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#### COMING EVENTS

#### VICTORY CELEBRATION DINNER MEETING

FRIDAY, OCT.15, 6:30PM CWA HALL, HAYWARD

OCT.30-31: CQWW DX CONTEST - SSB

Nov.22: NCCC MEETING

Nov.6-7: ARRL SWEEPSTAKES - CW

Nov.27-28: CQWW DX CONTEST - CW

Nov.20-21: ARRL SWEEPSTAKES - SSB

Dec.4-5: ARRL 160 METER CONTEST

#### THE PREZ SEZ

Many thanks to Lloyd and Iris, W6KG and W6QL, for a tremendous pictorial display of their recent travels. Last month's meeting was an excellent way to get NCCC'ers thinking about an expedition (maybe for this year's CQWW) and all present learned plenty about how to do it the <u>right</u> way from two who have done it consistently well year after year. I hope the Colvins will return next year to update everyone on the results of their trips this year to the Middle East and Africa (anyone who works me on 80 as many times as Lloyd and Iris has a standing invitation to return).

Judging from what we heard from Placer County, CQP activity seems to have reached an all-time high. Conditions were good, but the scores were even better. Details will appear in the JUG early next year. On the basis of early rumors, WA6VEF at N6BT appears to have set a new all-time single op record. Radio Nevada City (A16V) got serious about the CQP and worked everyone in sight, despite being 50 db over in Morroco and only 10 db over on Long Island. The out-of-state duel between WAØAVL and WDØEWD is still too close to call. Congratulations to all!

The plans for the October 15 CQWW Victory Celebration are just about concluded and now rest in the capable hands of N6AUV, recently returned from a European Boondoggle. If you'll be there (or think you'll be there), please let Ronknow. If you don't, and we run out of food, it's your problem.

THE OCTOBER 15 BASH IS OPEN TO ALL -- WIVES, FRIENDS, GUESTS, OR WHATEVER. WE'LL BE GIVING AWAY COWW LOG FORMS, ETC., AND AN AEA CONTEST KEYER. OTHER THAN THAT, THE HAM RADIO CONTENT OF THE MEETING WILL BE NON-EXISTENT. THE PRICE FOR THE DINNER WILL BE SHAMLESSLY LOW AND DRINKS WILL BE MODESTLY PRICED. IF YOU CAN HAVE DINNER WITH FELLOW CONTEST FREAKS FOR LESS THAN "A NIGHT AT MCDONALDS".

#### THE PREZ SEZ (con't)

WHAT'S YOUR EXCUSE FOR NOT BEING THERE?

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE ON THE 15TH.

73, KIP, W6SZN

#### 1982 CQP -- EARLY RUMORS

THE 1982 CQP OS NOW HISTORY. EARLY REPORTS INDICATE THAT CONDITIONS WERE DOWN OVER LAST YEAR BUT SCORES WERE UP. THE FULL REPORT WILL APPEAR IN THE JUG EARLY NEXT YEAR. MEANWHILE, GET YOUR SCORES TO ME BY NOVEMBER 1, 1982, BY MAIL OR AT THE OCTOBER 15 CQWW VICTORY CELEBRATION. CLAIMED SCORES KNOWN SO FAR ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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		58	K6RU		43
N6BV	(180cw)	) <b>U</b>	к6sg	162 (43CW)	38
W6UE (AA6RX Op)	2182	58	K6XO OPERATED FROM 9		
A16V	2070	58	OUT-OF-STATE		
NJ6D (+ KN6M, W6SZN)	1796 (512CW)	58	WAØAVL	770	56
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K6HNZ (DXPEDITION)		58	WDØEWD	. 770	55
W6TPH (DXPEDITION)	1230 (240cw)	58	73, KIP, W6SZI	N	

#### Captain's Cabin

John Yodis, K2VV

Elsewhere in this **Butt** you'll find the results of the 1981 CQ WW Club Competition, the one we thought we had a good chance of winning. After the smoke cleared we lost by less than a million points to NCCC; that's the size of a modest single-op effort. If you submitted a log in last year's CQ WW, you were part of our best effort ever and our first defeat of Frankford. If you didn't, you are the reason that effort wasn't quite enough to beat NCCC.

