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**Next Meeting- October 6<sup>th</sup> – 1pm till 5pm.....  
Sturbridge Host Hotel, Sturbridge, MA**

**It's Time To *CELEBRATE!!***

**Tony Brock-Fisher, K1KP**

By now it is no secret that YCCC, in addition to winning the 2012 ARRL DX contest, also won the CQWW DX contest for 2011! In spite of Snowtober's Halloween Blackouts, YCCC rolled over all US Competition to win the US Unlimited Club Category with a whopping 21% margin! Our score was also higher than European Powerhaus Bavarian Contest Club! Here's what Bob Cox had to say in the Results writeup in September, 2012 CQ:

*"For 2011, the world's top club score was the Yankee Clipper Contest Club with nearly a half billion points".*

That's **billion** with a '**B**', folks!

Although there is no official World Club Unlimited category, if there was, we would have won it! Can you imagine what our score would have been if it most of YCCC stations had not been taken off the air for a large portion of the SSB contest due to the freak early snowstorm that caused havoc with antennas and commercial power? The *Propagation* column of the same issue of CQ show that the numbers are even higher than last year, so we might get a chance to see even higher scores this year. It's going to be a contest season you won't want to miss! Short of a DeLorean to take you back to 1958, this could be the best conditions of a lifetime!

In other news, the quiet email recruiting drive over the summer netted YCCC 10 new members voted in at the Boxboro meeting. We hope to see these new faces at the upcoming General Meeting in Sturbridge on October 6<sup>th</sup>, as well as their callsigns on logs submitted this fall. If you see a new face at the meeting, please introduce yourself and welcome them aboard! As we approach the first major contest of the season, please use the reflector to find operators if you have empty chairs, or chairs if you need a place to operate!

We are planning a great program for the October meeting, and the theme is celebration of our victories, and recognition of the efforts and accomplishments of you, the members, who made them possible. We will have the new Awards Program in full swing for the first time this fall, and expect to give out trinkets and swag in recognition of all categories of the program, which includes Participation, Improvement, and Achievement. By now you should have seen emails on the reflector, publicizing the list of winners in each category. Please understand that we are semi-automated at this point, being able to glean most of the winners from the electronic data from the contest sponsors. Some of this data is not easy to process, especially the numbers for operators and station owners of multi-op entries. Please bear with us and give us your assistance as we work to sort out these issues manually. We will have all the data available at the meeting and should be able to work out any last minute details. We will also get a propagation update from Chuck, W1HIS.

I'd also like to bring back another friendly activity, the YCCC back-of-the-room swapfest. If like myself, you have ended up with some surplus equipment (of the portable variety), feel free to bring it along and we'll see if any other members have use for it. Items should be marked with an asking price and the seller's callsign. Please don't bring anything you can't carry into the meeting room!

In closing, my call to action is: **Let's get ready to repeat!!** Now is the time to finish up that lingering antenna work, and start planning for the contest season. What, you don't make detailed plans? Remember, failing to plan is planning to fail!

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## Directions to Sturbridge Host Hotel

Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center is located on Route 20.

- From the North, East and West, take the Massachusetts Turnpike (Interstate 90) to Exit 9, Route 20 West.

- From the South, take either Interstate 84 or Route 131 to Route 20 West.

Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center is located on the shore of Cedar Lake, just past the first set of traffic lights.



## YCCC Cluster RF Network Trivia

Dick, KB1H recently retired the last RF port which had been active since 1987. Surprising thing was that in this age of the ubiquitous internet, he still had one RF user.

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# Yankee Clipper Contest Club Meeting Minutes

## Boxboro, MA August 25, 2012

Vice President Dennis W1UE called the meeting of the YCCC to order at 1:15 pm.

Dennis then asked for a roll call of the members, prospective members and guests which was followed by the Treasurers report by Chet N8RA, a motion was made by K1XM and Seconded by Jerry K0TV to accept the report which carried.

Next Brian NJ1F gave the Secretary's report and a motion was made by K1XM to accept the report and was seconded by KB1W the motion carried.

Next Dennis W1UE asked if there was any old Business There was none.

