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Captain's Cabin Fred Lass, K2TR

Last week I was calling 3Y5X on 75 SSB. My wife, Renee, came into the shack and asked me to stop shouting. I was excited because I had found his transmit frequency on 3612, and his signals were peaking. I wanted to work him before the pileup became unruly. I didn't realize that I was screaming.

It's too bad that new countries don't come around every day. The thrill of working these new ones becomes more and more infrequent as time passes, but every time a new one does show up, the adrenalin flows, the heartrate quickens, skin tingles, and the brain goes into high gear. I get the same stimulation every time I work a new country in a contest. I like the challenge of starting with zero points and competing on equal grounds with everyone else, to see how big my score can get. I enjoy the feeling I get as my score climbs, and countries fill up the log. Yes, it was fun working 3Y5X through all of the hassles, but I left the pileup wanting another pileup right away.

I find that gratification in contesting. Contesting offers runs of DX as well as busting pileups. The titillation comes from those unusual countries that call in during my runs and comparing my rate with past performances. But, strategy says that I can't run too much or I will miss important pileups. And I can't let that get me too nervous or I don't think clearly.

The next time I have a chance to feel this way is in

the ARRL DX Contests. In addition I am getting just as excited about the club competition as I normally get about the contest itself. YCCC has got everything going for it this year, and maybe this decade.

3Y5X won't be on for this contest, but many other more common countries will get me shouting...and liking it.

Next Meeting Paul Young, K1XM

The next meeting of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club will be on Sunday, February 4, 1990, at the Sheraton Sturbridge, beginning at 1 pm. The Sheraton Sturbridge Resort and Conference Center is located on Route 20 in Sturbridge, Massachusetts, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile West of I-84 (first exit off I-84 when coming South from the Mass. Turnpike). Directions to the Sheraton are easy: Exit I-84 on to Route 20 West. You will pass through two sets of stoplights while noticing several motels on your right. Make a right turn just prior to the Burger King sign. This is the entrance to the Sheraton, and there is plenty of parking in front of the hotel.

The meeting dates for the rest of 1990 are:

| DATE | DAY | | |
|-------------------|---------|--|--|
| April 8, 1990 | Sunday | | |
| June 3, 1990 | Sunday | | |
| August picnic - | TBD | | |
| October 13-14 - E | Boxboro | | |
| December 2. 1990 | Sunday | | |

Secretary's Report Yankee Clipper Contest Club

The December meeting began at the normal hour of 1 pm with Bill, N1CQ, starting a self-introduction of all present (57 members and their guests). The treasurer's report was summarized but not discussed because of its healthy solvency (\$1217.61). Several contest scores were claimed, including 12.9 million by the KY1H crew.

The first speaker of the meeting was Dave, KY1H, himself with a slide show of his contest station. There was special interest in his new ring rotor.

The second feature was by Bill, N1CQ, on the topic of torque bars and the protection they provide from twisting torsion when used in the upper guy wires. He showed some dramatic pictures of fatigue failure in a 60-foot aluminum tower that did not have torque bars. They were taken from the standing tower itself, but we were left wondering for how long!

Six new members were voted into the Club:

Greg Iannucelli, KC1CE Bill Ewing, W1EYT Bill Hassan, WA1IML Tony Brock-Fisher, K1KP Bob Elliot, NE1R Reg Corey, KA1UQU

Respectfully submitted, Bill Santelmann, N1AU Acting Secretary/Treasurer 2 December 1989

Frank Anzalone, W1WY - Silent Key

Contesting lost one of its founding fathers on December 30, 1989, with the passing of Frank Anzalone, W1WY, after a long battle with cancer. Frank, 87, accomplished many things as an amateur but is most respected for his reign as the CQ Magazine Contest Column Editor and Past-Director of the CQWW Contest. Frank was involved with CQ Magazine activities for over 30 years and was widely credited for keeping the CQ WW Contest alive in its early years. Employed for 43 years as the Chief Radio Engineer at WHN Radio, New York, Frank had many professional achievements including the implementation of remote broadcasts in the early years of sports broadcasting. W1WY was a quiet, unassuming man who disliked the limelight. He was, however, one of amateur radio's true champions that we could feel proud to learn from and emulate. The Yankee Clipper Contest Club wishes to express our sympathy to Frank's family and offer our sincere appreciation for the contributions Frank made over the years.