The gods of propagation certainly sided with us this past season. 42% of the top-ten single-ops in CQ WW and ARRL were YCCC members. These scores alone, however, are not enough to win.

NCCC's strategy relied largely on DXpeditions. If you've got any such plans in the works please let Bill, K1GQ, know so that we can all be on the lookout for you.

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NEXT JUG DEADLINE - NOVEMBER 10

NEXT BOD MEETING - NOVEMBER 4

-TNX YCCC SCUTTLEBUTT

The Contest Jug October, 1982

#### 1982 CQ WW

#### Secret Insert No. 2

By the time this issue hits the street, the phone weekend will be just three weeks away. Are you ready? Enthusiasm is mounting for a second all-out NCCC effort in this year's CQ WW. If everyone gets in there and pitches, we can win again. Details of the phone weekend follow.

#### 1. Who's On First?

The operating lineups for the phone weekend are just about set. Despite the best of intentions, I have not been able to reach everyone in the club concerning contest plans. Additionally, there are some whose plans were indefinite when I last spoke with them. If your call does not appear in the lists below, it means that I was uncertain or uninformed about your plans for the phone weekend. I want to know. Please give me a call.

#### (a) DXpeditions

OA4 by WA6VEF, N6KT and N6BT

8P6 by K6KLY
FO0OJ by W6GO
J28 by W6KQ and W6QL
5W1DM by K86JK
VP5 or J6L by W6SZN
CA4 by WA6VER N6KE and N6DOK

#### (b) Single op

WB6ASR WB6RIU W6UA
N6EZN W6SX K6BR
W6FSJ AJ6V N6CCL
WA6HAE W6WB WA6BOB
N6JV N6NF KB6TL
N6QR N6ESV WA6AHF
N6BPL W6BSY N6CT
WB6GFJ N6GG N6JL
K6LRN K6MA W6SYL
NG6T KJ6V W6XX

(c) Multi-single
W6BIP + WA6DJI
W6YX - N3ER and others

W6YX - N3ER and others KD6XY + KA6ING K6GSS + WB6KBZ K6HIH + K6AUC W6BH + WA6IQM N6HR + ?? AA6T + N6BSU, N6TV

K6SG + KV6H

N6VV + K6PJY, K6XV

#### (d) Multi-multi

K6RU (+ AA6G, K6SEM, K6XO, AA6AD, N6AUV, N6XI)

KN6M (+ WA6AVS, NJ6D, KB6XN, KB6ZA, WB6KNU, N6PO)

N6RO (+ WA6DIL, K9LBQ, KT7W, K6TMB, KN6K, N6QW)

K6ZM (+ NB6L, AK6T, KS6H, WA6JCZ)

AI6V (+ ND6G, W6EEN and others)

W60WQ (+ N6BV, WB6DSV, WD6ERA)

N6RZ (+ WA6OCV and others)

W6MSF (+ WA6HCI and ??)

K6HNZ (+ ??)

#### 2. Covering All Bands at Once

The 2 meter DX spotting net will again be going full bore this year. Using the net will put you in the multi-single category for the CQ Magazine listings but not for NCCC awards. So use the net -- your score will be much higher as a result and you'll have more fun.

Keith, KN6K, has against volunteered to coordinate spotting net operations this year. Please let Keith know if you would like to help out and say "yes" when he asks for your assistance.

The spotting net, of course, is only as helpful as we all make it by calling in multipliers. Everyone has heard it before but it bears repeating: We are not competing with each other but with the East Coast clubs. So please call in multipliers.

The following information in the order listed should be included when calling in multipliers:

- 1. Band.
- 2. Call.
- 3. Freq.
- 4. Your call.

e.g., "On 15 meters, OA4AWD, 21.270, WA6VEF." The net control station will then repeat the info, both to confirm that it was copied correctly and for the benefit of those who were asleep the first time. Every 15 minutes, the net control station will summarize by band the stations reported during the last 15 minutes (or longer if appropriate). These reports will begin promptly, so set your clocks to WWV.

