

The Contest JUG



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Is Another Man's Frustration

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NCCC x KB = GAVEL NO. 3

FORECAST OF GEOMAGNETIC DISTURBANCES

- Oct. 24 NCCC KB SS Meeting, AS&L Bldg;
Hayward; 7:30
29-30 CQWW Phone (12-1-77)
Nov. 5-6 Sweepstakes CW (12-26-77)
19-20 Sweepstakes Phone (12-26-77)
28 NCCC SS Post Mortum Meeting,
AS&L Bldg, Hayward; 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 3-4 160 Meter Contest
17 Christmas/Awards Banquet,
Athens Restaurant, San Jose.

A WORD FROM COP CHAIRMAN LEW

The 1977 California QSO Party is history. Judging by the response in logs received (over 100 in 6 days), this year's contest may have been the biggest yet. The majority of comments from the East Coast seem to indicate that California activity was tremendous. There is a good chance that we had activity in all 58 California counties.

Logs from 27 states, VE, and Japan have already been received. California logs are slow with only 21 counties represented so far. We are making a big effort to get the results out early this year, so please get your logs in soon.

As for results, it appears that N7MH, Mike, may have set a new single-op record with 1739 QSOs and 58 multipliers at W6YX. Close on his heels was K6LL with a fine effort from the South. There was plenty of multi effort which helped stimulate activity. At the top of the list was the multi-multi crew at N6RO with a score of 2507 Qs by 58 multipliers, a new multi-op record. Outside the state, the high score so far is N7ZZ from Washington with 488 by 54. A new high mobile score appears to be forthcoming from N6TU, N6BT, and N6LC for a fine 18 county, 442 QSO romp through the wild north counties.

Look for the final results shortly after October 31st.

-N6VV-

ARE YOU READY TO KB?

Post SS Net
28,600 kHz

"NCCC x KB = Gavel No. 3"---a rather appropriate formula. We have the 165-member NCCC, and we have the spirit to KB, but it all has to multiply correctly if we are to win another gavel. And there's only one way that can happen.

We need your help, whether you're a big gun or a little gun, whether you're a casual contester or a contest fanatic. This is a team effort. Every QSO and every multiplier increases our score, and the more time you can spend operating the SS makes the NCCC total that much bigger than the score of our arch rival, the Patomic Valley Radio Club. For two years now we have shown the East Coast that we are a viable contest entity; let's kick them into the Atlantic Ocean again this year!

Everyone is encouraged and invited to attend the biggest and most exciting meeting on the NCCC calendar. It will be held at the American Savings and Loan Building in Hayward on Monday, October 24th, starting time 7:30 p.m. Bring your friends and contest converts, and be sure to bring a few folding chairs as a large crowd is expected to be in attendance. Highlighting the meeting will be a presentation by Ken, N6RO, on SS operating and logging techniques, with an emphasis on how to keep the ARRL happy with the contents of your log. Predicted scores for the SS will also be taken, and plenty of logs, dupe sheets, and summary sheets will be available.

Don't forget this year's Sweepstakes Proficiency Award, to be awarded to any NCCC'er who makes at least 400 QSOs in either or both modes of the SS. The ap-

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pearance of this certificate is reported to be of a very high quality, with sticker endorsements awarded for making a Clean Sweep or attaining over 1000 QSOs. W6RGG/N6KB is offering the "KB-2000" Award, available to any in-territory Club member who makes over 2000 QSOs for the NCCC SS effort. Complete rules are elsewhere in this JUG.

This year we will offer, after a one-year absence, the "Jughead Memorial Award," in memory of our living ex-JUG Editor, WLARR. However, WA6VEF, the present JUG Editor, will sponsor this year's award, to be given to the NCCC'er who works the most other Club members during the SS. To figure your total, take the number of NCCC members worked on CW and add it to the number worked on phone. Manufactured QSOs don't count, such as claiming N6BT, WA6ENP, and WA6SFT. Oh yeah, the award to the winner is a \$1.98 gallon bottle of Canto Mountain Burgundy, suitable for just about anything except drinking. Entries must be received by WA6VEF no later than December 10th.

Are we gonna win the 1977 Sweepstakes Competition? Hell, yes!

Gary WA6VEF

THE N6KB "KB-2000" AWARD--RULES

1. Only full members of the NCCC, participating for the club total in the SS, are eligible.
2. Any operator, operating his own station or any other club member's, who makes a total of 2000 QSOs in the CW and/or Phone SS Contest for 1977 will receive the "KB-2000" Award.
3. The operator must submit his score for the NCCC.
4. QSO totals will be those listed in the QST final SS results.
5. This award is limited to single-op entries.
6. KB!

