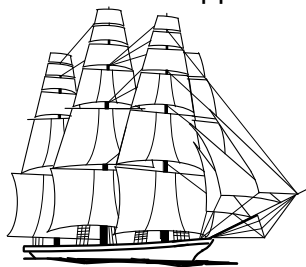


Yankee Clipper



Contest Club

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Captain's Cabin

Tom Frenaye, K1KI

Reports of the death of the YCCC are apparently not true! It must be a rumor spread on 75m SSB (or the Internet). At the April meeting we had a good debate about ways to motivate YCCC members so we might take that last step or two towards winning CQWW and the ARRL DX Contests. We can do it, we just don't want it bad enough - or at least we haven't until now.

Regardless of the pros and cons of the amendment offered at the last meeting, there were people who made some impassioned speeches and pleas for change within YCCC. It really sounded like we want to win!

We're beginning to accumulate some of the stepping stones that will put us back on top:

1995 ARRL DX Competition: 2nd place (very close though)

1995 CQ WPX Contest: 1st place

1995 ARRL Sweepstakes: 3rd place (unlimited club category)

1995 CQWW DX Contest: ? (in October CQ)

1995 ARRL 160m Contest: 1st place (medium club category)

1996 ARRL DX: Competition ? (in October QST)

Next time you look around the room at a YCCC meeting, think about how many different people it takes to run YCCC. Start with the three people you elected as club officers, add in nine Area Managers, SYSOPS for more than a dozen Packet-Cluster nodes, nine people on the YCCC Advisory Committee, another dozen or

more who run the YCCC-sponsored W1 QSL Bureau, those who are working on the YCCC Web page, keeping the YCCC Internet reflector running, the Scuttlebutt editor, those who serve on the ARRL and CQ Contest committees, the liaison to the ARRL, hosts for Contest Universities, the DXpedition coordinator, and no doubt I've forgotten a few! That's almost 25% of the club! And yet, there are still some jobs unfilled - we can do even more with your help.

With so much going on, it's a wonder we can squeeze in enough time to do station improvements, get on the air for a half-dozen major contests a year, and keep up with family and business responsibilities. That leads into one of the key issues that came out of the last club meeting, discussions on the YCCC Advisory Committee, and packet and e-mail exchanges I've had with a lot of people. We need to make some changes to our meetings.

We usually have one meeting at the ARRL New England Division Convention (Boxboro or Manchester, a summer picnic, and four meetings in Sturbridge. While Sturbridge is near the center of the club, there are only a handful of members within 25 miles of there! The largest populations of YCCC members are north and west of Boston (including SE New Hampshire) and Connecticut. That covers 75% of the club. Almost everyone travels from 30 minutes to two hours to get to the meetings, then we have a fairly full program with a short break about 2/3 of the way through (where 30% of us leave), and not enough time for new people to meet the veterans. There isn't enough time for ragchewing, bragging, debating and planning.

The consensus seems to be that we need to focus more on shorter programs that directly tie to station building and operat-

ing, that while central meetings are essential to the club as a whole, we need to have meetings closer to some of the YCCC population centers in a less formal atmosphere (pizza, beer, etc). The Contest Universities we've had in the past have served part of that purpose. There is no reason why we can't have more meetings. Most of the other contest clubs have monthly meetings, and most of them have the meetings during the week. Why don't we add some additional regional meetings during the year?

We had the first of what I hope will be several summer BBQ meetings at N6BV's QTH in early May. I'm hoping we'll have additional meetings in the Boston, Hartford and Westchester NY areas during July-August-September. Attendance at the August picnic meeting near Sturbridge has been sparse for many years so let's replace it with something better. The combination of central and regional meetings will give us the flexibility we need to have.

See you in Sturbridge on June 1st - bring a new member (or previous member) with you and let's start planning and working on those needed station improvements now while the weather is good. We have plenty of members, an abundance of operating talent, and better propagation than the competition - we should win most of the time!

This should arrive in your mailbox before the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 25-26) - please get on and make some points for YCCC! ☐

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The Yankee Clipper Contest Club (an ARRL affiliated club) holds six official meetings per year, on the first weekend of even months, in Sturbridge, MA. Attendance at an official meeting is required to become a member.

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For any club-related questions, contact your area manager or any officer.

YCCC Gets New Internet Address!

Randy Thompson, K5ZD

Thanks to Bill Fisher, KM9P, YCCC now sports its own domain name (yccc.org), a members-only reflector, and a full time worldwide web site. These are great resources for developing club spirit and camaraderie.

YCCC@YCCC.ORG

The YCCC reflector is intended for club member's only. Its purpose is to provide a private forum for discussion of contest, DX and club topics of interest to members. It is an unmoderated mailing list in that any messages you post are automatically forwarded to all list subscribers. Consider the list as a form of 'virtual' club meeting. Feel free to post your thoughts on past or upcoming contests, advertisements of equipment for sale, requests for antenna help, even personal announcements such as employment opportunities! The list is here to help club members communicate more effectively.

To subscribe, send an e-mail message to yccc-request@yccc.org with the words "subscribe yccc" in the body of the message. For a list of commands supported by the list, include the word "help" in the body of the message. Once you are subscribed, any messages you send to yccc@yccc.org are automatically forwarded.

<http://www.yccc.org>

The goal of the new YCCC worldwide web site is to provide a comprehensive on-line resource of contesting and DX information. With the wide variety of talent available within the club, we have the opportunity to create one of the premier amateur radio web sites in the world.

The web site is being administered by Randy Thompson, K5ZD, and Dave Robbins, KY1H. The basic organization of the site is being designed now. We are looking for member input and assistance on developing the content. You don't need to learn HTML, just find information and topics you would like to see covered and get it to Randy or Dave.

Here are some ideas of topics which could use 'volunteers' to help out with:

- Record scores from major contests
- Interesting www links
- Member station profiles
- Links to member personal web sites
- QSL bureau information
- Packet network details and news
- Web links to information on each DXCC country
- Contest and event calendar
- Area manager columns

More ideas are welcome. Check out what's there and lend a hand!