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Contesting from Paradise, 1989 Jack Schuster, AH6/W1WEF

The contest was over two hours ago – at two o'clock in the afternoon. I'm sitting on the lanai in our rented condo in Wailea, on Maui, surrounded by palm trees gently swaying in a light breeze. The landscaping and flowers are beautiful. From my lounge chair I see red, white, orange, violet and pink blossoms, and I'm serenaded by a variety of bird songs. I left Natalie on the beach, and walked back to relax for a while since the late afternoon sea was too rough for snorkeling. The fish and coral colors here are outstanding in the morning. Now that I finished the bag of Maui potato chips, I thought I'd jot down a few pleasant memories from CQWW CW 1989.

When we arrived at the condo last Sunday night, I immediately unpacked the rig and set up the Hustler mobile antenna in preparation for a 15M sched. I had carried the 830S and everything needed for the contest in one carry-on bag for over five thousand miles on four airplanes to get here – flying about fourteen hours including our stop in San Diego for the weekend.

When we arrived at the airport in San Diego to fly to LAX where we would connect to our flight to Maui, we were told our shuttle was canceled! We were lucky, though, because an earlier flight had not left yet, and they would call the gate to hold the plane for us. When we arrived with our carry-ons (all of our luggage was carry-on), we learned that these little 18 seat turboprops had no room for carry-on baggage, and they would stuff it in the nose or tail storage compartments. When I told the **pilot** who was standing outside the plane (maybe he was the co-pilot) to please be careful with my radio, what do you think he said? "Where are you going – on a DXpedition?" The radio was well-treated – he was a fellow ham.

I said I packed everything I needed in one bag – well, almost everything. To my great dismay, I forgot my keyer! I was heartbroken, for I had been looking forward to a casual CQWW operation from here for about a year. As it turned out, forgetting my keyer was the best thing that could have happened.

Our condo was only about ten minutes from Ron Pitts's house, AH6AZ, where I had visited Ron about six years ago. I thought I'd give Ron a call and see if he knew where I might borrow a keyer. Ron not only offered to lend me my choice of three memory keyers, but to operate from his station since he was contested out after a field day style SS phone operation the past weekend. I did borrow the keyer to play around with during the week from the condo, and did take Ron up on his kind offer to operate the contest from his station.

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On Monday night, it was great working half a dozen friends back home with the 15M Hustler on the lanai (balcony). Later in the week I worked a few guys using a 10M dipole stuck to the condo wall since I had trouble getting the Hustler tuned. I think there must have been metal in the walls or ceiling, perhaps metal studs. If I ever drag a rig on another vacation, I think I'll plan on wire antennas, although I'm sure a real vertical would have worked fine. I wanted to travel with carry-ons, to avoid any lost baggage or baggage delays, and this would have been impossible with a Butternut or Cushcraft vertical.

Wednesday afternoon I visited Ron's super QTH and station to get familiar with the 940S which I had never used before. His TH7 was fixed on the US mainland, but the 4 element tri-band quad and 3 element 40 were rotatable. I decided to do 10M single band so I could sleep at night and not knock myself out for the rest of my vacation.

Friday, after lunch at a nice place in Wailea shopping village, Natalie dropped me off from the contest. At 2 PM when it started, we had good mainland propagation - just like Sweepstakes - and I had a 200 hour after a little warmup. By 0300, the rate dropped to 85 with a JA run from 0300 to 0500. The occasional YB, 9V, BV, DU, FK8, UL7, VS6 calling in made it interesting, but by 0600 I called Natalie to pick me up for the night.

When I returned Saturday morning at about 1630, ten was dead. I thought this would be a good time to rack up a few club points on other bands, but all bands were very poor, and I made only half a dozen Qs before 10 opened at 1700 with EA9EA and EA3VY. My 1800 hour was only a 93 hour, with a few Europeans and mostly Ws. The rate the next couple hours ran about 110, with the 2200 hour slightly better. For the rest of the contest rates dropped to under 100.

