

THE SCUTTLEBUTT



"The Clipper's Wake"

Journal of the YANKEE CLIPPER CONTEST CLUB

A Club of Dx & Contest
Oriented Amateurs in the
Northeastern USA

"#1 is more FUN"

{ OFFICIAL CONTEST CLUB OF
THE 1980 WINTER OLYMPICS }

CLIPPER SKIPPER: DUG, KLDG

SCRIBE: BILL, KIGQ

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FIRST MATE: FRED, KZTR

PURSER: BOB, NITZ

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SAYINGS FROM THE SKIPPER

It's now half-time of the 1980 ARRL DX Contest, with the CW weekend a dim memory and the phone affair a couple of days away. Conditions on CW were reminiscent of the bottom years of the sunspot cycle, with Europeans simply non-existent on 10 the first day. Those who endured, however, were rewarded with such tidbits as 100+ hours Sunday morning on 10 meters to Europe, and -- get this -- a JA opening on 80 meters Sunday morning! For example, W1ZM had 26 JA QSOs in 30 minutes on 80, W2YV got one easily, K1RX worked several (in addition to the UM8, UJ8, UI8 and UL7 earlier).

Final scores were way down, as can be seen in the listings on the next page. This gives YCCC a rare opportunity. Historically, we've done very well on phone and been squashed on CW. Even though we're behind on CW, decent conditions on phone could allow us to make up the difference, and then some. But we need everyone on the air. Even if you've only got a few hours available, every point helps. THE ONLY SCORE THAT DOESN'T HELP IS A ZERO.

If you can't put in full time, here are some goals you might consider for a part-time score:

- 100K = 333Q X 100 COUNTRIES
- 250K = 500Q X 166 COUNTRIES
- 500K = 666Q X 250 COUNTRIES
- 1MEG = 1000Q X 333 COUNTRIES
(OR 1333 X 300)