#### 3. Awards

Plaques will be awarded to the station owner for the high score in each of the following categories:

Single-op -- domestic
Multi-single -- domestic
2xmtr multi-multi--domestic
Unlimited multi-multi -- domestic
Single-op -- DXpedition
Multi-single -- DXpedition
Multi-multi -- DXpedition

For the DXpedition multi-single and multi-multi categories, <u>all</u> operators of the winning station will receive plaques.

Appreciation awards will be given to all non-winner expedition operators.

Operator medallions will be awarded to the operators of the winning station in each domestic category, other than the station owners.

Certificates will be awarded to all members who achieve a combined score, both modes, of 750,000 or more. The points attributable to operators of multi operator stations will be determined by dividing the total station score by the number of operators.

#### 4. Where's All the KB Hype?

Last year Gary and Rich used every trick in the book (and some that aren't there) to cajole NCCC'ers into getting on for the contest. The success of their efforts is now a matter of record.

The way I see it this year is as follows: The NCCC won for the world in 1981 because its members wanted to win -badly enough to make sacrifices in order to get on for the contest and make maximum scores. We showed everyone, and especially the East Coast, that the NCCC is more than a domestic contest winner -- that it can compete with and prevail over the "big boys" in the "big boys'" own contest. We are all justifiably proud of that. That same sense of pride and accomplishment should be more than enough incentive for each NCCC'er to make his or her maximum effort in this year's contest. If we are what we think we are -- good operators who know how to win contests -- pride and a strong sense of competition should be enough to get us on the air this year and win again. If that isn't enough, rabble rousing rhetoric about kicking butts isn't going to make the difference. At least that's the way I see it.

Let's uo it to them again -- and do it for ourselves.

73,

Kip, W6SZN

I HAD TO FILL THIS ODD PAGE OF THE SECRET INSERT NO.2 WITH SOMETHING.

IF YOU ALREADY HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN ALL ABOUT NFL PRO FOOTBALL, HERE ARE THE ANSWERS.

73, CAM KGRU

#### Name the professional football teams described below. Use your imagination.

1.	Six ShootersCOLT	<u>S</u>	15. I.O.U BILLS
2.	One dollar for corn	BUCK AN EAR	
3.	Fish Arms For Girls T	oy DOLL FINS	
4.	Loaders	PACKERS	18. Lubricators OILERS
	Six Rulers		
	Wise Sumbathers B		20. Indian Leaders CHIEFS
7.	Foolish Sumbathers REL	DSKINS	21. Peter and Paul SAINTS
8.	Protected Species E/	AGLES	22.Uncles' Spouses in the Army G. I. AUNTS
9.	Loyalists Opposition	PATRIOTS	23. Type of TigerBENGAL
10.	King of the Beasts	LIONS	24. Marine Birds SEAHAWKS
11.	Seven Squared	491ERS	25. Fundamental (rules) CARDINAL
12.	Henry's Compact	FALCONS	26. Shoplifters STEALERS
13.	Streakers	BARES	272 747'sJETS
14.	Ewe's Mate	RAMS	

#### 1981 CQWW DX CONTEST TROPHY WINNERS FROM NCCC

M/M PHONE CONTEST DXPEDITION - WORLD: KG6RE (OPRS.N6BT, N6TU, KC4BH, JA2VUP, JA5GZB)

CONTEST DXPEDITION - WORLD: ZK2RU (OPRS. K6RU, AA6AD, W6VG) M/M CW

TOP SCORES - WORLD

SINGLE OP - PHONE: N6KT/HKØ - #4 WORLD

MULTI/MULT- PHONE: KG6RE - #2 WORLD (SEE OPRS ABOVE)

K6HNZ/CT3 - #5 WORLD (OPRS. K6HNZ, W6TPH, K6SSJ)

TOP SCORES - USA

MULTI/MULTI - PHONE: KN6M - #5 USA

CQWW NEW ALL TIME M/M CW RECORD

OCEANIA (181): ZK2RU (SEE OPRS ABOVE)

#### 1982 ARRL DX CONTEST WINNERS

SINGLE OP - CW: NORO WINNER - E.B SEC.; CALIF. TROPHY; PACIFIC DIVISION.

