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**Next General Meeting: - 3:30pm - Saturday August 26  
ARRL New England Division Convention - Boxborough, MA**

## Captain's Cabin

Mark Pride, K1RX      [mpride@us.ibm.com](mailto:mpride@us.ibm.com)

Someone recently said, as you get older, time tends to just fly by, faster and faster – this summer for me went at warp speed and I can not believe it is the end of August. I am sure you managed to get all your antenna work completed and the new station setup is all ready for the 2006/07 Contest Season! Wish I could say that! But, hey, it's been pretty hot (and wet) this summer – so that's my excuse!

How do I tell the YCCC general membership that your effort really paid off this year in the two contest's we target to win each year? Results are out and the news is fantastic for all of us! YCCC WINS BOTH CQ WW 2005 and ARRL DX 2006 Contests with a comfortable margin – THANKS to all the made the effort and there were a lot of you – big efforts, top scoring in the section and low power and QRP – all came together to pull off the return to the TOP of the Unlimited Club Category! Folks, it does not get any better than that! But more important is that we had FUN and we achieved the various goals we set for ourselves (or tried to). Can we do it again – Absolutely! Are you ready to have some more fun radio weekends?

Besides that huge news items, some other exciting things have happened in the last few months – Two new DXCC entities to chase and some pretty wild contest conditions this summer with the VHF/UHF end of the spectrum too. I played in the June VHF contest and who knew you could work 400+ in 4 hours using a 100 watts and a 5 el. Yagi on 6 meters? Field Day – our local club managed to get the contesting juices flying for a lot of new or inexperienced ops – and they want more! By only telling the new ops, just have fun and keep pushing this button – we ended up with nearly 6000 Q's running 5A. How did your respective groups do this Field Day? Find any promising young contesters to join our little group?

Hey, we have a lot to celebrate and to share with your fellow members! Come to the ARRL New England Division Convention on August 25, 26, and 27 and share the joy! Our meeting promises to be a good one but only after the great series of contest topics for the new amateur which commences at 1 PM on Saturday, August 26. A number of members have stepped up to help share our knowledge and to excite the crowd with RadioSport talk. Please make it a point to invite a friend and then stay with them during the Contest presentations and hopefully, they will see the light and join the YCCC that afternoon. At the end of the business and entertainment portion of the meeting, the YCCC Scholarship raffle drawing will be conducted. You do have to be an active member to purchase a raffle ticket(s) – realize it is all going for a fantastic cause! We have established ourselves as a great provider to the local region for those seeking a higher education. Consider the universal flow!

See you all in Boxboro and THANKS for helping us all reach the TOP this past season!

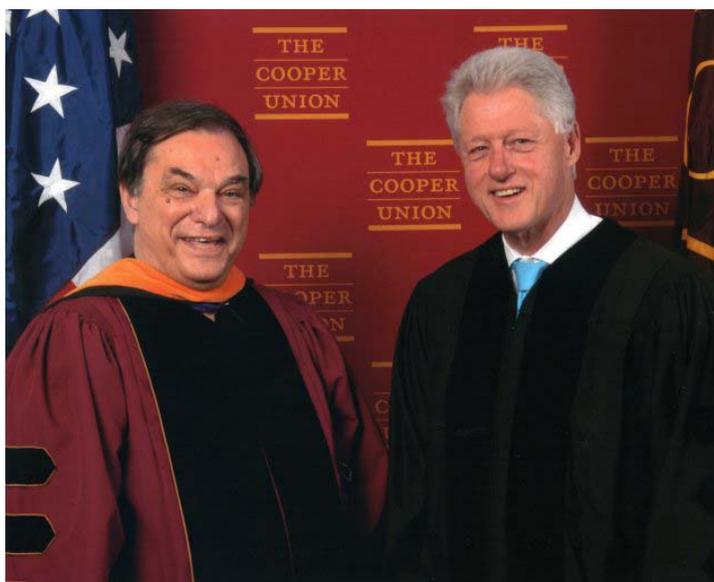
73, Mark, K1RX

### YCCC Wins 2005 CQWW & 2006 ARRL DX Unlimited Category Competition

2005 CQWW DX		2006 ARRL DX		
Club	Total	Club	Total	Entries
YCCC	291,818,776	YCCC	196,375,278	205
FRC	270,969,017	FRC	174,089,834	131
PVRC	145,414,737	PVRC	122,282,505	171

## Yankee Clipper Contest Club

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# Flotsam & Jetsam

Barnacle Jack Schuster, WIWEF [w1wef@arri.net](mailto:w1wef@arri.net)

Ahoy Maties!