Your call @ contesting.com

Tired of people not being able to remember your e-mail address? Do you change your address often? Now there's a solution that's easy to remember? you can obtain <your call>@contesting.com as your address. You continue to handle e-mail as you normally do. But you can advertise the contesting.com address and mail sent to it will be instantly forwarded to you. Contact KM9P@contesting.com for details. □

CQ WPX SSB Claimed Scores

Tom Frenaye, K1KI, and Leonard Kay, KB2R
YCCC Scores in BOLD
 (Other East Coast scores from the Contest Reflector....
 thanks to Jim, WA4ZXA - '2R.)

YCCC SSB Total	42,670,383!
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YCCC Active but no totals reported:

AA1V	K1BV	K1HI	KA2CIW	KM1H
N1TMG	W1NG	WE1B	WA4VKD/1	

QRP

N1AFC	369,664	416/304
KA1CZF	135,044	215/196

Single Op HP All Band

VD3EJ	9,640,752	3151/912
KQ2M(@KY3N)	5,400,000	2202/818
KC1XX(AA1ND op)	5,180,000	2301/820
KM9P	5,027,022	2402/837
K3ZO	4,974,315	2173/795
NB1B(@W1KM)	4,246,407	1874/727
VO1MP	3,408,480	1682/648
K5ZD	3,340,620	1592/670
CG3CRC	3,273,452	1683/644
K2LE	373,842	448/322
K1AR	337,700	395/275
KF2O	297,296	368/272
N2UN	74,272	215/176
N1TZW	40,764	152/129
K2TE	14,196	70/ 66
W1BK	12,040	74/ 70
W1WEF/M	?	45/ ?
WR1X -	3,861	40/ 39
WA3TXR/1	?	40/ ?
WB2DND	a few	
NE1V	a few	
WA1HYN	a few	
K1XM	a few	
KQ1F	a few	

Single Op LP All Band

K1HTV	1,325,184	985/544
WS1A	1,045,657	782/479
WA4ZXA	671,841	669/447
K8JLF	158,603	261/199
K1VWL/BY1QH	119,686	325/164
KS4XG	113,528	242/184
N3BDA	94,864	211/154

Single Op All Band Assisted

N1NQD	571,725	512/363
N1OPZ	195,674	291/227
KD1GG	33,930	104/ 90

Multi-Single

VE6SV	6,033,529	2708/821
VC3SK	5,970,685	2372/805
KI1G(@K1NG)	5,800,000	2316/890
CY2A(@VE2ZP)	5,125,335	2124/761
VD9WH	4,322,880	2012/711
VE3RM	4,283,300	1901/725
K1KP	3,175,000	1695/735
(+K1JKS W1FJ WA1S KA1FMR +?)		
K3MD	1,843,776	1102/582
KC1F (+N1AU)	440,000	? / ?

Multi-Multi

WZ1R(@KY1H)	11,200,000	3911/1062
(+NE1V KM1P AA1AA KE6BER KY1H NJ1F WM1K WR2I WA1ZAM)		
WT1S(@K1MNS)	10,680,000	3640/1033
(+NX1H K1FWE K1BG K1RX)		
WM2C (@N6RO)	8,958,978	3861/959
VD6JY	7,919,121	3089/859
VD5RI	3,816,919	2411/631

Single Op All Band Tribander/Single Element (new)

N1CC	624,400	645/400
KF9YH	190,575	308/231
AA8SM	24,926	115/103

Band Breakdowns

Single Op All Band

	160	80	40	20	15	10	Score
KQ2M	0/ 0	484/283	134/ 33	1497/452	87/ 50	0/ 0	5,400,000
KM9P	0/ 0	305/129	212/ 84	1714/552	114/ 53	57/19	5,027,022
K3ZO	0/ 0	402/207	219/ 42	1476/511	53/ 28	23/ 7	4,974,315
K5ZD	42/ 32	203/112	125/ 59	1135/423	69/ 40	18/ 2	3,340,620
KI4HN	4/ 4	236/130	126/ 64	1178/470	91/ 53	38/11	3,060,492
K1HTV	59/ 42	53/ 46	71/ 33	650/371	123/ 55	29/ 7	1,319,744
WS1A	28/ 20	74/ 45	109/ 56	502/310	67/ 37	2/ 1	1,045,657
N1CC	0/ 0	0/ 0	24/ 8	563/353	58/ 39	0/ 0	624,400

Multi-Single

VC3SK	36/ 7	345/129	421/202	1526/449	44/ 18	0/ 0	5,970,685
KI1G	13/ 7	390/205	293/ 97	1402/498	132/ 66	37/ 8	5,866,665

Multi-Multi

WM2C	4/ 0	663/101	603/ 88	1694/565	789/187	108/18	8,958,978
VD6JY	95/ 7	400/ 77	751/218	1764/519	139/ 38	0/ 0	7,919,121
VD5RI	50/ 13	169/ 36	372/119	1790/451	30/ 12	0/ 0	3,816,919

The Meeting Debate.....

A lot of debate has gone on recently concerning whether or not we should change the present meeting schedule. Below are several ideas that have been tossed around, and a proposed bylaws change. Come to the June meeting prepared to vote!!

Three Proposed YCCC By-Law Changes

Tom Frenaye, K1KI

[Pursuant to the YCCC constitution, these proposals are hereby published to allow discussion and vote at the June meeting - Ed.]

Thanks to the members of the YCCC Advisory Committee (currently composed of nine YCCC ex-Presidents), nine Area Managers, and many others for suggestions on how to "kick start" the club and put us on our way towards bigger contest scores, better stations and more fun!

Three changes to the YCCC Bylaws are proposed - to allow more than six Regular meetings per year and to allow new members to join at Special meetings. This will give us more flexibility in scheduling the number of meetings per year and their locations. For eligibility to contribute towards the YCCC score in ARRL club competitions, members would still have to attend two meetings per year (CQ club competitions do not have attendance requirements).

If anyone wants a full copy of the YCCC Constitution and Bylaws, contact YCCC Secretary KQ1F. A copy will soon be posted on the YCCC Web page.

Current Bylaws:

2. MEMBERSHIP. New members shall be enrolled after attendance at a Regular meeting, presentation of an application to the club Secretary, and payment of dues.