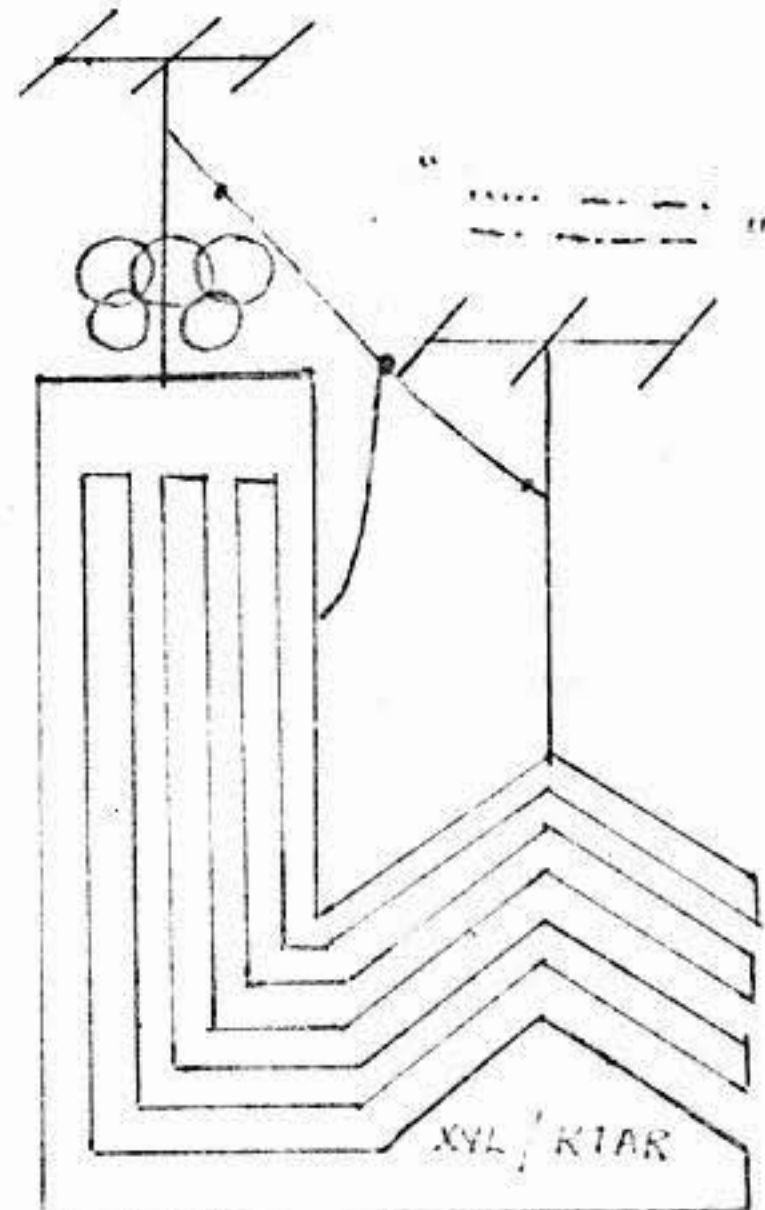
73 to GL!
Dug KLDG

SCUTTLEBUTT EXCLUSIVE

These two interviews never made it into ABC's television coverage of the Winter Olympics. It was discovered on the cutting-room floor by our roving reporter. The following is the transcript of the interview between ABC and one Olympian, a competitor from the YCCC nation in the radio contest events...."up close and personal":

ABC: "Could you tell the viewers at home exactly what training you've had to do for the contest event?"

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CONTEST QUICKIES

MULTIPLIER SPOTTING NETS AVAILABLE:

ON 220 MHz NITZ REPEATER -
CONTACT BOB AT 617-885-3841
TO ARRANGE A TEST.

ALSO, SOUTHERN N.E. DX ASSN REPEATER
IN MEDWAY, MASS (147.66/106) USEFUL
FOR BOSTON AREA STATIONS.

DON'T FORGET TO WORK W+VE

THEY COUNT FOR MULTIPLIERS ON EACH
BAND - 12 EASY MULTIPLIERS! BUT
DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY - NO QSO POINTS!

SCUTTLEBUTT EXCLUSIVE, CONT'D.

YCCC: "Well, first, since the ARRL DX
Contest held here in the winter
competition is a 48 hour contest,
physical conditioning is a must."

ABC: "Similar to marathon training?"

YCCC: "Sort of; except instead of run-
ning, I practice sitting in the
same chair for long periods of
time without sleeping or going to
the bathroom. Also, since I do
both phone and CW, I practice for
phone pileups by yelling at my
wife and kids and build up my
fingers for CW by knitting."

ABC: "Let's talk about your particular
operating style. Critics of your
style have said you're a good
technician, but you lack that
extra "something" that could make
you the champion. Can you comment?"

YCCC: "Well first let me say I'm not just
a technician, I've got my Extra.
As for my style, I've been working
on tail-ending, creative phonetics,
and I can call CQ and give reports
in fourteen languages. I've been
running Europeans 4 hours a day,
six days a week for four years now.
I think I'll be ready."

ABC: "Good Luck!"

YCCC: "Thanks, Jim."

The same operator was interviewed follow-
ing a disappointing finish in the CW com-
petition. Here's what happened.....

ABC: "You were heavily favored to win the
gold medal in the CW event -- what
happened?"

YCCC: "Well, first off, let me say that
the media coverage, especially
on 3830, had a definite influence
on my attitude."

ABC: "How about conditions?"

YCCC: "Well, I'm not used to running
Europeans on these man-made sun-
spots. Also, I think I had the
wrong wax on my antennas."

ABC: "How about multipliers?"

YCCC: "I think there must be an un-
announced boycott by a lot of
countries -- the multipliers
just weren't there."

ABC: "Was QRM a factor?"

YCCC: "To a certain extent, yes. On
the low bands, stations from
these third-world clubs (PVRC &
FRC) were everywhere. We'll be
going after them on phone, though."

ABC: "Speaking of phone, you'll be
entering the multi-op event?"

YCCC: "Yes, that's right. YCCC has
several entries which should help
our club's medal total. The six-
band sleds at PV, ZM, and TR could
cop all three medals for use.
We've also got the VV and TFF teams
to back us up. And of course,
we've got a lot of potential medal
winners in the single-op and
multi-single categories."

ABC: "Best of luck to you guys. What
are your plans after these games?"

YCCC: "There's the WPX in March, the
YCC meeting in Auburn April 5, and
then the Contester's Beer-Drinking
Marathon in Dayton in late April."

ABC: "We'll look forward to seeing you
in Dayton, ABC will be covering
that event live on Wide World of
Sports... Thanks for talking to us
today; congratulations on the
bronze medal on CW, and good luck
this weekend on phone."

YCCC: "Thanks, Jim."

ABC: "Now we return live to the 20 meter
pileup-jumping competition....."