W1UE then went on to New Business which was adding the YCCC Hall of Fame award to the clubs By-Laws. A motion was made to add the new bylaw as published in the Butt and discussed previously by K1XM and was seconded by K0TV. Dennis then asked if there was a super quorum of members where present. Brian NJ1F confirmed that there was. Dennis proceeded with a vote of those present. The creation of the YCCC Hall of Fame passed unanimously.

Dennis then gave an update on the various YCCC club projects. The SO2R box is still very popular and they are planning another run. The K1XM MOS Antenna Switch is wrapping up development and looking for a software writer to finish it up. The W1FV Circle Array receive antenna project is on hold. The YCCC band pass filter project there has been several asking for another run of this project which may happen in the future.

Next Dennis announced that this year's YCCC Scholarship recipient was the clubs own W1MAT who will be attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a thank you letter that Matt had sent the club was displayed.

Dennis then announced that in the ARRL 2012 DX contest he had been notified that the YCCC had club score of 245 Million and the FRC had 215 Million. The YCCC wins again! Thank you to the members who got on the air and submitted a score.

Dennis then introduced Alec W2JU who gave a report on the scores and some interesting facts and statistics. Alec pointed out that the YCCC average reduction to a members score is 3.21 percent and the FRC's is 4.05 percent. Alec also pointed out that in CQWW the YCCC had 7 members whose logs were "GOLDEN" having no errors. George W1ZT had the highest Golden Log score of 2.6 million points in CQWW CW. 2011. Congrats!

Dennis then announced a 15 minute break.

The meeting was again called to order by Dennis who introduced Doug K1DG who gave a presentation on the WRTC 2014. The presentation included a history of the event, how it has evolved and what WRTC 2014 is looking to accomplish here in New England.

Some highlights from the presentation:

There will be 59 two operator teams from around the world.

8 of the teams are made up as follows, the winners from the last WRTC, A youth team, two wildcard teams, four sponsored teams at \$50,000 a team.

Doug then told the group that many YCCC members helped out with a test run of 13 WRTC stations during this year's IARU contest. Next year they hope to have 25 or more stations setup and active. WRTC 2014 is a large undertaking and can use more volunteers, if you are interested contact Doug at [K1DG@wrtc2014.org](mailto:K1DG@wrtc2014.org)

Dennis then introduced the 9 new and returning members and a vote was taken to welcome them aboard.

Dennis then gave a presentation on his homebrew triplexer project and the results he was able achieve.

Dennis then conducted the door prize raffle for the ARRL Handbook, Bottle of Wine and ARRL Antenna Book.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by K1XM and Seconded by WA1ZAM the motion carried at 3:50pm.

Submitted  
Brian NJ1F  
YCCC Secretary

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# A Galvanizing Experience

Steve Rodowicz – NISR

It all started when a new ham friend of mine acquired a Rohn Fold-Over tower and about 70 ft of additional that had been standing for over 30 years. The surface of the tower sections varied from essentially no rust, to a couple of sections with almost a complete coating of light surface rust, with little of the original galvanizing remaining. After looking more closely we could detect no damage, but without treatment the sections would certainly not get better over the years. The possible choices, Paint, so-called “cold galvanize” (actually Zinc rich paint) or hot-dip galvanized (just like Rohn). Since the Zinc-Rich paint (ZRC and similar) would require extensive cleaning and result in only a 1.5mil protective coat, whereas the hot-dip galvanizing would include surface preparation and result in a 3mil (minimum) metallurgical bonded coating which according to the American Galvanizer’s Association <http://www.galvanizeit.org/> the could extend the life without additional maintenance (beyond inspections) for another 30 years or more vs use of paint which could require “touchup” in as little as 7 or 8 years, we decided to pool all of our sections and look for additional sections in order to meet a minimum “order size”.

So, we found a local galvanizer who had a tank large enough and put out a message on the YCCC reflector for others wishing to join us. Ultimately we collected a mixture of 35 Rohn 25 & 45 sections, 2 Cr-MO Masts plus a dozen or so miscellaneous pieces for a total of almost 2200lbs which easily meet the minimum lot size.



