

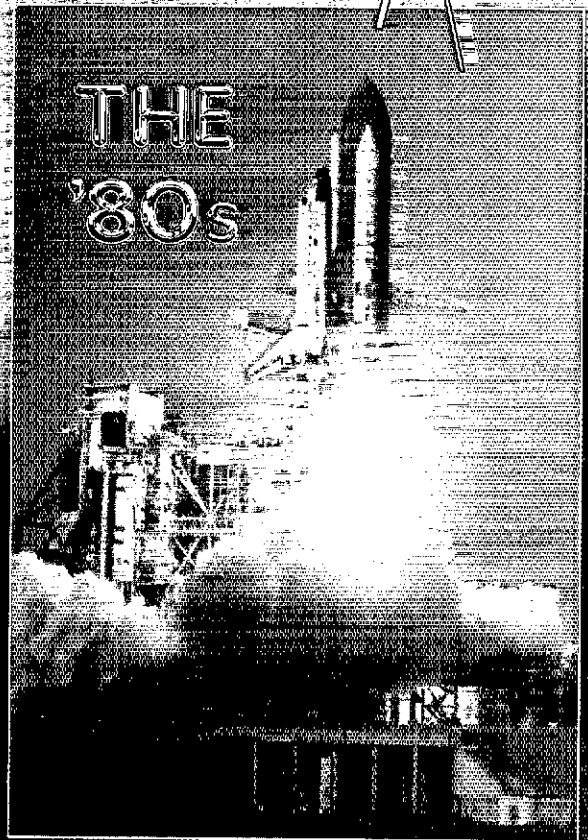
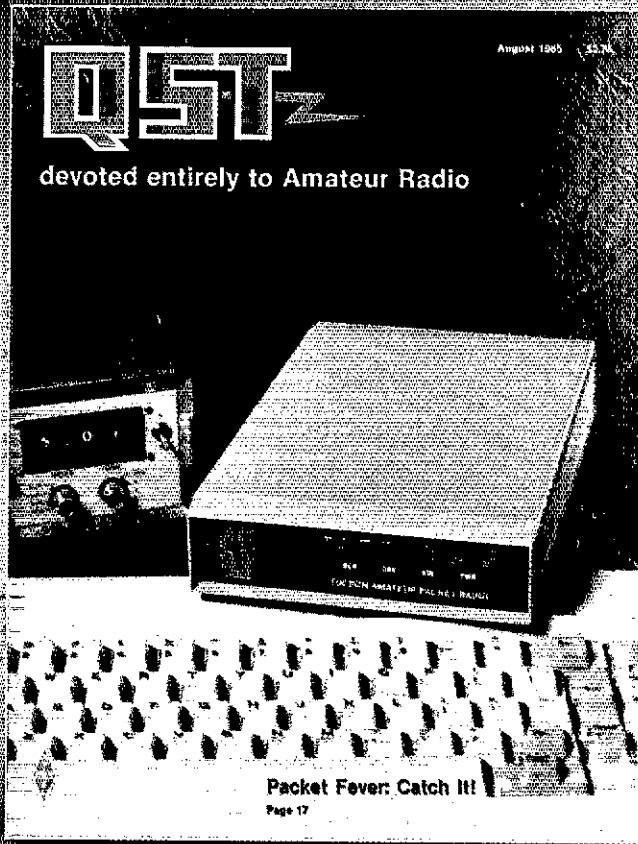
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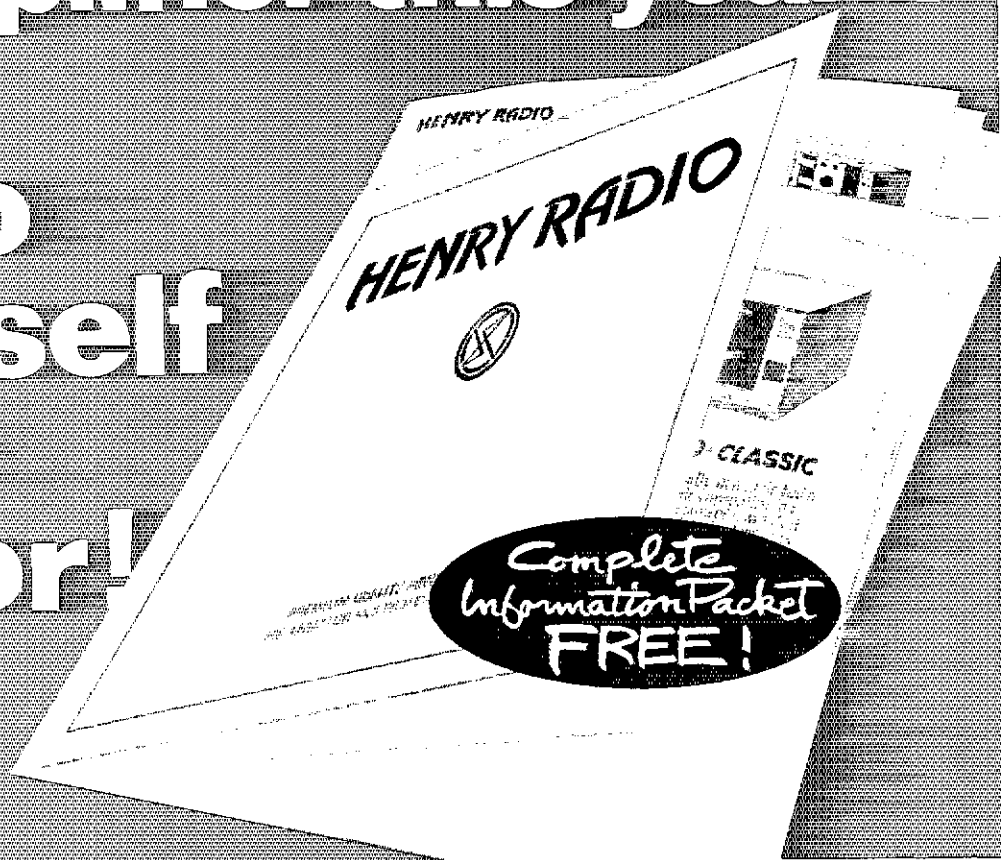


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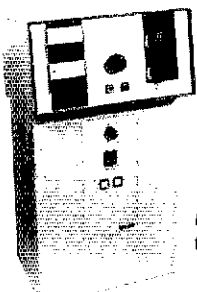
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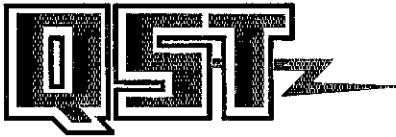
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The 1980s—the digital decade: Microsat, due to be launched later this year, W5LFL and W0ORE operated from space, handsome Diamond Jubilee Certificate (earned yours yet?), microwave communications techniques boomed, grass-roots development of packet radio first put Vancouver and then Tucson on the map, and amateur antennas received federal protection in 1985 when PRB-1 took effect.

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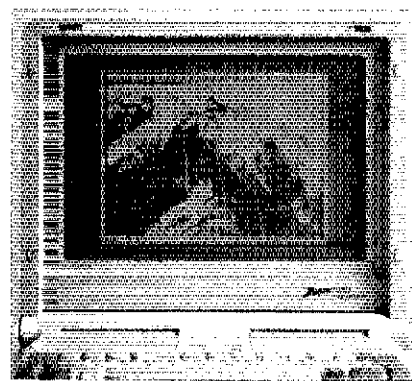
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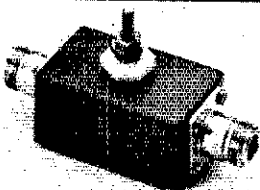
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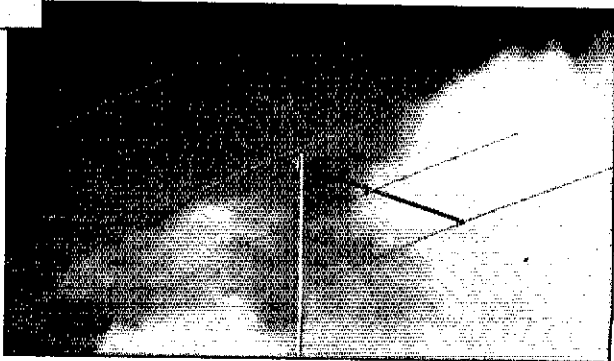
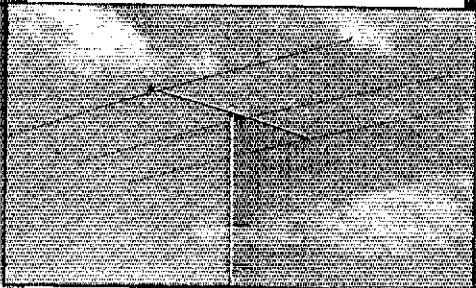
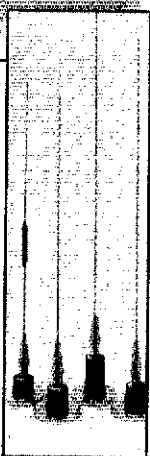
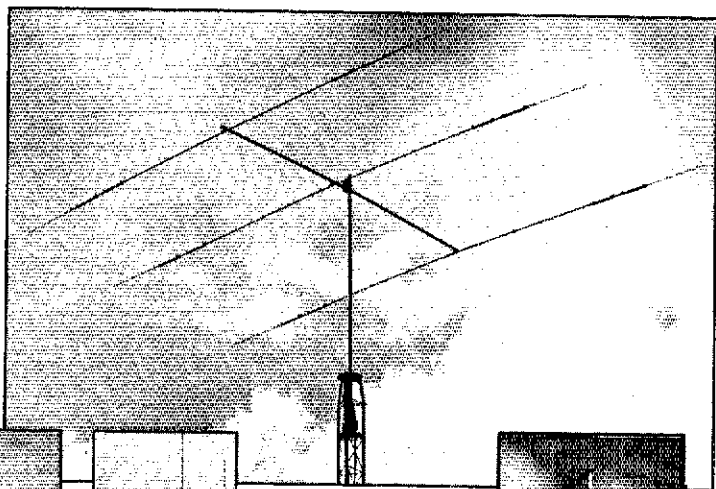
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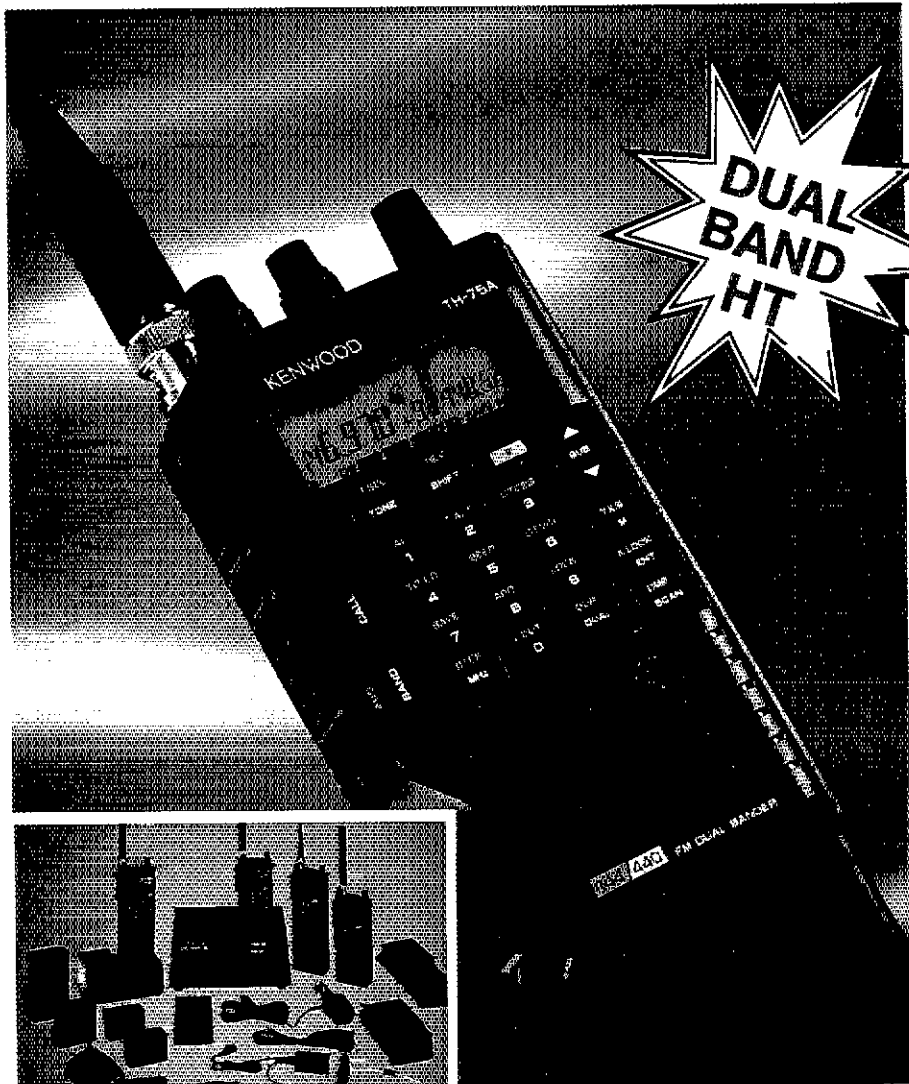
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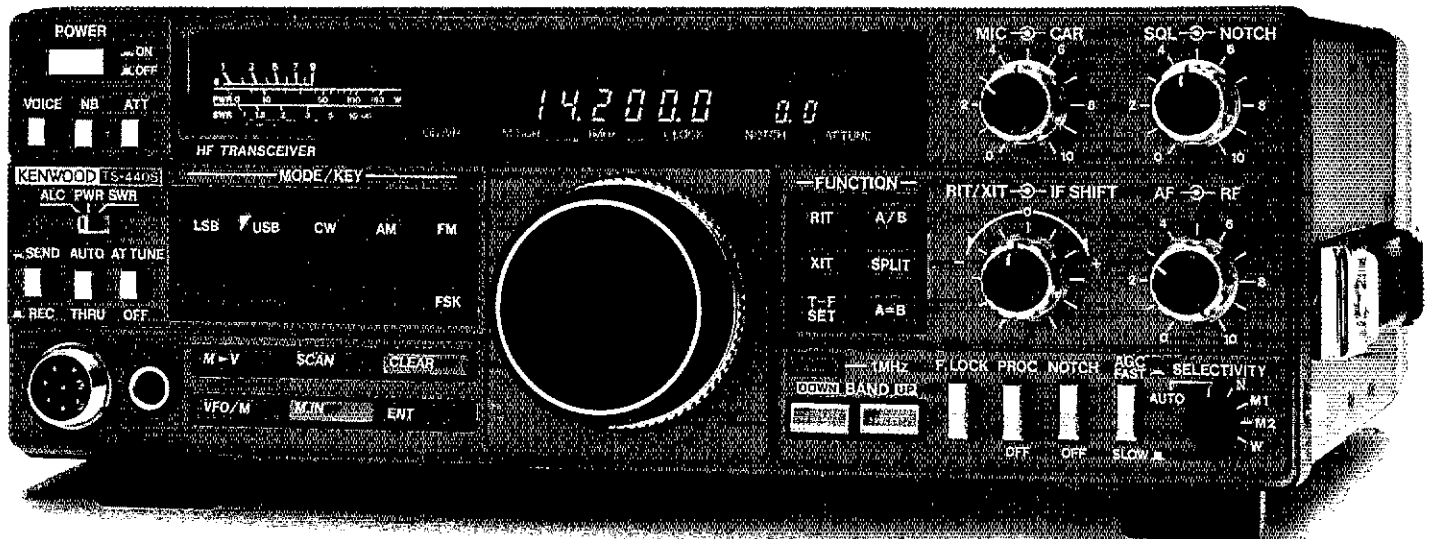
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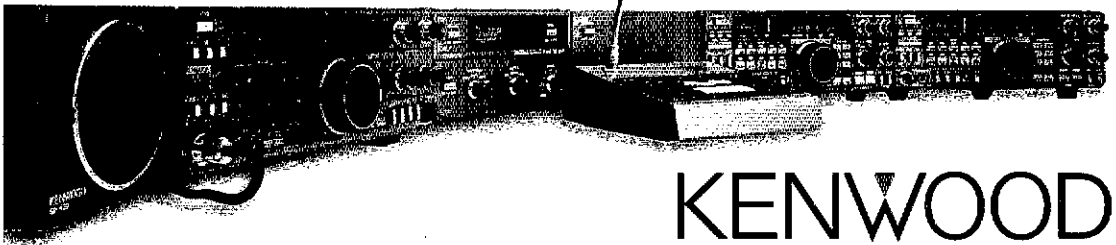


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"It Seems to Us ..."

Bioeffects

This month, we're pleased to have in *QST* an article that we hope will shed some light on a subject of considerable discussion recently: suspicions that there may be a link between exposure to electromagnetic energy (including, but not limited to, radio-frequency energy) and certain effects on human health. With assistance from a number of others who are interested in this subject, Dr Ivan Shulman, WC2S, has worked hard to put the matter into perspective; you can see the results of his labors beginning on page 31.

While no cause-and-effect (causal) relationship between low-level RF exposure and health risks has been established, Dr Shulman makes a number of common-sense recommendations for minimizing exposure that we all should consider. Nearly all amateur operation falls well within existing standards for RF exposure; however, it may be that the present standards do not preclude all harmful effects in all circumstances. We encounter

proven health risks every day as we go about our lives, so there is no reason to be especially concerned about data that merely points to the desirability of further research. On the other hand, in the absence of conclusive results and all other things being equal, prudence suggests that we avoid unnecessary exposure. We've been counseling this approach for some time in the League's technical publications.

Media reports of epidemiological and laboratory research often lead people to conclusions about causal relationships that are not supported by the researchers' work. When that happens, it's only natural for anyone who feels threatened by these inaccurate reports to react defensively. Let's remember that in such instances our quarrel is not with the researchers who conduct responsible and dispassionate investigations; they all wear white hats.—David Sumner, K1ZZ

The WARC Bands

We're going to let you in on a little secret that some members would rather we kept to ourselves: the new bands at 10, 24, and especially 18 MHz are *terrific!*

This writer is old enough to remember when there was plenty of room in the 40-meter band for CW ragchewing, almost any time of the day or night. It didn't take an amplifier or a big antenna to join in the fun; 100 watts and a dipole put you on a par with just about everyone else. Since those "good old days," increased activity on phone, RTTY, and other data modes has taken its toll on 40-meter CW. Fortunately, the 10-MHz (30-meter) band is a tailor-made alternative for the CW hound and also provides a natural propagation bridge between 7 and 14 MHz for packet networking.

The 24-MHz band became ours in June 1985, when sunspots were but a fond memory; without sporadic-E propagation, the band-warming night would have been a bit of a dud. As conditions improved and 12-meter skyhooks came to grace more antenna farms, the faithful denizens of the band discovered that it was open a *lot* more than our old favorite, 10 meters. Here, rare DX stations are given a respite from the constant pileups and are able to enjoy a relaxing chat—reason enough, perhaps, for 12-meter explorers to keep their discovery under wraps!

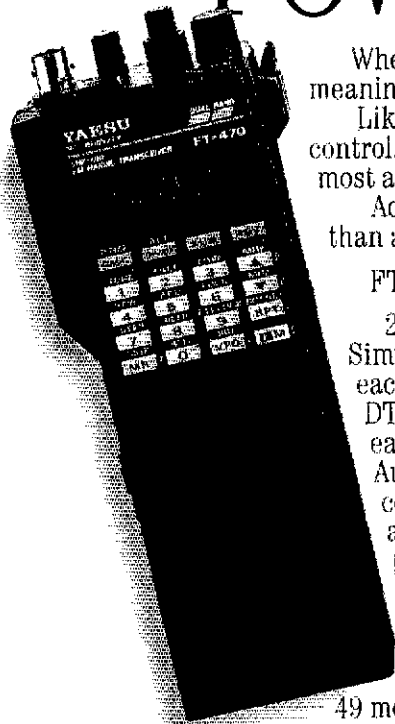
Our new 18-MHz band, available to US amateurs only since January 31, has come into its own much more quickly than its two WARC-79 predecessors. Strategically posi-

tioned between the overburdened 20-meter band and the exciting, but less reliable 15 meters, in its first few months 17 meters already has proven its worth to thousands of amateurs. As more antennas designed for 18 MHz come into use, it is rapidly becoming a "mainstream" amateur band—but, like the other WARC bands, without the weekend contest activity that some hams would prefer to avoid.

Internationally, the 18- and 24-MHz allocations became exclusively amateur on July 1. Some Fixed Service stations can still be heard operating, and a little patience will be called for as administrations gradually get around to moving these stations to new assignments. As for 10 MHz, we share the band on a secondary basis and must continue to give priority to Fixed Service stations in other countries. In recognition of this secondary status and consistent with IARU Region 2 policy, it has been ARRL policy to not give credit for 10-MHz contacts toward operating awards. Just after this issue goes to the printer, the IARU Region 2 Conference in Orlando will be considering a modest relaxation of this prohibition.

When the new W1AW bulletin transmitters come on line, we expect to make full use of the new WARC bands. The new antenna farm includes two sets of monoband Yagis for the new bands, one for bulletins and one for general operating. If you have trouble hearing W1AW on the traditional bands, take a listen on 10, 18, or 24!—David Sumner, K1ZZ

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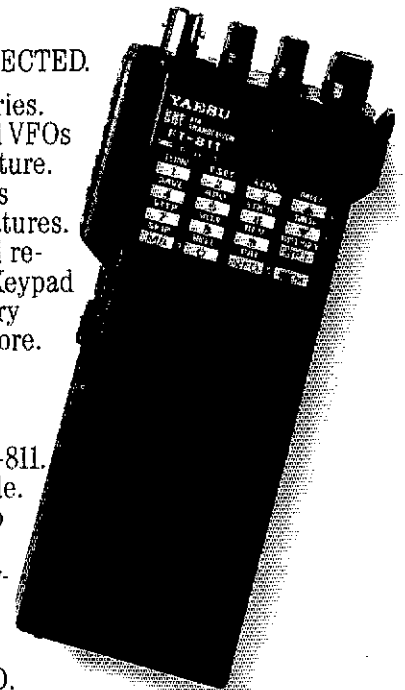
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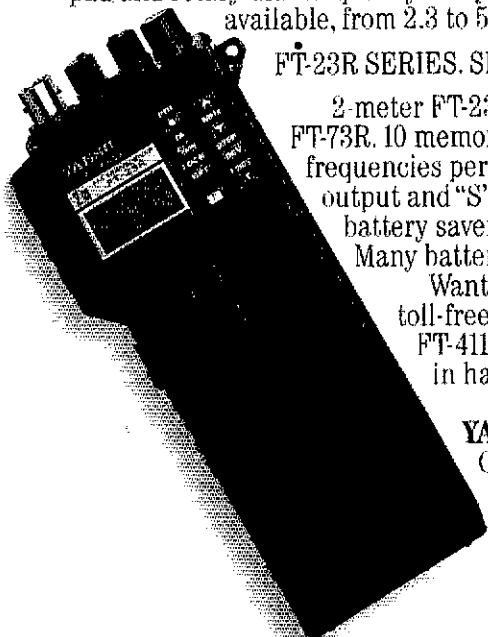
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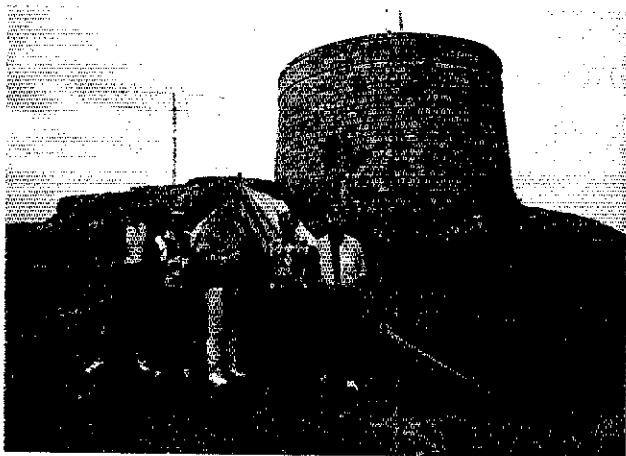
UP FRONT in QST



W4FRU honored: John Parrott, W4FRU (r), past chairman of the ARRL DX Advisory Committee, was presented with this appreciation award for his outstanding service to Amateur Radio, the League and the DX community. Roanoke Division Director John Kanode, N4MM, made the presentation at the Raleigh Amateur Radio Society's North Carolina hamfest.



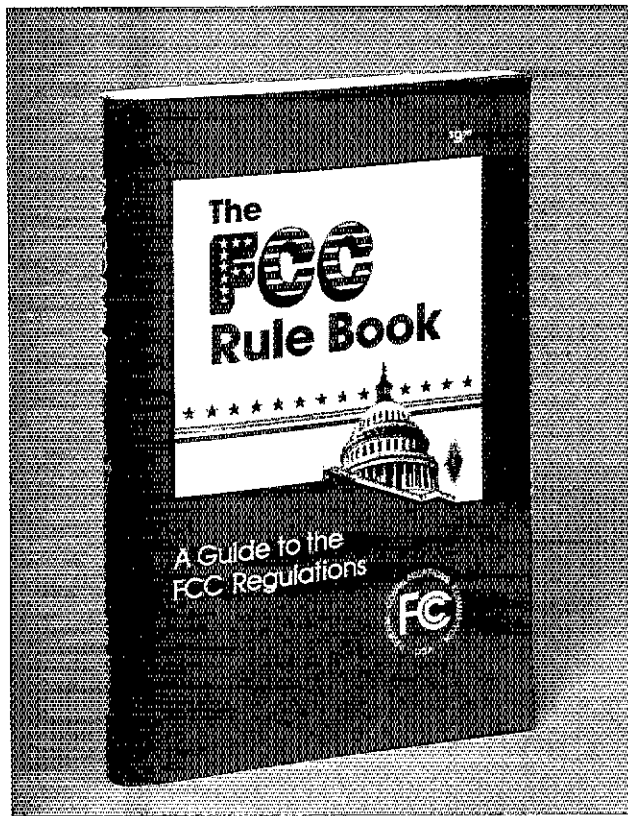
Pass it on: Thirteen-year-old Adam Vernia, WU8Y, has a good friend, Jim Jones, N9DIX. Jim had a debt he desired to repay. When he heard that Adam had to share radio time and equipment with his father, NT0G, Jim saw the opportunity to put his Drake Twins to work. Jim had an Elmer who gave him a complete station, but only if he promised to return the favor someday. Tim Barton, KA0WOW, who sent in the info, is confident Adam will continue the tradition. (photo NT0G)



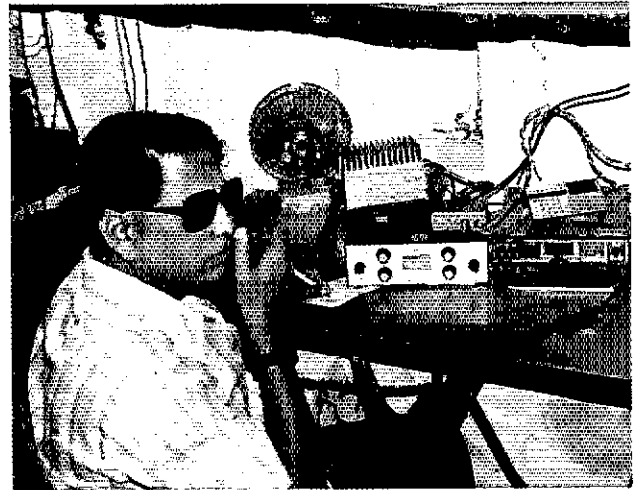
Irish towers: Here's the scene from the operation of E11D from Daikey Island, near Dublin, during the IARU HF World Championship in July. The multiop team netted over 2200 contacts. The stone tower is one of a series of Martello Towers that were built in the UK and Ireland in preparation for an invasion by Napoleon. The group reports that nowadays the towers make very convenient antenna supports. Pictured are (l-r) EI2GB, EI7CC, EI2CA, EI6EW and EI6COB. The E1 prefix is the only alternative to EI in Ireland and is reserved solely for use on offshore islands. (photo EI5DI)



Code, not crack was the theme for the 1200 members of the Radio Club of Junior High School 22. They joined with a coalition of 29 other community groups and corporate sponsors all working in support of the Drug Alcohol Rehabilitation Education (DARE) program's annual march through Manhattan's Greenwich Village. Joe Fairclough, WB2JKJ (r), said keeping youngsters busy planning for the antidrug parade, plus the club's regular ham radio activities, leaves very little time for the lure of drugs. Joe reports that the message of the march was best summed by 14-year-old Ralph Vasquez, KB2HVR: "Anybody who's got a microphone at their mouth doesn't have time to be sticking a needle in their arm." (photo Steve Revco)



Team efforts: Here's the new 288-page *FCC Rule Book*, the culmination of work done by the ARRL Board's Part 97 committee and a team of editors headed by Rick Palm, K1CE. Other new editions along the licensing front are *Tune in the World with Ham Radio* and separate *Technician* and *General Class License Manuals*. Coming in November: *The 1990 ARRL Handbook*. For more information, see the ARRL Bookshelf listing elsewhere in this issue.



Chak's shack: Blind ham R. Chakravarthy, VU2TTC, of Paithambadi, India, is an avid DXer and award hunter. He has DXCC, with over 260 countries confirmed, Worked All Zones, Worked the Equator and five-band WAC awards. Besides award hunting, Chak is host to many hams visiting India. Presently, his target is 30,000 QSOs per year. Chak would like to acknowledge JJ1TZK and DJ1US for getting him on five bands with the FT-7; his QSL manager, W8XM; and YB5BEE and YB5BEH for help with his antenna experimentation.



Special cancellation: The morning of the W1AW rededication ceremony, stamped envelopes bearing a 15-cent Progress in Electronics and two 5-cent Amateur Radio stamps were hand canceled by the US Postal Service with a special League 75th anniversary cancellation. This memento is available for \$3.00 postpaid from HQ; order "Special W1AW postal cancellation." (photo AA2Z)



Studio code: Loraine McCarthy, N6CIO (I), narrates the new *Tune in the World with Ham Radio* code tapes at D & K Sound Services. An IBM® PC provided keying signals to drive a code-generation circuit designed by ARRL Lab Engineer Ed Hare, KA1CV. On the right is D & K Sound Services Recording Engineer Dan Kritwitsky. Read more about N6CIO in the *QST* Profile elsewhere in this issue.

League Lines

FCC has reaffirmed its *reallocation decision of 220-222 MHz* in General Docket 87-14. In so doing, FCC denied 700 petitions for reconsideration. See the Happenings column of this issue for more information.

Alfred Sikes, Sherrie Marshall and Andrew Barrett were confirmed by the Senate on August 4 as FCC Commissioners. Sikes was sworn in as Chairman of the FCC on August 8 for the term expiring June 30, 1993. Marshall was sworn in on August 21 for the term expiring June 30, 1992. Barrett is expected to be sworn in September 15, and his term will expire June 30, 1990. See the September Happenings column for more information on the new Commissioners.

According to United States Postal Inspector Martin T. Biegelman of Hicksville, New York, a Federal Grand Jury in the Eastern District of New York indicted Michael D. Harrison, WB2PTI, of Oceanside, New York charging 50 counts of mail fraud. According to the indictment, Harrison, also known as "John McNamara," and "Mike Hanson," "did knowingly and willfully devise and intend to devise a scheme...to defraud and to obtain money by means of fraudulent pretenses...and for the purpose...did use the mails." It is stated that Harrison took out advertisements in several magazines under the name of Atlas Radio, Inc, and offered for sale Uniden products. The money for the orders was received, but the merchandise was never shipped, according to the indictment.

The next *ARRL open house* will be held Saturday, November 4 from 10 AM to 4 PM. Come and tour HQ and the newly renovated W1AW.

Don't forget that the *Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)* will be held the weekend of October 21-22. Call your local Girl or Boy Scout councils (See the White pages of the phone book) to invite Scouts to your station. For details on how you can involve youth in our great hobby through the JOTA, see this month's Contest Corral and contact the Educational Activities Branch at HQ.

From the FCC comes word that a complaint of harmful interference to the Amateur Radio Service has been lodged by the Commission with the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, Beijing, China. A station in the vicinity of Hangzhou operating on 14,188.5 kHz has been causing interference throughout much of the 20-meter band. The complaint was prompted by reports from ARRL Interference Reporting System (AIRS) volunteers.

During the first half of 1989, the *ARRL QSL Bureau* sorted and mailed approximately 1.7 million cards (weighing over 5½ tons) to overseas QSL bureaus.

Attention contesters: The Contest Branch at ARRL HQ can now accept entries on floppy disk for the ARRL November Sweepstakes and other ARRL sponsored contests. The disk must be an MS DOS formatted disk, either 5¼ or 3½ inch, and the log information must be in true ASCII format. The summary sheet must also be in true ASCII format, although paper summary sheets are preferred. The log file should take on the same layout as the official forms and must contain the band, date, time on/off, time in UTC, exchange sent and received, multipliers and points. Each contest in which you participate must be submitted on a separate disk.

If you are planning a trip to a foreign country (other than Canada) and you are interested in the possibility of operating your ham rig there, you must apply for a permit even if that country holds a reciprocal operating agreement with the US. Remember that many countries require at least a 4-6 week lead time for processing permit requests and you will be required, in most cases, to pay a licensing fee. Some countries do offer walk-in processing. You may obtain permit requirements and other information for the country you are visiting from the Regulatory Information Department at HQ. An SASE with two units of first-class postage is required for each country requested.

US amateurs visiting Canada should remember that the US shares an automatic reciprocal agreement with Canada, and this makes your FCC license valid in Canada as long as the original license is carried. Should you have difficulty getting your equipment through customs, tell the customs officer to refer to Memoranda D2-1-1 (page 7) and D19-4-2 (page 4). This will remind him or her that you can take your equipment into the country as a part of your personal baggage. You will also need to declare your equipment by completing US Customs Form 4457 so that you won't have to pay a duty tax when entering the US.

Nagesh Upadhaya is seeking *detailed reports of a communications blackout* that took place between 0100 and 0500 UTC on August 16. Please send reports of your observations to him at: Tech Physics, ISAC, Bangalore-17, India.

David Chase, KY7B, has submitted his application for the very first VUCC award above 300 GHz. David used laser emissions on a frequency of 678 GHz (442 nanometers), and earns a plaque for this accomplishment. Plaques are offered to the first five qualifiers for laser VUCC.

US-Soviet Radio Relations Thaw in the Arctic

The inspiring story of the first joint US-Soviet Amateur Radio operation.

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Officially, our purpose was to commemorate the 1934 rescue of the crew of the freighter *Cheluskin*, ice bound in the Soviet arctic near Ayon Island. Through the efforts of the famous Soviet radio operator Ernst Krenkl (RAEM), aided by American fliers, mechanics and radio operators, the crew was saved.

When we met on Ayon Island 55 years later, Soviets and Americans together hoisted a toast to the man whose vision had sparked our trip: Jacob Makhinson, N6NWP. Although the original idea of the expedition had come from Valery Shinevsky, UA0KK, we all knew it would have been impossible without Jacob—the “Ø” in our call sign.

Jacob Makhinson is a native of Latvia, a once-independent state annexed by Stalin. He left the Soviet Union as a refugee in the late 1970s, before the beginning of glasnost and perestroika. After eight months of planning and negotiation, we Americans became his return by proxy.

It may have suggested a “Soviet propaganda coup” to Cable News Network, but it was a perestroika party for us.¹ And for thousands of radio amateurs around the world last April, it meant exchanging greetings with USØSU, the first joint US-Soviet operating activity from the USSR.

For five Americans,² the central question was just how much freedom would we really have? Could we, in a country known to Americans for its secrecy and its restrictions on speech and movement, do and say what we pleased? Could we get on the radio and tell anyone—anywhere in the world—what we saw and how we felt?

A toast offered our first night in Moscow, by Sergei Bartyashevich, UAØIA, showed us that we were on more than an ordinary DXpedition: “For many years,” Sergei said with his glass held out



A well-insulated Wallace Kaufman coils coaxial cable as the station is taken down in -40 degree weather (photo W6MKB)



Valery, UA0KK, runs them on CW at USØSU. The proficient Soviet operators handled the bulk of the CW operating. (photo W6MKB)

to us, “Russian radio operators have waited and dreamed of getting together with Americans. For all that time you have been only voices on our radios. Now we can sit at the table with you and talk face to face.”

Tangled Up in Reams

As do almost all visitors to the Soviet Union, we arrived first in Moscow. We immediately encountered the first of



Expedition members leaving Ayon Island by Aeroflot helicopter with reindeer antlers presented by villagers as souvenirs. (photo KC4EBX)

¹Notes appear on page 16.



Expedition members at the end of the operation with the official flag. (photo W6MKB)

many paper hurdles—about tickets, about vehicles, about passenger lists, about bringing in and taking out equipment. The customs bureaucracy had not heard of us and didn't know of any letter authorizing us to bring in radio equipment. There we stood at the customs counter with two huge carts of bags, boxes and trunks, including two amplifiers and three transceivers. (The antennas hadn't made the London transfer, and we were instructed to come back tomorrow and look for them in the Aeroflot lost-and-found rooms.)

Fortunately, we were greeted at customs by a half dozen Soviet hams. They jawboned a series of customs officers and visited a few offices. The letter of authorization never appeared, but irate citizens prevailed over the bureaucracy as they would time and time again during our stay. Whatever glasnost has achieved, the USSR still is burdened by habits demanding a record of everything citizens and visitors do and say. It fell to our hosts and sponsors to budge the bureaucracy. The Iron Curtain has parted faster than the paper curtain.

So, while officialdom seemed to be trying to tell us our mission was impossible, our hosts acted as if the whole country was at our command. We had become part of glasnost.

Moscow was so lavish in hospitality—long nights of eating and drinking toasts—we looked forward to a more Spartan existence in Pevek, our stopping-off point before Ayon Island. But Pevek, a town of 15,000 people located some 4000 miles east of Moscow, was primed to host not only the first Americans ever granted permission to operate on Soviet soil, but the first Americans to come to town!

A bright red and blue banner foretold

what was to come: "Welcome Dear American Guests."

Local dignitaries ensured a full schedule of engagements—and dinners—for us.³ Valery, UAØKK, along with DOSAAF officials, had arranged any number of sumptuous meals—salmon, squid, reindeer meat, sour cream, chocolate, champagne, cognac and vodka.

Luckily for our waistlines, life soon filled with radio. HF operating from the arctic took some getting used to—many mornings following another spectacular aurora borealis display, a haggard night shift would greet the morning relief team saying, "Neechyevo, nothing, bad propagation."

Fortunately, opening day featured

good conditions, as on April 3 we inaugurated USØSU from Ayon Island and USØSU/1 from the village of Apepelguino near Pevek.

Send It Back to Rewrite

A few days before we went on the air, local party officials had handed me an opening statement to read. As a writer (and an American), my defenses went up. I rewrote the speech, removing the florid passages implying that US-Soviet differences paled beside "glorious and heroic pages" of cooperative efforts. In the end, the Russian statement also turned out to be mine. Someone forgot to bring the original Russian to the ceremony; their translator borrowed my version and read it in Russian.

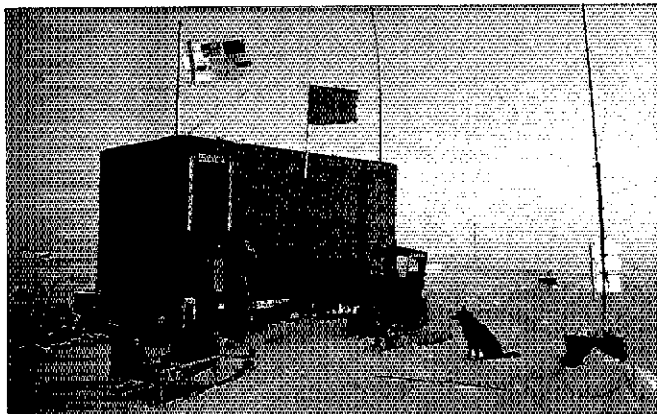
A few days later, when John Ritter and I and a few Soviets flew out to work USØSU, our three-man advance team already had soaked up most of the social celebration and fulfilled whatever propaganda functions we might serve out there next to a village of 200 reindeer herders and fishermen. Thus we were free to do our duty, keeping three transmitters on the air around the clock. In the end, from the two stations we made over 15,000 contacts in more than 130 countries.

But more important than the contacts with such DX delicacies as Papua, Australia, Norway, Fiji and the States, was the contact between team members. For six Soviets and five Americans, life in our four room apartment became a continuous perestroika and glasnost party fueled by great plates of salmon and reindeer.

We talked prices, television, living standards, socialism, capitalism, freedom of the press, science, women's liber-



Team members in Red Square, Moscow, still 4000 miles from their arctic destination. (l-r) Terry Dubson, W6MKB; John Ritter, W4MQB; Sergei Bartyashevich, UAØIA, Ron Oates, AA4VK; and the author. Not shown is Tony Loeb, AB6Q. (photo W6MKB)



The sled-shack at USØSU. (photo W6MKB)



Installing a beam in frigid arctic air is a true team effort. (photo W6MKB)

ation, Nicaragua, Cuba, Afghanistan and Stalin. We talked homes and families.

Most of the time we communicated without translators (only one Soviet and one American, Tony Loeb, AB6Q, were fully bilingual). The language barrier inspired us to work harder in other ways, in many cooperative efforts. At the end of the expedition, in a debriefing summary in Pevek, UAØKK noted that "We put up antennas under conditions that are unusual even for people here who are used to the weather."

Working successfully at -40°C in driving snow is possible only among people who respect each other and who want to cooperate. We knew we were committed to something greater than keeping a few sticks of metal horizontal in the arctic sky.

One day on Ayon Island I had walked out on the frozen East Siberian Sea and looked back on the village of Ayon, perched at the very edge of the Soviet Union. It wasn't much—a few rectangular apartment buildings, a weather station, some ramshackle houses, and on



Terry, W6MKB, tries out UAØKK's homebrew rig at Pevek club station UZØKW1. (photo W6MKB)

the outskirts of the village a few skin teepees with fresh hides strung up to dry outside.

But Ayon was proof that human beings are social animals. We get together. In this place everyone had the chance to be alone in the vast white wilderness, but they chose to live as a community.

And I thought of Jacob Makhinson, the object of so many of our toasts. He had gotten together with Valery Shinevsky, a man he didn't know, and

the two of them had put us five Americans together with strangers who quickly became good friends. I looked at our little white island and thought of the words of John Donne, "No man is an island."

Then I looked at the little blue shack with the American and Soviet flags, where Americans and Soviets sat talking to people all over the world. I turned southeast, tipped my borrowed fur hat toward California—and Jacob Makhinson—and said, "No country can be an island."

Editor's note: For more information on the USØSU and other joint US-Soviet operations, see "Tune in to Glasnost" elsewhere in this issue.

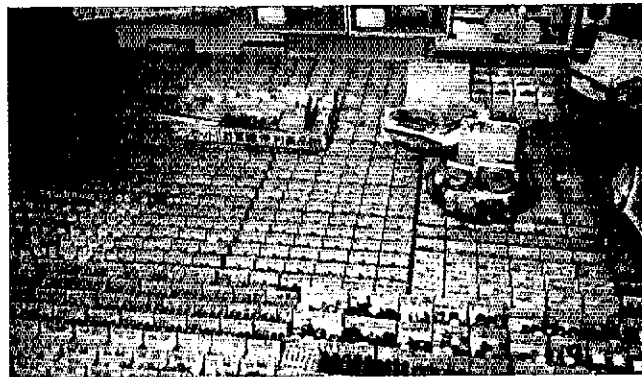
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¹Just before our departure CNN ran a brief story on the trip, featuring Tony Loeb, AB6Q, in his ham shack.

²Our American team included a locomotive engineer from Tampa; a Hewlett Packard engineer and a computer marketing manager from California; a nuclear power plant engineer; and the writer.

³Every visitor to the USSR seems to come home fatter than he left. Pessimists would attribute this to propaganda; optimists to the Soviets' desire to please.—Ed.

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Everyday hamfest: Bill Clemow, KE7CX, writes to say that he found Akihabara, Tokyo's electronic district, a fascinating place to look for ham equipment and components. Bill said he doubts the selection is better anywhere. He has some recommendations from his visit: First, leave your business and nonham associates behind, you'll easily want to spend most of the day; second, get a map and a Japanese ham friend to show you around; third, bring plenty of money. The photographs above show a four-sided hand-held display and one of the many parts bins. (photos KE7CX)

"This is not a Drill!"

Ham help is crucial in Sioux City crash.

By Mike Nickolaus, NFØN†;
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and Alan Pedersen, KAØVNM

When United Airlines Flight 232 ripped apart literally in our backyards on July 19, 1989, our Amateur Radio emergency team commenced five days of nonstop work. In the process we discovered that planning and practice had prepared us for the nature of the disaster, but not necessarily its magnitude.

Iowa's Sioux Gateway Airport hosts aircraft the size of the DC-10 only in extraordinary circumstances. When United 232 declared an in-flight emergency and set down there, we were among many groups facing a crisis of unknown proportions.

In 1987 we simulated an airliner crash involving 87 people, and 12 Amateur Radio operators took part. Our core group and

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volunteer base—as well as the new City Wide Disaster Planning Committee—were in place for the real thing, should it occur.

"We're Coming In"

Flight 232 broke up on impact just before 4 PM that muggy July afternoon. Of 296 passengers and crew, 112 ultimately died.

First word of an impending crash had come around 3:30. A fire department "Alert 2" indicated a flight crew had declared an emergency and sent fire and rescue units into action. On its heels an "Alert 3" signaled the worst—crash imminent. It occurred at 3:55 PM.

Amateurs were summoned less than an hour later. At the request of the Sioux City Communication Center, Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) volunteers were solicited by repeater. Little did we know that the 12 ham volunteers budgeted at our 1987 drill would grow to more than 60 in this real life situation.

John Bylin, KØAAR, and NFØN quickly received Red Cross identification and reported to the disaster site. They brought a motor home now loaded with communications equipment and ARES communications supplies. The entire airport area already had been secured.

Other amateurs were assigned to the American Red Cross chapter office, hospital emergency rooms, and the airport control tower, as well as to the Emergency Operations Center and at Briar Cliff College, where survivors would be billed. We established net control at KAØVHV's home.

Later, amateurs also were dispatched to the flight line at the airport and to the temporary morgue on the Iowa Air National Guard grounds.

NFØN and KAØVHV were chosen to take charge and make major decisions, primarily because of their knowledge of each volunteer's skills. They conducted a loose net operation, allowing communications to bypass net control as necessary.

Radiolocation

Amateur Radio was hugely successful in this situation because we were able to react quickly to the needs of many agencies and groups. With Red Cross facilities scattered

over a wide area and other agencies at several different sites, finding people became a shell game. Rather than telephone half a dozen sites in search of an important official, those in need looked to ARES. One call on the radio touched every important site.

Some outposts, such as the Red Cross emergency van, had no telephone at all, and in other locations two or more groups vied for one phone.

Often an amateur on foot, manning a hand-held, was needed to track someone down.

Since the crash site was seven miles from the repeater, hand-helds on high power strained our ability to keep them charged. Consequently, a portable repeater was set up at the airport to ameliorate the battery problem.

Additional volunteers surfaced when it



Mark Stephenson, NØIUJ, (l) and Bryan Struble, NØHTZ, handle direct communications to Red Cross Headquarters, the flight line and the Emergency Operations Center. (photo courtesy KAØVHV)



Alan Pedersen, KAØVNM, stationed at the Iowa Air Guard building where a temporary morgue was set up. (photo courtesy KAØVHV)



The tail section of the DC-10 was on a runway 200 yards from the main body of the airplane. (photo courtesy NFØN)

became apparent that all posts would require manpower 24 hours a day for the first two days. As many as five amateurs manned each post for the next five days.

Although packet stations were prepared to handle health and welfare traffic, United Airlines assumed this task. None the less, we were ready if needed with two BBS within range.

As the enormity of the situation became clear, offers of assistance poured in from up to 200 miles away—from Sioux Falls, South Dakota; from Lincoln and Omaha, Nebraska; and from Des Moines, Denison, and Council Bluffs, Iowa. Several amateurs from the Omaha-Council Bluffs area came with American Red Cross vans and joined us.

Many Were Served

Because of the great loss of life, communications and volunteers for the American Red Cross were especially important. We established stations at their food preparation site, at the Red Cross chapter house, and with survivors of the crash at Briar Cliff College.

Not only did amateurs locate a department store willing to provide clothing for the survivors, they delivered it to the College.

ARES also passed traffic for the Sioux City Police and Fire Departments, Woodbury County EOC, the 185th Air National Guard, Sioux Gateway Airport, the Salvation Army, the National Transportation Safety Board. Also, for St Lukes Hospital, the Marian Health Center, ambulance services, medical personnel, morticians and private individuals.

A local company loaned a dozen cellular telephone sets to police, fire, and civil preparedness personnel. While not as versatile as our amateur gear, the phones did provide some additional communication. It was decided that in any future emergency

ARES would be in charge of maintenance and distribution of cellular phones.

In only one special case did we set up a dedicated simplex channel: between the temporary morgue and the crash site, where

the state medical examiner was identifying victims.

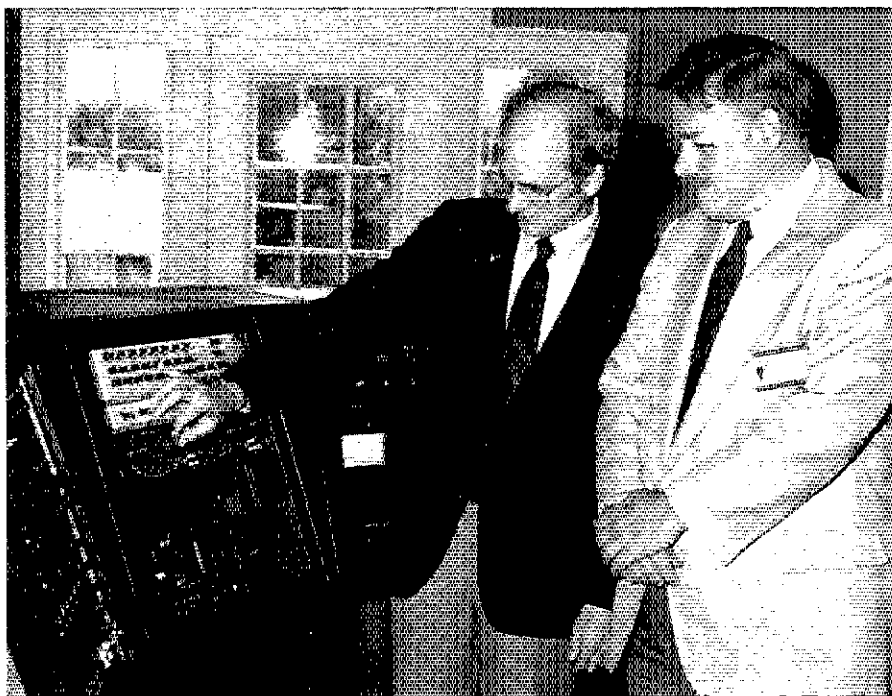
More than 60 amateurs responded to this tragedy, contributing over 1150 hours of assistance. Words cannot adequately express the gratitude felt for everyone who worked so professionally throughout this ordeal.

Here is a brief summary of the lessons we learned:

- Centralize control and decision making.
- Plan for the worst.
- Extend hand-held range with a portable repeater.
- Have packet capabilities.
- Tape record all repeater communications.
- Document each potential volunteer's skills.
- Maintain regular contact with service agencies.
- Meet regularly to discuss disaster preparedness.

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ARRL UHF/VHF Advisory Committee Chairman Tom Kirby, W1EJ (r), stopped by HQ recently to drop off a check for \$1000: a contribution from his employer, GTE Government Systems Corporation. The grant was made to the organization of Tom's choice as part of the GTE's Volunteers Initiative Program in recognition of the hundreds of hours of volunteer work Tom has done on behalf of the League. Tom designated the W1AW renovation fund as the recipient, which rated a special preview tour of the newly renovated facility by Executive Vice President Dave Sumner, K1ZZ. Here they're inspecting the main audio console for the new bulletin transmitters. (photo KC1MP)

A Computer-Controlled Digitized-Speech System for SSB Contesting

In addition to providing contact logging, duplicate call-sign checking and automatic time entry, you can make your computer *speak* for you!

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Radio contesting is enjoyable, but demanding in terms of equipment and human endurance. Over the years, many ways and means for making contesting successful and enjoyable have evolved. These approaches range from using a desk microphone (instead of a hand-held one) to avoid arm fatigue, to that of keeping a small refrigerator loaded with provisions next to the operating position. Hardware and software aids have also evolved to support the contesters' habits. For example, many serious contesters use real-time computerized logging, complete with duplicate-call-sign checking. Similarly, CW contesters would be at a disadvantage without a stand-alone or computer-based keyer programmed with calling sequences, reports, and the like. In this article, I'll describe the SSB equivalent of a contest keyer. Instead of generating Morse code, this Macintosh®-based system produces *speech* that is indistinguishable from your own.

Introduction

Well over 95% of my HF activity is on CW, partly because I prefer this mode to SSB and RTTY, and partly because I can operate at any time without disturbing my family (as long as I use headphones). The "silent" nature of CW is especially important in contests, where one can expect to be operating well into the early morning hours.

With the approach of the March 1989 CQ World Wide Prefix (WPX) Contest, however, I looked for a way to enter the fray on SSB (perhaps picking up a few new DXCC countries in the process!) without disturbing my family. Experience had shown me that, in our small apartment, even working with a boom microphone and speech processor proved unsatisfactory:

Whispering loudly doesn't cut through a pile-up very effectively. What I needed was a way to produce specific speech sequences quickly and easily. My first attempt at a solution—a system based on a cassette-tape player plugged into the mike jack of my transceiver—was quickly abandoned because of the inherent constraints of linear data access. I had to fast-forward or reverse the tape to a specific location in preparation for each transmission. My requirement to quickly access specific speech sequences suggested that I needed a computer for any realistic solution to my problem.

After some thought, a little high-level-language programming, and a bit of soldering, I finally developed a workable system for silent and efficient SSB contesting. The technique takes advantage of the sound-generating capabilities of the Apple® Macintosh computer, or Mac. In addition to producing easily customized speech sequences to drive my ICOM IC-751A transceiver, this approach also provides computerized logging and includes duplicate-call-sign checking and automatic time entry.

System Overview

The main screen of the computer program is shown in Fig 1. In the top panel are *buttons* for calling CQ, for transmitting reports, the station call sign, and for generating a few standard replies and inquiries used in contesting. Selecting one of these buttons with the mouse (the standard point-

ing device for the Mac), causes the computer to produce the corresponding speech sounds. For example, selecting the **Report** button in Fig 1 results in sending: *You are five by nine, number two nine one, QSL?* The computer-generated audio signal, connected to the mike input of the transceiver, serves as the basis for SSB modulation. Because I use VOX, toggling between transmit and receive modes is automatic.

The middle panel in Fig 1 provides a text field (the **TAB** key, as well as the mouse, can be used to move the cursor from field to field) in which the other station's call sign can be entered, a sequential contact number assigned, and includes buttons for recording the band used and the other station's signal report. The buttons that indicate the band and the signal reports recorded I call *radio buttons*, because only one button in a group can be selected at a time (just like the buttons used to select frequencies on many car radios). The sequential contact number (**Their Number** in Fig 1) is automatically incremented by one each time a log entry is made. Selecting the **Call** or **Their Number** button causes the contents of the corresponding fields to be translated into speech. For example, selecting the **Call** button with CR6DTH (wishful thinking!) in the call-sign field results in the computer saying: *Charlie Romeo Six Delta Tango Hotel*. Selecting the **Their Number** button with 291 in the number field produces: *Two Nine One, QSL?*



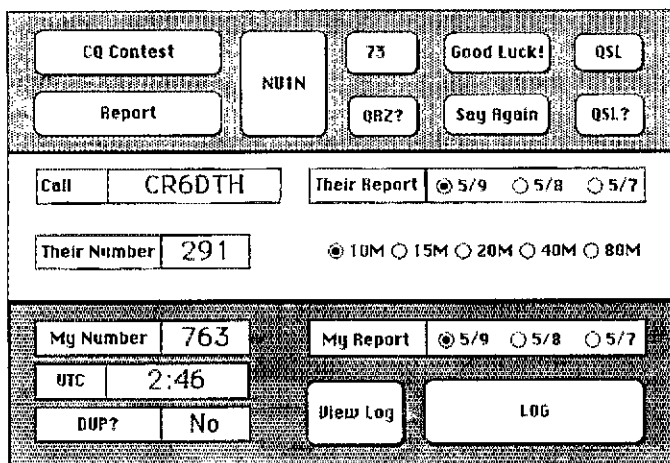


Fig 1—The main computer screen of the digitized speech contesting system. Buttons—selected with the mouse-directed cursor—control the generation of predefined or dynamic speech sequences. Similarly, the band used and the signal reports are recorded by selecting the appropriate radio buttons. Contact logging and dupe checking is also automated. Selecting the **View Log** button brings the contact log into view (see Fig 2).

The lower panel in Fig 1 provides an area to record the sequential contact number given to you; the UTC time (based on the Mac's internal clock); feedback on whether or not the call sign entered in the middle panel exists in the computer-based logbook; buttons to record your signal report; a button (**View Log**) to access the logbook (see Fig 2); and a button (**LOG**) to save the information currently on the screen in the logbook.

When accessed via the **View Log** button, the logbook entries (see Fig 2) appear in a field of scrollable text. That is, contact data is accessed by moving the slider, located along the right border of the text field. Using the mouse to move the slider up brings earlier records into view; moving the slider down shows more-recent entries. Data stored in the logbook for each contact includes the sequential contact numbers and the signal reports of both stations, the call sign of the other station, and the band used.

For example, the top entry in Fig 2 shows that my 266th contact in the contest—with 13VJW—was at 1922Z on 10 meters. We gave each other 5/9 signal reports, and I was 13VJW's 96th contact. Moving the mouse-directed cursor over the logbook data and clicking the mouse button hides the log data from view, and returns the program to the state shown in Fig 1.

During the WPX contest, I normally listened for a station calling "CQ Contest," and entered the station's call sign in the **Call** field. If the duplicate-call-sign search was negative, I selected the **NU1N** button when appropriate, generating the corresponding phonetic speech sequence. When called by a station, I altered their signal report if necessary (normally I used the default 5/9 report) and then selected the **Report** button.

The station's report was then generated, in my voice, including the station's sequence number. Normally, the station operator responded with *QSL*, and I responded in turn with *QSL* by selecting the **QSL** button.

In heavy QRM, operators sometimes request a repeat of their entire report, their signal report, their sequence number, or a letter in my call sign. In the first three cases, the requested data is generated by selecting the **Report**, **Their Report**, and **Their Number** buttons, respectively. In the last case, the call-sign area is used. For example, to repeat the last letter of my call, N, I type *N* into the call-sign field and then select the **Call** button one or more times, followed by the **QSL?** button. The resulting speech generated is *November...November...November, QSL?*

Even in complex exceptions to normal operation, only a few keystrokes and mouse selections are required to operate this system. Furthermore, the keystrokes and mouse selections are buffered. That is, you can quickly select three or four buttons, and the routines associated with each button are executed in turn. This provision for type-ahead makes it possible to momentarily ignore the computer screen and jot down notes or perform other chores.

Implementation

To get this system up and running, three basic steps are required: capturing a variety of phrases and words with an audio digitizer; designing the software to reproduce the digitized sounds and provide for automated logging of contest information; and interfacing the sound output of the computer to the microphone input of the HF transceiver. Although this discussion assumes a particular computer hardware and

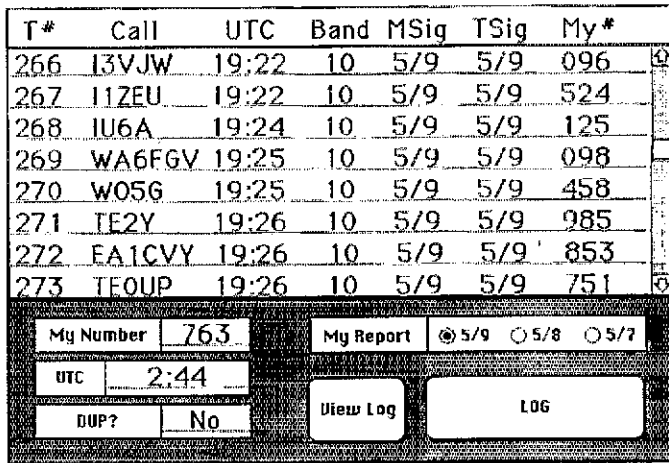


Fig 2—The contact log, a scrollable text field overlaid on the main screen of the system (see Fig 1). From left to right are: their contact number (T#); call sign (Call); time (UTC); the band on which the contact was made (Band); my signal report (MSig); their signal report (TSig); and my contact number (My#). The slider bar along the right border of the text field is used to move forward and backward within the log. Clicking in the center of the text field with the mouse hides the data log from view, and returns the system to its original appearance (see Fig 1).

software platform, the techniques are transferable to any computer system that supports analog-to-digital (A/D) conversion, including the IBM®, Tandy®, and Commodore computers.

Audio Digitizers

In order to provide this system with a personal, human-sounding voice, the analog speech waveform must be converted into a digital format that can be manipulated by a computer. A variety of A/D converters or digitizers are available, including inexpensive (\$150 or less) units for the Apple Macintosh, Tandy, and IBM PC computers.^{1,2} If you prefer the home-brew approach, you can build an audio digitizer for about \$35.³ The audio digitizer used for this project, MacRecorder (\$150), has a built-in microphone, as well as a mike jack. (Although I found the internal mike to be more than adequate for my use, you can use your favorite mike, if you like.) The MacRecorder digitizer, about the size of the base plate on a set of Bencher paddles, comes complete with an impressive array of software tools, including those for selective audio filtering (see Fig 3), spectral analysis, and audio compression.

A major limitation of computer-based speech generation is that a large quantity of data must be stored in order to reproduce speech with sufficient fidelity. Regardless of the make of the digitizer used, you will have to keep three factors in mind: the sampling frequency of the digitizer, quantizing noise, and the dynamic range of your digitizer. The basic trade-off is simple: distortion can be avoided at the

¹Notes appear on page 24.

