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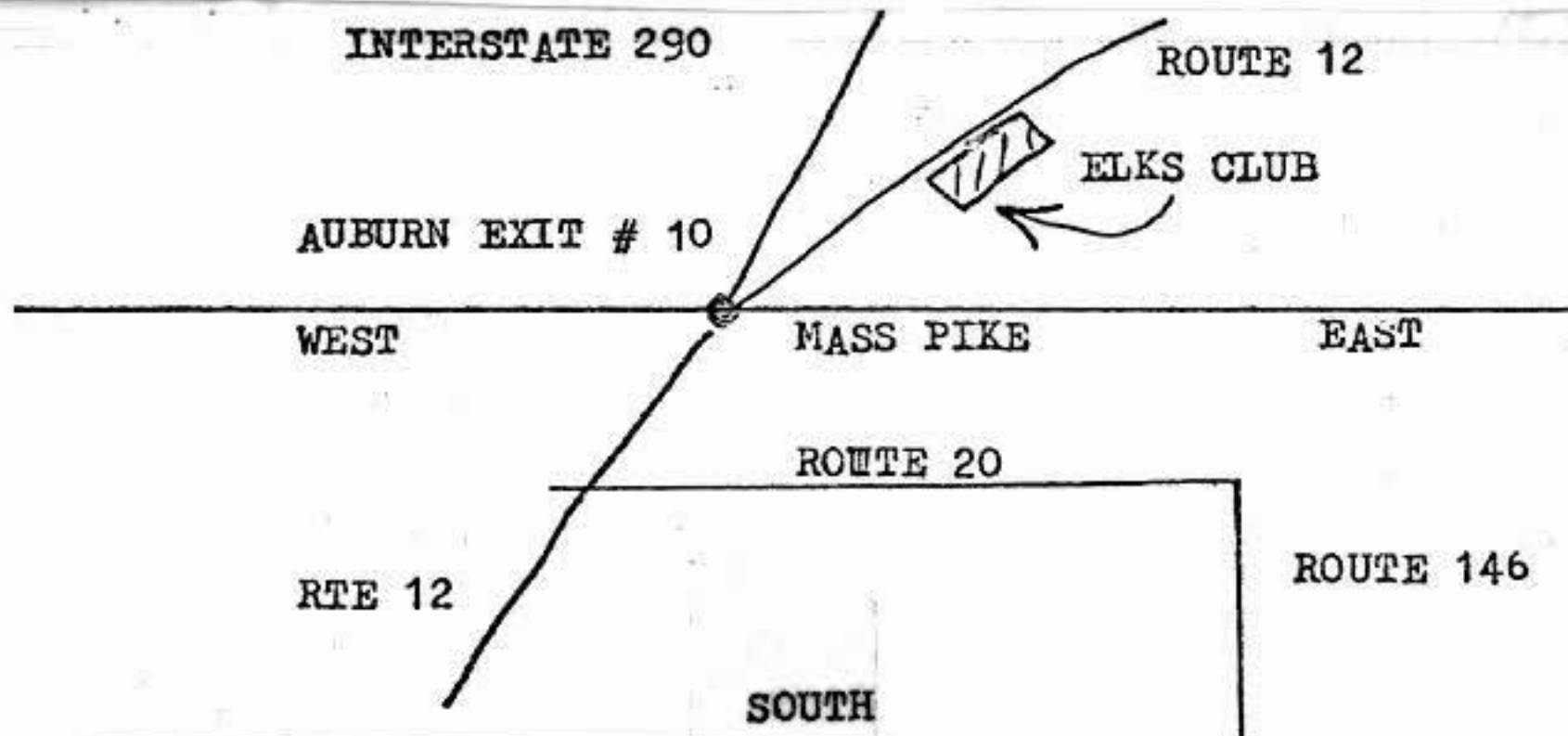
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## MEETING MAY 5 AUBURN

The next official YCCC meeting will be held in Auburn, Mass on **May 5** at 1:00 PM at the Auburn Elks Lodge (map below). I must apologize for such short notice, but work commitments and the time-consuming task of house-hunting have kept me from writing the SCUTTLEBUTT. If anyone would like to assume the editorship of this noble publication, let him come forth at the meeting. At the meeting, we will re-cap the club's performance for the past year, plan a direction for the club to move in for next year, then elect the officers to help accomplish whatever goals we set. Let me repeat, lest anybody miss the announcement-

