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Bruce Sawyer AA6KX

## Presidential Pen

**ARRL DX Contest:** As those of you who are also members of the Northern California DX Club are aware, the tradition has been that members of both clubs credit their CQWW scores to NCCC and their ARRL-DX scores to NCDXC. This tradition dates from an understanding reached when NCCC was first founded by a group of DX club members who wanted a sponsoring organization in order to enter Sweepstakes club competition. At that time, the NCCC membership was almost a proper subset of the NCDXC. With this understanding, NCDXC could continue its long-standing competition with SCDXC in ARRL-DX and the NCCers got their chance to enter SS competition. (NCDXC and SCDXC compete each year for a rotating trophy in ARRL-DX.) But times have changed a lot since NCCC was first founded. Today less than 30% of NCCC members belong to NCDXC. And many of our members feel it is unfair to the 70% of NCCC members who do not belong to both clubs that we never mount a serious club entry for ARRL-DX because of this old understanding. The NCCC BOD discussed this situation at length recently and decided to make a proposal that we think could make everyone happy. We have already sent a letter to the presidents of NCDXC, SCDXC, and SCCC offering to buy a new rotating trophy which would be presented each year at Visalia. The trophy would go to either the North or the South, depending on which group of clubs earned the highest total score. The high-scoring club in the winning region would store the trophy during the year. This way all the clubs could give it their best shot and NCDXC/SCDXC could continue with an improved version of the north/south competition. The reason we say "improved" is that it would restore some missing balance to the competition.

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This chart of the results over the last four years tells the story:

1994:	NCDXC: 8,389,293	SCDXC: 2,615,673
	NCCC: 4,110,441	SCCC: 8,369,976
	Total North: 12,499,734	Total South: 10,985,649
1993:	NCDXC: 12,191,199	SCDXC: 7,435,363
	NCCC: 3,080,043	SCCC: 12,136,410
	Total North: 15,271,242	Total South: 19,571,773
1992:	NCDXC: 11,851,356	SCDXC: 1,333,953
	NCCC: 20,845,902	SCCC: 16,867,068
	Total North: 32,697,258	Total South: 18,201,021
1991:	NCDXC: 22,586,784	SCDXC: 4,767,936
	NCCC: 12,319,335	SCCC: 10,282,722
	Total North: 34,906,119	Total South: 15,050,658

## Contest Calendar

### March

4-5	ARRL DX Ph	QST, Dec. p.122
11-12	WI QSO	QST, Feb. p.105
18-19	VA QSO QST,	Mar. p.123
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25-26	BARTG RTTY	
	WPX Ph	QST, Feb. p.105

### April

1-2	SP-DX	QST, Mar. p.123
	Holyland DX	QST, Mar. p.123
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15-16	JIDX High Band CW	QST, Mar. p.123
	SARTG AMTOR	QST, Mar. p.123
22-23	International DX Convention, Visalia	(sponsored by NCDXC)
	YU DX	QST, Mar. p.124

### Editor Tells All

As Promised, As Anticipated

## B.O. S. S.

Contest of the Decade, Plus One  
Now Open and Accepting Entries  
Find It All on Page 5

## Awards Banquet

Saturday, March, 18  
Pleasanton Hotel  
Reserve before March 14  
Details and Reservation Form  
on Page 9.

# January Meeting Notes

de W6ISQ

Cal Microwave Cafeteria accommodated an overflow meeting in January, when the DXpeditioners to Damascus presented a program about the operation of YK0A before, during and after the CQWW CW. They really got into this trip. Three of the five DXpeditioners arrived on what they tried to convince us was some kind of magic carpet, enshrouded in native robes and headgear, looking like the usual camel drivers one meets on a caravan. A great program, slides of erecting antennae, coping with being monitored on all operations, loading hammers in the return boxes to get back to the arrival weight, visits to unusual archaeological sites.

Professor Bob Cox, K3EST, also gave us a lecture on how he compiles and scores the CQWW Contests. His system is major great and works! Great meeting.

THE DAMASCUS DUDES BELOW, LEFT TO RIGHT: INCOGNITO N6TV; EMIR K6ANP; SHARIF NW6P; PASHA W0YK; DIPLOMATIC REP, W60AT.