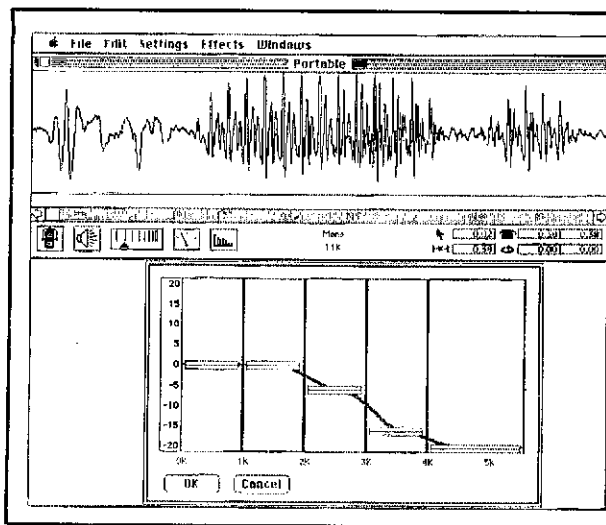


Fig 3—The program interface to MacRecorder, the audio digitizer used to capture and digitize speech on the Macintosh. In the top window is the audio tracing for the spoken word *portable*, digitized at a sampling rate of 11 kHz. The bottom window shows the frequency-selective audio filter, one of the many software tools provided with MacRecorder. In this example, the filter is set to attenuate the audio frequencies above the range useful for SSB communications.

expense of increased memory requirements.

Sampling Frequency

The shape of the sound wave lends tonal qualities to a sound: ie, a sine wave is sweet, whereas a square wave is harsh. The smoother the wave, the cleaner it sounds. A typical analog speech waveform changes smoothly in amplitude, frequency, and shape over time (see Fig 4A).

To store sound waves in a computer, a digitizer is used to take samples of the analog waveform at evenly spaced intervals (see Fig 4B); these amplitude values are stored in memory. If a sufficient number of samples is taken, the original waveform can be reconstructed with a digital-to-analog (D/A) converter. If an insufficient number of samples is taken (see Fig 4C), it is impossible to faithfully reconstruct the original analog signal. Here's why.

The Nyquist theorem states that the minimum sampling rate must be at least twice that of the sampled-signal frequency.⁴ Because the average voice occupies a bandwidth of about 4 kHz, the minimum sampling rate for speech is 2×4 kHz or 8 kHz. The Nyquist theorem assumes a perfect system. In reality, the sampling rate should be three or four times the highest frequency to be digitized (see referent of note 3).

When the sampling rate is less than twice the signal frequency, the reconstructed signal is of a lower frequency than the original. The higher frequencies in the original signal appear as lower frequencies in the reconstructed signal—a phenomenon known as *aliasing*. Aliasing is a significant source of noise in A/D conversion.

Aliasing can be minimized by sampling the audio signal at a high rate. Sampling at high rates, however, requires larger amounts of RAM and disk-storage space compared to sampling at low rates. In this system, for example, at a sampling rate of 11 kHz, only 11 kbytes of memory are needed. By comparison, at a sampling rate

of 22 kHz, 22 kbytes of RAM or disk space are used *for every second* of recorded sound.

Another way to avoid aliasing is to use a low-pass filter that blocks frequencies greater than half of the sampling rate. The MacRecorder provides such filtering.

Quantizing Noise

Most of the inexpensive audio digitizers convert analog data to an 8-bit digital representation. That is, the sound amplitude is restricted to a range of integers from 0 to 255. In an 8-bit system, a sine wave might be represented by the sequence: 128, 150, 255, 150, 128, 106, 0, 106, 128. Most microcomputers—including the Mac—store sound in an 8-bit format. Smooth waves, even when digitized at high sampling rates, become jagged (see Fig 4B). The effect is to introduce *quantizing noise*, or background hiss, in the digitized waveform. Quantizing noise sounds like the high-frequency hiss in a cassette deck without Dolby® or another form of noise reduction. It is possible to minimize quantizing noise by using a 12- or 16-bit digitizer, coupled with modifications in the computer system's hardware and software. A much simpler approach, however, is to filter the high-frequency hiss from the audio signal after it is reconstructed by the D/A converter in the computer.

Dynamic Range

Restricting the representation of the amplitude of an analog waveform to integers between 0 and 255 also limits the dynamic range (the difference between the loudest and softest sounds that can be recorded) of the digitized sound. With an 8-bit system, the dynamic range can be no greater than 48 dB. Sounds that fall outside the dynamic range of a digitizer are simply clipped (see Fig 4D), resulting in a harsh sound. Clipping can be avoided by restricting the dynamic range of the analog signal fed to the digitizer.

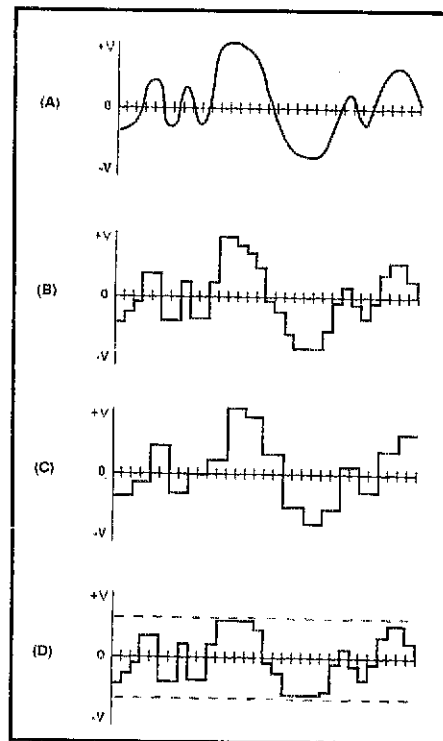


Fig 4—Amplitude (Y axis) versus time (X axis) tracings that illustrate the trade-offs associated with audio A/D conversion. At A, the original analog speech signal. Note the smooth transitions in signal amplitude. At B, a digitized version of the original analog signal, with a sampling rate of one arbitrary time unit. Note the abrupt changes in amplitude with time. At C, the digitized waveform with a sample rate of two time units. Note that this waveform bears little resemblance to the original analog signal, especially when the higher frequencies are compared. At D, the digitized waveform illustrating the effects of clipping. In this example, the dynamic range of the original analog signal exceeds that of the digitizer (the dynamic range of the digitizer is indicated by the dotted lines). Note the distortion caused by clipping, even though the original waveform was digitized at a sampling rate of one arbitrary time unit.

Digitizing Speech

The MacRecorder allows you to select one of four sampling rates: 5, 7, 11, or 22 kHz. I found that the 11-kHz sampling rate is a good compromise between audio fidelity and required memory space. The entire program—including the digitized sound files—requires less than 300 kbytes of disk space, leaving 500 kbytes available for log data (on a 3½ inch, 800-kbyte disk).

Using the built-in microphone provided with MacRecorder, I first digitized the alphabet, the numbers from 0 to 9, and the word *portable*. Each of the 37 digitized sound records was stored separately on disk as a file with a name corresponding to its content—ie, the disk files named A, B, and C contain *Alfa*, *Bravo*, and *Charlie*. When

you record the phonetic alphabet, pay particular attention to your intonation and rate of speech. You shouldn't speak in a dull monotone, but keep in mind that a letter could appear as the first, middle, or last character in a call sign, and it should sound natural there. Keeping your rate of speech constant (thereby avoiding choppy-sounding speech) adds to the illusion of reality.

The next step was to record a few canned phrases, including:

CQ CQ Contest from November

Uniform One November

QSL

QSL? (this is a question, so watch your intonation)

Say Again

73

Good Luck!

Number

You are (as in You are five by nine)

by (as in You are five by nine)

Each digitized speech segment was saved under a short, but appropriate, file name. The entire recording session took less than five minutes. The most difficult and time-consuming part of the process was deciding which speech sequences to digitize!

The Software

Like most digitized-speech systems, this one generates its audio output by reversing the A/D conversion process. Luckily, many microcomputers, including those produced by Apple, Atari[®], Commodore, Tandy, and IBM, either have built-in D/A converters, or are designed to accommodate them as options. The Macintosh computer line includes a built-in, 8-bit D/A converter. Sound records residing on disk, represented by a series of values from 0 to and 255, inclusive ($2^8 = 256$), are first moved to a buffer in RAM and then on to a D/A converter chip.⁵ After the digitized signal is converted to an analog signal, it is amplified and sent to an internal speaker. The analog signal is also available for external use at a standard 3.5-mm jack mounted to the rear panel of the Mac.

The D/A converter chip and associated circuitry in the Mac can be accessed by a variety of software languages. Although assembler or FORTH (my favorite language) can be used to work with the hardware on a very low level, such a degree of control is hardly necessary for a project of this nature. High-level languages, such as BASIC or Pascal, provide all the necessary access to the sound-producing hardware. However, even working with BASIC on the Mac can be a challenge, especially if you want to provide all of the standard Mac interface features, including mouse support, windows, buttons, and scrolling text fields. On the Mac, the software tool that provides the best compromise between ease of use, support for the standard user interface, and speed of execution is HyperCard[®]. This

Table 1

Examples of HyperTalk Scripts Associated with the Buttons Shown in Fig 1

```

on MouseUp -- linked to the "CQ Contest" button
    Play "CQContest" -- say "CQ CQ Contest from NUIN"
end MouseUp

on MouseUp -- linked to the "Report" button
    GiveSignal -- e.g., say "you are 5 by 9"
    Wait 65 -- pause 65 60ths of a second
    GiveNumber -- e.g., say "number 0 7 8"
    Play "QSL?" -- ask "QSL?"
end MouseUp

on GiveTheirCall -- linked to the "Call" button
    put length of card field TheirCall into NCount
    Repeat with Count = 1 to NCount
        get character Count of card field TheirCall
        put it into Temp
        if Temp = "/" then
            play "portable"
        else
            play Temp -- e.g., if Temp = N then play "November"
        end if
    end Repeat
end GiveTheirCall

on Idle -- update the time when there is no user activity
    put The Time into background field "Time"
end Idle

```

The top routine is linked to the **CQ Contest** button. Similar routines are linked to the **73**, **QSL?** and other predefined speech buttons. The second routine from the top is linked with the **Report** button. The third routine from the top, linked to the **Call** button, generates speech corresponding to the call currently in the call-sign field, eg, CR6DTH as in Fig 1. The bottom routine provides for the real-time UTC clock.

tool provides the basis for the SSB Contesting System.

HyperCard

Apple Computer, Inc, promotes HyperCard as a personal tool kit for accessing and manipulating text, graphics, video, music, voice, and animation.^{6,7} HyperCard is based on the concept of *card files*, in which *cards*, containing the basic information, are in turn organized into units called *stacks*. These cards and stacks can be linked, manipulated, and organized in a variety of ways. A high-level programming language, HyperTalk,[™] allows you to easily extend the capabilities of HyperCard. HyperTalk, somewhere between English and BASIC in structure, is not only compact, but is easy to learn and use. Over 95%

of the HyperTalk code used in my program is shown in Tables 1-3.

HyperCard should be familiar to Macintosh users, because it is included free with the purchase of the computer. The availability of numerous third-party software add-ons and books has helped to popularize HyperCard as the programming environment of choice for nonprogrammers. On-line retrieval services, such as CompuServe,[™] are filled with libraries of useful HyperCard shareware, including stacks developed expressly for radio amateurs.

You can program HyperCard easily. Creating buttons, text fields, and graphics requires only a few mouse-directed menu selections. Programming time for a simple application is minimal. For example, the

Table 2**HyperTalk Scripts Associated with the Log Button**

```

on LogData -- make an entry into the contest log
  global TheBand -- e.g., 10, 20, 40, or 80 meters
  global TheirReport -- e.g., 5/9
  global MyReport -- e.g., 5/9
  -- first get the data
  put item 1 of card field TheirNumber into TheirNumber
  put item 1 of card field TheirCall into CallSign
  put item 1 of card field MyNumber into TheCount
  -- now format it with spaces
  put Return & TheirNumber & Space & CallSign & Space into Temp1
  put The Time & Space & TheBand & Space & TheirReport into Temp2
  put Space & MyReport & Space & theCount into Temp3
  -- now save it in the field LogData
  put Temp1 & Temp2 & Temp3 after last word of card field LogData
end LogData

on UpdateCardFields -- clear the callsign and increment contact counter
  get item 1 of card field TheirNumber
  add 1 to it -- increment the contact number by 1
  if it < 99 then -- not necessary, but easier to understand in QRM
    put "0" & it into it
  end if
  put it into card field TheirNumber -- show the incremented number
  put " " into card field TheirCall -- clear the current call sign
end UpdateCardFields

on MouseUp -- linked to the "LOG" button
  LogData -- make an entry into the contest log
  UpdateCardFields -- clear the call and increment contact counter
end MouseUp

```

Selecting the **Log** button with the mouse first makes an entry into the contest log (top), and then updates the contact counter and prepares the screen for the next contact (middle). These two sub-routines are called by the HyperTalk script (bottom) that is linked directly with the **Log** button.

Table 3**HyperTalk Script To Perform Duplicate Call Checking and Notification**

```

On ReturnInField -- linked to the "Call" button
  -- activated when the user hits the Return key
  put item 1 of card field TheirCall into CallSign
  -- get the call sign
  if CallSign is in card field LogData then
    -- see if it's in the contest log
    put "Yes" into card field Dup
  else
    put "No" into card field Dup
  end if
End ReturnInField

```

This script is activated when the user hits the RETURN key, after entering the call sign in the appropriate field (in Fig 1, the call sign field contains CR6DTH). The result of the duplicate search appears in the Dup field (shown in the bottom left-hand corner of Fig 1 with No).

user interfaces displayed in Figs 1 and 2 took about 10 minutes to set up. After defining the appearance of a HyperCard program, the next step is to associate subroutines (written in HyperTalk) with each button, text field, or other object in the interface. Total programming time for this project was about an hour. A more experienced HyperTalk programmer could likely create a much more elaborate program in less than half that time.

The HyperTalk code associated with the **CQ Contest** button shown in Fig 1 appears at the top of Table 1. Note the brevity of the HyperTalk commands. The majority of the listings are comments (following the double hyphen [--] symbols). Like most of the routines linked to HyperCard buttons, this code is activated when you release the mouse button over the HyperCard button. (In normal operation, you position the cursor over the desired button with the mouse, then click on the mouse button to select the HyperCard button.) The HyperTalk command **Play** expects the name of file of digitized audio as a parameter. The **Play** routine opens the file, converts the data to an analog signal and sends the signal to the sound port on the Mac. The other canned speech routines are no more difficult to implement.

Chaining canned speech fragments into sentences is only a bit more difficult than playing single files. The second routine from the top in Table 1 shows the HyperTalk code linked to the **Report** button shown in Fig 1. After you release the mouse button over the **Report** button (resulting in a Mouse-Up event), the **GiveSignal** subroutine is called, followed by a short delay. The **GiveReport** subroutine is then called, and then the canned speech *QSL?* is played.

Perhaps the most difficult routine in the program is the **GiveTheirCall** routine in Table 1. When the **Call** button is activated, the length of the call sign in the corresponding field is computed, ie, for CR6DTH the length is 6. Then, starting with the first character or number and ending with the last, the appropriate digital records are played. The D/A conversion process is fast enough that there is no noticeable delay between the spoken characters.

Not directly related to the digitized speech system—but important in contesting—is the provision for the UTC display (Table 1, bottom). The **Time** is a global variable accessible from within the HyperCard environment, updated every 60th of a second. Whenever there is no user activity, such as between keystrokes, this HyperTalk routine displays the current time in the previously created Time field. The Mac's internal clock can be set to provide time in either a 12- or 24-hour format.

Table 2 shows the HyperTalk code required to implement the program's automatic logging features. Selecting the **LOG** button causes the contact data to be entered in the logbook and prepares the program

for the next contact. The **LogData** routine (Table 2, top) first collects the contents of the text fields and the global variables that indicate band used and signal reports. The next step is to format the data in the proper order, and finally, append the data to the end of the LogData file. The **UpdateCard-Fields** routine increments the contact counter and clears the call sign and contact-count fields.

The HyperTalk code in Table 3 shows all that is required to perform duplicate call-sign checking in the program. Hitting the **RETURN** key, after entering the call sign in the appropriate card field (see the location of CR6DTH in Fig 1), activates this duplicate checking routine. If the call sign is in the LogData, this routine will put **Yes** in the Dup field and beep three times to attract the operator's attention. Otherwise, the routine will put **No** in the field.

Transceiver Interface

Like the HyperCard software, the hardware required for this project is sheer simplicity. The main requirement is a means of coupling the low-impedance audio output of the Mac to the high-impedance microphone input of the transceiver.

Fig 5 shows the schematic of the circuit that I found optimum for use with my '751A. Impedance matching is handled by the audio transformer (T1). Because the Mac sound port is capable of easily driving a set of low-impedance headphones or a small speaker, R1 (a 10-k Ω , 1/4-W resistor), is necessary to prevent overdriving the microphone input. C1, a 0.01- μ F bypass capacitor, is included to prevent RF entering the microphone circuit. C2, a 2.2- μ F, nonpolarized, electrolytic capacitor, is used to eliminate the high-frequency hiss

or quantization noise associated with the A/D and D/A conversion process. C2 also eliminates possible false triggering of the VOX circuitry by minimizing the high-frequency, computer-generated noises that sometimes accompany keyboard activity and disk-drive accesses.

Through trial and error, I found that the optimum settings for my '751A are: VOX on; VOX delay on, but minimal; compression off; and microphone gain set to 1/8th of maximum. Although it helps to enlist the aid of another amateur in determining these settings, you can use a second receiver to monitor the audio quality of the modulation. If you do use a local receiver, turn your transceiver's RF power output to minimum.

Summary

This digitized-speech system is not only enjoyable to use, but is an efficient means of working in a chaotic SSB contest environment. My family appreciates the lack of interruptions to their sleep, and my throat isn't the least bit sore after a full night of "voice" contesting. If you would like a copy of the HyperCard stack, please send me a business-size SASE together with a formatted Mac disk.

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Notes

¹MacRecorder Audio Digitizer, Farallon Computing, Inc, 2150 Kittredge St, Berkeley, CA 94704, tel 415-849-2331.

²Audio Digitizers for Tandy and IBM computers, Covox Inc, 575-D Conger St, Eugene, OR 97402, tel 503-342-1271.

³S. Ciarcia, "Talk To Me!," *Ciarcia's Circuit Cellar*, (Peterborough, NH: BYTE Books, 1979), pp 77-87.

⁴From R. Kellejian, *Applied Electronic Communication*, (Chicago: Science Research Associates, Inc, 1980), pp 402-403: "A pioneer in the development of PCM (pulse-code modulation), Claude Shannon of Bell Telephone Laboratories developed the theoretical relationship between baud rate, signal-to-noise ratio... and bandwidth for reliable dc-level data communications..." On p 418: "Incidentally, Shannon based his PCM development work in the 1940's on principles advanced by Harry Nyquist in the 1920's. Nyquist advanced a theorem that a given bandwidth can carry pulse signals of half its high-frequency cutoff. Nyquists' relationship was actually the inverse of Shannon's sampling theorem, but in engineering practice the term Nyquist rate is often used to specify Shannon's sampling rate."—Ed. For more information, see H. Nyquist, "Certain Factors Affecting Telegraph Speed," *The Bell System Technical Journal*, Vol III, No. 2, Apr 1924, pp 324-346; R. Schellenbach and F. Noble, "Switched-Capacitor Filters—An Emerging Technology for Amateur Radio Use," *QST*, Mar 1984, pp 19-23; R. Nelson, "The RePlay Digital Voice Message System," *QST* Jun 1988, pp 31-37; B. Hale, ed, *The 1989 ARRL Handbook*, pp 8-21 to 8-22.

⁵C. Rose, *Inside Macintosh, Volumes I, II, and III* (Menlo Park, CA: Addison Wesley, 1985).

⁶D. Goodman, *The Complete HyperCard Handbook* (New York: Bantam Books, 1987).

⁷HyperCard-like programs were recently introduced for MS/PC-DOS computers by other vendors.

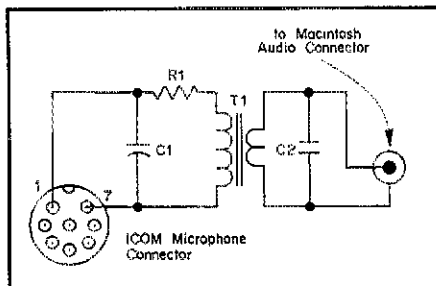


Fig 5—The hardware interface between the IC-751A transceiver microphone jack (an 8-pin DIN connector, left) and the sound output port of the Macintosh computer (a 3.5-mm monaural jack, right). T1 is a small audio transformer with an 8- Ω primary and a 1000- Ω secondary. R1, a 10-k Ω , 1/4-W resistor limits the audio input to the microphone jack. C1, a 0.01- μ F disc-ceramic capacitor, is used to bypass stray RF energy at the microphone input. C2, a 2.2- μ F, nonpolarized-electrolytic capacitor, serves to eliminate the unwanted high frequency noise generated by the Mac's sound system.

Strays

I would like to get in touch with...

hams who have undergone heart transplant surgery. Joe Pearlstein, NU3Y, 7210 Bradford St, Philadelphia, PA 19149, or on packet@ K3PGB.

any hams who operate from nursing homes, or any hams who would just like to exchange correspondence. Harry Burton, K1SV, Brewster Manor Nursing Home, Drawer QQ, Room 220 B, Brewster, MA 02631.

any hams or clubs in the the coastal area of Maine. I am planning to move there and would like to correspond with other amateurs in the area. Mark A. Cobbeldick, KB4CVN, Rte 6 Box 289, Fort Payne, AL 35967.

anyone who works or did work for a TV antenna manufacturer. Al Tobia, KB6KAX, 7603 Linden Ct, Newark, CA 94560.

anyone who has 35 mm transparencies of TV station IDs or test patterns. The British Amateur Television Club, an organization of ATVers and TV professionals, is producing its second educational video tape and is in need of North American TV slides. Andy Emmerson, G8PTH, 71 Falcott Way, Northampton, NN2 8PH, United Kingdom.

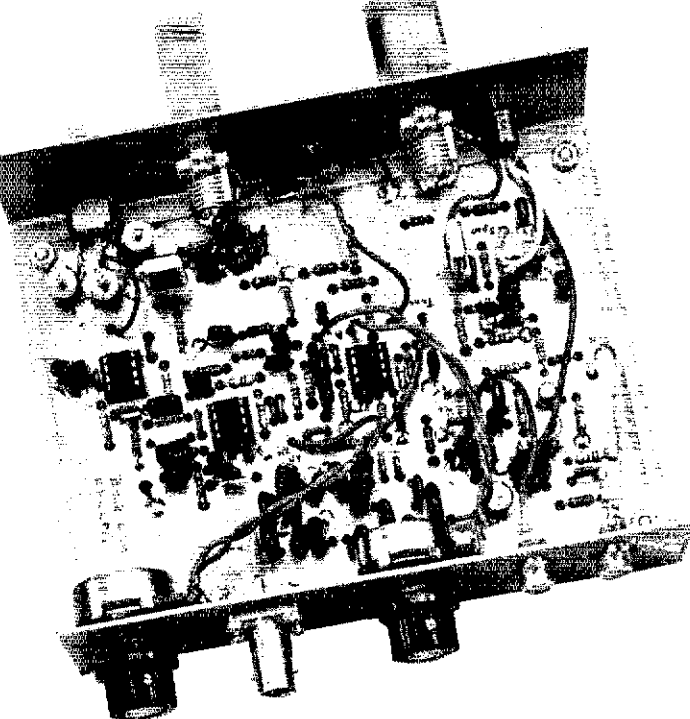
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The QRP Three-Bander

This low-power, direct-conversion CW transceiver covers 18, 21 and 24 MHz, and includes sidetone, spotting and relay-less full break-in—all on one circuit board!

By Zack Lau, KH6CP
ARRL Laboratory Engineer



With this solar cycle's activity nearing its peak, the time for high-band QRP operation is *now*. This low-power CW transceiver is capable of exploiting these conditions. It's easy to use, sensitive enough to receive weak QRP stations, and includes audio limiting to protect your ears from loud local stations. Moving from band to band with this rig is easy: Just change crystals and re-peak its receiver input. Key down, the QRP Three-Bander produces its own sidetone—and RF, too: 1.25 to 4 watts, depending on the band, the dc supply voltage and the particular transistors used in the transmitter. And you can build the QRP Three-Bander *your way*: A complete kit of parts is available, or you can assemble your version using ground-plane construction.^{1,2}

Circuit Description

Fig 1 shows the transceiver circuit. U1, an NE602N doubly balanced mixer IC, operates as a direct-conversion (D-C) product detector, converting the incoming signal directly to audio by mixing it with energy from Q2, a bipolar-junction-transistor (BJT) variable crystal oscillator (VXO). Although the NE602 achieves its conversion gain and low noise figure at the expense of dynamic range, it rejects AM-broadcast-band signals well when a capacitor is present across its differential output (pins 4 and 5).

To help prevent hum pickup, the NE602's audio output is amplified by a differential amplifier (U2A, half of an NE5532 low-noise, audio-op-amp IC), which feeds a moderate-gain filter stage (U2B). The final audio-amplifier stage (U3A, half of another NE5532) drives low-impedance stereo headphones at a comfortable level. Q1, a 2N5486 junction-field-effect-transistor (JFET) used

as a switch, breaks the connection between U2B and U3A in transmit to keep keying clicks and thumps out of the headphones.

The QRP Three-Bander uses audio amplitude limiting instead of automatic gain control (AGC): Diodes in the filter and final-audio-amplifier stages (D1-D2, and D3-D4, respectively), and R18 (between the final audio amplifier and J2), provide ear and headphone protection by clipping the transceiver's audio output on strong signals.

Transmitter RF is generated by Q3, an MPS918 (or 2N5179) BJT operating as a VXO. Q3's output signal drives a buffer amplifier consisting of two BJTs: Q5, a 2N2222, and Q6, a 2N5109 (or selected 2N2222A). The buffer circuit is based on a design by Lewallen;³ this version is re-biased for higher power output to make it more suitable for transmitters. The transmitter power amplifier, Q8, is an MRF237 BJT running class C. A seven-element low-pass filter (L1 through L3, and C37 through C40) reduces the harmonic content of the transmitted signal. Because this filter's cutoff frequency is high enough to pass the transceiver's 24-MHz output with little loss and yet is low enough to reduce harmonics of the rig's 18-MHz signal to a legal level, it requires no adjustment for band changes. Fig 2 shows the output spectrum of the Three-Bander's transmitter.

Full-break-in, relay-less TR switching is one of the QRP Three-Bander's finer points. The TR switch is a wide-bandwidth version of the switch used by Lewallen in his Optimized QRP Transceiver.⁴ If you model this switch or measure its characteristics, you'll notice lots of passband ripple: The filter (C36, C41, C42, L4, L5 and L6) has steep skirts and three peaks corresponding to the bands covered by the transceiver. Although the calculated safe maximum-power-handling capability of this switch is just 1.4 W at 24.9 MHz, it seems to handle the transceiver output just fine. (A PIN-diode switch with ap-

propriate biasing could handle more power, but PIN diodes are more difficult to find than ordinary switching diodes.)

The Three-Bander's transmitter section uses *differential keying*—a method of time-sequencing the keying of multiple transmitter stages to achieve a desired effect. As implemented in this circuit, differential keying helps eliminate chirp by turning on the transmit oscillator (Q3) before the buffer amplifier (Q5-Q6) comes on. This sequence is reversed at key up: The buffer amplifier turns off before the oscillator stops. Turning the oscillator on before the buffer gives the oscillator time to stabilize before the transmitter puts out RF; keeping the oscillator on after the buffer turns off assures that frequency changes by the turning-off oscillator won't be present in the transmitted signal.

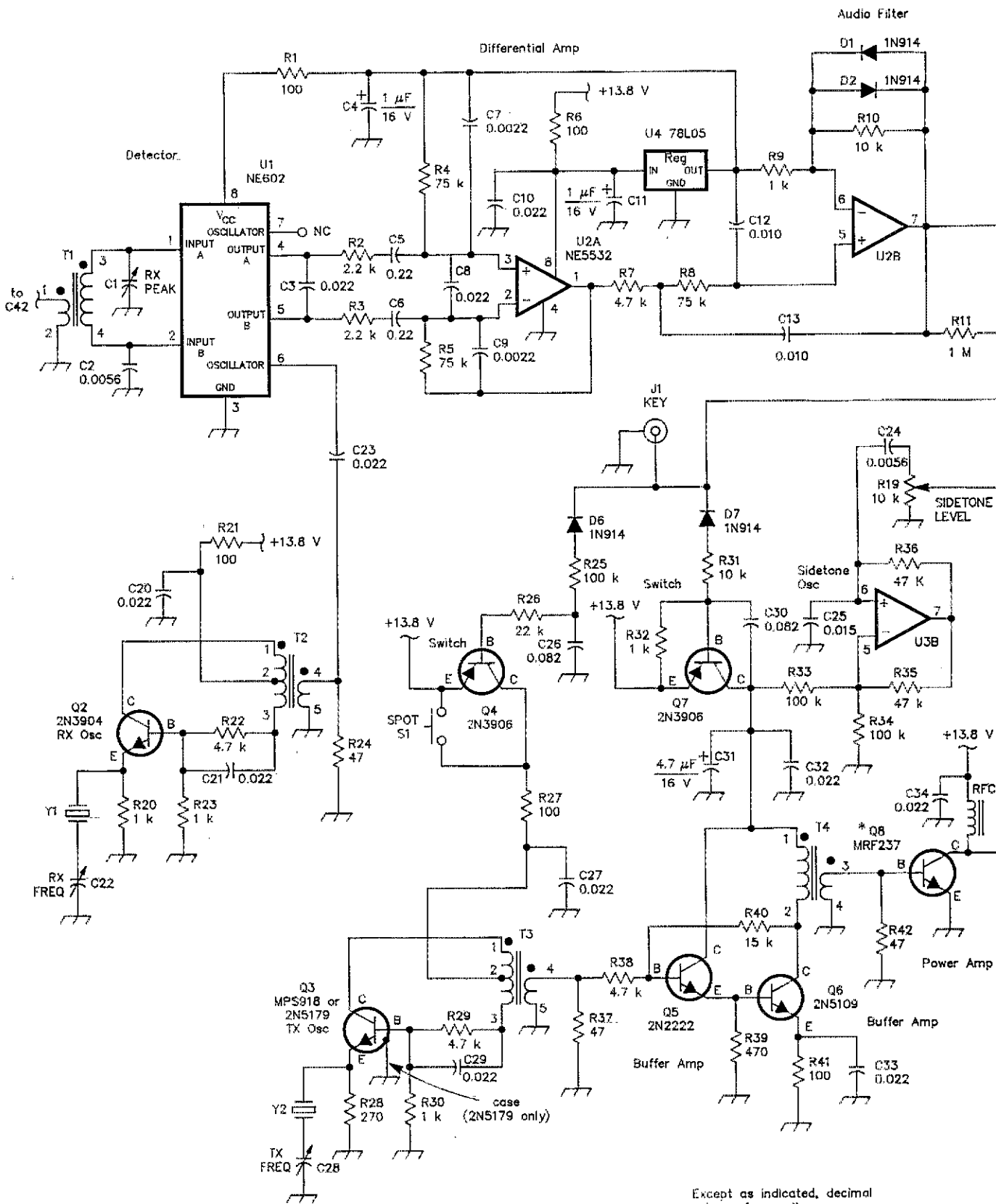
To avoid key clicks—which would make the Three-Bander's signal wider than necessary for effective CW communication—the waveform of the transmitted signal is shaped in the buffer amplifier. Even though the transmitter power amplifier is nonlinear and tends to shorten the rise and fall times of its driving signal, the Three-Bander's transceiver's RF-output waveform is well-shaped, as shown in Fig 3. The open-circuit voltage at the KEY jack is positive, and about 0.5 V less than the transceiver's dc supply voltage; 1.3 mA flows in the keying circuit line when the KEY jack is shorted.

Getting the Parts

The tough part of building has nothing to do with soldering or making holes in metal: It's finding the parts! Fortunately, all the parts used in this project are sold by a number of suppliers—or you can buy a complete kit of parts from RADIOKIT, as detailed at Note 1.

Parts availability is one thing; parts cost is another. Aside from the crystals, variable capacitors C1 (RX PEAK), C22 (RX FREQ)

¹Notes appear on p 30.



Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in microfarads (μF); others are in picofarads (pF); resistances are in ohms; k=1,000, M=1,000,000

*Heat sink required; see text
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 SM = silver mica

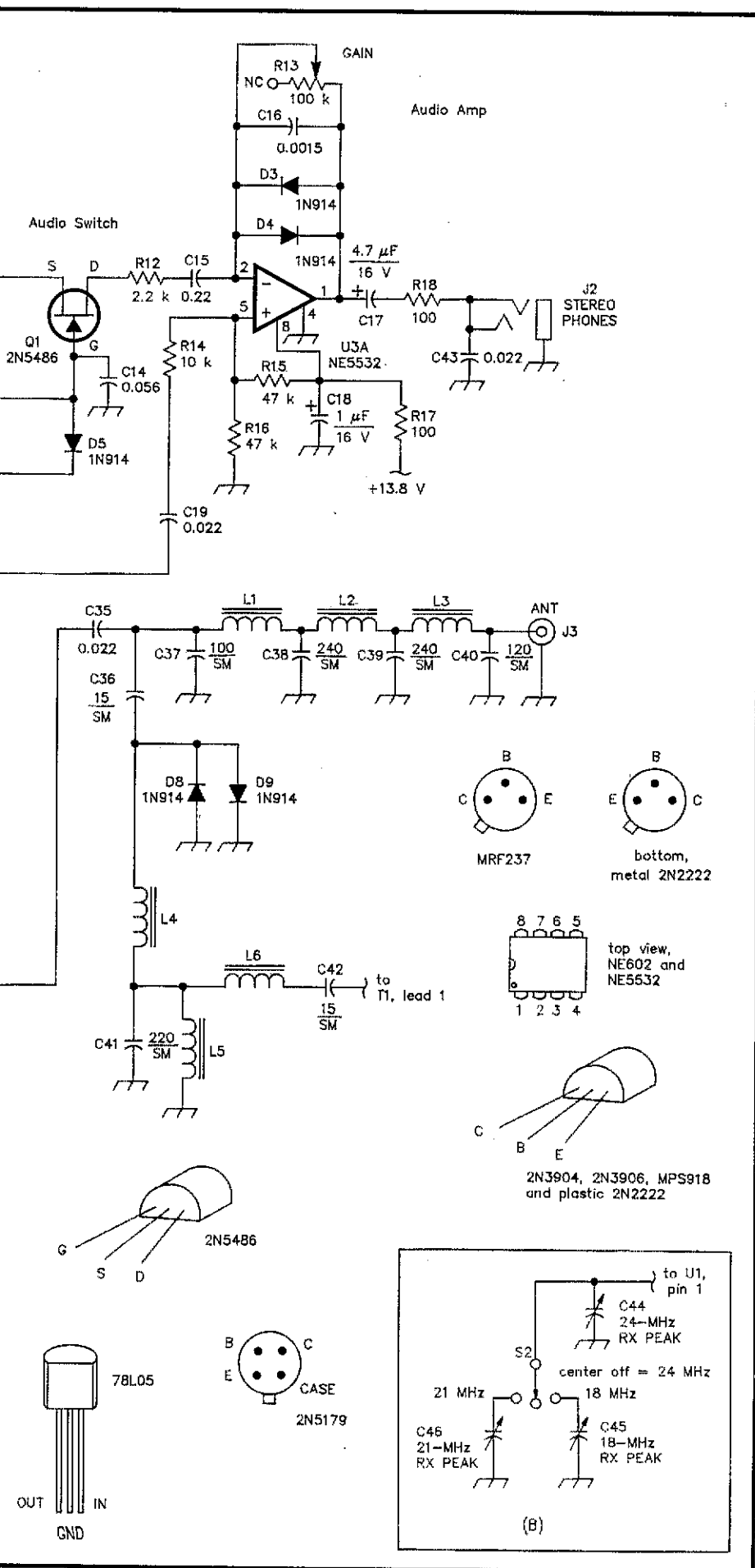


Fig 1—Schematic of the QRP Three-Bander. All resistors are 1/4 W, carbon film. The inset, B, shows how to replace C1 with a switch (S2) and three trimmer capacitors (C44-C46); if you use this variation, peak C44 at 24 MHz before adjusting C45 and C46 for maximum received-signal strength at 21 and 18 MHz.

- C1—50 pF, air dielectric, variable (Millen 21050 7- to 45-pF ceramic trimmers, used in ground-plane version, and switch and trimmers [S2 and C44-C46, Fig 1B] have been used successfully). See text.
- C2, C24—0.0056 μ F, ceramic.
- C3, C8, C10, C19-C21, C23, C27, C29, C32-C35, C43—0.022 μ F, ceramic.
- C4, C11, C18—1- μ F, 35-V tantalum electrolytic.
- C5, C6, C15—0.22 μ F, metal film.
- C7, C9—0.0022 μ F, metal film (Bessel AF filtering). Use 0.0027 μ F for tighter, Chebyshev filtering.
- C12, C13—0.010 μ F, metal film (Bessel AF filtering). Use 0.012 μ F for tighter, Chebyshev filter.
- C14—0.056 μ F, metal film.
- C16—0.0015 μ F, polypropylene.
- C17, C31—4.7- μ F, 35-V, tantalum electrolytic.
- C22, C28—14 pF, air dielectric, variable. (Millen 21015 capacitors and Johnson 189-series trimmers have been used successfully. Several months of on-air-use caused severe wear in the RX FREQ Johnson 189-series capacitor, however; use a tuning, not trimmer, capacitor at RX FREQ for longest capacitor life.) See text.
- C25—0.015 μ F, metal film.
- C26, C30—0.082 μ F, metal film.
- C36, C42—15 pF, silver mica.
- C37—100 pF, silver mica.
- C38, C39—240 pF, silver mica.
- C40—120 pF, silver mica.
- C41—220 pF, silver mica.
- C44-C46—30-pF plastic trimmer (optional). Used in conjunction with S2, these capacitors replace C1. See text.
- D1-D9—1N914 or 1N4148 silicon switching diode.
- J1—Phono jack.
- J2—1/8-inch stereo phone jack.
- J3—BNC jack. See text.
- L1, L3—Toroidal inductor, 12 turns of no. 26 enam wire on a T-25-6 powdered-iron core (0.46 μ H).
- L2—Toroidal inductor, 13 turns of no. 26 enam wire on a T-25-6 powdered-iron core (0.52 μ H).
- L4, L6—Toroidal inductor, 26 turns of no. 24 enam wire on a T-44-2 powdered-iron core (3.8 μ H).
- L5—Toroidal inductor, 9 turns of no. 24 enam wire on a T-25-6 powdered-iron core (0.26 μ H).
- Q1—2N5486 JFET. A 2N4416, 2N5485, 2N5484 or MPF102 should also work.
- Q2—2N3904 BJT.
- Q3—BJT, MPS918 or 2N5179 recommended. A 2N3904 will work, but may exhibit faster keying rise and fall times at 24 MHz than those shown in Fig 3, and the transmitter's RF power output may be suboptimal.
- Q4, Q7—2N3906 BJT.
- Q5—2N2222 BJT. A 2N3904 will also work.
- Q6—2N5109 RF-power BJT. A selected metal-cased (TO-18) 2N2222A will work; some 2N2222As may not have enough gain for optimum power output at 24 MHz. See text.
- Q8—Motorola MRF237 RF-power BJT.
- R1, R6, R17, R18, R21, R27, R41—100 Ω .
- R2, R3, R12—2.2-k Ω (Bessel AF filtering).

Use 3.3-k Ω for tighter, Chebyshev filtering.

- R4, R5—75 k Ω .
R7, R22, R29, R38—4.7 k Ω .
R8—75 k Ω (Bessel AF filtering). Use 56-k Ω for tighter, Chebyshev filtering.
R9, R20, R23, R30, R32—1 k Ω .
R10, R14, R31—10 k Ω .
R11—1 M Ω .
R13—100-k Ω , audio-taper potentiometer.
R15, R16, R35, R36—47 k Ω .
R19—10-k Ω , audio-taper potentiometer.
R24, R37, R42—47 Ω .
R25, R33, R34—100 k Ω .
R26—22 k Ω .
R28—270 Ω .
R39—470 Ω .
R40—15 k Ω .
RFC1—Toroidal RF choke. Use 6 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an FT-37-43 ferrite toroid (10 μ H).
S1—Normally open, momentary push-button.
S2—SPDT, center-off toggle (optional). Use only if C1 is replaced with C44, C45 and C46. See text.
T1—Narrow-band transformer, 10.5:1 turns ratio; 21 turns of no. 26 enam wire on a T-30-6 powdered-iron toroid (primary, 1.75 μ H). Secondary has 2 turns of no. 24 or 26 enam wire over primary winding.
T2—Broadband transformer, 10:1 turns ratio; 20 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an FT-37-43 ferrite toroid (primary). Tap is 13 turns from the collector. Secondary has 2 turns of no. 24 or 26 enam wire over primary winding.
T3—Broadband transformer, 5:1 turns ratio; 20 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an FT-37-43 ferrite toroid (primary); tap at 13 turns from the collector end. Secondary has 4 turns of no. 24 or 26 enam wire over primary winding.
T4—Broadband transformer, 3:1 turns ratio; 9 turns of no. 26 enam wire on an FT-37-43 ferrite toroid (primary). Secondary has 4 turns of no. 24 or 26 enam wire over primary winding.
U1—NE602 mixer IC.
U2, U3—NE5532 dual low-noise op-amp IC.
U4—78L05 5-V regulator IC.
Y1, Y2—Fundamental crystal, HC-25/U holder, parallel resonance, 20- or 32-pF load capacitance. See text for discussion of frequency choice. Available from International Crystal Mfg Co, 701 W Sheridan, PO Box 26330, Oklahoma City, OK 73126-0330, tel 405-236-3741; JAN Crystals, 2341 Crystal Dr, Ft Myers, FL 33906-6017, tel 800-237-3063; and other sources.

The title photo version of the QRP Three-Bander uses the switch-and-capacitors scheme shown at Fig 1B instead of C1, and Johnson air-dielectric trimmers for RX FREQ (C22) and TX FREQ (C28). Acrylic blocks machined to take set screws and the trimmers' 3/16-inch-diameter shafts serve as tuning knobs. The board is 4 x 5-3/8 inches in size.

and C28 (TX FREQ) are probably the most expensive components in this project. You can save money by purchasing these capacitors from a surplus outlet or flea market, although they are still available new. In this application, the voltage rating

The QRP Three-Bander: Vital Statistics

The performance of the QRP Three-Bander varies with band, dc supply voltage and the particular active devices used. Two versions of the Three-Bander exhibit a receive sensitivity (minimum discernible signal, or MDS) between -124 and -128 dBm, and 3rd-order-IMD dynamic ranges between 71 and 74 dB. A third Three-Bander exhibits an MDS between -112 and -120 dBm, and a 3rd-order-IMD dynamic range between 67 and 69 dB. Operated at 13.8 V and using an MPS918 at Q3, two QRP Three-Banders produce 2.6 and 4.0 W at 18 MHz, 2.6 and 3.4 W at 21 MHz, and 1.7 and 2.5 W at 24 MHz. A third Three-Bander (with a hand-picked 2N3904 at Q3) produces 3.8 W at 18 MHz, 3.1 W at 21 MHz and 2.4 W at 24 MHz when operating at 13.8 V. Operating the Three-Bander at 13.8 V provides 3 to 70% more transmitter output power than that available with a 13.0-V supply.

Although the Three-Bander's receiver isn't unduly sensitive or crunch-proof, it's adequate for routine amateur communication. I had no difficulty in making 3rd-order-IMD dynamic-range measurements on the Three-Bander's receiver at the ARRL lab's standard 20-kHz spacing.

The frequency swing afforded by the Three-Bander's VXOs varies with the band, stray capacitances and the particular crystals and VXO tuning capacitors used. The crystals I used allowed swings of 8.9 to 16.2 kHz at 18 MHz, 8.4 to 17.6 kHz at 21 MHz, and 14.1 to 23.4 kHz at 24 MHz.—KH6CP

and physical size of C1, C22 and C28 are relatively unimportant; these capacitors need only cover the necessary capacitance range. C1 must cover the range from 15 to 45 pF. VXO capacitors C22 and C28 should have a maximum capacitance of 10 to 50 pF (10 to 15 pF is optimum) and have a minimum capacitance of just a few picofarads—the lower the minimum capacitance, the better.⁵ If you can't find air-dielectric variables at an affordable price, you can replace a given variable capacitor with a switch and several trimmer capacitors, as shown in Fig 1B for C1, RX PEAK; the transceiver shown in the title photo uses this arrangement. You may prefer the Fig 1B solution to C1 because flipping a switch is easier than peaking a tuning control; on the other hand, a front-panel peaking control can help you minimize interference from strong shortwave broadcasters, as discussed later in "Using the Radio on the Air." This switch-and-trimmers idea can also be applied to the transceiver VXOs; you can readjust the trimmers if your preset frequencies are occupied.

The crystal frequencies you choose depend somewhat on the particular VXO tuning capacitors you use. A VXO with a maximum tuning capacitance of many tens or even hundreds of picofarads (so much capacitance that the crystal is essentially shorted to ground with the tuning capacitance at maximum) may oscillate as much as 10 kHz below the frequency marked on the crystal. If, however, you use capacitors with maximum capacitances in the range I've specified, your VXOs should oscillate within a few kilohertz of the crystal frequency.

If you want to get your transceiver working on all three of its bands with minimal experimentation, use a 2N5109 at Q6 to ensure adequate drive to the final amplifier at 24 MHz. A *metal-cased*

(TO-18) 2N2222A may work if you're willing to try several transistors at Q6 before settling on one. (I was able to use metal-cased 2N2222As in two out of the three QRP Three-Banders I've built.) If you're interested in using your Three-Bander only at 18 and 21 MHz, *any* TO-18 2N2222A will probably work at Q6.

One of home-brewing's benefits is that you can use connectors of your choice. I like to use BNC connectors as antenna jacks on HF gear. Although I don't necessarily agree with others' choices, I've seen UHF, N, and even phono connectors used for antenna connections at MF and HF. This transceiver uses phono jacks for power and keying connections. (Beware of using

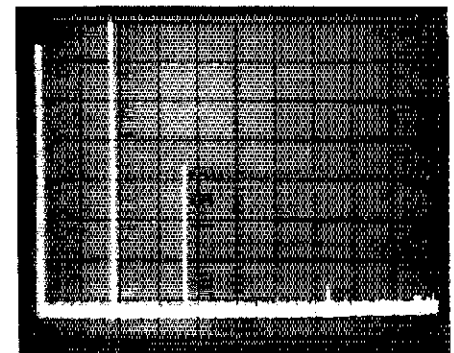


Fig 2—Worst-case spectral display of the QRP Three-Bander. Each horizontal division represents 10 MHz; each vertical division represents 10 dB. The spike at far left (the spectrum analyzer's first-local-oscillator signal) serves as a convenient "0 MHz" reference. When this spectrogram was taken, the QRP Three-Bander was producing 4 W (14.08-V dc supply) at 18.07 MHz. All harmonics and spurious emissions are at least 36 dB below peak fundamental output. The QRP Three-Bander complies with current FCC specifications for spectral purity.

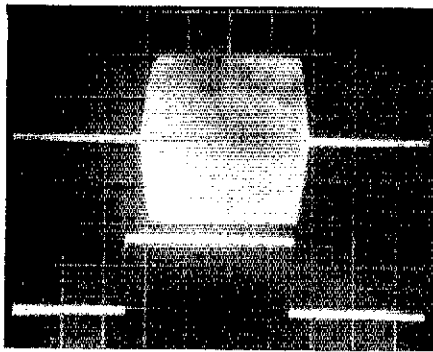


Fig 3—The QRP Three-Bander's CW-keying waveform at 18.07 MHz. The upper trace is the RF envelope; the lower trace depicts the actual key closure. Each horizontal division represents 5 ms.

phono jacks with batteries—phono plugs can short-circuit all too easily. I use Molex® connectors and fuses with my battery packs for safety.) The presence of identical keying and power-supply connectors isn't a problem with this rig: Nothing blows up if the key and power-supply cables are interchanged.

Construction Details

Decide early on whether you'll build the transceiver over a ground plane or on a PC board. If you decide to build a PC-board version, I highly recommend glass-epoxy (G-10 or FR-4), copper-clad circuit board over cheap phenolic board because of glass-epoxy's generally higher quality—and because glass-epoxy's greater heat tolerance allows the desoldering and replacement of components with minimal damage to the board. (This is especially important if you're new to building; you may need to fix wiring goofs.) I've made the copper pads for the wires between the board and off-board components extra large, just in case you have to do a lot of resoldering. (Small pads tend to lift off the board if subjected to too much soldering heat.) This is a trade-off in the case of the VXO-capacitor wires, though: The narrower the pads for C22 and C28 wires, the wider the VXO tuning range per crystal.

Whether you build your transceiver on a PC board or with ground-plane construction, I recommend that the transceiver circuitry be completely shielded when in use. It's important that there be grounded metal between the VXO capacitors and your fingers. Otherwise, you may experience the magic-wand effect that long-time hams call *hand capacitance*. (The VXO-capacitor stators [immovable plates] are at a high impedance above ground, and nearby objects—including you—can be "seen" by those circuit points unless a grounded shield is interposed. You shouldn't be able to tune your receiver just by bringing your hand close to the tuning knob!) Complete shield-

ing of the transceiver circuitry also helps minimize hum and microphonics in the NE602 detector, especially when the transceiver is used with a poor RF ground.

Wind your inductors and transformers before you start wiring the circuit. Amateur radio-equipment builders commonly count coil turns wrong; this usually results in coils wound with one turn too many. (Hint: With toroids, just passing the wire through the core counts as one turn.)^{6,7}

Because this is an RF project, keep component leads short, as shown in the photographs. Long leads can induce excessive noise and hum into the circuit. (If you're *really* unlucky, overlong leads may cause the circuit to oscillate when it should be amplifying.) Transformers T1 through T3 aren't critical with regard to mounting—they can either lie flat or stand upright. (Some builders like to glue toroids down; I skip the glue so the coils can be removed easily if necessary.) I used screws, lock washers and ¼-inch-long metal spacers to mount my transceiver boards in their boxes.

Q8, the transmitter power amplifier, must be heat-sinked. Because the MRF237's case is connected to the transistor emitter (instead of the collector, as is usually the case with metal-cased BJTs), you can heat-sink Q8 merely by soldering its case to the circuit-board ground foil (or to the ground plane, if you're undertaking ground-plane construc-

tion.) That's what I did in my Three-Bander. One small solder joint does the job; you needn't solder the entire case perimeter.

I used three-hole-mount phono jacks (two holes for mounting screws and one for the jack barrel) because they don't loosen with use as easily as single-hole mount types do. For the same reason, I took the time to drill the extra holes necessary to seat the anti-rotation tabs on the **GAIN** and **SIDETONE LEVEL** controls because seating the tabs—instead of breaking them off—results in controls that almost never work loose from the panel.⁸

Testing

None of the Three-Bander's circuits need be trimmed or aligned beyond the adjustments possible with its panel controls, so you need only verify that it works. I suggest powering the transceiver with a small supply during testing—a 12- to 15-V regulated power supply capable of producing no more than 0.5 to 1 A is fine. (A supply capable of sourcing 7 or 10 A invites the possibility of serious smoke and component destruction if you make a wiring mistake. Don't use batteries, either: Short-circuited, they can source enough current to melt wires!)

The first test is to determine whether or not the Three-Bander can hear its own transmit oscillator. Set the **GAIN** control to the middle of its rotation. Plug in crystals

On the Air with the QRP Three-Bander

What can you expect of the QRP Three-Bander? In three brief operating periods, I snagged OK3CQR, EA8AB, OK2KFM, KK6H, WB6YBT, AF4S and W9MNU at 18 MHz, and KF5QL and G3FGT at 21 MHz—nine contacts, four countries, four states and three continents. The antenna? Fifty or so feet of wire tossed in a tree and worked against a baseboard-heater "ground."

The QRP Three-Bander's receiver is more than satisfactory, considering its simplicity. There's audio to spare; I didn't have to run the **GAIN** control wide open all the time. The receiver is a bit microphonic, but not annoyingly so. I heard a bit of hum at some settings of the **RX PEAK** control—probably because I used an ac-operated power supply in conjunction with my crummy RF ground. Sometimes, I had to use **RX PEAK** to minimize AM "breakthrough" from strong 17- and 21-MHz broadcasters. All this means is that I'll build my version of the QRP Three-Bander with a front-panel-peakable front end. (I didn't hear one iota of breakthrough from local medium-wave broadcasters, by the way.)

Full break-in is fun with the QRP Three-Bander. Zack Lau has solved several problems at once by incorporating audio limiting into this transceiver: "De-thumping" the rig's TR switching, protecting the operator's ears and headphones from overdrive, and ridding the rig's sidetone of monotony. (In transmit, you hear the sidetone [assuming that you've set its **SIDETONE LEVEL** control to allow this, of course], a tone corresponding to the frequency difference between the receive and transmit VXOs, and the products of intermodulation between these signals as they mix in the Three Bander's audio-limiting circuitry. Result: The rig's "sidetone" rarely sounds the same two QSOs in a row!)

The QRP Three-Bander's differential keying is a class act. Listened to with my NRD-525 receiver, the Three-Bander's CW sounds absolutely A1 (pun intended) at 18, 21 and 24 MHz. (No "Sure the keying's too hard—but heck, it's QRP" excuses are necessary for *this* low-power rig.) If you must key an oscillator for CW, this is how to do it.

Working all continents will be easy with this rig. Who'll be first to work all states with a Three-Bander? It probably won't be me—at least, not unless I build mine soon: Other HQ staffers are lining up for *their* stints with KH6CP's QRP Three-Bander!—David Newkirk, AK7M

How About Modifying the QRP Three-Bander?

I'm sure that many of you would like this transceiver to cover different bands—14 or 28 MHz, for instance. The problem is that if I'd taken the time to work out the details of all such permutations before publishing this article, you'd never have seen this article! The first step in getting a successful equipment design off the drawing board and into reality is defining the limits of what you want to accomplish—so I decided to design the QRP Three-Bander to cover only the 18, 21 and 24-MHz amateur bands. That said, though, I do have some untested Three-Bander-modification hints for the adventurous.

First of all, most of the QRP Three-Bander's RF circuits are broadbanded enough to cover the HF spectrum without modification. The exceptions are the NE602's tuned input circuit (C1-T1), the transmitter-output low-pass filter (C37-C40, L1-L3), and the TR switch filter (C36, C41, C42, and L4-L6). The variable crystal oscillators should work fine from 3.5 to 28 MHz with fundamental-mode crystals; keep in mind, however, that a VXO's tuning range generally decreases as the crystal frequency is lowered.

You may need to add a few more turns to T4's primary winding on the low bands, but T4 is pretty broadband, too.

The TR switch is a bit tricky to design—you can't get the peaks in a high-ripple band-pass filter to fall exactly where you want them merely by poking at a calculator—but you can always use Lewallen's single-band version (see Note 4 of the main text). If you use a rotary switch for the TR circuit, receiver front end and transmitter output filter, getting the QRP Three-Bander to cover five or six bands shouldn't be too difficult. . . —KH6CP

at Y1 and Y2, both on the same frequency, and set the RX PEAK, RX FREQ and TX FREQ capacitors so that their plates are half meshed. Press the SPOT button and adjust RX FREQ to find the transmitter signal. If you're lucky, you now have an expensive code-practice oscillator! If you can't hear anything at all, even after trying the entire range of the GAIN control, there's a fault in the receiver audio chain.

If you can meter your power supply's output current, you can confirm that the transmitter works by attaching a 50- Ω dummy load to (a 2-W carbon or metal-oxide resistor) and briefly shorting the KEY jack. If the transmitter is working, the transceiver's current drain should increase to 200 or 300 mA with keying. You can also use an oscilloscope, RF wattmeter or RF voltmeter to measure the transmitter output.

Using the Radio on the Air

The ultimate test of a home-brew rig is making contacts. Although D-C receivers are notorious for fooling their operators into transmitting on the wrong frequency, the QRP Three-Bander's independent transmitter and receiver oscillators can help you avoid this problem. Perhaps the easiest way is to let other stations tune you in properly by calling CQ on a clear frequency! The second way to be sure you've spotted your transmitter on the other station's frequency is to adjust TX FREQ so that your spotting signal (1) has the same pitch as the incoming signal and (2) "tunes the same way" as the incoming signal. In other words, if, once you've spotted your transmitter, adjusting RX FREQ causes your spotting signal to rise in pitch as the incoming station falls in pitch, or vice versa, you've set your transmitter to the wrong frequency and must readjust it to "the other side of zero beat" to put

your signal in the other station's receiver.⁹ Another approach is to adjust RX FREQ for zero beat with the incoming signal, press SPOT, and adjust TX FREQ to zero beat your transmitter to your receiver and the incoming signal. Once you've done this, adjust RX FREQ to receive the incoming signal at the pitch you want. This latter approach works well on a busy band: After you've spotted your transmitter, readjust RX FREQ to receive the less-interfered-with "side" of the received signal. (Incidentally, you can zero-beat your transmitter to fairly strong incoming stations by pulling out the receive crystal [Y1] and adjusting the spotting signal to zero beat. In this case, the spotting signal acts as the receiver local oscillator. The spotting and incoming signals will have exactly the same pitch when you plug the receive crystal back in.)

Adjust RX PEAK for maximum received-signal strength. If no man-made signals are audible, adjust RX PEAK for maximum background noise. You can also use this control as an attenuator by mistuning it—a useful feature when strong signals overload the rig's mixer. Usually, detuning RX PEAK just enough to reduce the culprit signal below the overload point preserves sufficient desired-signal sensitivity for you to keep operating.

Adjust the GAIN control for a comfortable listening level; this control does not affect the sidetone level. For finding stations, I adjust GAIN so I can just hear the background noise.

The SIDETONE LEVEL control adjusts what its name implies. Although a sidetone is unnecessary with a straight key, it's quite handy—if not essential—with electronic keyers.

The SPOT button turns on the QRP Three-Bander's transmit oscillator, allowing you to adjust your transmit frequency

without actually transmitting a signal on the air. (Sweeping a signal across a band is considered poor amateur practice—even for antenna testing.)

Summary

The QRP Three-Bander gets you going on three of our hot high bands in style, and with enough power to work the world. Build it, use it—and have fun!

Notes

¹Kits of parts for the QRP Three-Bander are available from RADIOKIT, PO Box 973, Pelham, NH 03076, tel 603-437-2722, for \$99 each, plus \$4 each for shipping via the United Parcel Service in the US. (Canadian and overseas orders are welcome; contact RADIOKIT for details.) The kit price includes a PC board, an unpainted Ten-Tec enclosure and all QRP Three-Bander components except crystals. The ARRL and QST in no way warrant this offer.

A PC-board template and parts overlay for the QRP Three-Bander are available for a business-size SASE from the Technical Department Secretary, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

²This technique, also known by the unfortunate pejorative term *ugly construction*, entails supporting circuit components—connected directly to each other by short leads—above a thin copper sheet (ground plane). Despite their appearance, circuits built in this way generally work better than their PC-board-built counterparts because air is a better dielectric than fiberglass or phenolic. Builders well-versed in ground-plane construction can generally build the ground-plane version of a given circuit faster than its circuit-board equivalent.

³R. Lewallen, "An Optimized QRP Transceiver," Feedback, QST, Nov 1980, p 53.

⁴R. Lewallen, "An Optimized QRP Transceiver," QST, Aug 1980, pp 14-19. I highly recommend this article to anyone who wants to build a 40-meter QRP transceiver.

⁵Most of the frequency variation provided by C22 and C28 occurs at the low-capacitance end of their capacitance spans. Thus, achieving the smallest possible minimum capacitance at C22 and C28 is especially important to builders who duplicate this project with ground-plane construction because of the generally lower stray capacitances this construction method affords. Less stray capacitance in the VXO circuit maximizes the VXO tuning capacitor's contribution to capacitance change in the circuit.

⁶Fig 70 on page 2-37 of the 1989 ARRL Handbook shows several aspects of toroid construction, including how to count toroid turns accurately, and how to wind a toroidal transformer (like T1, T2 and T3 in this project).—Ed.

⁷The inductances listed for L1 through L6 are measured values. If you attempt to verify these inductances by using well-known toroid-inductance formulas to work backward from the core and turns values given, you'll come up with different inductance values. This is so because simple formulas for calculating the inductance of toroids tend to overestimate the inductance. (Such formulas are easy to spot: They fail to take wire thickness into account, returning the same inductance whether you use wire so thick you can barely wind it, or hairlike wire that's nearly invisible!)

⁸These are important considerations in portable QRP operation because you've usually left the necessary retightening tools at home!

⁹Because the days when radio amateurs routinely tuned for replies over a significant portion of a band are long gone, accurately spotting your transmitter is important. Spotted on "the wrong side of zero beat," but at the same pitch as the incoming signal, your transmitter is twice that pitch away from the incoming signal—for example, 1.4 kHz away from an incoming signal tuned to produce a 700-Hz pitch.—Ed.

Is Amateur Radio Hazardous to our Health?

What really was said about cancer rates and Amateur Radio, and what we can do about it.

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When it was reported in an Associated Press release that there was an increased rate of death due to certain types of cancer in Amateur Radio operators, this information was rapidly picked up by the radio community. As a physician who specializes in cancer surgery, I received many calls from amateur and non-amateur friends to find out more about what was going on and what I thought about it. As in many reports on medical topics in the lay literature and on television, there frequently is a difference between what is reported and what actually was said in medical articles, and this and other recent reports are no different.

After much time and consideration, several important concepts became apparent to me, and I hope that by making this report in *QST*, it will help us all to better understand what really was said, and what is known about the reported association of leukemias and other blood cancers with Amateur Radio. This article does not purport to completely cover all the important articles and research studies which have ever been written on the effects of electromagnetic radiation on human biology, but is instead, an effort to review that literature which might be useful to Amateur Radio operators interested in responding to the questions that have been asked.

Biologic Background

Radio-frequency waves are a form of electromagnetic waves, and in the frequencies of concern to Amateur Radio operators, these represent a form of nonionizing radiation. The terms ionizing and nonionizing radiation are frequently confused, and it is helpful to clarify what I mean by these terms early in our discussion.

Ionization occurs when there is enough energy in the radiation to displace an electron from an atom. Radiation that produces this effect has a very short wavelength, a high frequency and high energy level, and is typically that described as X-rays and gamma rays. Nonionizing radiation is otherwise known as infrared and radio-frequency waves, which are at a lower energy level, and have lower frequencies and longer wavelengths than ionizing radiation. Ionizing radiation is dangerous to living organisms in that it affects cellular elements such as DNA in the cell nucleus,

leading to genetic damage in the individual cell, and mutations in future generations of cells. Although the energy level of nonionizing radiation is lower and thus may not affect large molecules or generate measurable amounts of heat in the same manner as ionizing radiation, there is substantial evidence that nonionizing radiation has subtle effects at a more basic cellular level, including effects on hormones, enzymes and the cooperative mechanisms involved in maintaining the integrity of intracellular systems.¹

Experiments regarding the effects on human tissue of nonionizing electromagnetic fields have been conducted for many years.² The findings of these studies indicate that a modulated electromagnetic field, that is, one in which the energy is cycled on and off or is varied by intensity or frequency, has a greater inhibitory effect on the ability of cells in the body to communicate with each other than does a field in which the current remains at a steady and unmodulated strength.

