

THE SCUTTLEBUTT



"The Clipper's Wake"

"#1 is more FUN"

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

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Vice Pres: K1IU

Activities Manager: K1DG

Sec'y: W1RR

Treasurer: W1TAI

PRESIDENTIAL POSTULATIONS:

Well gang, with this writing the first year of YCCC is history. It's been a good one, all things considered. We've got a #2 CQ/WW finish to be proud of, I think, a #3 ARRL SS finish and it looks like a #3 ARRC DX finish with around 80 million points confirmed. Not bad for the first year performance of a club that didn't exist until a year ago!

I was hoping you guys would let me retire from this job in April, but no such luck indeed. I mean, jeez guys, you could at least have nominated somebody else to run for the office! Well, I'll try to justify your support over the coming year, but it should be understood that I don't intend to make this a life-long career! Come next April I plan to become an "Indian" so I can enjoy meetings again! (Hi)

At the meeting Jeff Bouvier, K1IU, our new V.P. remarked that it was time for us to win something for a change, that it was not too early to start planning and looking ahead to CQ/WW in the fall. I agree wholeheartedly, because although we are now recognized by FRC, PVRC and NCCC as a "threat", we still haven't put it all together and won the "big one" so to speak. Most of us, upon reflection, would probably agree that the Club is more DX test oriented than we are towards ARRL SS. (Last year sure proved that point!) Perhaps we should all agree to set our sights on one goal, CQ/WW, and then be sure to get on both modes, and win the thing. Maybe we goofed by pushing both CQ and SS last year. Anyway, let's start thinking about trying to get out multi's and multi-singles put together, NOW, at least conceptually, instead of waiting until the September meeting. Let's also give some

thought as to whether we should push for a win in CQ/WW and let SS slide for all but those like myself who are gluttons for punishment (hi). After all, four straight weeks back to back (almost) is a lot to ask! Think about it and let's put it to a vote come September. Have a good summer and enjoy your respective field day efforts.

73, Jeff, K1ZM

NEW RECRUITS

Welcome to the following new YCCC members who joined up at the April meeting:

W1YIU	-	Richard Palm
W1DXS	-	Peter Archibald
N1ZE	-	Walter Schneider
W8SWM	-	Steve Boone
W1YGA	-	Paul Brote

Glad to have you a part of the YCCC team!
CLUB OFFICERS - Who's Who?

At the April meeting, the following slate of officers was elected for 1978-1979:

President: Jeff Briggs, K1ZM, continues in this slot for another year. Jeff is from Rye, N.Y. and formerly was licensed as WA2CLQ and DL5BR.

Vice President: Jeff Bouvier, K1IU, is a newcomer to the official staff but is certainly well known to all. Besides coordinating the YCCC Suite at Dayton the past two years, Jeff has operated at PJ8CO, VP2EEI, K1OX/W1RR and most lately from W1UQ. Jeff was formerly licensed as K1LPA.

Activities Manager: Doug Grant, K1DG, is also new to the official team. Doug has run up some fine scores in contests of late and has operated at FG0MM, Multi-ops W2PV, and K1OX/W1GQO. Doug currently hails from Framingham, MA.

Secretary: John Kenny, W1RR, also returns for a full term. John has recently moved from Massachusetts to South Hampton, N. H., where big antenna plans including stacked yagis are in the offing. We should be hearing big things from W1RR by October of this year.

Treasurer: Bob Czajkowski, W1TAI, is also back for another year. (Rumor has it that he didn't collect enough bucks last year for his expedition, so he figured one more year should do it!) Seriously, though, Bob has done a fine job over the past year and we're glad he's agreed to another term. Bob lives in Worcester, Mass., not far from our Auburn meeting sites.

Newsletter Editor: Dana Atchley, W1CF, Lincoln, MA.

A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR NEW EDITOR

This is my first attempt at writing the Scuttlebutt. Frankly I have had considerable help from others so that the only thing I will report on is the Dayton Hamvention.

The YCCC scene is best summarized by saying that we went through forty cases of beer during the convention. There were 130 people in the room on Friday night. Numerous discussions/shows concerned Kure, Kingman Reef, PJ8CO and BB2B. To the Editor there were two highpoints of the convention: One was the wonderful dinner with 55 of us on Saturday night and the picture when I left for New Orleans at six o'clock on Sunday morning with many of my younger friends stumbling downstairs to drive back after their third all-night session and a report that there were still eight people up in the room. We may not yet be able to win contests but we sure found a lot of DXers who like beer.

