

THE SCUTTLEBUTT



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PRESIDENTIAL STUFF

Well, campers, the first half of the Contest Year 80 is now behind us. Sweepstakes and CQWW are now both only echoes of pileups gone by. And what pileups!

Our effort this year has been directed toward the CQWW contest, with the intention of winning. We've had a tremendous effort put forth by a lot of people and our club aggregate score is well in excess of last year's record score by FRC. The final numbers aren't in yet, but it appears that FRC has beaten us. But why?

One club member (guy with a big station, too) refused to participate in the club effort this year. His reason was that "nobody's getting involved" and he didn't want to beat his head against the wall in a doomed-to-defeat effort. This attitude is deplorable, I can't count all the guys who busted this chops this year (and half a ball doint it!) in the CQWW - there were lots of them. We could, however, have won the WW if we'd had more participation. Were you on?

If you sat the contest out (for whatever reason), you missed out on a good time. Records were shattered in every category (including at least three by YCCC'ers).

It wasn't only the big gun stations who had fun, either. It was possible for a station with only dipoles to break a million points on CW, ask Fred, K1VR. Remember the years around '74 when we'd bet on whether 15 was going to open at all to Europe? Now the bet is whether 15 will ever close. If you like DXing and/or contesting, this should be the best time of your ham career. Get on and operate! We've got a few tricks up our sleeves for the meeting on the 15th. It should be a good time - we'll also be laying plans for the 1st Annual YCCC Christmas Party - to be held in January. Bring your ideas for the Party to the meeting - should we have a band, what kind of meal, etc. I'm looking forward to it - credit for the idea goes to Mrs. K1RQ, who suggested it at Hartford. If you can't get to the meeting, at least drop a note to a club officer or make your opinion known on the YCCC net - Monday nights, 3830, roughly 0100Z to 0400Z (except for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour for MASH).

Got any ideas for club projects? Meeting programs? Want to tell club officers what they're doing wrong? Speak up - be heard! Every member is important - even if you're only a little gun. We need more communications within the club as we continue to grow by leaps and bounds (almost 10% at the Hartford meeting alone!!). And let's see if we can give Frankford a run for their money in the new, improved (?) ARRL DX Contest. CU in Auburn! Doug, K1DG

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 QSOs

| Phone | | CW | |
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| KP4Q (K2TR) | 2450 | KP2A (K2TR) | 1311 |
| WA7NIN | 2000+ | WA7NIN | 1260 |
| KØRF | 2050 | W7KW | 1247 |
| WØYK | 1900+ | K3LR | 1210 |
| W7RM | 1900+ | K7CA | 1230 |
| W6XR | 1900+ | W7NI | 1174 |
| VE7CC | 1900+ | W6HX | 1180 |
| VE5DX | 1950 | N6TR | 1180 |
| W2PV (K1AR) | 1834 | K6LL/7 | 1180 |
| N6TR | 1801 | N6RO | 1134 |
| K1VTM | 1730 | K5RC | 1117 |
| K1PR | 1700 | VE7CC | 1145 |
| KØKX | 1710 | K5GO | 1150 |
| W1CF (K1UA) | 1655 | W2GD | 1133 |
| K5GA | 1608 | W2YV (N2NT) | 1166 |
| K6LL/7 | 1556 | K3UA | 1170 |
| W7KW | 1521 | W2PV (K1AR) | 1090 |

New Info

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K1GQ New work phone 617 944-6850 x348

New Hampshire QSO Party

The 1980 NH QSO Party will be sponsored by the Nashua ARC to promote the Worked New Hampshire Award. Operating periods are 2000Z, Feb. 2 to 0500Z, Feb. 3 and 1400Z Feb. 3 to 0200Z Feb. 4. Stations may be worked once per band per mode. NH stations may work each other. NH stations send RS(T) and county. Out-of-state work NH only, send RS(T) ARRL section or country. Score 1 point per QSO, multiplied by the number of NH counties, (plus ARRL sections and countries for NH stations). Suggested frequencies are 1810, 3555, 7055, 14055, 21055, 28130, and 1820, 3935, 3975, 7235, 14280, 21380, Novice 3730, 7130, 21130, 28130, vhf 50.115 145.015 fm simplex. Suggested times - phone on the hour, cw at half hour. No cw QSOs in phone band. NH club competition awards will be certificates signed by the Governor of New Hampshire. Trophy for winning NH club. Mark summary sheet with club name. Mailing date March 16, send entry with large sase for results/award to NARC, R. Lint, 10 Hartwood Dr, Merrimack, NH 03054.