A lot of water has gone under the dam, and a lot over the dams as well in YCCC territory this season. I'm writing in the August heat wave with some records being broken or matching 1975 record temperatures set before manmade global warming was invented!

WRTC is behind us and YCCC was well represented. Congrats to all who competed and made the trip. Although signals from the competitors in Brazil were uncanningly equal in signal strength, as many have said, I wonder if that was only true of the signals I heard...were there others that I couldn't hear at all?

Barnacle Jack has been playing musical radios the past couple months. Prior to Dayton, I had my heart set on a new IC7000, so I sold my TS570D and 706MarkIIG, in anticipation of picking up a 7000 in Dayton. I liked those radios, but expected the 7000 would be a good replacement for both. I bought the 7000 and put it in the car to replace the 706. It fits in the same bracket, but uses a different power connector, so I cut off the 706 connector and replaced it with one from Quicksilver Products. It didn't take long with the poor condx and weak signals of late to notice that this radio was different than any I ever owned before. There were "Rice Crispies" in the noise floor...Snaps, Crackles and Pops (aka "digital artifacts"). I had a hard time copying signals that I felt I would have been able to read with a 706. I had owned four 706's since they came out, used them every day in the car, and had a good feel for what they could do.

Of course I wondered if it was something wrong with MY radio, or if it was cockpit trouble. I had subscribed to the 7000 Reflector, and had ignored most of what I saw there, but a guy by the name of Rob Sherwood happened to write about the same problem I was seeing. I exchanged a few emails with Rob, and he agreed 100% with what I was finding, and he too was a former 706 mobile CW user. Rob found this 7000 fault so objectionable that he sold his and got another 706MKIIG. (Rob is NC0B and is considered an authority on receiver performance...remember Sherwood filters and Drake improvements?).

Thanks to the generosity of Kurt Pauer, I borrowed his 7000 before I bought my own, and didn't notice any problems. I played with it in the shack, not in the car, and had good band condx at the time. The fact that I knew I already had my mind made up to get one, influenced my evaluation I'm sure. On strong signals, I found no problem. That said, there were a few other faults I discovered when I put mine in the car. I found the color display to be very nice in the right light, but in bright daylight in the car very poor. It helped to be looking directly at the display, and not from an angle.

I found that while being able to set AGC time constants sounded like a nice feature, the settings made no difference. While being able to set the filter skirts to "soft" or "steep", those settings made no difference. It was hard to believe that ICOM really made the radio with these neat sounding features that did nothing, but I never bothered to talk to the factory. The digital filtering seemed very good, with cutoffs better than any optional filters I ever had in any radio. You could easily change bandwidths, with no optional extras!

Although there were a lot of nice features, I decided the 7000 was not everything I had hoped it would be, and decided to sell it. I now have a brand new 706MkIIG in the car again, and here in the Cape shack I have another 570DG. Perhaps Rob Sherwood and I and a few other guys were having problems that might have been repairable at the factory. Many have said they really like the radio.

Whitey, K1VV is one of several IC7000 owners who didn't mention the same problems I had. Here's what he had to say: "We bought a new IC-7000 after a 706 MKII and a MKII G ....We had been using the 706s mobile/portable when we were out activating lighthouses in MA and RI over the last 3 years .... 49 of them to date .... Been to a lot of spots in both states that we never would have visited ... Many outstanding and beautiful ... There is hardly a lighthouse in a bad location ...We operate from a Ford Ranger pickup with 2 extra car batteries in parallel with the truck battery.... It gives us about four hours of operating before we have to run the engine to refresh the batteries....We found the receiver in the IC-7000 to be what you might call "different" than the 706... Not that you could say better but the phone audio seems more crisp or brilliant....Must be the digital signaling processing ....We use the voice and CW messaging extensively for calling CQ on phone and CW ."

