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## Floating

Paul Young, K1XM

Everyone is still burned out from the contest. I didn't even get a President's column this month. I will try to make the next issue extra-large, including technical articles and a column from our new President.

Remember that we will elect new officers at the next meeting. Please give some thought to finding suitable candidates.

## Next Meeting

Paul Young, K1XM

The next meeting of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club will be on Sunday, April 2, 1989, at the Sheraton Sturbridge, beginning at 1 pm. This is the election meeting, and dues for the upcoming contest year are payable as well. Remember that that is the first day of daylight savings time - don't forget and turn up an hour late, or you might find yourself holding an elected office! The technical program will feature slides of 1988 CQ WW CW PJ2X DXpedition to Curaçao ("Murphy's Island") and slides of the VK9ZM and VK9ZW DXpedition.

The Sheraton Sturbridge Resort and Conference Center is located on Route 20 in Sturbridge, Massachusetts,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile West of I-84 (first exit off I-84 when coming South from the Mass. Turnpike). Directions to the Sheraton are easy: Exit I-84 on to Route 20

West. You will pass through two sets of stoplights while noticing several motels on your right. Make a right turn just prior to the Burger King sign. This is the entrance to the Sheraton, and there is plenty of parking in front of the hotel.

The meeting dates for 1989 are:

DATE	DAY
April 2, 1989	Sunday
June 17, 1989	Saturday
August 6, 1989 (picnic)	Sunday
October 1, 1989	Sunday
December 2, 1989	Saturday

## Secretary's Report

### Yankee Clipper Contest Club

The February, 1989, YCCC meeting was held at the Sheraton Sturbridge in Sturbridge, Massachusetts, on February 5, 1989, and attracted 82 members and their guests. The business meeting was chaired by Fred, K2TR, Club President. Members took home stacks of log sheets, dupe sheets, and other forms for the upcoming ARRL DX Contests. The treasury balance stood at \$1432.65. Fred, K2TR, delivered an ARRL DX Contest pep talk, reminding us all to help beat FRC. Billy, KR1R, handed out plaques and awards from last year's ARRL contests:

KM1H (KQ2M op) 1st W/VE S/O CW  
 K1ZM 1st W/VE 160m CW  
 K2EK 1st W/VE 40m CW  
 K2TR (+K1ZM, K2XA, WA2SPL, WB2KMY) 1st M/2 SSB  
 KC1F 1st S/O combined

PJ9J (W1BIH, W1RM) 1st SA M/S CW  
PJ9J (W1BIH, W1WEF) 1st SA M/S SSB

Dave, KY1H, then spoke briefly on the packet network. Dave had packet cluster running, with all new commands, and urged everyone to try it out before the spring contests. You can get a list of the commands from him for a large SASE. He also brought along a TNC totally covered with foil and its cables covered with braid, and said he had finally managed to de-RFI his packet system. Dick, KB1H, also had some packet questions for Dave.

Ed, NT2X, had some club jackets with him, and indicated that he would like to get out of the jacket business and was looking for a volunteer to take it over (contact Ed if you can help). He mentioned that Rich, K2RW, of the Tri-State DX Cluster packet system (covering NY, CT, and NJ) would like to connect to other packet systems (we could disconnect them during contests). Ed also mentioned a proposal by the Central Radio Club of the USSR for a joint US/USSR contest in April, replacing the Gagarin Cup contest for this year (that contest is only held once every three years), with complex rules (see QST).

Carl, WG2E, had Digicom-64 program disks, schematics, and ordering information.

The club welcomed 3 new and returning members:

Bob Reiser, AA1M  
Peter Bertini, K1ZJH  
Dave Unverhau, N2DU

Following the business meeting and break, Bill, N1CQ, introduced the afternoon's technical program. Jeff, K1ZM, discussed and showed slides of the impressive 160m and 80m antennas at NP4A. John, KB1T, sold his Contest Calendars, donating part of the proceeds to the Club treasury. Julius Jones, W2IHY, presented the W2IHY Audio Keyer. This station accessory holds 54 seconds of audio in 4 memories, can accept either low or high impedance microphones (by changing resistors on the board), was published in the 1989 ARRL Handbook (see chapter 29), and is constructed of readily-available components. For more information, contact Julius Jones, 15 Vanessa Lane, Staatsburg, NY 12580, phone (914)889-4933.