## The Northern California Contest Club

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The first thing you're likely to notice from the chart is that such a trophy would have actually gone back and forth if we had been counting Total North/Total South. The second thing you probably see is that the Second Choice Contest Club has actually been beating us these last couple of years. Horrors! In part, I think it's because of that 30% which has been giving their scores to NCDXC. But an even bigger reason is that we just haven't been all that active in this great contest. The few of us who did make a serious effort this year know what the rest of you missed—it was a really hot DX contest.

While we haven't heard back from SCDXC or SCCC on our proposal, this was a topic of much discussion at the February NCDXC meeting. The real surprise of the evening occurred when the club took a straw vote of those present and the result was roughly 2:1 in favor of our proposal. And the sentiment among those who objected seemed to be that people should feel totally free to credit their scores any way they wished. While it may be too late to do anything about this year's ARRL-DX contests, we really should consider making this a focus event for the Club next year. Either we team up to make the North supreme or we put a stop to this business of taking second place to SCCC!

**Adieu to NR:** It is with sad regrets that we note the last Novice Roundup has just ended. Many of us have fond memories of getting our rocky start in contesting via this classic event. But up and coming NCCC member Jenny, KD6KKP/T, really gave the last NR a terrific send-off. By the time she had her full 30 hours in, Jenny had racked up 422 CW QSO's, 69 SSB QSO's, a mult of 80, and the eye-popping total score of 73,040. Some snippets of the chatter coming from Jenny's 9 year old voice while running 10m SSB absolutely put this writer into fits of laughter: "No, I DON'T have a 10-10 number. QRZ?" ... "There IS no

central Florida...is your section North Florida or South Florida?" Our congratulations to Jenny on a great showing in this last NR.

## Directions to Awards Banquet, March 18 Pleasanton Hotel

From Hayward: 80 to Bernal

Bernal East to Main St.

Left Main St.

855 Main St.

From Hayward: 580 East to Santa Rita Rd.

Right on Santa Rita Rd.

Santa Rita turns into Main St.

855 Main St.

From San Jose: 680 North

Bernal Exit go East

Left on Main St.

855 Main St.

# Wolbert's Words

de N6IP

The usual flow of things was disrupted by the CQP results last month, which took over nearly all of the JUG, so some of this is a couple of months old.

**Trivia of the Month** Here is a history question for you: Which famous contest club won the CQWW club trophy in 1981, and by what margin over the second place finisher? (Hint: its the same club that again won CQWW in 1982). First correct answerer gets his/her name printed in the April JUG.

**Non-Trivia** The phone WPX is 25-26 March. The spring big one for us! Our winning streak is longer than I can remember, and we intend to perpetuate it. This is a fun DX contest where the West coast can compete evenly with the east. The hundreds of Japanese prefixes compare favorably with the hundreds of European prefixes since a JQ1 multiplier is just as valuable as a ZA1 so we do not get killed by lack of mults. We haven't needed a "WPX Kickoff" like our SS or CQWW drives because WPX is so entertaining. I may be preaching to the choir: but if you have not tried WPX, now is your chance. CQ club entry requirements are different than ARRL's, so getting your scores to me is crucial to our victory. Have fun ,KB, Send me your score and CQ mag your log.

## Scores CQWW CW

Station	QSOs	Z	C	Total	Class
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VP5VW

(W6RGG + 7)

W6PYX	226	64	83	21,956,910	MM
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				88,053	SOLP
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## ARRL 160mCW

Call	QSOs	Sec	Countries	Total	Class
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## ARRL RTTY Roundup

N6OJ	141	41		11,562	QRP
AA6KX	799	56	22	62,322	SOHP
WA6SDM	455	54	17	32,305	SOLP
N2ALE	40	21	0	840	SOLP

## NAQP CW & Ph

WA6SDM	113	84		11,172	CW
AE0M	274	117		32,058	
WA6SDM	295	94		27,730	Ph

## ARRL VHF QSO

AJ6T		163	37	7,131	
W6ISO	77	16		884	
N6IFW	32	3		96	

## CQ 160m CW

AA6KX	557	54	11	116,740	
W6BIP	177	45	7	45,032	SO
KG6I	162	39	5	20,328	SOHP

## ADRS WPX RTTY

WA6SDM	236		125	58,375	
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## Novice Roundup