Barnacle Jack just read a terrific book written by Dave Robbins, K1TTT, "Building a Super Station". If you download it at [lulu.com/k1ttt](http://lulu.com/k1ttt) on line, it's a real bargain at \$5. It's loaded with excellent photos documenting the years of effort Dave has put into his station. Dave passes along lots of useful tips and humor along the way, and includes some good technical articles on subjects like stacking and stubs. It's worth the price for the winter scenes alone ("Did I mention it snows in Peru") , excellent photography with over 250 photos in over 250 pages.

If you haven't visited the K1TTT web site, that too is full of excellent references and links. See you all in Boxboro!

73 Barnacle JACK WIWEF

[w1wef@arri.net](mailto:w1wef@arri.net) for your input!

# Raffle Prizes at Boxboro August 26

The prizes this year include the following:

Icom 756 Pro 3 with a Pelican travel case and the PS125 power supply  
Acom 1010 Amplifier  
Array Solutions - 3 stack Stackmatch and controller  
Bencher BY-1 Paddle  
MFJ-434B Digital Voice Keyer  
MFJ-259B Antenna Bridge  
Weller PSI-100 - Soldering system (for outdoor use)  
Heil PSQP-IC Quiet Phones & mic (noise cancelling)  
Heil Quite Phone - noise cancelling headset, great for CW operation  
ARRL- Handbook 2006 edition; Antenna Handbooks ; Operating Manual; Low Band DXer publications  
Radioware - "Tower Climbing Safety & Rescue", "HF Antennas for all Locations" publications  
K1NU - Computer Interface cables Yaesu and Icom

Raffle tickets are \$25 each and full details are at the YCCC web site and in the upcoming August Scuttlebutt. But don't wait for the meeting, purchase your tickets via a check or Paypal to K1EP.

[http://www.yccc.org/Articles/YouthScholarship/2006\\_Anouncement.htm](http://www.yccc.org/Articles/YouthScholarship/2006_Anouncement.htm)

This is a YCCC exclusive event where the membership solely supports a great scholarship program for a deserving local college bound student, however if we are unable to reach our target raffle ticket sales numbers, the officers reserve the right to open the fund raising project to other clubs in the area. Help us all be successful in this effort.

Reminder - bring an interested friend to the "Introduction to Radiosporting" program that kicks off at 1 PM on Saturday, August 26. And show them around the YCCC sponsored W1A Special Events stations adjacent to the Federal Room. We will have a table setup to show off some of the YCCC projects that our club designed and made easy to build by KK1L and K1NQ (both Ron and Dave will be on hand to answer any questions you may have or inquire about the future project line up).

## YCCC Youth Scholarship 2006 Raffle Ticket Order

Callsign \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets requested \_\_\_\_\_ at \$25 per ticket = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (enclosed)

Mail checks to: Ed Parish            Be sure to write your call on the check.  
9 Spoon Way  
North Reading, MA 01864

Send SASE \*only\* if you really want the ticket stub. If not, provide email address and I will send an email with your ticket stub number. Ticket stubs will be available at the meeting

Drawing held on August 26, 2006 , at conclusion of YCCC Boxboro Convention Meeting

# YCCC Youth Scholarship 2006 Annual Fund Raiser Details

Mark Pride, K1RX

The Raffle drawing that supports the YCCC Youth Scholarship Program is scheduled to be conducted at the end of the General Meeting in Boxboro, MA - ARRL New England & Hudson Division Convention. Meeting starts at 3:30 PM Saturday, August 26, 2006.

The YCCC continues to sponsor a highly valued [scholarship program](#), and we do this through our annual fund-raiser and raffle. Last year, we were able to ease the financial burden for college-bound Matthew M. Rozea, KC2IGE, with a scholarship in the amount of \$1,200. Here's some of what Matt had to say in appreciation of the scholarship award:

". . . This award is a great help for both me and my family in paying for the cost of my college education . . . It is both humbling and an honor to have been selected for this generous award . . . ham radio is more than chasing DX and collecting QSL cards . . . My first experience with Field Day quickly made me aware of the important and critical public service role we hams play . . . If there is nothing else I discover from this hobby, it will be the value ham radio plays in disaster and emergency situations . . . Again, I would like to extend my thanks to your group . . ."