Studies indicate that even in a weak electromagnetic field there is a modification of calcium binding at the cell membrane, as well as an alteration of a variety of calcium dependent enzyme systems which work between cells.³ Experiments have noted that the effect on calcium flow in and out of cells is frequency dependent, and that curves can be drawn demonstrating these "frequency windows." Specifically, the combination of a very high or ultra high frequency carrier (147 or 450 MHz) modulated at specific extremely low frequencies (16, 40 or 60 Hz) has been studied and appears to be of biologic significance.⁴

Other studies have looked at the effects of electromagnetic energy on cells that have specific immune functions. An important type of white blood cell called a T-lymphocyte is involved in the recognition and destruction of foreign and malignant cells. There is evidence that the normal functioning of these cells is significantly reduced by electric fields that simulate 60-Hz high voltage power line fields and by weak microwave fields that are amplitude modulated at 60 Hz.^{5,6} The mechanism of this process is not clear, but may also be related to interactions at the level of the cell membrane.

More rapidly dividing cells, such as those in the bone marrow or small intestine, are usually more sensitive to the effects of both

ionizing and nonionizing radiation than are those which divide more slowly. Thus, it is rapidly dividing cells that are more likely to demonstrate changes in response to exposure to these types of energy. However, cells which divide more slowly have less of an ability to repair any damage done to them by exposure over a long period of time. It is important to recognize that these effects are not necessarily dependent on damage to DNA or other cellular markers.

Evidence at this time seems to suggest that an appropriate interpretation of this data is not that nonionizing energy necessarily causes cancer, but that it may act instead to promote the efficacy of other agents in doing so.

Previous Studies

In 1979, initial questions were raised regarding a positive relationship between high current electrical configurations in homes and the incidence of cancer deaths in children living in the Denver area.⁷ Later, similar findings were noted for adults living near high current 60-Hz wiring as well.⁸ Because of criticisms relating to the methodologies and assumptions used in these studies, other investigators looked at these same issues again, and came to similar conclusions.^{9,10}

It had been reported as early as 1982 that there appeared to be an increased death rate due to leukemia in people who were exposed to magnetic and electric fields in the course of their work.^{11,12} Additional articles appeared in 1983^{13,14} and 1985¹⁵⁻¹⁸ which also suggested that electrical workers in general were at an increased risk of leukemia and that electromagnetic fields might be a cause of this form of cancer. A time/effect relationship has also been suggested for certain forms of brain tumors and occupational exposure to microwave and radio-frequency electromagnetic radiation,^{19,20} where the risk was 10 times as great in those workers who had industrial exposure to soldering fumes, solvents and a variety of other chemicals. Other reports have reviewed the possible relationship between spontaneous abortion rates and the use of electric blankets,²¹ video display terminals,²² and ceiling cable electric heat.²³ Cataract formation and damage to the retina has also been reported in humans exposed to high intensity electromagnetic fields and microwaves.²⁴

Dr Milham's Study

The recent report which stirred up the most

¹Notes appear on page 33.

concern because it made particular reference to Amateur Radio operators, appeared in the January 1988 issue of the *American Journal of Epidemiology*, a respected and prestigious medical publication.²⁵

In 1982, Samuel Milham, Jr, MD, MPH, who works in the Epidemiology section of the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, reported that a study of workers whose stated occupation on death certificate records suggested an exposure to electrical or magnetic fields had a higher rate due to leukemia.²⁶ In 1985, at the suggestion of an Amateur Radio operator (W2EVE), he looked at all the "Silent Keys" listings that appeared in *QST* and studied the cause of death of amateurs who died between the years 1971 and 1983 and who lived in Washington State and California at the time of their death.²⁷

To simplify things slightly, only males were studied as there were very few women among these deaths. A total of 1691 death certificates were identified with these Silent Keys.

Using a standard statistical analytic technique called proportionate mortality ratio (PMR), and an analysis of all US deaths as a comparison group, 12.6 of the 1691 amateurs should have died from leukemia. Instead, 24 deaths were observed with a statistical significance of $p < 0.01$, meaning that there was less than a 1 in 100 chance that this was a random occurrence.

In the largest study reported,²⁸ Milham has expanded on his original work. He first identified all licensed amateurs with addresses in California and Washington State. This was followed by a computerized and manual review of all deaths of persons whose complete names and date of births corresponded to the list of known amateurs for the period January 1, 1979 to June 16, 1984.

A total of 67,829 amateurs were identified and 2485 deaths were studied. Eighty-four percent (2083 of 2485) deaths occurred in California, so this study was weighted heavily towards the California experience. After making certain statistical adjustments, the overall death rate for amateurs was no different than it was for the population of both states at large. Likewise, the overall death rate for all forms of cancer among amateurs was not significantly different from the larger population.

However, within this cancer death rate, there was a definite disproportion of deaths due to cancers of "other" lymphatic tissues, such as multiple myeloma and non-Hodgkin's lymphomas. The death rate for all leukemias was only slightly, but not statistically significantly, increased. Among those leukemias, however, one form particularly (acute myelogenous leukemia) was significantly increased. It was concluded that the increased number of only these highly specific forms of blood disorders, and not others, suggests that a biologic cause and effect is present.

It was not possible to make a direct analysis of any occupational link with these excess deaths due to the fact that this information was readily available only for Washington State deaths. It should be noted that of these 402 deaths, 31 percent of the amateurs appar-

ently worked in or about electromagnetic fields as technicians, radio operators or television repairmen. Of all deaths in Washington State during this time, only 3 percent of the population worked at these occupations.

In addition, among Washington State amateurs, 5 of the 11 deaths due to leukemias, lymphomas or multiple myeloma, were in people who had such occupational electromagnetic exposures. It was pointed out that workers in these occupations also were exposed to other possible hazards, such as fumes from solder and toxic chemicals such as the polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and asbestos, any of which in themselves might conceivably cause cancer as well.

No other cause of death was noted to be higher than normal in the amateur population, and in fact, several important and common causes of death were less than what would be expected from the population as a whole. Deaths due to cancer of the pancreas and the lung, as well as all deaths due to respiratory diseases (pneumonia, asthma, emphysema), circulatory diseases (those of the heart and blood vessels) and accidents were less in amateurs as a group than in the overall population. It was even suggested that there are fewer cigarette smokers among members of the American Radio Relay League than in the general US population as a whole.

Milham concluded that Amateur Radio licensees in California and Washington State do have a higher death rate due to acute myelogenous leukemia, multiple myeloma and possibly other specific types of lymphoma. He felt that exposure to magnetic or electrical fields either as a consequence of work or hobby should be considered among the cause of these rates.

Comments on these Studies

It is important to recognize that studies based upon death certificate data alone are always subject to certain limitations. Data inaccuracies, from input as well as in coding, are not uncommon, and when one is measuring the incidence of small or rare occurrences, this may cause an inadvertent diminution or magnification of the determination of these occurrences. None of the studies discussed here look at an actual measurement of the electromagnetic or toxic chemical exposure that any of the deceased individuals may have had. The issue of what is called "confounding factors" such as the interaction of the effect of toxic chemicals and electromagnetic fields of different levels of energy is certainly unknown. As a result, statisticians may frequently differ on the interpretation of identical data.

On the basis of these research papers, however, it is now apparent that the data derived so far must be considered significant enough to support further research into both the epidemiology of and the biologic mechanisms involved in these effects. Some of that research is presently being done both in the United States and abroad and new articles are being published in the scientific literature frequently.

Exposure Standards

The question of exposure standards also deserves comment. In 1982, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), a private, commercially sponsored organization, published a list of standards based upon the thermal effects of electromagnetic fields upon tissue.²⁹ There is much controversy regarding the validity of measuring this type of effect on biologic tissues as there is clear evidence that adverse tissue effects can occur without a detectable rise in temperature.³⁰ It should be noted that Australia, Sweden and the Eastern bloc countries as well as localities in the states of Oregon and Massachusetts have issued standards which recommend significantly lower exposure levels. Another voluntary standard has been proposed by the National Council for Radiation Protection and Measurement (NCRP), which is notably more stringent than the current ANSI standards.³¹ ANSI is presently in the process of revising their standards.

It is interesting to note that the US Environmental Protection Agency has recently decided to defer the issuance of standards for exposure to electromagnetic fields under its RF Radiation Guidance Program for budgetary restrictions and other priorities. Despite the requests of the Federal Communication Commission, the National Association of Broadcasters, the Electromagnetic Energy Policy Alliance (of which the ARRL is a senior associate member) and other national organizations to complete this important work, the EPA has decided to put aside many years of effort on these guidelines and to focus its attention on other matters which it considers to be of greater public concern.

Hand-Held Radios

An article published recently studied the specific absorption rates in models of the human head exposed to hand-held radios operating in the 800-MHz band, which is where most cellular telephones are used.³² The authors studied the RF energy absorbed by simulated tissues in the head (eye, brain, muscle, fat and bone) while holding the transmitter in vertical and tilted positions about the head. Also, a 1/2-wavelength antenna operated at 1.0 W power output was compared to a 5/8-wavelength antenna operated at 1.0 and 1.8 W. This study indicated the presence of a "hot spot" in the eye while using a 1/2-wavelength antenna, and one in the frontal portion of the brain while using a 5/8-wavelength antenna.

The authors concluded that if the transmitter is operated in a vertical position and is held at a distance of about 2 inches (5 cm) from the face during normal use, the specific absorption rates would not be significant enough to warrant concern, at least with reference to the present ANSI standards. These current ANSI standards essentially consider any device generating less than 7 watts output to be safe, an assumption with which almost all experts currently would not agree. Other studies using hand-helds operating at lower frequencies and different power outputs are being conducted and evaluated with refer-

ence to more stringent standards.

What Does This Mean?

What does all this really mean for us as amateurs? We all know that there are intrinsic risks in all activities that we do every day. How many of us still smoke, or are overweight or do not bother to fasten our seat belts in our cars? Knowing about risks only sometimes causes us to change our ways. As Amateur Radio operators we certainly do not have any hesitations about discussing and protecting ourselves from the dangers of high voltage circuitry. Nor do we shy away from trying to prevent the risk of accidental falls from roofs or antenna towers.

Likewise, we should recognize a relatively newly identified environmental hazard which may be significant to those of us even without occupational exposure to electromagnetic fields or toxic substances. No one is absolutely certain about what may be causing this increased proportion of special cancers. Therefore, prudence dictates that Amateur Radio operators should take those simple measures which decrease the possibility of our personal exposure to electromagnetic fields or toxics that we may contact as a consequence of our interest in Amateur Radio. Articles have been published in *QST* and other Amateur Radio publications regarding some precautions in the past.³³⁻³⁷ This current list includes some recommendations which are new, particularly in view of recent information.

Preventive Measures

- 1) Do not stand or sit close to your power supplies or linear amplifiers while operating, even when they are in stand-by mode.
- 2) Stay at least 24 inches away from any power transformer, electrical fans or other source of high level 60-Hz magnetic fields while in operation.
- 3) Do not tune up or operate a high powered linear amplifier while the shields or covers are off.
- 4) Run your transmission lines away from where you or other people sit in or near your shack.
- 5) Properly terminated coaxial transmission feed lines should be used in preference to open-wire or end-fed antenna installations which come directly into the transmitter, as the RF radiated from a coaxial feed line is much lower.
- 6) Use common sense about placing all antennas well away from yourself and others, especially for VHF, UHF and particularly microwave applications. No one should be in the near field of an antenna.³⁸
- 7) No person should be near any transmitting antenna while it is operating. This is especially true for all mobile or ground mounted vertical antennas. The use of indoor transmitting antennas which are close to people in a house or apartment should be reconsidered.
- 8) Use the minimal power needed to make a QSO, especially if the antenna is less than 35 feet above the ground.
- 9) Hand-held radios should be used on the lowest power setting needed to carry out communications.

10) Hand-helds should be kept as far from the head as possible when operating. The use of a separate microphone or similar device is recommended.

11) Transmissions using a hand-held radio should be kept as short as possible.

12) Power density measurements should be made before running more than 25 watts in a VHF mobile installation, particularly if the antenna is rear-deck mounted and passengers may ride in the back seat. The safest mobile antenna location is in the center of the metal roof.

13) The development of an accurate inexpensive power-density meter would be of major benefit to the Amateur Radio community so that RF power-density measurements could be taken in all radio installations. Because of the current high cost of such devices, groups of amateurs or clubs may wish to purchase one and share in its use.³⁹

14) Soldering should only be done in a well ventilated area. A small fan should be used to blow away toxic fumes.

15) When using toxic chemicals, such as when etching PC boards or repairing fiberglass, wear gloves and goggles, use proper tools, and avoid contact with any of the chemicals. If accidentally contaminated, wash off the compounds immediately with copious quantities of water.⁴⁰ Again, the importance of always working in a well ventilated area with personal protective covering cannot be overemphasized.

16) Hazardous chemicals, such as those in the PCB class, are used in some capacitors and dummy loads. Use extreme care in handling these materials, and consult with the appropriate local authorities to determine the proper means of disposing of these chemicals in an environmentally responsible way.

Some Observations

To my knowledge, no other established guidelines are available to prevent potentially harmful exposure. Therefore until such time as a clearer picture emerges, we should follow these simple common sense precautions.

There is no question that additional information is needed and will ultimately be forthcoming on this important issue. This data will certainly be difficult to interpret, and confusing to many of us, both in the amateur and nonamateur community. We must therefore be prepared to work together to arrive at reasonable conclusions and appropriate actions.⁴¹

In preparing this paper, I personally communicated with several of these experts in the field whose works are referenced below. All of these experts, including Dr Milham, agreed that none of them would have any hesitation regarding their own personal use of currently available Amateur Radio equipment, provided that it was properly installed and operated, and that the recommended precautions were followed.⁴² Unanimously, they all feel that no one should stop operating because of concern for the possible risk of illness, as these risks appear to be so relatively low.

Am I worried? Absolutely not. With common sense and safe operating practices, I look forward to many more years of enjoyment

and satisfaction as an Amateur Radio operator.

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Heath SB-1400 MF/HF Transceiver

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The SB-1400 MF/HF transceiver is, in a way, a departure from Heath's traditional Amateur Radio offerings—at least in their MF/HF transceiver line. Although most of Heath's previous ham-radio equipment was designed by Heath®, the '1400 is custom manufactured for Heath by Yaesu, after Yaesu's popular entry-level FT-747GX transceiver. In addition to the SB-1000 linear amplifier and VHF/UHF transceivers that are made for Heath by other companies, we can expect more products of this type from Heath in the future—including, perhaps, a high-performance shortwave receiver.

First Impressions

The SB-1400 arrived at ARRL HQ in two boxes. One box contained a 100%-duty-cycle power supply. It's nearly as large as the rig, and it weighs a lot more. That struck me as kind of funny—a massive, super-duty power supply doesn't seem to go with a lightweight, compact transceiver. A smaller, lighter-duty power supply is not offered with the '1400. You certainly don't need to worry about power-supply failure, though!

Setting up the SB-1400 and its supply is a snap. After connecting the power supply to the rig via its 4-pin connector and plugging the supply into a power strip, there's not much left to do, other than connecting a suitable antenna. Microphone and headphone connectors are located on the front panel. The power supply has a built-in speaker. The '1400 is obviously designed for ease of use. This isn't surprising: According to Heath, a lot of effort went into the layout of the front and back panels. It shows.

After quickly reading the SB-1400's operation manual, I turned on the supply and the radio (in that order, as suggested in the manual). Everything worked fine.

Operating Impressions

Because the SB-1400 is a close cousin of the Yaesu FT-747GX, you can get a detailed description of most of the SB-1400's features from Dave Newkirk's August 1989 *QST* review of the FT-747GX.¹ In addition to having a different front-panel layout than the FT-747GX, the SB-1400 allows selection of AGC-decay time, independently of mode, via a front-panel switch. (The FT-747GX's AGC-decay times are unalter-

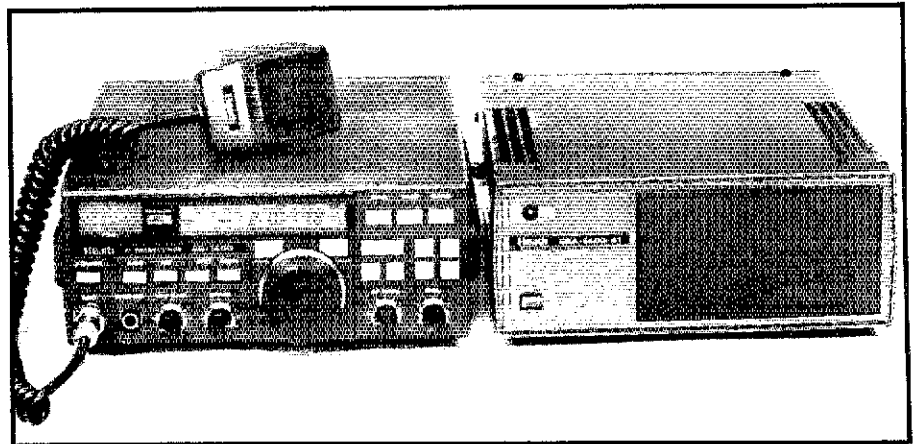


Table 1
SB-1400 Tuning-Step Size v Mode

Mode	FAST on	FAST off
SSB/CW	2.5 kHz	25 Hz
AM	1 kHz	100 Hz
FM†	12.5 kHz	5 kHz
FM††	10 kHz	5 kHz

†with optional FM board (not tested).

††with optional FM board, and selected by the control sequence described in the SB-1400 operating manual.

ably related to mode, with one exception: An internal switch allows selection of fast or slow AGC decay for CW reception.) The SB-1400's display is slightly different than the '747's, and somewhat different tuning-speed selections are available in the AM and FM modes.²

Overall, I am pleased with the performance of the '1400. It packs a lot of versatility into a very compact enclosure. My first contact with the rig was with a ham on Pitcairn Island (VR6) on 10 meters. As soon as I heard her calling CQ, I started frantically trying to extricate the microphone from its plastic bag. I quickly set the mike gain to an appropriately low level, and was surprised when she came back to my 10- or 20-W signal. That contact turned out to be a good omen: It was the first of my many DX and stateside QSOs with the '1400.

The SB-1400 doesn't have provisions for

metering automatic level control (ALC) voltage or SWR, and its RF-output meter only indicates *relative* output. Because there's no ALC metering, tuning up the rig on SSB involves setting the mike gain so the meter needle deflects only to a certain point—akin to many rigs of early-'70s vintage. This method of tuning up on SSB is potentially less accurate than using an ALC indicator. There is no built-in speech processor; maybe that's why the '1400 received such good audio-quality reports from many of the stations I worked!

The SB-1400's noise blanker doesn't work well on power-line noise, and it works only marginally well on automotive ignition noise. The rig's tuning rates (see Table 1) also took some getting used to. The fast rate is *really* fast. You can zip right out of the ham band before you know it! The fast rate is great for quickly jumping to another part of the band, but it's not appropriate for tuning a subband. The slow rate, used for most tuning, I found to be too slow. A spinner post or finger hole in the knob would be a welcome addition; in the absence of one, I turned the tuning knob by thumbing the knob rim.

Like the FT-747GX, the review SB-1400 exhibits considerable high-end audio rolloff on receive. The overall SSB receive bandwidth of the unmodified SB-1400 was just 1100 Hz at -6 dB—with a 2.5-kHz-wide IF filter in line! Likewise, the SB-1400's AM-receive audio is muddy. Fortunately, the receive-audio "demuddification" fix described in the August FT-747GX review also works for the SB-1400: Removing a capacitor from the SB-1400's audio-amplifier circuit moved the rig's high-end,

¹D. Newkirk, "Yaesu FT-747GX MF/HF Transceiver," Product Review, *QST*, Aug 1989, pp 33-36, 52.

²To see the differences, compare Table 1 in this article to Table 1 in August's FT-747GX review.

Table 2**Heath SB-1400 Transceiver, Serial No. 8K020058***Manufacturer's Claimed Specifications*

Frequency coverage: Receiver, 100 kHz to 29.9999 MHz; transmitter, 1.5-1.9999, 3.5-3.9999, 7.0-7.4999, 10.0-10.4999, 14.0-14.4999, 18.0-18.4999, 21.0-21.4999, 24.5-24.9999, 28.0-29.9999 MHz.

Modes of operation: LSB, USB, CW, AM, FM†

Frequency display: Not specified.

Frequency resolution: Not specified.

Power requirement: 13.5 V dc \pm 10%, 19 A max at 100 W output.

Transmitter

Transmitter output power: SSB, CW, and FM†; 100 W PEP/DC; AM: 25 W, carrier.

Spurious signal and harmonic suppression: Harmonic, better than 50 dB; non-harmonic, better than 40 dB.

Third-order intermodulation-distortion products: Better than -25 dB at 100 W PEP output.

CW-keying waveform: Not specified.

Transmit-receive turnaround time (PTT release to 90% audio output with an S9 signal): Not specified.

Receiver

Receiver sensitivity:

SSB and CW: (CW bandwidth not specified) for a 10-dB (S+N)/N ratio, 0.5 μ V from 0.5-1.5 MHz (0.1-0.5 MHz not specified) and 0.25 μ V above 1.5 MHz.

AM: (bandwidth not specified) for a 10-dB (S+N)/N ratio, 2 μ V from 0.5-1.5 MHz (0.1-0.5 MHz not specified) and 1.0 μ V above 1.5 MHz.

FM†: 0.7 μ V for 12 dB SINAD above 28 MHz

Receiver dynamic range: Not specified.

S-meter sensitivity (μ V for S-9 reading): Not specified.

Squelch sensitivity: SSB/CW/AM: 4.0 μ V from 0.5-1.5 MHz, 2.0 μ V above 1.5 MHz; FM†: 0.32 μ V.

Receiver audio output; more than 2.5 W at 10% total harmonic distortion (THD) into an 8- Ω load.

Color: Gray.

Size (height, width, depth): 3-11/16 x 9-3/8 x 9-3/8 inches.

Weight: 7.25 lb.

†Requires installation of optional FM board.

††Blocking dynamic range and third-order IMD dynamic range measurements were made at the ARRL Lab standard signal spacing of 20 kHz.

Measured in the ARRL Lab

Receiver, 100 kHz to 29.999975 MHz; transmitter as specified, plus an additional 75 Hz at the upper end of each range.

As specified.

6-digit, green-backlit LCD.

Display, 100 Hz. Actual tuning resolution varies with mode and tuning speed as shown in Table 1. At 13.5 V dc and 14.1 MHz, 17 A for 111 W output and 1.08 A during receive at full audio output.

Transmitter Dynamic Testing

CW, 106 to 111 W PEP, depending on band; SSB, 110 to 115 W PEP, depending on band, AM, as specified; FM not tested.

See Fig 1.

See Fig 2.

See Fig 3.

17 ms.

Receiver Dynamic Testing

Minimum discernible signal (noise floor) with "CW narrow" filter: 1.0 MHz, -135.5 dBm; 3.5 MHz, -135.5 dBm; 14 MHz, -136.0 dBm.

"AM wide" filter, with test signal 30% modulated with a 1-kHz tone: 1.0 MHz, -119.5 dBm (0.24 μ V); 3.8 MHz, -119.0 dBm (0.26 μ V); 14 MHz, -121.5 dBm (0.19 μ V).

Not tested.

Blocking dynamic range††: 3.5 MHz, 112.5 dB; 14 MHz, 112.5 dB.

Two-tone, third-order intermodulation distortion dynamic range††: 3.5 MHz, noise limited at 91.0 dB; 14 MHz, noise limited at 92.0 dB.

Third-order input intercept: 3.5 MHz, +1 dBm (based on the noise-limited 3.5-MHz, 3rd-order-IMD dynamic-range measurement above); 14 MHz, +2 dBm (based on the noise-limited 14 MHz, 3rd-order-IMD dynamic-range measurement above).

30 μ V at 1 MHz, 30 μ V at 14.2 MHz, 39 μ V at 29 MHz.

At 14.2 MHz: Min, 2.1 μ V; max, 2800 μ V; FM not tested.

2.15 W into 8 Ω at 10% THD

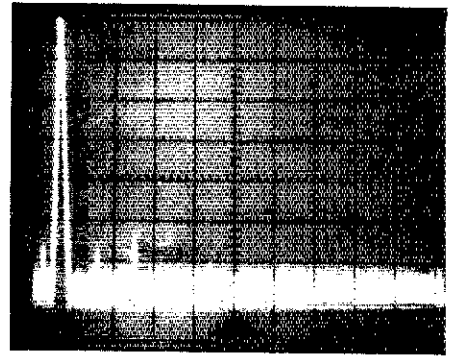


Fig 1—Worst-case spectral display of the Heath SB-1400. Horizontal divisions are each 2 MHz; vertical divisions are each 10 dB. Output power is approximately 105 W at 1.8 MHz. All harmonics and spurious emissions are at least 53 dB below peak fundamental output. The SB-1400 complies with current FCC specifications for spectral purity.

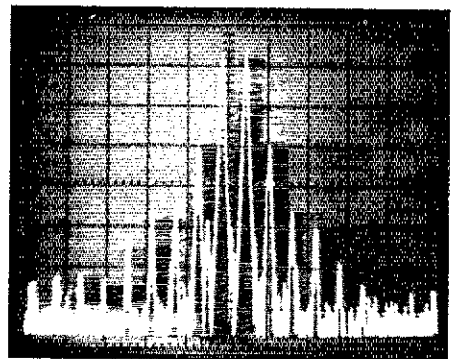


Fig 2—Spectral display of the Heath SB-1400 during two-tone intermodulation distortion (IMD) testing. Third-order products are approximately 30 dB below PEP output, and fifth-order products are approximately 44 dB down. Vertical divisions are each 10 dB; horizontal divisions are each 2 kHz. The transceiver was being operated at 110 W PEP output on 14.2 MHz.

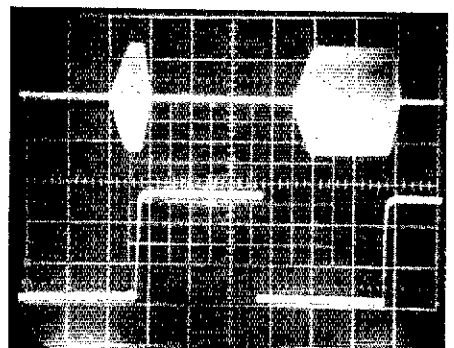


Fig 3—CW-keying waveforms for the Heath SB-1400 in the semi-break-in mode. The upper trace is the RF envelope; the lower trace is the actual key closure. Each horizontal division is 10 ms. Note that the first transmitted dot (immediately after key closure) is shortened to less than half of normal length.

6-dB rolloff point to between 2000 and 2100 Hz. Result: Crisp, communications-quality audio.

Fortunately, Heath has acted quickly to help SB-1400 owners make this fix to their rigs. If you're an SB-1400 user, contact Heath and request a copy of the *Bandwidth Modification for the Heath HF Transceiver Model SB-1400*. This five-page document clearly shows the steps you'll need to take to remove the problem capacitor from the audio-amplifier circuit. In typical Heath-documentation style, this bulletin takes you through the modification step by step, starting with a list of tools you'll need, and has several excellent diagrams showing how to undertake the modification. Heath has also promised to include this document—complete with a piece of desoldering braid—with all the SB-1400s that are currently in stock. After current stock is depleted, new SB-1400s will come from Heath without the culprit capacitor.

Here are some of the things I *like* about the SB-1400: It's physically small, so it doesn't take up too much space on my operating table; it's *extremely* easy to use (perfect for first-time transceiver users); it has dual VFOs, easy-to-use programmable memories, general-coverage receiver, computer-interface capability, and more; solid receiver performance; a built-in CW filter; and—importantly—a very reasonable price tag.

Once I got used to the radio's quirks, I had a blast with the SB-1400. I worked lots of DX, especially on 80 and 40 meters. And, the rig never gave me a bit of trouble.

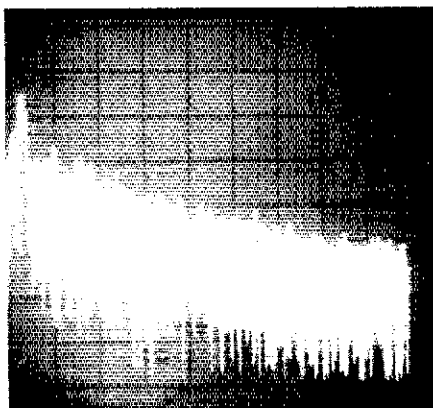
The SB-1400 should appeal to those who need a capable-yet-portable transceiver. You can easily pick up the '1400 with one hand; it's about the same as picking up a large hardcover book. Shuttling the rig between the car and the shack should pose no problems.

SB.COM: Computer-Control Software for the SB-1400

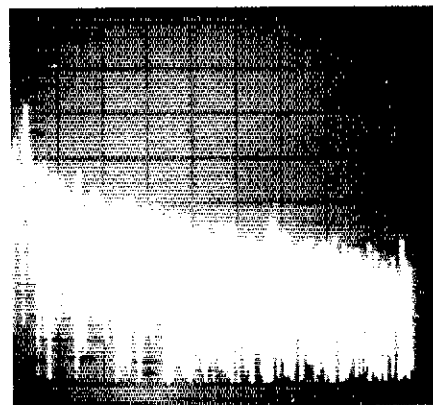
Heath has introduced software for IBM® PC and compatible computers that allows control of most of the SB-1400's functions.³ The software also supports Heath's HV-2000 Voice Card (see Product Review, Dec 1987 *QST*), works with the Yaesu FT-747GX transceiver, and can be made memory-resident, allowing you to run another application—such as a packet-radio terminal program or logging program—at the same time, popping up SB.COM whenever you like.

The software is supplied on a 360-kbyte, 5¼-inch floppy disk that contains several files: the program itself, a documentation file and printing utility, and a program called DRAWME.COM, which writes a

³Excluded are AF gain, squelch, drive and mike gain.



(A)



(B)

Fig 4—Spectral display of the SB-1400 transmitter output during composite-noise testing. Power output is 110 W at 3.5 MHz (A) and 110 W at 14 MHz (B). Each vertical division is 10 dB; each horizontal division is 2 kHz. The scale on the spectrum analyzer on which these photos were taken is calibrated so that the log reference level (the top horizontal line on the scale in the photos) represents -60 dBc/Hz and the baseline is -140 dBc/Hz. Composite-noise levels between -60 and -140 dBc/Hz may be read directly from the photographs. The carrier, which would be off the left edge of the photographs, is not shown. These photographs show noise at frequencies 2 to 20 kHz offset from the carrier.

schematic of a suitable radio-to-computer interface circuit on the screen. The review software was also supplied with an optional hardware interface that I installed inside the SB-1400 in about five minutes. The software is available by itself, or bundled with the interface board and a serial cable for the PC-to-radio connection.

The Screen

The upper part of SB.COM's screen display shows the date and time, current frequency, operating mode, filter bandwidth and selected VFO or memory channel. This segment of the display closely resembles the SB-1400's readout—but is larger. The program's large frequency-display numerals are

easy to see. The bottom two-thirds of the screen shows the frequencies and modes stored in the SB-1400's 20 memory channels. Receive and transmit frequencies are displayed for split-frequency operation, and each memory can be labeled with a description of its contents. This is quite useful for keeping track of shortwave-broadcast stations or utility frequencies. The extreme bottom of the screen displays the function keys and their associated functions.

General Operating Information

The software features two basic operating modes—one for changing frequencies, VFOs and memory selection, the other for changing modes and filter bandwidths. There are two ways to change frequency: via the arrow keys, to manipulate the screen's frequency display digit by digit; and by using the numeric keypad to enter a desired frequency.


In sum, I found the software to be quite functional and fun to use. Some of the program's control sequences seem somewhat clumsy, such as its two methods of changing operating frequencies. Part of the problem may be that I'm so used to speedily rotating knobs and pushing buttons on the rig itself that, when I use the computer interface, something as simple as fine-tuning a station requires more effort than simply turning the radio's tuning knob. This feeling would likely go away after a period of using *only* the interface software to control the rig.

I found the software useful for manipulating the SB-1400's memory channels. It's a snap to switch among different memory-channel banks, because the program allows you to store the information on disk and retrieve it later. The program effectively expands the SB-1400's memory-channel capability to several hundred or more—the maximum number is limited only by disk space! If you're interested in taking advantage of the SB-1400's computer-interface capability, the software package's \$40 price (without the serial cable and hardware interface) seems reasonable for the utility it provides.

Summary

If you're in the market for an inexpensive, competent rig that's lightweight and compact, the SB-1400 is an excellent choice. Heath's nationwide network of retail outlets—and their reputation for service—should bring them long-term success with equipment such as the SB-1400.

Thanks to Dave Newkirk, AK7M, for contributing to this review.

Price class: SB-1400 with SBA-1400-4 heavy-duty power supply, \$900 (when ordered as a package from Heath as model SBS-1400-1); SBA-1400-7 software package, \$40; SBA-1400-8 cable and interface package (available in mid-November), \$50. Manufacturer: Heath, Benton Harbor, MI 49022, tel 616-982-3200. 

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TOUGHER CDR TR-44 GEARS

□ This past winter, the pot-metal ring gear on my CDR TR-44 rotator broke. Luckily, I had a spare rotator ready to install. I called Telex-HyGain (402-465-7021) to obtain some parts for the damaged rotator. I learned that the ring gear installed in the HAM IV and older HAM-M rotator (part no. 51494-10) is made of steel and can be used as a replacement for the CDR TR-44 ring gear. I figured the steel gear should last longer than the original gear, so I ordered a couple of them and installed one in the damaged rotator. The original CDR TR-44 replacement gear costs \$4; the HAM IV/HAM-M steel gear costs \$12. I'm sure this steel gear is worth the \$8 cost differential.

Other steel replacement parts include the final gear pair (part no. 50107-00)—\$19.50 for the pair—and the gear and pinion (part no. 50111-00) that drives the final gear pair, \$21.70. The position-indicating potentiometer (part no. 51460-10) costs \$18.37, and a supply of grease (part no. 51497-10) is \$1.—*Richard W. Arthur, WB2KHH, 1378 Division St, Charlton, NY 12019*

BAUD RATE—UGH!

□ I've an amplifying comment to Bruce Hale's "Bauds v Bits Per Second." Since baud already signifies a rate of information exchange, the commonly used term "baud rate" really means the rate of a rate, or the rate at which the pulse rate is changing.

For any stable system, the "baud rate" must be zero! A system operating at 1200 bauds, with a "baud rate" of 300, implies that the system line pulse rate is varying cyclically between 900 and 1500 pulses per second (1200 ± 300)! "Baud rate" is a term used only by those who don't understand the meaning of the term *baud*. From here on, let's avoid the confusion by not using the term "baud rate."—*Ernest J. Moore, VE3CZZ, 37 Ashgrove Cres, Nepean, Ontario, K2G 0S1, Canada*

TWO BANDS, NO COIL SWITCHING

□ I enjoyed John Reh's article in April *QST*.² Being an engineer and mathematician, I wondered if the 12- and 30-meter antenna could be made to work without physically switching out the coil on 30 meters. (Reh's article suggests the use of a switch or relay to remove the loading coil from the antenna circuit.)

Consider the antenna circuit shown in

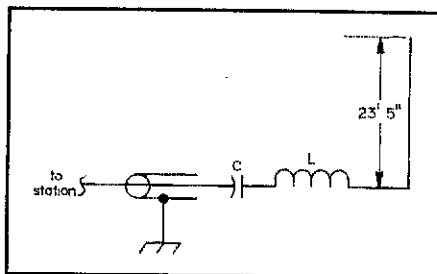


Fig 1—By adding a capacitor in series with the loading coil, no switch or relay is required to operate John Reh's 12- and 30-meter antenna on both bands. See text.

Fig 1, where a capacitor has been added in series with the loading coil. The idea is to have the capacitive reactance cancel the inductive reactance on 30 meters, but leave an inductive reactance of approximately 155 ohms in the circuit when operating 12 meters. An inductor value of 1.18 μH and a capacitance value of 209 pF will do the trick. Using Equations 1 and 2,

$$X_L = 2\pi fL \quad (\text{Eq 1})$$

$$X_C = 1 \div 2\pi fC \quad (\text{Eq 2})$$

you can calculate the inductive and capacitive reactances of these components at 12 and 30 meters. At 24.94 MHz (12 meters), the inductive reactance is 184.82 ohms and the capacitive reactance equals 30.53 ohms. This leaves a net inductive reactance of 154.29 ohms. At 10.125 MHz (30 meters), the inductive and capacitive reactances effectively cancel each other (75.3 and 75.2 ohms, respectively), and the series network looks like a short circuit at this frequency.

A similar approach can be used for the 17- and 40-meter bands (using the 32' 3" vertical radiator). For those bands, a 1.62-μH inductor and 301-pF capacitor are needed.—*Paul D. Carr, N4PC, 97 West Point Rd, Jacksonville, AL 36265*

□ Re John Reh's article² regarding the conversion of 1/4-λ 40- or 30-meter verticals to 5/8-λ antennas on 17 and 12 meters: I suggest that automatic two-band capability be considered when establishing antenna height and the loading coil inductance. I shortened my 40-meter vertical approximately 12 inches and found an inductance that gave me 40- and 17-meter band operation with an SWR of less than 1.4:1 across each band.

The inductor I use is made from B&W air-wound coil stock (no. 3033)³. This coil

is 3 inches in diameter, and has 3-1/8 turns of no. 12 wire wound at 6 turns per inch and provides an inductance of about 2.8 μH. I experimentally determined the correct tap position.—*James J. Johnson, W8EUI, 709 Dartmoor Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103*

THE MFJ-986 ON 17 METERS

□ When the 17-m band opened for our use, I eagerly anticipated being among the crowd on opening night! In fact, I'd recently purchased a new MFJ-986 Differential-T™ antenna tuner to allow me to operate on the new band. Imagine my chagrin when I couldn't get an SWR reading below 5:1 when trying to load my doublet antenna through the tuner!

For over three weeks, I tried everything I had learned—in over 30 years as a ham—to correct the problem. Because I was using tuned feeders, I tried lengthening and shortening them. I carefully remeasured my antenna; I removed it, replaced it with another—nothing worked. In desperation, I put up a 17-m dipole, fed it with 50-Ω coax, and still couldn't get less than a 5:1 SWR on 17 meters when using the tuner!

I suspected the problem was not in the antenna because I could dump 100 W from my transceiver directly into a dummy load, but when I tried to feed the dummy load through the tuner, there was that 5:1 SWR again! The mystery deepened when I tried using a small, 100-W T match on the various antennas. The T match loaded every antenna I tried it on, even with the limited inductance resolution afforded by its tapped inductor.

My next step was to look inside the MFJ-986. Everything appeared fine. All the connections were soldered properly—no "cold" joints—and all leads were as short as possible. Because the MFJ-986 uses a differential capacitor to replace the traditional input- and output-side variable capacitors in the T-match circuit, I reasoned that there must be a problem with ratios of capacitance to inductance. In the '986, there are three fixed, 330-pF, 3-kV capacitors across the variable capacitor, apparently to yield more capacitance on 160 meters. Tuning into the dummy load, I tried clipping these capacitors out of the circuit, one at a time, to see if the SWR decreased. Removing two of the capacitors failed to change the situation (except to make tuning on 160 meters impossible), but taking out all three capacitors did bring the SWR down to 2:1.

I felt I was on the right track, but I was ruining the "all-band" capability of the tuner. I reconnected the three capacitors, then tuning into the dummy load, tried to

¹B. Hale, "Bauds v Bits Per Second," Technical Correspondence, *QST*, May 1989, pp 50-51.

²J. Reh, "Simple 5/8-Wave Verticals for 12 and 17 Meters," *QST*, Apr 1989, pp 19-20. See also Feedback, *QST*, Aug 1989, p 41.

³Available from RADIOKIT, Box 973, Pelham, NH 03076, tel 603-437-2722.

find just where—in the vicinity of 18 MHz—I could find a match. To my surprise, a sharp dip occurred at 18.229 MHz, about 60 kHz above the upper band edge. Again, I clipped out the fixed capacitors, and found that the SWR dropped to less than 2:1 at 18.170 MHz, but climbed rapidly at any lower frequency.

At this point, I called in the big guns. I discussed the situation with Bill Fanckboner, W9INN (who has done some consulting work with MFJ on the tuner), and with the engineers at MFJ. There seemed to be no explanation for the phenomenon as all the tuners they checked operated normally at 17 meters.

Finally, Bill tried the same procedure I had, looking for resonance around the 18.1-MHz range. He found that several '986s in his shop displayed the same difficulty mine had, but just *outside* the band edges. After MFJ ran similar tests, Steve Pan, KF5C, of MFJ decided the problem was with the roller inductor in my unit. A new roller inductor was supplied immediately by MFJ, and the problem was solved!

The inductors used in the '986 tuners are not manufactured by MFJ. The company buys them from a contractor who builds them to MFJ's specifications. When I compared the two inductors I had, I initially could find absolutely no obvious differences between them. Both had the same number of wire turns of the same wire gage, on the cores of the same diameter. After careful inspection, however, I saw that the *spacing* or *pitch* of the wire turns at the low-inductance end of the coil was slightly different on each of the two inductors.

Because the wire is wound helically—not linearly—on the form, a minor shift in

pitch at the low-inductance end of the coil will throw off the inductance/capacitance ratio just enough to create a barrier to proper tuning. When this occurs outside our bands, there is no problem. But when it occurs inside the band, it can be frustrating.—*Drayton Cooper, N4LBJ, PO Box 5, Bowling Green, SC 29703.*

COAXIAL-CONNECTOR ALPHABET SOUP

□ N, C, TNC, BNC, SMA—have you ever been bewildered by the alphabet soup of letters used to identify your coaxial connectors? Well, there are some interesting stories behind those letters.

Until the 1930s, binding posts and parallel wires were used for feed lines. When the first RF coaxial cables were marketed, the UHF connectors (PL-259 and SO-239) were introduced for these new feed lines.

During WW II, the requirements for a better connector for radar use prompted two designs. The first was developed at Bell Labs by Paul Neill and identified as the type N connector. At the same time, another connector was devised by Carl Concelman. Named the type C connector, it was the first designed as a true 50-ohm connector. By *reactive cancellation*, the inductance in the connector is balanced out by the dielectric material used to fill the connector. Reactive cancellation allows the connector to have a low SWR well into the GHz region.

Later, Neill and Concelman collaborated on the design of a miniature bayonet locking connector. This was dubbed the Bayonet Neill-Concelman or BNC connector. Some time after that, an improved, threaded version for airborne use was developed and called the Threaded

Neill-Concelman or TNC connector. (Ever notice how easily a male N connector fits on a female BNC or TNC connector?)

For precision microwave use, a series of subminiature connectors were produced—A, B and C. Of these three, the A, or subminiature A (SMA), is the most popular.—*Kent Britain, WA5VJB, 1626 Vineyard, Grand Prairie, TX 75052*

[This information originally appeared in *QEX*, May 1985.—*Ed.*]

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Feedback

□ In "Sporadic-E Propagation at VHF," *QST*, April 1988, the formula in note 17 on p 39 should read:

$$d = 420 \sqrt{\left(\frac{533f}{f_m}\right)^2 - 1}$$

where

d = path distance in km

f = working frequency in MHz

f_m = maximum usable frequency in MHz

□ Dick Carey, W6GHD, has pointed out an error in "Power-FET Switches as RF Amplifiers," April 1989 *QST*. T2 in Fig 1 should be wound on an Amidon BN-43-302 balun core rather than the specified BN-43-3312, which is somewhat larger. Also, R1 mounts vertically on the PC board rather than flat, as shown in Fig 3.

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The Bardstown Experiment

A refreshing account of how the school system, the local club and a ham newspaper editor put Amateur Radio in the classroom—and surpassed their wildest expectations.

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The day 10-year-old Rusty Ballard passed his Novice exam and ran down the hallway of Bardstown Middle School shouting, "I'm a ham, I'm a ham," I knew the hard work had paid off.

The hard work had produced an impressive scorecard: 63 students between the ages of 10 and 13 and two teachers had obtained their Novice licenses. But they are more than merely licensed. They are active daily from a well-equipped classroom station. They are talking to the world on 10-meter SSB and loving it. More importantly, they are learning.

Can Amateur Radio hold any fascination for a generation that's computer literate, videowise and microwave open—jaded on compact disc before they enter kindergarten? I wondered—but the answer is yes.

They peppered me with endless questions: "How do I get a Ten-X number? When's the next hamfest? How do I make a dipole for 10 meters? What do I have to do to upgrade to General?"

I spent a whole day with the students about a month after they received their licenses. Their enthusiasm for Amateur Radio was mushrooming due to their access to the classroom station and the excellent propagation that put the world at their fingertips. Over half said they wanted to set up stations at home.

However, all had not always been so rosy. Many of the students had gone into the ham radio course with great fear of the unknown. For many of them, it was the most difficult classroom challenge they had ever faced.

"You really don't know what it's like until you make your first contact," said 13-year-old Judge Carothers, KC4IMW. His view was shared by many of the students. You can explain what Amateur Radio is all about and show videotapes back-to-back for months, but no one—particularly youngsters—can appreciate the allure of our hobby or the thrill of talking to exotic places, until they can actually see



Bardstown Middle School (KY) teacher, Chris Luvisi, KC4IDX (l), adjusts the volume on the rig, while operator Jackie Saltsman, KC4INS, and other Novices chuckle over one of their contact's comments. (photos Terry Boyd, The Kentucky Standard)

and operate an amateur station themselves.

"I didn't want to do it at first," said Rhonda Parrigin, KC4IMS, a 12-year-old sixth grader. "After you talk to somebody, it's fun. Now I want one of my own." I would soon learn that was an understatement. Rhonda became one of the most die-hard ham radio fanatics of the group.

"When we got the ham radio and we made our contacts, I got very interested," said 11-year-old Leslie Morgan, KC4IZW, a sixth grader.

Now, the students' everyday conversation is peppered with ham radio terms. Splatter, QRM, and DX are now part of their world.

"Learning ham radio is probably the most fun thing I've done in school," said 11-year-old Christy Hutcherson, KC4JAA.

Many of the students fondly recall their first QSO. "I was really nervous," said 13-year-old Beth Campbell, KC4INQ. "It was really an exciting experience." Twelve-

year-old Sarah Lawson, KC4IMG, worked a station in the Canary Islands for her first QSO. "He said he'd never visited Kentucky," Lawson recalled. "I told him it was really pretty here."

Amateur Radio was proving to be a valuable classroom experience, according to Chris Luvisi, KC4IDX, the students' teacher. "One of our goals in gifted education is to teach communication skills and expose kids to different cultures," he said. "I've taught for nine years, and I've never seen kids as excited as the day they passed their license exams. They were afraid at first. It was something they'd never done before... or even considered."

The Beginning

The Bardstown Experiment, as I call it, began in the spring of 1988. As editor of the local newspaper, middle school teacher Luvisi had asked me twice to guest lecture his students on journalism. Luvisi's stu-

dents are part of a program for exceptionally bright and inquisitive students. They had impressed me with the quality of their questions during my presentation.

After my second visit, I began to think this might be the perfect opportunity to test a long-held personal theory that Amateur Radio offered its own version of a living classroom textbook with its emphasis on physics, geography, social studies, languages and learning the discipline of on-air operating procedures. Plus, the hobby gives youngsters the opportunity to interact with adults on an equal basis—in my opinion, a valuable experience.

I asked Luvisi if I could return later to make a presentation on Amateur Radio to one of his classes. He said yes, later admitting he was agreeable at the time only to return the favor of my speaking to his classes.

Armed with a videocassette of "The New World of Amateur Radio," the presentation was made. The students were enthusiastic about Amateur Radio, but Luvisi was even more hooked because he immediately saw the benefits of ham radio as a teaching tool.

That summer Luvisi began studying for his Novice license. By fall he had designed a ham radio course for his fifth- through eighth-grade classes based on *Tune in the World with Ham Radio*. For eight weeks in the fall and early winter of 1988, 63 students and another teacher, Janet Strickland, Luvisi's assistant, studied ham radio daily for an hour.

It came time for Luvisi to take his Novice exam. Many of the students were wrestling with the Morse code and theory. Probably, some of them secretly hoped their teacher would fail his exam, so that he might decide it was really too difficult for the youngsters, too, and give up this "crazy" idea of making them all ham radio operators. No such luck—Luvisi passed his Novice exam with flying colors and became KC4IDX.

As the students continued to struggle with the code and theory over the next several weeks, I made several guest lecturer appearances. I answered questions galore. I emceed an Amateur Radio version of the old College Bowl TV quiz program. We practiced CW. We sweated.

For many of the students, this was the most difficult academic challenge they had ever faced. However, they could not back out. Luvisi knew his students well. He knew school was too easy for most of them. Seldom had they been challenged in the classroom. That's why the course was designed so they could not fail. It wasn't allowed. That's why this radio course was not optional, as it often has been at other schools. It was mandatory. To pass the Novice exam meant getting an A in the class. To fail meant getting an F.

After beginning the ham radio course, some of the students who found it rough



LaToya Keene, KC4IZM (center), is all smiles while making her first contact.

going wanted to drop out. Luvisi talked them into sticking with it, offering lots of encouragement along the way. Practice tests designed to be easily passed and build confidence were given before the one that counted. "Everybody succeeds," said Luvisi. "It just takes some longer than others."

Just before Christmas, Jim Brooks, N4SRT, president of the local Amateur Radio club, and I administered the Novice exams. Forty of the 63 students passed after the first round of testing. Other students were tested, tutored and retested until they passed. They were not allowed to fail.

The Present

After receiving their licenses and getting on the air, nearly all the students said they were glad they had stuck it out. The effort had been worthwhile, they admitted. At least a third of the students are head over heels about ham radio.

"I felt like nothing could be worth this much trouble, but it was," said fifth grader Gail Smith, KC4ISM.

One of her classmates, 10-year-old Edmund Sauer, KC4ISL, was among the most hooked. Within weeks of getting his license, Edmund had worked over 30 countries and had several DX QSL cards. He was maintaining schedules with hams in Europe and sounding like an old timer at the mike. Edmund's assessment of ham radio was simple: "I'm loving it!" he told me.

The students discovered that working DX had increased their awareness of geography. "It makes me want to visit those countries," said Steve McNear, KC4ING, a sixth grader.

"They flip through the *Callbook* and atlas the moment they hear someone," said

teacher Janet Strickland, KC4INU.

Several of the students made their first contacts the day I spent with them. Jackie Saltsman, KC4INS, a seventh grader, snagged Frank, KX1T, in New Hampshire for her first QSO. Then she worked Al, K1WQU, in Vermont for her second contact. Then a station from California called. Pretty soon Jackie had a pileup going on the frequency. She handled it like an old timer.

Then LaToya Keene, KC4IZM, another seventh grader, made her first contact.

Ann Barnes, KC4INH, an eighth grader, called CQ and attracted the attention of two stations in the seventh call area on her very first call. Anthony Green, KC4IOF, let out a CQ and snared Mitch, NH6JC, in Hawaii.

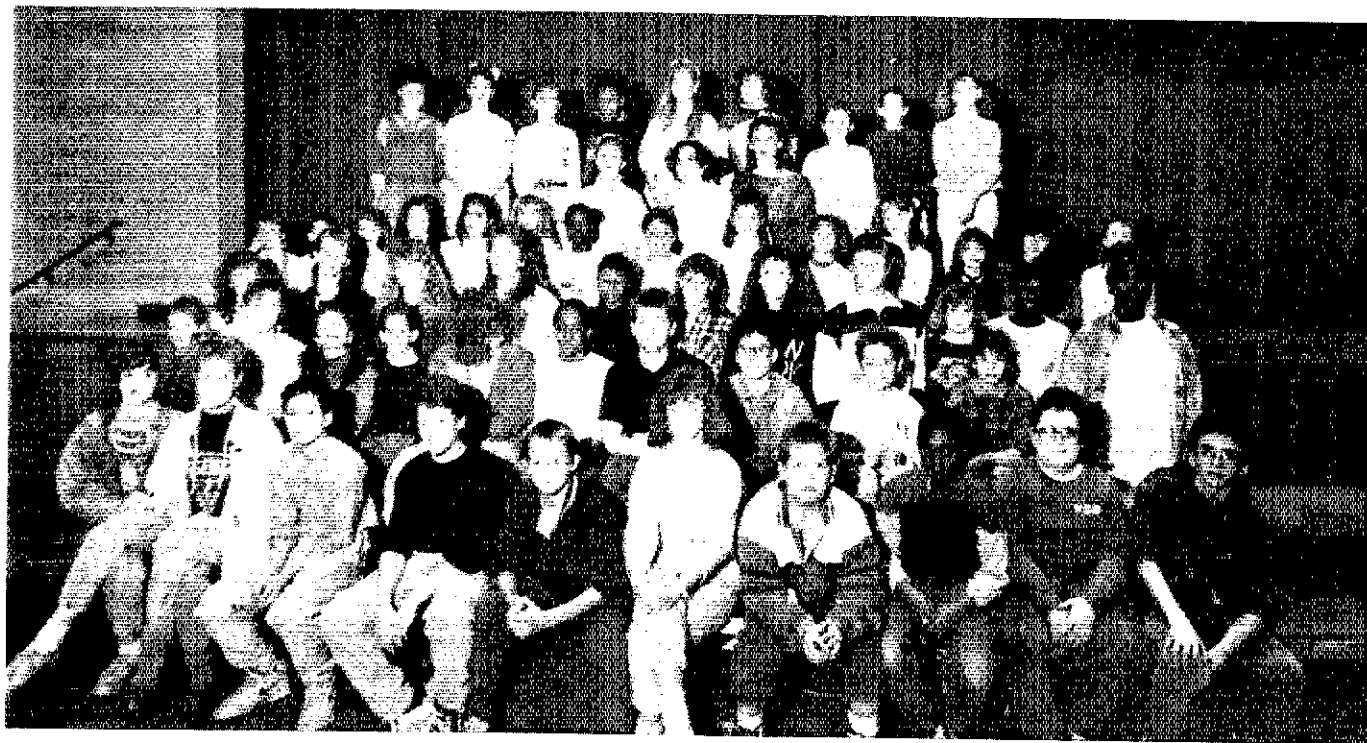
"Can I go now?" another student asked Luvisi, as the youngsters competed for rig time.

"Our biggest problem has been we have one radio between 63 students," Luvisi said. Many students began coming to school early, skipping lunch or staying after school to operate the rig.

Not only were youngsters learning geography firsthand, but solar flares provided a valuable hands-on lesson in physics, too. The flares knocked out all HF communications for several days, and the students learned what effects these disturbances can have.

The Station

By obtaining grant money from local sources, Luvisi purchased a 30-foot tower, coax, rotor, power supply and a triband beam. The antenna was mounted on the school roof at a height of 45 feet by the local ham club, the Kentucky Amateur Radio Society. A Radio Shack® HTX-100



The hams of tomorrow—today! Here are the Amateur Radio students of Bardstown Middle School. Sixty-three students between the ages of 10 and 13 and two teachers obtained their Novice licenses.

25-watt transceiver was purchased as a first rig. The students loved it because it wasn't intimidating to use.

Luvisi estimates he spent less than \$1500 on setting up the station. It was cheaper than one classroom computer. That made it easy to sell the concept to the school administration and superintendent.

Later, Kenwood USA generously donated a new TS-140S transceiver and power supply to the school. The HTX-100 and a 10-meter dipole became a loaner setup for students to take home for additional rig time.

Other schools began to take notice of the project's success and inquired about the program.

The students were well received on the air from other hams. Many contacts said they specifically enjoyed talking to a school. One was a ham in Botswana who said, "I couldn't resist. I called just because you were a school."

The Future

Interest in ham radio has been keen among students and teachers in the adjacent high school. Plans call for Luvisi to teach a ham radio course at Bardstown High School this fall. Plus, seventh and eighth graders will take an upgrade course to Technician/General. The local ham club is putting together a volunteer examiner team, so students can upgrade locally. The purchase of VHF/UHF gear is on the agenda, so students can get involved in satellite work.

Plans call for the installation of a 2-meter repeater on the school grounds. The

students are painting the tower with the school colors. The machine will belong to the local ham club.

Conclusions

Months after the project began, Chris Luvisi and I looked back and agreed the success had far exceeded our wildest expectations. We never dreamed all 63 students and both teachers in the gifted education program could get their licenses. We never thought the project would be so well received by the students, their parents and the community.

Many parents told me how much their children enjoyed learning about ham radio. The students were having fun, and the school and its administrators were supportive. What else could we ask for?

I asked the students which had been harder to learn—Morse code or the theory and regulations? Most said the code. Luvisi and I agreed that the seventh and eighth graders had the easiest time in learning the code. It was more difficult for the fifth-grade students. It seemed that the older middle school students had better developed study habits and longer attention spans, both vital in listening to a code cassette for 30 minutes nightly. Future teaching efforts may concentrate on the seventh and eighth grades, although individual fifth and sixth graders seemed to show the most enthusiasm for operating the classroom station.

Would the students have been interested in obtaining a codeless, VHF-only license, if one had been available, I asked? They said yes—until I explained it would have

excluded them from 10-meter DX. Then the answer was a resounding no.

For me, a mother's comment made while waiting to pick up her daughter summed up the story. School was over for the day and 12-year-old Rhonda Parrigin, KC4IMS, was at the rig calling CQ.

"Rhonda hated this stuff while Mr Luvisi was teaching it," said Mrs Parrigin, "but just look at her now. I can't get her to go home."

Strays



I would like to get in touch with...

anyone who has a schematic, parts list and other info on a TPL Communications FM RF power amplifier, model PA3-IAC. Leslie Hogg, 28423 Kendallwood Dr, Farmington Hill, MI 48018.

QST congratulates...

Kenneth M. Miller, K6IR, of Rockville, Maryland, on being elected to the Board of Directors of Interference Control Technology Inc. ICT is an electronics company specializing in the measurement, reduction and elimination of radio frequency interference sources.

Sheldon Weil, K2BS, of Garden City, New York, on receiving the Boy Scout Distinguished Eagle Award. This award, recognizes past Eagle Scouts who have distinguished themselves in their careers and public service.

Cue Cards for the Ham Shack

There are lots of things you need to know when you're talking on the air. Here's how to put powerful information at your fingertips.

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Nine Lima! Yikes, where's that? How can I find out *fast*? If you like DXing, you'll find yourself asking this question. Some day you'll be scouting the DX bands, hear an exotic-sounding call sign, and frantically try to determine what country is on the hook. Do you need to work this station for DXCC (the ARRL DX Century Club award)?

Sure, you need them *all* now. Perhaps you're on the road to WAS (Worked All States) and are concentrating your effort on stateside QSOs. Sooner or later—it just *seems* like later—that elusive 50th state will fall, first in the log and then in your QSL card file. You'll then be hunting fresh game. Chances are it will be DX game on 10 meters, especially with the sunspot cycle getting ready to peak. If you have the right tools within easy reach, you can find what you need quickly. That's important in the fast-paced world of DXing.

For new hams, finding things out can be a matter of trial and error. If you're lucky, you've kept in touch with your Elmer, the amateur who got you started. He or she can probably give you some excellent advice on what you'll need at hand in your shack. A peek inside Elmer's own shack is worth its weight in education, too.

But let's say you earned your spurs on your own or you don't want to "bother" Elmer (even though he'd be more than glad to help). Are there a few little knicks and knacks you can look for, to make life on the HF bands easier? You bet there are, and most of them are either free or really inexpensive.

It's hard to overemphasize speed. When you need information, you need it *right now*. Smooth, efficient operating is fundamental in the Amateur Service, and operating aids are most useful when they're within reach, posted right in sight where you needn't even reach, just look. Ironically, a *VHF* experience vividly brought this home to me.

Going Mobile

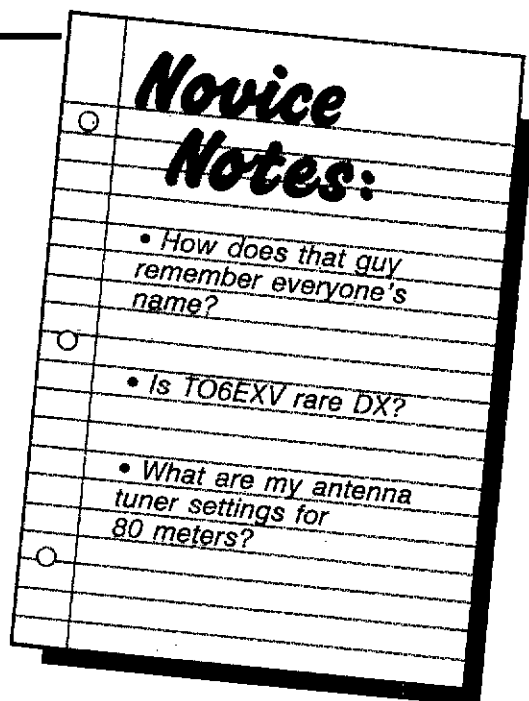
Ever wonder how some hams are able to

associate a name with every call? I did, especially when I started working 2-meter FM. The light dawned on me early in my ham career when I was riding in a fellow ham's car one day. Someone checked into the local repeater. Call only, no name.

"Hmmm," he said, "Don't I know him?"

He reached for the sun visor on his car, and flicked it over to reveal a computer-generated list of calls, together with the associated first names. Glancing once, he reached for the mike, and confidently keyed it to greet the other station by call *and* first name. Knowing I was new to 2 meters, he glanced in my direction and winked. So that's how! It's not magic or a photographic memory (although both help). It's planning ahead by having a printed roster right next to the mike or key. Public relations at its finest!

Of course we were stopped at a traffic light at the time, and his list wasn't that long, since he already knew most of the regulars. But I had to admit that his little trick was inspirational for my home-station operating as well. It wasn't long before I'd assembled a small



array of helpful things I could get at with a flick of my own wrist or eyes. My life on the bands has been a lot easier ever since.

Zooming In

Most of us have access to a photocopier. Next to your station hardware, it can be the most useful operating tool around. Take the Q signals, for instance. Most of us know, or soon learn, a few of them: QSL, QTH, QRM and QRN are four of the best-known. You hear them on both CW and voice, even though they're meant for CW only. But do you know them all? Quick, how about QRA, QRU, QRL, QSK? They save tons of time, but only if they're understood.