3. MEETINGS. Regular meetings shall be held six times each calendar year on the first full weekend of every even month at such places as the President shall order pursuant to Article V of the Constitution. Specific meeting dates and/or places may be changed at

the discretion of the President to provide for scheduling flexibility.

3A. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the President upon request by an Area Coordinator. The agenda for such meetings shall be educational programs and contest forums. Attendance at at least one Regular meeting per year is required to maintain ARRL contest eligibility.

Proposed Bylaws:

2. MEMBERSHIP. New members shall be enrolled after attendance at a meeting, presentation of an application for membership, and payment of dues.

3. MEETINGS. Regular meetings shall be held at least six times each calendar year at such places as the President shall order pursuant to Article V of the Constitution.

3A. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the President upon request by an Area Coordinator. The agenda for such meetings shall be educational programs, contest forums and/or the enrollment of new members.

Comments

Frank Fallon, N2FF

For the time and effort they took on the proposal to add log submissions as a membership requirement to the YCCC constitution, we should give Tony, K1KP; Bill, N1AU; and Stu, KC1F, our thanks. A great deal of time and energy went into developing the document we read in the Scuttlebutt and then heard presented at the April meeting. The fact that the motion was defeated should in no way detract from their sincere concern to find ways to improve YCCC.

In putting forward the proposal they forced the memberships' collective nose into the problem, which was a good thing, but as most of us realized during the discussion, this was not going to be the solution and might well have caused even greater problems for YCCC. Regulations frequently cause problems the originators of bills or amendments never envisioned or intended. But many thanks, guys, for focusing YCCC on the problem.

As was pointed out in the discussion, no one else has yet come up with a proposal or a solution, and we all know that constant complaining is corrosive. So let's not go the route, please. Negative solutions are no solution. Stu seemed to go right to the core of the problem when he suggested that what YCCC needed was something which changes us from a collective of scores to a cohesive functioning group. When he mentioned small pizza meetings my mouth began to water and I could see myself driving all the way to Philadelphia for pizza, but I'm not sure they have good pizza there and my cardiologist long ago warned me off the cheese. But the thought of pizza and coke brought on an aura of adolescent enthusiasm that lasted for the entire three hour trip back to Long Island. I was getting close to an attack of acne by the time the drive was over and had sufficiently bored W2AX and N2UN that they suggested that I put my ideas in writing.

Obviously, no one change or improvement alone will solve the spirit/enthusiasm/involvement problems of YCCC or any club. With that in mind, I propose a step toward that goal and I am hopefully the April discussion will led to other proposals of a positive nature.

What YCCC needs are mini-meetings where pizza, beer, and soda can be consumed and lies told about how big the pileup was or for how many hours the 100 plus rate lasted. The goal of this proposal is to foster a cohesive club spirit rather than to make satisfying attendance requirement for log submission easier, but as with any proposal it could go awry and rather than affording an opportunity to network and bond, solve station problems, hone operating techniques, and improve contest scores; there is a possibility that it will enable club members to become fat slobs unable to fit behind operating position and raging alcoholics unable to stay alert for even a contest hour.

The specifics:

1. In addition to randomly scheduled "Contest Universities" there will be "mini-meetings" scheduled in each area in those months when there is no

Sturbridge meeting so that there will be at least six "mini-meetings" per year in each YCCC area.

2. "Mini-meetings" are to consist of five or more YCCC members and day, time, meeting place and format or agenda is to be determined by those members attending and the area captain.

3. If area activity and interest warrants "mini-meetings" may also be scheduled in months when there is a Sturbridge meeting.

4. YCCC members are encouraged to attend "mini-meetings" in areas other than their own home area. They are also encouraged to attend as many Sturbridge meetings as possible.

5. Attendance sign in sheets are to be used and forwarded within a month after the meeting to YCCC attendance chairperson.

6. All members must still attend at least one YCCC Sturbridge meeting per year and at least one of the following: a convention meeting in June/July at Manchester or Boxboro; a "Contest University;" or one "mini-meeting" in order to fulfill the required two meetings each year. □

Comments

Roger Corey, W1AX

[Excerpts from a letter to K1KI]

A. Meetings

1. Hold meetings in a room on one level where there is plenty of room to circulate, meet and get to know each other. Officers, major contesters and long time members should make it a point to seek out newer and less well-known members, develop friendships and motivate those who might otherwise view the club as an inanimate object. Tiered meeting rooms isolate attendees.

2. Leave slide shows and technical talks to the conventions and hamfests. I'd like to see meeting with one brief presentation, a long break to give members a chance to circulate and another brief presentation after the break. Have coffee and/or cold drinks if the club can afford it.

3. Eliminate any discussion of club business except for one business meeting a year. Appoint, or elect, a small group of directors to handle business between annual meetings.

4. I prefer Saturdays to Sundays for meetings. Perhaps a poll of the membership on this and other matters would be worthwhile.

C. Winning Contests

1. Club spirit, developed by personal contact and strong leadership, goes a long way towards motivating members to participate. PVRC and FRC have demonstrated this for many years.... We have to pay particular attention to developing camaraderie because we are so spread out.

2. I think we should examine multi-multi scores. If a member has a competitive station and could score 900K at home, perhaps he should stay at home if his operating would only add 500K to a multi-multi score. Apartment dwellers or those without big antennas could contribute more at a multi-multi station. □

It's that time of year again....

WANTED!

YOUR CORRECT:

- ADDRESS
- PHONE #
- E-MAIL ADDRESS

As usual, the August Scuttlebutt will contain the 1996 club roster.

Please take a couple minutes to make sure we've got your address and phone # up-to-date. Check your entry in last years' roster. If everything's still OK, or if your updated data has been published in Movers and Shakers since last August, you're all set.

If your entry is *not* current, or you just want to be sure, please inform Len, KB2R or Charlotte, KQ1F by E-mail, packet, or phone at their addresses on page 2.

AGAIN, VERIFY YOUR ROSTER INFORMATION BY JULY 10! QSL?

This reminder will also be posted on PacketCluster and the YCCC Internet reflector during June and July.

June Meeting Agenda

Dean Straw, N6BV

The next general meeting of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club will be held on Saturday, June 1, at the Host Hotel in Sturbridge, MA.