KD6KKP	422CW69Ph		80	73,040	
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## NA Sprint, Ph

AE0M	120		29	3,480	
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Contest Results IARU HFVC Congrats to Steve, N4TQO, who operated AG6D to fourth place CW-only, U.S. in last July's event. Yours truly just missed the cut, taking 11th place U.S. and first place in the zone for the mixed mode category.

1994 CQ WPX Phone March CQ is a showcase of NCCC talent, from the smiling face of Don, W6EEN, on the front cover to the WPX phone '94 results. Trophies recognize the DXpedition triumphs by N6KT at HC8A (Rich made a new QRP record), a second place world high power finish by AI6V at P40V, and WR6R, operating from Hawaii, won fifth place. WN4KKN/6, operating from good ole NorCal, surprised the pack with his 18th place world/third place U.S. finish. KI6CG, WA6BXH, and AE6Y followed Trey with 12th, 15th, and 20th place results. W6BSY and WB6MZQ finished 9th and 10th in the 15m single band category; WM2C finished 4th on 20m; and N6RO took 2nd place on 40m. Multi-single W6EEN finished in fifth place, followed by KN6SO in 9th. And the multi-multi team at AA6MC signed AD6E en route to their fourth place finish. We must wait until the CW results are printed in May before we know if NCCC won the club competition again—but with individual efforts like these, plus the dozens of other NCCC entries in both phone and CW, it looks very good!

How to submit your scores, and why! You will read elsewhere about the five new members joining at the January meeting, and that we are at an all-time high of 200+ NCCCers. Since we have so many new members, let me briefly review the procedure for submitting your contest scores to the Contest Chairman. First, why do we submit scores? 1) To win club competitions, like WPX or Sweepstakes 2) To add points to your 5 Meg Award total, so you qualify for that beautiful plaque. 3) To get the well-deserved recognition for your efforts Submitting scores is easy. Get the score, including contest name, QSO number, multiplier number, and total score to the VP/CC; he'll do the rest. Your score will be listed in the JUG, be included in the NCCC total of any club submission, and be forwarded to the 5 Meg Award coordinator. Years ago, a written summary sheet was required. This policy has been liberalized during the past couple of years to accept electronic submissions, via packet, the Internet, or fax. The policy varies a bit each year, dependent upon the whim of the score-collector, so pay attention to any special instructions in the JUG. What is not accepted? Don't expect credit for scores posted on packet or the Contest Reflector to "ALL". Not enough hours in the day to read all of these; your effort will probably be missed. Keep those scores coming! To:

Bob Wolbert 10028 Bon Vista Ct., San Jose, CA 95127  
N6IP via DXPSN Internet: n6ip@wile.thetech.org Ph/Fax (408) 258-1015

73 & KB in WPX

# San Jose Tower Dispute

de Dick Dievendorff, AA6MC

I've got a few unhappy neighbors. In late 1993 I put up a crankup tower with a very nice stack of Force-12 antennas. I got a building permit from the City of San Jose before starting construction and I had all the appropriate inspections. A few weeks later a neighbor complained to the city about "visual blight." The city sent a code enforcement officer who found no fault with the tower.

In December 1994, shortly after two multi-multi CQWW and two SS contests, a group of neighbors presented the city with a petition asking that the city find its building permit was issued in error and require that the tower be dismantled. I contacted the ARRL, retained counsel (NCCC's own AA6VB and AE6Y), and met with the planner. A few weeks later the planner decided that the building permit was fine. I just had to attach the tower to the house and reduce the retracted height by 22" which required an adjustment of the tower's lower limit switch.

One of the complainants said in the paper that he was "considering a civil lawsuit" and needed to get together with the other petitioners to decide what they're going to do. They had expressed (in the paper) certainty that the city would "do the right thing." Of course I think that they have. The saga may have another chapter, but I doubt that very many of them will be interested in pursuing it much further. And we can't think of any basis for a civil suit which would lead them to success.