Post 'em! That's right, photocopy the list of Q signals from an ARRL publication, such as the League's booklet, *Operating an Amateur Radio Station (OARS)*. Use a zoom copier and get a copy big enough to read from a few feet. Now, tack it on the wall of your shack where you can see it. You're not in the dark anymore. This is especially helpful if you participate in the National Traffic System (NTS) nets on CW. Traffic nets live and breathe by their special *QN* signals, a subset of the standard Q signals. *QN* signals work the same way as regular Q signals, except they're used exclusively as shorthand for CW net operations.

You might also want to post the frequency privileges chart, phonetic alphabet and a UTC time-conversion chart. All of these charts appear in *OARS*, *The ARRL Operating Manual*, and other publications.

List Operation

Oh yes, we started off wondering what a Nine Lima was. Well, have you ever heard hams talk DX? "The Vee Kays were in last night, and I heard some Zed Ells, too." Of course, they mean VK, Australia, and ZL, New Zealand. They're talking *prefixes*, the first part of an amateur call that indicates the

Table 1**Conversion Formulas**

Fahrenheit to Centigrade (Celsius):
 degrees Fahrenheit - 32 × 0.5555 = degrees Celsius.

Feet to meters:
 feet × 0.3048 = meters

Miles to kilometers:
 miles × 1.609 = kilometers

country. You probably know some by heart already. But I'll bet you don't know them *all*. Few amateurs do, because there is no need.

Prefixes come in two varieties, and posting quick aids in the shack for each can speed things up. The first variety is the regular prefix. For instance, VK is the standard prefix for Australia. Make sure you have a copy of the latest *ARRL DXCC Countries List* booklet at hand: It lists every DXCC country in alphanumeric order by its standard prefix. The *Countries List* also has boxes to check off countries worked and confirmed on each band and mode.

Then there are the not-so-common prefixes. The ITU (International Telecommunication Union), the United Nations agency in charge of telecommunications, assigns whole blocks of prefixes to each country, and then lets each country pass out call signs within those parameters. For example, the ITU has allocated VHA-VNZ and AXA-AXZ to Australia. That's why you'll hear your VK friends signing an AX prefix on the air from time to time—VK4XA becomes AX4XA. Usually AX prefixes are used in conjunction with a special celebration Down Under.

The ITU has assigned WAA-WZZ, KAA-KZZ, NAA-NZZ and AAA-ALZ to the US. That's why our amateur calls start with W, K, N or A. You can find a complete list of all international call-sign prefix allocations in *The ARRL DXCC Countries List*, *The ARRL Handbook*, *The ARRL Operating Manual*, and other League publications. Posting the international list can make your DX activities easier.

Let's take our Nine Lima. You hear a station identifying as 9L1CA and glance at your DXCC list or your international prefix list, which you have cleverly posted on the wall. There it is: 9L, Sierra Leone in West Africa! Holy smokes—you need Sierra Leone for DXCC! You hit him with your call immediately, because you identified him *before* the crowd did. Now, with him safely in your log, you listen to the pileup build. Because you had the information, you acted fast and *first*.

What about Tango Oscar? You're patrolling the band one day, and you find TO6EZV. Where is he? Check the DXCC list. No? Then it's not a common prefix. Quick, scan the allocation list. Eureka! Tango Oscar falls between TOA and TQZ, which the ITU has allocated to France (see Fig 1). Sure enough, it's an F6 near Paris running a special prefix. Perhaps you want a new prefix, so you give him a call. But if prefixes aren't your

bag, and France is already confirmed, you can save yourself time that might otherwise be wasted calling a station you don't need. This, friends, is known as informed decision making. Remember, in ham radio, timing is everything, and you may find a really rare DX station just down the band with *no one* calling him.

Other Tips

Okay, so you found out where Nine Lima is. Where do you point your beam? Rather than blindly turning the antenna until the DX station peaks, post a list of beam headings to different parts of the world. This information is available in *The ARRL Operating Manual* and from suppliers who advertise in *QST* ham ads.

Quick band changing and tune-up is critical to DXing, too. Do you use an antenna matching device, a tuner? Do you tune it from scratch, every time? If you haven't already, make yourself a tuning chart. Insert some paper behind the tuning knobs, and mark the appropriate settings for each band. Or, just make a 3 × 5 file card of knob settings by band and tape it to the front of the tuner. Don't forget that settings can vary, so you'll want to use the "cheat sheet" for general reference, and not in blind faith. You can set up your linear amplifier with the same kind of cheat sheet once you upgrade to General.

Once you start filling up your log with contacts, you'll want to send QSLs. Plan ahead; have some self-addressed envelopes, IRCs (International Reply Coupons) and some stamps on hand. Then you can put the whole package together on the spot, and drop it in the next mail on the way to school or work.

FAA-FZZ	France
GAA-GZZ	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
TAA-TCZ	Turkey
TDA-TDZ	Guatemala
TEA-TEZ	Costa Rica
TFA-TFZ	Iceland
TGA-TGZ	Guatemala
THA-THZ	France
TIA-TIZ	Costa Rica
TJA-TJZ	Cameroon
TKA-TKZ	France
TLA-TLZ	Central African Republic
TMA-TMZ	France
TNA-TNZ	Congo
TOA-TQZ	France

Fig 1—Everyone knows that the F6EZV is a station operating in France; not so obvious is TO6EZV. Having the international prefix allocations posted on the wall, larger than life, allows you in a split second to determine that the station signing the "Tango Oscar" prefix is also in France, thereby saving your adrenalin and your RF for bigger game. It's also good practice for reading the wall chart on your next visit to the optometrist!

Somehow, stamps are never around when you need them, especially if you leave them where other members of the household can get them! For more information about the important subject of QSLing, see my article "Paper Tiger," published in February 1989 *QST*.

Metric conversion references are handy in international ragchewing—most of the world uses the metric system. You'll realize that after a DX ham tells you his weather (WX HR 3C) and antenna height (ANT HR DIPOLE AT 18 METERS) and you want to respond in kind. If you have an outside thermometer handy with a Celsius (Centigrade) scale, you're in business. If not, a conversion chart can be helpful. See Table 1 for a set of formulas for making these conversions. But even if you know the conversion formula, you have enough to worry about in a DX QSO without arithmetic. That's why posting a little chart with metric equivalents of commonly used QSO information to prompt yourself is helpful. Write down the height of your antenna in meters or your distance from the nearest big city in kilometers so that you can rattle them off like a pro. Save the arithmetical calculations for those unexpected queries.

The Bookshelf

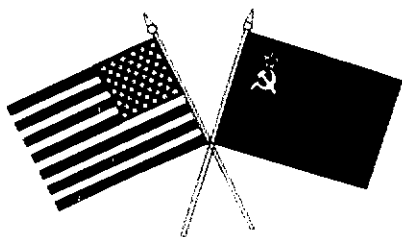
In this article, I've repeatedly mentioned *The ARRL Operating Manual*, *The ARRL Handbook* and *Operating an Amateur Radio Station*. You'll find these books to be useful additions to your bookshelf; they'll serve you well for a number of years, and answer most of the questions that come up in your operating. You can find these books at your local Amateur Radio dealer, or order them from ARRL HQ. See the ads elsewhere in this *QST*.

Another important tool is *The FCC Rule Book* published by the League. The brand-new 8th edition covers the FCC's rewritten amateur rules that took effect September 1. One of the first things new hams learn is to ask, "Where's the manual?" when buying used gear. Yet many don't have on their shelf the "instruction manual" for Uncle Sam's rules! Get a copy of this essential reference source for your radio bookshelf.

And let's get a real atlas in the shack. Random maps are fine, but hams always seem to be in places that aren't on the map, whatever its detail. Wouldn't it be nice if you could just pick his/her QTH out, and tell the other operator something about where he or she lives? A nice surprise.

Read It and Reap

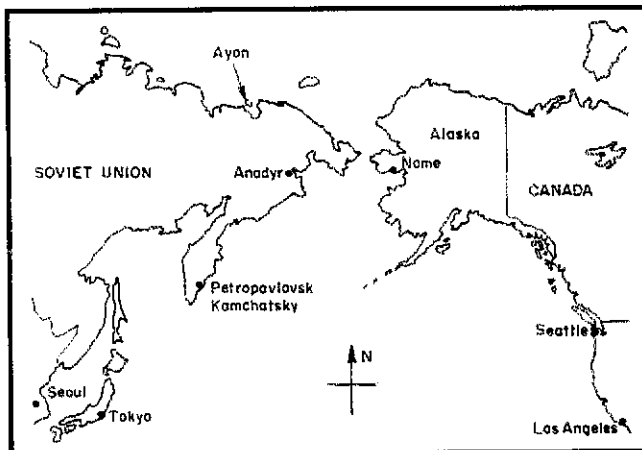
You probably can think of a host of other postable operating aids. Send me a letter with your favorites, and perhaps some day they will form the basis of another installment. The point is, Amateur Radio is an information-oriented hobby. There's a lot to know, and sometimes an overwhelming amount to remember. If you find yourself looking up the same piece of data time after time, do yourself a favor. Copy it, blow it up and post it where you can conveniently see it from your operating position. Eventually, you won't need to look quite so much—but it's a comfort to know you can.



Tune in to Glasnost

Part 2—US hams on the air from Soviet soil

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Ayon Island, in the Soviet arctic, is the site of one of several DXpeditions by US hams this year.

If there is an Everest for American and Soviet Amateur Radio operators, it is staging "Field Day" together. In 1989 this mountain was scaled, and those reaching the summit say the view is spectacular.

Appropriately, our Everest was in the frigid Soviet Arctic, at USØSU last April.

In the future, new routes to the top will be found, some more daunting. These challenges will be noted, but, like Sir Edmund Hillary, the pioneers will be the ones we remember.

Project SkiTrek pointed the way in the spring of 1988.¹ SkiTrek, with a reciprocal operating arrangement between Canada and the USSR, helped till the soil into which Soviet and American seeds were planted.

SkiTrek was a logical first step for the Soviets: It filled the need for reliable radio communication in the desolate Arctic. Amateur Radio was a natural. If a border stood in the way, well, just come to an agreement.

So When is Field Day?

Three Americans tell the story of how they, and others, secured operating permission in the Soviet Union this year. They "merely" did what hams have done since Marconi. Set up in the field to work the world.

About the only thing the three operations—USØSU, 4J1FS, and US4P—have in common is that they all took place on Soviet soil. 4J1FS added one American to a Finland-USSR operation. Hams on both sides cooked up USØSU to commemorate a historic event in the Soviet Arctic. And US4P featured five hams from the US Northwest who, after a couple of fits and starts, ended up contest operating in Soviet Russia alongside their Soviet counterparts.

Of course, none of these operations was as simple as that.

So we've operated from the USSR. The reverse has yet to take place—when it does, it will amount to the Soviets' own conquest

of Everest. The facts are not encouraging: in 1985, the last year for which data is available, perhaps 80,000 Americans visited the USSR; a mere 2,216 Soviet tourists came to the US.²

Travel between the two countries always has fluctuated with the political climate but has been climbing the last year or two. Visitors from both countries, ham and non-ham alike, generally are advised to eschew "planned tours" and go it on their own. This requires securing sponsors, both official and unofficial, a task much easier for us hams.

American hams generally are well treated in the USSR, so there is little to fear from being a stranger in a strange land. It is up to us to reciprocate when the Soviets come to town. The situation currently is in a high state of flux (fortunately, nearly all positive).

One stumbling block is operating permission, and the Soviets are ahead of us here. Late last year, the Radio Sports Federation informed ARRL of their interest in a reciprocal operating agreement. ARRL has asked the US Department of State to work

with the USSR for a "formal exchange of notes permitting reciprocal operating by amateurs of one country in the territory of (the other)."

For now, if you want to visit some Soviet hams and do a little operating from their shacks, here's how. Schedule your trip well in advance and write to some hams in the areas you plan to visit. Let them know you would like to operate. If you are lucky, you will get an invitation. When you show up with your American license, chances are things already will have been taken care of, or quickly will be. You may get a handwritten permit to operate, but it will be valid.

But a Soviet license is worthless in the US. There are no strings to be pulled. The holder can take a Volunteer Examiner test, but there is no on-the-spot licensing. And there are no VEs in Moscow.

To be blunt, if Yuri Ham visits your shack, he can make some contacts on CW using your call sign. Or he can speak over the microphone with you acting as control operator. There are worse things, but progress this is not.

In a film clip prior to the USØSU operation, the Cable News Network suggested that the joint operation might simply be a (one-time) propaganda ploy by the Soviets. Subsequent operating permission for Americans suggests otherwise. And the fact remains that the USSR opened its doors to us first.

For now, we cannot return the favor.

Problems: Some Familiar, Some Not

When you arrive in the USSR, it would be well to keep in mind the roadblocks Soviet hams must dodge. Here's how *Radio* magazine summarized them:

- Illogical and senseless limitations on Soviet shortwaves (still too many regulations and prohibitions).
- Too few radio parts in stores, while



This display is set up in the meeting room of the International Computer Children's Camp in Triosk, a scientific center some 40 km south of Moscow. Triosk and Oakland, California, are sister cities. (photo WA2LQQ)

¹Notes appear on page 48.

Radiosporting, Volga Style

In June 1937, a Soviet aircraft made the first nonstop transpolar flight from Moscow to Vancouver, Washington. Late in 1985, the Western Washington DX Club (WWDXC) invited Moscow's Central Radio Club to commemorate this event's 50th anniversary.

We proposed a DXpedition by American and Soviet amateurs to the Diomed Islands in the Bering Strait—a week operating on Big Diomed (part of the USSR), followed by a week on Little Diomed (American), just two miles away.

Our plan apparently was too ambitious for the Radio Sports Federation of the USSR (RSF). They countered with an "On-the-air operating event... between the terminals of the flight... by the E.T. Krenkel Central Radio Club and the Western Washington DX Club..."

We accepted and, despite poor propagation, W7FR (the WWDXC club station) worked about 400 stations in the USSR on two weekends in June and July 1987. In the political climate of the day, that seemed a good start.

By 1987 the word "glasnost" was on more and more lips. Our appetites whetted, WWDXC Vice President KD7IK tested the new "openness." He proposed, to five local Soviet clubs, a joint DXpedition. Three responded: Kiev, Kazan and Tashkent.

Suddenly, the RSF was letting local clubs make their own plans with foreigners!

On-the-air coordination (and agonizingly slow mail) produced a plan for a DXpedition to Soviet Armenia, UG6. Soviet spark plugs were Gene, UA4RZ (Kazan); Victor, UB5WE (Kiev in the Ukraine); and Karin, UG6GAT (in Yerevan, capital city of Armenia). These three—and many others—arranged funding, transportation, and logistics for 15 visiting Americans, as well as permission for them to sign UG6/(home calls). Target date: May 1989.

Everything was set when disaster struck, literally. The operation became a casualty of the December 1988 earthquake in Armenia. There was nothing we could do but regroup, but the groundwork had been laid.

Last February, UA4RZ, of the 40-member Zilan DX Club, proposed a consolation event. They alone couldn't host the large number of visitors earlier scheduled, but they did invite five WWDXC members for a joint operation in the 1989 IARU HF World Championship (July 8-9).

Of course, we accepted, and counted the days.

First stop for our team—K7UDG, WR7Q, K7RA, KE7V and K7ZR—was Moscow. After three days of visiting "Box 88" and some of the local DXers, we moved on to Kazan, capital of the Tatar Republic. There, Zilan DX Club members opened their homes to us, and in every way Russian hospitality exceeded its reputation.

In anticipation of our arrival, a first-class contest station had been set up at a campground on the Volga River near Kazan, and a special contest call sign awaited us: US4P. Arrangements also had been made for the visiting Americans to sign UA4/(home call) while operating from club stations in other cities along the Volga.

Side by side, we Soviet and American operators entered the contest. Using an IC-761 loaned by the factory and RA3AO-type homebrew transceivers and linears, we managed 1,996 contest QSOs and a score over one million points—despite the usual visits from Murphy!



The US4P team assembles for posterity. Author K7ZR is on the left, in the checked shirt. (photo K7ZR)

Before and after the 48-hour US4P authorization, we Americans worked the pileups signing portable from the Kazan club station. On the air comments about Americans operating in the USSR invariably were positive... "Good show," "Have a great time," "Welcome, enjoy your visit," and so on.

After a hydrofoil ride down the Volga to Ulyanovsk, 200 km south of Kazan, and some operating from UA4LWZ, K7UDG and WR7Q headed for home. The rest of us took an overnight train to Volgograd, inspired by an open invitation of the Peleng Radio Club that appeared in April 1989 QST.

Volgograd club stations were opened to us, as well as a summer youth camp (featuring a course in Amateur Radio), and the many museums and monuments to the battle of Stalingrad (later Volgograd).

During our time in their country, the Soviets supplied all our food, housing, recreation and in-country transportation. We met more people than anyone possibly could remember. But the Soviet amateurs most responsible for the success of this operation were UA4RZ and RA4PO in Kazan; UA3ABW and UA4PBX in Moscow; and Anatoly Tsilibin and UA4AAW in Volgograd.

Now the shoe is on the other foot. Given the usual anemic ham club's treasury, reciprocating the kind of hospitality and goodwill we experienced will be a real test of American "volunteerism." Because of currency restrictions, visiting Soviets will need food, housing and transportation... just as they are providing for visiting W/Ks.

And they will need official permission to operate on the ham bands such as the US4P team enjoyed in their country.

Given the snail's pace at which our respective bureaucracies move, time grows short; next summer Seattle will host the 1990 Goodwill Games. Amateur radio events are being planned with hopes for a 12-member Soviet team of "radio sportsmen."

Can we afford a "Glasnost Gap?"—Jack Bock, K7ZR

tons of them are hauled to city dumps or simply destroyed.

- Too little production of Amateur Radio equipment, poor quality of what is produced.

- Shortage of Amateur Radio literature.³

And getting licensed—or being an Elmer—in the Soviet Union isn't easy. Listen to this account by M. Yemel'yanov,

RA9CQM, from *Radio*:

"A relatively short time before getting my call in 1981, I had no idea amateur radio existed. I couldn't find any literature on the subject in my village, or even in (larger cities nearby). Recently, it's true, the publication *Help for the Radio Amateur* and V. Polyakov's book *The Shortwave Primer* have become available.

"The next question was 'how to get licensed?' I went to the DOSAAF committee, but they hadn't heard anything about radio amateurs. They referred me to the town DOSAAF committee, where I met UA9CLZ, a radioamateur with many years of experience, who became my mentor.

"In 1986 I decided to establish a radio circle in my village. Thirty-two villagers

Breaking the Ice in the Soviet Arctic

Imagine being among the first Americans in a land as different from home as night from day, a land where your own country was once portrayed as an archenemy. Then picture yourself carting in a load of sophisticated communications gear. This sets the scene for USØSU, our joint Soviet-American DXpedition to the Soviet Arctic in April 1989.

In the very short history of such joint operations, the Soviets always have required an official purpose. In our case, it was to commemorate the 1934 rescue of a polar expedition, on the ship *Chelyuskin*, by Soviet and American aviators—the first such American-Soviet cooperation in a sea rescue.

The expedition took five of us American hams first to Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport, where an assemblage of Soviet hams and other well-wishers helped us clear customs (no small feat) and took us to our waiting hosts.

Soon, we were inside the warm confines of a Moscow apartment, the home of the parents of one of our Soviet compatriots. This was my second trip to the Soviet Union in two years, and again I was astonished by the selflessness of our hosts, who all but relinquished their apartment to us.

Our time in Moscow coincided with the first election of the Congress of Peoples Deputies. With Sasha Burenkov, UA3DHF, we visited a polling place, and later we heard political poetry declaimed from a soapbox. All the while, we wondered with growing anticipation what awaited us at our final destination.

Weather reports from our Arctic island were cryptic—one day the temperature on Ayon Island was a balmy -15°C . The next day it was -30 . We knew that a real adventure lay ahead!

Aeroflot gave our group of six (five Americans, one Soviet) the first ten rows of airliner seats for the nine-hour, nine-time-zone, 4000-mile flight from Moscow to Pevek, the nearest coastal town to Ayon Island. Our first touchdown was halfway across the frozen wastes of the Soviet Arctic in the town of Norilsk, where I was completely unprepared for the temperature: -27°C . No place for a windbreaker!

Early the following morning we arrived in Pevek (-23°C), almost back to the same time zone I had left in California. A sizable delegation awaited us in Pevek, including the local government apparatus and the local DOSAAF chapter. Through the glare of bright television lights, I was asked to make a statement for our "delegation."

If Nominated I Will Serve

Someone had blown my "cover" by whispering "Tony speaks great Russian," so the DOSAAF secretary appointed me "leader" of our group! I mustered the best Slavic I could at that hour, to say how happy we all were to be there and how long we had awaited this opportunity to meet the people behind our radio contacts.



Wallace Kaufman, UØK/KC4EBX, operating from USØSU/1.

Still a couple days away from our helicopter airlift to Ayon Island, we passed the time in Pevek unpacking gear. Everything had made the trip undamaged, despite rumors that Soviet baggage handlers were all former testers for Samsonite. Mostly we prepared cables, PL-259 connectors and $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch phone plugs being unknown in the USSR.

I had hoped to be the one to unpack the gear myself—especially the gift transceivers from Ten Tec and Kenwood. But, the Soviets couldn't wait for us to emerge from this or that breakfast or other meal, and they were less than careful about preserving the styrofoam packing. This would turn out to be the only annoyance, and a minor one at that, about our hosts' habits.

One of the many things we had not foreseen was that we were to go to a very special part of the Soviet Union—officially a "border zone," an area for which even Soviets

signed up—schoolchildren and adults. The village council allocated a room in the House of Culture. But only five or six came to classes. Why? For the simple reason that there wasn't anything in the classroom but desks and chairs.

"The first year we worked on theory only. The second year the Oblast DOSAAF Committee allocated a PURK-24 (for teaching Morse code), and we began to study CW. We received a call sign for a category II collective station—UW9CXR.

"Both the state farm and the trade union

contributed money. We succeeded only in buying an old UW3DI transceiver and a 'Krot' [mole] receiver. We got on the air. Now three schoolchildren have SWL call signs.

"Why did the others leave? For the simple reason that it became uninteresting to come to an empty classroom and listen to lectures on radio technology. They need something alive—something to build or solder.

"We need measuring instruments and radio parts. Where can we get them? Mail

order houses don't accept orders without a remittance, and there's nothing in the stores. We wrote to the plant that makes the Elektronika KR-01 kits, but it couldn't help.

"Now that everybody's interested in computer technology, I believe we could attract a lot of kids to our circle by offering familiarization with computers. But where can we get computers?

"In general, as before, everything that's new remains on paper, and in reality nothing changes. Including Amateur Radio

need special visas. We were, it turned out, the first Americans to visit, and were at once both celebrities and objects of uncertainty.

We broke our group of five Americans into two contingents. Ron, AA4VK, Terry, W6MKB, and I decided we would go to the island first to set up. We would return to Pevek some four days later while John, W4MQB, and Wallace, KC4EBX, helicoptered to the island. Operations from the mainland signed US0SU/1; the Ayon Island stations used US0SU (United States Zero Soviet Union).

Meeting us on Ayon Island were UA0ICC and UA0IDX, both Viktors, from Magadan, and UA0KBO, Sasha, from Beringovski, on the shores of the Bering Sea. Even in light of the relatively civilized Pevek, we still thought Ayon Island would be a totally wild place, with barely a building on it. Would we be camping at the station, in tents, or what? But again we underestimated our hosts, who put us up in a four-room flat with a kitchen and a full time cook (who fed us 'round the clock!).

Settling into a routine, we quickly learned one does not fool around with Arctic cold. The Soviets kept a very close watch on us, regularly checking our faces for the insidious frostbite.

Our operating building was a large freight container, under which a frame of pipes had been welded to form runners—a sled. Geologists had built the contraption for field work, this part of the Soviet Union having rich deposits of precious metals and crude oil. The sled had been dragged to our operating site by tractor, across 70 miles of "open" (frozen) ocean to just outside the village of Ayon.

We developed a cooperative work style using everyone's talents regardless of which "side" one was on. Putting up antennas, for example, was by consensus—deciding how, where and when.

We had not put the second TA-33 on the oil derrick by the end of the first operating day, which dawned a bone chilling -40 degrees before warming to -15. I felt we should take advantage of this heat wave, but several of my Soviet friends favored "manyana" or "zavtra." Just then we looked outside and saw several of the other Soviets plus two Americans marching toward the station, holding the assembled Mosley beam over their heads.

So much for zavtra.

We Get a TVI Complaint

Initially, we set up only in the sled. Interstation interference limited us to just one band at a time, and Terry and I wanted to set up another station in the hotel or elsewhere on the island. Added to this was a visit from Murphy: TVII Two weak stations from some 70 miles away were the island's link to the outside, and we interfered royally with just about every TV set on the island.

Worse TVI from a site closer to town wouldn't matter, as the islanders stoically viewed the interference as a temporary problem and seemed to love our presence. We were offered an apartment that was temporarily empty for

renovation. We set up a Kenwood transceiver and Henry amplifier there, and with a 20-meter sloping dipole we made over a thousand contacts.

Propagation varied from excellent to downright lousy, the principal headache being the Aurora Borealis. Often the night sky appeared filled with scattered masses of what I took to be high clouds, but was assured it was the aurora. One night, emerging from the sauna/shower we enjoyed twice that week, we saw the traditional curtain in the sky, but this one formed an elongated loop. The next day we paid for this beautiful sight—a nearly total HF wipeout.

Toward the end of our stay, we were invited to address the entire population of Ayon Island at their cultural center. It was standing room only, the Director saying more people braved the cold for this session than ever showed up for town meetings!

I was besieged by questions, most regarding our daily lives. "How big is your house?" "Does your wife work?" "What do your children do?" Despite the whirlwind nature of our visit, we definitely were the center of attention.

One woman suggested perhaps I liked their island too much, insisting I couldn't like everything. I said that I couldn't think of any complaints at the moment, but promised to let her know when I thought of something. She said she would stop me in the "street" to ask me later on.

She, in fact, did this on our parting day. All I could come up with were that people smoked too much and that we weren't used to the manner in which people provided hospitality (meaning the amount of alcohol that was occasionally consumed!).

Packing up seemed to go almost too easily. Our DOSAAF host, Sasha Lichachov, concerned an approaching typhoon might keep us from being helicoptered off the island, summoned a "vezdyekhod," a go-anywhere vehicle, to Ayon to stand by for us, just in case. The trip across 70 miles of ice three meters thick is a noisy, bumpy, treacherous affair. Occasionally the ice parts, and you can figure the rest.

Departure day was very emotional. We said our last good-byes, pledging to return, and offering our homes to visitors from Ayon. A large group of island resident accompanied the Soviet-American team to the helicopter "pad," the open area of snow near the village where the Aeroflot Mi-8 landed.

Gifts were handed to us without regard for cost or future need, and there was not a dry eye on the chopper. As we lifted off on the first leg of our 11,000-mile, 20-time-zone trek back home, our thoughts turned to Amateur Radio—a hobby that would permit us to continue our friendships on the air.

We may even have found some possible candidates for ham radio on Ayon Island itself. There are many radio enthusiasts—several of them women—who might very well set up a ham station next to their weather radios. Like so many other things about the trip, it wouldn't surprise me!—Tony Loeb, AB6Q

and computer literacy."

A New Meaning to Code-Free

Even basic equipment for learning CW can be difficult to obtain. Here's S. Aslezov writing to the newspaper *Sovetskiy Patriot* on January 22, 1989:

"The SKM-88 Morse Code Self Teacher was designed in the Minsk Production combine, which makes Horizon television sets and Okean radio receivers. Its relatively low price—about 200 rubles (around US \$300!—Ed.)—makes it attractive compared

to the ADKM-85 (Automatic Morse Code Generator) put out by the Uzhgorod DOSAAF Production Combine at two and a half times this amount.

"There's reason to believe that no device such as the SKM-88 exists even abroad, so it could be exported.

"Where can it be obtained? Nowhere. Only experimental models exist. Since demand for the product can't be determined, industry won't take the risk, even though it would only take 15 workmen to make a batch of 5000.

"Those interested in buying an SKM-88 should write to the Horizon Production Combine."

It is often said that the Soviet Union is a First World country militarily and a Third World country economically. This is abundantly clear in their world of radiosport. You are unlikely to find a replacement IC at the local parts store.⁴

What you will find is Soviet hams struggling to advance, hungry for information of all kinds from the outside, and eager to make your visit as enjoyable as possible.

Yank Joins Finns, Soviets in International Operation

We are aboard the good ship *Veera*, a 35-foot riverboat. It chugs down the Saimaa Canal, between Finland and Soviet Russia, toward the Bay of Vyborg and Malyj Vysotskij (M-V) Island. It's May 23, 1989, and I am about to operate from Russian territory alongside Soviet and Finnish hams.

A scant month before, I was having breakfast at the International DX Convention in California, contemplating some ideas I had discussed with Martti Laine, OH2BH, and generally minding my own business. Then there's a tap on my shoulder. It's Martti himself, asking if I'd like to join him and nine other Finnish and Soviet operators on a DXpedition to M-V Island.

An American traveling to sensitive Soviet territory, with transmitting equipment, on a month's notice? The world sure has changed.

These were my thoughts on that cloudy morning as we sailed northwest of Leningrad. What was impossible just a couple of years ago was happening to this lucky ham, thanks to the magic of Amateur Radio and the new realities of glasnost.

Our expedition, in planning since the summer of 1988, was truly an international effort, designed to make M-V Island, a separate DXCC country, available on HF and VHF, including OSCAR. M-V Island had been on the air only once before, for four days in May 1988. [See "East Meets West—'M-V Island' is on the Air" in June 1989 *QST*.—Ed.]

Aside from the obvious fun factor, I was attracted to Martti's proposal by the prospect of field testing a new transceiver for my company, as well as by the insight I might gain in preparation for the 1990 Goodwill Games to be held in Seattle. There, Soviet athletes (and, it is hoped, Soviet radiosport champions) will vie with their American counterparts at the highest levels of sporting competition.

But I would need both a temporary Finnish license and a Soviet visa, since the "cruise" to M-V Island is through Soviet territorial waters. It was only through the quick work of OH2BH, OH2BU and UW3AX that all the arrangements were made in time.

I received my Soviet visa about 20 hours before departure from Los Angeles. OH2BH observed that FAX machines made this DXpedition possible!

My teammates included Martti, OH2BH (the elder statesman of the Finnish group); Jari, OH2BY (the organizer of the Finnish logistics); Ari, OH2EH (who with Alex, UA1ALZ, and me, operated multi-single in the WPX Contest); Mika, OH2JA (another rising star in Finnish contesting); and Jukka, OH6DD (the VHF stalwart who relinquished his post only when it was time for me to work OSCAR).

The Soviet contingent included Boris, UW3AX (leader of the Soviet group and deputy editor of *Radio* magazine, who personally walked much of my paperwork through the bureaucracy); Gene, UZ3AU (technical editor of *Radio* and a gifted engineer who kept generators running and antennas aloft); Enn, UR2AR (another veteran of the 1988 M-V Island operation); Alex, UA1ALZ (a radiosporting champion from Leningrad); and Walery, UA6HZ (a splendid operator and chef, with an excellent command of English; "UA6 Hot Ziggety"). (When last we heard from Walery, a rolling stone, he was on Svalbard, signing JW/UA6HZ—Ed.)

The group hit it off immediately, beginning with "genera-tor glasnost"—the hauling of equipment from boat to



Flags of three nations fly under the 4J1FS tribander. (photo K7JA)

operating positions—and ending with a late-night dinner with all operators toasting their newfound friends. As antennas flew into the air and tents were pitched to ward off mosquitoes, these friendships grew closer, with Amateur Radio the bond uniting us.

We logged 40,945 QSOs, including 688 on Fuji-OSCAR 12, two on EME, and over 4300 in the CQ CW WPX contest. The strong aurora which plagued HF propagation was a bonanza for the VHF fellows, who happily worked 4J1FS on 144 MHz and 432 MHz from all over Europe.

The week ended with many handshakes and embraces, as 11 weary DXpeditioners prepared to return to their normal lives. While none of us knew when we would meet again, I tried my best to to summarize our feelings:

"May our leaders, Mr Bush and Mr Gorbachev, get their ham licenses and go on a DXpedition like this. The world will be a safer place if they do."—Charles "Chip" Margelli, K7JA

I'm grateful to the many people who are assisting with this series of articles. Without their help, there would little to tell. Special thanks to K7ZR, AB6Q, and K7JA, who wrote their stories "on deadline" for me, and to those who are on deadline for subsequent articles.

Notes

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been addressed, but talk remains more prevalent than action.

⁴Vacuum tubes are a different story. It is believed they still are being used in Soviet spacecraft, for example. And audiophiles around the world have become accustomed to Soviet vacuum tubes, which are used in many esoteric hi-fi applications.

Loraine McCarthy, N6CIO, the New Voice of the *Tune in the World Code Tapes*

Now here's a teacher that believes in challenge and setting goals—no wonder she's a successful instructor.

By Rosalie White, WA1STO
ARRL Educational Activities Coordinator

What makes an 18-year-old woman from Kansas move to California upon graduating from high school?—adventure, challenge and the excitement of going to school on the West Coast. This opportunity motivated Loraine McCarthy, N6CIO, as she entered college in 1965.

Loraine's love of challenge has affected her whole life. While earning her BA in English and MA in clinical psychology from California State University, Los Angeles, she held a job in medical equipment manufacturing. After graduating, she began a career as a coordinator of a youth program, setting up and overseeing counseling groups in 37 public schools.

Loraine and her boss had a common interest in sailing. One day he invited her to an Amateur Radio class he had joined to complement his boating hobby. It was to become another challenge for her, but she didn't realize it at the time. Loraine will never forget her response: "What's ham radio and why would I want to do that?"

Curiosity got the best of Loraine. "I stopped by the class, and I knew I'd go back," she explained. "The subjects were intriguing, and the code sounded like fun." In 1979, Loraine became KA6IIR, and shortly thereafter, N6CIO. Recalling her first station, a 2-meter setup, she said, "I loved talking to people around LA."

Because she enjoyed code, she naturally passed the General license exam. Loraine liked CW so much that she began teaching it on weekends and nights after working days with the youth program. Eventually, teaching kept her too busy to stick with both, and Amateur

Radio won out. Loraine soon earned her Advanced and Extra Class licenses.

Loraine, now something of an authority on Morse code-learning problems, teaches code and theory programs in the Southern California Community Colleges and in her weekend classes. She's taught up to 150 students at a time, but enjoys both large and small classes. She emphasizes hands-on equipment demonstrations in the classroom. "I have a lot of equipment just for class demos. It's hard to maintain a permanent setup at home." She doesn't complain though, as she notes she doesn't lose students.

Her favorite CW-learning problem to tackle is assisting students in reading and analyzing their copy. She shows them they have always accomplished some-

thing, even though they may not have perfect copy. She explains that the bits and pieces they see will soon make words. She supports a positive attitude and works with the students to help them build on what they have copied. She helps students set realistic goals and evaluates progress in a realistic light. She offers them advice and practice that fit the problem, and stresses practice tests.

She also has written a paper on her code-teaching theory entitled "Assisting Students in Passing the 5, 13, and 20 WPM VEC Code Exams." The paper points out that a student can learn from an unsuccessful test session if he/she takes the time to evaluate what skills need to be improved. She notes that instructors should encourage students to remember that only a student who does not receive a passing score and *does not* return to take the exam will not achieve the desired license level. The paper was published in a compendium of educational topics—*Proceedings of the ARRL National Educational Workshop*, available from ARRL.

In preparation for the new *Tune in the World* tapes, the League looked for someone who had educational experience, was at ease with the code and possessed an easy-listening voice. Loraine filled the bill—and more.

Loraine truly likes people and enjoys being their ham radio mentor. She finds it fascinating to discover their interests, backgrounds and what led them to Amateur Radio.

In what little spare time Loraine allows herself, she pursues bike riding in the desert, sailing and, of course, getting on the air. Her goals? Hold more classes and help license more people.



Loraine McCarthy, N6CIO

FCC Denies Petitions for Reconsideration in 87-14; Reaffirms Reallocation

The FCC has reaffirmed the action taken in the August 4, 1988 Report and Order in General Docket 87-14 reallocating 220-222 MHz to the land mobile service. In a Memorandum Opinion and Order adopted June 15, 1989 and released August 17, 1989, the FCC denied petitions for reconsideration filed by the ARRL, the National Communications System (NCS), TV Answer, Inc and more than 700 amateurs.

In the Memorandum Opinion and Order, the FCC said, "The Commission considered a variety of factors in reaching the decisions in the first Report and Order. Among these factors were the need to provide for narrowband land mobile operations, the impact of existing amateur use, the potential for interference to TV broadcasting and the actions of the 1979 WARC. The Commission concluded that the public interest would be best served by providing dedicated spectrum for the development of narrowband, spectrum efficient land mobile technologies." The FCC said it was sensitive to the needs of amateurs, but that the remaining spectrum (222-225 MHz) "should continue to provide adequately for this service."

The ARRL and many other amateurs noted that there was no need for additional spectrum for the land mobile service according to the the FCC Field Operations Bureau (FOB) 1985-86 studies. According to the FCC, "It is not necessary...to resolve issues pertaining to this study. We are focusing on long term and not immediate requirements." The ARRL proposed alternatives to 220-222 MHz such as 30-50 MHz and

216-220 MHz. The FCC stated, "...such reallocation would entail severe costs to...users...such as the police and fire service." Amateurs fault the FCC in failing to collect meaningful data on usage of 220 and for using *The ARRL Repeater Directory* as a barometer of usage, since it is not a complete listing of users of this band. The ARRL noted that there are at least 773 fixed stations and 1106 weak-signal users of 220-222 MHz. The ARRL comments noted that FCC averaged the numbers throughout the US when, in fact, use is concentrated in metropolitan areas. The FCC said that "the principal use of 220-225 MHz is for repeater operations" and that the *Repeater Directory* is a "reasonably accurate" reflection of usage.

According to the FCC, operations in 220-222 MHz could be relocated to 222-225 MHz even though amateurs have said, particularly in California, they would find this difficult and costly. The FCC said that while it may be difficult to relocate some control links, it could be done through frequency sharing "at little or no cost." Amateurs have said that packet radio is a new technology, and it requires the same consideration as do new technologies in the land mobile service. The FCC noted that there were provisions for packet radio in the band plans of other amateur bands such as 420-450 and 902-928 MHz, and that packet radio could be accommodated there. The ARRL and other individual amateurs have said that the loss of 220-222 MHz will impair amateurs' ability to provide emergency communications, and the

NCS said that the reallocation runs against national security interests. "...NCS has made no showing that amateur spectrum is inadequate," according to the FCC. According to the FCC Order, "A number of amateurs, including the ARRL, claim that there were procedural irregularities in this docket. They argue that the irregularities caused serious damage to the quality, fairness and accuracy of this proceeding. Specifically, they claim that the comment period was short...[and] that, in light of overwhelming opposition by amateurs, the Commission's decision is not supported by the public record." The FCC went on to say, "The Commission followed the normal procedure for rule making proceedings..." Concerning the argument that the decision is not supported by the public record, the FCC said that it "must base its decision on the merits of the issues and not the number of comments filed in favor of a particular point of view." Additionally, amateur interests have asserted that the FCC violated its own rules in accepting the late filed comments of the United Parcel Service (UPS), there was little or no support for the proposal within the land mobile community and the outcome was predetermined. The FCC said that they accepted the late filed comments of UPS in order to create as complete a record as possible, and this was in accordance with Section 1.415(d) of the Commission's rules.

The release of the order clears the way for ARRL's petition to the US Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit, which will request the review of the FCC decision.

1989 FAR SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Foundation for Amateur Radio (FAR) is pleased to announce the winners of the 31 scholarships it administers:

John W. Gore Memorial Scholarship—\$1000
Douglas S. Claprood, KA2KWB,

Richard G. Chichester Memorial Scholarship—\$900

David M. Hulka, KD9UA

Edwin S. Van Deusen Memorial Scholarship—\$750

James D. Weldon, N1DFQ

QCWA Memorial Scholarships—\$750 each

Christopher Galassie, AD9Q,

Rebecca Beth Knoll, N4JST,

Robert M. Popella, KA3HIE,

Colin J. Smith, KB5BSH,

Diane E. Willemin, KE8DJ,

QCWA Leo Meyerson Family Living Scholarship—\$750

Laurie A. Sandell, N2FSO

QCWA Robert S. Cresap Memorial Scholarship—\$750

William H. Sands, IV, KA3FXX

Radio Club of America Scholarship—\$750

William T. Baggett, AA5DF,

Radio Club of America Scholarships

—\$500 each

William J. Hulka, NU9K,

Michael L. Sensor, KD3LR,

Edmund B. Redington Memorial

Scholarship—\$500

Nathan S. Willingham, KA0UFO,

Young Ladies Radio League

Scholarship—\$750

Victoria L. Gruen, KA2VHR

Amateur Radio News Service

Scholarships—\$600 each

Ross D. Lepiane, WG7I,

Jack R. Porter, KC0VX

Columbia Amateur Radio Association

Scholarship—\$750

Amos D. Faux-Burhans, KS3O,

Baltimore Amateur Radio Club Scholarships—\$1000 each

Barry Bell, KA3PRE,

Maurice De Vidts, NE3S,

David S. Katz, N3DKV,

Kurt W. Rupprecht, N3EOI,

Dade Radio Club Tropical Hamboree

Scholarships—\$1000 each

Steven A. Stewart, KB4LUJ,

Nathaniel Tarbox, KC4AOI,

Rose Ellen Bills Memorial

Scholarship—\$2000

Richard M. Kordick, KE0AS,

Victor C. Clark Memorial Scholarship

(Sponsored by the Vienna Wireless Society)

—\$1000

William T. Free, KC3YO

Frederick Amateur Radio Club Scholarship

—\$1000

Douglas M. Benish, N3CXB

10-10 International Net Scholarships

—\$750 each

Patrick W. Jungwirth, WG6L
Lesley D. Walker, N4FTJ

WARAC Memorial Scholarships—\$500 each
(Sponsored by the West Allis Radio
Amateur Club)

Douglass Kleemann, KA9LWN
David C. Wright, WB9VOZ

These scholarships were open to all radio amateurs meeting the qualifications and residence requirements of the various sponsors. The Foundation for Amateur Radio (not to be confused with the ARRL Foundation, Inc) is a nonprofit organization representing 50 clubs in Maryland, Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia. It is devoted exclusively to the scientific, literary and educational pursuits which will advance the Amateur Radio Service. Amateurs may inquire about the 1990 awards at the following address: FAR Scholarships, 6903 Rhode Island Ave, College Park, MD 20740

NEW JERSEY BILLS MAY REPEAL PROHIBITION OF MOBILE SCANNERS

The New Jersey Senate and Assembly have a bill before them which would repeal the state law prohibiting the mobile use of scanners. Both NJ Assembly Bill 4557 and NJ Senate Bill 3593 would repeal the provision of NJS 2A:127-4, which prohibits the mobile use of radios capable of receiving police and fire transmissions. Some amateur rigs fall into that category, and amateurs have encountered problems with law enforcement officials. Several other states have similar laws. The bills are in the NJ Senate and Assembly Transportation and Communication Committees.

K2BSA IN OPERATION AT SCOUT JAMBOREE

Supported by a staff of 35, K2BSA was in constant operation at the National Boy Scout Jamboree at Fort A. P. Hill in Virginia August 2-8. ARRL HQ staffer Rus Healy, NJ2L, was on hand to provide assistance with the demonstration station. The station operators and participants made several thousand QSOs, worked all states and contacted 150 countries. Over 2000 messages were originated and sent from the Jamboree.

Approximately 400 licensed Scouts and Scouters signed the K2BSA guest registry. Use of the on-site linked 2-meter and 220-MHz FM repeaters was heavy. There were several occasions when K2BSA staff operators and others used the repeaters to relay information that helped in emergencies and with the ingress and egress of Scouts during the opening and closing days.

Eleven Scouts earned their Novice licenses at the Jamboree, 74 earned the Radio Merit Badge and over 350 completed parts of Radio Merit Badge. Among those scouts upgrading at the Jamboree was Greg Beaver, KB8GPC, a 12-year-old from Lansing, Michigan, who upgraded to Extra at the Jamboree. Greg received his Novice in March.

RETALIATORY TARIFFS CALLED OFF

The US Trade Representative determined

that certain practices of Japan with respect to radio and cellular telephone products and services were not in compliance with Japan's commitments under the Market Oriented Sector Specific (MOSS) Agreements on April 28, 1989. A public hearing was held on May 24 to determine what measures should be taken against Japan (which could have included imposition of 100% tariffs on some radio equipment to be imported from that country).

ARRL Counsel Chris Imlay, N3AKD, filed comments for that hearing, pointing out that the measures proposed were so broad as to present a hardship on radio amateurs. The action was delayed by order on May 28, and negotiations with Japan were held from June 19 to June 28. Agreements were reached and, as a result, the Trade Representative terminated the proceeding by notice published in the *Federal Register*.

MICROSAT LAUNCH DATE DRAWS NEAR

Being touted as inaugurating "a new era in Amateur Radio communications," an Ariane IV rocket is scheduled to carry six Amateur Radio satellites into orbit on November 10 from the spaceport of the European Space Agency located in Kourou, French Guiana. With this launch, AMSAT will once again demonstrate what can be done with the help of volunteers, donations and the creative energies spawned by the devotion of Amateur Radio enthusiasts.

Four of these six satellites have been dubbed Microsats because of their unusually small cubed shaped size measuring nine inches on a side. The design and construction of these Microsats has been coordinated and organized through the efforts of the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) in collaboration with the ARRL and Tucson Area Packet Radio (TAPR). These are all nonprofit organizations dedicated to the furthering of the state-of-the-art in Amateur Radio communications. AMSAT has been responsible for the design and construction of numerous Orbiting Satellites Carrying Amateur Radio (OSCAR) over the past 20 years.

The Microsats represent a departure from the trend of OSCARs being heavier and larger than their predecessors for a good reason. The Shuttle *Challenger* accident more than three years ago caused fewer launch opportunities, and AMSAT found it necessary to turn to smaller satellites requiring only modest launch support services. Microsats can fit in places on the launch vehicle normally reserved for lead ballast. In a time when large aerospace companies employ the talents of thousands of engineers, technicians and super computers and command almost unlimited budgets, AMSAT, working with the ARRL, TAPR and other members of the Amateur Radio community, prove that state-of-the-art design in Amateur Radio is not only alive and well, but is still exciting and quite possible.

Individuals seeking more information regarding membership, programs or other information should contact AMSAT, PO Box 27, Washington, DC 20044, tel 301-589-6061.

WESTLINK 1989 YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

Westlink Report and Yaesu USA announced on August 9 that 18-year-old Erin McGinnis, KA0WTE, of Topeka, Kansas, had been named the *Westlink Report* Young Ham of the Year. Erin was chosen to receive the award for her ongoing dedication to public-service activities, disaster preparedness work and publicizing of Amateur Radio.

To help publicize and expand Amateur Radio in her community, Erin has organized press releases and on-site television interviews for the local and national press, and assisted in the development and preparation of a city resolution declaring Field Day week to be "Kaw Valley Amateur Radio Club Week" in Topeka. She also organizes and teaches in the club's fall Novice training program.

She received the award at the ARRL Southwestern Division Convention Grand Banquet in Los Angeles, California.

FCC ACTS IN PR DOCKET 88-507

The Federal Communications Commission has amended its Maritime Services rules restricting front panel frequency selection capability of VHF maritime radio station transmitters to maritime frequencies only. There will be a one-year phase out period ending on August 1, 1990 for the manufacture and importation of such transmitters and two-year phase out period for their installation. Equipment installed to the cut off date will be "grandfathered" for use at the same maritime station.

The FCC stated that some VHF transceivers being manufactured for maritime service are capable of being programmed to operate on frequencies other than the maritime channels. This has resulted in an increase in harmful interference caused by operation of maritime stations on unauthorized frequencies.

Addressing a similar problem in the private land mobile radio services, the Commission adopted rules that restrict the manufacture and use of private land mobile transceivers that employ programming schemes permitting station operators to alter the frequencies that can be selected for transmission.

ROSS BEVILLE, W3GGW, "FATHER OF FM STEREO," SK

Ross H. Beville, 78, died on June 18 in Amarillo, Texas. Beville had been a radio amateur since the 1920s. He was vice chairman of an industry panel that set FM broadcasting stereo standards and was the area FCC/CONELRAD industry coordinator in the 1950s. Beville was a member of the Association of Federal Communications Consulting Engineers and the Washington Executive Broadcast Engineers. He was named "Father of FM Stereo" by the National Association of Broadcasters in October 1976.

PRB-1 WORKS FOR MESA AMATEURS

The Mesa, Arizona City Council unanimously approved a zoning amendment that will now

allow radio amateurs in that city to install 75-foot antennas and towers. Prior to the new ordinance, Mesa amateurs were limited to towers no higher than 30 feet.

The vote came on July 10 following an earlier vote of approval by Mesa's Planning and Zoning Commission. Just before the vote, Mesa Mayor Margaret Rubach expressed her appreciation to the several hams in the audience for their years of public service to Mesa.

The vote concluded six months of negotiations between Mesa City staff and the Superstition Amateur Radio Club, headed by Bill Glaze, KA7SUF. Giving legal guidance to the process was ARRL Volunteer Counsel Neil V. Wake, KV7O, an experienced land use and corporate litigation attorney. Additional assistance came in the form of letters of support from Senator Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, the American Red Cross, Maricopa County Arizona Civil Defense and Emergency Services, US Army MARS, the American Graduate School of International Management, the Consular Corps of Arizona and many more, all of whom stressed the importance of Amateur Radio in the area of public service.

KB5AQV: ARRL'S 1988 HPM MEMORIAL AWARD RECIPIENT

Kevin D. Biekert, KB5AQV, of Clear Lake City, Texas, won the 1988 Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award. This is the highest award given by the ARRL to a young person for participation in Amateur Radio.

The Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award is given annually by the ARRL to the person under the age of 21 who best exemplifies the ideals of Amateur Radio: service, communication and experimentation. First licensed in 1987, Kevin is 17 years old and holds an Extra Class ticket.

Among the accomplishments that brought Kevin the award were his role in founding the Clear Lake Amateur Radio Club (CLARC), serving as a club officer, working with Novice classes, his DXing and frequent schedules with amateurs in the Soviet Union. Kevin will be visiting amateurs in the Soviet Union in the near future. He is truly a goodwill ambassador for Amateur Radio.

FCC PROPOSES CHANGE TO PART 15 SPREAD-SPECTRUM SYSTEMS

Over the past several years, the FCC has received many inquiries concerning the spreading code length a direct-sequence system must use to qualify as a spread-spectrum system under the Part 15 rules. In General Docket 89-354, the Commission proposed that the minimum length for the spreading code of direct-sequence spread-spectrum systems be 127 bits.

The current rules limit Part 15 frequency hopping spread-spectrum systems to a hopping channel bandwidth of 25 kHz. The FCC states that this standard was chosen to provide for conventional FM voice communications and has proven too restrictive for certain other uses, such as high capacity (250 kilobit per second (or kbit/s) and higher) data transmissions. In light of this, FCC has proposed to widen the allowable bandwidth to 500 kHz.

FCC-ISSUED CALL SIGN UPDATE

The following is a list of the FCC's most recently issued call signs as of August 1.

District	Group "A" Extra	Group "B" Advanced	Group "C" Tech/Gen	Group "D" Novice
0	WV0J	KF0EH	N0KXB	KB0FAC
1	NY1A	KC1PV	N1GVQ	KA1UHJ
2	WR2W	KE2OQ	N2JTE	KB2IKI
3	NV3W	KD3OC	N3HJO	KA3VAK
4	AB4PR	KM4VZ	N4WMM	KC4LWT
5	AA5MY	KG5WW	N5OZJ	KB5KGD
6	AA6PT	KJ6YA	N6VYC	KC6FBI
7	AA7BI	KF7VQ	N7NHY	KB7IKE
8	WU8M	KF8AO	N8LDL	KB8HYR
9	WJ9W	KE9RQ	N9ITN	KB9DFG
Guam	KH2K	AH2CE	KH2DX	WH2MCF
Hawaii	**	AH6JV	NH6TY	WH6CEQ
Alaska	**	AL7LI	NL7SM	WL7BVL
USVI	NP2F	KP2BQ	NP2DH	WP2AGY
Puerto Rico	**	KP4QF	WP4WE	WP4IMB

** indicates all 2 x 1 calls have been issued in these areas.

FCC AFFIRMS DECISION ON 17-METER PRIVILEGES

The FCC has denied a request by Dennis Murphy, KB6LZW, to allow access to the 18-MHz band by Novice and Technician Class operators. FCC stated that Murphy failed to present any facts or arguments not previously considered in its Report and Order. The Commission went on to say that "Novice and Technician Class operators should be excluded from the 17 meter band in view of the enhanced privileges that they had recently received and because of the band's small size..." The ARRL supported the FCC action.

SECTION MANAGER ELECTION NOTICE

To all ARRL members in the Eastern New York, Eastern Pennsylvania, San Diego, South Dakota, Louisiana, North Carolina, Virginia, and Pacific sections: You are hereby solicited for nominating petitions pursuant to an election for Section Manager. Incumbents are listed on page 8 of this issue.

A petition, to be valid, must contain the signatures of five or more Full ARRL members residing in the Section concerned. Photocopied signatures are not acceptable. No petition is valid without at least five signatures on that petition. It is advisable to have a few more than five signatures on each petition.

Petition forms (FSD-129) are available on request from ARRL Headquarters but are not required. The following is suggested:

(Place and date)

Field Services Manager, ARRL,
225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111

We, the undersigned Full members of the... ARRL Section of the... Division, hereby nominate... as candidate for Section Manager for this Section for the next two-year term of office.

(Signature... Call... City... ZIP).

Any candidate for the office of Section Manager must be a resident of the Section, a licensed amateur of Technician class or higher, and a Full member of the League for a continuous term of at least two years immediately preceding receipt of a petition for nomination.

Petitions must be received at Headquarters on or before 4:00 PM Eastern Standard Time December 8, 1989. Whenever more than one member is nominated in a single Section, ballots will be mailed from Headquarters on or before January 2, 1990. Returns will be counted February 20, 1990. SMs elected as a result of the above procedure will take office April 1, 1990.

If only one valid petition is received for a Section, that nominee shall be declared elected without opposition for a two-year term beginning April 1, 1990.

If no petitions are received for a Section by the specified closing date, such Section will be resolicited in April 1990 QST. An SM elected through the resolicitation will serve a term of 18 months.

Vacancies in any SM office between elections are filled by the Field Services Manager.


You are urged to take the initiative and file a nomination petition immediately.

Richard K. Palm, K1CE
Field Services Manager

SECTION MANAGER ELECTION RESULTS

Balloting results: In the Colorado Section, Edith Sheffield, KA0MQA, received 469 votes. Timothy Armagost, WB0TUB, received 351 votes.

In the Sacramento Valley Section: Jettie Hill, W6RFF, received 411 votes. Jack LaFlesh, KF6KJ, received 311 votes.

In the Western Washington Section, Mary Lewis, W7QGP, received 1027 votes. Edward Holloway, KA7INX, received 604 votes. The above Section Managers will begin a two-year term of office starting October 1, 1989. 

The Operators: W3BES-W3GRF

About six months ago, Chas., W6UM, reminisced with your editor about the quality of operators that made the hams in the '30s so very special. Special indeed, when we find some of them still in there winning contests and chasing DX, 50+ years later! Chas. remembered a joint Potomac Valley Radio Club-Frankford Radio Club meeting back in the '50s, with a contest for copying weak CW signals in heavy QRM. Gerry Mathes, W3BES (now W3GM), won that particular contest and has been winning them on a regular basis ever since. Len Chertok, W3GRF, built one of the very first super stations, and was a moving force in the PVRC in that era. His material and personal assistance improved the lot of many a DXer. Your editor remembers years of poring over impressive log entries in the ARRL International DX Competition and November Sweepstakes, with incredible scores by these two for their respective clubs. They truly are the operators.

Len Chertok, W3GRF

Len Chertok, W3GRF, is a modest ham with a wide variety of technical expertise, not the least of which is evident in his long-standing reputation as "antenna and tower man" of the Washington, DC, area. In 1934, Len learned the code in the Boy Scouts, joined his high school radio club and wound up as W4KXN. His abilities were evident at an early age: Len qualified for a commercial First Class Radiotelephone ticket by the time he was 15! Radio really became his life, and he wanted to be a shipboard operator. Instead, he served in the Army in World War II. Len took early retirement from his government job in 1974, but evolved into the ham tower/antenna business after about six years (a natural evolution of his basic talents and interest!).

Quite often now you'll hear the W3GRF station put through its contest paces by Scott Redd, KØDQ. The "muscle" station uses TS-940S and Triton transceivers, along with Henry 3K, Drake L4 and Dentron amplifiers. The impressive radiators include: a 70-ft tower with two 20-m elements, three 15-m elements and five 10-m elements on a 36-ft boom (all directors are driven elements); a 125-ft tower with a 6-el 15-m Yagi on a 48-ft boom; a

140-ft tower with a 7-el 20-m Yagi on a 75-ft boom; a 100-ft tower with a 4-el 40-m Yagi on a 75-ft boom; and a 100-ft tower with a 5-el 20-m Yagi on a 40-ft boom. Four 80-m slopers, Beverages for top band, and a 160-m inverted V with the apex at 120 feet round out the hardware.

W3GRF's unique friendship with the legendary Vic Clark, W4KFC, gave a particular flavor to contesting, club camaraderie, and indeed Amateur Radio itself, post-World War II. Many of us are lucky to have shared in this era.

Gerry Mathes, W3GM (ex W3BES)

Gerry Mathes, W3GM, says it is anybody's guess whether his early childhood spent about a half wavelength from the Telefunken complex at Tuckerton, New Jersey, figured in his affinity for radio! In his formative years, from 9 to 17 years of age, Gerry was confined to a sanatorium, where he worked on donated radios. The financial godfather of the place saw his work and assisted him in obtaining work upon discharge. The job turned out to be in a radio store where the owner was a former "sparks" on a vessel, and the serviceman was W3HS. (Gerry notes that there was very little difficulty in inoculating him with the ham virus!)

In 1930, Gerry received the call W3BES, and he was soon on 40 meters with a 210 Hartley right out of the *ARRL Handbook*. His receiver was a Pilot Super Wasp kit. The president of the Frankford Radio Club lived just a few blocks away, and he invited Gerry to join. Gerry notes that this was pretty fast company, which helped him progress rapidly into contesting.

Gerry's big break came in 1967, when he secured several acres of a super radio location on a hill in the beautiful Pennsylvania Dutch country. Over the years, antenna growth has led to the current crop. 160 m: 3-el groundplane (GP); 80 m: 4-el GP; 40 m: 3-el @ 100 ft; 20 m: 5-el @ 100 ft, 4-el at 50 ft (stackable); 15 m: 5-el @ 100 ft, 4-el @ 50 ft; 10 m: 5-el @ 100 ft, 5-el @ 60 ft, 4 el @ 30 ft. Various slopers and Beverages round out the picture.

The shack itself holds four operating positions, with separate stations for 40 and 20 meters, one for 10 and 80 meters, and one for 15 and 160 meters. For net operation there is FM on 147.270 and packet on 144.950. In the front part of the shack is a shop, parts department and a cot for use during multi-multi contest. Gerry notes that the saving grace of multi-multi operation

is the lack of interstation QRM, effected by much gadgetry dreamed up by K3ND and the wide use of toroids.

In use during contests are three Kenwood TS-930S transceivers, a CX7A and a backup transmitter and receiver. In addition to major score contributions to the FRC, W3GM has become a training station. More than 200 operators have passed through, some evolving to world-class operator status.

Gerry admits that maintenance is a large chore (even for a young agile guy), so all of the towers have electrically operated winches that allow adjustments to be made with his feet safely planted on terra firma. The verticals lay over by using a portable gin-pole system.

DXPLOITS

Have you friends who wonder if DXing is a "useless" part of Amateur Radio? Remind them of the good will, training and equipment left on Revilla Gigedo by the recent XF4L DXpedition. The expedition also led to the licensing of Fernando, XF4F. Recently, two lives were saved as a result of Fernando's newly found ability to communicate via Amateur Radio when "official" communications failed. In addition to making close to 50,000 contacts, the XF4L group and numerous contributors achieved a "first" by establishing ham radio permanently on this Mexican archipelago. (Thanks OH2BN)

DX Cycle: The anticipation, the anxiety, the chase, the capture, the wait, the receipt, the credit, the publicity, the satisfaction. The anticipation. . . (Thanks K3BEQ)

HZ1HZ

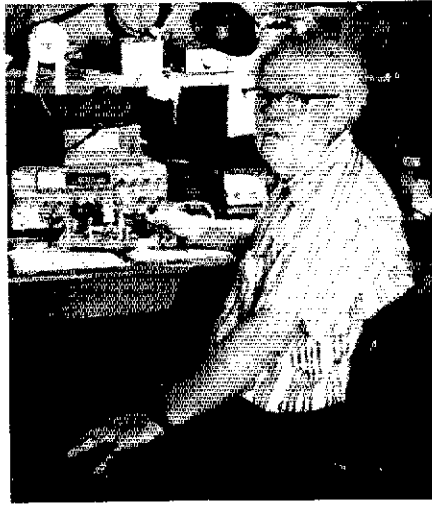
W5OG relates a story worth sharing: "I just worked Ahmed, HZ1HZ, first contacted in 1947 when I was KP6AB on Palmyra Island. A radio operator for the Saudi government, he was then running 6 watts using a long-wire antenna on 20 meters. Eventually, Ahmed rose to be Minister of Communications and was raised to the honorary rank of Sheikh Ahmed Zaidan. Ahmed is now retired and a very active ham. As we grow older, and who doesn't, we value these special contacts even more."

JOHNSTON ISLAND

Pete Grillo, KNØE, has been portable KH3 since March, and he expects to be QRV through September 1990. Pete's schedule has him on the island for 12 weeks, then two weeks on rotation, usually back to the US. He may pop up at DXotic locales from time to time! Pete (ex W6RTT, N6CJ, W9LVT, W5LZG, etc) reports that four of the eight licensed hams on Johnston are active. A Novice program has started, and five new hams may be QRV shortly. The club station, KJ6BZ, is being upgraded, and plans are in the works for a 4-element 40-meter beam on a 70-foot telephone pole. The station presently features a 5-element tribander on a 60-foot pole and dipoles for the lower bands. If you work Pete, remember his QSL manager: For contacts after April 30, 1989, QSL via K9UIY. This CW op hangs out 10 and 30 kHz inside the bands.

