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## PREVIEW OF FORTHCOMING FUN AND MADNESS

Sept.	18	NCCC Picnic - SCV	Nov.	6-7 SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS,
•	27	NCCC Club Meeting - Hayward 7:30		SS, SS, SS, SS <u>CW CW CW</u>
Oct.	2-3	California QSO Party	*	20-21 SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS, SS,
	2-3	VK/ZL Test (Phone)		SS, SS, SS, SS PHONE PHONE
	9-10	VK/ZL Test (CW)		27-28 CQ WW DX CW
	25	NCCC Club Meeting (the one B4 SS)	Dec.	18 Christmas Banquet and Awards
,		1 CO WW DX Phone		Presentations - ZORBA'S(S.J.)

# OOPSY

As you may already know, the NCCC took a second row seat to the SCCC in the past All-Asian Contest. Be that as it may, we of the NCCC know that our members are all very busy erecting new antennas and upgrading their equipment and overall aiming at another big win this November. None-the-less, however, let us give our congratulations to the Southern folk who have proved that the spirit of competition's certainly not absent and is certainly on the up-

Our neighbors to the south are also proving

## PRESIDENTIAL PRECIPITATION:

From all reports, the NCCC's participation and contribution to the San Jose Pacific Division Convention was well received. About 60 folks at the forum eagerly assimilated words of wisdomfrom the FB panelists: CEP on operating/ strategy/paperwork (ugh); AIN on receiving techniques; NIN and KID on antennas; W6CF (K6 AQ) moderating the "open" portion of the program. Our hospitality suite, arranged for & underwritten by GSN, beer donated by K6AHV and HRO, provided half a night of merriment and contest chatter. Over 900 Q's were made by our special events station, NC6CC, despite interference to the convention PA system ( it

## NCCC NET - 3815 Tuesday evening at 7:30

that a new club can be a formidable competitor in a very short time. If there is any doubt in our minds, let's just take a listen to their Net activity each Tuesday evening after our own. You will find a high level of spirit and the kind of thing usually associated with the NCCC, which is the desire to be on the top of the heap.

So let us take ourselves up by the proverbial boot-straps and GET IT ON!!!!!!!

Afterall, as anyone can tell you, it is for sure that the thrill of victory is much more tasty than the agony of defeat!

figures!). Thanks to DQM, LPK, AIN, VEF, BMV, JGS et al for their help in erecting and manning the station.

The newly-formed SCCC showed their muscle in the All Asian CW and managed through skill, daring and band openings to get high scores in most of the entry categories. Our gang, however, piled up impressive totals and our aggregate score should easily top theirs.

Even though we give hearty thanks to the recent members who paid their dues, still we have some 40 members who have not yet done their part. There have been notices and pleadings for payment in the past four JUG's, mentioned at meetings and on the club NET. Yet,

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some have not gotten the word. We regret not being able to send separate dues notices to all who are delinquent and our method last month for reminding people was not taken too well in some cases, but folks and fellow members, we do need the bucks to make the club GO! 'nuf said.

The September meeting will feature a pep rally for the CQP, initial drum beating for SS and some operating technique presentations by SS Chairman, CEP, plus the ever-popular pizza parlor gathering after the meeting. Bring along a friend (of any kind), especially a member who lives near you whom you haven't seen for a coon's age and/or a prospective new member.

73 n cu later, OM

PAA

#### TODAY'S CHUCKLE:

Everyone knows that DSV ops OKK and that OKK ops DSV, but how about AIN op at CEP (OWQ) and CEP at CQF, with CQF at MAV?? Actually, we can go one or two points better - here's the scene... CEP at CQF has challenged AIN at CEP in a CW duel, while CQF at MAV may challenge CEP at CQF to a combined-modes tussle. A steak dinner goes to the winner(s). Funny, but I thought musical ham stations were illegal!!! AND THE WINNAH IS..... (TBA in late Nov)

#### AND IN THE JULY ISSUE WAS...

You may have wondered what that ugly green insert was included with the beautiful Bicentennial issue in gorgeous red, white and blue. Well, here, at long last, is the awaited explanation:

Bill, WB6CEP, is writing a book on contesting (an expanded version of last year's SS handbook), which will cover all types of contesting. You are one of the 300 lucky contesters included in a nationwide survey designed to determine what contesters would like to see in such a book and to provide some of the information that will comprise much of the actual book.