SINGLE OP - PHONE: KORU (NOBZA OPR) WINNER - SCV Sec.; CALIF TROPHY; PACIFIC DIV.

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7.2-2

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

7.2-2

Frequency of operation: 7.0-7.3 MHz

(x 125 KHz)

Gain: 4.9 dBd F/B: 12 dB

Feed Impedance: 50 ohms unbalanced.

Max element length: 46' Boom length/Dia: 16'/3"

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## Announcing:

# CQ World-Wide DX Contest The 1982

# Starts 0000 GMT Saturday Ends 2400 GMT Sunday Phone: October 30-31 & C.W.: November 27-28

L OBJECTIVE: For amateurs around the world to contact other amateurs in as many zones and countries as possi-

BANDS: All bands, 1.8 through 28 MHz. #I. TYPE OF COMPETITION:

of the operating, logging, and spotting functions. The use of DX spotting nets or any other form of DX sierting assis- Single Operator (Single band, and all band). Single op-erator stations are those at which one person performs all tance places the station in the Multi-Operator category.

2. Multi-Operator (all band operation only).

band permitted during the same time period (defined as 10 minutes). Exception: One—and only one—other band may be used during the same time period if—and only if—the of the ten-minute rule will be automatically reclassified as multi-multi to reflect their actual status. station worked is a new multiplier. Logs found in violation a. Single Transmitter, only one transmitter and one

b. Multi Transmitter (no limit to transmitters but only one signal per band permitted).

c. All transmitters must be located within a 500 meter diameter or within the property limits of the station licen-see's address, whichever is greater. The antennas must be physically connected by wires to the transmitter.

ORPp (single operator only) Power must not exceed 5 watts output. Stations in this category will be competing only with other QRPp stations for awards.

W. NUMBER EXCHANGE: Phone: RS report plus zone (i.e.

5705). C.W.: RST report plus zone (i.e., 57905). A station in a zone or country different than that indicated by its call sign is required to sign portable.

V. MULTIPLIER: Two types of multiplier will be used.

A multiplier of one (1) for each different zone contact. ed on each band.

A multiplier of one (1) for each different country con-

Stations are permitted to contact their own country and list, WAE country list and WAC boundaries are standards. V. POINTS: 1. Contacts between stations on different zone for multiplier credit. The CQ Zone Map, DXCC country

contacts between stations within Contacts between stations on the same continent but different countries, one (1) point. Exception: For North the North American boundaries count two (2) points.

Contacts between stations in the same country are permitted for zone or country multiplier credit but have zero (0) point value.

VII. SCORING: All stations: the linal score is the result of the total QSO points multiplied by the sum of your zone and country multiplier.

Example: 1000 QSO points × 100 multiplier (30 Zones +

VIII. AWARDS: First place certificates will be awarded in 70 Countries) = 100,000 (final score).

each category listed under Sec. III in every participating country and in each call area of the United States, Canada, Asiatic USSR, and Japan.

minimum of 24 hours. A single-band log is eligible for a single-band award only. If a log contains more than one band a Single Operator station must show a minimum of 12 hours of operation. Multi-operator stations must operate a It will be judged as an all-band entry, unless specified oth All scores will be published. To be eligible for an award

In countries or sections where the returns justify, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be made.

All certificates and plaques will be issued to the licen see of the station used.