**Tower Sections – Before  
Ready to Go!**



**Tower Sections – After  
On the Way Home**



**2200 lbs of Freshly Hot-Dip Galvanized  
Tower Sections**

# Jack's Jack!

Ahoy maties! (Been a while since I said that!)

Thought this might be of use to someone since one member of our WRTC beam team hadn't seen it before, and there may be others. Having been tipped off in advance that it might be tough to separate the brand new Rohn 25 tower sections, I brought my tower jack that I've used for years...well not the one in the photo but I made a new one in ten minutes.



I drilled four mounting holes in an old scissors jack and mounted it on a 12 inch long piece of 2x8. There is about 7 inches clearance between "rungs" on Rohn 25, so as long as your jack collapses sufficiently, it works. If you don't have a spare scissors jack laying around, use the one in your car . It can do double duty. The rope between the two pieces of 2x8 is a good idea if you use it while up on a tower.



73 Barnacle JACK W1WEF

PS I was very happy that I volunteered for the Beam Team. We had great camaraderie and it was a good experience. I hope everyone volunteers to help out in some way in the future.



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## Another tip:

Remember back when rebuilding an automobile brake wheel cylinder was just part of doing the brake job on your car?



Well that same tool has another use; Deburring the inside diameter of new, or used Rohn Tower Sections prior to assembly. A smooth ID makes for an easy fit and using the Brake Hone. Chuck it into a variable speed drill, run it for 10 to 15 Seconds and you have a fully deburred (Available from auto parts stores and Harbor Freight for about \$10).

# The YCCC 2012 Fall Contest University

Date: October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Time: 6:30-10:30 pm  
Location: Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center  
Sturbridge Mass (see web for directions)

This will be the ONLY Contest University held this fall. We will have top contesters on hand as 'Professors' to share their tips, secrets, and words of wisdom on Contesting! Learn the winning strategies from the winners! This will also be a Local Meeting; New Members may apply for membership and join YCCC at this time. Newbie or Barnacle-encrusted, come one, come all and join us for a great evening of contest discussion!

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## YCCC Awards Program Preliminary Results

Working with electronic data supplied by the contest sponsors, the YCCC Awards Manager AI, KE1FO has generated the following lists of winners for the three categories of awards. Awards are given for scores in the four major contests, CQWW DX SSB & CW; and ARRL DX SSB & CW.

BEFORE you jump down to look for your callsign, please understand that at this time the process is only partially automated. **Operator and station owners from multi-operator entries have to be manually tracked and evaluated. If you were an operator or station owner at a multioperator entry and you do not see your call listed where you believe it should be, please contact AI KE1FO at ([ke1fo@arrl.net](mailto:ke1fo@arrl.net)) to check your eligibility.**

To receive an award, members must have their dues paid up to date. Awards will be given out at the upcoming October meeting. YCCC will not mail awards to winners; we prefer that you attend the meeting to receive your award, but we will give your awards to others at the meeting to bring to you.

### Participation Awards

A member will be eligible for a Participation Award upon submitting club score entries for any 4 of the major contests. If a member enters a score for all 4 majors in the same year, this award can be achieved in the first year. Entries are lifetime cumulative, and once a member has entered 4 scores they are eligible for the award no matter how many years it took them to achieve. This is to provide for operators who choose to only operate a single mode. The member will receive only one award for the first achievement of the award.

### Improvement Awards

Eligibility for Improvement Recognition will be determined on a year over year basis. To determine improvement, a member's combined SSB and CW score for the current year for either CQWW or ARRL DX, will be compared to the same score for the previous year. To be eligible for an "improvement" award, you must have contributed an official score of at least 50K for the same contest the previous year. Improvement awards would be based on official published results using the following scale:

Previous Year's Score	Improvement Eligibility
50k-100k	100%
100-250k	50%
250k-1meg	25%
1meg-2meg	15%
2meg +	5%

### Achievement Awards

Each member's total contribution to the club score for the year will be totaled. There will be awards for 250K, 500K, 1 Meg, and 2 Meg or over total points contributed to the club in the contesting year. The awards for Achievement will be color-coded YCCC pins. The color coding will be as follows:

250K <b>Green</b>	2Meg Yellow
500K <b>Red</b>	5Meg Silver
1Meg <b>Blue</b>	10Meg Gold

## Achievement Award (141 recipients)

Note: This List shows Multi-op entries only as the total score by callsign used.