Our ARRL has been VERY supportive. Ed Hare and John Hennessee at HQ have sent me a great deal of helpful material very quickly when I needed it. NCCC members Brad Wyatt (K6WR) and Jim Maxwell (W6CF), the Pacific Division Director and Vice Director, have kept themselves in the loop all along. I decided that this was a good time to become an ARRL Life Member.

Several of my neighbors have also been supportive. Some of them are people I helped by providing RFI filtering materials in months past.

The complainants live on other streets. One is the publisher of the local "throw-away" paper that delivers the "neighborhood news" on every local doorstep every week. The articles and cartoons have not been helpful.

I have a new appreciation for the value

of good legal counsel. AA6VB and I really saw eye-to-eye on how to approach the meeting with the planner. Bob and I were prepared, businesslike, rational, and polite. The materials and case citations Bob and Andy developed helped the planner to see that ours was the reasonable position.

The City's zoning code now doesn't permit towers to extend above 35 feet. The interpretation under which existing crankup towers were granted permits is no longer in force. Existing permitted installations are grandfathered as a result of AA6VB's excellent presentation. We presented PRB-1, supporting case citations, and evidence that amateur antennas at 35 feet were ineffective for long-haul communications. Our other arguments were based on having a vested interest because of the city's building permit and a significant investment. We prevailed, but the planner was unable to rewrite the zoning code and unwilling to restore the earlier interpretation that permitted crankups. The planner later said that he and the City Attorney felt that 35 feet was a "reasonable accommodation" for amateur antennas.

Former ARRL Section Manager Steve Wilson (KA6S) is working with the City (and County) to develop more reasonable zoning codes. A stronger PRB-1, for which our ARRL has been lobbying for some time, would be most helpful.

## September 1994 CW Sprint scores de N1EE

Top Ten Scores		Top Ten QSOs		Top Ten Multipliers		Top Ten Band Changes	
KR0Y/5	16608	KR0Y/5	346	KR0Y/5	48	KR0Y	109
N6TR/7	14520	N6TR/7	330	K5GN	46	W5WMU	95
K5GN	13984	N2IC/0	320	N6TR/7	44	WN4KKN	68
N2IC/0	13440	N5RZ	317	W2GD	43	K5GN	64
K6LL/7	13416	K6LL/7	312	WN4KKN/6	43	N6TR	62
WN4KKN/6	13029	K6NA	310	K6LL/7	43	K1ZX	36
K6NA	13020	K5GN	304	K7SS	43	N4RJI	34
N5RZ	12997	WN4KKN/6	303	Many	42	K6STI	18
W5WMU	12306	N4RJ	295			K3TLX	15
K7SS	12083	W5WMU	293				

### Southern California Contest Club #1

N6TR	14520
K6LL	13416
K6NA	13020
N6ND	11886
W6YA	10920
N6DX	10640
N6VR	10080
K6STI	9956
K6XO	9750
W6UQF	9240
Total	113428

### No Name #1

KR0Y	16608
N5RZ	12997
N4RJ	11880
N6ZZ	11200
K5MR	10520
W5FO	9672
AD5Q	9672
WB5B	8702
KM5H	3255
Total	94506

### Northern California Contest Club #1

WN4KKN	13029
N6TV	11120
N6XI	10440
W6XX	10168
W6RGG	9828
K2MM	9520
N6IP	7486
NV6O	6562
Total	78153

### Texas DX Society #1

K5GN	13984
W5WMU	12306
K7UP	11928
K5NA	7622
K13L	7562
W5ASP	7080
KZ8E	3584
WY7U	2958
Total	67024

5. SMC Dead Lizards (AG9A, K9ZO, N4OGW, KE9I, KO9Y, K9MMS, K9LUW) .....	49230
6. SCCC #2 (AB6FO, K6XT, W6MVW, K6VNX) .....	29487
7. Florida CWCC (K1ZX, AC4NJ, N4BP) .....	26219
8. No Name #2 (KS1G, AA5BT, AA5ZT, WF5E, AA5UO) .....	25096
9. Better Ed Than Dead (K7SS, N0AX, WA7UVJ) .....	22769
10. NCCC #2 (N6PN, AD6E, W6OAT) .....	11614
11. NERDS (K3TLX) .....	3584

Here it is, folks.....the last contest of it's kind this century.....