Propagation seemed to be up and down throughout the day, but I never had a good feel for where I should be pointing the antenna. I could raise JAs on the TH7 pointing to the mainland, but, when I switched to the quad on JA, Ws would come back – I think I may have lost out on Europe by missing long path openings. Can you believe missing HA or OK? I also missed a lot of South American multipliers, and found SA signals always weak. I don't know if this was normal from here, if it was propagation below normal, or if I was working SA at the wrong time. OH dominated Europe over the North Pole, with SM running second.

I quit on the second night before 0700, and enjoyed another good night's sleep. When I returned Sunday morning at 1700, the band was already jumping with big signals from the West Coast on the mainland, and some East Coast signals from the back of beams on Europe. It's hard to say who had big signals back home, because I never knew if I was listening to the front or back of a beam!

Since I planned a casual effort from the start, I mostly called CQ and did little searching. it was really frustrating at times when I could not find a hole in the 10M band! On SSB we've learned to make full use of the 10M band - in CQWW SSB from home I operated as high as 28.9 Mhz. On CW, you're all alone above 28.1! Maybe we need a bandplan that doesn't allow Ws to CQ below 28.1, or better yet - doesn't allow DX to CQ below 28.1. That would force the mainlanders to listen up!

When I reached my goal of 2000 Qs at around 2200Z, I decided to look around 15 and 20 to hand out the multiplier. Fred, K1VR, put a packet message out for me that turned up a few YCCCers who I hope I made happy. I apologize to those who asked me early in the contest to move to other bands, but I wasn't sure yet how casual my operation would be, and I wasn't familiar enough with the station to change bands! The 10M Oceania record last year was set with something like 2400 Qs. My bottom line is about 2000 Qs, with plenty of sleep – but I really had a ball! I only wound up with about 76 countries and 32 zones, but they pretty much all found me in my laid back effort.

The window beside my operating position overlooked the Pacific toward JA. The window in Ron's shack was open all the time. I was there, with a light breeze making it very comfortable. It struck me that here in paradise it wasn't even necessary to have a screen on the window. I never had one flying insect pay me a visit!

Thanks to Ron Pitts, CQWW CW 1989 was even better than I ever imagined in my wildest dreams of an operation with an 830 and Hustler mobile antenna.

Comparison of TS-950S to TS-940S Tony Kazmakites, WB2P

(reprinted from the Frankford Radio Club Newletter, January, 1990)

1. Listening to two separate frequencies on the same band is a big help when working split. However, a single balance knob on the IC-781 seems easier to use than two separate volume controls, but that is operator dependent. Need cw filters in cw mode for sub audio to be worthwhile in that mode. Unfortunately filters can't be installed.

2. Front panel switchable 8.83 MHz and 455 kHz filters is great. Easier to switch filters than play with IF VBT. You have the choice of 2.7 and 500 in 2nd IF and 2.7, 500, and 250 in 3rd IF.

3. Switchable preamp is a benefit on high bands.

4. SWR cutback is very sensitive. 150 watts out on 20M with low SWR. Power dropped to 110 watts with 1.5 SWR. Probably can be adjusted.

5. Background noise level seems lower on 950. Weak signals seem to stand out better.

6. The 950 doesn't put out hash on the other bands like the 940 and 930.

Notch not very effective. Probably has to be 7. aligned.

8. AF VBT not effective (probably wasn't even working).

9. Bandwidth measured:

| Mode | Filters | VBT setting | Bandwidth |
|------|---------|-------------|-----------|
| SSB | | wide | 2.68 kHz |
| cw | 500/2.7 | wide | 840 Hz |
| cw | 500/500 | wide | 600 Hz |
| cw | 500/250 | wide | 350 Hz |
| cw | 500/250 | 12 o'clock | 140 Hz |

10. Access cover on top cover should be hinged.

11. Power plug is permanently attached to rig and is 2 wire plug.

12. Does not use a DIN plug to hook up beverages, filters, etc. Standard phono plugs are used.

13. When using full break-in on CW, the filter indicators keep flashing from filters being used in receive mode to filters (2.7) being used in Xmit (minor complaint).

14. The main frequency display on the 950 doesn't change to display the Xmit frequency when operating split like the 940 and 930. Instead, the other VFO is continuously displayed to the right with smaller numerals.