Randy Thompson, K5ZD, will give a talk about his Top-Ten Station Kit, the humorous name given by K3LR to Randy's station as it was moving around the country. Learn how Randy went from nothing but a hilltop to a full-scale, top-notch station in CQWW Phone, in six months from May to October. This should provide inspiration about what can be done -- given proper planning and a concentrated effort, of course!

Jack Schuster, W1WEF, and Tom Fre-naye, K1KI, will give a joint presentation on Four-Square Vertical Arrays for 80 and 160 Meters. So you want to be a big gun on the low bands? Learn the practical details about how they've each put together very competitive wire arrays, hung from their towers. (Be sure to ask Jack about the yellow wire, if he forgets to mention it.)

Tony Brock-Fisher, K1KP, will give a YCCC-customized special version of the talk he is giving at Dayton this year about optimized two-transmitter station design. Tony has a lot of neat tricks up his sleeve about ergonomics and station efficiency and about eliminating interstation interference. All these details are crucial to help YCCCs get points in our effort to become number one in club contesting!

I shall be in Oregon for the League, giving a six-hour workshop on antenna/propagation/system design and a one-hour talk about YTAD, so I'll miss the June 1 meeting. However, I expect that it will go off without a hitch under President 'KI and that a lot of YCCCs will make this meeting one of the best in years! □

What's a DXpedition Worth?

Tom Frenaye, K1KI, and
R. Dean Straw, N6BV

For a long time, CQ Magazine has allowed points made by club members who go on DXpeditions to count towards club scores in CQWW. Starting in 1997 the same will be true for the ARRL DX Contest.

Historically, YCCC has not fielded very many DXpeditions for CQWW weekends compared to our competition to the south. FRC gets as much as 30% of their CQWW score from about 20 operators who go on DXpeditions on the CW and SSB weekends (combined). In recent years FRC would have beaten YCCC with only their domestic scores, so the extra 30% from DXpeditions has been all been gravy for them. (And it psyches out other clubs too!)

Can someone make more points towards the club score by operating outside of the USA? Yes! Besides the adrenalin flow that comes with better rates and being the center of attention (wouldn't that be enough?), you can make more points -- a lot of them.

Rough comparisons of the top scores in each category (single operator, low power, QRP, single operator assisted, multi-single and multi-multi) show that in both the CQWW SSB and ARRL DX SSB contests, the top scores are about four times higher outside the USA than from those who stay home. On CW the top scores are about three times higher in the CQWW, and two times higher in the ARRL DX weekends.

If you have to make a choice, go on your DXpedition in October and stay home for the CW weekend. Historically, FRC has concentrated on SSB instead of CW in CQWW DXpeditions by a ratio of about 4:1.

Where should you go? In CQWW the best locations are at continental boundaries. PJ2 and P4 are two South American three-point favorites, while EA8 and CT3 are hot spots from Africa. The rest of the Caribbean is attractive because airfares are cheaper, they have lots of experience with tourists (and DXpeditions), and the QSO rates to the USA are very high! Even mini-DXpeditions to Eastern Canada can

rack up big numbers because of the proximity to Europe and to an endless pileup of two-point USA QSOs.

For the ARRL DX Contest you'll find the Caribbean, Central America, and Mexico to be good spots. Remember that a trip to VS6 or 9K2 would be fun but band openings to the USA do not last all day (and may only be a few hours a day in poor conditions or low sunspot years) -- you'll want to be near enough to the USA to keep the rates up.

Start your planning NOW for a trip this fall or next year. It can take time to locate the "right" spot and to figure out what to take -- and it helps to stake out what to take early. Find out who has been there before, there are lots of experienced DXpeditioners within the club, and all of them will offer suggestions and experience from their travels. Doug Grant, K1DG, has been appointed the chairman of the YCCC DXpedition Committee and has offered to help those planning or thinking about DXpeditions in the future.

And if you do plan to go abroad, consider letting someone else operate from your home station to generate points for YCCC. Besides, you'll want to know just how loud your own station is from the "other side" of the pileup!

In summary, DXpeditions are worth a lot! Besides the mega-points you can generate towards the YCCC's score - don't you need some time for a little rest and relaxation from the stresses of your day job?

Anyone need a QSL manager?

Secretary's Report, April 1996

Charlotte Richardson, KQ1F

The April, 1996, meeting of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club was held on Saturday, April 6, in Sturbridge, Massachusetts. The meeting was called to order by club President JP, AA2DU. JP announced that the Kermadec DXpedition was looking for contributions; interested members should talk to him for more information. A free ASCII terminal, suitable for packet use, quickly found a new home. A QSK box, usable with any amplifier, was also for sale for \$190. Club VP Luigi, AA1AA, announced that he sent a letter, as voted at the

February, 1996, YCCC meeting, to the various contest sponsoring organizations recommending that they give published credit to the station owner as well as to a guest op who uses his or her own call sign. The treasury balance stood at \$700.46, with dues for the 1996-1997 contest year due at this meeting. Following this business, the sixty-two members present and their families and guests introduced themselves. Tony, K1KP, will be taking over as club area manager for the Eastern Massachusetts area, with plenty of help from outgoing manager Bill, N1AU. Paul, K1XM, announced that he was looking for operators for a multi-op Caribbean DXpedition for the CQ WW CW in November; interested operators who did not speak to Paul at the meeting should contact him before the next meeting if possible.

Elections for officers for the 1996-1997 contest season were next on the agenda. Charlotte, KQ1F, was re-elected to secretary/treasurer. Dean, N6BV, will take on the role of Vice President/Activities Manager. Tom, K1KI, defeated a re-election bid by JP, AA2DU, for the club presidency.

Incoming Eastern Massachusetts area manager Tony, K1KP, then introduced the proposed club constitution amendment. After much discussion, the amendment was defeated.

The club welcomed three new and returning members: Rex Lint, K1KI, Ric Plummer, KV1W, and Tony Japha, N2UN. See the "New Crew" column for more information.