Following the technical presentations, members adjourned for much-needed refreshment at Rom's and other local eateries.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlotte L. Richardson, KQ1F  
Secretary/Treasurer

**The Midnight Special is Back!!!**

On May 21, 1989 (UTC), the Overlook Mountain Amateur Radio Club (OMARC) will be sponsoring a Midnight Special contest, similar to the ones the ARRL has run in years past. This contest is designed to allow EVERYONE to get on the air and have some fun, without having to commit an entire weekend to an all-out effort. To encourage club activity, we will compile a list (and ranking) of combined scores of logs submitted with a club affiliation clearly (please!) noted. For example, if WB2CTF wanted his score to count toward the Poughkeepsie ARC effort, he would simply write "Club score for Poughkeepsie ARC" on the summary sheet. One of the best ways to get your club worked up is to challenge another area club (or be challenged!)! There have been some fierce battles in the past (you know who you are!!), and we look forward to a good showing this time around!

DATE: May 21, 1989 (UTC)  
TIME: 0300-0500 UTC (10pm - midnight EDT)  
BAND/MODE: First hour (0300-0400): 40m CW  
Suggested freqs 7030-7060, 7100-7115  
Second hour (0400-0500): 75m phone  
Suggested freqs 3850-3925  
EXCHANGE: Name & first call sign you held  
SCORE: Total number of contacts

Logs should be sent to W2XL (good in any Callbook), and should be postmarked no later than June 21, 1989. Scores will be published in the NCJ (National Contest Journal), and possibly in QST. Please send a SASE with your log for a copy of the scores. Good luck, and throw down your gauntlets early!

### Score Rumors:

Jeff DeTray, NK1F, YCCC Scorekeeper  
(with help from K1DG and K1XM)

### ARRL DX Contest CW:

#### Single-Op:

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
N1AFC (QRP 3w)	230	58	40K
N1AU	271	145	117K
K1BW	2635	343	2.7M
K1CLN	418	170	213K
W1GIH	931	215	598K
KM1H (KQ2M op)	3005	379	3.42M
KZ1M	1022	181	555K
W1MK	1458	229	1M
W1MX/QRP (AD1C op)	1087	248	809K
KT1N	1022	181	555K
W1PH (QRP)	1662	302	1.5M
W1PL	447	169	226K
K1RU	2650	334	2.6M
K1VR	1700	300	1.48M
K1VSJ	32	11	1K
K1XA	2376	332	2.36M
K1YR (?)	2360	300	2.05M
K1ZZ	2739	348	2.8M
KA2AEV (QRP)	1300	230	897K
N2IC/O	2513	319	2.4M
KR2J	1250	251	941K
W2JU	1508	268	1.2M

N2NT	2235	319	2.1M
KR2Q (QRP)	875	216	567K
W2RQ	1500	280	1.2M
KZ2S (QRP)	1640	293	1.4M
K3NA	2077	299	1.9M
W3USS (K1ZZI op)	1833	295	1.6M
K3ZO	2750	349	2.9M
WX4G	2617	304	2.1M
WN4KKK	2719	344	2.8M
N4RJ	2619	330	2.6M
KC4ZV (QRP)	1000	230	690K
N5AU	2719	344	2.8M
WG5J	1225	188	690K
K5NA/2	2437	320	2.3M
N5RZ	2307	344	2.37M
W8UA	2100	300	1.89M
W9RE	2517	326	2.4M
NL7GP	3400	260	2.6M

## Single-Op Single-Band:

Call	Band	Qs	Cs	Score
KA1XN	10m	1240	83	308.7K
N2KW	10m	900	85	229.5K
N8DCJ	10m	1667	92	460K
W0ZV	10m	1455	96	419K
K1TO	15m	1669	101	505K
W2HPF	15m	1119	91	305K
K4XS	15m	1500	100	450K
K1KI	20m	81	31	7.2K
AA1M	20m	269	56	45K
N2AA	20m	2030	106	645K
AI6V/VP9	20m	2200	57	376K
VE2FU	40m	848	67	170K
WA1HYN	80m	100	48	14K
W1FV	80m	553	70	116K
N8UM	80m	189	55	31K
K1ZM	160m	88	35	9K