Call	Score	Category	Call	Score	Category	Call	Score	Category
K1WHS	255698	250k+	W1NG	1262598	1meg+	N2GC	6308720	5meg+
N1MGO	275720	250k+	N1API	1279086	1meg+	K1EO	6371244	5meg+
K1BV	278250	250k+	W1MAW	1292786	1meg+	W1JQ	6570580	5meg+
KS2G	309048	250k+	W1ZS	1309210	1meg+	W1EBI	6881244	5meg+
N1SNB	316930	250k+	N1DC	1475136	1meg+	W1ZT	6912030	5meg+
KG1D	350980	250k+	AA1ON	1547288	1meg+	N4BAA	7104458	5meg+
N1ITT	383488	250k+	W1TO	1575924	1meg+	AA1V	7259016	5meg+
W1MSW	389988	250k+	N1TM	1582234	1meg+	N1IW	7375356	5meg+
N2MUN	399330	250k+	K1VSJ	1598848	1meg+	W1RM	7408368	5meg+
K1KI	413100	250k+	K1NU	1663320	1meg+	W1CSM	7496126	5meg+
W1AIR	416640	250k+	K1LU	1674522	1meg+	KB1W	7532802	5meg+
N1JW	417708	250k+	W1AO	1748032	1meg+	K1RU	7834762	5meg+
W1TR	428786	250k+	K1VTR	1778532	1meg+	6V7V	8456766	5meg+
K1KXN	431476	250k+	NA2M	1859410	1meg+	W2JU	8573740	5meg+
W1UK	436492	250k+	K2RS	1943602	1meg+	K1BX	8813680	5meg+
WA1DRQ	439040	250k+	K1TH	2012880	2meg+	KG1E	9060576	5meg+
W1ZK	447332	250k+	K1GQ	2023770	2meg+	K1FWE	9411174	5meg+
WA1N	485286	250k+	WB1DX	2143232	2meg+	W1WEF	10817224	10meg+
NC2N	507174	500k+	K1JB	2223984	2meg+	W6PH	11249158	10meg+
K1QX	539910	500k+	KB1T	2256384	2meg+	K1ZZ	11317888	10meg+
NB1N	584430	500k+	W1FJ	2273860	2meg+	K1LI	12276724	10meg+
KV1J	607240	500k+	W1MA	2324040	2meg+	K1ZR	12842868	10meg+
W1KQ	618816	500k+	W1RZF	2377828	2meg+	WC1M	13207376	10meg+
NE1F	654704	500k+	NF1O	2382066	2meg+	N1DG	13846032	10meg+
AE1T	664110	500k+	W1NR	2521200	2meg+	K1AR	14620230	10meg+
N2YBB	684690	500k+	K1HT	2524132	2meg+	W3UA	14672150	10meg+
N2UN	701384	500k+	K1LD	2615124	2meg+	W1KM	15549416	10meg+
NI1L	704704	500k+	W2BC	2797312	2meg+	K2QMF	15779460	10meg+
NE1RD	705940	500k+	W1MAT	2879236	2meg+	N1UR	16469548	10meg+
N1YX	707444	500k+	KT1B	2890294	2meg+	N1EU	17118760	10meg+
K2MFY	725604	500k+	NE1B	2940612	2meg+	NN1N	18255152	10meg+
W1JR	736476	500k+	K2TE	3135814	2meg+	6Y9X	19566590	10meg+
N2FF	796118	500k+	FP/KV1J	3164630	2meg+	K8PO	19680046	10meg+
W1MK	805464	500k+	K1RV	3266898	2meg+	K1RX	22099692	10meg+
N1DD	901132	500k+	N1IX	3268186	2meg+	K1KP	22247420	10meg+
W1FM	918944	500k+	W1CTN	3429324	2meg+	K0TV	24329884	10meg+
K1RM	927960	500k+	KA1IOR	3561096	2meg+	K2LE	28165258	10meg+
AJ1E	941368	500k+	W1TM	3703722	2meg+	K5ZD	30348804	10meg+
AA1CA	972498	500k+	NT2A	3944240	2meg+	K1DG	39191082	10meg+
PJ7X	973566	500k+	KA2KON	3956942	2meg+	KB1H	40447280	10meg+
KD2RD	973830	500k+	N8RA	4086340	2meg+	VY2ZM	46857582	10meg+
W3SM	1046448	1meg+	W1HIS	4662702	2meg+	PJ4A	60345098	10meg+
NG7A	1067610	1meg+	KF2O	4859656	2meg+	K1LZ	67562274	10meg+
DM3CW	1082048	1meg+	KA2D	4886780	2meg+	W2PV	74913372	10meg+
WK1J	1125800	1meg+	W1QK	5015010	5meg+	KC1XX1	123976508	10meg+
NU3C	1169688	1meg+	N1MM	5226750	5meg+			
K2OAK	1215500	1meg+	W1EQ	5397300	5meg+			
K1TR	1245320	1meg+	VP9I	5616918	5meg+			