# The B.O.S.S.

Welcome to *The B.O.S.S.*, the Bottom of the Sun Spot cycle. If you have been noticing the continual decline in long-range propagation, look no further for a fun solution. *The B.O.S.S.* is a friendly award producing competition sponsored by the N.C.C.C. to determine who is the most accurate estimator, scientist or guessor. At what? What we are all looking forward to: the Bottom of the Sun Spot cycle. EVERY ENTRANT will receive a commemorative *The B.O.S.S.* certificate, plus additional awards as set forth below. There are several simple categories of entry, based upon the term of one's license. The categories are simply a way to bracket our historical experience and provide a fair competition. Those who are not N.C.C.C. members can enter using category VII., which is Club Competition, providing the club has at least two (2) members. Each entrant will specify the actual hour (month, day, year and hour) of the BOSS. The hour will be used as a tie-breaker. The determination of the actual BOSS will be made by W6RQ, Al Lotze. Since this will be made after the actual BOSS, the awards will be presented at the next spring Awards Banquet, or the Christmas Banquet, which ever comes first after the BOSS has arrived. Be sure to get in on this one, as the next opportunity won't be until the year 2006!

## ENTRY

CLASS	YEAR LICENSED	APPROXIMATE CYCLES IN OPERATING MEMORY
I.	Jan., 1990 to present	Half of the present one.
II.	Jan., 1979 through Dec., 1990	One and a half.
III.	Jan., 1968 through Dec., 1979	Two and a half.
IV.	Jan., 1957 through Dec., 1968	Three and a half (remember the peak in '57?).
V.	Jan., 1946 through Dec., 1957	Four and a half.
VI.	prior to Jan., 1946	More than most of us!
VII.	Club Entry	At least two (2) members in the Club

## AWARDS and SIMPLE RULES:

- A. Every entrant receives a commemorative *The B.O.S.S.* certificate specifying them as worthy contestant, a person of sound mind, the class of entry, the actual BOSS and their accuracy.
- B. The closest three entrants in each category will receive endorsements on their certificates.
- C. The closest BOSS in each category will receive special recognition.
- D. In the case of ties, duplicate prizes will be awarded.
- E. Awards Chairman is Tom Schiller, N6BT.
- F. Entries need to be received by Mr. Jack Troster, W6ISQ, on or before June 30, 1995 (C.B.A.).



# The B.O.S.S.

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONTEST CLUB OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Name/Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Call Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Club Address \_\_\_\_\_

Year first licensed \_\_\_\_\_ (not needed for Club Entry)

Entry Category, check one:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> I. Jan. 1990 to present          | <input type="checkbox"/> II. Jan. 1979 through Dec. 1990  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> III. Jan 1968 through Dec., 1979 | <input type="checkbox"/> IV. Jan. 1957 through Dec., 1968 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> V. Jan 1946 through Dec., 1957   | <input type="checkbox"/> VI. prior to Jan., 1946          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VII. Club Entry                  |   |

*The Bottom of the Sun Spot cycle* will be \_\_\_\_\_ (yr) \_\_\_\_\_ (mo) \_\_\_\_\_ (day) @ \_\_\_\_\_ Z(hour)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date of entry \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

By signing this entry form, I agree to be bound by the decision(s) of the judges. All decisions are final. There will be no swapping of prizes for airline miles.

**HAND DELIVER OR MAIL THIS ENTRY ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 1995 to:**  
Mr. Jack Troster, W6ISQ (CBA), Editor of the World Famous, N.C.C.C. **JUG**

# Letters to JUG

## NCCC--Thanks for the Memories

I met Bob, N6TV, at a Colvin 4th of July party and developed a quick friendship that led to me operating his station and eventually Bob talking me into joining the Contest Club in 1990. My association with the club has been very rewarding. As I head to DC in March, it's time to say good-bye and thank the club for 5 years of good memories.