15. On 160M, while receiving a 30 over 9 signal, there was no detectable hash on either the 950 or the 940. Either rig could operate within one kHz in the cw mode without detecting the other signal. The 930 had hash as far away as 5 kHz.

16. Most liked the white on gray lettering of the 940 better than the light blue on dark blue lettering of the 950.

17. I like the bar graph meter. You can see power output, ALC, and compression all at the same time.

18. My large fingers tend to rotate the RIT/XIT pot when I'm rotating the sub audio pot.

19. Nice touch lighting up the keypad when entering frequency. When not lit, the keypad is used to change bands.

20. Automatic antenna tuner is very fast!

21. Vox controls are now on front panel.

22. Same RS-232C interface used for 950 and 940.

23. Switch on rear panel disables relay for keying amp or you can elect to use the 12 volt on xmit signal.

Overall impressions:

Nice radio. if I was trying to decide between the 950 and 940, I would buy the 950. if price was an issue, I would select the 940 with the main sacrifice being the sub audio receiver.

I had a short opportunity to have a 940, 950, and a 781 side by side. I don't feel there were any dramatic differences in sensitivity or selectivity between any of these rigs. The main differences are in operating aids and conveniences.

I tried to put a figure of merit on the rigs that I have had an opportunity to play with in regards to performance, ease of operation and just personal taste. This is a scale of 1-10, with 10 being the best:

930 7.0 940 8.0 950 8.5 765 8.0 781 9.0

Ham Service Departments Pete Kemp, KZ1Z

| AEA | Customer Service | (206)775-7373 |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Alinco | Customer Service | (213)618-8616 |
| | FAX | (213)618-8758 |
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| Azden (Am Whole) | Customer Service | (404)769-8706 |
| | Repair (2-4 pm only) | (404)769-8706 |
| | FAX (7 pm - 10 am only) | (404)769-7970 |
| B & W | Customer Service | (315)788-5581 |
| Butternut | Service/Parts/technical info. | (512)398-7117 |
| Cushcraft | Service/Parts/technical info. | (603)627-7879 |
| ETO | Customer Service | (719)260-1191 |
| | FAX | (719)260-0395 |
| Hy-Gain | Rotor Parts | (402)465-7021 |
| • | Antenna/Tower/parts | (402)465-7022 |
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| ICOM | Service | (206)454-7619 |
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| Yaesu | Service | (213)404-4884 |
| | Parts | (213)404-4847 |
| | FAX | (213)404-1210 |