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD

As usual, there will be some surprises at the meeting, one of which will be when we ambush that custodian who threw us out last time.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 27-29 DAYTON!!!
- May 5-6 QSO PARTIES:  
Florida  
New York  
10-X Net  
Vermont  
YCCC meeting-Auburn
- May 12-13 Russian Contest  
World Telecommunications  
Day Contest
- May 19-20 Mass. QSO Party  
Mich. QSO Party
- May 26-27 CQ WPX CW TEST

NOTES FROM WD5-LAND

These notes were compiled by our 1078 SS Super-Op, John Dorr, K1AR. He played in the ARRL DX Test this year from KØRF on voice and XE2NQ on code, and offers these observations.

KØRF

As usual, I operated 20 meters (are there any other ham bands?) and was surprised at the activity. Conditions were very good on Saturday with 100+ QSOs per hour into EU from 09 to 12 Z. One big difference out here is the amazing volume of VK/ZL and rare goodies such as H44, and KC6 (both East and West!). The style of operating out here is much different-people tend to be intimidated by the East Coast stations. Chuck (RF) couldn't believe that I managed to get 14.201 Sunday afternoon. Apparently W2PV couldn't believe it either, because he stole the frequency back-talk about intimidation! (No hard feelings, Rich) The biggest difference out here, as everyone knows, is Japan. On 80 thru 10, all day every day, JA, JA, JA! I might add here that all the YCCC guys I heard all had their acts together. Very few busted calls heard. However, you have no idea how loud those 20 watt stations are out here, and just how many of them there are! The pileups are unreal-in fact, rumor has it that some of them are still calling.....

XE2NQ

This was an interesting "DXpedition". I drove almost as far to get to the airport to go to KØRF as I did to get to Mundo's (XE2NQ) QTH. The whole operation came about when I was driving around in Juarez (which, by the way, I can see from the window of my apartment) and spotted a tower with a TH6DXX on top. I stopped in, and after meeting Mundo, he agreed to let me operate the next weekend in the Test. The DX Test from here is more like the SS. I've concluded that the W/Ks are without a doubt the best ops in the world. Sending as fast as I could most of the time, they just kept coming fast and furious with the best hour peaking at 155 (on 80!). Final total was 3011/263 for 2.38M. If all goes well, see you in the next Sprint from XE2NQ!

MISCELLANY

Bill Poellnitz, K1MM, is alive and well and back from his excursion to Spratly. 3-day total from that operation was over 13K QSOs. Seems that they were 30 over 9 in Tokyo all day all bands, not to mention 18 hours a day to the States. You can hear the real story (not the "official" story) at the meeting May 5.....Lars, SMØGMG, was in town recently on his way to Dayton, and was ably escorted around the area by Fred, K1VR.....Monday nights of late have been just overflowing with information on the YCCC net (8 PM local, 3830) since MASH has been pre-empted a couple of times. Drop in some week and find out how to decode (unscramble) Channel 68, or why W2YV eats so much Chinese food, or why the Old Yankee isn't senile yet.....If you have any miscellany to share with the gang either send it to K1DG, or else volunteer to write this rag and send it to yourself..AR