**ARRL-DX Improvement (45 recipients)**

Call	Score	Difference %	Award Category
K1LI	4493177	273.11%	1meg-2meg
N8RA	940505	85.29%	1meg-2meg
NF1O	160311	15.55%	1meg-2meg
NN1N	7443829	442.10%	1meg-2meg
W1EBI	1591125	86.03%	1meg-2meg
W1JQ	1440299	78.07%	1meg-2meg
W1WEF	3523340	186.89%	1meg-2meg
K1LU	700605	512.68%	200k-250k
NI1L	163682	86.76%	200k-250k
W1KM	7601728	4394.57%	200k-250k
W1TO	646989	458.95%	200k-250k
WA1DRQ	83620	61.53%	200k-250k
AA1CA	157713	48.00%	250k-1meg
K1HT	810680	179.60%	250k-1meg
K1RV	915969	127.66%	250k-1meg
K1TH	575007	133.28%	250k-1meg
K1TR	206710	49.70%	250k-1meg
K2RS	564944	138.86%	250k-1meg
KB1T	710058	169.82%	250k-1meg
KB1W	3158556	519.63%	250k-1meg
KT1B	846065	141.23%	250k-1meg
W1EQ	2060106	322.63%	250k-1meg
W1FJ	751937	195.31%	250k-1meg
W1HIS	1558746	201.75%	250k-1meg
W1MAT	847130	142.98%	250k-1meg
W1RM	3199674	634.21%	250k-1meg
W1TM	1020126	122.65%	250k-1meg
W2JU	3885734	968.68%	250k-1meg
WK1J	281845	100.28%	250k-1meg
AA1V	1368411	60.52%	2meg+
K1FWE	1904211	67.97%	2meg+
K1KP	8252767	287.46%	2meg+
K1LZ	27000717	398.22%	2meg+
K1RX	1126223	11.35%	2meg+
K1ZZ	3024329	114.79%	2meg+
K5ZD	5999823	65.40%	2meg+
KB1H	6592705	48.37%	2meg+
KC1XX	45597676	278.19%	2meg+
N1EU	4595246	115.92%	2meg+
N1IW	296598	8.75%	2meg+
N1UR	2099975	34.23%	2meg+
W1CSM	1064011	39.64%	2meg+
W3UA	4556965	163.97%	2meg+
NE1F	246385	304.30%	50k-100k
W1TR	130339	155.07%	50k-100k