Following the break, Frank, N2FF, announced that JP, AA2DU, had won his PRB-1 tower case in Cortlandt, NY. Joe, N1OCS, then presented his slide show on Easter Island and Salas y Gomez.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte L. Richardson, KQ1F
Secretary/Treasurer, YCCC
10 April 1996

Poop Deck

Movers and Shakers

Krassy, ex-KD1ZA, is now AA1ND.

New address for **Dennis, K2SX**:
1450 Washington Blvd., 402N
Stamford, CT 06902
home phone: (203)359-4647

New email for **Rich, AA2MF**:
aa2mf@planet.earthcom.net

New work phone number for **Jim, AD1C**:
(508)762-9779 x 224.

New mailing address/work phone number for new RI area manager **Jeff, K1IU**:
Box 12
Manville, RI 02838
work phone: (401)751-3617

Wanted: YCCC Scorekeeper Badge Maker

The positions of YCCC Scorekeeper and Badge Maker remain vacant as of this time. If interested in either position, contact your prez, Tom, K1KI. ☐

New Crew

Please welcome the following new members who joined at the April meeting:

Rex Lint, K1HI
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Three New Area Managers appointed!

Jeff Bouvier, K1IU, (via packet or 401-658-1122 or k1iu@ids.net) has volunteered to take on the job of Rhode Island Area Manager.

Bob Tublitz, WT2Q, has agreed to take on the Area Manager job for the western part of Massachusetts, and **Tony Brock-Fisher, K1KP**, will be taking on the eastern portion of Massachusetts. Bob fills the position vacated by WIGG several months ago, and Tony will be filling N1AU's shoes. Special thanks to WIGG and N1AU for the hard work they both put into the job over many years (and they'll still be helping out behind the scenes!).

In looking at the boundaries between the two sections, it's obvious that following the ARRL section lines doesn't work perfectly (K1EA in suburban Boston is in the ARRL Western Massachusetts section for instance). So, we'll be splitting Massachusetts in a different way. WT2Q will be the Area Manager for those in telephone area code 413 (Springfield, Northampton, Greenfield and west). K1KP will handle those in Area Codes 508 and 617 (basically the Worcester area and to the east).

That makes the eastern Massachusetts area pretty big so we may want to subdivide it by Area Code or by the Massachusetts Turnpike at some time in the future. ☐

Other New Ap- pointees!

Doug Grant, K1DG, (via packet or 603-432-4738 or k1dg@mcimail.com) has been appointed as chairman of the new DXpedition Committee. Are you thinking of a trip for CQWW this fall? Start planning now!

Dave Robbins, KY1H, (via packet or 413-655-2714 or ky1h@berkshire.net) is the YCCC Webmaster, responsible for the YCCC World Wide Web page on the Internet (soon to be www.yccc.org thanks to K5ZD+KM9P!). He's looking for some volunteers to help with digitizing photos and gathering material (stories, contest analysis, station descriptions, etc). [See K5ZD's article on page 2 - Ed.]

YCCC Rohn order?

Is there any interest in putting together a Rohn tower order within YCCC? It's been quite a few years since we did one.... In order to make it happen the order would have to total to at least \$8K, which means around 50 Rohn 45 sections or 100 Rohn 25 sections (or tower sections and some combination of other Rohn accessories).

If enough people are seriously interested we can get more specific about pricing details. Call Tom, K1KI, if interested. ☐

WRTC-96 News

compiled by Leonard Kay, KB2R

The 1996 World Radiosport Team Championship is almost upon us. The next thing you hear will be the results, which will appear here in the August Scuttlebutt along with the IARU HF Championship results. Good luck to our own entrants K1KI, K5ZD, and to the returning champions from 1990, K1AR, and K1DG.

Being the astute body of keen contesters that we are, most of you readers know by now that the WRTC will be held as a "sub-competition" within the 1996 IARU HF Championship contest, July 13-14. Fifty-two two-person teams will compete for the.... well, read the release below, which I have pasted together from several of the WRTC Press Releases.

What you may not know, is that for those of you who are not among the 104 lucky participants, the WRTC committee has put together an awards program, independent from the actual IARU HF competition, to give everyone an incentive to work all 52 teams on as many bands as possible (do we need an incentive?). Read on for more info.

For additional information about WRTC-96, contact Rusty Epps, W6OAT, Publicity Chairman, WRTC-96, Inc. at 651 Handley Trail, Redwood City, CA 94062, USA or via e-mail at epps@netcom.com. Past press releases and related WRTC information are available by sending an e-mail message to wrtc-info@dumpty.nal.go.jp with the two commands #GET HELP and #GET INDEX on separate lines within the body of the message. You also may access the WRTC-96 Web site at <http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/n6ip>.

See ya in the contest!

The Competition

Fifty-two teams of top amateur radio contest operators from 30 countries will travel to San Francisco July 10-15 to compete head to head in the 1996 World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC-96). These operators were selected for this competition by national amateur radio organizations, leading contest clubs, and an international panel of judges. Among their ranks are the holders of world records in virtually every major HF contest.

The WRTC competition is a "sub-competition" within the framework of the larger IARU HF World Championship contest scheduled for the weekend of July 13 and 14, 1996. The WRTC competitors will enter the IARU contest as 52 two-person multi-operator, single-transmitter entries. All 52 teams will be located near San Francisco Bay on flat terrain in relatively close physical proximity so as to minimize propagation differences, and all will run exactly 100 watts output into nearly identical antenna systems. By eliminating many of the station and propagation variables normally associated with radio contesting, the WRTC strives to present a meaningful competition in which the winners can rightfully claim to be "the best of the best."

Although the WRTC stations will be competing only with each other, they can work anybody and everybody operating in the IARU contest. The WRTC stations will be on the air from 12:00 UTC, July 13 until 06:00 UTC, July 14, on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. You can work them once on cw and once on ssb on each of these bands, so the maximum number of QSOs possible will be 4 (bands) x 2 (modes) x 52 (stations) = 416. The WRTC sta-

tions will be easy to identify because they will be signing 52 distinctive "1x1" call signs specially approved by the Federal Communications Commission for the competition. These call signs are W6A through W6Z and K6A through K6Z.