## Multi-Single:

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
AK1A (+packet)	?	?	760K
K1DG (+packet)	2249	329	2.2M
NO1I (+packet)	483	?	243K
K1IR (+packet)	?	?	800K
K1IU (+NS1I+packet)	2781	324	2.68M
KA1KPH (+packet)	1250	250	950K
W1RM (+packet)	1224	243	892K
N1TZ (+packet)	200	?	200K
W1XS	1746	322	1.66M
WA1ZAM (+packet)	99	39	11K
KY2J	2524	373	2.81M
AI3E (+packet)	543	190	309K
W3GG	2718	325	2.65M
N4KG	2576	326	2.5M
K5ZD/3 (+K3UA)	2617	341	2.6M
W8FN	2071	301	1.8M
K0RF	2702	327	2.6M
KR0Y (+packet)	2010	327	2M
KP2A (K4TEA+K4TKM)	4900	336	4.9M
P40GD	5380	333	5.37M
PJ9J	4595	334	4.6M

## Multi-Two:

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
K1AR	5226	444	6.9M
K1XM (+KQ1F+packet)	1716	324	1.66M
K2LE	4335	371	4.8M
N2MG	3822	376	4.2M
K4VX	4887	389	5.25M
WM5G	3890	432	5M
K8AQM	?	?	2.5M
K8AZ	4140	385	4.78M

## Multi-Multi:

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
KY1H	5000	415	6.2M
K1RX	2900	349	3M
K1ST	5511	442	7.2M
K1YR (7)	5226	444	6.9M
NT2D	3822	376	4.32M
W3LPL	6540	483	9M
NR5M	5230	485	7M

## ARRL DX Contest SSB:

## Single-Op:

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
N1AFC (QRP 3w)	453	134	182K
N1AU	602	213	384K
K1DH/QRP	266	127	100K
W1GHI	1278	333	1.2M
KM1H (KQ2M op)	2624	416	3.27M
W1MK	170	67	34K
W1PH (QRP)	1662	294	870K
KB1RB	137	66	27K
W1RM	?	?	290K
K1RU	2150	399	2.6M
K1TR (QRP)	117	66	22K
K1VR	1446	351	1.5M
W1WEF	792	253	601K
W2GD	110	50	16K
W2HPF	1077	276	891K
KR2Q/QRP	670	196	390K
WB3KKX	1550	330	1.5M
K3LO	2517	375	2.8M
K3NA	1514	349	1.5M
K3TUP (K3LR op)	2946	400	3.5M
K3ZO	2200	360	2.4M
NR5M	2000	360	2.1M
K5ZD/3	988	309	907K
N6BV/1	2412	386	2.7M
WA8SWM	250	137	130K
W9RE	1721	389	2M
W00G	2200	392	2.6M
K2PS/C6A	3278	233	2.2M
P40V	8261	322	7.9M
PJ9JT	5750	?	?
V31C	9870	324	9.5M
9Q5NW	4414	224	2.9M

## Single-Op Single-Band:

Call	Band	Qs	Cs	Score
K1VSJ	10m	125	45	16K
K4XS	10m	2100	127	800K
W0AII	10m	735	114	251K
K1ZM	160m	50	30	4K

## Multi-Single:

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
AK1A (+packet)	1016	272	824K
KC1EO (+packet)	565	107	181K
NK1F (+packet)	43	29	3.7K
K1GW (+packet)	317	132	124K
NO1I (+packet)	708	167	352K
K1IU	1506	359	1.9M
K1KA (+packet)	1114	314	1.04M
W1RR (+packet)	210	55	34K
K1TO	1633	380	1.4M
N1TZ (+packet)	545	?	374K
KA1XN (+packet)	795	291	700K
K1YR (+KB1WH)	2070	434	2.7M
AI3E (+packet)	412	170	210K
N5RZ	1748	389	2.0M
VP2MU	9377	321	9M

**Multi-Two:**

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
KC1F(+AR'DG,EA,KM3T)4062	526	6.4M	
KQ1F(+K1XM,K9HI,packet)1144	337	1.1M	
KB1RI	?	?	2.5M
K1RX	3442	469	4.8M
N2MG	3263	446	4.36M
N5AU	3827	479	5.4M
K8CC	2891	420	3.6M

**Multi-Multi:**

Call	Qs	Cs	Score
KY1H	3246	486	4.73M
NB1H	4245	510	6.49M
K2TR	3116	484	4.5M
W3LPL	5267	590	9M
WM5G	4374	552	7.2M
K5NA	3590	532	5.7M

**Movers and Shakers**

Please update your club roster to include the following changes:

Gerry, AK4L, has moved:

Gerry Hull, AK4L

P. O. Box 576

Franklin, NH 03235

Home phone: (603)934-4622

Bill, KM1C, has moved:

William N. Pedersen, KM1C

290 Rutland Street

Carlisle, MA 01741

Home phone: (508)371-2153

Work phone: (603)424-2444

Marty, NB1H, has also moved:

Marty Durham, NB1H

17 Edgewood Drive

Allenstown, NH 03275

Home phone: (603)485-9180

Work phone: (603)878-1441 (Ham Radio magazine)

New work phone number for John Corini, KA1MDG, is (617)490-6215.