Before moving to California, I contested here and there, but never with much vigor, neither personal power nor raw power. NCCC showed me that I could operate a 48 hour contest and score with the big boys. Although a good part of that was the raw power, I think my operating skills have improved also. Over the past 5 years, I've operated from several awesome stations and I'd like to thank the following members for allowing me to operate a contest or two from their station; W6CF, N6TV, N6ST, W6QHS, KG6GF, N6RO, and AA6MC. I was also fortunate to have the Lockheed club, WA6GFY, at my disposal and I operated a few contests from there as well. Thanks to the club for a couple of SS plaques and a 5 Milli'yun award.

I enjoyed my term as VPCC, from '91-'92. Since then, I've admired the accomplishment of successful VPCCs - watching Bob, N6IP, Andy, AE6Y, and Bob again. You guys really did the job right! Enthusiasm-that's the one thing the club has always had and something I'm very proud to be a part of...it's very contagious! The club and its members never stopped striving to reach a new goal or new score or new record.

I'll also remember Visalia and Jim Maxwell's innovatibve morse code contest. What a thrill to compete in the finals of the first-ever NCCC fist and fanny contest (both modes).

I've thoroughly enjoyed my association with NCCC and truly happy anytime I hear a member accomplishing a big score. Although I'm moving to (shhh!) PVRC country, I want you all to know, I'm leaving my heart in NCCC

country. You're the first contest club I've been a member of; though you probably aren't the last, you're the club I'll think of with fond memories. It is your friendship I'll miss most.

Thanks for the memories!

73,Ace, N3AHA

(e-mail address: sjansen@aol.com)

P.S. Please keep sending JUG through June. My new address, effective 15 March '95: 42857 Hollywood Park Place Ashburn, VA 220211

*Thank you, Ace, for your memories. You contirbuted much to NCCC and we all wish you well in PVRC, but not too well, contesting from there!*



N6IP, AT RIGHT, PLEADS FOR MORE POINTS. AND SEND EM IN PRONTO TO HIS ADDRESS GIVEN ON PAGE 3.



ABOVE: MEETING SPEAKERS WM2C AND W6RGG TELLING US HOW TO GET READY FOR THE DXPEDITION THING.

# Last Meeting

We gathered at Vic's All Star in Pleasanton for dinner and a how-to talk on preparing for Dxpeditioning, physically, mentally, economically, and packing up. Words like serious, major, big-time-they were all there in what Ken WM2C, and Bob, W6RGG told us you gotta do or have organized before, during, and after a DXpedition. Descriptive slides and an excellent check list set the whole thing in focus. The check list contains everything you ever wanted or need to take with you, plus savvy tips for negotiating customs and foreign regulations. Worth any price of admission to anyone planning or even thinking of going on a Dxpedition. Anyone wishing a copy, just send a SASE to Ken.

VPCC Bob N6IP, requested everyone to submit his count for the JUGHEAD Award. That's the Award for the NCCCer who worked the most NCCCers in SS. To be awarded at the Awards Banquet,



A PROUD OM, JOHN, KG6J, INTRODUCES A NEW MEMBER SCOTT, KE6JGR, WHO JUST HAPPENS TO BE HIS SON!

# 1995 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION

April 21, 22, 23

Holiday Inn

Visalia, California

Hosted By THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DX CLUB

The Northern California DX Club once again invites all DXer's, Spouses and Friends to attend the 46th Annual International DX Convention. This Annual event represents one of the oldest and best known DX Ham Functions in existence. Make your Reservations early.

On Site Registration will commence at 12 Noon on Friday, where Pre-Registration Packs can also be picked up. Those who Pre-Resister will be eligible to participate in the drawing for the Pre-Resistration Prize.

Events will include SEMINARS, SPECIAL TIMES FOR EYEBALL QSO's, DXPEdition PROGRAMS, QSL CARD CHECKING, EXHIBITS, PRIZES, and is ARRL SANCTIONED.