Awards Program

Several incentives exist to encourage everyone to find and work the WRTC teams. Those who "slice through" the pileups will earn a customized WRTC letter opener endorsed for making 10, 25, 50, 75, or 100 QSOs on any combination of bands and modes. If you're lucky enough to achieve a "grand slam" by working all 52 different 1x1 call signs, you'll garner a special commemorative deck of WRTC playing cards. And if you are among the top 300 stations who make the most QSOs with WRTC teams, you'll win a beautiful WRTC tee shirt.

Numerous radio clubs and individuals have donated plaques to be awarded to amateurs in specific geographical areas who make the most QSOs with WRTC team stations. These areas are Worldwide (excluding the San Francisco Bay Area*); Africa, Asia, Oceania, and South America; ITU Zone 6 (excluding the SF Bay Area), Zone 6 (SF Bay Area), Zone 7, Zone 8, Zone 11, Zone 18, Zone 27, Zone 28, Zone 29 and Zone 37.

Each WRTC team using a 1x1 call sign will have a unique, distinctive QSL card so work them all to collect the entire set. WRTC stations will QSL 100 percent via the bureau and it is not necessary for you to send your QSL to them.

The competition organizers will use a computer for processing the 52 WRTC station logs to generate QSL labels and to determine award eligibility, so you do not need to submit your log. This means, though, that if you have any doubt whether a WRTC station got your call right, you should work it again as there will be no chance to correct your call sign after the contest.

The WRTC Committee will publish the list of stations qualifying for awards in various ham publications and on the internet contest and DX reflectors shortly after the event. If you make the list and want to receive your award(s), send a self-addressed adhesive mailing label (not an SASE) containing your name, call sign, and address to WRTC-96, Inc., c/o Rusty Epps, W6OAT, 651 Handley Trail, Redwood City, CA 94062, USA. For the letter opener or the playing cards, include \$2.00 or 4 IRCs to cover postage and handling; \$5.00 or 10 IRCs for the tee shirt (and be sure to include a note specifying your shirt size: S, M, L, XL or XXL). Please submit your request before December 31, 1996.

Team members

Redwood City, CA April 3, 1996 - WRTC-96, Inc. announced today selection of the 104 team members who will compete in the World Radiosport Team Championship competition scheduled for July 13 and 14, 1996.

Twenty-two teams operated in the first WRTC competition which was held in Seattle, WA in 1990. Eleven competitors in this year's event, including Defending Champions K1AR and K1DG, are veterans of WRTC-90. Their call signs are noted with asterisks in the competitors' listing:

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The 1996 WRTC Teams

1. Defending Champs	K1AR* + K1DG*
2. Team Argentina	LU6ETB + LW9EUI
3. Team Australia	VK5GN + VK2AYD
4. Team Belgium	ON6TT + ON4WW
5. Team Brazil	PY5CC + PY0FF
6. Team Bulgaria	LZ1SA + LZ2PO*
7. Team Canada #1	VE3EJ + VE3IY
8. Team Canada #2	VE7NTT + VE7CC*
9. Team Czech Rep.	OK1CF + OK2PAY
10. Team Finland	OH2IW + OH1JT
11. Team France	F6FGZ + F5MUX
12. Team Germany #1	DK3GI + DL1IAO
13. Team Germany #2	DL5XX* + DL1VJ
14. Team Hungary	HA0DU + HA0MM*
15. Team Italy #1	IN3QBR + IT9TQH
16. Team Italy #2	IT9BLB + IT9VDQ
17. Team Japan #1	JE1JKL*+ JH7WKQ
18. Team Japan #2	JH4NMT + JE3MAS
19. Team Japan #3	JH4RHF + JA8RWU
20. Team Japan #4	JH7PKU + JO1BMV
21. Team Lithuania	LY2IJ + LY1DS
22. Team Poland #1	SP6AZT + SP9FKQ
23. Team Poland #2	SP9IJU + SP9HWN
24. Team Russia #1	RV1AW + RW1AC
25. Team Russia #2	UA3DPX + RZ9UA
26. Team Slovenia	S59A + S56A
27. Team Spain #1	EA4KR + EA1AK
28. Team Spain #2	EA7TL + EA9KB
29. Team Sweden	SM3DMP + SM3CER
30. Team UK	G3OZF + G10NWG
31. Team Ukraine	UT4UZ + UT1IA*
32. Team USA #1	K1KI + K3UA
33. Team USA #2	K3LR + WA8YVR
34. Team USA #3	K4BAI + KM9P
35. Team USA #4	K6LL + N2IC
36. Team USA #5	K8CC + K5GO
37. Team USA #6	KF3P + KR2J
38. Team USA #7	KR0Y* + K1TO
39. Team USA #8	N6TV + K7SS
40. Team USA #9	W2GD + W0UA
41. Team USA #10	WX3N + K5ZD
42. Team Yugoslavia	YU1RL* + YT1AD
43. Wildcard #1	5B4ADA + S53R
44. Wildcard #2	9A9A + 9A3GW
45. Wildcard #3	DJ6QT* + DJ2YA
46. Wildcard #4	I2VXJ + I4UFH
47. Wildcard #5	K4UEE + N6IG
48. Wildcard #6	NP4Z + WC4E
49. Wildcard #7	RU3AA + RV3AJ
50. Wildcard #8	UN2L + UN4L
51. Wildcard #9	WN4KKN + N6TR
52. Wildcard #10	ZS6EZ + ZS6NW

Good luck to everyone! ☐

YSA Meeting Minutes

Dick Pechie, KB1H

A YCCC SYSOPs Association meeting was held in Berlin, CT on April 20. In attendance were: KB1H, K1KI, WU1I, W1GG (representing AA1AS), W2XL (representing KB2UGG), W1RM, W3IQS, KC8PE, K1EA, KC1XX, K1XX. Additional: WT2Q, KB1W, K1OQG, and KY2J.

WU1I Equipment Manager asks for present SYSOPs to update the inventory forms during the meeting. Before the update there was no unused equipment on-hand. WU1I will check after the update if there are any changes.

K1KI Link Coordinator distributed a list of User and Backbone frequencies. K1KI has supplied the USER frequency list to The ARRL for inclusion in the next Repeater Directory which is approximately 3 weeks away. Tom also sent to the respective Spectrum Coordinating Organizations the list of backbone frequencies. Tom ask for any updates and he did receive a few from SYSOPs present.