NCCC Christmas/Awards Banquet

The fifth annual Christmas/Awards banquet will be held SATURDAY night, December 17th. We have made reservations for a complete New York steak dinner at the Athens Restaurant in San Jose (a different location from last year's Zorba's). Mark your calendar TODAY, remember December 17, more info in the next JUG. You won't want to miss those belly dancers!

-WB6DSV-

PREVIEW OF RESULTS: COP '77

N6RO (WLARR, WA6VEF, N6IG,2507	58
N6NE, WA6HJV, WB6UOC, and WB6SHD ops, multi-multi)	
W6YX (N7MH op).....	1739 58
N6VV (multi-multi).....	1578 55
K6LL.....	1496 58
W6VLD (multi-single).....	1450 57
N6MR (multi-single).....	1160 54
K6AYA (+WA6ODC and W6OKK).....	1091 56
K6HIH (+WA6VJH).....	1040 55
N6RZ.....	1000+ 54
K6XO.....	932 54
WB6ION (N6HT op).....	865 57
W6UE (WB6KJI and WA6OTU ops).....	756 56
WB6DSV (+WA6AVS and N6PO).....	650 54
N6KT.....	650 53
N6VB.....	596 53
WB6PCO.....	327 47
K6STI/M6.....	193 43
WB6WSL (WB6UOC op).....	161 42
N6CN.....	190 30
K6CSL.....	150 ?

WHERE AM I GOING?

These people are looking for a station to operate in the Sweepstakes:

- WA6DGX, both modes.
- N6TV, both modes.
- N6HT, CW.
- N6IG, both modes.
- K6RM, both modes.
- WA6RIR, phone.
- N6KT, phone.
- K6ZX, CW.

...and these stations are looking for eager, able operators:

- K6XM, both modes.
- K6GSS, both modes.
- WB6DSV, phone.
- K6BR, CW.
- K6RU, phone.
- K6DC, phone.
- W6JZU, both modes.
- K6MA, both modes.
- K6KLY, CW.
- N6DA, both modes.
- K6HIH, both modes.
- N6EE, CW.

If you are an operator seeking a station, please contact a station owner on this list. If you are station owner looking for help, please contact an operator on this list. Further station/operator coordinations will be made at the meeting.

SS HAPPENINGSUpper SCV Report de Ron, WA6ITV.

- N6CN--Doug will be on both modes and expects to do better than last year.
- K6ITL--Jim just put up a 54 foot free standing tower and plans to move his TH-6 onto it, topping it off with a 2-el 40 meter beam. He estimates a 75K SS phone score.
- K6KLY--Russ is planning a real effort on phone. He is willing to have a guest-op on CW.
- W6KZJ--Larry is feeling much better and has to start back to work this week. He will team up with Ron, WA6JFZ, on CW for sure, but isn't sure yet how much effort they will put in on phone.
- N6MG--Vern will operate CW from his home station, and is ready to guest-op from somewhere on phone.
- W6YX--Stanford will once again field a mighty multi-op effort. At the first YX club meeting, several new contest stalwarts were drafted, and will be brought to the NOCC October meeting. N7MH, with a new CQP record performance, and WB4SMA are the returning anchormen from last year.
- W6CTH--Larry will be on vacation in Hawaii, and will not be able to operate.

Lower SCV Report de Bruce, N6TU.

- W6NLZ--Pete plans a limited operation both weekends.
- K6DQ/6--will be on K-ing B.
- K6BR--will operate SSB himself, needs operator for CW.
- W6JZU--seeks operator both modes. Smitty is putting up a new 40 meter vertical beam system.
- N6TU--will operate from W6MSF on CW and N6RO on phone.
- N6RO--will be guest op-ing from somewhere.
- N6BT--Tom is operating both modes from home.
- WA6CVU--plans 40 meter CW operation.
- K6MA--needs ops for a multi-single both modes.
- W6LH--Bob is planning a limited operation both modes.

Lower SCV Report de Rich, N6KT.

- N6GG--will be running vee beams from a location in the Santa Cruz Mtns. Rich estimates a 100K CW score.
- W6YL--sporting WB6PYI and WA6HCI both modes; also, N6KT on CW and WB6YAS on phone.
- W6ZRJ--will be on for CW.
- N6KT--needs a station for phone.

N6RZ will be on full blast multi-op both modes. Dave will be receiving help on phone from W6OKK, while WB6DSV does his yearly thing from the OKaKa station. On CW, Pat and George will be operating from their home stations.

WB6EXW plans operation from either home or WA6GFY, or both!

WB6JGS will be multi-op-ing with WA6RIR on CW, but won't be on for phone.

WB6OOL is planning some part time operation, maybe from W6NLZ.

Sporting a new antenna system and trying to get rid of line noise, WB6PCO will be multi-op-ing on CW with WB6SHD and WA6PAK, and on phone with WB6UOC.