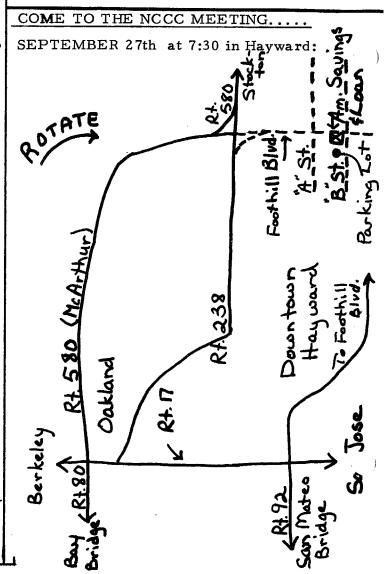
The volume will run approximately 100 pages in length (8 1/2 in girth?) and will go on sale next year in paperback, for an estimated \$1.95. The publisher will be 73 Magazine.

Bill says he has received quite a bit of input from the East Coast contingent so far (especially from PVRC'ers), but little from the Midwest and almost ZILCH from California. Since the majority of the questionnaires were distributed to NCCC and SCCC members, this seems a bit strange. Where is that KB spirit and expertise? We are informed that almost all pictures, call signs, examples, etc. which appear in the manuscripts will be drawn from contributors, so let's make sure the NCCC is well-represented! Send CEP that quetionnaire today. 2333 Channing Way, Berkeley, CA 94204

## NCCC CLUB AGGREGATE MOBILE FD:

WA6BMV/6		15	15	75
WB6CEP/6	318	344	662	1960
WA6GSN/6	10	355	365	750
W6HJP/6		55	55	110
WA6ITV/6		119	119	238
	(cw)	(ph)	(qso's	s) (score)

Total claimed club score: 3133. Thanks to Rich, AA6MQS for providing the club portable and mobile entries with summary sheets.



#### YOUR AREA COORDINATOR FOR SS IS...

In less than two very short months, the forces of our indomintable NCCC will rise high to defend our National Title against all comers (and all non-comers). Your local Area Coordinator (AC) has probably contacted you by now to learn of your SS plans and designs; however, if not, COMPLAIN BITTERLY!!!

Thru the magic of QSP, let's listen in on what's happening out there in NoCal contest land.....

#### SAN FRANCISCO

Dean, WB6AIN, will be both modes at W6OWQ estimating 150K cw and 200K phone.

Bip, W6BIP, doing multi w/WA6DJI for 78K ph. and 111K cw using his super sequential/programmed keyer.

WB6FEF, Fred, considering going to all 4 corners during the CQP. Wants help on multi CQP.

Elliott, K6ILM, looking for guest ops on both modes.

W6KQG, Bruce, is on for BIG cw and multiwith Carl at W6MSF on phone.

W6OAT going to the Eastern edge of NCCC land at WA7NIN where Rusty hopes to go Balls to the Wall again.

Harry, W6ZT, will be on for both modes and is going for his extra-class. Hey, you young guys w/o the XTRA-Harry's retired and getting it going-how 'bout you, too?

80 Inverted Vee, TS-520, SB-200. That Denny, for the calendars for the Pac Di Bill Z-WB6CEP- will be at K6CQF's Pine Grove QTH praying for calm WX throug

W6KHI, mello Dennis, is expecting a baby on 11-6, but is planning cw at home and wants to phone guest op. Will be in Paris during CQP. UPPER SANTA CLARA VALLEY

WB6CAA, John, is in KL7 til the end of Sept. Oli, WA6QGW, left with a rig for 2 yrs. in

Johannesburg, QRV??