I had not had my job very long when I received the following anonymous article. Although it is generally not my policy to print anonymous writings, this particular piece deserves your consideration, hence it is printed below:

"ARE YOU A MEMBER?"

Well, the first year of the YCCC has come and gone. Like the March winds, we blew in on a storm, but fizzled out as just another spring shower. Enthusiasm was high, but yet accomplishments were only mediocre -- yes, mediocre! Doubtless, people will wonder why I should dare use the word mediocre. I mean, look at all our achievements. Third in SS, second or third in CQ, and who knows where in ARRL. Sure, not a bad finish for the first year -- at least if this club only had 70 to 80 members. But, here we are, an organization encompassing all or part of 8 states, numbering over 120 "active" members, and all we can do is finish second or third -- a pretty mediocre finish.

April '76 saw the start of a new organization, one that had the avowed purpose of WINNING, not being also rans. Rising from the ashes of MM and the NECC, our bond was a common one, to be a club of people who participated in contests, not a social organization as most clubs. Somewhere along the line, the same old excuses, which permeated the MM organization, have started to appear; I don't like CW contests, I don't like SS, I don't like...!

Granted, there are always times when other commitments (work, family, health) must come first. But, at any one time, this should only effect a small portion of our membership. We also have the problem of people who are members, yet without stations of their own, typically more prevalent with people still in school. So you add up all the valid reasons for members not participating and you have a club that should, at the least, have 75 to 80 percent participation. Sure a far cry from our 60 percent or less participation in SS. It's time everyone stopped expecting the officers of our organization to cajole the membership into participating. It shouldn't be. Everyone who's joined the organization has affirmed that his desires are the same as those of the club, to participate and win contests.

Everyone should evaluate what they did for the club in the preceding year. Granted, few people are willing, or able, to participate at the level of

W2PV, K1OME/W1CF, K1ZM/W1ZM, or W1ZA et al, but they, along with many others, did contribute to the club, more than can be said of some.

Our organization, any organization, is only what the members make of it. Exemplary club performance only means that the people themselves have participated and put forth the required effort. It may sound trite, but the words of the late John F. Kennedy are more than appropriate, "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you..." The key is you. A bold and dynamic organization requires just that, bold and dynamic people. If we are a force that must be considered in the future, you, I, everyone must put forth the effort, not just the few.

For a change, make your club commitment, not the visit to Aunt Sadie, your prior commitment. There's a lot of potential in the people that form the YCCC. Don't make those that participate feel that it's been in vain. Be able to say, "I'm a participating member of YCCC," not just a member.

An anonymous participating member "

(The first person to guess the writer gets one free beer at the next Dayton Hamvention.)

COMING ATTRACTIONS WITH THE KLDG "GOOD CONTESTING SEAL OF APPROVAL":

- May 27-28 R.E.F. CONTEST Great fun (if you speak French). Good chance to get some of the rare Africans into contesting. Prime that pump for CQWW Multipliers!
- June 10-11 VHF QSO PARTY Since we have some hot-shot VHF men in the club, this is worth mentioning. If you're not into VHF, drop by one of the multiops and try GM SSB for an hour or so. Sounds just like 20 at times!
- 17-18 ALL-ASIAN PHONE This is really a West Coast contest, but 15 has been super to JA lately for several hours per day. Good practice plus a good way to get your call known over there (Dozo Gozaimasu!)
- 24-25 FIELD DAY Everyone goes out for field day, right? If you don't feel like roughing it, try a couple of hours from your home station. This is your chance to be the big signal on the band - any band. All those battery portables will sit waiting for you since your KW will stand out of the QRM. Good rates, good fun - give it a go. Of course, if you are going out in the field, good luck!
- July 2 N.A. SPRINT Four hours of frantic! CW only, special QSY rule, a contester's contest. You can operate this one to win, and still have the weekend free. Copies of the rules will be available at Mort's on 10 June.
- 8-9 IARU RADIOSPORT I didn't know much about this one, but it looks like fun. More about it in the next Scuttlebutt.

FINALLY, THE RAW 1978 YCCC ARRL DX SCORES:

Call	Fone	CW	Call	Fone	CW
K1AO	-	500,000	K1CO	?	?
WB1AOS	?	?	WB1CKB	?	?
K1AR	W2PV	W2PV	N1CW	W1BK	-
N1AS	110,000	-	W1CWU	149	199,584
N1AU	270,000	149,000	W1DA	?	?
WB1AUL	?	?	K1DG	W2PV	1,282,000
W3AZD	W2PV	-	K1DKX	224,250	?
W1BK	64,000	-	K1DH	?	?
W1BR	Murphy hit twice	-	N1DM	?	?
K1BV	?	?	K2DM	13,000	200,000
K1CEH	?	?	K2DW	?	?
W1CF	4,082,748	-	W1DYH	?	?