# IX. TROPHIES & PLAQUES (Donors) PHONE

Single Operator, All Band
World - Bill Leonard, W2SKE
World - QRPp - Adrian Weiss, K8EEG/9
U.S.A. - Potomac Valley Radio Club

Canada - Jack Baldwin, VE7RG Carib./C.A. - Jim Neiger, N6TJ Europe - Thomas J. Peruzzi, Jr., W4BVV Africa - Gordon Marshall, W6RR

Asia - Japan CO Magazine Japan - Palm Garden Contest Club Oceania - No. California DX Club

S. America - David Nowa, KP4AM Single Operator, Single Band World - KZHLB Memorial, No. Jersey DX Assoc. World - 21 MHz - Fred Caposaela, K6SSS World - 38 MHz - Fred Caposaela, K6SSS U.S.A. - 28 MHz - Donald Thomas, N6DT U.S.A. - 38 MHz - Arnold Tamchin, WZHCW

U.S.A. - So. California DX Club \*Canada - Gene Krehbiel, VE7KB

Carib./C.A. - Pedro Piza, Jr., NP4A - KP4ES Memorial Europe - 28 MHz Zone 14 - A. G. Anderson, GM3BCL, Japan - 21 MHz - DX Family Foundation

'So. America - Rafaei Ponce de Loon, CX3BR Multi-Operator, Single Transmitter World - Don Wallace, WGAM U.S.A. - Theodore Pauck, Jr.; KGNA Canada - Calagray Amateur Radio Assoc. Multi-Operator, Multi-Transmitter World - Radio Club Venezolano U.S.A. - Date Hoppe, KGUA Europe - Bob Coo, KSEST Confert Expeditions World - Single Opri - Stuart Meyer, WGCHK World - Single Operator, PronaeCx. Repedial - Single Operator, PronaeCx. World - All Band - John Knight, W6YY World - All Band - John Knight, W6YY World - Single Band - Yuri Blanarovich, VE3BMY

Single Operator, All Band
World - Albert Kahn, KAFW - W2AB Memorial
World - GRPp - Gene Walsh, N2AA
U.S.A. - Frankford Radio Club
- Canada - Cenedian DX Association
- Carlb./CA. - Jim Nelger, N6TJ
- Europe - Edward Bissell, W3AU
- Africa - Gordon Marshall, W6RR

Asia - Japan CQ Magazine

Japan - Palin Garden Confest Club

Cocania - Maul Armeteur Radio Club
Single Operator, Single Band
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World - S. Mitz - Fred Caposeala, K6SSS
World - I.S Mitz - Fred Caposeala, K6SSS
World - I.S Mitz - Fred Caposeala, K7JA - KP4ES Memorial
U.S.A. - No. Illinois DX Association
Canada - Ganadian Amateur Radio Federation
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So. America - Rafael Ponce de Leon, CX3BR
Multi-Operator, Single Transmitter
World - Anthony Susen, W3AOH
U.S.A. - Louglaz Zwiebel, KR2O
Multi-Operator, Multi-Transmitter
World - Hazard Reeves, K2GL

World - Single-Opr. - Yankee Clipper Contest Club World - Multi-Opr. - Bili Schneider, K2TT

World - Phone/C.W. - CQ Magazine Special - Phone/C.W. - Southeastern DX Club

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within a three year period. (This does not apply to any of the Club or CQ Special Awards.) Trophy winners may win the same trophy only once

A station winning a World Trophy will not be considered for a sub-area award. That Trophy will be awarded to the runner-up of that area.
The Canadian and Carib./C.A. awards are for residents

only. "A resident is defined as one living in that country with an established Post Office address. X. CLUB COMPETITION:

2. Participation is limited to members operating within a local geographic area (except for DXpeditions especially 1. The club must be a local group and not a national or-

organized for operation in the contest and manned by

participating members and their scores, both on phone To be listed, a minimum of 3 logs must be received from a club and an officer of the club must submit a list of

All times must be in GMT.

 Indicate zone and country multiplier only the FIRST TIME it is worked on each band. 3. Logs must be checked for duplicate contacts, correct

duplicate contacts clearly shown. The original log may be requested by the Contest Committee if further cross-checking of the log is necessary. QSO points and multipliers. Submitted logs must have Use a separate sheet for each band

5. Each entry must be accompanied by a Summary sheet showing all scoring information, category of competition, contestant's name and address in BLOCK LETTERS and a signed declaration that all contest rules and regulations for amateur radio in the country of operation have

available from CO. A *large* self-addressed envelope with sufficient poetage or IRC's must accompany your request. If official forms are not available, make up your own 80 contacts to the page on 81½ x 11 paper.