<u>WA6KID</u>, Bob, will be out to try and grab a top spot both modes on his first SS from the West.

Russ, K6KLY, will be out of town on cw and how 'bout some HF phone??

Greg, W6RNF, has not yet got the station together and needs a place to hang his mike and key. Taking some medical exams in Nov., too!

W6YX, yes friends, it's Stanford vs the world, with new 6 el 20/15 and 40 m yagi's should at least crunch W9YT and a whole herd of Ivy.

WA6ITV, your friendly coordinator, will multi at YX--geez. Watchoutyouguys.

More Upper SCV-from KZJ

K6DC, Merle-all out on cw multi??

W6CTH will be all out on phone and needs ops.
Wants to guest op on cw.

WA6DQM, Dorito Doug, will be screamin' and zappin' from atop the hill to try 'n wedge into the top slots on both modes.

Vern, WB6KBK, the original KB KID, will do just that on CW. How about some splatter?? W60WQ, Bill, will host WB6AIN to flex and fry the 5 ele 20, 3 ele 40 and other misc aluminum, tubes and what all. Let's hear it for the Valley Floor!! Yea!

K6QAX, Bill, is rooting for a new roof. Also, get well soon, Bill.

#### UPPER EAST BAY

W6MAV, Don, should host CQF with his 4 ele 40, 5 ele 20 all at 100 feet atop a Sky Needle, with 15/10 going up by CQWW time.

WA6TLV, Bob, who is now a Soph at UC, will be back to do a stint at WB6ION on CW, but is open for an operating slot for phone.

Ron, <u>WA6DGX</u>, is now a Froshperson and needs a place to rest his bod, which is ready and willing!, for a coupla weekends in Nov.

WB6IPC, Fred, is now back from a Maine honeymoon and just might have enough energy left to do a good KB effort at the K6BB multi.

WB6OQT - who's that?? - why, its Denny, WA-3MQJ, disguised as a 6! From Skyline in Oakland will come a tribander, 40 sloper, 80 Inverted Vee, TS-520, SB-200. Thanks, Denny, for the calendars for the Pac Div C.

Gill Z-WB6CEP- will be at K6CQF's Pine Grove QTH praying for calm WX through the month of Nov. The 3 ele 40 and 6 ele 20 mtr Quads are really hung high in the pine trees and run to the edge of a drop-off of at least 1000 feet. Thanks to the antenna crew of LPK, CEP, PAA, MZP, ENP & Bonnie to get those monstrosities up in the air and also working!!

NCCC NET ON 3815 at 7:30 Tuesday
Come on in and join in the MINI CONTEST,
which is held almost every NET evening. Find
out about your fellow NCCC'ers and what is
going on in general, even in corporal!

## CONTEST CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

Congrats to all those who endured <u>very</u> poor conditions during the All Asia Contest. A credit to everyone's operating skills!!!

Coming up this October 2-3 is our own contest--The California QSO Party. From most of the QRM heard passed thru the grapevine, a majority of last year's dxpeditioners will stay home this year to "tune-up" for SS: Any last minute plans? If so, tell our CQP chairman WA6DQM. Also, look for some mini-contests on our 75 mtr. net, geared to upcoming contests. Join in on the fun, 7:30 local time on 3815 KHZ.

Sweepstakes is <u>not</u> far away, so don't let time go by too long without making some serious plans to KB. Our super "SS chairman, Bill-WB6CEP, has quite an extensive plan for maximum efficiency and total club score. His plan is only good if <u>everyone</u> will begin today to tweak that antenna or whatever it takes to upgrade each station's potential, then we must get <u>ON</u>! See you all at the meeting Sept. 27.

Your friendly GLEEK--

WB6DSV

# ERECTOR SET PILINGS or Let's get to the bottom of it and get it up!!!

Talking on 80 meters a few nights ago with WB6OLD (Hiss!), a curious feeling came over me while we chatted. Leigh boasted that SCCC would roll over NCCC like a big steamroller this contest season. The reason the feeling was curious is that I was afraid he might be right LPK for one isn't going down without a fight! Believe it or not, your antenna is your most powerful weapon in snuffing out your competition in a contest. Antenna performance directly relates to contest score.