Details of the YCCC Scholarship Program can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2006/05/30/103/?nc=1>

Supporting the scholarship fund is a great reason to get involved. But, having a chance to win some of amateur radio's hottest new gear is another darn good reason!

Scholarship raffle tickets this year are \$25 each (as in past years) and the prize list is very exciting, including two top prizes - an Acom 1010 HF Amplifier and an Icom 756 Pro III. The Acom 1010 Amplifier covers 160-10m and gives you a reliable 700 watts on all bands. It's unique design includes Acom's True Resistance Indicator (TRI) technology which makes tune-up a snap. A whole host of protection features ensure that the amplifier always operates under safe conditions. This amp is perfect for home and/or DXpedition use. This Icom 756 Pro III is more than just a great radio. It is provided "good-to-go" for your next DXpedition as it comes with a custom Pelican shipping container and PS125 power supply. This is the same package that Icom currently makes available to the biggest DXpeditions. Additional prizes are being supplied by ARRL Publications, Array Solutions, Radioware, Heil, MFJ, Bencher and other well known amateur radio equipment manufacturers.

Although we encourage each of you to try to make this meeting, you do not have to be there to win the top prizes (Icom 756 Pro III and Acom 1010, raffled off separately). All prizes other than the 756 Pro III and the Acom 1010 must be claimed at the time of the drawing on a first come, first serve basis. You can buy as many raffle tickets as you like; there are no discounts. You will have to be a member in good standing with the YCCC prior to receiving your raffle ticket(s).

Raffle tickets can be purchased by check or PayPal:

CHECK:

Make payable to: "YCCC" or "Yankee Clipper Contest Club"

Be sure to write your call on the check.

Mail checks to: Ed Parish  
9 Spoon Way  
North Reading, MA 01864

PAYPAL: Accepted only if it is CASH, no credit or debit cards

Direct PayPal payments to: [yccc-paypal AT yccc.org](mailto:yccc-paypal@yccc.org)

Send SASE \*only\* if you really want the ticket stub. If not, provide email address and I will send an email with your ticket stub number. Ticket stubs will be available at the meeting.

Looking for a tax deduction? Make a straight donation to the YCCC Scholarship Fund and you can deduct your contribution. YCCC is an approved non-profit for these purposes. Sorry, raffle tickets are not tax deductible because you are receiving something of value - a chance to win.

# Western Mass Meeting Minutes

## July 29, 2006

A regional meeting/picnic for the Yankee Clipper Contest Club was held on July 29, 2006 at the station of Dave Robbins, K1TTT in Peru, Massachusetts. The picnic started officially at noon. A brief business meeting began at approximately 1:30 p.m. to vote on three new member applications.

Tom Wagner, N1MM, was on hand to demonstrate the N1MM Contest Logger. Dave continues as an active member of the N1MM Contest Logger Software development team. His multi-multi station uses this software for all major contests. Tom gave an overview of the software operation and then demonstrated its operation in the IOTA Contest. Several of the group gave the software and station a test drive.

A tour of towers and antennas was conducted after the business meeting. During the tour discussions of construction techniques, grounding, stack design and switching were conducted.

Dave's new deck is a great place to hold a cookout and view the extensive antenna farm. There were plenty of burgers, hot dogs and brats from the grill and lots of other good food.

Our goal to attract new members was successful. Three new members were voted into membership. The new members are: K1SFA, Khrystyne Keane; WS1V, Clinton Spaar (a returning member) and KD1EU, Donald Casella. Completed application and dues will be forwarded to the secretary and treasurer.

This celebration also marked the first anniversary of the Berkshire Insulator Gallery.

Many attendees took pictures and some will be posted on [www.k1ttt.net](http://www.k1ttt.net)

There were twenty-three YCCC members and guests attending. The sign-in sheet will be forwarded to the Secretary.

