

THE SCUTTLEBUTT



"The Clipper's Wake"

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

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OFFICIAL MEETING

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION ARRL CONVENTION
Boxboro, Mass. 14 OCT 1978

This is an important meeting as it is the only chance for new members to join up before the Fall events. The meeting time and place are unknown at this writing, however we should be listed on the program for Saturday afternoon. There will also be a hospitality suite somewhere, although the Sheraton is already booked to capacity. If you have a room, and are willing to let it be used as the gathering place, contact Jeff, K1ZM (W: 212-350-3614; H: 914-939-3379) immediately. Failing any offers, we might be able to use one of the meeting rooms off the main lobby. Something will be worked out. It is important for everybody to show up at the meeting, so please BE THERE!!

HELP WANTED

Last issue we suggested that this sign might be posted in front of several of our multi-multi stations. The first posting is hereby announced. W2PV is looking for phone CQWW operators. Jim has been hit hard by operators leaving for single-op glory, honeymoons, DXpeditions, and other multi-multis, which leaves him in something of a bind. As of this writing, only the 20 and 10 meter operators have been determined. That leaves, 160, 40, 75 and 15 open, and all are exceptional bands for Jim's station. If you have some experience on these bands, contact Charlie, K1XX, at 603-878-1441 (work) or 603-899-562 (home) as soon as possible. It's hard to imagine that Jim's station could be off the air for lack of operators only a year after obliterating the old USA phone multi-multi record. However, without your help, it could happen. There will be a car leaving from the Boston area, if you need a ride.

PARTY REVIEW

What a blast! On Saturday, August 26, over 40 YCCC members and friends descended upon (actually ascended to) the "House on the Hill", also known as the K1RX QTH. Everybody got a chance to drool over Mark's antenna farm, Barbara's corn crop, and Charlie Carroll's R4C. After the JA's went out on 15, a couple of informal seminars took place. K1GQ told everybody how to simulate Yagis on a computer, K1XX talked about nuts and bolts of Yagi construction, and K1ZM and K1DG gave a few tips on putting a station together for contesting. More seminars are planned for the get-together at W1RR (details elsewhere in this issue) and also the October meeting. If you have a topic you would like to see discussed, or if you want to lead a seminar, contact one of the officers.

MISSING PERSONS

The following members have moved, died, or somehow failed to let us know how to reach them. If you have knowledge of their addresses, drop a card to K1DG