YCCC RAW SCORES - ARRL CW

* HEARD, SCORE UNKNOWN

1. N1AAP (K1RX)	56. N2NT (W2YV)
2. WB1ABF ?	57. AF1U ?
3. N1ACJ ?	58. K10ME (K2TR)
4. N1ACU ?	59. W100 ?
5. WB3ANE 0/0	60. WA20VE 0/0
6. WB1ANT 740/164 364K	61. K20Y ?
7. K1AR (W2PV) singleop	62. WA1PDG ?
8. N1AU ?	63. W1PH ?
9. WB1AUL (K1RQ)	64. K2PH ?
10. W3AZD 0/0	65. W2PV 1331/321 1.28M (K1AR opr)
11. KA1BBD ?	66. K2QF (K2VV)
12. W1BK ?	67. K1RQ 1100/270 891K (m/s)
13. W1BR (N1TZ)	68. W1RT 0/0
14. K1BU see WB1ANT	69. K1RU ? *
15. AE1C ?	70. K1RX 1125/291 982K (m/s)
16. AG1C (W1YN)	71. K1SA ?
17. K1CO ?	72. K1SF (N1TZ)
18. N1CW ?	73. WA2SPL (K2TR)
19. K1DG 1050/273 860K (at W1UG)	74. K1ST 1061/225 716K (m/s)
20. K1DH (K2TR)	75. WA2STM ? *
21. W1DYH ?	76. K1TA 2/2
22. K1EB ?	77. W2TA 0/0
23. N1EE (K1MA, singleop)	78. WA1TFF 0/0
24. WB1EJI 0/0	79. K1TK ?
25. KA1EP ?	80. K2TR 2627/360 2.837M (m/m)
26. K9ES (K1ST)	81. N1TZ 977/260 762K (m/s)
27. K1FIR (N1TZ)	82. K1UA (K2TR)
28. W1FJ 620/190 353K	83. W1UQ see K1DG
29. WB2FZD 0/0	84. NSUR ?
30. W1GG 231/67 46K (15m)	85. WA1UZH ?
31. N1GL 0/0	86. K1VR 480/74 106K (40m)
32. K1GQ 195/110 64K	87. K2VV 2258/352 2.384M (m/m)
33. K1GSK 0/0	88. K1WB ?
34. K1GW ?	89. G3WJN ?
35. W1HCS ?	90. K2XA (K2VV)
36. K1HI (K1RY)	91. W1XK 143/69 29K
37. WB1HIX 0/0	92. K1XR ?
38. W1HNZ ?	93. K1XX (W1ZM)
39. W2IB 750K	94. W1XX ?
40. K1IJU ?	95. K1YL see K1DG
41. K1IJV ?	96. W1YN ? *
42. K1IK ?	97. K1YR (K1RU)
43. WB2ITR ?	98. WA1YTW ?
44. K1IU ? *	99. W2YV 1953/367 2.150M (m/s)
45. N2JJ (K2VV)	100. W2YX 0/0
46. W1JP ?	101. K4YX (K2TR)
47. K1KA ?	102. WA1ZAM ?
48. K1KNQ (N1TZ)	103. K1ZM (W1ZM)
49. K1LL ?	104. W1ZM 1538/319 1.4M (m/m)
50. K1LUM ?	105. W1ZT (K1RQ)
51. K1LS ?	106. --
52. K1MER 135/	107. --
53. W2MHK ?	108. --
54. K1MM 742/190 423K (N1EE opr)	109. --
55. K2MM ?	110. --

total 16.4M

APRIL 5 - AUBURN

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!
NEXT YEAR MEETING IS APRIL 5 IN AUBURN.
DIRECTIONS AND TIME (MAYBE) IN NEXT ISSUE.
THIS WILL BE YOUR CHANCE TO TRY YOUR NEW
IMPROVED (?) DUES AND ELECT NEW OFFICERS
(WHO WON'T RAISE DUES).

THINGS TO DO
THIS WEEKEND;

FRIDAY - EARLY DINNER, CONTEST
STARTS AT 7.

SATURDAY - OPERATE CONTEST.

SUNDAY - OPERATE CONTEST.

SUNDAY NIGHT - 7:00 PM - REPORT
SCORES ON YOUR POST -
CONTEST NET, 3830 kHz.

COMING IN THE NEXT ^{OR} BUTT!

MORE "TICKETS WITH COAX" BY
FRED LASS;

"SHORT-CUT ANTENNA
FORMULAE" BY BILL
MYERS;

AND THE USUAL ASSORTMENT
OF MINDLESS DRIVEN FROM
OUR FERTILE LENDER.



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