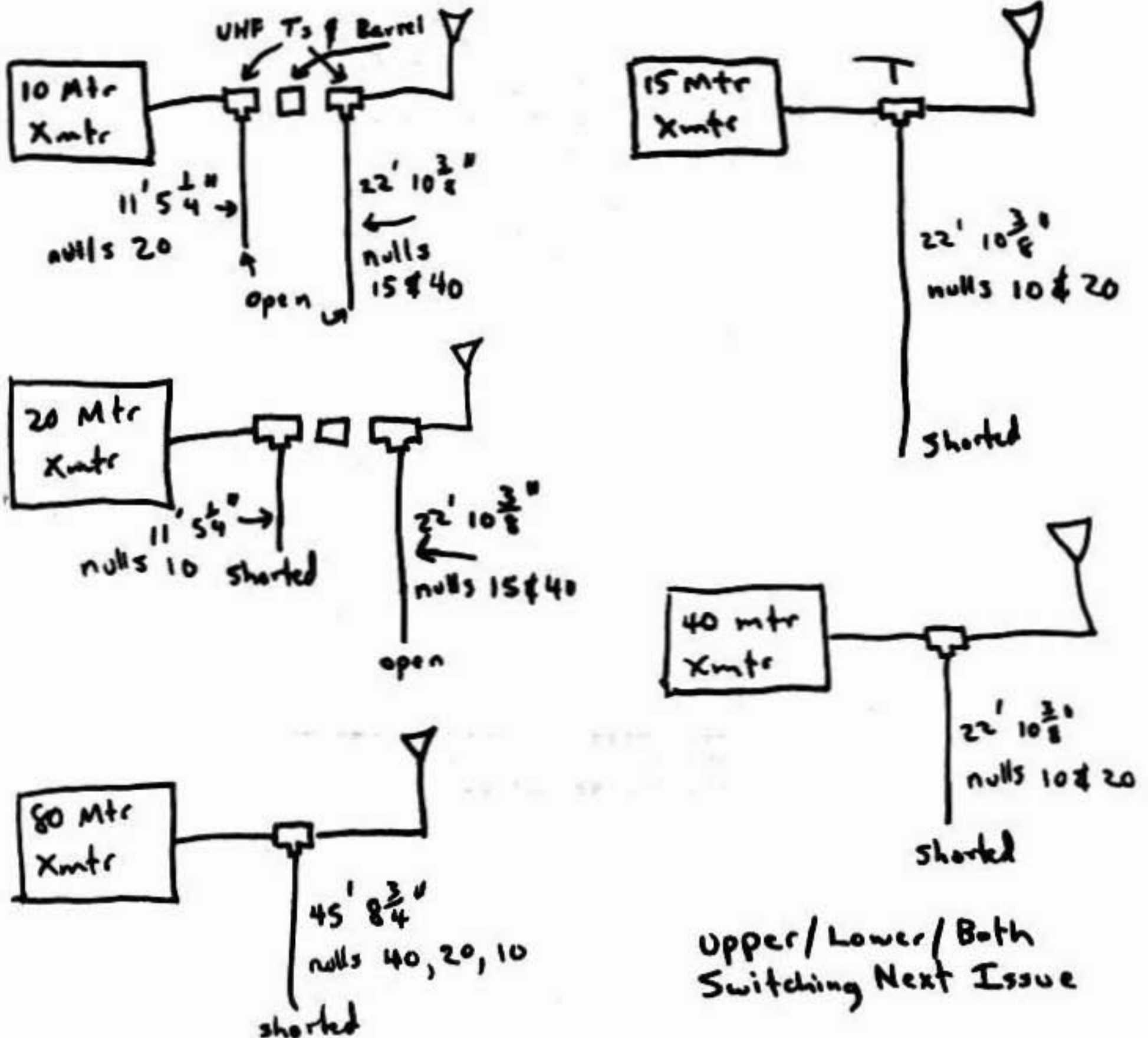
At last, someone has responded.