THE CIRCUIT

□ **TJ1MW:** Mike is operating in Yaounde,



Here's Gerry Mathes, W3GM, at one of the operating positions in his shack. (photo N2EA)

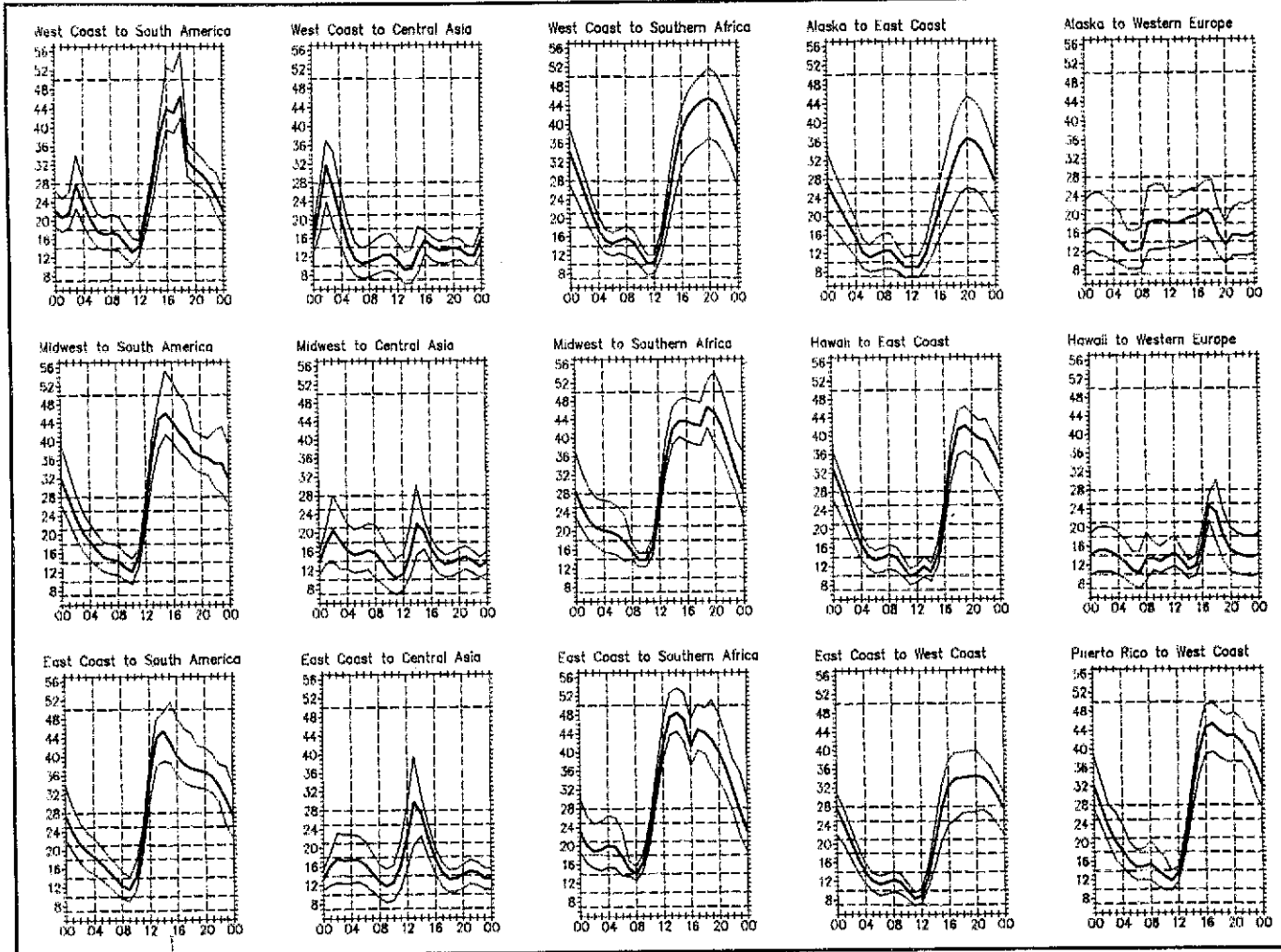
Cameroon, for two more years. QSL via his home call, N4MUJ.

□ **KH8AG:** Mike, a recent ham living in Pago Pago, is looking for recent copies of the *Callbook*. Mike Homsany, Yacht *Steppenwolf*. General Delivery, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799.

□ **Routing:** 5R8ZX via W5NZ. CT3FN goes only via HB9CRV, as do OD5PL and OD5VT. UA4WGR at home and at UW2F via Alexej Djupin, 58-18 Bummashevskaja St, Izhevsk 426050, USSR.

□ **C9MKT:** Thanks to all who wrote via QSL Manager SM5KDM, expressing appreciation to the Mozambiquan authorities to permit operation. Hopefully, this will ensure operation for the coming year.

□ **ZP6XDW:** Doug no longer has to sign ZP5XDW/6 and is averaging about a thousand contacts a month, many with 10-meter JAs around midnight, his local time. Confirmations go directly to him now, at Box 73, Caacupe, Paraguay. (Thanks to his



When are the bands open? These charts predict this month's average propagation predictions for high-frequency circuits between the US and various overseas points. One chart showing East Coast to West Coast is also included. On 10 percent of the days of the month, the highest frequency propagated will be at least as high as the uppermost curve (highest possible frequency, or HPF). On 50 percent of the days of the month, it will be at least as high as the middle curve (maximum usable frequency, or MUF). On 90 percent of the days of the month, it will be at least as high as the lowest curve (optimum traffic frequency, or FOT). The horizontal axis shows Coordinated

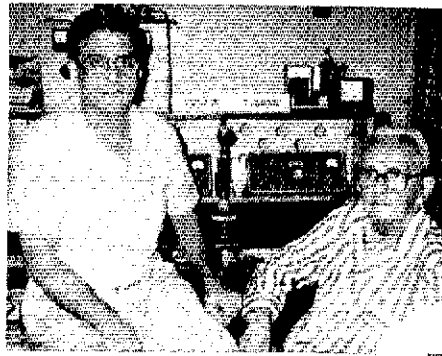
former manager N4DW, Doug can computer-generate his own QSLs.)

□ **9Y4VU:** This inveterate low-band code operator surprised the 50-MHz faithful with his foray into 6-meter CW. As of early summer, Frank had amassed 36 countries, 29 states and 5 continents.

□ **Feedback:** Correcting a previous listing, VP5V 1989 (only) contacts via Julio Ripoll, WD4JNS, 14855 SW 67 Ln, Miami, FL 33193; 1988 (only) via Lee Bergren, W0AR, 808 E 108 St, Kansas City, MO 64131. Julio says if you've already sent cards for 1989 via W0AR, not to worry. Lee will forward them on to WD4JNS. Please remember SASE or IRCs as appropriate. WB8TPM (not WB8TMP) should be noted for the interesting 17-meter Antarctica QSO (June issue).

QSL Corner

Administered by Joanna Hushin, KA1F0. Here is some QSL information for recently active stations. It is passed along as we receive



Son and father team YV5AJK and YV5AXQ are ardent DXers: Both are on the Honor Roll!

VK9AE	(KD2EU)	V44KG	(WB2LCH)
VK9LV	(KIJB)	V47KLC	(WB2LCH)
VP2M	(WB2LCH)	V44KQ	(WB2LCH)
VP2MCH	(WB2LCH)	V44KW	(WB2LCH)
VP2MLD	(WB2LCH)	ZK1XL	(KF6ZB)
VP2MN	(WB2LCH)	7J1ADJ	(KB1BE)
VP2MO	(WB2LCH)	7PREG	(K0JZM)

SPECIAL NOTES

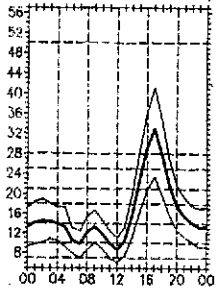
- VK5 QSL Bureau, PO Box 10092, Gouger St, Adelaide 5000, Australia
- SARL, PO Box 2327, Johannesburg 2000, Rep of South Africa
- NZART QSL Bureau, Box 35-046, Nae-nae, Lower Hutt, New Zealand
- Liberia Radio Amateur Assn, PO Box 10-1477, 1000 Monrovia 10, Liberia

□ QSL Corner, June 1989 *QST*, page 72, contains information and addresses for the ARRL Incoming Bureau. QSL Corner, March 1989 *QST*, page 68, contains information on the operations of the ARRL Outgoing Service. For additional information on bureau operations (Incoming and Outgoing), send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to ARRL QSL Bureau, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

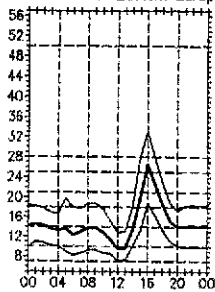
it and, therefore, may not be accurate. The call sign in parentheses is the QSL manager.

KA2IJ	(KB1BE)	V44KAC	(WB2LCH)
KA3PF	(KB1BE)	V44KAR	(WB2LCH)

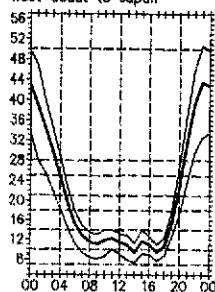
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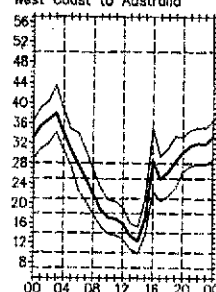
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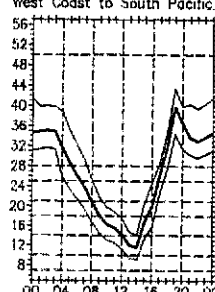
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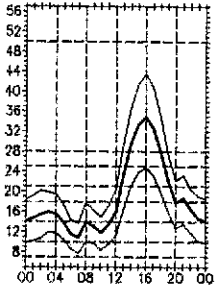
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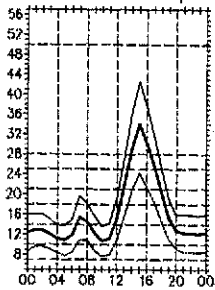
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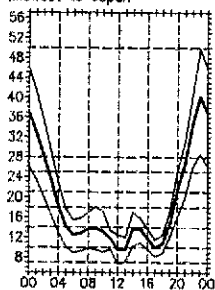
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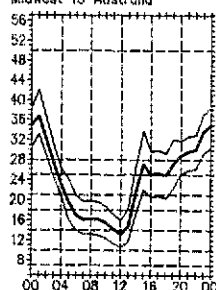
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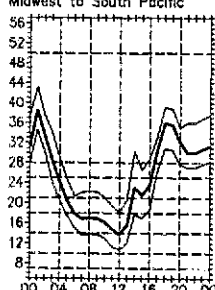
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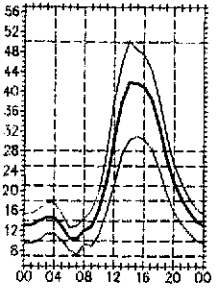
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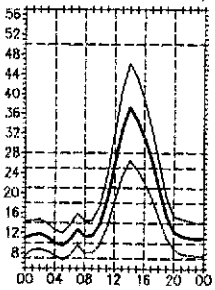
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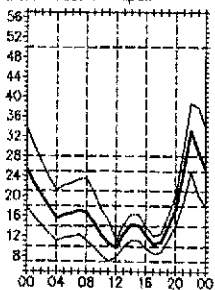
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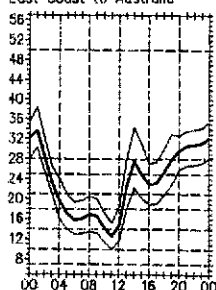
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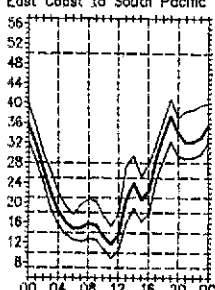
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East Coast to South Pacific



Universal Time (UTC); the vertical axis, frequency in MHz. See April 1983 *QST*, pp 63-64, for a more-detailed explanation. The 3rd edition of *The ARRL Operating Manual* contains similar charts for a range of sunspot numbers and times of the year. Sunspot data is derived from *Solar Indices Bulletin*, National Geophysical Data Center smoothed (E/GC2), Boulder, Colorado. Curves are generated using IONCAP. These predictions, for October 16 to November 15, 1989, assume a smoothed sunspot number of 186, which corresponds to a smoothed 2800-MHz solar flux of 230.

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LIFE MEMBERS ELECTED 4/1/89

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One other factor that contributes to antenna noise is attributable to atmospheric absorption. At frequencies below 10 GHz and for antenna elevations greater than 15 degrees, the effect is small. If the antenna is pointed straight up, this effect amounts to only an additional 4 K at 10 GHz (0.5 K at 1296 MHz). At 17 degrees elevation, this increases to 10 K at 10 GHz (5 K at 1296 MHz). Above 10 GHz, the effect can be large: Even when the antenna is pointed straight up, the atmosphere adds 25 K to the antenna temperature at 24 GHz. At 17 degrees elevation, this increases to 70 K.

The performance of a microwave system can be evaluated using the antenna temperature determined as described earlier, in conjunction with the information given in the earlier-referenced New Frontier columns.

Unfortunately, there isn't room for more. I have enjoyed writing this column over the last nine years. Some months it was difficult and some months it was easy, but it was always interesting. I have learned a lot and I've tried to pass some of that knowledge on to you. I appreciate the fact that many readers have taken the time to write to me, and I apologize for any letters I have failed to answer in a timely fashion. There is still a microwave frontier waiting to be explored; I hope I will meet some of you there. 73 to all.



NCJ features articles by top contesters, letters, hints, statistics, scores and much more. Big gun or small, the NCJ provides you with a valuable source of information on the exciting world of competitive radio.

The September/October issue includes:

- Logging Accuracy: The D44BC Experience
- 1988 CQ WW Phone—KC1F v K3TUP
- Converting the Alpha 77 Two Holer to Fusion Power
- The Busted Call Competition: Another View of the Accuracy Problem
- NCJ Profiles—N2NT and JE1CKA

Other features include columns on antennas, VHF/UHF contesting, contest tips, state QSO parties, and USSR Tidbits.

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The ARRL VUCC numbered certificate is awarded to amateurs who submit written confirmations for contacts with the minimum number of Maidenhead grid-square locators indicated in *Italics* for each band listing. Numbers listed after calls refer to endorsements. The totals shown are current as of July 24, 1989. An SASE will bring you the rules and application forms.

Compiled by Tom Vesce, WB1CRH

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360	KX0O	290	AA5AM
361	WA5JCI	291	K3ZO
362	AA5AM	293	KC4YO
363	WD5K	294	W2CNS
364	KA9QLP	295	K3HZO
365	KA9ROC		
366	AJ9C	KB4CRT	125
367	WA9PWP	W4ZD	325
368	JN1BPM	KB5RF	150
369	NW7O	K5YY	350
370	WA3FVJ	WB8CPW	125
371	K3ZO	K9MRI	325
372	K2MP	G4RRA	250
373	CX8BE	G4UXC	150
374	WA2FUZ	G6IJM	150
375	KC8IM	GM4ILS	125
376	VE5LY		
377	WB5IGF	220 MHz	
378	WA0GOZ		50
		48	WA4NJP
W1JR	325	WB9MSV	60
KA1MVB	275		
WA1OUB	475	432 MHz	
KU2A	150		50
W2CNS	225		
N2DXP	250	153	KA5ULI
KA2GOJ	275	154	G4XOL
K3ZO	250	155	WBKJY
WD4AFY	150	156	WA3FYJ
KB4CRT	325		
KF4FL	200	K1FO	240
W4OO	350	W4NJP	60
AA5AM	275	K5YY	130
N5EPA	250	WB9MSV	100
W5FF	525	G4XOL	100
WD5K	300		
WA5OLT	200	1296 MHz	
W5OZI	375		25
K8BEM	125	66	W0YPT
WA6BYA	450	67	G4RGK
K8EID	250	68	WB9MSV
KC7IJ	250		
WA7OEU	150	KF5PE	30
K8GOB	250	G4NBS	50
WB8TGY	200		
K8WKZ	500	10 GHz	
KD9IV	250		5
KA9LDS	225	34	W6HCC
WB8CQO	200	35	G8LSD
WA0DYU	250	36	NW7O
WB8HYV	200	37	WA7JUO
KA9JGH	350		
KA8KUY	150	W6HCC	10
WB0WA0B	225		
VE3LNX	225		
VE4CW	175		
VE5LY	225		



HAMS FOR CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES

In conjunction with several large church missionary and school organizations, Hams for Christian Missionaries is organizing a curriculum to teach Amateur Radio to missionaries as part of their studies before departing for their mission field. Also planned is a West Coast net in the phone portion of 10 and 20 meters. If you or your organization has suggestions and would like to be part of this effort, please contact Mark Goodley, N5RMM, 3120 Ryan Dr, Escondido, CA 92025, tel 619-480-4477.

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OBSERVATIONS ON NOVICE CW

□ There was one requirement for the ARRL Diamond Jubilee Award rules which struck me as being very useful for the encouragement of newly licensed amateurs: the rule that, in making 75 contacts with Novice or Technician licensees, we should try and give them a chance to practice. This gave me the idea of making only CW QSOs and staying with the contact as long as the Novice/Technician station wished. It was a rewarding experience to me as well as to them. I connected my old US Navy straight key to my rig and really enjoyed each and every contact, some very slow and others at considerably faster than 5 WPM.

The youngest Novice worked was 11 years old and the oldest was 93. Among the more than 75 contacts I made, there were very few Novices or Technicians who did not intend to upgrade their licenses. In addition to the 93-year-old, there were a number of amateurs in their 40s, 50s, and 60s whose fists, although steady and easy to read, were in need of practice.

Our CW mode is alive and well. I also noted that the Novice bands are a happy hunting ground for the foreign DX hunters, many of whom are also in the beginning CW ranks. From this pleasant and rewarding experience, I would predict that we will have a nice harvest of amateurs soon to upgrade.—*Harry A. "Jock" Maclaren, W5FGO, Gretna, Louisiana*

REFLECTIONS OF "THE GOLDEN YEARS"

□ Recently, while waiting for some candidates to finish taking their Amateur Radio tests, I could not help but think how easy it is to become a radio amateur compared to the old days. Books, cassette tapes and other information are available from the ARRL. Many clubs have radio classes and thousands of Volunteer Examiners hold exam sessions where the candidates can take the tests whenever they are ready.

My thoughts went back to the early 1930s to a small town in central New Jersey called Helmetta. It was at the height of the Great Depression. Being 18 years old and out of work, I used to visit the shack of the only ham in town. His name was Henry "Dutch" Yahnel, and his call was W2SN. (Henry Yahnel, W2SN is a Silent Key now. The call W2SN now belongs to a ham in Amityville, New York.) Dutch was also the

second district DX QSL Manager. Being the only policeman in town and working nights, he took care of the cards during the day. The cards and his radio equipment were in an honest-to-goodness shack in the backyard.

After listening to code for a while, the bug bit, and I was hooked on Amateur Radio. Before long, I was ready to go to New York City to take the exam. It was only 40 miles to the big city, but with very little money and no transportation, traveling was a problem. Finally, one day in April 1934, I thumbed rides to New York City on the day before the exams were scheduled.

I arrived before noon at the Federal Radio Commission Building at the corner of Washington and Christopher Streets. The Commission's name was later changed to the Federal Communications Commission. My problem was what to do until the next morning. New York, in April, can be very cold when you walk the streets and sit on park benches all day. During the night, I managed to keep warm for a few hours at a construction site where some homeless men built a fire.

Dawn finally came, and as soon as the doors opened in the Federal Building, I went in to take the exam. After a couple of nervous hours, the exam was finished and I started hitchhiking home. It was a rough experience, but a few weeks later a letter arrived from the Federal Radio Commission. In it was an operator's license and a station license. The call was W2HEN.—*Stanley J. Krenzler, W2HEN, South River, New Jersey*

"IS THIS FREKWENSEE BISEY?"

□ I couldn't resist sending you a copy of the above effort by my seven-year-old grandson who is visiting me now.

Robert is totally fascinated by the radio and has spent many an hour sitting with me while I make and receive calls. I noticed he was busy one afternoon writing the following: "is this frekwensee bisey calling CQ CQ CQ KB2AUR." His spelling may be lousy, but his phonics are quite good. Perhaps a budding ham in our midst! —*Miriam Lamb, KB2AUR, Highland Falls, New York*

PART 15: AMATEUR RADIO'S DEMISE?

□ I've heard the ultimate demise of

Amateur Radio as we know it today predicted recently, and it makes sense. The end will come when the public is totally inundated with cheap, poorly engineered electronic gadgetry, which is virtually incapable of rejecting unwanted RF. Radio amateurs will be so lacking in numbers and in political clout that we will be abolished as a line of least resistance and least cost toward resolving the problem.

This past Father's Day, I was talking with one of our sons on our cordless telephone, when he asked me if I was in the shack. I wasn't, but both of us had noticed an SSB signal in the background under our conversation. We paused, and I identified a WB2 signing over to a W6 in a QSO. I felt sure it was 6 meters. I went out to the shack, and sure enough, 6 meters was open to the second call area. If one of the better cordless phones can pick up sporadic-E openings, what chance do I have as a ham right in the same house of staying out of the cordless phone?

There is already today a proliferation of electronic gear available to the general public, obviously designed with no regard whatsoever to the fact that it needs to exist in a world where other devices also exist, some of which are supposed to radiate RF. I fervently hope a more intelligent approach is taken before it costs us all our hobby.—*Dick Sisson, W5ONL, Richardson, Texas*

DON'T BE A "TUNER-UPPER"

□ There must be some way we can get the word to the hams that come on the air without checking to determine if the frequency is in use. Most hams are courteous and thoughtful, but a few perform extensive tune-ups and tests without consideration for others. Some start operating without asking if the frequency is in use. What is particularly galling is the "tuner-upper" who persists for several minutes with an S9 signal, completely oblivious of a QSO in progress. During the course of an hour-long QSO, I have heard as many as four or five hams tuning up and interfering on the same frequency, and on occasion two and even three will simultaneously tune up. It is a rare day that this does not occur.

Let's keep the ham fraternity on a high intellectual and courteous level.—*Glenn Miller, W6JSK, Pueblo, Colorado*

Red River of the North—Spring 1989 Flooding

By Gurnee Bridgman, W9NT

"The river's rising and is expected to crest almost 28 feet over flood stage!" was the call that alerted the Red River Radio Amateur Club (RRRA), made up of members from the Fargo, North Dakota/Moorhead, Minnesota area, that their emergency communications expertise would be needed.

Already 50 miles to the south, the actual flooding had been the worst of the century with the area suffering millions of dollars in damage. The river's crest was moving north and would hit the Fargo/Moorhead area in a few days. The club has long recognized potential flood problems, as the Red River of the North flows north to Winnipeg and then on to Hudson Bay. Ice jams in the frozen north block the water moving up from the south and can cause serious flooding when warm days to the south result in fast thawing.

The RRRA Club has long participated in planning for possible emergencies, such as holding SKYWARN seminars presented by the National Weather Service covering the topic of summer storms. Although this real flood was different from simulated tornado disasters and covered a different time of the year, the principles and benefits of good advance planning are similar for both situations.

Prior to this specific flooding, the club's Emergency Communications Coordinator had met with the Disaster Services Managers of the two area counties to determine what specific communication activities and services might be needed and how the club's station at the EOC could be used. Anticipating future needs, the club maintains a permanent 2-meter and HF station set up at the EOC ready to go at a moment's notice. As a result, the club does not have to use valuable time setting up when an emergency occurs and fast communications support is needed. As a plus, having the station at the EOC means there is immediate access by the club hams to all the other emergency services, so the club can alert those services to our immediate communication capabilities. Over this flooding period, the RRRA's 2-meter station provided communications assistance to a number of the other emergency services groups which have their headquarters in the same location, including EVAC (a local emergency evacuation group), the Army Corps of Engineers, the Red Cross and the two County Emergency Coordinators from the affected flood area.

The first step of this emergency was to assign volunteer club members as Net Control Stations so the station would be ready to lend assistance at all times. NCS personnel were assigned six-hour shifts and manned the station over the entire flooding period. They opened on Friday morning and stayed on the

air until the following Monday when the station was closed at 5 PM.

The next step was contacting all those other volunteer hams who, in advance, had expressed a willingness to help when needed. This also included student hams from the Amateur Radio club of North Dakota State University in Fargo. After determining which hams were available to help during the flood, individual hams from both clubs were assigned to particular flooding locations and given instructions on what to look out for and

do. For example, dikes were patrolled to monitor leaks to see where more sandbags might be needed. In some cases, it was simply to call for a hot cup of coffee, a very welcome sight to those working on the dikes throughout the cold nights.

Hams also walked the river banks, contacting residents to point out where there might be potential problems, and what could be done to avert them. Two-meter hand-helds were the key to the solving of immediate communications problems. Most of the participating hams also had backup batteries to ensure continued operation over the long hours they were monitoring the situation. In some cases, mobile rigs were used if their cars were parked close to their assigned locations.

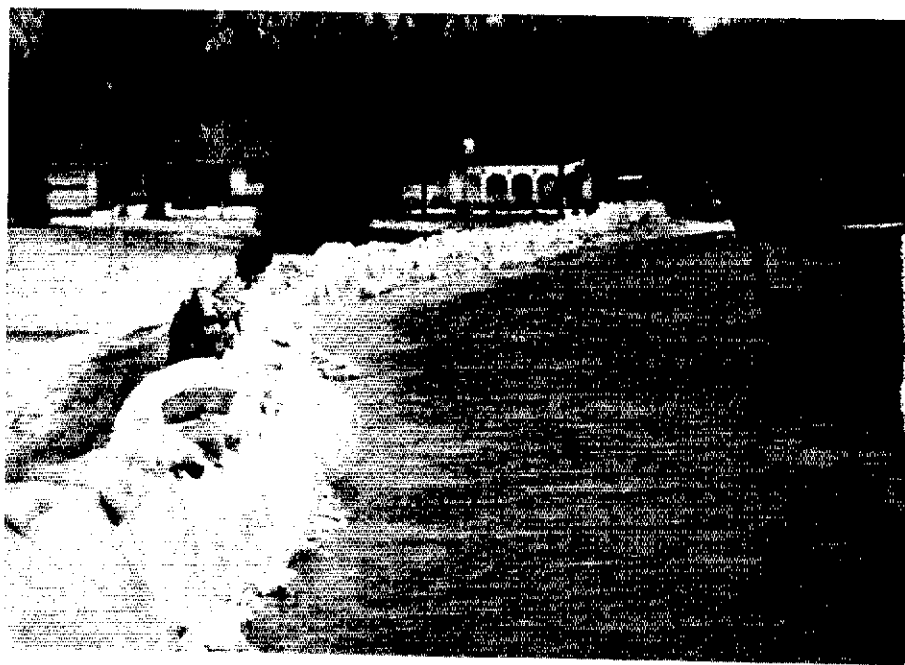
When one dike started leaking at the bottom and was undermining the sandbags, Amateur Radio was utilized to call in the Army Corps of Engineers who reviewed the situation and lent expert guidance.

The home of one member of RRRA was close to the rising river. Over 250,000 pounds of sand, 3500 sandbags and countless hours of assistance by a number of hams and other local residents helped to save his home, its furnishings and his ham gear. This was after it had been determined that the home could not be saved.

Probably the most important lesson to be learned from the situation was that good advance planning and training are both necessary and productive. Also that proper assess-



WQØM relays information to critical areas from the Emergency Operations Center. (photos WDØAKO)



A volunteer watches for leaks in a temporary dike in Fargo, North Dakota.

ment of the available resources, both in terms of equipment and the personnel to use those resources effectively, represents the groundwork for effective Amateur Radio support when the real emergency does arise. No doubt, mistakes are and will continue to be made in those emergency "what do we do right now?" situations. However, such errors can usually be minimized or eliminated through advance trial runs of simulated emergencies and knowing what resources are available and at what location.

The RRRRA has had an Emergency Communications Coordinator who meets and works with the local governmental emergency and disaster personnel. Since those governmental personnel work with the ECC who represents the local club, and details its capabilities before the emergency occurs, this amateur is not looked on as a stranger when the real emergency occurs, but rather as a skilled and valuable communications resource, adjunct to all the other services that are activated.

Another plus—when a club provides service to the community, its activities often result in excellent public relations. In this flooding situation, the club's activities were featured as the lead and main feature on a local TV news program during the first evening of the actual flood. In this video feature, hams were shown at the NCS headquarters station and monitoring dikes. They were interviewed about their assistance in in communications activities. The club also received public thanks in the local newspaper after the flood situation had eased. Using these types of publicity can be productive when conducting fund-raising efforts or contacting local government for updated equipment and antennas.

Thirty RRRRA and North Dakota State University hams contributed about 325 man-hours of support in this emergency situation. When the operation was wrapped up, every participating ham indicated that they would volunteer and participate again. So another benefit was the real emergency situation training that every amateur will put to use when the next emergency occurs, or perhaps something as simple as support of a bikeathon. The RRRRA certainly doesn't want another flood like this to occur, but recognizes that good advance training paid off, and the club is now even better prepared for the next emergency.

Field Organization Reports July 1989

National Traffic System

Net	Sess	Tfc	Avg	Rate	% Rep	% Rep to Area
Cycle Two						
Area Nets						
EAN	31	767	24.70	807	91.4	
CAN	31	632	20.39	453	100.0	
PAN*	62	395	6.81	545	93.5	
Region Nets						
1RN	62	440	7.10	437	89.0	90.3
2RN	59	233	4.00	331	90.2	
3RN	31	95	3.06	320	83.1	100.0
4RN	62	306	4.93	250	77.0	93.6
RN5	62	478	7.71	405	89.0	100.0
RN6	59	106	1.79	227		93.5

PN7	62	349	5.63	325	95.1	100.0
8RN	62	366	5.90	384	84.0	100.0
9RN	62	575	9.27	410	83.0	100.0
TEN	62	278	4.48	433	77.1	90.3
TWN						64.5
ECN						64.5

Cycle Three

Area Net						
EAN	31	189	6.10	440	77.4	

Region Net

1RN	31	80	2.58	240	94.9	90.3
2RN	31	110	3.60	320	100.0	83.8
3RN						90.3
4RN						64.5
8RN						100.0
ECN						64.5

Cycle Four

Area Nets						
EAN	31	962	31.03	1,072	97.2	
CAN	31	819	26.42	952	100.0	
PAN	29	512	17.65	815	97.3	

Region Nets

1RN	62	455	7.34	537	98.2	100.0
2RN	53	182	3.43	348	83.5	100.0
3RN						100.0
4RN	62	399	6.44	301	96.7	90.3
RN5	62	355	5.73	460	86.7	100.0
RN6	62	192	3.10	386	99.2	98.3
RN7	62	253	4.08	441	86.0	100.0
8RN	59	242	4.10	305	87.0	100.0
9RN	62	265	4.27	360		100.0
TEN	62	306	4.94	455	66.1	100.0
TWN	57	225	3.95	340	76.6	93.5
ECN						96.7
ARN	31	61	1.967	1,058	93.5	

*PAN operates both cycles one and two.

Transcontinental Corps

Area	Successful Functions	% Successful	TCC Function Traffic	Total Traffic
Cycle Two				
TCC Eastern	106	85.50	370	787
TCC Central				
TCC Pacific	103	83.06	358	687
Summary	209	84.28	728	1474
Cycle Three				
TCC Eastern	62	100.00	32	64
Cycle Four				
TCC Eastern	109	87.90	420	851
TCC Central	76	81.70	220	547
TCC Pacific	105	84.68	369	697
Summary	290	84.76	1,009	2,096

Brass Pounders League

The BPL is open to all amateurs in the United States, Canada and US possessions who report to their SM a message total of 500 or a sum of originations and delivery points of 100 or more for any calendar month. All messages must be handled on amateur frequencies within 48 hours of receipt in the standard ARRL form.

The Brass Pounders League Medallion is available to individual operators who achieve BPL and are listed in the BPL column for the third time. This medallion is a one-time-only award, i.e. it is not issued more than once. It is not necessary that the three months involved be consecutive. Any three months will qualify an operator. Stations that qualify for the BPL medallion, upon written notification of the qualifying months to the ARRL Public Service Branch, will be awarded the call sign-engraved BPL medallion.

Call	Org	Rcvd	Sent	Divd	Total
W3CUL	784	831	1361	80	3056
W1PEX	0	634	1500	36	2170
WB9YYP	0	1212	131	770	2113
WA2SPL	57	634	561	37	1289
K1UGM	0	523	523	0	1046
N4HOG	0	473	473	0	946
KB4N	0	478	479	0	957
W3VR	292	222	391	31	936
W3W1	0	438	426	0	864
KC9CJ	21	465	84	289	859
KA1IFC	10	324	302	12	648
KT1Q	0	328	316	2	646
W14FL	4	313	317	0	634
WA4JDH	0	283	337	0	623
N4GHI	8	316	249	25	598
WF6G	9	268	288	14	579
WB1BT/JT	67	126	361	0	554
WD4KBW					540
K4DOR	28	228	248	8	512
WG9J	3	276	200	23	504

BPL for 100 or more originations plus deliveries:

KE8GP	177
KA8QQF	122
W8FIR	115
KF5BL	103

The following stations qualified for BPL during the month of June, but were not listed in the appropriate column: KC9CJ, WG9J, WB9YYP, WA9W. May BPL: W1PEX, KB4N.

Public Service Honor Roll

This listing is available to amateurs whose public-service performance during the month indicated qualifies for 60 or more total points in the following nine categories (as reported to their SM). Please note maximum points for each category: (1) Checking into CW nets, 1 point each, max 30; (2) Checking into phone/RTTY nets, 1 point each, max 30; (3) NCS CW nets, 3 points each, max 12; (4) NCS phone/RTTY nets, 3 points each, max 12; (5) Performing assigned NTS liaison, 3 points each, max 12; (6) Delivering a formal message to a third party, 1 point each, no max; (7) Handling an emergency message, 5 points each, no max; (8) Serving as Emergency Coordinator or net manager for the entire month, 5 points max; (9) Participating in a public-service event, 5 points, no max. This listing is available to Novices and Technicians who achieve a total of 40 or more points. Stations that qualify for the Public Service Honor Roll 12 consecutive months, or 18 months out of a 24-month period, will be awarded a special PSHR certificate from HQ.

439	101	83	65
KC9CJ	K9CNP	K4MTX	WB8YPG
189	ND2S	W1KX	W8SX
KF5BL	100	82	NC9T
149	WB4WII	K49FVX	N4ORZ
WT0G	N1FLO	K3RXX	64
147	KA7AID	W1KK	KB4OPR
WB2OWO	N0FOO	81	KA6TND/T
143	99	WSA	WD4KBW
KA8BBY	K5CXP	W1ALE	WBUMH
138	NM1K	KA1IFC	KD0YL
WA2SPL	WA9VND	80	KA7EEE
131	WT8L	WSYQZ	KE2JX
N4GHI	K2YAI	N8EFL	KA8AAR
WD8V	98	W9HBI	63
W2MTA	WB4KSG	W0YOH	W1TZC
125	WY7U	KJ9J	K14W
K0BXF	W4ANK	79	WB5CPY
123	N1CPX	WB1BT/JT	WABDH
W7IVA	KA1GWE	WB2EAG	N8FWA
97	N2XJ	N2GPA	62
121	AA4ZV	78	WB5YDD
W9YCV	W2RRX	77	N8HSC
120	96	77	WB8R
W1PEX	WA2JBO	WA5MWD	KARCP
117	K0ERM	WD8KQC	WB8ZNY
WA4OXT	KQ3T	K3JL	NB2D
K5MXQ	WA2JBO	N7BGW	WA4YYQ
WB4DVZ	WA0TFC	WB2FTX	W82FX
116	WA8ZGY	N7MAL	N7MAL
WB7WOW	NJ3V	WB0UD	KA2QOO
115	95	61	WB0UD
W2QNL	W3FA	76	81
WG9J	WD4LOO	WA1JVJ	WB8KWC
113	N2SJ	N2SYY	WA2GYY
WA4PFK	94	75	WT0E
112	N5NZH	K8COF	N2HLZ
W12G	K8TVG	N2IMP	N1FNN
KA3DLY	KJ3E	NC3V	W1TC
N2EIA	W6VQM	74	WA2GYY
111	WD0GUF	74	N2DXP
W82ZJF	93	WB5J	KA2KJF
110	KB9LT	N03M	50
K14VT	WD5GKH	WB2EPU	NY8W
WF8D	W4AAT	KG2D	KB1DI
K4IWW	WA4EIC	WA2FJ	KA9QXI
109	92	73	KA9QX/T
W4JLS	W9DM	WA3UNX	K2TWZ
WB4ZTR	W7GHT	KA8WNO	WA2UKM
K14YV	WA2ERT	72	A10D
N5MEA	101	N1DHT	W2FR
108	91	N8FPN	58
KD7ME	NAMEJ	NR9Q	WA2PAQ/T
WA0HTN	KA2VZX	KA4RUE	55
107	KC3Y	KJANK	KA22NZ/T
KA1GEP	KB1NIX	N6NLW	N2IKR/T
WA1TBY	KB1AF	KA2JNE	53
WB8DOB	90	KC2HJ	KA1QFV/T
106	N4EXQ	71	51
N9BDL	W4CKS	N5KCL	KA9TVU/T
WA9W	KC4GCK	WB7WVD	48
K4NLK	88	KA8UEO	N4VHU
N3EMD	88	K1GGS	N4VHU
105	88	WA4LLE	44
NR9K	70	N4LST	N2EVG/T
KA8PKY	70	KA4FZI	47
WB1PIH	86	69	KA2JMA/T
104	KA1JXH	N9HWB	KA1HPO/T
WB4VMX	N3AZW	KA4HHE	44
K5UPN	WX7A	N8DN	KA2UIU/T
WB8CE	85	W5U	43
KC4BHX	75	68	N2DIY/T
103	W7LBK	68	41
KT1Q	KA1S	KD8KU	N2DHY/T
KD8HB	WE2G	K3GHH	KA6HJK/T
WA9VLC	84	N3DRM	
W7VSE	84	67	
KA1RVN/T	W5CTZ	67	
102	KB7LX	66	
WT8J	WB4HRR	66	
KW1U	W7LNE	66	
	W1KX	66	
		KB58NU	

The following stations qualified for PSHR during the month of June, but were not listed in last month's column: N2GPA, N9BDL, W9CBE, KC9CJ, KA9FVX, AG9G, WG9J, NS9C, WA9W, W9YCV.

Ham Radio Software That Won't Break Your Piggy Bank

Good software does not have to be expensive software. In fact, expensive software sometimes turns out to be no-good software. The following Amateur Radio software is both good and inexpensive—some of it is so inexpensive that it is almost free! So, do some browsing, because the price is right.

Apple® II/IBM® PC

Antenna Trap Designing

WIHUE has written a BASIC program for designing antenna traps using coaxial cable. It is available in Apple II and IBM PC versions. You can obtain a copy of the program by sending a self-addressed, postage-paid disk mailer and a blank, formatted 5¼- or 3½-inch disk for Apple ProDOS, IBM high- or low-density formats, or a 5¼-inch disk for Apple DOS 3.3 format, to Larry East, WIHUE, 119-7 Buckland St, Plantsville, CT 06479.

Apple Macintosh®

Field Day Logger

It is never too early to prepare for the next Field Day, and WA0SVR has provided a new tool to give you an edge in next June's number-one Amateur Radio event. *FDlog!* is a contest-logging and -duping program with a built-in CW memory keyer that will transmit any one of ten programmable messages at the click of a mouse. The call sign of the station being worked and a sequentially generated serial number can be inserted in any message. The program will keep you on your toes, as it provides updated statistics concerning your rate for the whole contest, the last hour, the last half hour and the last 15 minutes. A "smart log" function automatically "fills in the blanks" of the log if a station has been previously worked on another band or mode. The program is available for \$29.95 from Bill Gausman, WA0SVR, System One Control, 3900 85th Ave N, Suite 200, Brooklyn Park, MN 55443. The CW memory keyer hardware is also \$29.95.

PK-232 Controller

MacRATT is a powerful terminal program for AEA's PK-232 multimode controller. The program uses the Macintosh's graphic user interface to allow you to easily use all of the features of the PK-232, including facsimile. Features include scrollable windows for entering text, displaying received data, and logging transmitted text (in packet-radio applications,

there are enough windows to support multiple connections). Facsimile images can be printed without changing cables. Ten macro keys are available for quicker text entry. One character-at-a-time sending is available for RTTY, AMTOR and CW. If you have used *Macket* by Steve Fine, WD8PUH, you will notice a similarity between it and *MacRATT*. That's because Steve also wrote *MacRATT*; it includes all of the capabilities of *Macket* plus many more features. The program is available from Advanced Electronic Applications, Inc (AEA), PO Box C-2160, Lynnwood, WA 98036.

Commodore C-64™

Logging Pennsylvania—An Update

Back in April, I wrote about KM3D's Pennsylvania QSO Party contest program and, in response to that write-up, Harry Bump wrote to inform me that the program has been improved. Among the improvements are increased QSO capacity (from a maximum of 650 contacts total to a maximum of 650 contacts per band and mode), the ability to adapt the program for use in any state QSO party, the addition of a CW keyboard with memory (it requires a simple six-component interface) and the addition of more flexible contest-report printing. Send \$20 for a copy of the program (or \$3 if you are updating a previously purchased copy) to Harry Bump, KM3D, PO Box 392, Richland, PA 17087.

IBM PC

Contest Logger

KB0ZP's contest-logging program will log and dupe 4000 contest QSOs in 2.5 seconds or less after each log entry. This single-operator contest logger updates your contact information and score after each contact, and a built-in "hurry-up timer" warns you if your QSO rate is deteriorating. Extensive help screens are provided and the scoring mechanism may be changed to fit almost any contest requirements. To obtain a copy of *KB0ZP Contest Log*, send a self-addressed, postage-paid disk mailer and a blank formatted disk to Larry Keibel, KB0ZP, PO Box 2010, Sparks, NV 89432. The program is shareware; ie, if you like the program and intend to use it, the author asks that you send him a registration fee.

Message Handler

Message Handler automates Amateur Radio message generation. A small word

processor is included for creating the text of a message and provisions are made for automatic message numbering and automated "book" message creation. Help screens provide third-party traffic information and post office abbreviations. The program is shareware and is available from KB0ZP (see *Contest Logger* above).

N3EQF Logger

N3EQF's logging program provides for entering information in any order as it is received during a QSO; viewing entries sequentially; searching entries according to patterns in call sign, date, frequency, location, QSL or remark entries; printing the entire logbook or the results of any search operation; printing QSL labels from entries; automatic logging of time from the computer's clock; and editing or deleting of any entry. If the program is used with a computer that is connected to a Kenwood transceiver via an IF-232C interface, the operating frequency and mode is logged automatically and both may be controlled from the program. You may obtain a copy of *LOG-EQF* by sending a self-addressed, postage-paid disk mailer and a blank, formatted disk to Tom Dandrea, N3EQF, 396 Sautter Dr, Coraopolis, PA 15108. The program is shareware.

QSL Managers Database

EA1QF has assembled a data base of 14,000 DX stations, their QSL managers (if any) and QSL managers' addresses. The program allows you to display, add, edit and delete entries. To obtain a copy of *Managers*, write to QUFO Software/Padin, PO Box 351, 26080 Logrono, Spain.

Resistor Color Coding

Do you need help with resistor color coding? Well, W6QZU has a tool for you that will do the job. You can obtain his *Resistor Color Code* program on disk by sending \$2 to Merdin Criddle, W6QZU, 1720 Pleasant Valley Rd, Aptos, CA 95003.

Radio Shack EC-4023

Antenna Bearing and Distance

W4NLG has programmed his Radio Shack EC-4023 programmable scientific calculator to compute antenna bearings and distances. The one-page listing of the program is available by sending an SASE with one enclosed 25-cent stamp (to cover copying costs) to B. O. Lowery, W4NLG, 1809 Brickell Ave, Miami, FL 33129. ☐

Six-Meter DX Window Poll: The Results

The July column carried a series of ten questions, intended to determine the feelings of 6-meter operators with respect to establishing a "DX window." The DX window idea was originally offered by a group of south Florida operators 8 to 10 years ago. Although mentioned briefly in this column, at that time it did not attract wide acceptance. The concept was revived in early 1988 following the urging of many 6-meter operators unhappy with the way DX stations were being stepped on, especially during VHF contests. Not wanting to appear to dictate operating norms, but rather, let band occupants decide for themselves and then provide them a forum for their opinions, I proposed a one year test of a DX window, using the same frequency limits originally suggested by the south Florida group. Thus the May 1988 column recommended that we try, for a year, a DX window from 50.100 to 50.125 MHz. With the one year trial period up, the poll was published in last July's column.

Thanks to the nearly 200 who took the trouble to submit responses. Their responses provide a reasonable expression of opinion among active 6-meter operators. I am sure that there are many on both sides of the question who didn't get around to sending cards expressing their opinions, so a greater response would probably not have made a substantial difference in the result. With that out of the way, on to the results.

Question 1 asked if the respondent believes that a portion of the 6-meter band should be used by US and southern-tier Canadian stations only for working, or attempting to work, stations outside of the 48 contiguous US states and VE1 through VE7. Those supporting the establishment of such a DX window numbered 175, while only 20 expressed opposition.

Question 2 asked those who answered Yes to Question 1 if they believe that a DX window should apply at all times, or only when an individual operator thinks that the band might be open for DX. Of those answering Yes to Question 1, 154 thought that the window should apply at all times while 20 opted for the other alternative.

Question 3 addressed various frequency limits which had been proposed for a DX window, with the results as follows:

50.100 to 50.125 MHz (Calling frequency 50.125 MHz)	108
50.100 to 50.120 MHz (Calling frequency 50.120 MHz)	34
50.100 to 50.150 MHz (Calling frequency 50.150 MHz)	14
50.080 to 50.100 MHz (Calling Frequency 50.110 MHz)	5
50.200 to 50.250 MHz (Calling frequency 50.110 or 50.200 MHz)	10

Although not included as one of the choices, three respondents expressed the opinion that 50.100 to 50.110 MHz is sufficient space for a DX window. One of these thought that it should apply only when an individual opera-

tor believes that DX is possible.

Question 4 asked if the respondent will honor a DX window, if supported by a majority of 6-meter operators, by refraining from engaging in QSOs with US and lower-tier Canadian stations, whether or not he or she thinks that propagation to DX areas is possible at the time. Of those in favor of a DX window, 168 said that they would so honor the window, while eight indicated that they would not. Of those not in favor of the window, seven indicated that they will honor it if instituted.

Question 5 asked respondents if they would assist in implementing a DX window by courteously informing others of its existence and purpose. Of those in favor of the window, 147 said that they would try to help. Those that would not aid in informing others numbered 21, some citing an aversion to assuming the role of "policeman." Surprisingly, four of those opposed to the window said that they would help to persuade others to observe it if implemented.

Question 6 was designed as a screen to determine if the respondent is currently on 6 meters. Only three replies were rejected as a result of not being on the band. One, who is in favor of the window, said he hopes to be on soon. One against the proposal, said that he sold his 6-meter gear a year ago. The third, wrote a letter complaining about DXers grabbing the "best part" of the band but didn't respond to any of the questions, including this one.

The response to Question 7, asking how long the respondent has been on the band elicited no clear correlation between 6-meter operating experience and support (or non support) of a DX window. Those in favor averaged 17.5 years, while those opposed averaged 15.8 years.

A similar situation applies to the number of countries worked, as asked in Question 8. Those in favor averaged 30.5, while those opposed averaged 23.9. Incidentally, of the 16 opposed answering this question, two said they didn't know how many countries they have, and two more said they have zero countries. I gave them credit for one country in calculating the averages. In the considerably larger pro-DX window group, five said they did not know how many countries they have and seven responded with zero. Also on the pro side, 18 (more than 10 percent) indicated two or fewer countries worked. It seems clear that it's not just the big guns who are in favor of a DX window.

Although Question 9 was phrased ambiguously, most respondents tried to help by providing the information obviously sought. For those in favor of a DX window, 137 said it should apply to both US and lower-tier Canadian stations, while 26 expressed the opinion that it should be for US stations only. Only six VEs responded to the poll, with four opting for including the Canadians. One thought that they should be treated as DX, and

one didn't answer the question.

The run-down by call area goes like this: (For/Against) W1 15/0, W2 9/0, W3 14/0, W4 35/4, W5 17/2, W6 12/0, W7 7/3, W8 16/2, W9 18/4, W0 19/3, VEs 6/0 and DX 3/1.

So there you have it. It appears that a DX window between 50.100 and 50.125 MHz has a great deal of support among 6-meter operators. In addition, most agree that the window should apply to lower-tier Canadian stations (VE1 through VE7) as well as US stations located in the contiguous 48 states. There is also strong support for observing the window at all times, not merely when one believes that DX is possible. Obviously, observation of the DX window is entirely voluntary. There is no FCC rule or edict from any organization that requires compliance. Nevertheless, most civilized societies have standards of conduct which, though not established as laws, are followed by the majority of their inhabitants simply because they make sense and afford a happier life for everyone. The DX window may well belong in this category.

If the DX window is to work, most operators must be convinced that it is intended to benefit everyone, not just the "big guns." The big DXers must not use the window as their private preserve to talk to their friends, even if the subject of the conversation is DX. If more than a 30-second QSO appears likely, use the time to name a frequency above 50.125 MHz, preferably as high in the band as practical. If the average 6-meter operator perceives that the big DXers are using the window as their private QSO pasture, they are certain to jump in with both feet and do the same. That will signal the demise of the window.

Those who may not be in favor of the DX window or, disagree with some of its specific provisions are asked to give it a try anyway. I believe that the biggest hurdle is getting over the mind-set that everything happens on 50.110 MHz. For example, a few voted for 50.100 to 50.125 MHz but urged that 50.110 MHz remain as the calling frequency. I fail to understand how this could be accomplished while maintaining the DX window as intended. Furthermore, I believe that it will not be long before the use of 50.125 MHz as the principal calling frequency will become widely accepted. One respondent suggested 50.130 MHz as the calling frequency. However, I believe that this would not be supported by many. Another recommended that the DX window extend from .100 to .150, and no calls be initiated by US and lower-tier Canadians between .100 and .125, only responses to calls from DX stations. Personally, I would favor this approach, but feel that it would be too difficult to gain widespread acceptance. The .100 to .125 DX window seems to be the right compromise and did receive the majority of the votes. By the way, let's treat 50.125 MHz as we should any calling frequency by moving off once contact is established.

The coming months should be very produc-

Microwave Standings

Listings are call, state, US states worked, call areas worked, grids worked and best terrestrial DX worked in miles. Call areas are the 10 US call areas plus KH6 and KL7 plus each VE and XE call area plus DXCC countries not located within the continental limits of the US, Canada or Mexico. To ensure that the stations listed possess a true capability to work meaningful distances, a minimum showing of 5 grids or the minimum DX listed for each band is required. In order to make the standings a true reflection of stations currently active on the bands above 902 MHz, those not reporting activity within the past two years are subject to being dropped. They will be reinstated upon written presentation of continuing activity. It is not necessary to have worked additional states or grids in order to remain in the standings or be reinstated, merely an indication of continued activity and interest. Compiled August 5, 1989. Deadline for next update is January 15, 1990. (Note change in date, this time only.)

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* Some stations worked via EME.
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Notes
 *Includes operations from several grids in Baja, California.
 *Includes operation from DM04 and CM94.

tive for F2 DX. Let's hope that with the 50.100 to 50.125 MHz DX window in place, more 6-meter enthusiasts will benefit from the superb conditions which should be upon us before many more weeks.

RECORDS FALL LIKE DOMINOES

World records for 70 cm, 23 cm, 5 cm and 0.6 cm have all fallen the past few months. All but the last are the result of the duct that frequently extends along the West Coast of this country and Mexico and sometimes into the Pacific at least as far as Hawaii.

For the record-breaking contacts on 70 and 23 cm, N6XQ journeyed down the Mexican Baja Peninsula where he signs XE2GXQ. On July 13, his first stop DL28vq, Jack worked KH6HME at the 8000-foot level on Moana Loa on the Big Island of Hawaii on 2-meter SSB—a distance of 2662.7-miles. Signals ran 51 to 53. Jack was also able to QSO KH6FOO and KH6IAA in Hilo, while KH6HME contacted XE2UZL, N6CW, W6CPL and others. Two days later, from DL29cx, XE2GXQ worked KH6HME on 1 1/4-meters FM, 70-cm SSB and 23-cm SSB. The distance from this site calculates to 2579.7 miles and represents new world records for 70 cm and 23 cm. The 1 1/4-meter world record is still held by

KP4EOR and LU7DJZ. In addition to KH6HME, KH6FOO was worked on 70 CM.

The 2-meter gear at XE2GXQ consisted of a 4-wavelength Yagi and a 160-W amplifier, while KH6HME was using 80-W to a pair of stacked Yagis. On 1 1/4-FM, both stations used 25-W IC-37A transceivers. At KH6HME, the antenna was a 5-element, Yagi while XE2GXQ used a 14-element Yagi. Both were horizontal. On 70 cm, both stations ran about 100 W. At KH6HME the antenna was stacked beams, while XE2GXQ had a 4.5-wavelength Yagi. KH6HME's 23-cm setup consisted of 30 W to 4 stacked 6-foot long Yagis, while XE2GXQ had 10 W to a single 12-foot long Yagi.

The next week, N6XQ was back down in Mexico again. This time Jack carried equipment for 9 and 5 cm plus a 2-meter liaison rig and an HF transceiver. Getting to a likely promontory was not easy as it involved 20 hours of driving over rough Baja roads. Finally set up at DL37ck, XE2GXQ was ready for the attempt to work N6CA and N6SNA both set up at CM94xm west of Santa Barbara. Liaison on 2 meters was finally established after first having to take a circuitous route from N6CA to XE2UZL (W6UZL) on 1 1/4-meter FM to KH6HME on 28.885 MHz and thence to XE2GXQ. At 0046Z July 23, the first contact was established on 3456-MHz

SSB over the 613.4-mile path. They did it again at 0157Z, this time on 5760-MHz SSB. Signals were reported to be 20-30 dB out of the noise with QSB, Q5 almost all of the time. Interestingly, signals on 23-cm SSB were only 1-3 dB above the noise with 10 W and 20-dB gain antennas at both ends. The 9-cm contact apparently constitutes a new North American DX record. For 5 cm, the distance represents a new world record, slightly besting the former mark of 610.3 miles set by G3ZEZ and SM6HYG in July, 1983.

W43RMX apparently has a new 47-GHz record of 65.37 miles. This betters the old mark of 33 miles set in 1984 by HB9AMH and HB9MIN. Tom accomplished this feat with K7AVO during last year's UHF contest.

ON THE BANDS

No space this month for a detailed account of what was worked during the last half of July through early August. Suffice it to say that E_s propagation continues well on 6 meters but with the normal drop off of multi-hop propagation. A few openings continued on 2 meters. More next month.

Sun Noise—and a Final Farewell

In this column, I'll present some of the basic principles of sun-noise measurements. I wrote this article to be published in two parts; regrettably, this is the last New Frontier column scheduled to appear in *QST*, so I've had to leave out some of the items I would have liked to cover, and some of the explanations I would like to have given. I hope the remaining information proves useful.

Two previous New Frontier columns are recommended background reading. The July 1984 column dealt with the use of noise measurements in determining microwave-system performance; the July 1985 column covered the contribution of atmospheric attenuation to sky noise.

Sun noise is a measure of the noise delivered to a receiving system by an antenna that is pointed at the sun. The noise delivered to a receiving system by an antenna is a function of the *antenna temperature*. Antenna temperature is determined by the effective temperature of the object at which the antenna is pointed. If the object fills the main lobe of the antenna (and we neglect sidelobes), the antenna temperature is the same as that of the object. Thus, if the antenna is pointed at the ground (which is at a temperature of 298 K [25 °C]), the antenna temperature will be 298 K and the power delivered to the receiver can be calculated (see Eq 2). If the object at which the antenna is pointed is smaller than the main lobe of the antenna (as is usually the case when an antenna is pointed at the sun), the noise temperature of the antenna is a function of the noise temperature of the sun, the noise temperature of the sky around the sun, the angular diameter of the sun and the beamwidth of the antenna. The relationship is:

$$T_a = (T_{\text{sun}} \times \Omega_1) + (T_{\text{sky}} \times \Omega_2) \quad (\text{Eq 1})$$

where T_a is the antenna temperature, Ω_1 is the fraction of the antenna's main lobe that is occupied by the sun, and Ω_2 is the fraction of the main lobe occupied by the sky.

An alternative method of determining antenna temperature is by the use of solar-flux data. This is the system commonly used in radio astronomy. One reason this method is useful is that solar flux data at 10.7 cm is measured daily using a radio telescope in Ottawa, Ontario, and flux data is broadcast over WWV 18 minutes after each hour and WWVH at 45 minutes after each hour.

From this data, solar flux at other microwave frequencies can be extrapolated (see Fig 1). The extrapolated flux values are best regarded as those that are most probable for a given 10.7-cm flux, but there is no fundamental, fixed relationship between flux values at different frequencies. The graph shown in Fig 1 gives flux data for the amateur micro-

wave bands. Note that isolated noise outbursts—with a duration of minutes to hours—can also occur. These bursts can increase the flux values tremendously. Maximum burst values can reach 900 solar flux units (sfu) at 10 GHz and 4500 sfu at 1296 MHz!

Flux is basically a measure of the energy density reaching an antenna from an external source or sources. It is expressed in units of energy per unit area per second per Hz. By definition, one flux unit (fu) = 1×10^{-23} erg $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{sec}^{-1} \text{Hz}^{-1} = 1 \times 10^{-26}$ W $\text{m}^2 \text{sec}^{-1} \text{Hz}^{-1}$ and

$$1 \text{ sfu} = 10^4 \text{ fu}$$

The flux density of a source is related to the source temperature and angular size by the relationship:

$$S = [(2 \times h \times v^3] \div c^2 \times (1 + \exp[h \times v + k \times T] - 1) \times \omega \quad (\text{Eq 2})$$

where

S = flux density (units of 10^{-22} W $\text{m}^2 \text{Hz}^{-1}$)

h = Planck's constant (1.0546×10^{-27} erg sec)

v = frequency (Hz)

c = velocity of light (2.9979×10^{10} cm sec^{-1})

k = Boltzmann's constant (1.38×10^{-16} erg K^{-1})

T = source temperature (K)

ω = solid angle subtended by source (steradians)

This relationship can be approximated for the sun as:

$$\text{flux} = (0.0000161 v^3) \times 1 \div (\exp(0.0771 v \div T) - 1) \quad (\text{Eq 3})$$

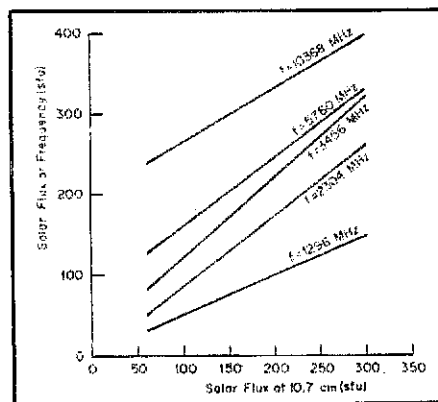


Fig 1—Solar flux at microwave frequencies can be extrapolated from that at 10.7 cm, which is measured periodically and broadcast on WWV and WWVH. The graph shows the relationships between 10.7-cm flux and that in the Amateur Radio microwave bands from 1.2 through 10 GHz.

$$\text{or temperature} = 7.71 v + (\ln[(0.0016 v^3) \div \text{flux}] + 1) \quad (\text{Eq 4})$$

where

v = frequency in GHz

T = solar temperature (K)

flux is given in units of 10^{-22} W $\text{m}^2 \text{Hz}^{-1}$

From this it is easy to calculate the power received by an antenna. An antenna is considered to capture energy that falls in its capture area, which is directly related to the antenna gain, via the relationship

$$\text{gain} = (4 \pi A) \div \lambda^2 \quad (\text{Eq 5})$$

or

$$A = (G \lambda^2) \div 4 \pi \quad (\text{Eq 6})$$

where

A = capture area of the antenna

G = antenna gain (expressed as a ratio [20 dB = 100])

λ = wavelength in use

Thus, the received power is

$$P = S A \quad (\text{Eq 7})$$

where

P = received power

S = incident flux

A = capture area of the antenna

Substituting for A ($= G \times \lambda^2$) and for P ($= k \times T$) and solving for T , the effective antenna-noise temperature is

$$T_a (\text{K}) = (S \times G \times \lambda^2) \div (2 \times 4 \times \pi \times k) \quad (\text{Eq 8})$$

$$= (S \times G \times \lambda^2) / 3.468 \quad (\text{Eq 9})$$

where

T_a = antenna temperature

S (solar flux) is expressed in units of 10^{-22} W $\text{m}^2 \text{Hz}^{-1}$

λ is expressed in meters

G (antenna gain) is expressed as a ratio

A factor of 2 is included in the denominator of Eq 8 because the antenna receives signals of only one polarization mode (horizontal, vertical, left circular, right circular, etc) but the noise received by the antenna is, for the most part, randomly polarized.

Note that Eq 8 is only valid if the angular diameter of the noise source is less than the beamwidth of the antenna (eg, at 10 GHz, dish diameter must be less than about 15 feet). This is almost always the case in Amateur Radio work. Also, an estimate of cold-sky noise contribution should be added to the antenna temperature. This is 25 K \times the fraction of the antenna beamwidth seeing the sky, not the noise source, and is usually a small correction.

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A Salute to the Courage HANDI-HAM System!



With continued service for more than 20 years, this Minnesota-based group helps disabled persons enjoy many facets of Amateur Radio—and you can help them in their mission.

By Mary E. Schetgen, N7IAL

Secretary
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If you've been a ham for any length of time, you've probably heard of the Courage Center of Golden Valley, Minnesota, that conducts the Courage HANDI-HAM System—a network of member volunteers who help the disabled become Amateur Radio operators. Through the HANDI-HAM System, study guides and materials, tutoring, and loan-of-equipment are made available to Novice hopefuls and their volunteer Elmers, usually nondisabled individuals who join the program for the express purpose of helping others.

Earlier this year, the HANDI-HAM System faced a reduction in services with their popular Equipment Loan Program. Bruce Humphrys, K0HR, Director of Rehabilitation Technology, contacted the Foundation with a request for assistance in the form of a grant. In January, our Foundation Board of Directors approved a three-year, \$10,000 grant and disbursed the first check in May. We're pleased to report that your support through the Foundation and the support by other group and individual contributors has helped keep the program intact. The Equipment Loan Program is unique for many reasons. In many cases, modifications have been made to loaned equipment to enable those with various disabilities to operate regardless of their physical limitations.

The ARRL Foundation has had a long and enjoyable association with the program and supports the aims of this group of dedicated volunteers. If you would like to learn more about the Courage HANDI-HAM System or would like to make a contribution to their Equipment Loan Program, please write to: Courage HANDI-HAM System, 3915 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, MN 55422.

