN (171)
- SECOND PLACE - W6BB*A*(152)
- THIRD PLACE - N6TU (120)

WB6SHD*A*(119), K6HIH (112), K6XO (104), WD6EPV*A*(100), WB6ION (80), N6RZ (40).

Nov. 4. Sweepstakes format. 5 minutes, cw. Score QSO's and multipliers (Sections)

- WB6SHD 22 (A) - FIRST PLACE - K6HIH 36 (B)
- N6NE 18 (A) - SECOND PLACE- N6DA 20 (B)
- W6NLZ 16 (A) - THIRD PLACE - K6XO 20 (B)

N6AMG 2 (A), W6YL 1 (A), N6XI 14 (A), N6TU 16 (B), AI6V 12 (B), WB6LPK 8 (B)

SS ISN'T OVER YET...

Congratulations to all who participated in what looks like the biggest cw SS effort ever from the NCCC. Since the test was just yesterday as of this writing, the scores aren't all to me yet, but it looks as if the bash left us with a first weekend total of well over six million points. With a cw score like that, our 15 million point goal is just around the corner. Bring your cw summary sheets to the November club meeting to help us with the score computation and to save yourself a little postage.

Please call your area coordinator or myself if we can be of assistance in getting you ready for the ssb weekend November 18th and 19th. I hope to work all of you on phone, and I'm looking forward to announcing a fourth consecutive club victory at the awards banquet in December.

Very 73, and good job, y'all!

Carl, AI6V (ex-WA6JUD)

MORE ROSTER UPDATES

cont'd...(WA6KEQ)

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RESULTS
 SEPTEMBER 1978 NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT

by Rusty Epps, N6SF/W6OAT

K6YK said it best, "Where were all the multipliers?" Wherever they were, John, they sure weren't north of the border. Indeed, the absence of Canadians was most evident. VE3 was the only section reasonably workable, although a few managed to snag VE2. If you got anything beyond that, you were keeping select company. South of the border had some peculiar absences this time as well, most noticeable being the entire eighth call district. West Virginia, as usual, was missed by almost everybody, but can you believe some folks actually missed Michigan! And if that's not bad enough, if K8MR hadn't shown up for 225 Q's, lots of us would have missed Ohio! What's this world coming to? Beyond that, Maine was conspicuously absent in September after being quite plentiful last July. Delaware, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Alaska, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, North Dakota and South Dakota all were good catches if you happened to have snagged them.

Even with all the missing sections, there still was lots of activity. Ninety-four stations sent in logs this time, with 65 of them being distributed among the membership of the 11 pre-registered teams. Nine entries managed to crack the magic 10K mark this round, down two from July. But a whopping 45 entries topped the 200 QSO mark, something only 31 could do last time. QSO champ this time was Tom, N6BT, who regained his title with an impressive 286 (that 71.5 per hour!), just squeaking past K3UA's July mark of 285. Tom, K1KI, held onto his unquestioned dominance of the multiplier heap with 54. That's down 4 from his July record of 58, but not a bad showing when you consider his closest competition was Andy, N2NT, at only 48.

If you'll do a quick scan of the top ten, you'll no doubt realize that they are out to form a real exclusive club, and outsiders don't seem particularly welcome! Eight of this round's Ten'ers have staked out territory there at least once before, and three of them are claiming homesteads. Andy, N2NT, has seen a steady climb from 7th to 4th to the big #1 this time. Phil, K3UA, has had his ups and downs -- 5th to 1st to 4th, while Tom, N6BT, inverts that curve with his downs and ups -- 1st to 7th to 6th. Others to note are N6AA and W2GD who, respectively, retained their holds on 2nd and 3rd spots, K1KI who moved up from 8th to 5th, N6RO who went from 9th to 7th, and the only one to slide but still stay in the group, W7KW who dropped from 5th to 8th.

One look at the team scores and you know why W2GD's got that big grin. John's group did it to us again this time -- only worse! Not content to enter two teams in July, he surpassed even our wildest expectations and came up with three this time: Independent Contesters #1, #2 and #3. And quite a showing those lads made, too. Take a look where they came in. IC #1 just stomped everybody, ending up 18K ahead of IC #2. IC #3, missing three entries, still plucked the 5th position. The Golden Gate Gassers took gas this time, falling to IC #2 by a mere 252 points, while elsewhere the Collegians were sticking it to NY's Order of Boiled Owls by a similarly hartbreaking margin of 271. Marky's Marauders held onto their 4th spot, even with their overall score dropping a bit from July. The Texas DX Society took a drop, too, but unfortunately for them, they didn't fare as well as Marky's -- their drop cost them two places in the standings. Other groups on the scene were the NCCC's Paper Club, the Buffalo Area DX Club, and the North Texas Contest Club. Welcome, all. Incidentally, to save you the math, here's how the team averages stacked up: IC #1 9,639; GGG 8,699; College 8,432; IC #3 8,116; IC #2 7,855; Marky's 7,557; Paper 6,870; TDXS 6,794; NTCC 5,145; BADXC 4,894; and Owls 4,148.

This write-up wouldn't be complete without recognition for those intrepid souls who trekked off to the hinterlands to guest op somewhere: W1MX by N0ND, W2RR by WA2AOG, K3CR by W3AS, K5RC by KA5CHW, K6BR by K6STI, N6SF by WB6DSV, W6YX by N7MH, WA7NIN by N6SF, W7KW by K7GM and W9YH by K9GL.

DEAR OLD AUNT TENNA

by JEAN



NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT: SELECTED RESULTS

Top Ten

CALL	SCORE	QSOs	MUL	20	40	80	ST	TEAM
N2NT	12,864	268	48	79	118	71	NY	IC 1
N6AA	12,012	273	44	119	97	57	CA	MARK
W2GD	11,264	256	44	58	118	80	NJ	IC 1
K3UA	11,008	256	43	40	114	102	PA	IC 1
K1KI	10,908	202	54	41	105	56	CT	IC 1
N6BT	10,868	286	38	112	124	50	CA	GGG
N6RO	10,160	254	40	106	99	49	CA	GGG
W7KW	10,122	241	42	62	81	98	AZ	MARK
K5ZD	10,062	258	39	64	118	76	TX	TDXS
K1GQ	9,963	243	41	68	127	48	NH	IC 1

Six-land Scores

K6CSL	Bert	CA	26	7	182
W6CF	Jim	CA	70	22	1,540
N6CJ	Pete	CA	97	28	2,716
N6ZZ	Phil	CA	117	30	3,510
WB6AKR	Bill	CA	115	33	3,795
AA6DX	Mark	CA	156	34	5,304
K6BR	Brian	CA	188	33	6,204
N6CQ	Bill	CA	190	33	6,270
K6RU	Ron	CA	174	37	6,438
N6KB	Bob	CA	184	35	6,440
N6XI	Rick	CA	202	44	6,666
K6YK	John	CA	186	36	6,696
N6NE	Bob	CA	180	38	7,220
K6XO	Alan	CA	183	40	7,320
K6SE	Earl	CA	194	38	7,372
WA6VEF	Gary	CA	209	37	7,733
W6YX	Mike	CA	235	36	8,460
N6SF	Geo	CA	233	38	8,854
N6TU	Bruce	CA	212	43	9,116
N6TR	Tree	CA	268	36	9,648
N6RO	Ken	CA	254	40	10,160
N6BT	Tom	CA	286	38	10,868
N6AA	Dick	CA	273	44	12,012

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