K6RU will be on for CW, and is looking for some multi-op help on phone. Cam has a new phased array on 80 meters!

WA6AVS and N6PO both plan single-op efforts both modes this SS.

VE3DXV will most likely be on from K6PU on phone.

W6NLG plans part time operation.

K6ZX is looking for a SCV station to operate on CW.

K6XM--needs some operator help both modes.

Lower East Bay Report de Gary, WA6VEF.

- WB6ION--Rich has moved to Stockton and is planning to build a super-station there, but the antennas are still up at his Fremont QTH, and he will be on full bore both modes.
- WA6GJH--Ed will be hosting guest-op N6HT on phone and N6NE on CW. They are looking for an amplifier to help boost the Club score.
- N6KB--With the addition of 5 elements on 10 and 6 elements on 15, Bob will be out gunning for his own "KB-2000" Award.
- N6DA--Don needs operators for a multi-single effort both modes.
- K6RM--Martin is looking for a station both modes.
- K6UWR--Chuck tentatively plans to KB on phone.
- N6IG--Jim is also looking for a station both modes.
- N6CY--Rick will be on the air both weekends from a portable location in Castro Valley.
- WB6NPZ--Bob is putting up a tri-bander at 50 feet, and will be active both modes as a multi-single entry.
- WA6VEF--Well, who knows? Gary will be on Kicking Bostonians (and other East Coast Contest Conglomerates) from somewhere.

Younger SCV Report de Paul, WB6UOC.

WA6RIR--will be on at the WB6JGS multi-op effort, needs a station for phone.
 WA6HJV--is looking for a station on phone.
 WA6UOM--Joe will be on from home both modes, as well as putting in an effort from the Saratoga Amateur Radio Assn. station WB6HIA.
 WB6SHD--Rob will be operating from WB6PCO on CW, and N6TU on phone.
 N6LC--plans to operate N6TU both modes.
 WB6UOC--Paul will be active from N6TU on CW, and WB6PCO on phone.
 N6VB--Scott will be on from home on CW, and may get on for phone.

ROSTER CHANGES

WB6ION
 8629 Robin Lane
 Stockton, CA 95205
 PH 209-931-3295

N6TV
 2650 Haste Street C501
 Berkeley, CA 94720
 PH 642-8162

WA6DGX
 2117 Rose Street #2
 Berkeley, CA 94709
 PH 841-9074

K6ZX
 995 Lundy Lane
 Los Altos, CA 94022
 PH 948-6262

WA6BVY
 PH 408-262-7432

WHAT IS THIS THING ABOUT N CALLSIGNS?

WB6SJQ is now N6LC
 WB6ZUO is now N6GR
 WA6BMV is now N6IG
 WA7MQX is now N7MH
 and WB4SMA is now K4EO.

Your Attention, Please!

The NCCC Tuesday Night Net
 Is Held Every Tuesday Night At 7:30 p.m.
 On 3815 kHz.

September QNI: 5) K6HIH, WA6VEF. 4) N6VV, N6BT, WB6UOC, WB6DSV. 3) N6KT. 2) N6NE, K6XO, N6RO, K7OX, N6TU. 1) K6STI, N6LC, WA6GJH, KØDQ/6, VE6JA, WA6HJV, WB6HJW, N6VR, W6OKK, WA6BRM, N6AU, W6YX (N7MH), N6NT, K6SG, WA6OEC, N6MR, N6RZ, N6CN, K6LL, N6KB, and W6SYM.

CONTEST CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

D Day 1977. Zero hour, 2100z. Thirty minutes to go. I flick the rotor switch and listen for the faint whine as the indicator needle swings to 60 degrees. The mass of steel and aluminum settles on target, ready to unleash it's deadly signal upon the land. There's gonna be a big dark spot on the map where New England used to be. The moment of truth is close at hand. I won't quit until the last Q is made or 0300z rolls around. My goal is clear. To help make NCCC #1 in SS again.

Some people were worried that we wouldn't get up in time for SS. The way WA6ITV puts it, "Everyone knows what's happening, and we're all cool."

We are a veteran SS organization. This is the 3rd year we are entering this contest, and we're out to win again. But you can't tell until the results are published. Everyone must make a full blast effort. Good luck and KB in SS. Logs, summary sheets, and dupe sheets will be at the meeting.

CQWW--A decision will be made on what form our entry will take, either NCDXCC or NCCC. Lots of NCCC'ers will be on. Come to the meeting with your opinion. Logs also available at the meeting.

CQP--Volunteers are now being accepted for the log committee. The contest was a rousing success.

73,

Bruce N6TU

For Sale: VHF Engineering 2 meter transmitter, 15 watts, crystallized up on 9 channels. \$175 or offer. Scott, N6VB, 692-0550.

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