Call	Fone	CW	Call	Fone	CW
WALDZR	?	?	W1SD	?	?
K1EA	W1ZA	W1ZA	K2SD	?	?
K1EB	?	?	K1SF	290,000	-
N2FB	(W2PV)	WALJUY	WA2SPL	W2PV	W2PV
K1FIR	67,500	?	WALSPT	?	?
W1FJ	396,060	741,972	WALTAI	630,000	320,000
W1FJI	-	-	WALTAQ	?	?
W1FMK	?	?	W1TM	?	?
K1FWE	?	?	K2TQC	?	?
W1GG	?	?	K2TR	W2PV	W2PV
N1GL	2,900,000	?	K1UR	?	?
K1GQ	W2PV	W2PV	WALTZV	?	?
W1GSH	308,100	?	K1UA	W1ZA	K1OX
K1GSK	?	?	W1UA	?	?
K1GW	?	?	W1UR	1,489,047	-
WB2GXW	?	?	N5UR/1	?	?
WALHFN	51,000	-	W1UQ	K1IU	W1RR
K1HMO	549,000	-	W1UU	?	?
W1HX	?	?	WALUZH	764,970	29,952
W1HYY	-	-	K7VA/1	?	?
W2IB	-	440,000	K1VR	9K2DR	(also PJ9AD) 122,000
K1IK	1,463,616	984,480	WALVUR	?	?
K1IR	W1ZA	500,000	W1VV	?	?
K1IU	W1RR	-	K2VV	1000 + W2PV	1,556,178
W1IUU	-	105,800	WALVWQ	?	?
W2JJ	?	?	K1WB	1,329,384	971,490
K1KNQ	W1BR	W1BR	WALWIG	?	?
WALKOC	?	?	K2WR	?	?
K1KYI	-	-	W1WY	?	?
K1LL	?	1,075,000 (WALJUY)	K2XA	W2PV	W2PV
K1MBQ	?	?	W1XK	82,500	27,000
K1MM	1,400,000	-	W2XV	?	?
W1NH	?	?	K1XX	W2PV	W2PV
K2NY	?	?	N1XX	?	?
W1OD	-	-	W1XX	?	?
K1OME	W1CF	W2PV	W1YG	?	?
W100	1,460,000	1,394,000	W1YN	2,003,124	1,418,274
K1OT	-	K1SA	WB2YQU	-	-
K1OX	-	2,400,000	W2YV	3,400,000	1,430,000
W1PH	?	?	W2YX	W2YV	-
K2PH	2,000	12,000	K1YXK	-	-
W1PL	?	?	W1ZA	4,178,004	2,900,000
W1PM	?	?	K1ZM	W1ZM	W1ZM
WALPOJ	?	?	W1ZM	4,015,000	2,655,000
K1PT	?	?	K2ZM	10,000	-
W2PV	12,500,000	7,200,000	K3ZM/2	?	?
WALQGC	?	?	W1ZT	?	?
WALQGT	-	-	N1EE	K1MM	-
K1RM	?	?	W1KM	48,804	961,926
K1RQ	?	?	WALRPQ	?	?
W1RQ	166,800	-	W2XL	756,756	?
K1RR	?	?	W1FC	?	?
W1RR	1,369,890	K1IU	WALYIU	-	N1AU
K1RU	?	?	WALDXS	-	-
K1RX	1,800,000	1,800,000	N1ZE	-	-
N2RX	?	?	WASSWM	-	-
K1SA	-	-	WALYGA	-	-
K1SB	-	-			
			FONE TOTAL	48,196,702	
			CW TOTAL	31,375,656	
			CLUB TOTAL	-	79,572,358 POINTS

THE SECOND ANNUAL YCCC PBBB* will be held on Saturday, 10 June, at 7:30 P.M. at the WLUQ/KLYL QTH. This is not an official meeting - just a chance to sit around, drink beer, make Field Day plans, drink beer, talk about Dayton, drink beer, and make plans to kick butt this fall in CQWW + SS. There will also be some beer drinking.

* PBBB = Pizza, Beer, Brag and Bull Session.

A map is shown here. If you get lost, try 146.52 direct or 146.39/199. Lacking a 2 meter rig, try 734-6678. If last year's bash at Roger's is any indication, you won't want to miss this one!

MAP TO MEETING 10 JUNE (SATURDAY) 7:30 PM
16 Addington (cor. Winthrop Rd.) Brookline



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