Scott Johnson, ex-KA1QXI, is now KC1JI.

New address and phone number for Jay, NU0X:

Jay Mabey, NU0X

P. O. Box 11-1042

Newington, CT 06111

Phone: (203)284-8765

Eric, K9ES, says he has moved into "FRC territory" (!); his new address is:

Eric Smitt, K9ES

9 Spinning Wheel Lane

Marlton, NJ 08053

Home phone: (609)985-7011

Work phone: (609)983-6350

He also notes that the PCBS that was installed at his

old QTH has been moved to the home of Larry Rizzo, KS1B, in Spenser, MA. It will be linked into the 220 backbone, but that is not in place yet, so, for now, it is an isolated BBS that is used by the members of the Central Mass Amateur Radio Association in Worcester, and is still on 145.03. The callsign of the BBS is now W1BIM (no longer K9ES).

**New Crew**

Please welcome the following new and returning members who joined at the February meeting:

Bob Relser, AA1M  
6 Savin St.  
Burlington, MA 01803

Peter Bertini, K1ZJH  
20 Patsun Rd.  
Somers, CT 06071  
Home phone: (203)749-7186

Dave Unverhau, N2DU  
21 Riesling Rd.  
Schenectady, NY 12309  
Home phone: (518)783-8788  
Work phone: (800)222-2345

**Local Events**

The South Shore Amateur Radio Club is holding an indoor (rain or shine) flea market on Sunday, April 9, 1989, from 11am to 4pm at the Viking Club, 410 Quincy Avenue (Route 53), East Braintree, MA (next to the Quintree Mall). Table space costs \$10 for an 8-foot table if payment is received before April 7th or \$12 on the day of the flea market, and includes one admission ticket. Table setup is at 9am. Admission is \$1. For more information, contact Hal Jones, WB1ABM, 48 Saning Rd., North Weymouth, MA 02191. Talk-in will be on 146.07/.67 and 146.52 direct.

**Excess Cargo**

FOR SALE: Cushcraft 40-2CD 2 element 40 meter beam \$240 and Cushcraft 20-4CD 4 element 20 meter beam \$200. Contact Dave, K1VUT, 148 Rocky Meadow St., Middleboro, MA 02346.

WANTED: Kenwood TS-930, also looking for cw filters for 930/940.

FOR SALE: 10m converted CB SSB/AM transceiver, \$125.

Contact Rich, K1CC, (home) 203-875-0166 or (work) 203-727-7438.

Mike, KA2AEV, is looking for Rohn 25G tower sections. Phone (718)326-2792.



## THE CLUB RESOURCES PAGE

### THE Place to Find Club Information

**DUES** are due at the April election meeting, which begins our club "contest year", with a grace period until the end of June. Membership in the club will lapse at the end of the grace period if dues are not paid up. In order to re-join the club, a lapsed member must attend a meeting, like any new member, and be welcomed back into membership, or may become a subscriber to the **Scuttlebutt** by paying up (see below). Club members who move out of club territory and so are not eligible to contribute to club aggregate scores automatically become subscribers. New members who join at the last meeting of the club's contest year (February) are credited with dues for the following year (that is, the contest year beginning that April). You can tell if you owe dues by checking your **Butt** mailing label. Only paid-up members are eligible to contribute to the the club score in contests.

**FAMILY MEMBERS** Members of the same family living at the same address may elect to receive only one copy of the **Butt**. One member of the family must pay full dues, enabling the rest of the family to join as family members. Being a family member is currently free.