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| Score Rumors | | | TD /a | | | | | i-Sing | le: | | - | - | |
| (Thanks to Randy T | | on, K52 | LD/3, 1 | or prov | iding | | Call | | | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score |
| some of this informa | tion.) | | | | | | *K1AR K1IU | | | 4106 2973 | 190 166 | 590 495 | 9 4M 5.7M |
| | | | | | | | N2RM | | | 3725 | 183 | 602 | 8.4M |
| CQ WW SSB: | | | | | | | N3BB/ | 5 | | 2477 | 158 | 444 | 4.4M |
| Single-Op: | | | | | | | N4RJ | | | 3465 | 189 | 564 | 7.5M |
| - | | - | | | | | K8AZ | | | 3433 | 158 | 486 | 6.4M |
| Call | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score | | | W8FN | | | 2643 | 157 | 437 | 4.7M |
| W1BIH | 456 | 29 | 96 | 492K | | | KORF | | | 3056 | 169 | 450 | 5.6M |
| | | | | | | | KC6AA | | | 3949 | 136 | 300 | 5M |
| Single-Op Unlimit | ed: | | | | | | 1.14 | | | | | | |
| Call | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score | | | | i-Mult | ::: | • | - | | - |
| AI3E | 351 | 82 | 218 | 298K | | | Call | | | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score |
| | | | | | | | *KY1H K1ST | | | 5985 6330 | 180 178 | 568 555 | 13.0M 13.0M |
| CO WW CW | | | | | | | W3LPL | | | 7133 | 189 | 618 | 17.0M |
| CQ WW CW: | | | | | | | K4VX/ | | | 6082 | 185 | 539 | 12.0M |
| Single-Op: | | | | | | | NR5M | | | 5706 | 181 | 573 | 12.0M |
| Call | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score | | | K5NA/ | 2 | | 5267 | 179 | 565 | 11.0M |
| AK1A | 1322 | 128 | 345 | 1.8M | | | *00 | WW | CU | Score | Da | akda | |
| K1CC | 2985 | 141 | 392 | 4.6M | | | CQ | | r C n | Score | e Dre | eakuo | wits: |
| W1KM | 2880 | 135 | 390 | 4.5M | | | K1AR | M/S: | | | | | |
| K1TN | 1054 | 111 | 300 | 1.2M | | | band: | Qs | Zs | Cs | | | |
| K1TO N2BA | 3443 2223 | 130 133 | 400 353 | 5.2M 3.1M | | | 1.8 | 37 | 16 | 34 | | | |
| W2HPF | 1538 | 117 | 304 | 1.9M | | | 3.5 | 313 | 26 | 75 | | | |
| N2NT | 2956 | 146 | 391 | 4.7M | | | 7 | 922 | 35 | 100 | | | |
| WB3KKX | 1711 | 126 | 309 | 2.1M | | | 14 21 | 1139 | 37 39 | 128 | | | |
| K3TUP | 3214 | 155 | 432 | 5.5M | | | 28 | 921 | 37 | 129 | | | |
| K3ZO | 2130 | 7 | ? | 3.2M | | | TOTAL | | 190 | 590 = 9.4 | M | | |
| WZ4F | 2100 | 136 | 362 | 3.0M | | | | | | | | | |
| WX4G | 1693 | 144 | 379 | 2.6M | | | K1DO | S/O | unlimit | ed: | | | |
| N5AU AD5Q | 2840 1824 | 146 134 | 376 322 | 4.3M 2.3M | | | band: | Qs | Zs | Cs | ÷. | | |
| N5RZ | 2423 | 153 | 414 | 4.0M | | | 1.8 | 11 | 8 | 10 | | | |
| N6BV/1 | 2733 | 128 | 371 | 3.9M | | | 3.5 | 92 | 15 | 51 | | | |
| NASV | 2387 | 131 | 343 | 3.3M | | | 7 | 702 | 29 | 83 | | | |
| NO9F | 1075 | 102 | 217 | 1.2M | | | 14 21 | 712 | 35 35 | 88 | | | |
| W9RE | 3099 | 141 | 370 | 4.6M | | | 28 | 688 | 33 | 101 106 | | | |
| WOZV | 2374 | 155 | 354 | 3.5M | | | TOTAL | | 155 | 439 = 5.0 | M | | |
| P40GD | 5000 | ? | ? | 7.8M | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | KY1H | I M/M | : | | | | |
| Single-Op Unlimit | ed: | | | | | | band: | Qs | Zs | Cs | | | |
| Call | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score | | | 1.8 | 54 170 | 13 20 | 25 66 | | | |
| W1BIH (10m) | 586 | 35 | 111 | 251K | | | 7 | 1304 | 33 | 93 | | | |
| KIDG | 2909 | 155 | 439 | 5.0M | | | 14 | 1864 | 39 | 125 | | | |
| K1VR | 1889 | 153 | 402 | 3.1M | | | 21 | 1333 | 39 | 125 | | | |
| AI3E | 409 | 100 | 223 | 380K | | | 28 | 1260 | 39 | 134 | | | |
| K3NA NAKG | 3040 | 124 | 327 | 4.0M | | | TOTAL | 5985 | 180 | 568 = 13 | .0M | | |
| N4KG | 1829 | 159 | 438 | 3.1M | | | K1IU | M/C. | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | band: | Q5 | Zs | Cs | | | |
| Single-Op Single-I | Sand: | | | | | | 1.8 | 15 | 9 | 13 | | | |
| Call | Band | Qs | Zs | Cs | Score | | 3.5 | 91 | 18 | 63 | | | |
| KA1XN | 10 | ? | ? | ? | 113K | | 7 | 532 | 31 | 85 | | | |
| KI2P | 10 | 1078 | 36 | 112 | 478K | | 14 | 808 | 34 | 106 | | | |
| KD2RD | 10 | 1171 | 34 | 106 | 482K | | 21 | 818 | 39 | 111 | 54 (F | | |
| K4XS | 10 | ? | ? | ? | 600K | | 28 | 709 | 35 | 117 | | | |
| KG5U | 10 | 395 | 31 | 80 | 110K | | TOTAL | 2973 | 166 | 495 = 5.7 | M | | |
| N8CXX | 10 | 1241 | 35 | 116 | 553K | | Viam | MA | | | | | |
| W9SU | 10 | 1322 | 35 | 113 | 560K | | | M/M: | | | | | |
| K9UWA | 10 10 | ? | ? | ? ? | 475K 646K | | band: | Qs | Zs | Cs | | | |
| AH6/W1WEF K2EK | | 1896 | | | | | 1.8 3.5 | 26 194 | 9 | 18 58 | | | |
| WIGIH | 20 40 | 406 | 38 | 121 | 7 7 | | 3.5 | 194 | 18 35 | 120 | | | |
| K1ZZI | 40 | 1238 | 22 33 | 71 96 | 479K | | 14 | 1628 | 37 | 113 | | | |
| W1FV | 80 | 552 | 29 | 86 | ? | | 21 | 1796 | 39 | 125 | | | |
| K4TEA | 160 | 17 | 16 | 50 | ? | | 28 | 1231 | 36 | 121 | | | |
| | 100 | | 10 | 30 | 10 | 5 | TOTAL | 6330 | 178 | 555 = 13 | .0M | | |
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| W3LF | L M/ | M: | |
|-------|-------|-----|-------------|
| band: | Qs | Zs | Cs |
| 18 | 56 | 14 | 34 |
| 3.5 | | 25 | 86 |
| 7 | 1508 | 39 | 106 |
| 14 | | | |
| | | 39 | |
| 28 | | | |
| TOTAL | 7133 | 189 | 618 = 17.0M |
| K3TU | P S/C |): | |
| band: | Qs | Zs | Cs |
| 1.8 | | | 9 |
| | | 15 | |
| 7 | 622 | 31 | 85 |
| 14 | | | |
| 21 | 864 | 35 | 99 |
| | 894 | 33 | 95 |
| | | | 432 = 5.5M |
| K5NA | /2 M | /M: | |
| band: | Qs | Zs | Cs |
| 1.8 | 40 | 11 | 24 |
| 3.5 | 112 | 17 | 56 |
| 7 | 979 | 37 | 113 |
| 14 | 1493 | 38 | 123 |
| 21 | 1276 | 39 | 119 |