7. All entrants are required to submit cross-check sheets for each band on which 200 or more QSO's were 6. Sample log and summary sheets and zone maps are

made. All other entrants are encouraged to submit cross-

8. For each duplicate contact that is removed from a log by the committee, a penalty of three additional contacts

9. QRPp stations must indicate same on their summary with a signed declaration. XII. DISQUALIFICATION: Violation of amateur radio regusheets and state the actual maximum power output used

contest; unsportsmanlike conduct; taking credit for excessive duplicate contacts; unverifiable QSO's; or unveriflable multipliers will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification, (incorrectly logged calls will be counted as lations in the country of the contestant, or the rules of the unverifiable contacts.)

contain a large number of discrepancies may be disquali-fled from eligibility for an award, both as a participant operator or station, for one year. If an operator is disquali-fled a second time within 5 years, he will be ineligible for An entrant whose log is deemed by the Committee to any CQ contest awards for 3 years.

Actions and decisions of the CQ Contest Committee are official and final.

XIII. DEADLINE: All entries must be postmarked NO LAT-

ER than December 1, 1982 for the Phone section and January 15, 1983 for the C.W. section. An extension may be given if requested, indicate phone or c.w. on envelope.

Phone logs go to: Bob Cox, K3EST, 6548 Spring Valley Dr., Alexandria, VA 22312.

C.W. logs go to: Larry Brockman, N6AR, 7184 Rock Ridge Terrace, Canoga Part, CA 91307. Logs may also be sent to CQ Magazine, 76 North Broad-

\*Except the Jim Neiger, N6TJ, award.

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#### **World Wide DX Contest**

Last Full Weekend of October (Phone) & November (CW)

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CW (Use separate log for each band.)

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Note: Duplicate QSO's can mean disqualification!

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### World Wide DX Contest Last Full Weekend of October (Phone) & November (CW)



Last Full Weekend of October (Phone) & November (CW)

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Logs must be postmarked no later than December 1st for PHONE and January 15th for CW. Indicate PHONE or CW on envelope.

Mail all logs to the appropriate addresses indicated in the current contest rules. Do not mail logs to CQ Headquarters.

Several years ago I attended the contest forum at the ARRL National Convention in Seattle. Tom, K7RI, who was one of the panelists, distributed a list of WW operating tips. The list, with minor modifications, is reprinted below.