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Attention: The deadline for receipt of items for this column is the 5th of the second month preceding publication date. Hamfest information is accurate as of our deadline; contact sponsor for possible late changes. For those who send in items for Hamfest Calendar and Coming Conventions: Postal regulations prohibit mention in QST of prizes of any kind and games of chance such as bingo.

Arizona (Tucson)—October 15. *Sponsor:* Old Pueblo RC Time: 7 AM-1 PM. *Place:* DeAnza Drive-in, 22nd St and Alvernon. *Features:* ARCA meetings, repeater owners' meetings. *Talk-in:* 146.52, 146.22/82, 146.28/88. *Admission:* buyers \$1, sellers \$4 per space. *Contact:* John Borden, 4245 E Lee, Tucson, AZ 85712.

Connecticut (Uncasville)—October 28. *Sponsor:* Tri-City ARC. *Time:* setup 9 AM, public 10 AM. *Place:* Uncasville VFW (off Rte 32, behind Wonderbread Bakery). *Talk-in:* 146.13/73. *Admission:* Free. *Contact:* Thomas Scott, WA2RYV, 203-464-6555.

Florida (West Palm Beach)—October 14-15. *Sponsor:* Palm Beach Repeater Assn. *Time:* Saturday 9 AM-5 PM, Sunday 9 AM-3 PM. *Place:* take the West Palm Beach exit off the Florida Turnpike, or the Southern Blvd exit off I-95 and follow the Fairgrounds signs. *Talk-in:* 147.765/165. *Admission:* advance \$4, door \$5. *Contact:* Hamfest, PO Box 461, Lake Worth, FL 33460.

Georgia (Atlanta)—September 29-October 1. *Sponsor:* Southeastern DX Club. *Time:* Friday evening through noon Sunday. *Place:* Lanier Plaza, I-85. *Features:* banquet Saturday evening. *Talk-in:* 147.500 simplex. *Admission:* advance \$55, door \$65. *Contact:* Ann Streible, 3101 Lassiter Rd NE, Marietta, GA 30062, 404-993-1767.

Georgia (Warner Robins)—October 21-22. *Sponsor:* Central Georgia ARC. *Time:* Saturday 8 AM-6 PM, Sunday 8 AM-4 PM. *Features:* refreshments, packet by Buck Rogers. *Talk-in:* 146.25/85. *Admission:* advance \$2, door \$3. *Contact:* Jesse Kirkham, WB4KQA, 110 Brown Dr, Warner Robins, GA 31093, (D) 912-926-3389, (N) 912-953-3922.

Illinois (Shelbyville)—October 7-8. *Sponsor:* Breakfast Club. *Place:* Forest Park at the north edge of Shelbyville. *Features:* flea market, refreshments, free parking. *Talk-in:* 147.99/39. *Admission:* free. *Contact:* Pete Wehrheim, K9TFB, PO Box 126, Baldwin, IL 62217.

Maryland (West Friendship)—October 15. *Sponsor:* Columbia ARA. *Time:* 8 AM-3:30 PM. *Place:* Howard Co Fairgrounds, 1-70 to MD 32, south on 32 1/8 mile to MD 144, right 1/4 mile to Fairgrounds entrance. *Features:* VE exams (reservations desirable but not required), refreshments, radio check out (station monitor). *Talk-in:* 147.735/135, 222.32/3.92, 146.52. *Admission:* \$4. *Contact:* Cam Whetstone, WA3YOH, 211 Clarendon Ave, Baltimore, MD 21208, (D) 301-379-3395, (N) 301-486-2609.

Massachusetts (Framingham)—October 15. *Sponsor:* Framingham ARA. *Time:* setup 8 AM, doors open 9 AM to early bird buyers and 10 AM to all buyers. *Place:* Framingham Civic League Bldg, 214 Concord St, (Rte 126) downtown. *Features:* flea market, VE exams. *Talk-in:* 147.75/15. *Admission:* \$5 to early bird buyers and \$2 to all buyers. *Tables:* \$12 which includes one free admission (preregistration required for tables and exams). *Contact:* for tables Jon Weiner, K1VVC, 52 Overlook Dr, Framingham, MA 01701, 508-877-7166, for exams send completed Form 610, copy of ham license, and check for \$4.75 payable to ARRL/VEC to FARA, PO Box 3005, Framingham, MA 01701, (N) 508-877-0563.

Michigan (Kalamazoo)—October 22. *Sponsor:* Southwest Michigan AR Team & Kalamazoo ARC. *Time:* setup 6 AM, public 8 AM. *Place:* Central High School, 2431 N Drake Rd, US 131 to M-43

east to Drake Rd, then north to the school. *Features:* free parking, forums, walk-in VE exams at 9 AM. *Talk-in:* 147.64/04 SMART repeater. *Admission:* advance \$2, door \$3. *Tables:* 75 cents/ft. *Contact:* send requests, and checks made payable to Kalamazoo Hamfest with an SASE before October 1 to Gary Hazelton, KB8PL, 67332 32nd St, Lawton, MI 49065, 616-624-1110.

Michigan (Southfield)—November 5. *Sponsor:* Oak Park ARC. *Time:* 8 AM-4 PM. *Place:* Southfield Pavilion Ctr, Evergreen Rd, between 10 and 11 Mile Rds. *Features:* ARRL Michigan Section Manager program, ARRL forum, refreshments, Traffic Net forum, VE exams (11 AM). *Talk-in:* 146.52, 146.04/64, 222.76/4.36. *Admission:* no advance, door \$4, children under 12 free. *Tables:* 8-ft tables \$10 each, reservations are required, tables the day of the swap are \$25 each if available, electricity available for all tables. *Contact:* OPARC, PO Box 1422, Royal Oak, MI 48068, for VE exams contact Don, WA8ZVC, 313-294-4766.

Minnesota (Brooklyn Park)—October 28. *Sponsor:* Twin Cities FM Club. *Time:* 7:30 AM-3 PM. *Place:* Hennepin Technical College, 9000 Brooklyn Blvd, just north of I-694 on Hwy 169 (old City Rd 18), take the Brooklyn Park/77th Ave N exit off Hwy 169. *Features:* VE exams, CW contest, seminars, refreshments, flea market, top amateur and computer retailers, parking, guest speakers such as James Young, WB6FNI, famous Jet Propulsion Laboratory astronomer speaking about the solar influence on radio communications; and Don Search, W3AZD. *Talk-in:* 146.16/76. *Admission:* advance \$4, door \$5. *Contact:* send SASE to Hamfest Minnesota & Computer Expo, PO Box 5598, Hopkins, MN 55343, 612-474-1529.

Missouri (Grandview)—October 28. *Sponsor:* Southside ARC. *Time:* 8 AM-4 PM. *Place:* MO Hwy-71 to Grandview exit at Main St, west 1/4 mile to Grandview Jr High School at 10th Main. *Features:* VE exams, flea market at 9:30 AM, forums, refreshments, tailgaters. *Talk-in:* 147.72/12. *Admission:* free. *Tables:* \$10 each, includes ticket paid in advance. *Contact:* Edward Conrad, NØCKT, 608 Cedar, Belton, MO 64012-2652, 816-331-4085.

New Jersey (Paramus)—October 8. *Sponsor:* Bergen Co ARA. *Time:* 8 AM-3 PM, rain or shine. *Place:* Bergen Community College, 400 Paramus Rd. *Features:* VE exams, walk-ins only from 8 AM-11 AM, refreshments, free parking. *Talk-in:* 146.19/79. *Admission:* buyers free, sellers \$5 per space. *Contact:* Jim Joyce, K2ZO, 286 Ridgewood Blvd N, Westwood, NJ 07675, tel 201-664-6725, for VE exam info contact Pete Adely, K2MHP, 13-30 Edward St, Fairlawn, NJ 07410, 201-796-6622.

New Jersey (Wall Township)—October 15. *Sponsor:* Jersey Shore ARCs. *Time:* sellers 6 AM, public 8 AM-3 PM. *Place:* Allaire Airport, Rte 34. *Features:* VE exams, refreshments, free parking, seminars. *Talk-in:* 144.51/5.11 (fly-in frequency), 146.52, 123.0 UNICOM. *Admission:* advance \$4, door \$5. *Tables:* \$20, tailgate \$8. *Contact:* Al Jackson, NK2O, PO Box 635, Eatontown, NJ 07724, (N) 201-922-8121.

New York (Centereach Long Island)—October 8. *Sponsor:* Suffolk Co RC. *Time:* 9 AM-3 PM. *Place:* Centereach Bingo Hall, Middle Country Rd and Holbrook Rd. *Features:* refreshments. *Talk-in:* 144.61/5.21, 223.08/4.68. *Admission:* \$4. *Contact:* Jim Heacock, KA2LCC, 18 Newport Dr, Port Jeff Station, NY 11776, 516-473-7529.

New York (Syracuse)—October 14. *Sponsor:* Radio Amateurs of Greater Syracuse. *Time:* outdoor flea market 7:30 AM, exhibitors, displays and indoor flea market 9 AM-5 PM. *Place:* Art & Home Ctr Bldg. *Features:* ARRL forums, nonham programs, refreshments, VE exams held at 1 PM, must preregister, deadline is October 7, send for Form 610 and exam instructions to: Exams, Box 144, Syracuse, NY 13215. *Talk-in:* 147.90/30, 146.31/91. *Admission:* no advance, door \$4. *Tables:* indoor tables. *Contact:* RAGS Hamfest, Box 88, Liverpool, NY 13088, or Viv Douglas, WA2PUU, 315-469-0590.

New York (Queens)—October 15. *Sponsor:* Hall of Science ARC. *Time:* setup after 7:30 AM, pub-

lic 9 AM. *Place:* New York Hall of Science Museum parking lot, Flushing Meadow Park, 47-01-111 St. *Features:* Amateur Radio exhibit station WB2JSM, VE exams, films, ARRL information, tune-up clinic, free parking, refreshments, commercial dealers. *Talk-in:* 144.300 simplex link 223.600, 445.225. *Admission:* buyers \$3, sellers \$5 per space. *Contact:* call at night only Steve Greenbaum, WB2KDG, 718-898-5599, or Phil Kubert, N2HYE, 212-777-8648, for VE information contact Anne Fanelli, W12G, 718-847-0155.

North Carolina (Concord)—November 12. *Sponsor:* Cabarrus ARS. *Time:* 9 AM. *Place:* New National Guard Armory, 800 Hwy 49. *Talk-in:* 146.055/655. *Contact:* write PO Box 1290, Concord, NC 28025.

North Carolina (Selma)—October 21. *Sponsor:* Triangle East ARA. *Time:* setup 6:45 AM, public 8:30 AM-3:30 PM. *Place:* Smithfield Moose Lodge, at exit 97 (I-95) and US 70-A. *Features:* antenna forum at 11 AM with W2AC, antenna design engineers, VE exams (preregistration required). *Talk-in:* 146.28/88. *Admission:* \$4, children under 12 free. *Tables:* inside table and two chairs \$6, outside flea market space \$3. *Contact:* Andy Singer, WK2F, 10 Berkshire Pl, Smithfield, NC 27577, 919-934-9797 after 5 PM, or Kirk Ellis, KK4YP, 18 Foxfire, Selma, NC 27576, 919-965-9577 after 5:15 PM.

North Dakota (Grand Forks)—October 14. *Sponsor:* FORX ARC. *Time:* 8 AM-3:30 PM. *Place:* Grand Forks Civic Auditorium. *Features:* VE exams, refreshments, planned fast-scan, packet demos and Dakota Division Forum. *Talk-in:* 146.34/94. *Admission:* no advance, door \$3. *Contact:* Rod Klug, 701-780-9478, or Foy Cox, 701-772-0951.

Ohio (Lima)—October 15. *Sponsor:* Northwest Ohio ARC. Note the date has been changed from October 8 to October 15. See last month's column for more information.

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Coming Conventions

MISSISSIPPI STATE CONVENTION October 7-8, 1989, Biloxi

The Mississippi State Convention is sponsored by the Mississippi Coast Amateur Radio Association. It will be held at the Point Cadet Plaza on US 90 at the foot of the Biloxi-Ocean Springs Bridge. The doors will be open from 8 AM-5 PM on Saturday and 8 AM-2 PM on Sunday. Admission is free. Talk-in is on 146.13/73. For more information contact Edward L. Byrd, KA5VFU, 18316 Landon Rd, Gulfport, MS 39503, 601-832-3249.

September 30-October 1 Kansas State, Wichita

October 6-8 Pacific Division, San Jose, CA

November 3-5 Texas State, Houston,

November 18-19 Southern Florida Section, Tampa,

ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

June 8-10, 1990—Kansas City, Missouri
August 23-25, 1991—Saginaw, Michigan

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of these amateurs:-

NIBME, Eugene H. Burgess, Vinalhaven, ME
 W1GAV, Franklin H. Gardner, East Dennis, MA
 WIKYW, A. William Welles, Mystic, CT
 WILGO, Harold H. Starr, Boston, MA
 WAINQH, Ellery F. Martin, W Warwick, RI
 WITHA, William F. Lange, Colorado Springs, CO
 *W1WHQ, Wilfred S. Lamb, Ledyard, CT
 *W1ZD, John M. Wells, Southbridge, MA
 W4BCC, Thomas J. Flood, Unadilla, NY
 *K2EL, Eugene F. Locke, Sea Cliff, NY
 K2GTI, John W. Ploch, Livingston, NJ
 W2KIE, Maurice J. Pirrone, Bricktown, NJ
 WA2MPQ, Peter B. Curry, Holmes, NY
 *WB2OLS, John Rebhan, Little Ferry, NJ
 W2PEN, Walter D. McAllister, Runnemede, NJ
 W2PN, Nathan Schnoll, Upper Saddle River, NJ
 W2RPJ, Peter J. Savasta, Hudson Falls, NY
 WA2VGA, Joseph J. Mahar, Sr, Bolingbrook, IL
 WA2ZWL, Frank J. Micklas, Clifton Park, NY
 N3ALE, Russell A. Terry, Lansdowne, PA
 K3CTI, Peter J. Denti, Pittsburgh, PA
 K3EGP, Ralph A. Blakemore, Sr, Quakertown, PA
 W3GGW, Ross H. Beville, Bethesda, MD
 W3IXF, Albert E. Snyder, Street, MD
 KA3JJN, George D. Obenheim, Whiteford, MD
 W3KCD, Harry D. Lentz, Newtown Square, PA
 W3LAT, Ralph P. Adelman, Mars, PA
 W3NY, Homer J. Berg, North Huntingdon, PA
 W4AIZ, Charles L. Smart, Dothan, AL
 WB4AOG, Felix Karpinski, Zephyrhills, FL
 W4AAOZ, W. R. Johnston, Marietta, GA
 WA4BFT, H. J. Proust, Durham, NC
 KC4BGX, Charles F. Terry, Rome, GA
 *W4CYL, George W. Dowd, Sr, Medon, TN
 KB4FYR, Holmes Branson, III, Lancaster, VA
 WA4HZN, Connie O'Donald, Jr, Charleston, SC
 K4IDC, Mark J. Devaney, Fort Lauderdale, FL
 K4JRY, Frederic H. Cheropov, Orlando, FL
 *K4LC, Fred E. Coates, Mosquito, Brazil
 W4MZM, Henry L. Pennock, Macon, GA
 WB4RDU, Russell J. Browning, Springfield, TN
 N4SA, D. A. Contini, Orlando, FL
 KB4TKB, Thomas W. Wolfe, Falls Church, VA
 K4TS, Charles J. Hinkle, Fredericksburg, VA
 W4UDB, Robert P. Haller, Lakeland, FL
 KB4UXL, Alford J. Evalt, Augusta, GA
 N5AYI, Clarence Brown, Harlingen, TX

W5BAV, Milton C. Bardwell, Hammond, LA
 W5BED, John H. Cartwright, Siloam Springs, AR
 KA5BUX, Conrad Schreiner, Tryon, OK
 K5GDX, James W. Stokes, Harlington, TX
 W5DCM, Edward L. Kenyon, Amarillo, TX
 W5JDD, Oscar S. McCullough, Baytown, TX
 W5NC, H. A. Sears, Houston, TX
 W5NNI, Carlton D. Smith, Greenville, TX
 W5QJZ, Garlanda B. Powell, Wichita Falls, TX
 W5TRT, Elmer E. Asher, McAllen, TX
 WB6BPA, William O. Sturme, Millbrae, CA
 W6CUZ, William F. Erdman, San Anselmo, CA
 W6EE, Warren H. Davis, Pasadena, CA
 KJ6QX, Allen J. Edwards, Palm Desert, CA
 W6KXC, Fred R. Eaton, Long Beach, CA
 K6LNK, Daniel F. Jordan, Hemet, CA
 W6JJI, George E. Olson, Hayward, CA
 *WA6OJT, Richard H. Webster, Lafayette, CA
 KE6PF, Glenn A. Axtell, Alameda, CA
 K6PIE, Woodrow I. Higbee, San Dimas, CA
 W6RLS, Woodworth B. Clum, Belvedere, CA
 WT6V, Jerome Bransome, Sonoma, CA
 WA6ZFH, Joan E. Clark, Miwuk Village, CA
 W7AJK, Herbert G. Auckland, Seattle, WA
 AL7BE, Harold B. Lie, Kotzebue, AK
 KF7CH, Donald C. Smith, Sparks, NV
 N7DSN, John York, Marrieville, CA
 *W7FRG, Joseph M. Costa, Phoenix, AZ
 KA7KKX, Joe Baudoin, Vernonia, OR
 KE7KV, Michael A. MacKay, Tucson, AZ
 KC7KY, Robert G. Fuhrman, Apache Junction, AZ
 W7VZI, Paul M. Johnson, Fountain Hills, AZ
 WA7YGU, Thomas M. Ashton, Winlock, WA
 WA8AEI, Joseph O. Guthrie, Edmont, KY
 W8AGN, William C. McNamara, Avon Lake, OH
 K8AHK, J. W. Waldron Newman, Tiffin, OH
 KA8BSW, Theodore T. Von Kamecke, Columbus, OH
 W8CEM, Charles A. Perry, North Olmsted, OH
 KA8DTS, John H. Ernest, Morgantown, WV
 W8EDS, Francis L. Daly, Salem, OH
 N8EMZ, Edward W. Sexton, Washington Court House, OH
 W8ERI, B. S. Norkus, Utica, MI
 K8EZZ, James E. Nally, Toledo, OH
 WB8FEY, Roy L. Torr, North Branch, MI
 W8GMD, Paul P. Vrobel, Westover, WV

W8GWA, Cecil R. Funk, Wixom, MI
 W8HYY, Robert F. Dawson, Canebrake, WV
 WB8IUR, Vernon E. Seely, Ravenna, OH
 W8KLP, Bill Williams, Avon Lake, OH
 WD8ONO, Glenn Pierce, Leesburg, FL
 *K8PI, Paul M. Jurewich, Brighton, MI
 *WB8QJL, James O. Billings, Jr, St Joseph, MI
 W8VTL, Robert C. Holland, Bowling Green, OH
 W9ATJ, Ralph H. Gullett, Maquon, IL
 *W9FNN, William D. Adams, Chicago, IL
 *AJ9G, Florian Kamin, Hampshire, IL
 W9GE, Earl I. Anderson, Delray Beach, FL
 K9HQZ, Laurence Van Someren, Baldwin, WI
 *W9LZP, Thomas C. McCain, Delphi, IN
 WA9PEE, Philip R. Haase, Madison, WI
 KC9CB, Lee C. McManus, Duluth, MN
 W0DOF, Lynn J. Briley, Sioux City, IA
 W0OEP, Joseph R. Pavek, Hopkins, MN
 W0PNZ, Lowell J. Rogers, Grand Island, NE
 *W0QC, Frederick V. Collins, Aurora, CO
 K0VQC, G. Paul Kirby, Shell Knob, MO

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Notes: All Silent Key reports sent to HQ must include the name, address and call sign of the reporter as well as the name, address and call of the Silent Key in order to be listed in the column. Please allow several months for the listing to appear in QST.

In order to avoid unfortunate errors in the Silent Keys column, reports of Silent Keys are confirmed through acknowledgment only to the family of the deceased. Thus, those who report a Silent Key will not necessarily receive an acknowledgment from HQ. Canadian reports should be sent to the CRRRL HQ address on page 9.

Many hams have remembered a Silent Key with a memorial contribution to the ARRL Foundation. Should you wish to make a contribution in a friend or relative's memory, you might designate it for an existing youth scholarship, the Jesse A. Bieberman Meritorious Membership Fund, the Victor C. Clark Youth Incentive Program Fund or for the General Fund. Contributions to the Foundation are tax-deductible to the extent permitted under current tax law. Our address is: The ARRL Foundation, Inc, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

50 Years Ago

October, 1939

□ New! *The A.R.R.L. Antenna Book*, eighteen chapters of comprehensive and reliable information on all kinds of antenna and lines, is now off the press. Price 50 cents, postpaid.

□ After a decade of sterling service to the amateur fraternity, the League's Standard Frequency Service is discontinuing, its job of providing accurate 100-kc. marker signals in major bands pretty much having fulfilled its purpose in days when most of us were unsure of our frequency—and crystal control now becoming the norm.

□ War in Europe has resulted in the shutdown of about 70% of the world's amateurs. The Editor stresses the importance of our neutrality on the air; otherwise, we too could be off the air.

□ W1BZR has improved Jim Lamb's noise silencer with a new series-valve circuit, which is simple yet highly effective in chopping noise peaks from auto ignition and similar sources.

□ W1JPE outlines several advantages of the "infinite impedance" detector circuit over the usual diode hookup, principally that it will handle higher percentages of modulation without distortion, and it will not load the i.f. transformer.

□ We're finding the oscilloscope more and more useful in monitoring voice sigs, but not without some problems such as interaction between measured signal and sweep source; W1LJI provides us a troubleshooting short course.

□ A highly directional antenna loses much of its effectiveness if we don't know exact compass points

from our location. W6JPQ, an old Navy hand, draws on his experience to show us how to use major stars and simple astronomy for precise directions.

□ W3CHE made top score of 178,200 in the 1939 DX contest, with neighbor W3EMM right behind in second place nationally. XE2N was worldwide champ. W9TJ worked the most countries—85!

□ Although the war has curtailed amateur operation in most of Europe, when there is a re-opening amateurs there will lose even shared privileges in the 7200-7300 kc. segment, which the broadcasters won (except for North and South America) at the Cairo conference last year.

25 Years Ago

October, 1964

□ V.h.f. areas are getting crowded with commercial and military users, making it important that we both stay within our bands and take care not to emit spurious signals. W1HDQ recommends use of a coaxial tank filter, which is both simple to make and low cost.

□ W1ICP is usually bombarded with questions after one of his transmatch articles appears; this month he takes the most-often-asked queries, dealing with specific antenna situations, and tries to answer them in a manner useful to all readers.

□ W3GRF took top score of some 733,000 in the 1964 DX contest, but his Potomac Valley R.C. score still ran second to Frankford's. HPIIE was highest outside-U.S. scorer.

□ Sky temperature behind the moon? Not at all fantasy, as W3WCP points out—there are several days each month when the moon is passing directly across the center of the Milky Way, and thus moon-bouncers have little chance of success with such high noise temperatures.

□ What value is that capacitor with the blurred markings in our junk box? W1KLE's "picometer" is a simple gadget which will give direct reading of unknown components.

□ VR tubes are great for regulation, but can be erratic in operation if proper design is not followed; W6UGA outlines the behavior of VR tubes and how we can best put them to work.

□ The special historical section this month highlights regulatory hassles in the early 50s—splinter "organizations" (one pro-voice, one c.w.) attacking the League's middle-of-the-road approach to phone-c.w. suballocations; then the FCC, after originally proposing voice-use exam standards tougher than any of the rest of us, suddenly switched its view and ordered all bands equally open to General, Advanced and Extra Class.

□ The National Convention in New York City in August was a humdinger, highlighted by a banquet speech from the Hon. Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, currently also the Republican party's nominee for President of the United States.

□ DXCC trivia: the number of cards submitted for credit and processed by Hq., postwar, would make a stack 25% higher than the Empire State Building.

□ Even experienced message-handling hams can get some good pointers from WINJM's step-by-step analysis of the proper way to handle a hamgram.

□ Six divisions (Dakota, New England, Rocky Mt., Hudson, Canada and Pacific) have exceeded their quotas in the Building Fund drive, with others close behind.—W1RW.

Results, 1989 ARRL International DX Contest

Conditions were simply incredible—K3ZO

By Billy Lunt, KR1R
Contest Manager

and Mark R. Burke, KA1MIS
Contest Assistant

This year's contest was fantastic! Conditions were superb—the best ARRL International DX Contest in many years! In fact, it may go down in the record books as the best year ever. W9HE believes that “this contest provided the most fun I ever remember having in a DX contest! Conditions were great, and I had no trouble working almost everyone I could hear.” Twenty meters never closed, forty opened in the early afternoon and ten and fifteen were just simply hot! Everywhere you looked, the bands were jam-packed with stations to work. KDØEE summed it up with, “What a difference a few sunspots make!” Great conditions translate into high scores and a scan through the score boxes will show how great the conditions were. N4ZR boasts, “I doubled my best previous score; conditions seemed wonderful!” In the same tone, KQ3V reports, “It was nice to see that the sunspots are back. I increased my score better than 80% over last year with essentially the same station.”

The conditions were so good that it was hard to decide what band you should be on. N4OGW found that “ten meters was so good this year, I stayed there for the entire contest!” W9GXR reports, “I was really excited to once again hear the band open around the clock with much activity, but it's grueling to ops over 50 years old!”

This was a good year for QRP. NU4B claims, “I worked 53 different countries QRP and probably could have done better.” W5TB also tried QRP and “completed WAC/QRP in 17 minutes!”

A total of 3889 logs were received—an increase of 495 log entries over last year's DX contest. Logs received from DX stations totaled 1156 CW and 643 phone; W/VE logs received totaled 914 CW and 918 phone. A special thanks to the 258 ops who submitted checklogs.

W/VE Highlights

The East Coast dominance was prevalent again this year in the battle for the top single-op spots on both CW and phone. Bob, KQ2M, operated KMIH to the tune of 3.3 meg to win the first-place CW plaque. N2LT scored 2.9 meg to edge out

K3ZO for second place with 2.8 meg.

Tim, K3LR, guest operating at K3TUP amassed 3.5 million points for a repeat of last year's first-place phone win. Bob, KQ2M, put in another good effort on phone at KMIH scoring 3.2 million points to finish second. Fred, K3ZO, secured third place with an impressive 2.8 meg score.

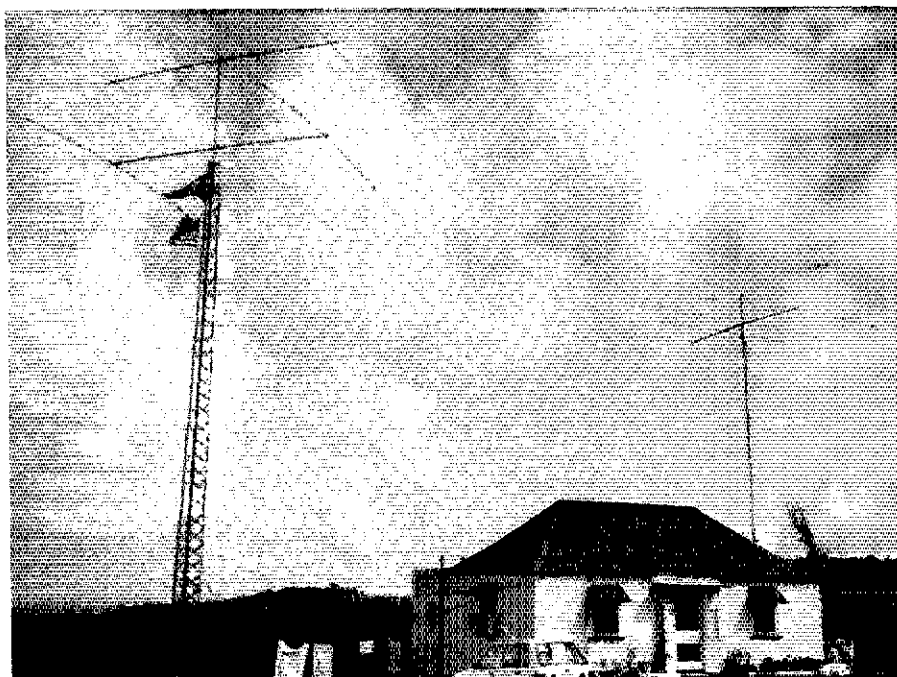
VO1MP has done it again! This is the fifth year in a row that Gus has won first-place, low-power CW (<150 W). What are you doing with all those plaques, Gus? W1PH put in a good effort of 1.5 million points for the second place spot, and KZ2S finished third with 1.4 meg.

W2HPF didn't quite reach 1 meg, but his 890k points won the W/VE low-power phone plaque. W1PH didn't cut him much slack, scoring 870k points for a close second-place finish. K6SIK scored 729k points for third.

Doug, KR2Q, tried his luck at QRP (<5 W) and came out with a double-header

win taking the W/VE QRP plaque on both modes. On CW he secured the plaque with 570k points and on phone he scored 391k points. Last year's QRP CW-plaque winner, W8VSK scored 389k points for an impressive second-place finish. N4JF finished third on QRP CW with 328k points and second-place QRP phone with 348k points. KA2AJT was close behind for third-place QRP phone with 338k points.

The single-band categories were as popular as ever. One can concentrate on QSOs and multipliers without the headaches of when and where to make those band changes. In the single-band 160-meter-category, veteran K1ZM took first-place honors on both modes. Great going Jeff! The 80-meter W/VE CW plaque went to W1FV scoring 115k. K4HJJ finished first place 80-meter phone with 27k. KBØG won the 40-meter single-band CW plaque with a score of 229k. The 40-meter phone winner was KVØQ. Gene,



A shot of the antennas that helped 8P9X (K4FJ, op) achieve third-place world in the CW contest.

Top Ten Single Operator—W/VE CW

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
KM1H (KQ2M,op)	3,313,218	20/19	121/52	366/62	762/73	709/90	936/83
N2LT	2,956,224	13/13	94/37	397/64	868/73	672/78	804/81
K3ZO	2,878,050	13/13	116/47	416/67	613/70	702/72	881/81
K1ZZ	2,797,167	15/13	109/42	353/60	659/71	665/75	886/86
N5AU (WN4KKN,op)	2,795,688	14/14	71/40	391/58	843/82	587/76	803/74
K1BW	2,709,357	15/14	87/37	415/59	861/80	691/77	564/76
K1RU	2,598,186	14/14	82/42	425/54	646/68	601/74	815/82
N4RJ (KM9P,op)	2,591,730	10/10	102/45	339/56	838/72	630/71	691/77
W9RE	2,449,890	15/14	61/38	323/59	700/68	691/72	715/75
N2IC/D	2,407,680	11/10	47/25	303/52	632/68	712/82	803/83

Top Ten Single Operator—W/VE Phone

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
K3TUP (K3LR,op)	3,508,800	18/12	66/37	89/42	923/111	996/104	832/84
KM1H (KQ2M,op)	3,299,791	17/13	93/49	99/59	682/110	719/96	972/99
K3OO	2,827,182	13/12	101/38	86/42	620/95	781/99	866/96
N6BV/1	2,783,550	6/6	76/41	126/46	508/103	850/99	844/90
K1RU	2,606,901	10/8	56/35	108/52	570/108	635/89	788/109
K3ZO	2,481,510	3/3	71/39	148/55	702/89	691/76	670/100
WOOG	2,481,042	10/7	45/28	121/51	527/100	745/99	678/104
N2LT	2,358,342	7/7	66/38	93/46	556/96	753/91	667/89
VO1MP	2,212,995	23/13	92/47	113/51	574/84	488/86	731/84
NR5M (WN4KKN,op)	2,191,068	12/10	38/25	156/42	467/91	565/87	774/108

Top Ten Single Operator—DX CW

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
P40GD (W2GD,op)	5,193,216	273/51	598/57	687/57	949/57	1093/57	1552/57
N3JT/HK0	4,052,370	306/47	500/51	448/56	691/56	794/56	1456/56
8P9X (K4FJ,op)	3,858,069	200/44	385/47	394/50	662/56	1141/57	1407/53
XE2NQ (AA5B,op)	3,554,139	103/35	421/55	641/56	843/57	1057/57	794/47
KP2Z/KH6	3,081,720	96/32	418/53	644/55	490/54	609/55	1111/56
G3FXB	2,707,848	5/5	129/39	507/52	957/56	671/55	163/56
N5CT/KH6	2,455,446	1/1	324/47	476/56	544/52	731/54	1001/56
OK1ALW	2,423,250	4/3	136/31	429/51	974/56	729/55	959/54
NL7GP	2,354,688	1/1	158/32	373/52	606/57	901/57	1027/57
Y42MK	2,117,424	0/0	133/30	372/51	675/56	731/56	935/55

Top Ten Single Operator—DX Phone

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
V31C (KE5CV,op)	9,047,040	15/9	419/54	701/56	1670/57	2242/57	4241/57
P40V (AI6V,op)	7,711,680	12/6	507/53	520/57	2098/58	1147/58	3640/58
VP5T (NM2Y,op)	6,313,692	129/36	297/46	585/56	1817/57	1860/58	2145/56
PJ9JT (W1BIH,op)	4,839,039	57/22	337/48	365/50	705/56	1510/57	2569/58
XE2NQ (AA5B,op)	4,362,240	21/13	390/51	797/55	781/55	1513/56	1618/54
VP2MBA (W7FP,op)	4,311,780	42/13	238/43	547/52	1081/55	1015/57	2247/58
K6GSS/KH6	3,188,010	0/0	104/31	613/56	590/52	209/41	2949/58
9Q5NW (N4NW,op)	2,966,208	0/0	31/18	188/36	1133/57	1469/57	1593/56
FG5/KA3DSW	2,562,210	0/0	227/47	284/40	1007/54	836/54	1132/50
OK1RI	2,422,380	1/1	15/8	436/42	685/57	1081/56	1082/51

N2AA, outdistanced all others on 20-meter CW with a score of 600k. The 20-meter phone champ was AI7B with 236k. Brass pounder K2VV won the 15-meter category with 557k. Scoring over 701k, W7EJ won the 15-meter phone plaque. K1RM lead the way on 10-meter CW, scoring 449k. The 10-meter phone champ was K4XS with 806k points.

The multioperator categories were a fierce tooth and nail battle all the way on both CW and phone for 1989. The multi-single category was a duel between W3BGN and AA1K, with the 'BGN crew edging out a victory by about 100k for the plaque. On phone however, AA1K and gang reversed

the standings and claimed the plaque, edging out W3BGN by 100k. In the multi-two category, KIAR and friends showed no mercy and took the plaque on both modes, signing KIAR on CW and KC1F on phone. N3RS was second on CW with 5.7 meg, and N5AU with 5.3 meg was second during the phone weekend. Frank, W3LPL, and crew dominated the multi-unlimited category again in 1989. Their 8.9 million points efforts on both modes secured them the CW plaque along with the phone plaque. NR5M and gang finished second on CW with 7.3 meg. During the phone weekend, WM5G placed second with 7.3 meg.

W/VE Low Power Top Ten (<150 W)

CW	Score	Phone	Score
VO1MP	1,601,538	W2HPF	890,100
W1PH	1,503,054	W1PH	870,534
KZ2S	1,464,120	K6SIK	729,195
W2TZ	1,438,686	KQ3V	643,140
N5AW	1,080,108	WA2UUK	566,685
W7YAQ	905,364	W7YAQ	498,168
W6JTI	897,408	N5AW	456,816
KA2AEV	858,750	W9IL	369,981
N2AZS	841,995	WB3FYL	362,916
W1MX (AD1C,op)	813,483	KD5GD	328,106

W/VE QRP Top Five (<5 W)

CW	Score	Phone	Score
KR2Q	570,825	KR2Q	391,950
WBVSK	389,340	N4JF	348,840
N4JF	328,251	KA2AJT	338,580
K3WS	291,456	KD2I	319,029
K1CGJ	287,175	N1AFC	182,106

Top DX QRP Scores (<5 W)

CW	Score	Phone	Score
YU2TY	351,360	JA2JSF	103,005
JA9RPV	207,897	F1BEG	86,940
DL2HQ	172,989	I0KKHP	75,945
HB9ADD	169,176	A2ZA	39,600
JR1IOS	138,384	E18AU	35,295

DX Highlights

The top-ten, single-op listings shows a host of US ops who manned their favorite DX spots. Veteran W2GD returned to P40GD to win the single-operator CW plaque again this year scoring 5.1 meg. N3JT/HK0 finished second with 4 meg. Walking away with the phone plaque this year was V31C (KE5CV, op). His 9-meg score was well ahead of second place P40V (AI6V, op) with 7.7 meg.

The multioperator DX categories denoted some stiff competition from around the world. The multi-single CW plaque went to KP2A with 4.7 meg. PJ2J amassed 4.3 meg for a well-earned second-place CW finish. VP2MU and crew took the multi-single plaque on phone with an impressive 8.6 million points, outdistancing second place VP5V with 5.1 meg. The CW multi-two plaque went to 6Y5L who edged out 4N4C by 500k points. On phone, XE2FU and gang didn't let up and took the multi-two phone plaque with 9.8 meg. JA8YBY finished second with 2 meg. The Italian multi-unlimited crew at I3JSS edged out contender YT2R by only 100k points for the multi-unlimited CW plaque. On phone, 6D2DX walked away with 10 million points for an easy win. The crew at I3MAU was second with 4.3 meg.

Affiliated Club Competition

It was a close battle for the unlimited-club gavel. When all the dust had settled, the Frankford Radio Club emerged as gavel

Affiliated Club Program

Unlimited Category	Score	Entries	CW Winner	Phone Winner
Frankford Radio Club	126,810,402	129	N2LT	K300
Yankee Clipper Contest Club	126,254,961	107	KM1H (KQ2M,op)	KM1H (KQ2M,op)
Potomac Valley Radio Club	52,099,869	60	K3ZO	K6HNZ
Northern California DX Club	28,903,092	74	N6QR	
Medium Category	Score	Entries	CW Winner	Phone Winner
North Texas Contest Club	32,487,618	25	N5AU (WN4KKN,op)	N5AW
Mad River Radio Club	16,986,336	21	W8UA	N8ATR
Society of Midwest Contesters	15,135,894	26	K9UIY	WO0G
Western Washington DX Club	11,328,510	41	NN7L	N7TT
Texas DX Society	10,043,319	5	KC5CP	NR5M
Minnesota Wireless Assn	8,903,580	7	N8AT	(WN4KKN,op)
Murphy's Marauders	7,822,797	18	K1ZZ	N8AT
Central Virginia Contest Club	7,669,872	7	W4MYA	K1BV
Willamette Valley DX Club	6,315,501	10	K5MM/7	W4HOT
Southeastern DX Club	5,898,063	12	WX4G	W7EJ
Dixie DXers Contest Club	5,052,282	18	K4BAI	WX4G
Southern California DX Club	4,578,015	20	W6AE	N4FD
Rochester (NY) DX Assn	4,559,178	18	W2AT	W6MFC
San Diego DX Club	3,162,477	19	AA4M	W2HPF
Eastern Iowa DX Assn	2,700,771	15	N8SM	N6ADK
Southern California Contest Club	2,478,647	9	N6AA	W0EJ
Dauberville DX Assn	2,357,130	11	WA3LFY	N6AA
Redwood Empire DX Assn	2,259,702	17	W6FSJ	KQ3V
Salt City DX Assn	1,890,606	6	NM2L	W6FSJ
Albany ARA	1,860,882	7	KN2Q	WA2UUK
Grand Mesa Contesters	1,729,023	9	KJ0G	N2AIF
South Jersey Radio Assn	1,696,290	17	WA2VYA	W0GOQ
Kansas City DX Club	1,625,013	10	KB0G	W2FGY
Colorado Contest Conspiracy	1,265,874	3	K0ZX	WE0A
Albuquerque DX Assn	1,077,438	3	—	K0CS
Split Rock ARA	983,013	4	KR2Q	W5SO
Western New York DX Assn	736,314	7	KD2YP	KR2Q
Ohio Valley ARA	693,108	3	W8RSW	KD2YP
Long Island DX Assn	646,854	5	K2MFY	NG8T
Tyler ARC	645,510	8	—	K1EPI
Northern California Contest Club	597,201	6	N6ZB	KD5GD
Western Illinois ARC	285,096	9	NM9C	K6XO
West Park Radiops	136,886	8	W8IDM	W1FV
Northern Arizona DX Assn	108,741	6	—	K8HVT/1
Central Michigan ARC	62,790	4	W8TJQ	W7VX
Local Category	Score	Entries	CW Winner	Phone Winner
Overlook Mountain ARC	14,900,697	8	K5NA	KY2J
North Coast Contesters	9,858,338	6	WB3KXK	K3TUP
Hoosier Contest Club	5,200,656	6	W9RE	(K3LR,op)
Carolina DX Assn	2,173,920	4	K2SD	K3TUP
Falmouth ARA	1,902,683	4	K5MA/1	N4UH
Arrowhead Amateur Radio Club	1,624,344	5	KR9B	K1BT
Utah Contest Club	1,422,330	4	WE7B	W0RXL
Columbus (OH) ARA	1,318,302	9	K9ALP	WE7B
New Mexico Big River Contest Club	1,024,926	4	KF7E	W8ZCQ
Western Pennsylvanian DX Assn	958,701	3	K3MD	K13L
Alamo DX Amigos	903,690	6	K5DB	K3UA
Fox River Radio League	822,765	4	K9MMS	K5DB
Sturdy Memorial Hospital ARC	602,196	4	K1ZZJ	WD9GIG
No Dot DXers	509,838	3	K9QVB	K1LXJ
Larkfield ARC	487,125	3	KK2E	—
Inland Empire DX Assn	448,257	4	K7EFB	KK2E
Gabilan ARC	290,619	4	—	NQ7M
Metro DX Club	268,881	5	K9MDO	KB6GV
Schenectady ARA	202,848	3	WB2EAR	K9MDO
Northern Illinois DX Assn	144,099	3	W9CH	WB2EAR
Utica ARC	142,746	4	K2XU	W9YYG
Jay Hawks ARS	72,987	10	N8FMF	KK2B
University ARC	32,838	3	—	K0IEW
				NQ7Q

Overall Division Leaders

CW	Division	Phone
K3ZO	Atlantic	K3TUP (K3LR,op)
W9RE	Central	W9RE
N0AT	Dakota	N0AT
W4XJ	Delta	N4TG
NA8V	Great Lakes	WB3KXK
N2LT	Hudson	N2LT
N8SM	Midwest	WO0G
KM1H (KQ2M,op)	New England	KM1H (KQ2M,op)
K5MM/7	Northwestern	N7TT
N6QR	Pacific	K6HNZ
K4PQL	Pacific	KX3Q
N2IC/0	Roanoke	K13L
N4RJ	Rocky Mountain	N4FD
W6AE (KM9P,op)	Southeastern	K6EID
N5AU (WN4KKN,op)	Southwestern	
VO1MP	West Gulf	NR5M (WN4KKN,op)
	Canada	VO1MP

Top W/VE Single-Band Scores—CW

160	Score	20	Score
Call		Call	
K1ZM	9,240	N2AA	600,696
K5UR	1,914	W5FO	391,134
N6LL (WA6CDR,op)	1,377	N16W	365,904
VE3DO	1,254	WA7RKJ	302,160
W2FCR	972	K9QVB	281,340
80	Score	15	Score
Call		Call	
W1FV	115,710	K2VV	557,235
K8HVT/1	41,415	KE3Q	510,600
W7VX	16,830	K1TO	504,495
K3JGJ	15,180	K4XS	440,700
WA1HYN	14,400	(WC4E,op)	
		N4ZZ	352,968

40	Score	10	Score
Call		Call	
KB0G	229,320	K1RM	449,820
VE2FU	172,992	N8DCJ	422,718
W9Z	165,438	W0ZV	408,096
K9DX	163,296	W5WMU	332,856
N9AG	154,656	N8HE (WA8DXB,op)	321,984

Top W/VE Single-Band Scores—Phone

160	Score	20	Score
Call		Call	
K1ZM	4,500	A17B	236,844
K5UR	1,764	K1UO	234,531
W2FCR	1,350	NK7U	176,532
		K9CLO	128,520
		WF5E	89,640
80	Score	15	Score
Call		Call	
K4HJJ	27,180	W7EJ	701,784
A4YBV	24,462	W7WA	665,160
N4XO	11,040	KE3Q	505,158
N3AHF	8,208	N17T	312,438
K8OQL	4,500	K0ZX	279,282
40	Score	10	Score
Call		Call	
KV0Q	74,880	K4XS	806,577
N4ZC	64,701	W5WMU (KE5FI,op)	587,250
KC7KU	60,750	KX4R	432,054
KZ2I	28,644	K5MK	359,373
VE2FU	18,720	KA1ZD	344,100

winners for 1989 at 126.8 million points—with the Yankee Clipper Contest Club right on their heels with 126.2 meg. In the medium-club category, the North Texas Contest Club easily out distanced all others for the gavel, amassing 32 meg. The Mad River Radio Club finished second with 16 meg. The Overlook Mountain ARC established themselves at the top of the local club pile with 14 meg for the gavel. Second place honors goes to the North Coast Contesters with 9.8 meg.

The 1989 contest season will be long remembered for its great conditions, unbelievable scores and loads of fun. May the 1990 DX Contest be blessed with the same propagation conditions. So get your

antennas up and tuned—ready for hopefully another unforgettable ARRL International DX Contest in 1990.

SOAPBOX

CW

I was disappointed by the lack of Asian, Pacific and African stations that came through here (WA2WIP). South America, Africa and the affluent part of Europe was scarcely represented (W1PL). Conditions were excellent all weekend (K1FFX). I was just amazed how well I did on less than five watts! (W1JP). I had a great time in the contest. Thanks to all (WB2TPS). You have to love 10 meters—you could run Europeans with 100 watts and a dipole up 25 feet! (K2PS). It was great fun, and I got 18 new countries (WA2AXJ). Conditions were great—I never thought I'd ever find myself wishing the band would close so that I could rest! (KD2I). Thanks to the JAs and ZLs who worked

a weak signal (K4FOY). The ice storm that hit Friday evening and lasted for the entire weekend gave new meaning to the term "fixed array." For the first time in years I was able to make more than 250 QSOs. Very very FB Contest! (W4YN). I enjoyed the contest as always! (KA4YAE). Band

W/VE Plaque Winners—CW

Single Operator

Category	Winner	Donor
All Band	KM1H (KQ2M,op)	Frankford Radio Club
1.8 MHz	K1ZM	Billy Lunt, KR1R
3.5 MHz	W1FV	Dayton Amateur Radio Assn
7 MHz	KB0G	Northern Arizona DX Assn
14 MHz	N2AA	Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club—W9ZL
21 MHz	K2VV	Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA
28 MHz	K1RM	W5MYA
Low Power	VO1MP	Dauberville DX Assn
QRP	KR2Q	David Newkirk, AK7M

Multioperator

Single Transmitter	W3BGN	Northern Illinois DX Assn
Two Transmitter	K1AR	Kenwood USA Corporation
Unlimited	W3LPL	ETO Inc/ALPHA

W/VE Plaque Winners—Phone

Single Operator

Category	Winner	Donor
All Band	K3TUP (K3LR,op)	Frankford Radio Club
1.8 MHz	K1ZM	Butch Greve, W9EWC, Memorial
3.5 MHz	K4HJJ	Lance Johnson Engineering, K8CS
7 MHz	KV9Q	Dave Thompson, K4JRB
14 MHz	A17B	Dayton Amateur Radio Assn
21 MHz	W7EJ	Kenwood USA Corporation
28 MHz	K4XS	Windsor Amateur Radio Club, VE3OW
Low Power	W2HPF	Dauberville DX Assn
QRP	KR2Q	Marlis, N4MZJ, Hermitage Wireless Inc

Multioperator

Single Transmitter	AA1K	Kenwood USA Corporation
Two Transmitter	KC1F	Kenwood USA Corporation
Unlimited	W3LPL	Western New York DX Assn—W2RR

DX Plaque Winners—CW

Single Operator

Category	Winner	Donor
World	P40GD (W2GD,op)	North Jersey DX Assn
Africa	5H1HK (JE3MAS,op)	WB3KTX
Asia	JA7FWR	Alamo DX Amigos
Europe	G3FXB	Clarke V. Greene, K1JX
North America	N3JT/HK0	W4KFC Memorial Plaque—PVRC
Oceania	KP2Z/KH6	Robert J. Halprin, K1XA
South America	P40GD (W2GD,op)	Herbert Hoover, Jr, W6ZH Memorial Award
1.8 MHz	YV1OB	Jim Dionne, K1MEM, and Bill Poelimitz, K1MM
3.5 MHz	K0GVB/C6A	Mad River Radio Club
7 MHz	I2VXJ	Dr W.R. Staples, W4SME
14 MHz	A16V/VP9	Bencher, Inc.
21 MHz	KV4FZ (N6OP,op)	Southern New England DX Assn
28 MHz	HC2G (HC2SL,op)	ZP5XDW
QRP	YU2TY	Rick, KZ2E, Hermitage Wireless Inc

Multioperator, Single Transmitter

World	KP2A	John Brosnahan, W0UN
Africa	EA8RCT	Kenwood Employees ARC, WD6DJY
Asia	UZ0QWA	Kenwood USA Corporation
Europe	HG1S	The Radio Place
North America	KP2A	Kenwood USA Corporation
Oceania	KX6OI	Gary Stilwell, K1BT and Glenn Stilwell, WR6O
South America	PJ2J	Kenwood USA Corporation

Multioperator, Two Transmitter

World	6Y5L	Kenwood Employees ARC, WD6DJY
Asia	JA1YXP	Kenwood USA Corporation
Europe	4N4C	Kenwood USA Corporation
North America	6Y5L	David W. Brandenburg, K5RQ
South America	HK3MAE	Max Arnold, W4WHN, Memorial

Multioperator, Unlimited

World	I3JSS	H. Stephen Miller, N8SM
Asia	JA8YBY	Kenwood USA Corporation
Europe	I3JSS	Texas DX Society
North America	WF8C/VP9	ETO Inc/ALPHA

conditions were great—it was a pleasure to be duped by a VS6 (K4AMC). This was a very good contest. I'm glad to see the great band conditions returning on the upper 3 HF bands (WB4DNL). Great contest! Sure wish that I could have worked everything I heard! (KD5PJ). The 10-meter CW band isn't big enough. Competition for frequencies was tough down here (AD5Q). Con-

Special Plaques

Single Operator

Category	Winner	Donor
W/VE S/O Combined Score	KM1H (KQ2M,op)	National Contest Journal
W/VE Low Power, Combined Score	W1PH	Rochester (NY) DX Assn
World S/O Combined Score	XE2NQ (AA5B,op)	Mike Manafo, K3UOC, P46S, 4M4A
Africa Combined Score	CN8FC	Dave Heil, K8MN and Tom Gregory, N4NW
Japan Combined Score	JH7DNO	JA7WME, JG7SVZ, JH7AFR
Atlantic Division (CW)	K3ZO	K2NY Memorial—Salt City DX Assn
Great Lakes Division (CW)	NA8V	Livonia Amateur Radio Club, Livonia, MI
Great Lakes Division (Phone)	WB3KKX	Livonia Amateur Radio Club, Livonia, MI
Hudson Division (CW)	N2LT	W2AO Memorial—Order of Boiled Owls
Israel S/O (CW)	4X6UU	Robert E. Weinstock, KN1K
Japan (CW)	JA7FWR	Western Washington DX Club
Seventh Call Area (CW)	K6MM/7	Willamette Valley DX Club
Seventh Call Area (Phone)	N7TT	Willamette Valley DX Club
Single Op Under 18 (CW)	NL7GP	Virginia A. Greene, WB1AVA
Single Op Under 18 (Phone)	NL7GP	Virginia A. Greene, WB1AVA
USSR All-Band (CW)	UP3BA	K1KI, WB4TDH, AA6BB, KA6V
USSR All-Band (Phone)	RB5DX	K1KI, W4MOM, AA6BB, KA6V

Multioperator

Caribbean Multi-Single (CW)	KP2A	The YASME Foundation
Caribbean Multi-Single (Phone)	VP2MU	W5MYA
Multi-Multi Combined World	YT2R	W2PV Memorial—Schenectady ARA

DX Plaque Winners—Phone

Single Operator

Category	Winner	Donor
World	V31C (KE5CV,op)	North Jersey DX Assn
Africa	9Q5NW (N4NW,op)	Kenwood USA Corporation
Asia	JH1AEP	Acadiana DX Assn
Europe	OK1RI	Gerald Griffin, MD, W8MEP
North America	V31C (KE5CV,op)	Chod Harris, VP2ML
Oceania	K6GSS/KH6	Doc Sayre, N7AVK
South America	P40V (A16V,op)	Kenwood USA Corporation
1.8 MHz	HK3DFT	Fred Race, AL7JO, in Memory of Charlie, W8TCS
3.5 MHz	TE1L	Kenwood USA Corporation
7 MHz	ZF2MV	Central Arizona DX Assn
14 MHz	T32AF (KH6UR,op)	Don Wallace, W6AM, Memorial, Central CA DX Club
21 MHz	NP4CC	Ray Molony, W2NCL, Memorial, Long Island DX Assn
28 MHz	P40T (KB2HZ,op)	Contest Committee—LIMARC
QRP	JA2JSF	Gerald Griffin, MD, W8MEP

Multioperator, Single Transmitter

World	VP2MU	Gloucester County ARC
Africa	T5GG	Kenwood USA Corporation
Asia	JA7YAA	Kenwood USA Corporation
Europe	F6BEE	Kenwood Employees ARC, WD6DJY
North America	VP2MU	Society of Midwest Contesters
Oceania	KX6OI	Society of Midwest Contesters

Multioperator, Two Transmitter

World	XE2FU	Kenwood USA Corporation
Asia	JA8YBY	Kenwood USA Corporation
North America	XE2FU	Jan Hubach, OH1ZAA and John Brosnahan, W0UN
South America	ZY4BA	Kenwood USA Corporation

Multioperator, Unlimited

World	6D2DX	Wayne Yoshida, KH6WZ
Asia	JA9YBA	Kenwood Employees ARC, WD6DJY
Europe	I3MAU	Kenwood USA Corporation
North America	6D2DX	ETO Inc/ALPHA

ditions were great on 10 and 15 meters! (W6LC). The conditions this year were outstanding! (KW6Q). A most enjoyable contest. I'll see you in '90 (W6MVW). Unfortunately, many Pacific and Caribbean multipliers were not there, but conditions were fantastic! (W6YA). Conditions were great, but there was not much activity from South America and the Pacific (N6ND). Conditions were very good. Same frequency was open to Japan at all times! (N7IR). Thanks for a great contest, and I hope to see you again next year (WA7EGA). The band conditions were poor on 80 meters. 10- and 15-meter bands seemed

Top W/VE Multioperator Scores—CW

Single Transmitter

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
W3BGN	2,897,424	20/17	121/40	455/64	863/72	581/76	696/84
AA1K	2,798,280	20/18	122/45	450/60	674/76	597/81	728/80
KY2J	2,793,630	13/13	142/49	544/64	741/82	534/80	536/83
K1IU	2,679,804	8/8	94/43	563/55	764/72	700/70	628/76
K5ZD/3	2,652,639	11/10	66/34	358/62	744/75	697/79	717/81

Two Transmitter

K1AR	6,892,194	19/17	254/52	899/79	1573/101	1179/93	1262/101
N3RS	5,781,849	20/16	234/61	701/78	1297/86	1203/97	996/95
K4VX/8	5,496,942	26/23	70/42	586/74	1387/85	1300/91	1133/92
WM5G	4,831,083	17/16	63/39	534/75	1187/99	1008/101	998/93
N6RO	4,581,716	10/9	152/28	578/70	1128/88	1153/102	998/91

Unlimited

W3LPL	8,953,632	44/29	387/60	1078/88	1548/101	1650/104	1485/100
NR5M	7,370,745	31/27	202/59	770/88	1429/107	1339/110	1274/96
K1ST	7,020,900	22/20	298/53	972/79	1585/94	1272/94	1231/95
KY1H	6,252,774	10/10	164/49	968/82	1483/90	1242/93	1072/98
W0AIH/9	5,798,520	18/16	92/45	722/75	1247/95	1363/95	1238/87

Top DX Multioperator Scores—CW

Single Transmitter

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
KP2A	4,765,710	299/50	606/56	565/57	951/57	1039/57	1282/58
PJ2J	4,381,746	263/50	496/56	575/57	906/57	1084/57	1049/57
HG1S	2,873,034	0/0	130/24	469/53	1327/58	812/57	1155/54
J88A	2,846,180	105/36	542/49	521/54	725/53	893/54	427/49
XE2EBE	2,802,600	176/39	442/54	549/51	363/50	402/51	1182/55

Two Transmitter

6Y5L	2,572,317	247/42	531/50	662/54	334/47	349/51	764/53
4N4C	2,060,289	0/0	83/21	312/44	1121/57	528/56	929/53
SM5GMG	1,537,632	0/0	47/15	437/53	670/56	473/54	621/50
JA1YXP	1,161,864	0/0	49/20	343/47	141/45	986/56	274/48
HK3MAE	155,868	0/0	0/0	0/0	112/42	86/34	221/47

Unlimited

13JSS	3,861,750	16/11	229/35	738/56	1518/56	1115/57	1134/56
YT2R	2,060,289	87/24	170/29	654/54	1529/57	1049/56	1054/56
JABYBY	2,484,720	0/0	144/21	438/51	795/56	1052/56	1022/56
JA1YFG	2,129,166	0/0	126/18	454/51	651/55	898/57	904/53
WF8C/VP9	1,826,025	0/0	527/52	421/48	467/47	718/55	292/49

Top DX Single-Band Scores—CW

160		20	
Call	Score	Call	Score
YV1OB	39,555	A16V/VP9	342,684
N09M/KP4	21,660	YZ1U	292,320
CT1AOZ	20,088	4N2V	255,474
		OH7MA	224,448
		ZY0FX	194,040
		(W9VA,op)	
		15	
		Call	Score
		KV4FZ	311,049
		(N6OP,op)	
		9Y4VU	308,826
		AL7CQ	288,990
		14IND	257,172
		G4CNY	232,389
		10	
		Call	Score
		HC2G	306,600
		(HC2SL,op)	
		VP2MW	286,926
		(N4MO,op)	
		GW4BLE	280,056
		(G3WVG,op)	
		VE7QO/AH6	247,800
		YZ3A	247,779
		(YU3BC,op)	

open like the good old days! (W7DRA). Signals were dynamite. I got most on the first call and got some new countries (NC7O). It was a great contest with great propagation conditions. I can't wait for next year! (N8AGU). The contest was great! Conditions on all hands could not have been better. (WD9Q). Thanks to all the A-1 operators who picked up my 4 watts and the mini-quad only up 25 feet (NX9T). There was fantastic 40-meter openings into Europe both nights (K8OST). I came away feeling that I had made many new overseas friends and having nearly doubled last year's score. The

big thrills were four new countries, including 9Q5DX through a very large pileup (WB2V). My biggest thrill was working Europe on 40 and 80 meters with 100 watts and a dipole! (WA0OUJ). Conditions were fantastic for the contest this year. I had a ball and I am looking forward to the SSB portion (VE3NYT). It was a very good contest and there was good conduct from the stateside stations (ZS1VP). Band conditions were very good. Thank you very much (JA7FWR). Nice conditions on 10 meters in Japan! I could contact all the states. (JM1LRQ). The conditions seemed to be poor on 160/40 meters, but I had fun on 15 and 10! Great contest! (U29CWW). This again was a wonderful contest! Only the 80-meter band was crammed by very strong European stations! (DL1TH). It was nice to see that 10 meters was wide open to W/VE (DF1LX). Thanks for an enjoyable contest, and it was nice to hear the old familiar call signs (G2HPP). I hope I helped give a new multiplier, and also I hope to return in '90 if the weather is suitable (G4UOL). I had call letter problems—Europe was answering my CQs, not W/VEs (W9LT/10). It was an exciting contest due to good propagation! (JK2EGL). The propagation was rather good and especially to the West Coast (ON6LO). It was fantastic to work all states on 40 meters (OZ1FTE). Even with my low beam, I could reach North America (OZ4UN). It certainly was very nice to operate with US radio amateurs again! Many thanks for a great contest! (UA2EC). Nice propagation on 15 meters again after many years (UT4UX). Wonderful conditions on 10-meter band! (UP2BBF). We were very pleased to work so many stations on 80, and this certainly testifies that CW is not dead! (K0GVB/C6A). It was great to work some hard-to-find states for WAS! (XE2IZ). The hardest thing, torture actually, was to stay at the radio while the view of the pool and fantastic lagoon tugged away at me (KH0/KU2C). Thanks to all those ops who continue to work 160 meter! (W2GD).