There will be Raffle Ticket sales for many Major Prizes during the week-end. Don't miss the opportunity to be one of the lucky winners.

There will be something special for the Ladies, also. A luncheon is being planned (optional) for Saturday, and attendees will be eligible for a Special Prize Drawing.

Requests for Refunds must be in writing, and received by April 6th, 1995)

Your Registration Fee Includes all of the following:

- Hosted Cocktail Parties Friday and Saturday evenings.
- Banquet Dinner Saturday evening, including special speaker
- Breakfast Buffet Sunday morning, with guest speaker.
- Forums and Technical Sessions throughout, including DXing, Contesting, Awards, RTTY, Etc.
- Admittance to the Show Room where Major Vendors will display and demonstrate their products.
- Prize Drawings.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS: (Shuttle Service will be provided)

Holiday Inn 209-651-5000 1-800-348-8877	Radisson Hotel 209-636-1111 1-800-333-3333	Lanplighter Inn 209-732-4511 1-800-662-6692
Visalia Motel 3 (Travel Lodge) 1-800-255-3050	Marco Polo 209-732-4591	El Rancho Motel 209-734-9271
	Parkway Inn 209-627-2885	

## 1995 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

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Call \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip(or Postal) Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

PRE-REGISTRATION (March 15,1995 last day) \$ 45 each person TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

FULL REGISTRATION (after March 15,1995) \$ 50 each person TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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DX Contesting, Texas Style  
de Bob Wilson, N6TV

"I'm flying out to K5XI for the ARRL DX Contest next weekend," says Rusty, W6OAT. "Wow, sounds like fun," I say. "Let me know if they need another operator," I say, almost as a joke. Rusty's packet message back is direct and to the point: "If you're really serious about joining us, let me know and I will see what I can do." Next thing you know, I'm cashing in some frequent flyer miles and booking a flight to Houston, Texas for my first ever ARRL DX effort from anywhere East of Nevada.

Sid, K5XI, has amassed a very large station in the middle of nowhere, about 70 miles and a 2-hour drive Northwest of Houston. Nearest town is tiny Iola, Texas. Tom, K5RC, is chief station engineer. He has done an incredible job, inside and out.

The antenna systems are enormous. The 20m tower is 250 feet tall and supports four, independently rotatable yagis in a big stack. The tower is so tall the FAA required a 1000 watt red light at the top to ward off stray aircraft! The 15 meter stack is almost the same, on a 200 foot tower. A 4-element KLM 40m beam sits atop a third, 140 foot tower. There is also a 40m Vee-beam, 80m and 160m dipoles up over 200 feet, and various other assorted small yagis on other towers. A brand new set of "EWE" receiving antennas (see article in Feb., 1995 QST) completes the setup. The EWE antennas seem to work very well indeed. I was so impressed, I plan to put one up in my own small back yard as soon as I can.

Inside the shack I find a TS-940/AL-1500 on 10m and 40m, a TS-950SDX and an Alpha 87A on 20m, another TS-950SDX on 20m with a new Alpha 91 Beta, and an FT-1000 on 80m with another AL-1500. Sid and I spend most of Thursday night wiring up six computers in a CT network. I install CT 9.19 on each as I get the network up and running. Friday morning the local gang of regulars shows up. For the first time I get to meet in person a great group of South

Texans that we've all worked over the years in many contests: K5GA, N5EA, N5RP, K5LZO, W5ASP, KV6O, WT5U, KB5YVT, and many more. We enter the Multi-2 class.

I start the contest at 6 p.m. local time running Europe at the low end of 40m. They are not loud, but there are plenty of them to work. Rusty takes the 80m position and works all kinds of neat stuff. After I'm through running Europe, the JAs start to come in. No, they are not as loud as they are in California, but they are still very easy to work, and the rate meter jumps to over 90 per hour!

