

# The Contest JUG



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## BASEBALL? NCCC GOES MAJOR!

### CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

June: 25-NCCC Meeting, 7:30 PM  
Hayward, CA. American  
Savings and Loan,  
Foothill and B Streets

July: 4-Silent Key Night

14-15-IARU Radiosport

21-22-Seanet Contest

28-29-County Hunter Test  
Rhode Island QSO Party

23-NCCC Meeting, 7:30, Hayward

August: 4-5-UHF Contest

11-12-WAE, cw

25-26-All Asia CW(!!!)

27-NCCC Meeting, 7:30  
Hayward

September: 8-9-VHF QSO Party

24-NCCC Meeting

Board of Director's meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at rotating locations. JUG deadline is second Tuesday of each month.

### PRESIDENTIAL POSTULATIONS

Yes, it is that time again; Time to pack away your troubles, etc., and listen to the wonderful words of our chairman. And so on we go.....

June. The first month of summer. To most people, June means vacation time and fun in the hot sun. However, to the avid Northern California Contester, the month of June signifies four events: The ARRL June VHF QSO Party, the Phone All-Asian Contest, Field Day, and the June NCCC general membership meeting, to be held on June 25th. Be sure to attend the meeting as our guest speaker will be John Orr, Supervisor of Power Interference for PG+E. John will be presenting a program on line noise--and how to deal with PG+E in the most effective manner to get it cured. The NCCC Board of Directors has also finalized the club's budget for the 1979-80 fiscal year, and will present the budget to meeting attendees for approval.

### NCCC STORMS CANDLESTICK

Attention, attention!!! Mark your calendars for Friday, July 20. For what, you ask? Why, for the first (annual??) NCCC Night with the Giants.

Through the hard work of Bob, W1ARR, the NCCC has arranged a group outing to the Giants-Phillies game the evening of the 20th. Prices for the game will be a flat five bucks for all seats.

In order to qualify as a "group", at least in the Giants' eyes (does this mean we are midgets?), we must have at least 35 people signed up and buying tickets. As of press time, only about 10 people had shown an interest. Those of you who are quick with math/will realize we need a few more people.

If you are interested in attending this fun filled event, contact Gary, WA6VEF, by July 8, at 538-0520. See you out at the ball game!

EL PRESIDENTE (from page 1)

Questionnaire returns are trickling in, with about 50 received thus far by Sec/Treas N6XI. Early returns indicate that the bulk of our membership wishes to concentrate on SS and the ARRL DX test. Additionally, the likelihood of First Class JUG mailings appears rather shallow as NCCers are rejecting the proposal by a 7 to 4 margin. These two voting trends cause me to raise two relevant points: 1) We need a Sweepstakes Chairman. Are there any volunteers? 2) The NCCC is declaring war on the United States Postal Service in an effort to induce USPS to improve the delivery times of our newsletter, The Contest JUG. According to postal authorities, every subscriber should receive his copy of the JUG within 3 to 4 days of mailing--a paradoxical statement since most of our SCV and out-of-Bay Area members get their JUG about 2 weeks after mailing. USPS IS GIVING US SHODDY SERVICE, and attack we will. JUG editor N6IG has filed a written complaint with the Oakland Post Office. Also, through the efforts of Bob, N6KB, we have retained the consulting services of Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD, editor of the West Coast DX Bulletin. Hugh spent his working years as a local postmaster in Marin County, and has offered to give us tips on how to get improved services and where in the Postal bureaucracy to strike for effective results. You, too, can help. If your JUG delivery times are poor, call your local post office and complain!! You might try the line that the late Peter Finch used in the movie Network: "I'm mad as hell and I'm not going to take it any more!!!!".

MORE FROM GARY (from col. 1)

It is with deep regret that I note the passing of a fellow NCCC member, John Doremus, W0AW. John actively supported the Contest Club both as a contest operator and as a guest speaker at several meetings. Prior to joining the NCCC, he was responsible for organizing several super successful CQWW Contest DXpeditions. The NCCC board has decided to sponsor a trophy in John's behalf, probably to be awarded to the US winner of CQ magazine's 160 Meter contest.

The slide show I talked about in my column last month is shaping up into a trip, self-contained package. K6KLY and I have been making the rounds in EBay, SF and SCV, and between the two of us, we've shot more than 125 slides of NCCC stations, both inside and outside. If you belong to a local, general interest ham radio club, and would like to see it presented with a program on contesting, as well as the NCCC, please get in touch with the program chairman and have him call me at 538-0520.

As a final note, I'd like to thank Ken N6RO, and Jean for hosting our annual Summer Picnic, held June 2nd in Oakley. Thanks are also in order to Tom, N6BT, and Bill, W6WQ, for providing the water transportation for all the beach bathers and water skiers.

I'll see you at the meeting...

Gary WA6VEF

WHERE'S THE REST OF MY JUG??

Sorry for such a small JUG this month. No input. Next month--more for sure!!!!!!

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