**STUDENT MEMBERS** Full-time students are eligible for dues at half the regular rate.

**SCUTTLEBUTT SUBSCRIBERS** Anyone may subscribe to the club newsletter, the **Scuttlebutt**. A subscription currently costs \$10 per year. At the present time, overseas subscriptions cost the same as domestic (we have very few overseas subscribers). The subscription period begins at the beginning of the club year, in April. New subscribers who begin their subscriptions after the December issue are considered to have paid for the following year (that is, they receive as many issues as new members joining at that time do). You can tell if your subscription is current by checking your **Butt** mailing label. The grace period for late subscriptions is the same as for late memberships.

**SCUTTLEBUTT ARTICLES** should be sent to the **Scuttlebutt** editor, Paul Young, K1XM, 11 Michigan Drive, Hudson, MA 01749, home phone (508)562-5819. The deadline for each issue is three weeks before the next meeting.

**CLUB JACKETS** are available through Ed Kritsky, NT2X, 580 East 17th Street, Apt. 2F, Brooklyn, NY 11226, home phone (718)284-4493.

**CLUB QSL CARDS** are ordered through John Dorr, K1AR, 2 Baldwin Street, Windham, NH 03087, home phone (603)434-5661.

**CLUB QSL CARD BADGES** are available from Tom Frenaye, K1KI, 23 Pinehurst Road, Box 62, Unionville, CT 06085, home phone (203)673-5429, by sending him a club QSL card. The cost is \$1 payable to the club treasurer on receipt of your badge.

**PACKET NET** information is available from Dick Newell, AK1A, 8 Golden Run Rd., Bolton, MA 01740, home phone (508)779-5198, or Dave Robbins, KY1H, Baumann Road, Peru, MA 01235, home phone (413)655-2714.

**CONTEST SCORES** are sent to the club scorekeeper, Jeff Detray, NK1F, P. O. Box 524, Troy, NH 03465, home phone (603)242-7995.

**CLUB ROSTER** appears in the summer issue of the **Scuttlebutt** every year. Updates are published when members move or change callsigns. If you want a new copy of the club roster, contact the club secretary/treasurer, Charlotte Richardson, KQ1F, 11 Michigan Drive, Hudson, MA 01749, home phone (508)562-5819.

**CONTRIBUTIONS** The YCCC welcomes your contributions, be it money to help offset the cost of the **Scuttlebutt** and club operations, scores for the club aggregate score, time spent helping other members, articles for the **Scuttlebutt**, or presentations at club meetings.

**DXCC LIST** The club maintains a one-page version of the ARRL DXCC Countries List. To get a copy, send an SASE to the club secretary, Charlotte Richardson, KQ1F, 11 Michigan Drive, Hudson, MA 01749. Complete DXCC rules are only available from the ARRL.

**ARRL LIAISON** For ARRL matters, contact Tom Frenaye, K1KI, 23 Pinehurst Road, Box 62, Unionville, CT 06085, home phone (203)673-5429.

The **Scuttlebutt** is the newsletter of the **Yankee Clipper Contest Club** and is mailed six times per year to all paid up members. Dues are \$15 per year, payable 1 April with a grace period through 30 June. Non-members may subscribe to the **Scuttlebutt** by sending \$10 to the Treasurer: Charlotte Richardson, KQ1F, 11 Michigan Drive, Hudson, MA 01749. Subscribers who subsequently become members will be credited as having paid dues.

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The **Yankee Clipper Contest Club** (an ARRL Affiliated Club) holds six official meetings per year, on the Saturday or Sunday afternoon of the first full weekend of every even month, usually in the Sturbridge, Massachusetts, area. The deadline for article submission to the **Scuttlebutt** is three weeks before the next meeting date. The next meeting will be on Sunday, April 2, 1989. Attendance at an official meeting is required in order to become a member. Club members congregate on 3830 KHz after contests. The packet frequency is 144.95 MHz.

Rosters are mailed to all paid members each summer. For more information and/or assistance, contact the area manager nearest you on the following list:

Area	Call	Name	Home	Work
CT/RI	K1RU	Gene Frohman	(203) 393-1772	(203) 386-6137
EMass	N1AU	Bill Santelmann	(617) 862-1753	(508) 692-6000
WMass	KY1H	Dave Robbins	(413) 655-2714	(413) 494-2023
VT/NH	K1GW	Glen Whitehouse	(603) 673-6290	(603) 627-7877
ME	K1SA	Bernie Cohen	(207) 773-6589	(207) 797-3585
NNY	K2TR	Fred Lass	(518) 355-4813	(518) 346-6666
SNY/NJ	K2EK	Bill Gioia	(914) 221-1672	(914) 697-3250

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