Sunday morning I get a shot at the 15m station. Some of the Europeans are 20 over 9! Only the SMs and OHs have any flutter. The rest of the Europeans are loud and easy to work. I can't believe it as the rate meter goes over 100, with the 10-minute meter briefly jumping to over 190 per hour! In the end we finish with over 4 million points. Here's the preliminary results:

Call: K5XI Country: United States  
Mode: CW Category: Multi Two

BAND	QSO	COUNTRIES
160	47	30
80	180	68
40	796	90
20	829	104
15	1027	105
10	118	52
Totals	2997	449 =
Grand Total	4,027,530	

This is not enough to beat the East Coast (WN4KKN at K1AR had over 6m points in multi-2), but it sure was more fun than slogging it out from California! You've got to try a DX contest, just once, from outside the state. The South Texas hospitality just can't be beat!

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## Bulletin Board

Headline in the Business Section of the San Jose Mercury January 26, '95, "If you've got the lover...She's got the place" Well now, that's an eye catcher! But it catches you even more, when you read the first line and realize it's about AF6S, Dave Barton's, YF Susan and her new business called Perfect Weekends. This is a traveller service specializing in bed and breakfasts in California. Now we know where Dave's been lately, on the road with Susan, checking B and B's.

→ Also in one of the Big Presses, Brook Byers, K4TKF! A March 6 Wall Street Journal article titled, "Demystifying Jet Lag, the Nemesis of Road Warriors" interviews our NCCCer who says before long trips, he retires and rises one hour earlier each day for about a week to move his body closer to European time. Brook says, "the day of my last trip to Europe, I got up at 3a.m. for a midday flight Maybe Brook is practicing for a coming DXpedition. Hope so. At any rate, DXpeditioners, take note!

→ Last meeting, Garry, NI6T, told of the two DXpeditioners who were putting a three element beam together. Both thought they were working on the director. Couldn't figure out why the beam didn't work too well.

→ Who was it at the meeting said, "If a fella on a DXpedition is a QRPer, more power to him"

→ VEEP-CC directs all NCCCs to be present and accounted for in the WPX Tournament. NCCC wants to win.





# Treasury Notes

de AA6MC



February 20, 1995.	1994-95 Plan	YTD Actual
Membership dues	\$3780.	\$4294.
Advertisements	\$ 300.	\$ 300.
General fund contributions	\$ 100.	\$ 404.
CQP contributions	\$ 0.	\$ 30.
Non-member JUG subscriptions	\$ 0.	\$ 16.50
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Total income	\$4180.	\$5044.50
JUG publishing & special mailings	(\$2600.)	(\$2171.49)
NCCC share of CQP expenses *	(\$ 500.)	\$1711.86
Awards	(\$ 650.)	(\$ 194.12)
Visalia Hospitality	(\$ 200.)	
Contingency	(\$ 230.)	
Self-funding events (Banquets, badges) (Includes deposits for Feb & Mar meetings)	(\$ 0.)	(\$ 118.35)
Special Xmas banquet appropriation *** (New item approved in 11/94 meeting)	(\$ 150.)	(\$ 129.27)
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Total expenses	(\$4330.)	(\$ 901.37)
Balance at start of Fiscal Year 94-95		\$2501.02
Activity credited to Fiscal Year 94-95		\$4143.13
Activity credited to Fiscal Year 95-96 (\$250 deposit for 1995 Xmas banquet, 2 memberships)		(\$ 202.00)
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$6442.15</b>

\* The CQP expense item includes receipts for CQP T-shirts, mailing of results and most of the sponsored plaques. \$1400 has been budgeted for Tee-shirts and their postage. Postage for mailing of results has already been paid.

## Northern California Contest Club Awards Banquet

Saturday, March 18, 1995

Pleasanton Hotel, 855 Main Street, Pleasanton CA

Reception at 6 PM, Dinner at 7 PM

Menu Choice:

Breast of Chicken with Tarragon Cream sauce, Rice Pilaf and Seasonal Vegetables, \$24.00

Mahi-Mahi with Rice Pilaf and Seasonal Vegetables, \$26.00

Vegetarian Angel-hair Pasta, \$20.00

All entrees include Rolls & Butter, Coffee or Tea, and,

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**Reservations and checks due by March 14.**

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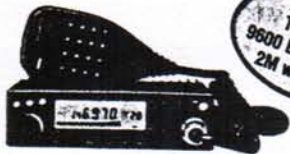


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