Here's what some of our boys have done recently to UP their potential score. K6CQF with WB6CEP directing, accompanied by WB6LPK, W6PAA, WN6MZP, WAØENP/6 and XYL Bonnie erected a 3 el 40 m and 6 el 20 m wire quad shooting East in preparation for SS. WB6ION is continuing work on his new tower and quad array.

A temporary erection took place at the Pacific Division Convention. With the Quement tower as supporting structure, a 204BA and wire ants. for 40 and 80 were put up. 900 stations were contacted using the call NC6CC. Erectors were

((Up and over))

WA6VEF, WA6BMV, WA6MQS, W6PAA, WA6DQM, WB6LPK, and WB6JGS.

WAØENP/6 has erected, perfected, and battle tested a 2 el phased vertical array for 40 m. The writer has observed the on-the-air performance of the array and it does work well.

We will again be NO. 1 in SS this year because our antennas will be bigger and better than the competition.

#### KB from Bluce

## MORE SS HAPPENINGS FROM LOWER EB:

WA6BMV, Jim, for SS, single-op both modes from WA6VEF(see below). low power on cw QRP on phone. For CQP, he will be on the Napa and Solano County lines using his two call signs, BMV and WB6IGY, signing each call in one of the two counties. He will have a 71 foot tower at his home QTH by 1977 ARRL DX TEST with large antennas atop. He also has received a repeater call sign, WR6ARR.

WB6BWP, Larry - for SS, single-op both modes from home, improving his 20 meters set-up (antenna-wise).

WA6DYZ, Glen, for SS, single-op both mc
from a portable location in Castro Valley.
All-out single-op from hom for CQP. Glen
also just passed his Advanced License Test.
WA6GSN, Mitch - for SS, single-op both modes
at stations tenatively lined up. For CQP,
will expedition to any county where needed.

WB6ION, Rich, having guest-ops for both modes of SS, WA6TLV for CW, and WA6VEF for phone. All-out KB single-op for CQP from home. Putting up quad (5el on 10, 4 on 15, 3 on 20, es 2 on 40) on 60 foot P.G.E. tower. He has plans for a new secret weapon which he doesn't run on 220 volts. (Under the hat, this is the 2 elements on 80).

WA6TQK - Don, not sure yet about SS, plans limited operation in CQP. Has a new 2el wire beam on 40 meters, and is now planting a radial & ground system underneath his new lawn. Has a new hobby, sail boat racing.

K6RM, Martin - needs a station both modes for SS. Limited operation in CQP. Is seriously contemplating moving out of the present QTH.

W6RGG, Bob - for SS, single-op KB on both modes. For CQP, limited operation. PG&E (( TO PAGE 5 ))

has made great progress on eliminating Bob's line noise. And because of interaction, he will be erecting a rotary dipole on 40 m instead of 2 el.

K6UWR - Chuck, not sure yet about SS. Limited operation in CQP. Making improvements on 80 & 40 meters antennas by SS.

And WA6VEF, Gary - for SS, needs station, for phone, operating at WB6ION. Plans to erect tower and decent antennas for BMV's SS effort. Going to Placer County for CQP.

### NEW NCCC MEMBERS:

WA6DYZ, Glenn Ironhat 2742 Hidden Lane Hayward, CA. 94541 (415) 538-2751

Glenn is 17, holds a general and operates his C-line 60-40 in favor of CW. Been active in NR, FD (W6PAA in '76) and the Bicent

K6CSL is Bert Cook
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Oakland, CA. 94601 (415) 261-5485
Busn: Alameda County Health Care Ser. Agy.
1411 E. 31st Street
Oakland, CA. 94602 (415) 534-8055 X482

Bert has been licensed 27 years, is 35 years old, and holds a general ticket (you can grandfather into an XTRA?) Has held W7BCW, K1AYN, W5KJP. Runs QRP cw on 40-20-15 and 200 W cw 80-40-15, SS B75 and is resident op of Oakland Red Cross-Oakland Radio Club W6OT. Been in 5 yrs of SS, 27 yrs of FD, WAS, DXCC. Whew! BPL and 1950 Edison Award.