K1FWE

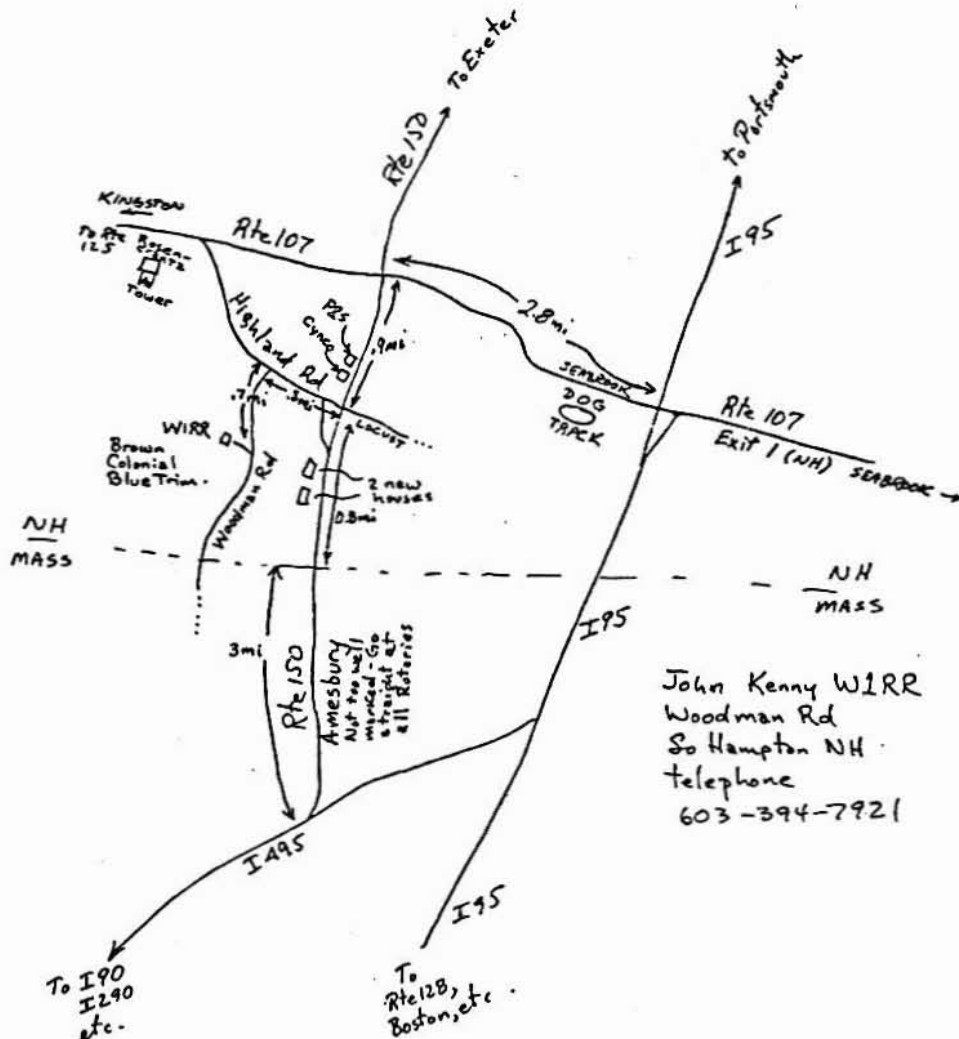
W1SPT

K1BV (Sorry, Ted - I lost your note)

ANOTHER PARTY!

Due to the overwhelming success of the August bash at Mark's place (see page 1 and the availability of a scene for the next crime, we will have another blow-out in NH, at the WIRR location. This is planned as more of a family outing - scheduled for an afternoon start with baby-sitting available. It provides a chance for the wives and girl friends to get together and exchange ideas on how to keep busy on selected October and November weekends and the kids can argue over whose daddy is louder. The earlier starting time will allow those traveling long distances to get home in reasonable shape. Ask our fearless leader, KIZM, what I mean by that. Map follows -- CU there!

- WHERE: WIRR, So. Hampton, N.H.
 WHEN: Saturday, 23 September 1978
 WHAT: Get together YCCC - Beer & Buffet
 WHO: Members, prospective members, XYL's, YL's, Family (My daughters have volunteered to entertain any youngsters brought along.).
 HOW: Basically aim for the northern intersection of I95 and I495, then follow the map. Telephone: 603-394-7921. (No Area Code when you get lost in Amesbury.)



THE 1978 YCCC AWARDS PROGRAM

Here it is - the detailed explanation of the YCCC awards program. Read the rules carefully. Everybody in the club has a chance to win at least one of the awards. These awards are impressive plaques definitely worth winning.

CQWW MULTI-MULTI AWARDS (HIGHEST POINTS PER OPERATOR)

These awards give the small two- and three-man multi-multi stations something to shoot for. There are separate plaques for each mode. Divide total score by total number of operators. An operator is defined as anybody who makes a QSO from the station during the contest. If you use additional people as loggers, dupers, repeater operators, etc., count all these people collectively as one operator. Use of a spotting net or repeater does not constitute an additional operator (unless you have an operator manning the VHF rig).

Example of scoring:	<u>W2PV</u>	<u>K1XX</u>
score	8.0 million	3.0 million
operators	9	2
assistants	4 (counts as 1 op)	0
pts./op	800k	1.5 million

Thus, K1XX beats W1PV!

SWEEPSTAKES

There are three awards for SS. The first award, the "SUPER-OP", will be awarded to the operator who contributes the most total points to the club aggregate score. He may score these points from any station in club territory, as long as the score can be credited to the club score. Obviously, this will require a full-blast effort on both modes. Since the ARRL already has an award for the highest club scorer on each mode, this plaque will be based on total score, phone plus cw.

The other awards are for everyone else in the club to shoot for. These are the "LITTLE GUN" awards. The top five super-ops will vote on these plaques, to be awarded to the club member who scores the most points with the least station. Separate awards for each mode. You need not be stuck with a DX-40 and kinky wire to qualify. If you haven't operated cw since your Novice Roundup days, and you put forth a reasonable effort in the cw SS, you will be considered for the plaque.

We may also have an "Unsung Hero" plaque, if there are any unsung heroes in the SS. This will be done on a nomination basis. If you hear of a guy who has 1000 QSOs at noon Sunday, and his rig blows up, or a guy whose tower blows down at 3:30 Saturday and runs up 100K mono 80, submit your nomination to any club officer. No fair nominating yourself. If you really have a hard luck story, someone will nominate you.

The honor system should prevail. Any low-life caught cheating will, along with any co-conspirators, be disqualified from club awards for a full year. Play fair.

If there are any questions, contact K1DG.