Phone

I've been a ham for almost 35 years, and I finally worked China in the contest (K1JB). I was very pleased by conditions, and also how well my

Top W/VE Multioperator Scores—Phone

Single Transmitter

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
AA1K	2,972,025	14/11	82/39	104/54	874/115	623/97	634/109
W3BGN	2,869,590	22/13	98/43	115/55	753/105	691/98	654/96
K1YR	2,681,775	11/10	62/41	101/56	569/110	682/110	630/108
N3BB/5	2,425,776	9/6	35/23	231/45	619/102	440/87	750/125
N4KG	2,124,000	10/8	35/28	83/45	404/100	484/83	872/111

Two Transmitter

KC1F	6,390,900	17/15	138/53	177/77	1293/135	1437/123	988/123
N5AU	5,354,538	14/9	44/30	248/60	777/127	1526/122	1094/134
K1RX	4,864,500	11/10	68/33	165/67	889/116	1372/117	945/127
N6RO	4,696,314	3/3	66/29	412/53	749/126	1611/111	766/112
N2MG	4,343,808	4/4	95/44	187/62	1173/125	920/100	853/113

Unlimited

W3LPL	8,965,758	33/22	242/64	313/84	1402/151	1652/133	1432/135
WM5G	7,343,838	16/9	81/42	308/80	1253/145	1483/143	1266/139
NR1H	6,454,629	23/16	120/48	257/78	1315/125	1419/119	1093/124
KX4S	5,943,672	21/15	149/59	305/85	1294/136	1438/119	724/90
K5NA	5,677,890	30/21	159/61	175/70	1092/134	998/119	1117/125

Top DX Multioperator Scores—Phone

Single Transmitter

Call	Score	160	80	40	20	15	10
VP2MU	8,667,040	114/36	429/55	711/57	2325/58	1161/57	4309/57
VP5V	5,153,031	27/12	216/41	685/55	1391/56	1875/57	2007/56
J88A	5,027,616	31/15	417/53	487/52	1130/54	1000/57	2754/57
KX6O1	3,103,866	4/4	101/33	508/51	1159/55	814/52	1172/49
F6BEE	3,017,664	28/12	227/32	459/43	901/56	1269/56	1172/49

Two Transmitter

XE2FU	9,813,063	127/35	861/57	926/57	1669/59	2249/57	4295/58
JABYBY	2,062,710	0/0	137/23	227/31	679/53	1270/57	885/51
ZY4BA	885,432	0/0	0/0	10/7	629/52	199/45	1030/54
JE3ZFS	319,620	0/0	7/1	29/9	366/53	269/48	90/29

Unlimited

6D2DX	10,313,550	140/40	576/55	899/57	2116/57	3298/57	3594/59
13MAU	4,381,503	15/13	185/29	529/47	1766/58	2032/57	1112/55
YT2R	3,172,554	2/2	247/32	290/32	1545/57	1718/57	776/51
JABYBA	2,658,008	0/0	102/17	228/43	1221/57	1213/58	1105/54
JE2YRD	2,211,900	0/0	73/12	86/21	873/56	1398/57	1220/56

Top DX Single-Band Scores—Phone

160		20	
Call	Score	Call	Score
HK3DFT	18,495	T32AF	420,831
CT1TM	1,170	(KH6UR,op)	
		KH6FKG	339,996
		CT1BOP	334,080
		CE6EZ	328,149
		YT3T	223,326
		(YU3BQ,op)	
		15	
		Call	Score
		NP4CC	606,879
		HC1HC	541,728
		AL7CQ	367,821
		G4CNY	352,431
		YZ1E	301,368
		(YU6AR,op)	
		10	
		Call	Score
		P40T	887,301
		(KB2HZ,op)	
		ZV5A	809,796
		(PY5EG,op)	
		ZP5JCY	798,138
		HC2G	773,946
		(HC2CG,op)	
		T12DU	582,552

75-meter quarter-wave vertical worked with QRP! I'll see you next year! (KD2I). I worked 100 VK/ZLs from 0418Z-0612Z Saturday night. I didn't know you could run VKs and ZLs! (K4XS). My wife made me stop at 4:30 PM Sunday to take her out for dinner, just because it was our 33rd wedding anniversary! (W4TMN). I couldn't believe all those countries came back to me and my little vertical and 100 watts (KN5Y). Ten meters on Sunday was fantastic (KA5PVB). By chance, I turned on the rig, heard a lot of pileups, and that was it. I lost the weekend being hooked by the contest (WD6EWG).

Fifteen meters was the best that I have seen. It opened up, and the DX was great (K8OSF). Thanks for a great contest, and I hope to enter future contests QRP! (KD8JN). I was able to work 36 DX stations in a couple of hours with only 100 watts and vertical (WB9GKA). Special thanks to JY9SR for coming up (NX9T). Conditions were good on Sunday (VE3EVZ). The highlight of this contest was a call from SU1EK on 15 meters (VE5RA). There

was excellent propagation on 10 meters (CN8FC). Very good propagation on 10 meters. A good chance for QRPers (F1BEG). The overall propagation from Finland was frustrating, but the Sunday morning opening was one of the best ever (OH1NOA). Conditions this year were average, but we all had a lot of fun! (OK1RI). Ten-meters was greatly opened! (PA0KDM). It's always fun to work this contest

(SM51WC). Thanks for an interesting contest (UA6LQ). I can't say about the other bands, but 10 meters was hot! I never got so many +20 reports ever (TI2DU). Conditions were good except on the 160-meter band (W7FP). It was a great contest with great propagation. Thanks to all the Novices and Techs who responded to my CQs on 10 (8P6SH). There were great high-band conditions, but lightning made 160 and 80 terrible (K6GSS/KH6).

Scores

The scores are listed by mode—CW and phone. For both WVE and DX scores, single operators are listed first, followed by multioperator single-transmitter, multioperator two-transmitter, then multioperator unlimited. WVE single transmitter scores are broken down by call area and ARRL Section. WVE multi-single scores are broken down by call area only. All WVE multiop two-transmitter and unlimited scores are grouped together in descending order by score. DX single-op and multiop scores are broken down by continent and country. Under each ARRL Section (and country for DX), single-op scores are listed in descending order by category. All-band scores are listed first, followed by 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10-meter single-band scores. Each line score lists the following information: call, score, QSOs, multipliers, power output used (A = 5 W or less; B = 6-150 W; C = more than 150 W). Single-band entries are indicated by 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10. For example, in Connecticut, the top all-band CW scorer is K1ZZ. The top low-power (150 W or less) entrant is WA1FCN. K8HVT/1 has the top 80-meter single-band score, NQ1K has the top 40-meter single-band score, K1KI has the top 20-meter single-band score, K1TO has the top 15-meter single-band score, and K1RM has the top 10-meter single-band score. W1HUE has the top QRP score.



WVE CW Single Operator

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Connecticut	
K1ZZ	2,797,167-2687-347-C
K1RU	2,598,186-2593-334-C
K1XA	2,319,884-2329-332-C
K1YR	2,017,800-2242-300-C
KG1D	1,138,176-1536-247-C
WA1FCN	888,491-1011-227-B
K1WJL	675,321-983-229-C
K1VDF	572,894-1466-153-C
K1YRP	371,583-779-159-B
K1VB	353,655-813-145-C
K1DD	304,707-601-169-C
WA2WIP	229,761-521-147-C
W1HUE	139,092-346-134-A
K3FN	129,782-287-162-C
KA1CZF	75,482-233-108-A
W1VH	37,128-182-68-C
NR1L	33,858-198-57-C
AB1U	23,316-134-58-B
N1IL	19,890-102-66-A
KH6CP/t	7,938-63-42-A
N1TE	7,680-64-40-A
K1CVL	7,221-63-29-B
N1JF	1,134-21-18-C
K8HVT/1	41,415-251-55-C-80
NQ1K	2,160-38-20-C-40
K1KI	7,533-81-31-C-20
K1TO	504,495-1865-101-C-15
WA1NYU	10,404-102-34-B-15
K1RM	449,820-1530-99-C-10
W1CNU	20,088-186-36-C-10
Eastern Massachusetts	
K5MA/1	1,876,554-2242-279-C
W1FJ	1,376,229-1621-263-C
W1MK	1,001,646-1458-229-C
W1MX (AD1C,op)	
	813,483-1089-249-B
W1G1H	600,495-931-215-C
W1HFN	511,704-824-207-C

K1CGJ	287,175-547-175-A
W1PL	226,628-447-169-C
K1CLN	213,180-418-170-C
KR1B	198,072-383-168-C
K1TWF	192,000-337-190-B
K1FFX	178,890-445-134-B
N1RC	129,504-332-124-B
N1AU	117,885-271-145-C
K1ZZJ	91,188-298-102-C
AD1Z	71,022-265-89-C
N1EDM	69,840-240-97-B
KB1VL	25,938-127-66-B
NQ1F	18,816-112-56-B
W1UR	9,027-59-51-B
KA1LSZ	7,482-58-43-B
W1BK	288-12-9-B
W1VF	115,710-551-70-C-80
NR1R	15,618-137-38-C-40
AA1M	45,192-269-56-C-20
N1DC	22,850-161-50-B-20
W2SC	277,290-1027-90-C-15
WB2DND	34,515-195-59-B-10
KQ1V	8,138-68-31-C-10
Maine	
W1XN	33,800-140-80-C
W9KDR	31,746-143-74-B
W1APU	24,948-108-77-B
K1JB	130,950-582-75-C-15
N1AFC	40,020-230-58-A-15
New Hampshire	
KM1H (KQ2M,op)	
	3,313,218-2914-379-C
W1PH	1,503,054-1859-307-C
KBLT/1	477,708-847-188-B
K1PTF	276,208-504-184-B
K1NH	57,600-200-95-B
W1VY	23,730-113-70-C-20
Rhode Island	
K2MN	162,756-396-137-B
W1QL	130,707-309-141-A
W1RFQ	52,800-176-100-B
WB1NRE	5,508-54-34-C
K1VJS	1,058-32-11-B
W1HYN	14,400-100-48-C-80
K6IM/1	58,176-303-84-B-10
Vermont	
W3SSO	331,230-610-181-B
WA1GLV	112,893-311-121-B
KAT1F	1,575-35-15-B
WA1ZLD	76,560-440-58-C-10
Western Massachusetts	
K1WB	2,709,357-2633-343-C
K2IM	584,990-1018-185-C
W1AUT	243,324-751-100-C
W1BR	187,980-482-130-C
W1BYH	139,500-250-186-C
W1JP	14,783-133-37-A
WA1ZAM	11,115-95-39-C-10
KA1XN	292,059-1119-87-C-15
2	
Eastern New York	
K5NA	2,391,606-2331-342-C

N2BA	1,855,350-1995-310-C
W2JU	1,212,432-1508-268-C
W2XL	1,030,184-1331-258-C
N2AZS	841,995-1155-243-B
KN2Z	644,784-1084-202-C
N1CC	300,855-647-165-C
NW2J	186,407-471-139-C
N2AF	180,398-402-133-C
WA2AXK	142,308-354-134-C
K2UR	81,627-299-91-C
WB2EAR	77,280-322-80-B
W2AWF	62,727-203-103-C
KD2NE	31,758-158-87-C
W2QYA	25,596-158-54-A
NA2M	3,240-36-30-C
W2ZK	2,079-33-21-B
K1ZM	9,240-88-35-C-160
KB2AUQ	26,586-211-42-B-15
KF2O	165,756-727-76-C-10
NYC-Long Island	
KA2AEV	858,750-1250-229-B
KD2TT	328,536-648-169-C
KK2E	247,086-518-159-A
WB2ENW	215,718-458-157-A
WB2TPS	188,853-391-161-C
W2GKZ	109,728-288-127-C
W2HLI	69,000-250-92-B
W2KTF	13,680-95-48-B
W2KPA	2,112-32-22-C
WB2AMU	14,112-112-42-B-40
N2DTW	189,540-760-81-C-15
N2KW	196,058-778-84-C-10
K2MFY	137,760-574-80-B-10
NT2X	39,300-350-38-C-10
K2KTT	6,240-65-32-B-10
Northern New Jersey	
N2LT	2,956,224-2848-346-C
N2NT	2,120,730-2230-317-C
KZ2B	1,464,120-1680-294-B
W2RQ	1,188,684-1484-267-C
W1GD	1,065,960-1316-270-C
KR2Q	570,825-885-215-A
W2NJ	492,414-767-214-B
K2PH	462,501-767-201-C
WA2RDT	165,453-421-131-C
K2HPV	184,808-436-126-A
KQ2O	180,800-400-134-C
KT2D	128,898-341-126-C
KD2YG	90,792-194-156-B
WB2FGZ	90,513-339-58-B
WA0QOA	53,760-180-112-B
W2HCA	44,118-171-86-B
W9NTU	30,600-150-68-B
W2A0Y	13,594-92-49-C
N2COH	6,138-62-33-C
N2IN	2,304-32-24-C
W2FCR	872-18-18-C-160
N2AA	600,696-1944-103-C-20
WA2A50	74,189-389-87-C-20
W2GR	5,694-73-28-B-20
K2FE	51,504-296-58-C-10
Southern New Jersey	
N2MM	1,927,200-2200-292-C
N2RM	1,586,781-1981-267-C
WA2VYA	728,729-1007-243-C

K2PS	564,318-679-214-B
K2FL	412,686-681-202-C
N2MR	324,216-632-171-C
W2PAU	197,794-402-184-C
W2EA	142,245-327-145-C
K2SB	119,925-325-123-B
K2SWZ	78,588-236-111-B
WA2AXJ	38,505-151-85-B
WA2VSO	33,216-173-64-B
K2LCO	32,943-139-79-A
W2ELJ	24,723-123-67-B
K2LCO	21,960-122-60-B
K2OSV	12,282-88-46-C
AG2S	10,887-77-47-C
K3JGJ	15,180-115-44-C-80
W5KI	22,050-150-49-B-20
W2G1N	16,500-125-44-B-15
KD2I	208,026-889-78-C-10
Western New York	
W2TZ	1,438,686-1856-257-B
NM2L	761,910-1165-218-B
WF2W	308,160-642-180-C
KW2J	305,448-578-178-C
KD2YF	238,944-452-174-C
K2LGG	230,384-474-162-A
K2JL	229,245-527-145-C
N2WK	220,752-438-168-C
W2JFO	155,844-351-148-C
W1ZC	140,685-415-113-C
WJ2X	128,856-364-118-B
N2FJL	99,216-318-104-C
W2PH	84,582-271-104-B
KA2Y	80,898-278-97-C
WA2EYA	57,855-203-85-B
WB2ABA	54,684-217-84-B
K2ZJ	47,499-223-71-C
K2KU	38,354-188-73-B
NA2Q	32,640-136-80-B
KK2B	15,000-100-50-B
W2OMV	8,052-61-44-B
WA2AOG	7,104-64-37-C-80
KA2VYV	20,304-144-47-C-40
KZVY	557,235-1769-105-C-15
W2HFF	305,487-1119-91-C-15
WB2YQH	79,380-378-70-C-10
W2SAW	47,196-276-57-C-10
W2HG	39,528-244-54-C-10
3	
Delaware	
KC3RY	104,838-346-101-C
KD3JQ	55,926-239-79-C
AD3V	50,196-188-89-C
K3HBP	35,280-240-49-B-10
K3OD	2,373,081-2449-323-C
N3AD	2,135,556-2598-274-C
W3UM	1,622,205-1833-295-C
AA3B	994,896-1316-252-C
K3NV	989,172-1278-258-C
K3NW	829,806-1102-251-C
K3TEJ	748,896-1076-232-B
N3ED	553,536-992-186-C
K3VJ	538,242-823-218-C
N03B	398,712-898-148-B
K3ZA	354,960-680-174-C
W3KV	347,568-591-186-C
W3ARK	325,413-827-173-B

W3FW	208,424-724-142-C
W3EYW	247,589-451-183-C
KC3M	195,824-429-152-B
K3OX	151,200-336-150-B
W3EJZ	147,030-377-130-B
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N3AZ (+K3NL) 416,430 661-210-C
N3RW (+N3HW) 373,746 746-167-C
K3ANS (+K3YD,KD3HS) 228,420 405-188-C
K3ND (+NET) 199,755 345-193-C
KW3Z (+NET) 177,795 439-135-C
WA3JZ (+NET) 122,888 284-144-B
N3II (+NET) 113,184 262-144-C
NK3U (+NET) 75,960 211-120-B

4
N4KG (+N4QB,KJ4J) 2,464,800 2528-325-C
W3YY (+NET) 729,000 1080-225-C
N4AU (+N4LZK) 240,036 482-186-C
W4RV (+K1FR) 84,632 148-78-C

5
KR8Y (+NET) 1,948,860 2005-324-C
WF5E (+K5GFA) 946,440 1320-239-C
N4QS 753,567 1061-238-B
W5EHM (AA5BT,W5BVZL,ops) 722,180 1003-240-C
N7KA (+A19X) 498,980 1004-165-C
W5ASP (+NET) 399,360 832-160-C

6
W6REC (+N6TIB,W6FAH) 1,052,059 1354-259-C
K6GF (+NET) 1,014,872 1124-301-C
N6JV (+NET) 829,344 999-276-C
AF6S (+NET) 501,228 819-304-C
AD6E (+NET) 427,020 847-220-B
K2YTQ/8 (+NET) 370,182 599-206-C
K6MA (+NET) 252,234 488-179-C
W6CAT (+W6XS) 211,248 328-216-C
K6LRN (+NET) 188,848 361-159-C
K6JV (+NET) 165,075 355-158-C
W6BI (+NET) 129,792 338-129-C
K8TY (+K7MO) 127,512 322-132-C
AJ6V (+NET) 122,825 327-125-C
W8ALLY/6 (+NET) 120,900 310-130-B
W8OSP (+NET) 105,984 278-128-C
KE6W (+NET) 60,516 184-123-C
W8WD (+NET) 59,988 202-98-B
KD6NT (+NET) 30,429 181-63-C
NT6G (+NET) 6,762 49-46-C
N6VR (+NET) 6,324 62-34-C

7
N7NG (+WA6AUE) 1,745,100 1939-300-C
KCTV (+NET) 880,312 1019-216-C
KA7CSE (+ops) 58,536 271-72-B

8
W8FN (+KU8E) 1,852,200 2058-300-C
W8EDU (AF8A,W8BWTs,ops) 225,504 522-144-C
K8CC (+NET) 215,985 605-119-C

9
NA9J (+K9JLN,KS9O) 1,810,215 2385-253-C
K9UWA (+K9FW,KA9A,KE9AG,KR9U,NO9H,W9FC) 1,228,338 1587-258-C
NW9K (+NO9O,NW9T) 58,092 208-94-C

0
K9RF (+W9UA) 2,800,831 2651-327-C

W8NA (W8s AR,CY,YR,W8B0ZP,ops) 380,472 764-166-C
W8S (+KT8F) 120,912 458-88-C

VE
VE6AO (VE6s AFO,AEM,AMR,CAO,CIZ,EY,JO,KC,LES,LP,FY,ops) 307,500 820-125-C

Two Transmitter

K1AR (+K1s EA,GQ,KC1F) 6,892,194 5188-443-C
N3RS (+WM2H,K3JUG,N3s NA,RD,W3XU) 5,781,849 4451-433-C
K4VX/8 (+K4XU,K9BGL,K4SVAK,N9JF,W9W,NS8Q,W08G) 5,496,942 4502-407-C
WM5G (+AA5DX,K6s RX,SX,KC6DX,KMSR,KW5P,N5IWA,N5JN,K09Y) 4,831,083 3807-423-C
N6RO (+K3EST,K6TMB,N6s IG,KT,NB6G) 4,561,716 3919-388-C
K2LE1 (+K2SX,N2UN,W2AX,AA6RQ) 4,406,265 3855-381-C
N2MG (+K2CFD,K2RDN,NQ2D) 4,215,375 3747-375-C
K07N (+W7L,W47s FXO,TDZ,WG7N,WJ7s R,S,N8XQ) 3,249,900 3450-314-C
K8AOM (+AC8W,K8BD,K8BECG,K18W,K18A,W8IQ,W8D9F) 2,505,185 2851-315-C
W3NX (+N8NA) 1,685,430 1830-307-C
K1XM (+KQ1F) 1,067,952 1716-324-C
WR6R (+K4UVT,K6BT,K6s XO,ZM,K1E2,W6RGG) 1,030,146 1733-258-C
W6TMD (+K8B8XF) 1,030,146 1311-262-C
KS3F (+NE3F) 964,156 1222-263-C
N6IC (+AD6C,N6s DX,UR) 258,330 545-158-C

Unlimited

W3LRL (+KA1JG,W82EKK,K3s RA,TM,ZZ,KF3P,KT3Y,NS6B,W3EKT,W8JRU,NW5E,W8AMAZ) 8,953,632 6192-482-C
NR5M (K2TNO,K5s GA,GN,LZO,WA,K6SIV,K25M,N5EA,ops) 7,370,748 5045-487-C
K1ST (+K1s BG,FYB,MNS,N1s ATN,ELN,NB1H,WA1TH,N1BL) 7,020,500 5380-435-C
KY1H (+K81W,KM1P,KR1R,KT1O,NB1Y,N51M,AK4L) 6,252,774 4939-422-C
W8A18R (+W8PFF,K18V,K5BT,NB5SH,W8UC,W8GGM,NB9C) 5,799,520 4680-413-C
W3GM (+AB2E,K3s ND,WV,KAP3T,N2EA,NU2U,NZ8R,W3FV,WA2C,WB2R,AA1II) 3,355,188 2946-357-C
K1RX (+K1s CI,ION,I1EPU,KC8PE) 3,195,188 2846-357-C
K3WW (+NET) 3,019,896 2708-372-C
K1DG (+NET) 2,219,783 2249-329-C
K3IPK (+NET) 2,008,843 2137-313-C
N3BNA (+NM2Y) 5,972,152 2107-312-C
NF2L (+K2BU,KY2T) 1,306,968 1534-284-C
K3RL (+NET) 227,955 456-167-C

DX CW

Africa
Morocco
CN8FC (AA4U,ops) 1,508,838 2221-226-B

Canary Islands
EA8AB 583,160 988-190-B
EA8BE 156,612 421-124-B
EA8IR 38,879 183-71-B

South Africa
ZS1VP 22,116 194-38-B 10

Tanzania
5H1HK (JE3MAS,ops) 1,545,048 2488-207-B

Zaire
9O5DX (WN7S,ops) 1,047,990 1810-193-C

Asia
China
BY1QH (NS7Z,ops) 11,400 100-38-C

Korea
HL9FN 22,833 129-59-B
HL9CA 18,490 112-55-B
HL1CG 45,012 341-44-B 20
HL9EP 21,879 187-39-C 20
HL1LW 48,528 337-48-B 10

Japan
JH7FWR 1,748,682 2491-234-C
JH7WKK 1,491,120 2280-218-C
JH7DNO 1,489,098 2246-221-C
JF1PUW 1,067,310 1770-201-C
JH1XGN 992,775 1525-217-B
JML7RR 666,838 1256-177-B
JA7SUR 648,885 1195-181-B
JA2EU 642,252 1196-179-C
JH4NMT 552,036 1028-179-C
JH8CWJ 483,171 953-169-C
JK3GD 456,960 952-160-B
JH3CXL 445,776 1004-148-C
JR3BOT 445,008 1016-146-C
JE1AER 390,700 835-140-B
JA9RPJ 207,897 529-131-A
JA2VUP/3 194,256 568-114-B
JA8JY 175,688 454-129-B
JA6YU 173,013 571-101-B
JE7RZJ 160,282 414-121-B
JH1Q10 138,384 372-124-A
JA1JGQ 137,214 378-121-B
JI1GQH 129,537 389-111-B
JR4GPA 101,559 349-97-A
JH3JL 99,831 311-107-A
JA7ASD 85,263 293-97-C
JR3XEX 85,260 290-98-C
JA6YA (JG6OZC,ops) 79,800 266-100-C

JASIP 59,241 217-91-C
JA6BWH 55,080 218-85-C
JA1GTF 49,914 177-94-C
JE4VRF 48,960 204-80-B
JA3UJB 43,068 194-74-B
JB8MHS/1 35,088 172-68-A
JA2DN 35,052 254-46-B
JA3AFM 27,081 153-59-C
JA9YE 24,960 128-65-B
JR7DPU 24,453 143-57-B
JO1QZJ 22,656 128-58-B
JH1PYX 21,948 118-62-B
JA4VAD 21,420 119-60-B
JG2IAY 20,574 127-54-A
JA1BU 13,674 108-43-B
JA0BPPY/1 12,408 88-47-B
JF1GWJ 9,482 83-38-B
JG3EHD 8,118 66-41-B
JA1KKA 7,560 63-40-C
JH8RGO 8,030 67-30-A
JE8RUY/7 6,006 67-26-B
JG1JUZ 4,992 64-26-B
J16BRB 4,374 54-27-A
JF2MTW 3,036 46-22-B
JA1IZ 2,664 37-24-B
7J2AAF 1,953 31-21-B
JA2QVP 1,827 29-21-C
JG1RVD 1,440 32-15-A
JG1RDU 856 23-14-B
JA30L 918 18-17-B
JH3CYZ 60 10 2-C 160
JE1SPY 3 1-1-C 160
JA1BWA 8,424 117-24-C 80
JROXJ 2,772 77-12-B 80
JG1XLU 297 33-C 80
JA6JUA 108,528 646-56-B 40
JA3YK (JH4RHF,ops) 76,956 484-53-C 40
JA1YAD 72,072 462-52-C 40
JA8UUV 69,842 438-53-B 40
JA5JUC 40,905 303 45-B 40
JA1JKG 30,240 224 45-C 40
JA6SHL 12,008 138 29-B 40
JA1QWL 1,808 43 14-B 40
JA7RXU 1,260 35 12-C 40
JF1SGC 600 20 10-A 40
JA2JLG 456 19 8-A 40
JF2LTH 185 11 5-A 40
JA7FTX 143,299 838 57-C 20
JH7QJR 34,290 254 45-C 20
JA7BE 29,828 187 48-C 20
JA1WYQ 14,763 133 37-B 20
JA2WZ 7,524 76 33-B 20
JR4WKV/1 2,100 35 20-B 20
JA2KPV 864 24 12-B 20
JA8HC 128 7 6-C 20
JA3YBF (JA4-37631,ops) 179,928 1071 56-C 15
JA8FO 153,048 911 56-C 15
JL1EDB 120,780 732 95-C 15
JA6YCU 99,825 605 55-B 15
JR3WKA 52,800 352 50-C 15
JA2YAU (JE7MAY,ops) 37,050 247 50-B 15
JA4ETH 28,413 231 41-B 15
JR7CDL 25,344 192 44-B 15
JR5FHC 14,145 115 41-B 15
JA9T5I 13,542 122 37-C 15
JQ1ACW 11,888 111 36-A 15
JS10SFP/1 11,855 111 35-B 15
JE8JZY 9,180 102 30-B 15
JA7JUT 5,984 71 28-B 15
JA8JE 5,226 67 28-A 15
JH1BU 792 22 12-A 15
JL1DUU 336 16 7-B 15
JR7HOD 144 8 6-A 15
JH8KHR 215,655 1307 55-B 10
JA8RWU 177,744 1058 56-B 10
JA9YBA (JA9VDA,ops) 172,920 1048 55-C 10
JG1NBD 171,879 1081 53-B 10
JA1KFX 157,484 972 54-B 10
JR9NZC 128,048 808 52-B 10

Azerbaïjan
UD6DKW 21,744 151-48-C
UD8DF 8,832 92-32-B 20
RD6DJ 4,899 71-23-C 10

Georgia
UF8OAC 215,757 549-131-C
UF6FAL 22,491 153-49-B
UF8CX 18,972 188-34-B 20

Uzbekistan
UI9AQ 29,970 222-45-B 20
RI8BQ 5,480 85-28-B 20

Tadzhikistan
UJ8JCM 71,808 278 88-A
UJ8JCA 2,898 42 23-C 20
UJ8JA 37,506 268 47-C 15
UJ8XDH 9,282 119 26-B 10

Kazakhstan
UL7CF 309,213 731-141-C
UL7CD 4,293 53 27-B
UL7GDX 27,186 197 46-B 20
UL7BX 44,556 316 47-B 15
UL8WF 24,420 220 37-C 10
UL8WY 13,344 139 32-C 10

Kirghizia
UM8DX 68,484 439 52-C 20
UM8O 45,750 305 50-C 20
UM8MCF 10,098 102 33-B 15
UM8MA 17,804 183 35-C 15

HongKong
V8SUP 471,975 1085-145-C

Portugal
OT1YF 183,522 419-146-B
OT1AO 20,008 188 36-B 160
OT4DX 10,197 103 33-B 40

Federal Republic of Germany
DL1HBT 920,436 1468-208-C

JF1SEK 92,876 596 52-B 10
JG3KIV 88,893 581 51-B 10
JA2AXB 82,650 561 50-B 10
JA1JSV 69,231 491 47-B 10
JA6SIF 47,775 325 48-B 10
JH1JVG 45,284 328 46-B 10
JF8BQD 43,532 303 46-B 10
JH1VRO 40,898 266 51-B 10
JH1GCF 33,087 268 41-B 10
JA7XBG 29,256 212 46-B 10
JA8CJY 27,884 216 43-B 10
JA1OP 23,736 184 43-B 10
JA2DHL 19,152 152 43-B 10
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JH4UTP 17,928 168 36-A 10
JH1LA 17,082 146 38-B 10
JA1DFQ 16,848 144 38-B 10
JH6YD 13,653 123 37-B 10
JA1EMQ 12,741 137 31-B 10
JA2AJA 12,636 117 36-B 10
JA1BUN 6,282 81 34-B 10
JG1GZV 4,484 62 24-B 10
JF2IGN 3,983 57 23-B 10
JA3DLF 3,450 50 23-B 10
JAWMF 1,710 30 18-B 10
JE8UR 741 19 13-B 10

Asianic RSFSR
UW2U 1,580,510 2477-210-C
LZ9BWW (RV9CFA,ops) 500,310 981-170-C
UA8QGB 247,203 681-121-C
UA9DA 233,160 580-134-C
UA9GD 224,138 568-132-C
UA9CBR 181,280 448-120-C
UA9TS 136,760 382-125-B
UA8LH 111,900 373-100-C
UW8CM 84,150 275-102-C
RA8J 66,720 278 80-B
UA9JZ 59,535 245 81-B
UA9WNR 58,032 248 78-C
UA8G 52,479 343 51-B
UW9CP 45,396 194 78-B
UA9URF 38,592 192 67-C
UW9CQ 32,913 159 69-C
RA8JD 31,758 158 67-C
RA8UKM 30,504 248 41-C
RA8SR 23,352 138 56-B
UA8FDX 4,272 89 18-C 80
UW8F 2,084 43 16-C 80

UA8SAU 192,930 1090 59-C 20
UW9CO 180,893 909 59-C 20
RA8J 125,721 687 61-C 20
UA9YC 120,726 706 57-C 20
UZ8HV/UA9Q 112,365 681 55-B 20
UA9XHT 94,446 563 54-C 20
UA9UP 19,479 151 43-C 20
UA9XC 10,878 98 37-B 20
UW9UA 7,584 79 32-C 20
UA8CS 648 24 9-C 20
UA8SR 29,283 227 43-C 15
UA8CAX 7,812 93 28-B 15
UA9OF 4,650 62 25-C 15
UA9FAR 18,792 174 35-C 10
UA9XB 17,280 160 38-C 10
UA9YNC 4,425 59 25-B 10

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UD6DKW 21,744 151-48-C
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UL7GDX 27,186 197 46-B 20
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UL8WF 24,420 220 37-C 10
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UM8MA 17,804 183 35-C 15

HongKong
V8SUP 471,975 1085-145-C

Portugal
OT1YF 183,522

N7EY/DU7 4,275- 75- 19-B- 10
 N7JQU/DU3 3,816- 53- 24-B- 10

French Polynesia
 F05W 85,043- 297- 73-C

Mariana Island
 KH6KU/UC2 595,188- 1188- 167-B

Guam
 KD7P/NH2 1,336,608- 2016- 221-C
 NY6M/KH2 93,798- 878- 54-C- 20
 KG6DX 187,587- 1097- 57-C- 15

Hawaiian Islands
 KP2Z/KH6 9,081,720- 3368- 305-C
 NSCT/KH6 2,455,446- 3077- 268-C
 WL7E/KH6 287,280- 760- 126-B
 AH6JF 140,970- 370- 127-C
 AH6O 38,840- 181- 80-A
 VE7QO/AH6 247,800- 1475- 56-C- 10
 AH6IM 17,588- 143- 41-B- 10

Australia
 VK8XX 1,145,016- 2052- 166-B
 VK2APK 683,750- 1250- 185-B
 VK8HG 90,333- 221- 91-B
 VK2BQT 49,410- 305- 54-B- 40
 VK4TT 33,827- 283- 43-B- 20
 VK4XA 112,385- 681- 56-B- 10

Indonesia
 YC5HCM 355,516- 865- 137-C
 YB3ASQ 226,008- 518- 148-C
 YB2FEA 55,209- 239- 77-B
 YB6EMJ 19,920- 166- 40-B- 15
 YC1HO 14,280- 136- 35-B- 15
 YB2CTW 33,800- 280- 40-C- 10

South Cook Islands
 ZK1XP (SM4DHF,op) 226,748- 663- 114-C

New Zealand
 ZL3GQ 1,240,932- 1738- 238-B

South America
French Guiana
 FY4FC 3,477- 61- 19-B

Ecuador
 HC2G (HC2SL,op) 306,600- 1825- 56-C- 10

Argentina
 LU1EWL 141,450- 410- 115-B
 LU5DVO 93,288- 598- 52-B- 10

Peru
 O4AZV 123,648- 736- 56-B- 15

Aruba
 P46GD (W2GD,op) 5,193,216- 5152- 338-C

Brazil
 PY2RLQ 89,523- 343- 67-C

Fernando de Noronha
 ZY0FX (W9VA,op) 194,040- 1155- 56-C- 20

Venezuela
 YV1QB 39,555- 293- 45-C- 160
 4M7A (YV7QP,op) 93,333- 587- 53-B- 40
 YV5WT 137,376- 848- 54-B- 10

Trinidad and Tobago
 9Y4VU 308,826- 1806- 57-C- 15

Multioperator Single Transmitter

Africa
 EA8RCT (OH2BH,OH2MM,ops) 1,523,397- 2237- 227-C

Asia
 JE2YRD (JF2ECC,JH2KVV,JK2CZL,JR2SCJ,JR7OMD,ops) 31,558,925- 2311- 225-C
 JA7YAA (JH7GFO,JH8ORW,JH9CIN,ops) 1,482,954- 2143- 229-C
 JA7YAB (JH8MGI,JA1-36363,ops) 1,121,169- 1841- 203-C
 JA3YDS (JF4LR,JG3QBJ,JH9LYC,JJ2KCY,JJ3GAB,JJ8JBM,TWT,JM3KGV,ops) 961,155- 1843- 195-C
 JA7YRR (JA78 MCM,OZV,JH7VHZ,ops) 61,778- 336- 52-C

TA2AO (+ TA2s BU,DA)
 94,470- 335- 94-B

UZ8QWA (UA8SODL,ON,ops)
 1,587,554- 2454- 217-B

UZ8CWA (UA8s CAD,CDI,CDX,RW8CA,UW8s CA,ON,CY,ops)
 1,581,768- 2441- 216-B

UZ9CWA (UA9CA,U9VCA,ops)
 454,020- 940- 181-C

UA8SJK (+ UA8s SDR,SJ2)
 254,828- 761- 116-C

UZ9OWD (UA9-146s-233,339,339,ops)
 149,577- 683- 73-C

UZ8SXF (UA8s SLT,SNR,214-494,ops)
 149,112- 436- 114-B

UZ8QKT (UA8s KCL,KZ,UP2BMC,ops)
 140,084- 543- 86-B

UZ8QXU (UA8s QZ,298-148,498-206,498-398,ops)
 93,840- 391- 80-B

UZ9XWV (UA9-890s-1953,1958,1985,ops)
 56,445- 255- 71-B

UZ9XKM (UA9s XF,989-743,498-972,ops)
 28,860- 148- 65-C

U89BWF (+ ops)
 70,467- 283- 83-C

UL8LWO (UL7s LEB,LF,-826-708,ops)
 157,614- 482- 109-C

UL8CWW (UL7s CC,CT,-828-270,ops)
 50,796- 249- 69-C

Europe
 DF8RR (DJ8GK,DL7s AEN,AKC,ALM,APU,ON,SI,UX,ops) 1,908,984- 2292- 234-C
 DK7FP (+ DK7ZT) 819,458- 1408- 194-C

EI7M (EI8DP,EI4s BZ,DQ,EI5FT,EI6BT,EI6S,EI,GS,ops)
 2,032,044- 2846- 238-B

F5IM (+ ops)
 2,727,972- 3393- 268-C

GM3ZAS (+ GM3WJ)
 71,145- 279- 85-B

HG1S (HA1s AG,AH,DAC,DAE,TJ,ops)
 2,873,034- 3883- 248-C

HGBD (HA8s DR,DU,HG,NAR,ops)
 1,166,538- 1954- 199-C

HA1KRR (HA1s DRM,DRR,XO,XU,ZN,ZZ,ops)
 1,048,320- 1792- 195-C

HA8KCK (HA8s FT,FW,KH,ops)
 519,537- 1037- 167-C

HA6KZS (+ ops)
 96,800- 322- 100-C

HA5KDF
 20,879- 169- 37-C

LZ3KLM (LZ2MP, + ops)
 39,338- 198- 67-C

OE1XTU (+ OE4s BKU,TSS)
 1,048,746- 1897- 209-C

OK1KQJ (OK1s AYP,AZG,DC,DLE,DXS,ICM,VIX,ops)
 1,270,752- 1891- 224-C

OK2KOD (OK2s BDI,BGR,ops)
 525,785- 1015- 173-B

OK1OFM (OK1DRQ,OK1-19973,ops)
 248,850- 553- 150-B

OK2KYC (+ ops)
 209,214- 591- 118-B

OK2KDS (OK2s BXD,-31646,ops)
 15,048- 89- 57-A

OK3KZA (OK3s AUI,CLM,YCI,ops)
 14,916- 113- 44-B

OK1OFT (+ ops)
 3,528- 49- 24-B

SK5DB (SM5s LPM,PAX,PEY,ops)
 143,208- 442- 108-C

SP2ZFJ (+ ops)
 298,079- 613- 161-B

UZ8LWZ (UA8s LV,-156-1164,-158-1336,ops)
 756,756- 1388- 182-C

UZ4HWS (+ ops)
 587,724- 1139- 172-C

UZ8AZR (UA8s BPU,-161-38,UW6AU,ops)
 468,546- 977- 168-B

UZ1TWB (+ ops)
 358,706- 894- 133-C

UZ3AWR (UA3s AEV,-176-1856,-176-1148,ops)
 185,760- 516- 120-B

UZ3AYR (+ ops)
 151,200- 430- 126-C

UZ3XWB (UA3s XAC,-127-208,-127-216,ops)
 123,966- 426- 97-C

UZ3AWC (+ ops)
 109,536- 662- 58-C

UZ3MWQ (UA3s MHI,MHY,MHZ,ops)
 58,940- 280- 73-B

UZ4YWY (+ ops)
 41,580- 210- 66-B

UZ5AXE (+ ops)
 32,888- 249- 44-C

UZ4AXQ (+ ops)
 30,810- 130- 79-C

UZ3XWM (UA3s XBY,XCT,ops)
 1,485- 33- 15-B

UB3JWW (UB3JM,UB4s JCF,JJR,JFV,ops)
 581,330- 1134- 165-C

UB4QWV (RB5CW,UB5s ODU,-064808,ops)
 465,612- 964- 161-C

UB3IWA (RB5U,UB5s IFZ,IOK,ops)
 328,923- 681- 181-C

UB4LWY (UB4LEZ,UB5s LJC,-077-1868,ops)
 292,950- 630- 156-C

UB4FWH (+ ops)
 107,835- 455- 79-C

UB4VWN (3 ops)
 86,240- 480- 48-C

UB4IWI (UB5s-073-3025,-073-4293,-073-4328)
 31,850- 211- 50-B

UB4IZH (+ ops)
 3,319- 46- 24-A

UC1AWK (UC2s AUZ,LQC,ops)
 168,287- 603- 93-B

UC1WWM (+ ops)
 33,306- 182- 61-B

UC1AWP (+ ops)
 1,627- 29- 21-B

UO4QXW (RO4OR,RO5OO,ops)
 11,760- 98- 40-C

UP1BYC (+ ops)
 191,180- 1080- 59-C

UP1BYL (+ ops)
 8,034- 103- 26-C

UR1RWX (UR2s RDJ,RHF,RJ,RRR,ops)
 1,728,385- 2453- 235-C

Y32CN (Y32s TN,WV,YN,ops)
 455,940- 894- 170-C

Y54CO (Y54s ML,NL,ops)
 181,173- 461- 131-B

Y43CF (Y21XF,Y43s QF,RF,ops)
 170,952- 419- 138-B

Y46CA (Y23IA,Y46KA,ops)
 121,701- 358- 113-B

Y42CB (Y42s WB,ZB,ops)
 37,446- 158- 78-C

Y37CB (Y37s RB,WB,ZB,ops)
 25,920- 192- 45-B

YT3T (YT3EW,YU3BQ,ops)
 1,844,300- 2436- 225-C

4N2D (NP2CG,YT2s DU,VM,YU2s FK,WQ,ops)
 1,282,346- 2013- 214-C

4N2B (+ ops)
 677,180- 1320- 171-C

YU2CCJ (+ ops)
 653,482- 1271- 174-C

4N2Y (+ ops)
 650,700- 1205- 180-B

YU7AJR (+ ops)
 251,262- 584- 141-B

4N4Y (+ ops)
 153,384- 913- 58-C

North America
 J88A (K4s LTA,PJ,W5PWG,W5EP,ops) 2,843,505- 3213- 295-C
 KP2A (K4s TEA,TKM,ops) 4,765,710- 4742- 335-C
 XR2EBE (AA6DP,N6PE,NF6H,op) 2,802,600- 3114- 300-C

Oceania
 KK6OI (NP2CA,AB5K,WB5SQ,R,WB5SBH,ops) 2,184,995- 2761- 265-C

South America
 PJ2J (W1s BIH,WEP,ops) 4,381,746- 4373- 334-C

Two Transmitter

Asia
 JAIYXP (JH1UTP,JO1JOZ,op) 1,161,884- 1793- 218-C

Europe
 4N4C (+ ops) 2,080,289- 2973- 231-C
 SMSGMG (+ SM6LRR,SM6NSJ) 1,537,632- 2248- 228-C

North America
 6Y5L (WDS8 AUB,LLD,ops) 2,572,317- 2887- 297-C

South America
 HK3MAE (+ HK3KME,HK7IMB) 155,868- 418- 124-C

Unlimited

Asia
 JA8YBY (JE8BRO,JH8s GFB,PNE,WBR,JO1DFG,JR8DHA,ops) 2,484,720- 3451- 240-C
 JA1YFG (JE7WBJ,JH8NZN,JJ3OLZ,JO1s IDL,RUR,JP1s JFG,OG,LL,JI1BRW,ops) 2,128,166- 3033- 234-C

Europe
 I3USS (+ I3s EVK,FVJ,JC,WHO) 3,661,750- 4750- 271-C
 YT2R (YT2FI,YU2s DQ,HO,JO,LL,MM,MP,MY,OG,OH,ops) 3,761,804- 4543- 276-C

North America
 WF8CVP9 (+ K8WVV) 1,826,025- 2425- 251-B

WVE Phone 1

Connecticut
 K1RU 2,808,901- 2167- 401-C
 K1OC 1,947,456- 1764- 358-C
 W1WVF 608,256- 792- 258-C
 K1DD 532,389- 803- 221-C
 K8PFE 514,488- 776- 221-C
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 KA1RDX 104,076- 413- 84-C- 10
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Eastern Massachusetts
 N8BV1 2,783,540- 2410- 385-C
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Maine
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New Hampshire
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Rhode Island
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Vermont
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NYC-Long Island
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 NN2C 73,800- 205- 120-B
 WA2OVG 41,310- 162- 85-B
 NS2W 24,708- 116- 71-B
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Northern New Jersey
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 WB2PAG 152,295- 355- 143-C
 WA2UDT 149,382- 368- 129-C
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 W2PR 114,578- 308- 124-C
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 W2FCR 1,350- 25- 18-C- 180
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South New Jersey
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Western New York
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 W2FU 39,150- 145- 90-C
 W2LU 26,782- 123- 78-C
 WB2ABD 27,920- 133- 70-B
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Delaware
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Eastern Pennsylvania
 K9OO 2,827,182- 2467- 382-C
 N3P 660,264- 902- 244-C
 K8GV 643,140- 794- 270-B
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 W3CK 261,057- 883- 173-C
 W83CIW 231,660- 398- 195-C

N3ED	207,234	397-174-C	W8NGO	481,587	701-229-C	North Texas		WDBEKR	51,678	319-54-B	10	W7WA	685,160	1928-115-C	15	
W3OV	175,338	382-153-C	KJ4TI	184,338	399-154-B	NISM	602,127	789-261-C	K0SBQM (N/T)	18,619	188-33-B	10	W7VSTA	19,680	180-41-B	15
W3AFK	172,620	411-140-C	WD40HD	9,000	75-40-A	N5AW	456,816	614-248-C	K6XO	5,925	79-25-B	10	K7CQ	184,800	770-80-C	10
AD3Z	132,342	274-161-C	K4HJJ	27,180	151-60-C	K0SJD	326,106	549-198-B	K8AGNG	3,306	38-29-B	10	NB7N	54,780	415-44-C	10
KB3TS	101,268	291-116-A	N4XO	11,040	92-40-C	K44CVL	196,242	433-158-B	K8BMTT	42	7-2-C	10	W7LVI	22,418	159-47-C	10
W3KY	90,360	251-120-A	N4ZC	64,701	373-79-C	KASW	109,806	413-154-C	W6SWT (N/T)	12	2-2-B	10	W8TVUB	1,296	27-18-B	10
N3EFO	70,029	251-93-A	W4CVX	77,874	337-77-C	K6SNE	108,174	298-121-B	San Diego							
W3EHZ	63,360	220-98-B	K4GHS	81,716	278-74-C	NJ1V	88,688	258-112-B	N8ADK	247,476	503-164-B		K7MM	475,383	751-211-C	10
W3EAN	36,972	156-79-B	KC4FGG (N/T)	26,871	169-53-B	AASIE	78,275	275-95-C	N8LIQF	142,128	423-112-B		NQ7Q	31,833	131-81-B	10
NM3E	21,420	119-60-B	K5LZT	3,444	41-28-B	N8LXD	42,021	181-87-B	K6MCM	56,500	185-100-B		W07S	13,972	78-58-C	10
K3L3CF	20,358	117-58-B	Northern Florida			A4SEGL	39,342	186-79-B	W8LUN	27,531	161-57-C		K87M	3,162	34-31-A	10
W3QIR	8,190	66-42-B	W4CE	773,415	1011-285-C	K8SQA	19,802	121-54-B	K6NA	17,574	101-58-C		W87I	969	19-17-B	10
K3IE	8,118	66-41-B	KK4RV	191,484	394-162-B	W5AE	18,306	113-54-C	A4GMM	11,433	103-37-B		W87K	36	4-3-B	10
K03QS	4,200	50-28-B	W4WVK	183,020	380-143-C	WV6L	8,319	59-47-B	A4SEE	3,375	45-25-B					
NQ3S	1,425	25-19-C	KC4CSO	145,044	316-153-B	KG5QT	8,160	80-34-C	W6BZE	3,045	35-29-C					
N3BNA	12,384	85-48-C	W8LSD	68,373	213-107-B	K5WJZ	2,311	11-7-C	N8ND	258,752	854-101-C	10				
K3ZPG	4,896	51-32-C	K4JVD	4,437	51-29-B	W4SKZ	2,700	36-25-C	W6PU	229,830	815-84-C	10				
K3ZLK	124,497	477-87-B	K4XS	806,577	2117-127-C	N25M	27	3-3-B	W8TKT	4,602	58-26-C	10				
W8F3PA	76,692	332-77-B	K4OZO	30,951	181-57-B	ABSC	39,879	211-63-B	W8TVV	2,580	43-20-B	10				
K4S5IO	270,480	784-115-C	K4APJ (N/T)	9,477	81-39-B	Okahoma			San Francisco							
K4J3L (N/T)	251,664	749-112-B	South Carolina			W8FRY	513,648	698-248-C	W8BIP	170,739	311-183-C					
KJ3R	181,272	581-104-C	K4YYL	1,606,944	1762-304-C	N5JKN	115,594	344-112-B	K8ILM	82,244	182-114-B					
AA4MD	58,362	274-71-C	N4UHV	1,012,989	1219-277-C	W5UXR	48,761	171-97-B	W6PMA	42,147	223-63-C	10				
K43PDY	2,970	45-22-B	N4BPP	177,390	355-162-B	KF5JN	35,784	142-84-B	W8C7A	2,592	36-24-C	10				
Maryland-DC			W4BJVM	79,800	263-100-C	WV5S	12,672	96-44-C	San Joaquin Valley							
K3ZO	2,491,510	2285-362-C	South Florida			South Texas			K88BIM	311,976	619-168-B					
W3G3A	1,579,923	1509-348-C	K4MF	249,390	489-170-C	NR5M (WNA4KN,op)	2,191,068	2012-363-C	W860	234,228	524-149-C					
N3H	566,832	784-241-C	KF4MA	180,588	404-149-B	K5BD	142,830	345-138-C	Sacramento Valley							
W3LJ	546,189	839-217-C	W4EMU	167,139	379-147-B	W5IYX	129,918	367-118-B	N6JM	23,940	140-57-B					
K3WS	178,782	359-166-A	KO4J	103,875	277-125-C	KASWGL	85,932	231-124-B	NV6C	6,726	59-38-B					
W6AXX	112,962	281-134-C	W4KAF	84,252	238-118-C	K6SKL	17,887	151-39-B	N8CGW	8,900	50-26-B					
W3HVM	109,032	308-118-C	K4UJBC	75,756	236-107-C	KASPV8	16,200	100-54-A	K8BDW8	159,330	690-77-C	15				
K3WX	81,840	310-88-C	K4GKD	71,928	222-105-C	K6SLM	8,658	74-39-B	N8QZB	22,755	185-41-B	10				
KD3KX	83,856	204-88-A	KD4Q	60,525	269-75-C	W8BYEA	9,084	64-42-B	7							
K3DI	22,230	114-65-B	K1TN	58,580	160-124-C	N5KAE	6,771	61-37-B	Arizona							
W3AVN	21,840	112-65-C	KM4JK	34,272	138-84-B	KASN	3,198	41-26-B	KC7VO	75,924	333-76-C					
W3FQE	21,594	118-61-C	W3DHN	8,352	58-48-B	W5ELN	2,772	44-21-B	NZ7O	40,690	205-66-C					
W3EE	16,500	100-55-B	W4YN	10,647	91-39-B	K0SCP	65,367	269-81-C	KD7XO	33,078	149-74-C					
W3CPB	11,169	73-51-B	KB4YA	337,995	1015-111-C	W8RUS (N/T)	40,077	219-61-B	W7YS	15,741	99-53-B					
W3TFA	8,235	61-45-C	W4BBH	104,076	413-84-B	West Texas			NN7F	9,918	58-57-C					
K43LKO	6,090	58-35-B	K84RAC	5,856	61-32-C	K8SIA	271,272	508-178-B	N7G1T	5,008	54-34-C					
W4AYVT	3,150	35-30-C	Tennessee			W5VGX	160,080	368-145-A	K6FM	3,966	42-31-C					
KE3Q	505,158	1427-118-C	N4TG	856,914	1138-251-C	W5E	88,640	380-83-C	K6FJ	3,964	82-36-C	15				
W43EE	29,733	187-53-C	K4UVH	333,234	561-198-C	W8SUDX	134,379	567-79-C	W7WJ	8,964	83-38-C	15				
N3EVE	12,792	104-41-B	K4JHT	242,468	502-161-B	N5IMO	26,364	169-52-B	W7AY	32,424	193-56-B	10				
W43SQU (W8IDT,op)	62,208	288-72-C	K4YPX	27,405	145-63-B	6			W7AY	22,572	171-44-C	10				
N3FYN	23,344	152-49-B	W4AY (W44ZU,op)	5,130	57-30-C	East Bay			Eastern Washington							
W82BZR (N/T)	10,578	82-43-B	N4ZWZ	40,296	184-73-C	K8SJK	729,195	865-281-B	K7IOO	156,600	435-120-B					
W3GN	2,925	39-25-C	N4ZZ	279,720	888-105-C	N6EK	409,200	880-155-C	K7EFB	17,298	93-62-C					
K43UBJ	1,428	28-17-B	Virginia			W8FSJ	351,360	610-192-C	W7LGG	16,068	103-52-C					
Western Pennsylvania			KY3Q	1,834,319	1607-339-C	K2GMY	32,835	199-55-C	Idaho							
K3TUP (K3LR,op)	3,508,800	2924-400-C	W3YY	976,598	1272-256-C	N8SRT	25,821	151-57-B	KE7RT	11,340	84-45-B					
K5ZDJ	915,876	888-309-C	K4JVQ	453,222	693-211-C	W6RPY	1,302	31-14-C	Montana							
K4JROX	58,302	337-82-B	N4PMQ	271,284	481-198-B	Los Angeles			K7TJO	235,467	459-171-C					
K63XD	30,222	138-73-B	AA4UJ	249,237	459-181-B	K6EID	343,800	573-200-C	KS7T	152,544	454-112-C					
K3LA	12,201	83-49-C	W4TMM	231,246	443-174-C	N8A	227,340	421-180-B	K87UP	147,240	409-120-C					
K3UA	11,739	91-43-C	N4MM	196,320	409-160-C	W8MFC	192,668	394-163-C	W6ALQ	22,320	155-48-C	20				
N3FAS	26,712	159-56-C	K4TZZ	130,032	258-168-B	W6CN	69,278	251-92-A	K7ABV	47,277	308-61-C	10				
W3FSB	270	10-9-B	W4LJM	109,980	282-130-C	N8BIP	68,115	239-95-B	Nevada							
W3KHQ	64,242	258-83-C	K4FFF	93,612	289-116-B	W8V8	59,292	244-81-B	KF7RO	107,070	430-83-B					
W3KWH (K3RYA,op)	5,307	61-29-C	AA4XU	84,102	282-107-C	K6IC8	41,184	156-88-B	W87SBY	106,110	262-135-C					
K43UAY (N/T)	1,296	27-16-B	W4WJL	73,188	228-107-C	AA6M6	25,803	141-61-B	KC7DB	62,614	158-11-B					
Alabama			K84ROW	53,133	199-107-C	W8FND	17,802	129-46-B	K24H7	45,675	203-75-B	10				
AA4LE	426,756	671-212-C	W1WTF	48,993	167-93-C	K5KT6	18,315	185-33-B	K87GAP (N/T)	11,583	98-39-B	10				
N4F	348,840	570-204-A	W4AFHQ	43,226	168-87-A	W6CK	23,100	140-55-C	Oregon							
KE4BM	346,302	583-198-C	N6NSM	38,465	143-85-C	A1Z	14,256	144-33-C	N7AVK	564,453	1053-177-C					
N4UN	138,096	336-137-C	W4KMS	25,359	107-79-C	Orange			W7YAV	498,168	814-204-B					
K4ZV	82,080	304-90-B	AA4YZ	25,125	125-67-A	KE6SU	78,114	277-94-C	W7GJQ	117,453	329-119-C					
AA4XM	6,380	53-40-C	K3CYO	18,180	101-60-A	W8EWS	63,147	217-97-B	KE7GI	74,844	252-99-B					
K84LPH	1,587	23-23-B	N1AME4	756	21-12-B	W46FIT	27,666	159-58-B	W7EYE	30,600	136-75-B					
W4CYV	81,891	337-81-C	W4AYBV	24,462	151-54-C	W4DR	3,218	37-29-C	W7IMP	18,576	86-72-C					
W4AVEK	130,725	525-83-C	N4PUS (N/T)	7,980	70-38-B	N4XD	66,360	316-70-C	W7QK	9,450	75-42-B					
Georgia			5			W4HOT	4,050	50-27-C	A1B	236,844	731-108-C	20				
N4FD	1,018,800	1415-240-C	Arkansas			N4PUV (N/T)	7,980	70-38-B	NK7U	176,532	826-94-C	20				
W3X4G	456,729	637-238-C	KC6TA	368,424	602-204-C	Arkansas			K8V77	10,152	94-36-C	20				
K4EZ	386,891	633-209-C	A4SCV	102,368	242-141-C	San Barbara			W7EJ	701,784	2052-114-C	15				
W4DXI	319,958	528-202-C	W8SRZ	74,928	229-112-C	W8UM	250,800	418-200-C	N1TT	312,438	1211-86-C	15				
K41WR4	246,330	483-170-C	W8SBE	35,235	145-81-B	W86FGV	303,967	519-131-C	W7MT	7,035	67-35-C	15				
KF4CI	199,698	401-166-C	K5UR	30,015	145-69-C	AA6EJ	12,168	104-39-B	K8MM7	173,010	730-79-C	10				
W8KT84	132,128	361-122-B	Louisiana			N6HK	10,374	91-38-C	Utah							
NQ4I	102,968	322-106-C	K5NV	54,924	199-92-C	San Clara Valley			WE7B	367,632	851-144-C					
K4BAI	96,432	287-112-C	W8VJW	10,653	67-53-B	K6HNZ	1,070,055	1659-215-C	W7HS	234,330	535-146-C					



Oscar, LU5DVO, operated 10-meter single-band CW to score first-place Argentina.



Rick, KJ8G, gave St Lucia out as a multiplier as KJ8G/J6L on CW and J6LSN on phone.



Hiromi, JA7FWR, poses at his Asia plaque winning station.