TRICKS WITH COAX by Fred Lass, K2TR

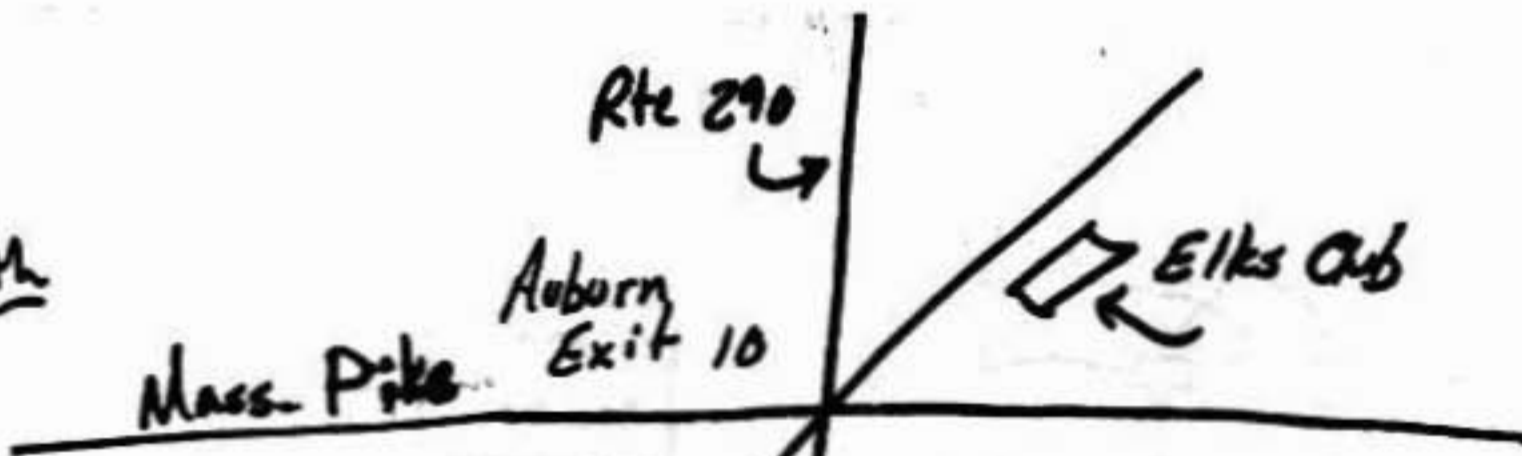
Young girls may have braids, and knights of old may have shields, but the only place that you'll find a center conductor is running down the middle of a simple piece of coax. Of course, most of us use coax to feed our antennas. Coax can be buried, tied to a tree, taped to a tower, bent back upon itself, and it will work just fine. These factors make coax the best way to feed almost any antenna, but they also make coax useful for many matching and filtering needs. This series will show how I have used coax in my station. I will include lengths for various bands if solid dielectric cable is used. Foam dielectric cables have varying dielectric constants and are not suitable if accuracy is desired. Happy cutting!

Multi-multi filters

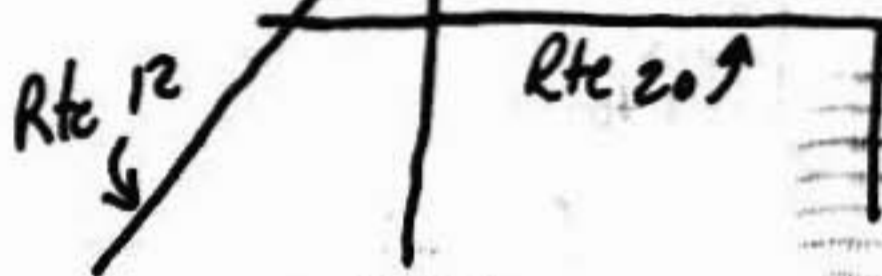
In addition to preventing receiver overload, more than 20 dB of harmonic rejection is possible with these filters. I built them for Field Day in 1979 and PJ8CO 1977. Use RG-58 for less than 500 Watts. RG-59, RG-8, or RG-11 for 2 KW.



1 PM
Dec 15th



12 PM
Past and Present
Officers



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