W1RM asks for any recommendations for lightning protection measures. It was noted that commercial installations have extensive grounding and lightning arrestors and is probably more than feasible in our installations. W1RM noted he has had quite abit of problems with the spike suppressors creating spurious noises. Any recommendations about protection would be welcomed. Most SYSOPs present said they just turn off and disconnect in severe weather conditions.

K1XX reported on the new Southwestern Ct. node WW1O which will be installed in Southington. All is ready and will be UPS to WW1O. It was decided to add an additional TNC so the connection from WW1O to KB2UGG can be made rather than WW1O and KB2UGG sharing a port from W1RM. W2XL will send to K1XX the TM-441 from KB2UGG for re-applying on the WW1O node.

K1XX reported that the 9600 baud upgrade to W1RM-K1KI link is moving ahead but with considerable problems. K1XX expected the link to be running soon.

K1EA asked which BPQ code should all nodes be running. K1XX stated that Version 408A is the latest and desired version. If you are running BPQ (and you should be) and do not have this version please make arrangements for updating.

"Contest Mode" was discussed. The decision was made to "Strongly Recommend" that the full network be placed in the "Contest" mode for CQWW DX (SSB and CW), ARRL DX (SSB and CW) and CQWW WPX (SSB and CW). The YSA asks that ALL nodes switch during these 8 weekends. [six weekends - K1KI]

W1RM has agreed to compile from existing contest SYSOP.DAT files a standard file for all YSA nodes. Also Pete will compose a standard message that explains the mode and commands available.

Discussion was held on node standardization. The earlier discussion of BPQ versions was noted as related. Databases were also discussed. Some nodes have extensive databases available. Most are from K6PBT who supplies them either via Internet or DX-BBS telephone BBS. Databases such as Contest, DX Countries List, YCCC Roster, and Daily Tips were all noted as those which could be added to all YSA nodes. KB1H will send a message to the YSA with a list of databases on his node. After the list is distributed, all inquiries to these databases can be directed to KB1H or one or two other designated nodes. Monthly updates are too differcult to distribute so the few key nodes is a better approach.

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Discussion was held concerning the "opening" of the closed network during contests. It is felt that YCCC Spots can be received by other competing clubs regardless of our efforts to hide the spots. Also there was concern that "opening" will be a disadvantage. It was decided that K1KI will talk to FRC and see what FRC's feeling is on this. A unilateral opening would not be in the YCCC interests.

Educating Users was discussed. WT2Q and K1KI will work on a "booklet" that will be available to Users. Explaining the network, the proper use, etc. will be the target of this booklet. Any SY-SOPs with unique local help files may want to forward to WT2Q and K1KI those files for input.

The continued poor performance of the K1EA-NK1K link was discussed. KB1H to compose a letter to NK1K asking for help in solving the problems. A copy is to be sent to KD2EU. K1XX and KC1XX volunteered to help solve the problem with a visit to NK1K QTH if NK1K is willing to agree. K1EA will be available on his end when the visit is scheduled. Should this not proceed in a timely manner arrangements will be made to establish new linking to KD2EU and K1GQ. It is felt there is an definite advantage to receiving spots from the north and everything should be done to insure these spots get to the network quickly.

K2GX will be setting up his node in Reading,CT. This will be a Tri-State node but consideration should be given to offering YSA membership.

WIRM commented that a better or at least a formal avenue should be established for correspondence between Tri-State and YSA. KB1H will contact Tri-State. K1KI asks for a PacketCluster program for an upcoming YCCC Meeting. It was suggested to Tom that he contact AD1C. □

YCCC Special Meeting and NH BBQ

Dean Straw, N6BV

An informal special YCCC meeting was held at Windham, NH, on Saturday, May 11, 1996, at the QTH of YCCC VP, N6BV. Despite rainy and foggy weather 25 YCCC stalwarts braved the elements to partake of Polish kielbasa and other such goodies, plus a generous helping of contest chatter and old-fashioned YCCC camaraderie!

Regular guided tours of BV Acres were given, timed to coincide with the frequent rainstorms, of course. Funny thing: rain drops on one's glasses sort of magnify the size of the N6BV tribanders.

Guided tours of the hamshack were conducted after the outside jaunts, mainly to warm up! All in all, everyone seemed to have a good time and hopefully there'll be more such summer meetings in the near future. □

YCCC Advisory Committee Meeting summary

Tom Frenaye, K1KI

A small group of YCCC members (K1KI, N6BV, KQ1F, K2TR, N1AU, K1KP, K1XM, K1JKS) gathered at my QTH on May 4, from 10AM to 3:30PM to discuss a wide range of issues regarding YCCC. In addition, several members provided written input before the meeting.

We talked at length about the need to have meetings that encouraged more people to get to know each other. Our meetings in Sturbridge are quite a distance from most members and the meeting program often is too crowded for casual conversations. The group felt that having additional meetings during the year, particularly in locations nearer the larger groups of members would be very beneficial. These meetings would be scheduled in advance by the President and would have a YCCC officer or Area Manager present.

These regional/local meetings should be less formal than the Sturbridge meetings and no formal club business (changes to constitution or by-laws) would be permitted, except that the approval of applications for new members would be permitted. We should allow attendance at any two meetings (Sturbridge or regional) to count towards eligibility for ARRL contests.

The group felt these changes should be discussed by YCCC members during the next several weeks and that if there was sufficient interest in change, the proposal would be brought to a vote at a future club meeting.

An analysis of YCCC expenses showed that about 70% go towards printing and mailing the Scuttlebutt, Contest Cookbook and roster. We will be exploring ways to cut those costs, possibly by e-mail distribution.

Additional topics:

- How to make the involvement of YCCC and YCCC members in the operation of the W1 QSL bureau more visible to bureau users.
- How to best use Area Managers for planning and promoting YCCC contest activity in the major contests.
- The need to be clear about YCCC goals for member participation in various contests during the year.
- The need to develop more YCCC DXpeditions for both CQ and ARRL DX contests in order to effectively compete.
- Possible ways for us to use the YCCC World Wide Web site in promoting YCCC.
- Offering discounted dues for one year for people who have never joined YCCC, or a rebate to whoever recruited them.