Tom Homewood, W1TO  
Western Mass. Section Manger YCCC  
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## Movers and Shakers

<b>New Crew</b>	K1SFA, Khrystyne Keane WS1V, Clinton Spaar (a returning member) KD1EU, Donald Casella
<b>SK</b>	WE2F, John Naberezny (Former YCCC crew member)

# Intro to RadioSport

What is contesting?  
Why should I get involved?  
How do you get started?

Here's a chance to get the answers. Invite a friend!

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
1300	Overview of RadioSport in Amateur Radio	K1DG
1330	Planning and Evaluating Station Improvements How to build a basic station	
1345	Understanding Propagation	K1NU
1400	Chasing DX and associated awards Include overview of contest season, contest types	AD1C
1415	Honing operating skills	WA1Z
1430	Resources/Tools available	
1445	Logging and automation software overview	
1500	Competition Setting goals; choosing first contest	K5ZD & K1IR
1515	Wrap up	K1DG & K1RX
1530	YCCC General Meeting	K1RX
1700	End	

# Upcoming Contests

## August, 2006

SARTG WW RTTY Contest	0000Z-0800Z, Aug 19 1600Z-2400Z, Aug 19 0800Z-1600Z, Aug 20
Russian District Award Contest	1400Z, Aug 19 to 0800Z, Aug 20
<b>North American QSO Party, SSB</b>	<b>1800Z, Aug 19 to 0600Z, Aug 20</b>
New Jersey QSO Party	2000Z, Aug 19 to 0700Z, Aug 20 1300Z, Aug 20 to 0200Z, Aug 21
ALARA Contest	0600Z, Aug 26 to 1159Z, Aug 27
Hawaii QSO Party	0700Z, Aug 26 to 2200Z, Aug 27
Keyman's Club of Japan Contest	1200Z, Aug 26 to 1200Z, Aug 27
YO DX HF Contest	1200Z, Aug 26 to 1200Z, Aug 27
SCC RTTY Championship	1200Z, Aug 26 to 1159Z, Aug 27
Ohio QSO Party	1600Z, Aug 26 to 0400Z, Aug 27
SARL HF CW Contest	1300Z-1600Z, Aug 27

## September, 2006

Russian RTTY WW Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Sep 2
<b>WAE DX Contest, SSB</b>	<b>0000Z, Sep 9 to 2359Z, Sep 10</b>
ARRL September VHF QSO Party	1800Z, Sep 9 to 0300Z, Sep 11
<b>North American Sprint, CW</b>	<b>0000Z-0400Z, Sep 10</b>
Tennessee QSO Party	1800Z, Sep 10 to 0100Z, Sep 11
YLRL Howdy Days	1400Z, Sep 12 to 0200Z, Sep 14
Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW	1200Z, Sep 16 to 1200Z, Sep 17
South Carolina QSO Party	1300Z, Sep 16 to 2100Z, Sep 17
Washington State Salmon Run	1600Z, Sep 16 to 0700Z, Sep 17 1600Z-2400Z, Sep 17
<b>North American Sprint, SSB</b>	<b>0000Z-0400Z, Sep 17</b>
<b>CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY</b>	<b>0000Z, Sep 23 to 2400Z, Sep 24</b>
Texas QSO Party	1400Z, Sep 23 to 0200Z, Sep 24 1400Z-2000Z, Sep 24
CIS DX Contest	1200Z, Sep 30 to 1200Z, Oct 1
Arkansas QSO Party	1600Z, Sep 30 to 0600Z, Oct 1 1800Z, Oct 1 to 0200Z, Oct 2

## Arboreal Antenna Hints

Ron Rossi, KK1L

Here are a trio web sites I found which may be of interest to those tree-hanger hams.

The first is a web version of a tree climbing safety DVD.

It is quite good and has some great tidbits for the tower climber and ground crew.

[http://www.isa-arbor.net/publications/TreeWorkerSafety/Tree\\_Worker\\_Safety\\_content.html](http://www.isa-arbor.net/publications/TreeWorkerSafety/Tree_Worker_Safety_content.html)

The second web site is a great visual aid for tying all kinds of knots with descriptions of their use, pluses and minuses.