Test your contestmanship ... try this SQ\*

1. It's 2359Z Sunday, and you finally get through to a scratchy UL70A on 40.
  - a. You've worked UK70AA; do you log UL70A?
  - b. The clock ticks over before you finish; does the QSO count?
  - c. Does the answer to b. change if he's a new multiplier?
2. YT2DK calls you on 40. You work YT2D on several bands including on 40. Do you change the DK to D?
3. While scrounging for multipliers with the beam South, you find a guy sending 5NN1NN.
  - a. You've worked W2AEE/C6A, so you leave?
  - b. You dump a ? on him as soon as he stops?
  - c. You hit memory B (your call)?
  - d. You wait until he signs?
4. You hear W3MM work EL2AV on 3.502. MM immediately begins CQing with his repeat interval at zero.
  - a. You call CQ near MM hoping to attract AV?
  - b. You call AV on top of MM?
  - c. You call MM a turkey?
5. You log N2NT at 0830Z and start a 15 min SS break. You can work the next guy at 0845Z and 0846Z?
6. During your SS timeouts, it is okay to
  - a. Sleep?
  - b. Straighten out paperwork?
  - c. Listen around to see if you want to change bands?
  - d. Look for multipliers?
  - e. Find a guy to work when the break ends?
  - f. CQ using another call to keep your frequency?
  - g. Go check into a net to line up QSO's/multipliers?
7. W3MM starts CQing on top of the 1 watt DL you've trying to work.
  - a. You send QRL?
  - b. You ignore MM and ask the DL to repeat?
  - c. You forget the DL and resume CQ'ing.
  - d. You move?
8. You pull a W3MM on a hapless W6 who was trying to run Europeans on 10.
  - a. You move?
  - b. You take over; West coast has Japan, we have Europe?

\*Scuttlebutt Quiz, Answers on page 278.

9. You're trying to dig a VU2 out of the murk on 14.238 when a loud voice gives you the call.
  - a. Do you log the QSO?
  - b. Do you thank Willy when UK9AAN works you next?
10. HA \_ \_ \_ calls you for the nth time.
  - a. You say "QSO before" and start CQing?
  - b. You work him but don't log him?
  - c. You work him and log him?
  - d. You cuss him out?
11. The station you called sends your call wrong.
  - a. You dump in the report and leave?
  - b. You send your call once?
  - c. You send your call many times?
12. The station in 11 didn't repeat your call so you're not sure he got it.
  - a. You leave?
  - b. You work him again?
13. A station calls you and you write his call down okay but send it wrong because you're strung out on coffee.
  - a. You keep trying til you get it right?
  - b. You forget it, even if the guy corrects you?

MARKETPLACE

FOR SALE

Icom IC-701, ps, remote prog unit.  
Contact K1CO 203 354 6789.

Drake R-4, \$225. W1FJ.

WANTED

Solid-state plug-ins for 516F2;  
KWM-2 spinner knob. K1EB.

RME DB22A schematic. W2YV.

Telrex 20M326 installation info.  
K1TA.

FLASH !

I have it on good authority that THE FORCE (YCCC Sprint team captained by K1GQ) edged out the Golden Gate Gassers (NCCC) in the Feb. NA Sprint for second place among the teams! Not bad for the first time out! Incidentally, first place went (again) to W2GD and his Independent Contesters, led by YCCC hotshot Andy, N2NT.

ARRL DX Test Claimed Scores

<u>Phone</u>		<u>CW</u>
N1ACU	312	W1CF 1400
W1CF	1624 M/S	K1CO 425
K1FPJ	561	W1FJ 675
W1GG	217	W1GG 429
N1GL	1400	K1GQ 2000
K1GQ	939	W1HX 104
K1IK	385 M/S	K1LL 1200 M/S
K1LL	250 M/S	K1MBQ 357
K1MBQ	344	K1MM 2000 M/M
K1MM	401	K1RQ 980
W1OO	616	W1RR 3488 M/M
W2PV	6850	K1RU 1450 M/S
K1RQ	790	K1TA 5
W1RR	2887 M/M	W1TFF 85
K1ST	366	W1TZV 94
W1UR	680 H	K1VR 756
W1UZH	663 H	K2VV 1230
K1WB	637	K1WB 600 H
K2XA	615	W1XK 43 L
W2XL	371	W2XL 390
W1XX	600	W1YN 823 H
W1YK	475 M/S	W2YV 3000 M/M
W1YN	600 H	W1ZA 2000
W2YV	4001 M/M	W1ZM 1600
OA4ASK	2030 H	XE2NQ 2380
K1XX/VP9	3500	

Phone Breakdowns

	<u>160</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>TOT</u>	
MULT {	W2PV	9	70	71	133	121	126	530
	W1RR	5	49	58	107	89	88	396
	W2YV	8	60	64	100	92	100	424
QSO {	W2PV	9	380	165	1402	1393	960	4309
	W1RR	5	118	149	990	721	658	2641
	W2YV	8	219	167	935	985	800	3114

If your score isn't listed, blame it on the computer.