WB6EMR, James Armstrong 21174 Sarahills Drive Saratoga, CA. 95070 (408) 867-4026

Jim has a general and is 18 yrs old. He uses a TS-520, 75 mtr. Inv Vee and 40-10 vertical. Is on 2w/TR22c and 5/8 GP. Ops 75% cw! Been in just about every contest on HF, VHF and has WAS, WAC, AJD and 67 of those 100 for DXCC. Was 1975 Winner of the Novice Roundup as WN6EMR for SCV - atta way to KB!

Congrats to W6BIP for winning the African Award from VQ9D in WAE Contest!!!!

WA6UOM, Joseph Mello 15621 Glen Una Dr. Los Gatos, CA. 95030 (408) 354-1925

Joe is an Advanced at 17 years and runs 160-10 with vertical and dipoles from an FT-101. Ops 90% phone and has been in FD, VHF, 1975 CQP and CD parties(OVS). Has RCC (just don't do it in a contest) and 15 wpm code proficiency.

Welcome aboard the USS KB, guys! Hope you enjoy the club.

#### LOWER SCV "SS" TIDBITS

AA6MQS - has transferred his call to the hilltop location in order to KBSS both modes. W6NLZ - will be on both modes SS, perhaps with guest ops. W6PAA - stomping, kicking butt, booting backsides, etc. K6EBB- on if antenna problems can be resolved, oh those antennas!! K6VVA - on for cw guest op to KB again, this time will turn in the log! K6QX - will KB per last year. WB6EXW if Lockheed gets up the 5 ele. KLM & 2 ele. 40 mtr beam will KB from WA6GFY. WB6JGS - out for blood on fone and full effort on cw with new antennas. W6OKK -KB'ing with DSV's new antennas on fone operating his very own KB station on cw. W6NLG - full KB fone if not on Ski Patrol duty!! WB6OOL - Looking to guest op station. K6ZX - Looking to KB to show sunnyvale is KB country. VE3DXV/W6 -KBing both modes, but hates domestic contests!!! WB6DSV - Kicking Butt with new antennas on CW. Will KB de W6OKK on phone.

#### SJVss TIDBITS

K6AYA - CQP/SS both modes multi with Denny WA6DEC. K6OZL - was multi at K6RR, looking for cw station, multi PXG fone? W6PXG - Limited CQP, WA6GSN guest op cw. multi on fone. WB6DYG - Ralph will go multi - with W6PXG on fone, Merced Co. in CQP.

Congrats to W6KZJ who passed at 40 wpm in ARRL qualifying run!!!! --!!

Lost & Found: Lost at F.D. (1) Blue nylon tarp orange hooded center from W6KHI

## NCCC ALL-ASIAN SCORES

"AB"	KG6SW(K7VPF)	2014x186=374,604
"MS"	W6OKK	$781 \times 87 = 67,947$
	K6HIH	$748 \times 84 = 62,832$
	WlARR/6	751x $75 = 56,325$
112011	WB6AIN/6	$389x\ 40=\ 15,560$
	W6NLZ(WB6LPK)	393x 33 = 12,969
	W6RGG(WA6VEF)	271x28 = 7,588
	WB6CEP	$250x\ 27=6,750$
114011	W6PAA	759x 45 = 34, 155
	K6DC(VE3DXV)	$576 \times 36 = 20,736$
	WA ØENP/6	$495 \times 37 = 18,315$
	WA6BMV	$268x\ 31=8,308$
11 <b>8</b> 011	WB6OOL	100x 21 = 2,100

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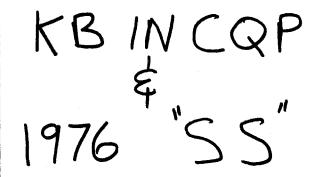
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