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- SET A GOAL: Do BEFORE contest! Keep summary sheet with the goal in front of you throughout the contest and monitor your progress toward that goal—working harder, if necessary, to reach goal.
- 2. Make list of DXpeditions that will be on. List their calls and zone number & country for quick reference. Keep list on hand so you can monitor it and not miss the easy DXpeditions.
- 3. Always use GMT (UTC) and pencil log entries are much easier to erase than those logged in ink.
- 1. Be sure to log calls correctly....especially JAs with their multitude of different prefixes.
- 5. Op Aids: Dup/Zone Check-Off Sheets for each band; be sure to keep them up to date during the contest (but don't bother to dup JAs until after contest—and don't bother duping Ws at all, as they are zero points anyway); Summary Sheet with goal on it & List of DXpeditions. USE THESE AIDS CONTINUOUSLY DURING CONTEST TO KNOW WHAT YOU ARE MISSING—AND FIND AND WORK IT!!
- 5. Scoring QSO Points: North America (zones 1-8 inclusive) are 2 points; all other zones (9-40 inclusive) are 3 points; USA & Duplicate DX contacts are ZERO POINTS.
- 7. Be able to know at a glance at the dup/zone sheets what mults are missing (unworked) on each ban
- 3. BEFORE contest, use CQ & other printed sources of propogation information to get an idea of what countries/zones will be likely to come in-and at what time and beam headings.
- 3. Get CQ Zone Map (or whatever) showing what countries are in what zones so you can tell at a glance what countries are in that "missing" zone you haven't worked yet.
- 0. Install a foot switch, if possible, BEFORE the contest. Less fatigue and better timing of calls
- 1. BE SURE, DON'T MISS ZONES 3,4,&5 on ANY BAND YOU OPERATE. All are USA & most easy to work.
- 2. Logging: Simplify it. Give everyone same report, 5903. Enter it only once at top and bottom c page, indicating with arrow that all reports are same. Exceptions, if desired, can be made by time only every 5 minutes, or so, and fill in by guesstimate after contest. Also, dont' write full 4 digits of time for every QSO. Only enter the hour once at beginning of hour and enter the minutes only for the rest of that hour—then start again with next hour (i.e., 2100,01,02)
- 3. DON'T MISS EASY MULTIPLIERS!!! i.e., USA, VE, KH6, KL7, etc., Zones 3, 4, & 5.
- .4. BEFORE contest, put up a quarter wave sloper on the carribean (and JA too, if possible).
- 5. USE TWO Alarm Clocks: one next to bed and one across room so you won't turn off and go back to sleep again-missing openings.
- 16. AFTER contest, review strange prefixes and calls with someone else; also, look for possible multipliers you worked and logged but overlooked entering for credit as a new multiplier.
- 17. Watch Out for the "helpful" tip about the rare one up the band. This occurs most often when you have control of a most productive frequency—and your benefactor wants it!
- 8. Rule Of Thumb: Work highest open band at any time, but be sure to rotate to other bands at least every hour (more often preferrably) so as not to miss an opening elsewhere.
- 9. Avoid working W stations after you have W & the 3 zones on each band. Remember, all QSOs with USA count ZERO POINTS---and, unless you need him (or he you) it is counterproductive.
- 20. 160 Meter schedules occur on the hour starting as early as 10 or 11 PM. The best time is our sunrise, and the 3 AM time period. DON'T Transmit in the "DX Window": 1825-1830!
- 11. Be aware of trade-off of working more QSOs versus more multipliers late in contest. It is more productive to take longer to work a new mult sometimes than to work a handfull of JAs (QSOs). Rough rule: Total QSOs divided by total mults at that time tells how many QSOs you must work to equal in score the productivity of one new multiplier.
- 22. Develope your own JA pile-ups; the same is true for Europe & Africa, if possible.
- 23. When acknowledging a call from a JA (or anyone), repeat back to him the same <u>identical</u> phonetics he used when calling you. Be sure to log call correctly; don't guess!
- 24. If when running JAs, you get only a part of his call, but are sure of that part, repeat ONLY the part you are positive of. JAs are excellent ops & only the station with the part of the call you ask for will call you back. Then you will get all of his call & proceed to the next one. i.e., You hear: "J 1 Charlie". You say: "Only the station J 1 with the Charlie in the call"
- 25. If JA pile-up is too deep and it is difficult to make out any calls, try reducing your rf gain as to hear only stronger stations. If that doesn't work, call for districts only, or certain prefixes only. i.e., JA1, JE1, JR1 only----or 1, 2, 3, etc. only.
- 26. Work the really rare station who is not in contest when you hear him. Don't go away & hope to find him later. Spend additional time NOW, provided, of course, he is a new multiplier not likely to show-up in the contest. i.e., ST2SA & Zone 34. He's worth the extra time NOW!!!