In between the discussions there was a tour of K1KI's station and antennas, plus some additional hand waving and debate while downing several pizzas at a local restaurant. □

YCCC CLUB RESOURCE INFORMATION

DUES AND MEMBERSHIP STUFF Dues (currently \$20) are payable at the April election meeting, which begins our club "contest year", with a grace period until the end of June, at which time membership in the club will lapse if dues are not paid up. In order to rejoin the club, a lapsed member must attend a meeting, like any new member, and be welcomed back into membership, or may simply become a subscriber to the Scuttlebutt by paying up (see below). 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 following year (that is, the contest year beginning that April). You can tell if you owe dues by checking your 'Butt mailing label. Only paid-up members are eligible to contribute to the club score in contests. **FAMILY MEMBERS** Members of the same family living at the same address may elect to receive only one copy of the Scuttlebutt. One member of the family must pay full dues, enabling the rest of the family to join as family members. Being a family member is free. **STUDENT MEMBERS** Full-time students are eligible for dues at half the regular rate. **SCUTTLEBUTT SUBSCRIPTIONS** Anyone may subscribe to the club newsletter, the *Scuttlebutt*. The subscription period begins at the beginning of the club year, in April. Subscribers who sign up between December and April are considered paid-up through the following April. You can tell if your subscription is current by checking your 'Butt mailing label. The grace period for late subscriptions is the same as for late memberships.

SCUTTLEBUTT ARTICLES should be sent to the Scuttlebutt editor, Leonard Kay, KB2R, preferably by E-mail at lkay@pria.com or lkay@lynx.dac.neu.edu, or on 3 1/2" disk (in MSWord format or text file) by snail mail to 6R Johnson St., Woburn, MA 01801. The deadline for each issue is the 10th of the preceding month. **CONTEST SCORES** are sent to the club scorekeeper.

CLUB GOODIES **BADGES** are currently unavailable. If interested in this position, contact K1KI. **APPAREL** Len, KB2R, coordinates group purchases of club jackets and polo shirts. Contact Len for price info or see the order form below. T-shirts are available at meetings. **QSL CARDS** are ordered through John Dorr, K1AR, 8 Anchor Lane, Mt. Sinai, NY 11766. To order, send John packet mail, or E-mail at p00259@psilink.com, detailing exactly what you want the card to say. There are 2 lines of text available for awards, etc. You will receive a proof by return mail. Approve the proof, making any corrections, and return to John with payment (make checks out to John, not YCCC). Current price is \$54 for 2000 cards. Normal turnaround is 30 days after approving proof. **MEMBERSHIP ROSTER** is mailed annually with the August issue of the Scuttlebutt, and to new members when they join. Updates are published in 'Movers and Shakers' when members move or change call signs. If you want a new copy of the club roster, contact the club secretary/treasurer, Charlotte Richardson, KQ1F, 11 Michigan Drive, Hudson MA 01749, home phone (508)562-5819.

INTERNET REFLECTOR There is an Internet mailing list for YCCC members. To subscribe, send mail to yccc-request@yccc.org. Include the words "subscribe yccc" in the body of the mail message.

CT CONTEST LOGGING SOFTWARE is available from K1EA Software, 5 Mount Royal Avenue, Marlborough MA 01752 for \$69.95 plus sales tax. Telephone (508)460-8873, FAX (508)460-6211, BBS (508)460-8877. There is an Internet mailing list for CT users. To subscribe, send mail to ct-user-REQUEST@ve7tcp.ampr.org, and include the single word SUBSCRIBE in the body. The CT reflector is also the best way to get CT country file updates. These updates may also be obtained from the CT BBS, or send a blank formatted disk and \$1.00 for postage to Jim Reisert, AD1C, 181 Littleton Road #324, Chelmsford, MA 01824.

W1 QSL BUREAU is sponsored by the YCCC. Keep your account up to date with SASEs, or send a check. Stamps are sold at face value, envelopes are 10 cents each. Address: W1 QSL Bureau, YCCC, PO Box 80216, Springfield, MA 01138. **ARRL LIAISON** position is currently open. If you would like to serve in this capacity, contact K1KI. **PACKET NETWORK** information is available from Charlie Carroll, K1XX, Candlelight Rd., Ringe NH 03461.

YCCC Apparel Order Form **Don't be fooled by low-quality apparel from other contest clubs costing twice as much! This is the real, original contest clothing line!**

Show your contesting pride! Order a YCCC Polo Shirt or 'Starter' Jacket! Copy the form below, circle your choices, and mail with payment in full (checks payable to Len) to: Leonard Kay KB2R, 6R Johnson St., Woburn, MA 01801, or send Len a packet or Internet message with all the needed info. A jacket order will be going in soon, so get on board!

Polo shirt (100% cotton) Color: White(with blue stitching) Royal Blue (with white stitching)
 Clipper ship and 'YCCC' embroidered on breast Size: S M L XL XXL
 (34-36) (38-40) (42-44) (46-48) (50-52)
 (add \$2)

Price: \$24.00

Name and Call? Add \$5, print on left as you want them to appear.

'Starter' Jacket: Type: Satin/Quilted lining \$60 Satin/Cotton lining \$55 Nylon/cotton lining \$50

Large clipper ship and 'Yankee Clipper Contest Club' embroidered on back; Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL
 (34-36) (38-40) (42-44) (46-48) (50-52) (54-56)
 (add \$2) (add \$4)

Name/Call embroidered on breast Color: Royal Blue Navy Blue Black

Name/Call (included): _____

For both: add \$4 if you want it shipped to your QTH (instead of picking it up at a meeting)

Upcoming Meetings

Date	Place
June 1 (Sat)	Sturbridge, MA
August '96 picnic?	Sturbridge, MA
October 5 (Sat)	Boxboro, MA
December 8 (Sun)	Sturbridge, MA

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The next meeting of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club will be held on Saturday, June 1 at the Host Hotel in Sturbridge, MA, near the intersection of I-84 and I-90. To get to the Host Hotel, exit I-84 onto Route 20 West. Go through two sets of stoplights and turn right just before the Burger King into the hotel parking lot. See you there!

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