**CQ-WW Improvement (48 recipients)**

Call	Score	Difference %	Award Category
K1ZR	6188925	2661.80%	100k-250k
K2OAK	435730	253.30%	100k-250k
NE1F	214256	189.45%	100k-250k
W1MSW	72976	59.81%	100k-250k
W1NR	1114894	765.17%	100k-250k
W1TO	642319	441.02%	100k-250k
W1ZS	473130	260.71%	100k-250k
WA1DRQ	94645	75.79%	100k-250k
K1EO	1199011	60.35%	1meg-2meg
K2QMF	6734699	583.08%	1meg-2meg
KA2D	644246	35.81%	1meg-2meg
KA2KON	826143	71.69%	1meg-2meg
KB1W	2107391	127.03%	1meg-2meg
N1IW	2363892	178.57%	1meg-2meg
N4BAA	1806667	103.50%	1meg-2meg
W1CTN	525748	44.22%	1meg-2meg
W1EQ	1359945	101.59%	1meg-2meg
W1JQ	1446748	78.69%	1meg-2meg
W2JU	3243187	310.74%	1meg-2meg
AJ1E	200448	74.18%	250k-1meg
FP/KV1J	752007	90.57%	250k-1meg
K1JB	331754	42.52%	250k-1meg
K1LU	393801	88.80%	250k-1meg
K1RV	809265	98.19%	250k-1meg
K1TH	528524	110.59%	250k-1meg
K1TR	357844	135.13%	250k-1meg
K1VSJ	228695	40.07%	250k-1meg
K2RS	491232	102.22%	250k-1meg
KB1T	277914	32.69%	250k-1meg
KT1B	582813	67.59%	250k-1meg
NF1O	486670	69.09%	250k-1meg
W1HIS	1600111	218.82%	250k-1meg
W1MAW	192944	42.55%	250k-1meg
W1RM	2787367	304.03%	250k-1meg
W1TM	1170873	171.94%	250k-1meg
WB1DX	524828	95.98%	250k-1meg
K1KP	5520200	98.51%	2meg+
K1LI	4090508	199.75%	2meg+
N1DG	2441145	54.47%	2meg+
N1EU	3645472	74.19%	2meg+
N1UR	2791045	51.27%	2meg+
NN1N	3448648	60.73%	2meg+
W1ZT	1173560	51.42%	2meg+
W6PH	2486403	79.23%	2meg+
KG1E	4452967	5759.07%	50k-100k
KS2G	103016	200.00%	50k-100k
NI1L	274538	352.81%	50k-100k
NU3C	504850	631.11%	50k-100k



**Participation Award Qualifiers(70 recipients) – (May include individuals who got a hat last year)**

AA1V 8	K1RX 8	KB1H 8	N1YX 5	W1MAT 6
AE1T 8	K1TH 7	KB1W 7	N2GC 7	W1MAW 7
AJ1E 7	K1TR 6	KC1XX 7	NF1O 8	W1MJ 6
K0TV 6	K1VSJ 8	KF2O 8	NI1L 5	W1NG 6
K1BV 6	K1WHS 6	KT1B 7	NN1N 7	W1QK 8
K1FWE 5	K1ZR 5	KV1J 6	W1CSM 7	W1RM 8
K1HT 7	K1ZZ 5	N1DC 5	W1CTN 7	W1RZF 8
K1JB 5	K2MFY 6	N1DG 6	W1EBI 8	W1TM 5
K1KI 5	K2RS 8	N1EU 8	W1EQ 5	W1TR 6
K1KP 8	K2TE 8	N1IMW 5	W1FM 8	W1UK 5
K1LD 7	K5ZD 7	N1IW 6	W1HIS 6	W1WEF 8
K1LZ 7	K8PO 5	N1PGA 5	W1JQ 8	W2JU 8
K1RM 8	KA1IOR 7	N1TM 8	W1JR 7	W3SM 5
K1RV 8	KA2KON 5	N1UR 8	W1KQ 6	W3UA 6

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YCCC MEETING SCHEDULE		
Day	Date	Location
Saturday	October 6, 2012	Kickoff for CQWW Tests Sturbridge, MA
Sunday	December 2, 2012	Holiday Banquet? Auburn, MA
Saturday	February 2, 2013	Full Meeting Enfield, CT
Saturday	April 6, 2013	Full Meeting + Elections Sturbridge, MA

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**Full Member** - \$20 (\$35/2 yr) (Eligible for YCCC awards programs and paper delivery of Club newsletter)

**Full Member** - \$15 (\$25/2 yr) (Eligible for YCCC awards programs and electronic "Ebutt" delivery of Club newsletter)

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**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, Chet Slabinski, N8RA, 462 W. Hill Rd, New Hartford, CT 06057.**

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## CLUB GOODIES

**BADGES** YCCC badges are available from Tony, K1KP. Send \$3, name and call desired on the badge, and your mailing address to Tony.

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