- ?7. Interrupt your runs at least every 30-45 minutes & search for new mults on that band.
- 28. DON'T BLOODY YOURSELF in pile-ups the first day, or even early Saturday. The really big contesers & DX peditions will be there the entire contest-- and are very easy to work on Sunday.
- 29. If there is a really deep pile-up on a common country or zone, which you need for a mult, look around the band. You likely will find another KH6, KL7, etc. who has just come on and there is no pile-up yet.
- 30. ALSO, don't fight propogation! When the east coast, or whatever part of the country other than us seems to get through every time and a few or no other west coast or locals are making it, go do something else more productive. Propogation WILL CHANGE and maybe an hour or so later (or more) will favor 6-Land...and you'll get the same guy on the same frequency on the 1st call. BE SURE TO MAKE A NOTE OF HIS CALL & FREQUENCY SO YOU CAN FIND HIM LATER (if he's still there.) Check back periodically to see how propogation is changing!!!
- 31. Judge your pile-up breaking ability against comparable locals, not the east coast, etc.---or someone locally you know has a much stronger signal in that direction. If he isn't making it, chances are you won't either. Let him bloody himself; you go elsewhere more productive and come back later.
- 32. Try hard to keep your frequency when productively running JAs (or whomever). Often someone else will try to take your frequency away from you. DON'T JUST GIVE UP!!! He wants it because it is working for you & he thinks he may have similar success. There was the story of the W6 who was running JAs. A W5 came on frequency and tried to take it away from him. He turned his beam down the 5's throat and pretended to continue running JAs. The 5 couldn't hear anything but the 6----and left the frequency. Such a deal!!!
- 33. A high percentage of JAs on Sunday will be dupes (zero points). Also, Sunday here is Monday in Japan and most of the JAs are at work (not the rig). Perhaps a better choice is to look for multipliers. You have to make this determination yourself at the time by evaluating the trade-off between additional QSOs versus additional multipliers (covered above).
- 34. PILE-UPS THAT ARE DOUBLE MULTIPLIERS (NEW ZONE & COUNTRY) ARE TWICE AS VALUABLE AS SINGLE MULTS YOU CAN WELL-AFFORD TO SPEND ADDITIONAL TIME (TWICE AS MUCH) ON SUCH A STATION AS A SINGLE MULT 35. BANDS WHICH YOU HAVE WORKED THE LEAST AFFORD THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY TO WORK DOUBLE MULTS!!!
- 36. Be sure to work at least the "cheap ones" on 40, 75, 160. i.e., W, VE, Zones 3, 4, & 5.
- 37. 10 KC from that loud KP4 with the hugh pile-up is a weak KP4, with no pile-up. Work him instead.
- 38. GET YOUR 40/80/160 MULTIPLIERS THE FIRST NIGHT!!! DX ops often sleep part of the 2nd night, and aren't available then--hence we miss them.
- 39. Be patient on the low bands!!! YV4TI, etc., is nice copy on 40 when the contest begins, but no easy to work, if at all, to perhaps as late as midnight—or later.
- 40. GET FAMILIAR WITH THE BANDS IN THE WEEKS BEFORE THE CONTEST. Who is on what frequencies & when 41. JAs on 75 are at 3793-3803, rarely anymore working split at 3535-95 listening up to  $3800 \pm .$
- 42. Unless conditions are outstanding, JAs on 40/75 will peak and go down several times a night. If you have trouble, come back later, it may be much better only 30 minutes (or more) later.
- 43. Average Stations: Stay in a clear frequency. If your pile-up disappears, move to another frequency and start over again——someone you can't hear has probably taken your frequency. This may happen often but you must accept it and keep moving. At the beginning of the contest a lot of stations are calling CQ (DX stations). Work them. Good rates are available doing this during the early hours of the contest. When the big stations move to other bands, take advantage of their absence and make hay on the band they left.
- 44. Morning long path on 40/80 is tough! If your working JAs on those bands, forget the long path.
- 45. 80 CW LACK OF ACTIVITY
  - 40 SSB TOUGH TO GET THROUGH
  - 75 SSB LOTS OF ACTIVITY IN EXTRA CLASS BAND, AND SOME IN ADVANCE CLASS BAND
  - 40 CW LOTS OF ACTIVITY IN EXTRA CLASS BAND, AND SOME IN ADVANCED CLASS BAND
- 46. From 9 PM to 3 AM it is sometimes possible to work Africa beaming long path over ZL/YK up through JA....the path changes as the evening progresses. This occurs on BOTH 20 and 15.
- 47. HAVE FUN!!!!!!!

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