<http://www.animatedknots.com/>

Last, but not least, this is the best description of how to put a pulley in a tree that I have yet seen!!

<http://www.wesspur.com/Info/friction-saver-installation.html>

## YCCC CLUB RESOURCE INFORMATION

**DUES AND MEMBERSHIP STUFF** Dues are payable as of the April election meeting, which begins our club "contest year". The YCCC has adopted a multi-tiered membership format as follows: Please note that payment of dues IS NOT a prerequisite for contributing scores to the Club aggregate, but IS for the various YCCC Awards Programs

**Full Member** - \$20 (Eligible for YCCC awards programs and paper delivery of Club newsletter)

**Full Member** - \$15 (Eligible for YCCC awards programs and electronic "Ebutt" delivery of Club newsletter)

**Family Member** - \$0 (Grants full membership to all amateurs residing at one domicile on payment of one member's "Full Member" annual dues and entitlement to one Club Newsletter sent to one domicile or email address. All members of said family are eligible for YCCC awards programs.)

**Student Member** - \$10 (Grants full membership to students at a reduced level. Eligible for YCCC awards programs and paper or electronic delivery of the Club Newsletter.)

**Subscription** - \$\*\* (A "friend of YCCC" - not a member but a possible candidate for future membership. Receives club newsletter only in paper or electronic form. Fee basis is \$20 for overseas paper delivery, \$15 for domestic paper delivery and \$10 for electronic "Ebutt" delivery domestically or overseas.)

Club members who move out of club territory and so are not eligible to contribute to club aggregate scores automatically become subscribers. New members who join at the February meeting are credited with dues for the year beginning the following April. You can tell if you owe dues by checking your 'Butt mailing label. **Mail your dues to the club treasurer, Ed Parish, K1EP, 9 Spoon Way, N. Reading, MA 01864**

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**CONTEST SCORES** should be sent to the club scorekeeper, Dave Hoaglin, K1HT, preferably by E-mail at [scores@yccc.org](mailto:scores@yccc.org). Please include details such as numbers of QSOs, QSO points (if appropriate), and multipliers (all types); entry category; and power.

### CLUB GOODIES

**BADGES** YCCC badges are available from Ric, KV1W. Send \$2, name and call desired on the badge, and your mailing address to: Ric Plummer - YCCC Badge, PO Box 1158, Berlin, MA 01503-2158.

**APPAREL** Contact Bob Rogers [KB1LN@yahoo.com](mailto:KB1LN@yahoo.com)

**YCCC LOGO ITEMS** <http://www.cafepress.com/n1ik>

**QSL CARDS** are ordered through Burt Eldridge, W1ZS. To order, send Burt an email at [eldr@adelphia.net](mailto:eldr@adelphia.net), detailing card information per "QSL Request" form available at [http://www.yccc.org/members/yccc\\_qsl.htm](http://www.yccc.org/members/yccc_qsl.htm). You will receive a proof by email. Approve the proof, making any corrections, and return to Burt *with payment* (make checks out to Burt, not YCCC). Current price is \$35 (delivered) for 1,000 cards.

**MEMBERSHIP ROSTER** is posed on the YCCC website. Updates are published in 'Movers and Shakers' when members move or change call signs.

**COMPUTER STUFF INTERNET REFLECTOR** There is an Internet mailing list for YCCC members. To subscribe, send mail to [yccc-request@yccc.org](mailto:yccc-request@yccc.org). Include the word "subscribe" in the body of the mail message. (Do not send messages to the reflector that have file attachments, HTML formatting, use boldface or other fancy fonts, etc.)

**WWW HOME PAGE** Come visit us at <http://www.yccc.org> Our Webmaster is Mike Gilmer, N2MG.

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**Upcoming Meetings**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Place</b>
August 26 <sup>th</sup>	General	NE Div Conv Boxboro, MA

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**Next General Meeting of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club****Saturday Aug 26, 2006 - 3:30PM****Federal Room, Boxboro Holiday Inn, Junction Rte 111 & I-495****ARRL New England Division Convention - Boxboro MA**

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