Movers and Shakers

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179

1367

TOTAL 5267

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Please update your club roster to include the following changes:

565 = 11.0M

Scott Johnson, ex-KC1JI, is now NW1I.

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New work phone number for Ed, K1TR, is (508)960-6722.

Jim, AD1C, has moved: Jim Reisert, AD1C 284 Great Road #C1 Acton, MA 01720

New Crew

Please welcome the following new members who joined at the December meeting: Gregory J. Iannucelli. KC1CE 100 Royal Avenue Cranston. RI 02920 Phone: (401)942-2046

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Excess Cargo

WANTED: Contest operator(s). Must be mean, quick, and duty bound; for ARRL CW and ARRL phone. Single ops welcome. Call Dennis, K8UR/1, at (508)529-3416 or (508)529-6330.

FOR SALE:

TS-940S with antenna tuner, RS-232 interface, 2.1 FT filters, \$1800. DVK-100 Digital Voice Keyer, \$100. Ameritron AL-1200, \$1575. B & W 3902-1 turns counter (new), \$59 each. QTH, negotiable. Contact Dennis, K8UR/1, (508)529-3416.



THE CLUB RESOURCES PAGE THE Place to Find Club Information

DUES are due at the April election meeting, which begins our club "contest year", with a grace period until the end of June. Membership in the club will lapse at the end of the grace period if dues are not paid up. In order to re-join the club, a lapsed member must attend a meeting, like any new member, and be welcomed back into membership, or may 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 last meeting of the club's contest year (February) 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 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 **Butt**. 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 currently free.

STUDENT MEMBERS Full-time students are eligible for dues at half the regular rate.

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SCUTTLEBUTT ARTICLES should be sent to the Scuttlebutt editor, Paul Young, K1XM, 11 Michigan Drive, Hudson, MA 01749, home phone (508)562-5819. The deadline for each issue is usually three weeks before the next meeting.

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