Wisconsin

W9OP	255,840	520-184-C
K9OSH	253,980	498-170-C
W9BR	206,349	407-169-C
NG9L	181,929	407-148-B
W9GX	172,956	406-142-C
W9WV	130,788	346-126-C
W9XT	117,450	230-135-B
N9IC	102,870	270-127-B
W9BCV	57,888	201-96-C
W9GXV	32,364	174-62-C
W9YCV	7,350	50-49-B
W9TZE	3,741	43-29-B
K9YF	58,160	234-80-C
K9CAN	112,491	431-87-C
WB9IH/9 (N8BSH,op)	252,054	737-114-C
KQ9L	132,588	508-87-C
W9ACDY	112,050	450-83-C
W9GIL	63,525	275-77-C

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Colorado

K8CS	684,057	1091-209-C
W8GQO	182,118	478-127-C
K8GAS	92,313	263-117-C
W8GOL	88,623	229-129-C
K9BOL	65,793	241-91-B
W8WJ	38,880	160-81-C
N9BR	29,400	140-70-C
K8BQ	74,880	416-60-C
K8ZX	279,282	1046-89-C
K8MWM/8	94,185	483-65-C
N8ENI	49,880	245-68-C
K8FPJ	30,912	184-56-B

Iowa

W8EJ	366,030	581-210-C
K2BC	239,220	443-180-C
W8PPF	81,336	226-119-C
W8MJN	42,705	195-73-C
K8GT	31,647	137-77-A
N9BV	17,400	100-58-B
W8DCB	16,677	109-51-B

Kansas

W8EA	339,066	621-182-C
K8BG	295,680	440-224-C
W8BYJT	124,262	328-126-B
K8VXU	55,125	175-105-B
K8WIE	20,862	114-61-C
W8WPL	13,311	87-51-B
N8FMR	9,120	76-40-B
W8WPL	5,376	56-32-B
W8CE	1,710	30-19-B
K8BXF	624	16-13-B
K8BU	101,100	337-100-C
W8DFTZ/8 (N/T)	4,410	49-30-B

Minnesota

N8AT	816,627	1051-259-C
AC0W	240,975	459-175-B
W8UC	86,346	246-117-C
K8BCWV	77,832	276-94-B
K8BU	60,809	227-89-A
N8WGB	51,806	183-94-B
K8BT	45,402	161-94-C
N8ZP	24,348	134-73-B
W8ML	25,764	113-76-C
W8RXL	22,116	97-76-C

W8LP

8,552	56	39-C
K10F	18,207	119-51-C
K8ZPP	42,066	342-41-B
W8BGM	32,538	187-58-B

Missouri

W08G	2,481,042	2128-389-C
W8PKO	105,735	265-133-C
W8JH	82,478	234-89-B
K8DL	49,020	178-95-C
NS8B	8,307	71-39-C
N8CEE	1,218	29-14-B
N8JMT	758	18-14-B
K8RP	243	9-9-B
W88GFV	15,120	105-48-B
W8OUI	3,975	53-25-B

North Dakota

N8DN	87,579	263-111-C
K82FXM	17,304	103-58-B

Nebraska

K8SCM	419,430	682-205-C
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South Dakota

K8SD	184,704	416-148-B
K8BEE	151,886	318-159-C
W8ACT	102,800	300-114-C
K8CYF	33,880	170-66-B
W8WUU	25,515	135-63-C
W8PQ	16,380	105-52-B

VE

Maritime- Newfoundland

VO1MP	2,212,995	2021-365-C
VO1AW	42,768	176-81-C
VE1DX	5,040	56-30-A
VE1GJ	85,293	351-81-C

Quebec

VE2AY	457,632	681-224-C
VE2GMT	5,841	56-33-C
VE2FU	18,720	120-62-B
VE2FUR	882	21-14-B
VE2EW	22,185	145-51-C
VE2WAT	40,808	223-81-C

Ontario

VE3BXY	147,798	306-181-C
VE2AE/J3	11,040	80-48-A
VE3TJL	10,575	75-47-C
VE3DMU	2,088	29-24-B
VE3NYT	4,437	51-29-B
VE3ICR	250,266	78-106-C
VE3GRA	21,886	157-46-C
VE3ACB	5,226	67-26-C
VE3ST	38,600	200-61-C
VE3NXQ	28,880	170-56-C
VE3EJV	9,006	79-38-C
VE3VET	8,364	82-34-B

Manitoba

VE4JK	150,288	495-101-C
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British Columbia

VE5RA7	457,662	919-186-C
VE7XO	131,544	406-108-B
VE7PPT	792	22-12-C
VE7EIK	244,098	1146-71-C
VE7EKS	270	15-6-A

Multioperator Single Transmitter

K1YR (+KB1WH,N1DYJ)	2,681,775	2055-435-C
K1TD (+KA1CI,NJ2L)	1,858,200	1630-380-C
K1IU (+NS1I)	1,814,222	1503-358-C
K1KA (+W1HNZ)	1,049,388	1114-314-C
AK1A (+NET)	829,058	1016-272-C
KA1XN (+NET)	694,035	795-291-C
KA1TWF (+AD1C,N1CCK,NB1Y)	519,030	790-218-C
K1ZZJ (+ops)	459,360	696-220-C
N1TZ (+NET)	374,415	545-229-C
NO1K (+NET)	350,460	708-165-C
W1BK (+NET)	213,108	413-172-C
A13E (+NET)	210,120	412-170-C
KC1EO (+NET)	181,385	565-107-C
KB1W (+NET)	126,096	296-142-C
K1GW (+NET)	125,532	317-132-C
W1AQ (KA1SF,KM1X,N1HS,NO1U,W1WAC,WA1VEK,WA1VPC,WA2KFE,op)	118,160	320-121-B
W1YK (+N1FGX)	28,689	131-73-B
K1IN (+NET)	22,311	111-67-C
K8L7I (+NET)	15,228	94-54-B
NK1F (+NET)	3,741	43-29-C

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K2NJ (+K020,KU2C,NR2H)	1,886,904	1752-358-C
N2SS (+NET)	955,958	1189-268-C
W2ZK (+NET)	906,807	883-243-C
N2VW (+WB2R)	565,911	681-277-C
WM2S (+WM2V)	385,005	627-205-C
WA2IKL (+NET)	322,080	810-176-C
W2UI (+N3KR)	313,431	547-191-C
K2TD (+NET)	136,746	321-142-C

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AA1K (+W3XU)	2,972,025	2331-425-C
W3BGN (+N2NT)	2,869,590	2333-410-C
K3NZ (+KA3MND,KU3X)	1,341,324	1406-318-C
N3Q0 (+ops)	863,540	1010-318-C
K3ZA (+NET)	804,465	895-303-C
N3ARK (+K3IE,KB3MM)	751,917	953-263-C
K3ANS (+K2BPP,K3VD)	660,348	894-249-C
W3LFLY (+KA3NJ,KD3LC,N3e CHL,FTI, GLZ,WB3EPW,W3CR)	624,812	752-277-C
K3ND (+NET)	297,680	451-220-B
N3RW (+KD3HX,N3HW)	288,036	508-189-C
K3YGU (+NET)	251,850	430-195-C
NA3K (+K3IE)	200,772	398-169-C
W3MA (+NET)	132,192	279-152-C
W3JUZ (+NET)	113,644	242-182-B
NK3U (+NET)	52,322	183-107-C
KQ3F (+NET)	46,305	147-105-B
AA3B (+NET)	36,738	155-78-C

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N4KG (+KC4ZV,KU4J,NE4L,WA4DPU)	2,423,776	2084-388-C
AB4MG (+KB4ZOW,KC4s EFL,HER,NAQWL, VFGZ)	329,940	585-188-C
W4JVN (+NET)	171,108	388-147-C

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N3BB/5 (+N5s GM,TR,WD6N)	2,222,263	1581-261-C
K5RVK (NSEA,G4GEE,GW6EO,ops)	1,222,263	1581-261-C
N7KA (+A19X)	499,284	804-207-C
K65ND (+NET)	346,365	637-215-C
W5EHM (+AA5BT,KASWSS,CE3LAR)	117,015	269-145-C
N6DR (+WBVX)	110,700	360-123-B

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W6REC (+N6TB,W6FAH)	344,379	1179-287-C
W6QHS (+KA8HSM)	327,072	1332-232-C
K2ITG/6 (+NET)	648,272	1056-204-C
KE6WL (+KD6NT)	561,800	936-200-C
W6AHF (+W6SVX)	558,470	810-229-C
N6JV (+NET)	341,682	682-167-C
AA4M (+NET)	236,221	458-173-C
N6COL (+NET)	177,606	414-143-C
K6BMY (+NET)	150,000	305-164-C
N6CDA (+NET)	141,240	535-88-C
W6UJX (+NET)	95,319	267-119-C
AF6S (+NET)	85,175	423-78-C
KB6HW (+NET)	87,840	244-120-C
W6LLY/8 (+NET)	58,430	198-98-B
W6AOT (+K6KLY)	55,296	192-96-C

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AO,992	122-112-C	
KD6LV (+NET)	37,584	144-87-C
W6ZCH0 (+NET)	31,560	175-60-B
W6BI (+NET)	21,384	108-86-C
K8LRN (+NET)	9,717	79-41-C
KJ6V (+NET)	6,638	26-21-C
W6BD (+NET)	1,638	39-14-B
NT6G (+NET)	1,200	20-20-C

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WR7D (+N7JXN,N8JO)	989,079	1475-218-C
NO7F (+KF7DO)	388,773	847-163-C
W8BK (W8s C2N,JGU,W8s BIN,MEM, RCN,ops)	1,970,202	1943-338-C
KD8B (+K8BDLH,N8CC)	1,927,552	1632-312-C
W88VPA (+NET)	346,731	553-209-C

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KD8ST (+KA9s SQR,SQS,SQT,KB9BAT)	632,808	844-294-C
WB9WQG (+WD9FEN)	61,632	214-96-C

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KR0B (+AF9T,K8II,KJ0B,N80BL, N8BKL,WJ0M)	722,916	934-258-C
N8BNG (+K8ET,KA8s JZV,YFN,KB8LC, WJ8L)	307,144	749-226-C
N8ZA (+NN0M)	393,390	705-186-C
W4N1M (+K8VM, N8BH)	227,424	412-184-C
KO8LX (+K8ONS)	153,786	381-142-B
W8WQZ (+W80WII)	1,479	29-17-B

VE

VE7SZ (+VE7ON)	934,185	1435-217-C
VE8AO (+VE8s AMR,ANL,AXB,CG,CZ, CJZ,ETP,EY,JO,KC,LES,SWM,YES)	291,018	574-168-C
VE4XX (VE4s AJO,ALJ,EF,FF,FR,GH,GR, HQ,IR,RV,SF,SI,TH,UT,WS,ops)	168,458	383-144-C
VE2UMS (+VE2s AYH,FUR,HMB)	7,630	58-45-B

Two Transmitter

KC1F (+K1s AR,DG,EA,KM3T)	6,390,900	4050-526-C
N5AU (+KS1G,KMSX,KY6N,WBSVZL)	5,354,338	3703-482-C
K1RX (K2SS,KA1s HGY,ION,N1EPU,ops)	4,264,500	3450-470-C
N6HO (+K3EST,K4MT,N8s IG,KI)	4,696,314	3807-434-C
N2MG (+KD2RD,NO2I,NO2D)	4,343,808	3232-448-C
N3RS (+N3s NA,RD,W8JRTD)	4,128,348	2891-478-C
N2FB (+K3YDX,KC3X,N3CBJ,WA3LIP, WB8VU)	3,874,890	2816-435-C
K8CC (+ops)	3,626,280	2878-420-C
KO7N (+N8OX,W7IL,W2Z2,WJ7s R,S,WA7TDS)	2,880,119	2829-337-C
W7ZR (+AG1J,N7BSS,N7ZZ,W7JUS)	2,015,175	2425-277-C
N8G0 (+KA9s AND,OH,VOB,N9s AZD, H5G,JR,W9SU,W9SCEP)	1,918,875	1838-348-C
NJ3A (+N3s FOB,G0B,GPK,FL, N1JC,NT3F)	1,888,408	1876-332-C
NSRZ (+K5MR,N5MM,W5FO)	1,838,450	1590-385-C
KB1RI (+ops)	1,426,629	1549-307-C
N7RO (+K87GSM,KC7G,W7EM, WA7ZW,W8VZLU)	1,321,850	1802-275-C
AK6T (+KAJVT,K8M,K8Z, N80L,W86M2C)	1,251,360	1580-264-C

UA6ADC	14,880	155-32-C	10
UA8LP	8,424	104-27-C	10
UABQM	2,290	40-19-B	10
UV6ACZ	697	23-13-B	10

Ukraine			
R85DX	685,080	1384-185-C	
UBSQK	34,104	198-58-C	
UBSFIN	6,540	109-20-C	80
RBSLQ	58,440	330-56-C	20
UB5JG	82,773	841-51-B	15
RBSWA	77,550	470-55-C	15
U14UX	47,256	358-44-C	15
RBS7K	10,137	109-31-C	15
UB4JDM	8,505	105-27-C	15
UB4TXL	5,244	76-23-B	15
UB5FU	2,958	58-17-C	10
UB4JFV	684	18-12-B	10
UBSLRS	90	8-5-A	10

Byelorussia			
RC2AR	80,028	494-54-C	15
RC2AZ	19,092	172-37-C	15
UC2AGY	360	12-10-A	10

Moldavia			
RO40A	41,814	202-69-C	
UC050A	2,793	49-19-B	20

Lithuania			
UP20U	25,281	159-53-C	
UP1BYC	200,448	1152-58-C	20
UP3BH	40,506	314-43-C	10

Estonia			
UR2RIY	11,088	88-42-C	
UR2RJ	8,400	100-26-C	40
UR2RRR	104,988	673-52-C	15

German Democratic Republic			
Y23EK	1,945,944	3003-216-C	
Y23J	593,514	1137-174-C	
Y41YM	407,684	912-149-C	
Y44UA	167,833	523-107-C	
Y45RN	75,240	530-76-C	
Y53ED	57,564	234-82-C	
Y27YHA	37,025	175-61-C	
Y67UL	24,160	180-54-C	
Y22TO	25,230	145-58-C	
Y51XO	18,792	116-54-C	
Y25BL	16,524	108-51-C	
Y59LU	11,088	84-44-B	
Y23TNA	9,450	80-35-C	
Y62QH	7,392	77-32-B	
Y41JH	6,930	66-35-C	
Y22SC	6,912	72-32-A	
Y41SN	2,376	44-18-B	
Y62XG	105	7-5-C	
Y33UL	10,611	131-27-C	40
Y23KF	3	1-1-B	40
Y25HL	18,650	150-37-C	20
Y28UN	2,679	47-19-A	20
Y58UA	1,284	24-17-C	20
Y25PE	380	12-10-B	20
Y23VI	11,124	103-36-C	15
Y74ZG	2,256	47-16-B	15
Y64YF	1,887	37-17-B	15
Y34KL	840	28-10-B	15
Y65LN	380	13-10-B	15
Y22EK	30,840	257-40-B	10
Y38YK	11,040	115-32-B	10
Y21WM	6,075	75-27-B	10
Y38YE	4,356	66-22-B	10
Y25DA	1,008	28-12-B	10
Y54ZO/Y54NL	??	??-??-??	10

Romania			
Y08CQQ	50,451	251-67-C	
Y09FBK	23,688	168-47-C	
Y03DCC	8,664	76-39-C	
Y06JN	7,626	62-31-B	
Y09FEH	545	21-15-B	
Y09HP	11,700	130-30-C	20
Y02LAM	3,339	53-21-C	20
Y09HT	11,187	113-32-C	15
Y02LDL	65,008	388-77-B	10
Y02DDM	5,328	56-21-B	10

Yugoslavia			
YU7KM	18,705	145-43-C	
YU4CC	47,640	397-40-C	40
Y7A (YU70A,op)	25,920	240-36-C	40
Y73T (YU39Q,op)	223,326	1306-57-C	20
4N2V (YT2ER,op)	193,388	1151-56-C	20
Y21E (YU6AR,op)	301,388	1732-58-C	15
Y741	276,192	1644-56-C	15
4N3E (YU3XJ,op)	248,820	1508-55-C	15
YU3AI	162,450	950-57-C	15
YU7FT	25,200	200-42-B	15
4N1W (YU2EU,op)	217,308	1393-52-C	10
Y23A (YU3WE,op)	200,088	1191-56-C	10
4N3M (YU3AY,op)	149,550	947-50-C	10
Y77WW	133,569	879-51-C	10
YU2QU	34,200	285-40-B	10
YU7SF	26,751	241-37-C	10

North America			
Bahamas			
KP2S/06A	2,339,778	3277-238-B	

Guadeloupe			
FG6KA/3DSW	2,562,210	3488-245-C	

Dominican Republic			
H13AMF	352,182	743-158-B	80
H18LC	7,425	99-25-B	80

Honduras			
KI4K/HR1	428,022	903-158-B	

St Lucia			
J8LSN (KJ8G,op)	1,524,000	2032-250-C	

Alaska			
NL7GP	2,231,040	3320-224-C	
AL70K	367,821	2151-57-C	15
NL7PK	132,048	786-58-B	15
KL7RA	211,035	1279-56-C	10
NL7DU	97,308	612-53-C	10

Puerto Rico			
NP4CC	606,879	3549-57-C	15
KP4FP	333,983	1863-57-B	10
NP4P	178,025	1085-55-C	10
KP4EKG	48,504	344-47-C	10

Greenland			
OX92M	19,440	120-54-B	

Costa Rica			
YE1L	200,925	1175-57-C	80
TI2SW	282,923	1713-57-C	15
TI2DU	562,552	3348-58-C	10

Belize			
V31C (KE5CV,op)	9,047,040	9424-320-C	

Montserrat			
VP2MBA (W7FP,op)	4,311,780	5170-278-C	

Turks & Caicos Island			
VP5T (NM2Y,op)	6,213,882	6833-308-C	

Bermuda			
VE3PE/VP9	1,584	33-16-B	20

Mexico			
XE2NQ (AA5B,op)	4,362,240	5120-284-C	
XE2TCQ	917,217	1477-287-C	
XE1YHR	181,278	1119-54-C	10
XE2RHW	83,480	605-46-B	10

Cayman Islands			
ZF2MJ	488,784	1198-138-B	
ZF2MW	312,075	1825-57-C	40

Barbados			
9P6SH	344,223	2013-57-B	10

Oceania			
Philippines			
DU1NH	67,338	261-88-C	10
N7BRJ/DU3	36,288	216-56-C	10

New Caledonia			
K8BAW	71,487	507-47-B	10

Guam			
KD7P/NH2	1,041,824	1887-184-C	

Hawaiian Islands			
K6GSS/KH6	3,188,010	4465-238-C	
WL7E/KH6	684,216	1328-178-C	
KH6FKG	338,996	1954-58-C	20
KH6IMB	105,612	677-52-C	15
WR6R/KH6	469,104	2698-58-C	10
AH6IM	92,061	579-53-B	10
NA6QS/KH6	46,305	315-49-B	10
KH6VP (N/T)	27,183	221-41-A	10

East Kiribati			
T32AF (KH6UR,op)	420,831	2461-57-C	20

Australia			
VK1RJ	109,746	469-78-B	
VK3YH	26,865	189-45-C	40
VK2PWS	60,096	426-47-B	10
VK5NVW	14,175	135-35-B	10

Indonesia			
YB1ASQ	337,431	821-137-C	
YB3RBG	18,060	172-36-B	
YC1HC	12,672	128-33-B	15
YB2CR	7,878	101-26-C	15
YB8EMJ	2,967	43-23-B	15
YC8KI	43,680	364-40-B	10
YB9SL	35,910	285-42-B	10
YC3QSE	18,768	184-34-B	10

New Zealand			
ZL1IM	5,200	232-75-B	

South America			
Chile			
CE5NCX	7,569	87-29-C	
CE6EZ	328,149	1919-57-C	20

CE5JOE	148,068	914-54-B	10
CE4E1Z	54,774	358-51-B	10
CE3AEZ	49,787	313-53-C	10

Bolivia			
CP1BA	15,327	131-39-B	10

French Guiana			
FY4FC	151,686	954-53-B	

Ecuador			
HC1OT	191,349	1119-57-C	40
HC1HC	541,728	3168-57-C	15
HC2G (HC2CG,op)	773,946	4526-57-C	10

Colombia			
HK3DFT	18,485	137-45-C	180
HK1LDG	23,869	221-39-C	80
HK3MAE	250,734	1441-58-C	40
HK7MQC	1,701	27-21-B	15

Argentina			
LU3F	1,004,550	1850-181-C	
LU8DW	40,110	191-70-B	
LU1BAW	128,154	806-53-C	15
LU1YUD	50,631	527-51-B	15
LU6FN	35,370	262-45-C	15
LU1HM	177,240	1055-58-C	10
LU1GCK	157,140	918-55-B	10

Peru			
QA4ZV	212,040	1240-57-C	15

Aruba			
P46V (A16V,op)	7,711,680	8033-320-C	
P46T (KB2HZ,op)	887,301	5013-59-C	10

Netherland Antilles			
PJ9J(W1BIH,op)	4,639,039	5543-291-C	
PJ4ADBJ	417,150	1030-135-B	

Brazil			
PT7WA	11,997	129-31-C	40
PV5G (PY5EG,op)	809,796	4654-58-C	10
ZZ1NEZ	72,898	478-51-C	10

Fernando de Noronha			
PY0FF	233,688	1391-56-C	

Venezuela			
YV6BIF	97,785	615-53-C	80
4M5T (YV5JH,op)	413,232	674-56-C	40
YV6EDA	27,588	209-44-C	20
4M1G (YV1CLM,op)	91,728	874-48-B	15
YV6BFE	24,030	250-32-B	15
YV6PM	579,881	3391-57-B	10
YV5AL	172,208	1063-54-B	10
YV5MBX	159,579	1043-51-B	10
YV5LAS	127,215	771-55-B	10

Paraguay			
ZPSJCY	798,138	4587-58-C	10

Multioperator

Single Transmitter

Africa			
T5GG (+12VXJ)	1,027,650	2210-155-C	

Asia			
HL9USA (HL9S BA/JZ,OMT,UTT,ops)	258,326	718-119-C	
JAT7YAA (JE7HFL,JHBORW,JJ3CNL,ops)	1,568,940	2359-220-C	
JJ3YDS (JE4MHF,JL4LR,JHLV,JJ2JKY,JJ3S GAB,OPT,JJ3S JBM,TWT,JJ2CVN,JM2GXZ,JM3QV,ops)	821,100	1610-170-C	
JAT7YFB (JG7HMD,JQ1NBV,JR6NUZ,JAT738282,ops)	305,406	722-141-C	
JAB7YBR (JF6CVW,JG6CVO,JJ6BRB,ops)	75,465	387-65-B	
TA2AQ (+TA1AZ,TA2A AU,BK,DA,FL)	120,246	409-98-C	
UZ8CWA (UA8S CCD,CDI,COX,RW8CA,UA8S CA,CN,CW,ops)	770,700	1468-175-C	
UZ8QWT (UA8S QRS,QGL,QU,ops)	175,536	552-106-C	
UZ9YXJ	44,220	335-44-C (ops)	
UZ9WVE (UA8IAJ,UA4-894-388,UA8-138-188,ops)	19,800	132-50-B	
UZ8ZWD (UA8S ZDD,-126-871,-128-131,ops)	4,200	56-25-C	
UZ8SXF (UA8S SNR,-124-489,ops)	2,448	48-17-B	
UI8AWH (UI8S AAY,AGH,UI8ADH,ops)	94,500	450-70-C	
UL8CWW (UL7S CC,CT,ops)	10,692	108-33-C	
UL8FWA (RL7S FGP,FGV,UL7FCP,ops)	600	20-10-C	
UM9TWA (+ops)	76,254	358-71-C	

Europe			
DF8RR (DL7S ADL,AE,AKC,ALM,ANR,SI,UX,ops)	1,090,086	1873-194-C	
ED			

56th ARRL November Sweepstakes Announcement

1) **Object:** For stations in the United States and Canada (including territories and possessions) to exchange QSO information, as detailed in Rule 4, with as many other US and Canadian stations as possible on 160 through 10 meters, excluding 30, 17 and 12 meters.

2) Contest Period

(A) **CW**—First full weekend in November.

(B) **Phone**—Third full weekend in November.

(C) **Time**—Begins 2100 UTC Saturday and ends 0300 UTC Monday. Operate no more than 24 of the 30 hours. Off periods may not be less than 30 minutes in length. Times off and on must be clearly noted in your log, and listening time counts as operating time.

3) Categories

(A) **Single operator.** One person performs all transmitting, receiving, spotting and logging functions.

(B) **Multioperator, single transmitter only.** Those obtaining any form of assistance such as relief operators, loggers or use of spotting nets.


(C) **QRP, single operator.** QRP is defined as 5 watts output or less.

4) **Exchange:** A consecutive serial number, precedence ("A" if you run 150-W output or less, "B" if more than 150 W, or "Q" if 5-W output or less), your call sign, check (last two digits of the year you were first licensed) and your ARRL Section. For example, KB1BE answers W1AW's call by sending W1AW NR178 A KB1BE 79 CT for QSO number 178, less than 150 W, first licensed in 1979 and Connecticut Section.

Contest Branch now accepts entries on disk!

The Contest branch can now accept entries for the ARRL November Sweepstakes and other ARRL sponsored contests on floppy diskettes. The disk must be an MS-DOS formatted disk, either 5¼ or 3½ in, and the log information must be in a true ASCII file. The summary sheet may also be in a true ASCII file, but paper summary sheets are preferred. The log file should take on the layout of the official forms (containing band, date, time on/off, time in UTC, number received, precedence received call of station worked, check received, section received, multipliers and points). Do not forget to include your "report sent." Each entry should be on a separate diskette.

Do not write above this line.



License Class
 Novice
 Technician
 Other

ARRL November Sweepstakes

CALL USED KB1BE CW PHONE ARRL SECTION (P. & QST) CT

Note: Separate logs must be submitted, with separate summaries, for each mode.

SCORING: 710 QSO points x 72 sections = 51,120 claimed score.

Count 2 points per complete QSO. [Cross out sections worked on the list below.]

<u>51,120</u> Claimed Score	<u>355</u> QSOs	<u>72</u> Sections	<u>100</u> Power Output	<u>18</u> Hrs of Op
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Single Operator Station (operator's call if different from call used) _____
 Multioperator Station (shows call of ALL operators, loggers) _____

Club participation? Yes No If yes, print the name of your ARRL Affiliated Club: CONNECTICUT DX ASSN.

Equipment Description:
 Rig: TS940
 Antennas: 80-40 Dipoles, TB5EM

"I have observed all competition rules as well as all regulations established for amateur radio in my country. My report is correct and true to the best of my knowledge. I agree to be bound by the decisions of the ARRL Awards Committee."

Date: 12/2/89 Signature: Paul R. Shafer Call: KB1BE

Note your soapbox and other comments. Enclose your photos, as well as your SS logs and check sheets and mail promptly to: ARRL Contests, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111

MULTIPLIER CHECK-OFF LIST
(Cross off each new section as worked.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	VE
GT	EHY	DE	AT	AR	EB	AZ	ML	IL	GO	AAAB
EWX	NET	SAA	GA	EA	LTX	CPA	OH	IN	IA	PO
ME	INT	MDC	WV	MS	GRS	IS	WY	WA	KS	OK
NY	SMA	WPR	MO	RM	SB	MP			MN	MB
TR	WNY		NEL	MT	SC	SN	OP		ND	SD
VP			SC	CB	SP	OP			NE	AR
WMA			SFC	STX	CF	CT			HI	OK
			IN	WX	SN	WW			HT	DS
			VA		SV	WV			SD	UNWT
			PA		PA	AK				

Print or type:
 NAME: PAUL SHAFER CALL: KB1BE
 ADDRESS: 225 MAIN STREET
NEWINGTON, CT 06111

1. Check log for duplicate QSOs.
2. Copy ALL QSO info carefully. A penalty is assessed for incorrectly copied QSO info.
3. Observe mailing deadline.
4. Duplicate sheet must accompany all entries of 200 or more QSOs.

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ARRL Sweepstakes

Call Used KB1BE ARRL Section CT

SENT CW PHONE

Separate logs and summary sheets required for each mode.

Band	Date	Time On/Off	Time	NR	NR	Prec	Station Worked	CK	Section	Points
7	Nov 89	2318	2321	151	107	A	421YL	52	SAE	2
			2324	152	210	A	E15LXB	52	STX	
			2325	153	125	A	K2TV	52	107-73	
			2327	154	70	B	K2MPS	53	CT	
			2332	155	214	B	K1NA	50	SD-44	
			2337	156	17	S	K2IQV	57	CT	
			2338	157	102	B	W1AEK	57	NTX	
			2371	158	154	G	K2110	59	WMA	
			2376	159	37	A	N1CO	59	CT	
			2379	160	125	A	N1CWX	59	CT	
			2379	161	211	G	W1AZAM	59	CT	DNPS
			2378	162	79	A	W1JEN	57	WMA	2
			2352	163	158	A	W1BFD	61	WMA	
			2353	164	154	A	K21LKS	53	WMA	1

Suggested Frequencies (kHz)

CW	Novice CW	Phone	Novice Phone
1800-1810		1855-1865	
3530-3600	3710-3730	3850-3950	
7030-7080	7110-7130	7200-7250	
14,030-14,060		14,250-14,300	
21,050-21,080	21,110-21,130	21,300-21,400	
28,050-28,080	28,110-28,130	28,550-28,650	28,350-28,400

Explanation of Exchange

Exchanges	Number	Precedence	Call	Check	Section
	Consecutive serial number	Power output less than 150-W PEP	Send your station call	Last two digits of year first licensed	Your ARRL Section
Sample	NR178	A	KB1BE	79	CT

5) Scoring

(A) **QSO points.** Count two points for each complete two-way QSO. No cross-mode contacts. Work each station only once, regardless of the frequency band.

(B) **Multiplier.** Each ARRL Section (listed on page 8 of this issue) and CRRL Section plus VE8/VY1—maximum of 77. KP4 is the Puerto Rico Section, KV4/KP2 and KG4 stations are in the Virgin Islands Section, and KH6 and other US possessions in the Pacific count as the Pacific Section.

(C) **Final score.** Multiply QSO points (two per QSO) by the number of ARRL/CRRL sections (plus VE8/VY1).

6) Miscellaneous

(A) A transmitter used to contact one or more stations may not be subsequently

used under any other call during the contest period (with the exception of family stations where more than one call is assigned by FCC/DOC).

(B) One operator may not use more than one call sign from any given location during the contest period.

(C) The use of two or more transmitters simultaneously is not allowed.

(D) The use of non-Amateur Radio means of communication (eg, telephone) for the purpose of soliciting a contact (or contacts) during the contest period is inconsistent with the spirit and intent of this announcement.

7) **Reporting:** Contest forms (log sheets, summary sheet, dupe sheet) are available from ARRL HQ for an SASE with two

Contest Period

	Starts	Ends
CW	Saturday, Nov 4 2100 UTC	Monday, Nov 6 0300 UTC
Phone	Saturday, Nov 18 2100 UTC	Monday, Nov 20 0300 UTC

units of First Class postage. Official forms are recommended. Any entry claiming more than 200 QSOs must submit duplicate-checking sheets (dupe sheets). Incomplete or late entries will be classified as check-logs. Logs must include dates, QSO times in UTC, exchange sent/received, band and mode. Postmark your entry within 30 days after the phone portion of the contest (December 21, 1989).

8) **Club Competition:** ARRL-affiliated clubs for club gavels and awards in the local, medium and unlimited categories as described in January *QST*.

9) **Awards:** Certificates to the top single operator CW and phone scores in "A", "B" and "Q" categories in each ARRL/CRRL Section, and the top multi-operator entry in each ARRL Division and Canada.

10) Condition of Entry

(A) Each entrant agrees to be bound by the provisions as well as the intent of this announcement, the regulations of his licensing authority and the decisions of the ARRL Awards Committee.

(B) **Disqualifications.** See January *QST*. [E]

Hamfest Calendar

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Ohio (Marion)—October 29. Sponsor: Marion ARC. Time: 8 AM-3 PM. Place: Marion Co Fairgrounds Coliseum. Features: large parking area, refreshments. Talk-in: 146.52, 147.90/30. Admission: advance \$3, door \$4. Tables: \$6. Contact: Ed Margraff, KD8OC, 1989 Weiss Ave, Marion, OH 43302, 614-382-2608.

Oklahoma (Enid)—November 4. Sponsor: Enid ARC. Time: 8 AM-5 PM. Place: Convention Hall. Features: flea market, refreshments, dealers, VE exams (walk-in). Talk-in: 144.69/5.29, 444.400/9.400. Admission: free. Tables: free by reservation. Contact: Tom Worth, PO Box 261, Enid, OK 73702, 405-233-8473, or Fred Seifridge, 405-242-3551.

Pennsylvania (Bensalem)—October 22. (rain or shine) Sponsor: Penn Wireless Assn. Time: vendors 6:30 AM, public 7 AM-2 PM. Place: I-95 to PA 132, west on PA 132 to PA 513, south on PA 513, 1 mile to Yezzi Field (on right). Features: refreshments, auction, VE exams, computers, test equipment. Talk-in: 147.60/00, 146.52, 146.37/97. Admission: advance \$1 per carload, door \$3 each. Tables: spaces \$5, premium or double/triple wide spaces available in advance. Contact: Steve, 215-752-1202, for advanced ticket sales, send checks with SASE to PWA Tradefest '89, PO Box L-734, Langhorne, PA 19047.

Pennsylvania (Carlisle)—October 15. Sponsor: Cumberland County ARS. Time: 7 AM-2 PM.

Place: Carlisle Fairgrounds, from exit 17 off I-81 or exit 16 off the PA Turnpike (I-76), follow US Rte 11 south (Hanover St) to Clay St, turn right and go 1/4 mile to fairgrounds gate, look for signs. Talk-in: 144.67/5.27, 146.52 and 443.3/8.3. Admission: \$3. Contact: SASE to C-CARS, PO Box 448, New Kingstown, PA 17072.

Pennsylvania (Sellersville)—October 29. Sponsor: RF Hill ARC. Time: sellers 6 AM, public 8 AM-2 PM. Place: Pennsylvania National Guard Armory, PA Rte 152. Features: refreshments, indoor and outdoor displays. Talk-in: 144.71/5.31, 146.28/88, 146.16/76. Admission: no advance, door \$4. Contact: Bob Buonfiglio, KA3POV, 361 School House Rd, Souderton, PA 18964, (N) 215-723-1016.

Tennessee (Chattanooga)—October 28-29. Sponsor: Chattanooga ARC. Time: Saturday 9 AM-5 PM, Sunday 9 AM-3 PM. Place: Chattanooga-Hamilton Co Convention and Trade Ctr, take Martin L. King Jr Blvd exit off Hwy 27. Features: exhibitors, flea market, forums, refreshments, VE exams (Saturday 9 AM, Sunday 9:30 AM, send Form 610, check or money order for \$4.75 to Dave Bennett, WQ4B, Rte 3 Box 1490, Chickamauga, GA 30707 by October 25, bring original license and positive ID, walk-ins will not be accepted for either exam). Talk-in: 146.19/79. Admission: no advance, door \$5. Tables: \$10 per day/\$15 per weekend; electricity is \$15 extra. Contact: for additional info write Hamfest Chattanooga, PO Box 3377, Chattanooga, TN 37404, for exhibitor info Barbara Gregory, WA4RMC, (N) 615-892-8889; for flea market info, Frank Gray, KC4TV, 615-894-9559 after 6 PM, no calls after 10 PM.

Tennessee (Gray)—October 21. Sponsor: Bristol, Kingsport & Johnson City ARCs. Time: 8 AM-5 PM. Place: take exit off I-81 at Gray, and follow signs. Talk-in: 146.16/76, 146.37/97, 146.19/79. Admission: \$5. Contact: for preregis-

tration Wendell Messimer, 512 W Poplar St, Gray TN 37604, 615-928-4407, for dealers Gerald Cardwell, 113 Neal Dr, Bristol, TN 37620, (D) 615-229-6795, (N) 615-764-7900.

Tennessee (Memphis)—October 14-15. Sponsor: Mid-South ARA. Time: Saturday 9 AM-5 PM, Sunday 9 AM-2 PM. Place: Mid-South Fairgrounds, Pipkin Bldg. Features: flea market, ARRL forum, Army, MARS forum, VE exams (Saturday 9 AM, preregistration only, send a Form 610 a copy of your current license and a check for \$4.75 made out to ARRL VEC, to Maxine Balentine, WD4LFD, 4155 Sevalia, Memphis, TN 38128 by October 12, 1989). Talk-in: 146.28/88. Admission: \$5 per person, \$7 per family. Contact: for flea market info Clayton Elam, K4FZJ, 20 So Cooper, Memphis, TN 38104, (D) 901-274-4418, (N) 901-743-6714, for exhibitor info Nita Wofford, N4DON, 2966 Cordell, Memphis, TN 38118, 901-363-4971.

Texas (El Paso)—October 21-22. Sponsor: El Paso ARC. Time: Saturday 8 AM-5 PM, Sunday 8 AM-2 PM. Place: Western Playland Amusement Park, 6900 Delta Dr, Ascarate Park. Features: Contests, seminars, refreshments, VE exams (Saturday 9 AM), equipment dealers, tailgate space \$5. Talk-in: 146.10/70, 147.76/16. Admission: advance \$4, door \$5. Tables: dealers \$10, swap tables \$5. Contact: Clay Emert, K5TRW, 109 Pasodale, El Paso, TX 79907, 915-859-5502.

Wisconsin (Waukesha)—October 15. Sponsor: Kettle Moraine RAC. Time: 7 AM-1 PM. Place: Waukesha Co Exposition Ctr, Hwys J and FT. Admission: advance \$2, door \$3. Tables: reserved tables are \$3 for each 4-ft length (admission ticket required in addition to table reservation, reservations accepted until October 11). Contact: for reservations send a check payable to KMRA Club, PO Box 411, Waukesha, WI 53187, SASE required. [E]

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OMARC Midnight Special, sponsored by the Overlook Mountain ARC from 0300Z until 0500Z Oct 1. First hour, 20-meter phone, second hour, 40-meter CW. Work stations once per mode. Exchange name and current countries confirmed. If you don't know, send 001. For example, K2UR would send George 318. Final score equals the total number of QSOs. No multipliers. The results will be listed in the *National Contest Journal*. Mail entries by Nov 1 to W2XL, 133 Clifton Ave, Kingston, NY 15238.

3

West Coast Qualifying Run, 10-40 WPM at 0400 Oct 4 (9 PM PDT Oct 3). W6OWP prime, W6ZRJ alternate, frequency is approximately 3.590 MHz. Underline one minute of the highest speed you copied, certify that your copy was made without aid and send to ARRL HQ for grading. Please include your full name, call sign (if any) and complete mailing address. A large SASE will help expedite your award or endorsement.

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AGCW-DL Straight Key Party, sponsored by the AGCW-DL, from 1300Z until 1600Z Oct 7. Frequencies: 7.010-7.040 MHz. Only straight keys (no bugs). Classes: A = 5 W output, B = 50 W output, C = 150 W output, D = SWL. Exchange RST, serial no., class, name, and age (XYLs use XX), example 579001/A/John/32. Scoring: class A with class A = 9 points, A with B = 7 points, A with C = 5 points, B with B = 4 points, B with C = 3 points, C with C = 2 points. Certificates. Send logs (include SAE plus IRC for results) by Oct 31 to Friedrich Fabri, DF1OY, Wolkerweg 11, D-8000 Munich 70, Fed Rep of Germany.

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California QSO Party, see Sep QST, p 85.

Columbus Contest, see Sep QST, p 85.

VK/ZL/Oceania DX Contest, phone, see Sep QST, p 85.

Wyoming QSO Roundup, sponsored by the University of Wyoming ARC, from 0000Z Oct 7 until 2400Z Oct 8. 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10-meter bands and all VHF/UHF bands. No crossmode/crossband QSOs. Work stations once per band/mode. Non-WY stations exchange RS(T) and state/province/DXCC country; WY stations send RS(T) and county abbreviation (first three letters). Non-WY stations multiply total WY three times per band/mode by total WY QSOs for final score; WY stations multiply total number of states/provinces/DXCC countries by total contest QSOs for final score. Awards. Logs and entry forms (available for SASE to address below) should be postmarked by Nov 8 and sent (with SASE for certificate) to Bill Stacy, K7EY, 1912 Custer Ave, Laramie, WY 82070.

8

WIAW Qualifying Run, 10-40 WPM at 0200Z Oct 9 (10 PM EDT Oct 8). Transmitted simultaneously on 1.818 3.5815 7.0475 14.0475 21.0775 28.0775 50.08 147.555 MHz. See Oct 3 listing for more details.

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Illinois QSO Party, see Sep QST, p 85.

14-15

ARRL International EME Competition, see Sep QST, p 84.

Kentucky QSO Party, sponsored by the Kentucky Colonel's ARC from 1500Z Oct 14 until 0300Z Oct 15 and 1500Z-2400Z Oct 15. Phone and CW. Work stations once per band and mode. No repeater, crossband, crossmode, or satellite QSOs. Mobile/portable stations may be worked once per band/mode as they change counties. Categories: KY fixed; KY portable; KY mobile; non-KY. Exchange RS(T) and state/province/country (KY stations send

county). Frequencies: 10 kHz up from General phone and CW; 28.430. No WARC QSOs. Score 2 points for CW, 1 for phone. Multiply points by total number of KY counties, states, provinces, and DXCC countries. Stations running under 200-W input multiply score by 1.5. Awards. Plaques. Send summary sheet, logs, dupe sheet (if more than 200 QSOs) by Nov 30 (SASE for results) to Kentucky Colonel's ARC, PO Box 9781, Bowling Green, KY 42102-9781.

Pennsylvania QSO Party, sponsored by the Nittany ARC, from 1600Z Oct 14 until 0500Z Oct 15 and from 1300Z-2200Z Oct 15. Classes of entry: Single-op; mobile (multiop is OK); multioperator, single transmitter; multioperator, multi-transmitter; QRP (max 5-W output). Novice and Technicians must identify with /N or /T and must operate in Novice frequencies. Phone and CW. CW contacts in CW subbands only. Work stations once per band and mode. No repeater QSOs. Work mobiles again as they change counties. Exchange serial number and QTH (county for PA stations, ARRL Section for others). Suggested frequencies: CW—40 kHz up from low end and 1.810 MHz, SSB—1.850 3.980 7.280 14.280 21.380 28.580; Novice—10 kHz up from low end; mobile window—5 kHz below listed frequencies. Try 160 around 0300Z Oct 15. Count one point per phone QSO, 1.5 points per CW QSO and 2 points per 160/80-meter CW QSO. PA stations multiply by total ARRL sections plus PA counties, plus maximum of one DX country. Others multiply by total PA counties (max 67). Stations on county lines count for 1 QSO credit but multiple county multipliers. Multiply total QSO points by total multipliers for final score. Mobiles add 500 bonus points for each county from which ten or more QSOs are made. QRP entries multiply final score by two. Novice/Tech entries multiply final score by three. Entries with more than 100 QSOs must include dupe sheet. Official summary sheet is available (from K3SO). Awards. Mail entry by Nov 15 to James Trennepohl, K3SO, 1763 Princeton Dr, State College, PA 16803.

VK/ZL/Oceania DX Contest, CW, see Sep QST, p 85.

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RSGB 21/28 MHz SSB Contest, sponsored by the Radio Society of Great Britain, from 0700Z-1900Z Oct 15. 21-MHz and 28-MHz phone only. Single operator and multioperator. Exchange signal report and serial number starting with 001. Suggested frequencies: 21.150-21.350 28.450 29.000. Non-European stations count 3 points per QSO with G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW stations (not GB). Multiply by number of call areas per G prefixes worked. Log must be received before Dec 31. Mail entries to RSGB Contests Committee, PO Box 73, Lichfield, Staffs WS13 6UJ, England.

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9V QSO Party, sponsored by the Singapore ARTS, 0000Z-2400Z Oct 21. Phone and CW (and possibly SSTV, RTTY and packet). 80-10 meters (except 30 and 12). 9V stations send RS(T) and serial number. Others send RS(T) and CQ Zone. Awards. Send log extract to Organizing Committee, SEANET 89, Maxwell Rd, PO Box 2728, Singapore 9047.

21-22

ARCI QRP Fall CW QSO Party, sponsored by QRP ARC International, from 1200Z Oct 21 until 2400Z Oct 22. Operate max 24 hours. Work stations once per band. All-band or single-band entries. Send signal report, state/province/country and ARCI number if member, power output if non-member. Suggested frequencies: 1.810 3.560 3.710 7.040 7.110 14.060 21.060 21.110 28.060 28.110 50.060. Count 5 points for QSO with ARCI member. Others count 2 points for same continent and 4 points for different continent. Multiply QSO points by states/provinces/countries worked per band and by power multiplier (1-5 W output \times 7; 0-1 W output \times 10). More than 5-W output counts as a checklog. If 100% natural power, multiply final score by 2; if 100% battery, by 1.5. Bonus points: add 2000 pts for each band a home-brew TX is used; add 3000 pts for each band a home-brew RX is used; add 5000 pts for each band a home-brew TCVR is used (max 5000 bonus points

per band). Team competition: Teams consisting of 2 to 5 members will be listed as individuals, and the team score will be the total of the members' scores (Team captains must send a list of its members to the contest manager postmarked at least one day prior to the QSO Party). Awards. Postmark entry no later than 30 days after the contest and mail to QRP ARCI Contest Chairman, Red Reynolds, KSVOL, 835 Surrise Rd, Lake Zurich, IL 60047.

Jamboree on the Air (JOTA), sponsored by the World Scout Bureau from 0000 local Oct 21 until 2400 local Oct 22, although some activity will flow over from Fri to Mon. Scouts exchange name, QTH, Scout rank and other hobbies. Look for K2BBA, the BSA HQ station in Dallas, Texas, and HB9S, the World Scout HQ in Switzerland. Suggested frequencies: CW—3.590 7.030 14.070 21.140 28.190; phone—3.940 7.290 14.290 21.360 28.350. No logs are necessary, but activity reports including Scout unit number, number of participants and interesting incidents are appreciated. Interesting photographs with captions are especially needed. Send reports to ARRL HQ.

Simulated Emergency Test, sponsored by the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service and the National Traffic System, Oct 21-22. The SET weekend provides an opportunity for ARES units to test plans, and capabilities of moving emergency and health-and-welfare traffic in and out of disaster areas via the National Traffic System. The event is conducted by the Emergency Coordinators, so be sure to contact your local EC for involvement. If you do not know who your EC is, contact your Section Manager (see this issue, p 8). SET guidelines were published in July 1989 Field Forum and mailed to all ARRL Field Organization Officials, station appointees and affiliated clubs. Contact the Field Service Department at ARRL HQ for more details.

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RSGB 21 MHz CW Contest, sponsored by the Radio Society of Great Britain, from 0700Z-1900Z Oct 22. CW only. Single operator and QRP single operator (less than 10-W input). Exchange signal report and serial number starting with 001. 21 MHz only. Avoid 21.075-21.125. Non-European stations count 3 points per QSO with G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW stations (not GB). Multiply by number of call areas per G prefixes worked. Log must be received before Dec 31. Mail entries to RSGB Contests Committee, PO Box 73, Lichfield, Staffs WS13 6UJ, England.

28-29

CQ World-Wide DX Contest, phone, sponsored by *CQ Magazine*, from 0000Z Oct 28 until 2400Z Oct 29 (CW contest 0000Z Nov 25 until 2400Z Nov 26). 1.8 through 28 MHz. Entry classes: single op, all bands; single op, single band; single op, QRP; multiop, single transmitter; multiop, multi transmitter. QRP is defined as 5-W output or less. Multi-single: Only one transmitter and one band permitted during a 10-minute period. Exception: one, and only one, other band may be used during the same 10 minute period if, and only if the station worked is a new multiplier. Stations found in violation of the 10-minute rule will be reclassified as multi-multi. Multi-multi stations are allowed one signal per band maximum. All transmitters must be located within a 500-meter-diameter circle, or within the limits of the licensee's address property, whichever is greater. All antennas must be physically connected to the transmitters by wires. Exchange signal report and CQ zone number. A station in a different zone or country than indicated by its call sign must sign portable. QSOs between stations on different continents count 3 points. QSOs between stations on the same continent but in different countries count 1 point. Exception: QSOs between North America stations in different countries count 2 points. QSOs with your own country count for multiplier credit, but not for QSO points. Multipliers: Count one multiplier for each different CQ zone worked per band (max 40 per band). Count one multiplier for each different country worked per band (DXCC and WAE lists). Multiply QSO points from all bands operated by multipliers (zones plus countries) from all bands operated for final score. Single-band logs eligible for single-band awards only. Single ops must operate at least 12 hours (multiops, 24 hours) to be eligible for awards. Dupe sheets required for any

band with more than 200 QSOs. Entry forms are available from the sponsor for an SASE, and all entrants are encouraged to send for a set. Each dupe removed by the CQ Contest Committee also carries a 3-QSO penalty. Phone logs must be postmarked by Dec 1, 1990, and CW logs must be postmarked by Jan 15, 1991. Mail logs to *CQ Magazine*, 76 North Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801.

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WIAW Qualifying Run, 10-35 WPM at 2400Z Oct 29 (7 PM EST Oct 29). Transmitted simultaneously on 1.818 3.5815 7.0475 14.0475 21.0775 28.0775 50.08 147.555 MHz. See Oct 8 listing for more details.

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West Coast Qualifying Run, 10-35 WPM, at 0500Z Nov 2 (9 PM PST Nov 1). See Oct 3 listing for more details.

4-5

ARRL November Sweepstakes, CW, this issue, p 83.

QST QSO Award Party, phone, sponsored by the Canadian Radio Relay League, Nov 4-5, 1500Z-2200Z each day (CW—Nov 11-12). The award is available to any amateur who makes phone, CW or mixed contacts with 8 of the 11 QST

stations in Canada. To receive the award send SASE or IRC to Garry Hammond, VE3XN, 3 McLaren Ave, ON N4W 3K1, Canada.

Ten-Ten International Net, from 0000Z Nov 4 until 2400Z Nov 5. Open to all amateurs but only paid-up 10-10 members are eligible for awards. Single operator only. CW and RTTY. Work stations once on 10 meters only. CW contacts must be in the CW subband. Exchange call, name, state and 10-10 number (if member). Count 2 points for each QSO with a member, count 1 point for each QSO with non-member. Final score is total QSO points. Awards. Send logs along with cover sheet and dupe sheet postmarked before Dec 1 to Boomtown Chapter, c/o Ed Neal, N5EBA, 1414 Hiawatha, Burkburnette, TX 76354.

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WIAW Qualifying Run, 10-35 WPM at 0300Z Nov 7 (10 PM EST Nov 6). See Oct 8 listing.

10-12

Japan International DX Contest

ALARA Contest

European DX Contest

Montana Centennial QSO Party

OK DX Contest

QST QSO Award Party

YO DX Contest

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ARRL November Sweepstakes, phone, this issue, p 83.

International EME Competition, see Sep QST, p 84.

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CQ World-Wide DX Contest, CW, see Sep 28-29 listing.

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WIAW Qualifying Run

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Special Events

Conducted By Mark R. Burke, KA1MIS
Contest Assistant

Duluth, Minnesota: The Arrowhead RAC will operate **W0GKP Oct 14-15** to celebrate the club's 60th year. Operation will be the lower SSB portion of the 80-10 meter General bands and 10-meter Novice SSB. For certificate, send QSL and large SASE to Randy Welsald, WJ0L, 6319 Sherbourne St, Duluth, MN 55807.

Southington, Connecticut: The Southington ARA will operate **WIECV Oct 6-8** to commemorate the fall's Apple Harvest activities. Operation will be in the middle portions of the General and Novice bands. For certificate, send QSL and 9- x 12-in SASE to SARA, PO Box 873, Southington, CT 06489.

Ault, Colorado: **N0JQP** and **N0DLW** will operate **Oct 7** to commemorate "International Days." Suggested frequencies: 14.250 21.350. For QSL, send SASE to John Dahlgren, Box 489, Ault, CO 80610.

Las Cruces, New Mexico: The Billy the Kid Chapter of Ten-Ten International will operate **WMSQ 1500Z-2200Z Oct 7** from the Whole Enchilada Fiesta. Primary operation will be on 28.365. For certificate, send QSL and SASE to Billy the Kid Chapter of Ten-Ten International, PO Box 274, Fairacres, NM 88033.

Dothan, Alabama: The Wiregrass ARC will operate **WB4ZPI 1500Z-2100Z Oct 7** to commemorate the 7th anniversary of the Wiregrass Antique Car Club. Suggested frequencies: phone—7.240 14.260 21.325 28.425; CW—7.130 21.130. For commemorative QSL, send SASE to Wiregrass ARC, PO Box 958, Dothan, AL 36302.

Clinton, Iowa: The Clinton ARC will operate **W0CS 1400Z-2200Z Oct 7** from Beaver Island. Suggested frequencies: phone—3.875 7.275 14.260 21.375 28.400. For certificate, send no. 10 SASE by Dec 30 to Ed Shaw, PO Box 329, Camanche, IA 52730.

St Clement's Island, Maryland: The Capitol Hill ARS will operate **W3USS Oct 7-8** to coincide with the 22nd Annual "Blessing of the Fleet." Suggested frequencies: phone—3.825 7.220 14.240 21.300 28.405 146.550; packet—145.030. For QSL, send QSL and SASE to W4WG via *Callbook* address.

Clarksburg, West Virginia: The Stonewall Jackson ARA will operate **WB8ZVS 1200Z-2300Z Oct 8** to commemorate National Fire Prevention Week. Operation will be the lower portion of General 80- and 40-meter phone. For certificate, send QSL, contact number and SASE to SJARA, PO Box 752, Clarksburg, WV 26302.

Westminster, Maryland: The Carroll Co ARC will

operate **K3PZN Oct 8-14** to celebrate Fire Prevention Week. Operation will be 30 kHz from the bottom of General 80-15 phone and Novice 10-meter phone. For certificate, send QSL, contact number and SASE to Carroll Co ARC, PO Box 2099, Westminster, MD 21157.

Norfolk, Nebraska: The Elkhorn Valley ARC will operate **KE0JI 1500Z-0300Z Oct 14** to commemorate Amateur Radio Sell Nebraska Day. Suggested frequencies: 3.870 7.270 14.270 21.320 28.470 50.270 146.730. For certificate, send QSL and 9- x 12-in SASE to Roy Barkhuff, KE0JI, 1701 Skyline Dr, Norfolk, NE 68701.

Topeka, Kansas: The Kaw Valley ARC will operate **W0CET** from 1400Z Oct 14 until 2300Z Oct 15 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the movie "The Wizard of Oz." Operation will be 75 and 20 meters and Novice 10 meters. For special QSL, send QSL and SASE to Sherry Langston, KA0BNL, 1919 Adams #62, Topeka, KS 66607.

Cambridge, Massachusetts: The Harvard Wireless Club will operate **W1AF** from 0000Z Oct 14 until 2400Z Oct 15 to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the club. Operation will be in the General portions of 80-15 meters and Novice 10 meters. For commemorative QSL, send SASE to Harvard Wireless Club, 6 Linden St, Cambridge, MA 02138.

Harlingen, Texas: The South Texas ARS will operate **N5CAF Oct 14-15**, 1500Z-2400Z each day, to celebrate the Confederate Air Force's annual Air Show. Suggested frequencies: 14.260 21.360 28.460. For special QSL, send QSL and SASE to David Woolweaver, K5RAV, 2210 S 77 Sunshine Strip, Harlingen, TX 78550.

Athens, Georgia: The Athens RC will operate **N4ALE Oct 14-15** to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the world's only double barrel cannon. Operation will be the lower portions of the General 80-15 bands and Novice 10 meter. For QSL, send QSL and SASE to Ed Riddle, N4ALE, F-24, Country Corners, Hwy 29, Athens, GA 30606.

Fort Payne, Alabama: The DeKalb Co ARC will operate **WD4EIZ Oct 18** in observance of the city's 100th anniversary. Suggested frequencies: 7.240 14.260 21.325 28.350. For commemorative certificate, send QSL and no. 10 SASE to Ray Goggans, WD4EIZ, 1612 Fruit Farm Rd, Fort Payne, AL 35967.

Providence, Rhode Island: The Providence Radio Assn will operate **W1OP 0000Z-0400Z Oct 18** to celebrate its 70th anniversary. Operation will be on 14.040. For commemorative certificate, send SASE

to PRA, 1 Ludlow Street, Johnston, RI 02919.

Panola County, Texas: The Carthage ARS will operate **AA5HF 1400Z-2200Z Oct 21** from the hometown of music star "Gentleman" Jim Reeves. Operation will be General phone and 14.028 and 28.400. For certificate, send QSL, contact number and no. 10 SASE to Mark Hulse, AA5HF, Rte 4 Box 166-X, Carthage, TX 75633. For CW contact, send to Lee Chapman, W5QLA, 106 S Gaston St, Carthage, TX 75633.

Beltsville, Maryland: The Laurel Maryland ARC will operate **K3IOG 1300Z-2100Z Oct 21** to celebrate the achievements of The Center. Suggested frequencies: phone—7.240 14.240 21.340 28.340 147.540; CW—14.055. For special certificate, send QSL and no. 10 SASE to Laurel ARC, Box 3039, Laurel, MD 20708.

Durant, Iowa: The Davenport Radio Amateur Club will operate **W0BXR** from 0000Z Oct 21 until 2000Z Oct 22 from Cedar County. Operation will be primarily 80-10 meters SSB. For QSL, send QSL and SASE to W0BXR via *Callbook* address.

Hamlet, North Carolina: The Richmond Co ARC will operate **K4JUG 1300Z-2200Z Oct 28** as part of the annual Seaboard Railroad Festival. Suggested frequencies: 7.235 14.265 21.315 28.345. For certificate, send SASE to RCARC, Seaboard Festival, PO Box 132, Hamlet, NC 28345.

Brevard, North Carolina: The Transylvania Co ARC will operate **K4AIF** from 2100Z Oct 31 until 0500Z Nov 1 to celebrate Halloween. Suggested frequencies: 3.860 14.295 50.150 144.200 223.500 432.150. For certificate, send 9- x 12-in SASE to Dick Gustafson, K4AIF, 302 Wilson Dr, Brevard, NC 28712.

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The ARRL Field Organization Forum

ATLANTIC DIVISION

DELAWARE: SM, Walt Dabell, KD3GS—ASM: Bill Ryan, WA3DFJ. Congratulations to all on the great field day scores. I had reports of best-ever scores from several clubs. Missing this year were the reports of fried () . . . I thought all that smoke was from my cigarette. () radios, thank goodness. The Delaware Section Manager election will be this December. If you need qualification / nomination forms, let me know. June net rpt: DTN stns 210 tlc 40 in 22 sessns, DEPN stns 43 tlc 19 in 4 sessns, SEN stns 57 tlc 3 in 4 sessns. June Traffic: W3QQ 67, WA3WIY 44, WB3DUG 39, KA3GRQ 29, K3JL 19, W3FEG 18, K3YBW 12, W3PVO 11, KD3GS 11, TOTAL 250. The New Castle County ARES group participated in emergency operations with the Red Cross in July. Several Volunteers spent several hours escorting Red Cross officials through flood stricken areas of New Castle County. The damage was minimal but the help was still appreciated. Keep up the good work! With hurricane season nearing its midpoint, the first potentially threatening storm in early August had the Sussex ARES group scrambling to get a 20-meter dipole in the air. KC3JM spent a good part of his birthday at the EOC in Georgetown working on that antenna. Sussex County stands to lose the most in the event a hurricane does strike, hope the antenna isn't needed. Halloween is right around the corner. This may be a good opportunity for the ARES groups to get a workout. July net rpt: DTN stns 318 tlc 38 in 21 sessns, DEPN stns 55 tlc 10 in 5 sessns, SEN stns 58 tlc 1 in 4 sessns. July Traffic: WA3WIY 31, WB3DUG 27, K3JL 26, KA3GRQ 23, K3YBW 20, KD3GS 20, W3FEG 12, W3PVO 7. TOTAL 166.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA: SM, Kay Craigie, KC3LM—ASM: WA3PZO, KA3A, KO3B, K3ZFD. SEC: KB3YS. ACC: KC3QB. OOC: W3IS. SGL: WA3IAO. STM: BK3UD. PIO: W3ZXC. TC: W3FAF. Get out your calendar, because October is stuffed full of Amateur Radio activity. Explore "the world above 50 MHz" with the Pack Rats at their annual VHF conference on the 7th. This is a part of the spectrum we should all know more about. Both experts and newcomers will enjoy the presentations at this conference. On the 8th is the Pack Rats hamfest—please carpool October 14-15 is the Pennsylvania QSO Party weekend. To bring those awards home to EPA again this year, we're going to need some eye-popping scores. Even if you don't do the contest in a big way, please get on the air and give a few points and county multipliers to others. The exchange is easy, just your county and a serial number. Again this year KC3LM is sponsoring the Novice/Tech plaque. Former QSO Party chairman W3HDH was tracked down in Missouri and sent an ARRL Certificate of Merit from EPA Section in gratitude for his work on the contest. He's now writing a state QSO party column in National Contest Journal. Many thanks to K3SO and Nittany ARC for sponsorship of the PA QSO Party. Good luck in the contest! Is that all there is in October? Not hardly, friend. On the 15th, C-CARS has their hamfest in Carlisle, the Penn Wireless has their hamfest in Bensalem on the 22nd, and on the 29th, RF Hill has theirs in Sellersville. Wow! Apparently not having enough to do this month, KC3LM will visit the Endless Mts. ARC meeting in Tunkhannock. Shifting to the Field Organization roster, add W3QFK to the list of OO's. Traffic handlers are reminded that your station activity reports should be in the SM's hands by the 5th of the month. Reports received later must be deferred to the next month's QST. It's unnecessary to dupe a copy of your SAR to STM KB3UD, since the SM already forwards all the data to him for analysis and record-keeping. As always, your activity and reports are very much appreciated. Even if the link on your license is good and dry, you can still honor your Elmer with a certificate from ARRL's Educational Activities Branch. Just write and ask for one, so you can fill it out and present it. What a special holiday gift this would make for someone who helped you 'way back when! Traffic (July): N3ADY 636, N3DRM 228, N3CD 146, A43B 104, KD3AO 76, KA3DZ 50, N3COV 33, N3EFV 26, KU3R 24, KA3QYH 24, W3DP 23, W3NNL 22, W3KOD 20, KA3MVM 20, WB3EVL 19, KA3SKT 15, W3CL 15, W3ZID 13, KA3RGF 12, N3FGC 12, W3FAF 10, W3AQO 10, W3BNN 9, W3GJC 8, W3ADE 7, K3ARR 5, W3IPX (June) 27. (July: QNI/QTC/QC): SEPATN 79/7, D6ARES 89/14, D8ARES 155/0, EPAEPTN 455/157, EPA 491/161, PTTN 203/46, MARCTN 143/54, MARCNET 68/2. @PBBs: K3RLI 399, WA3TSW 345, N3KT 6.

MARYLAND: DC: SM, Ken Cohen, N13F—ASM/PKT: KJ3E. ASM/ACC: WA3YLO. BM: NB3P. PIO: N3BMB. SEC: KN3U. TC: W3VWN. STM: N3EFG. SGL: KW3C. OOC: WB3EFG. The MMARC repeater was hit by lightning in June. It is hoped that full coverage will be restored in August. In May, there was a special-event operation aboard the submarine USS Torsk in Baltimore's Inner Harbor—over 350 QSOs in 31 states. Packeteers known to be uploading NTS traffic are K3RXX, K3ORW, KB3NL, KN1K, KJ3E, and N3EFG. W3IWI continues work building multi-channel digital receivers for the AMSAT launch slated for Nov. 10. Tom was the featured speaker at the Central States VHF Society annual dinner, which was held in Chicago. AG3L started his second solo cruise to Grenada on July 21. He will return May 90; K3JG and K3NNI are his contacts. We need EC's badly, contact KN3U. Also needed, frame with DF'ing experience to become OO's—contact WB3EFG. All appointees are gently reminded that regular reporting is a condition of continuing their appointment; we will soon trim the Section rosters of inactive trophies. Glad to meet so many of you at the BRATS hamfest. Keep those cards, letters, bulletins and packetgrams. (@W3IWI) coming! QX next month! WITH THE NETS: NET/MGR QND/QTC/QNI: MSN/KC3Y 30/30/220, PON/WB3B3FK 26/22/197, MDD/W3FA 62/244/459 (MDD TOP BRASS W3FA/129, K3GHH/83, KC3Y/81) MEPN/K3RXX 30/134/599, HOCARES/WA1QAA 20/08/MAVEN/W3YVQ 0/0/0. Traffic: W3IWI 864(BPL), K3QE 315, NB3P 198, NC3V 183, KC3Y 169, K3GHH 166, K3RXX

154, W3FA 147, NR3Q 121, K3NNI 68, W3DQI 60, K3USO 56, W3YVQ 51, KK3F 46, W3FZV 37, W3ORV 36, WB3B3K 30, KD3M 27, N3EFG 26, K1BGT 20, W3SWD 16, WA2WTD 12, N1FJW 9, KA3DXX 3, WA1QAA 2, PSHR, W3FA 95, K3JE 94, KC3Y 91, K3RXX 82, NC3V 75, NR3Q 72, K3GHH 68, W3YVQ 67.

SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY: SM, Richard Bafer, WA2HEB—SEC: K2QJQ. STM: WB2UVB. ACC: N2BQT. PIO: KA2RAF. SGL: vacant. BM: WB2UVB. OOC: WA2HEB. ATCs: K2JF, KA2RJA and WB2MNF. VE testing will be given in Bellmawr on Oct. 19. See Jan. 1989 QST column for full info on this session. Congratulations go to Victoria Gruen, KA2VHR, of Runnemede on receiving a \$750 scholarship from the YLRL. The weekend of Oct. 21-22 marks the annual Simulated Emergency Test. At this point, I don't know what the section has planned, but if you're interested, please contact your County EC. If you need names/addresses, please don't hesitate to contact me. This column in August's QST contained the wrong Senate committee that has the "Scanner Bill" legislation. The Senate committee is the Transportation and Communications Committee and the committee chairman is Senator Walter Rand, 514 Cooper St., Camden 08102. Telephone (609) 541-1251. As of this writing, we still aren't getting a whole lot of support. Please re-read this column in the August QST and send off a letter or QSL card to your legislators. We need YOUR help! Any additional information that you might want can be obtained from me. Until next month, 73. Traffic: WB2ZJF 109, WA2CUW 14, WA2HEB 5.

WESTERN NEW YORK: SM, William W. Thompson, W2MTA—Affiliated Club Coordinator, N2EH. FB having 38 clubs filed for 1989—10 from 1988 are pending—5 from 1987 are urged to send their report. NOW, if we could contact someone for the following inactive listed affiliated clubs (wonder if they read this column?): Carlton Webster, Ft. Herkimer, Otsego, Syracuse U, Gleason, U of Rochester, Rockies, Clarkson College, RIT, Buffalo Repeater—all have not reported for at least three years. C'mon folks, support your League and let "it" keep your club informed.

NET	QNI/QSP/QND	NET	QNI/QSP/QND
NYSEMO	1120/0105	NYS/E	303/203/31
NYSR	0140/0405	BLUE LINE	1840/13/30
NYSIM	311/25/31	JCARCON	377/01/28
WDNWM	419/35/31	OARCON	057/002/04
NYP	1150/77/30	TIGARDS	033/003/05
NYPON	405/290/31	VHF THIN	040/000/04
ESS	345/070/31	PATHFINDER	399/005/30
NYSPTEN	403/05/73	BLAK RVR lightning	
LCARES	046/000/05	ONEONTA R	023/000/04
OCTENEY	337/128/31	CNYTN	286/077/30
Q NET	547/001/31	OCTENIL	265/04/31
STAR	245/032/28	WDNL	453/144/31
WDNVE	478/174/31	NYS/L	289/249/31

"NTS Net. Section Packet Node Station WB2ACV reports 37 message handlings for July. BFL to N2EIA and WB2W0. PSHR, GDZ, N2EIA, N2EJV, WA2FJ, W2FR, K2ZJH, N2IKR, N2IYA, W2MTA, W2E0W, K2QCQ, ND2S, N3JvJ, K2YAI, KA2ZNZ, Club officers: JCARC, WA2ZB, KA2GCF, WB2ACQ, WB2HBU; LARC, WA2ISQ, K2QCX, K2NDMP, KB2DIO, W2GLN; LARA, BK2XCM, KE2NC, KA2ZTO, K2BXS, WNYDXA, WB2IVO, WA2DSC, WB2YQH (with hearty thanks to WB2ZCJ as he steps down as president). Appointments: (OO) N2FHT. Presently WNY has 166 stations holding appointments: ASMs 9, NMs 8, ECs 24, ATCs 6, PIAs 9, DECs 5, OOs 6, OBS 9, OESS 40, ORs 42 for a total of 168 appointments. Do you have one? Western New York's forty counties still have about 10,000 licensed hams, and over 3400 League members. Let the Section Manager know for which appointments you are interested in applying. OH BY THE WAY, did you know that the National Radio Association supports retaining the use of the Atwater Kent No. 47 receiver for use by the radio amateur for all modes including CW? A long-time public service amateur became a Silent Key this month. Bill Goff, WA2HSB was the voice of Plattsburg and will be missed by many such as NYSPTEN and the Interstate GSB Net as well as by his Clinton County friends. Several folks are sending monthly station activity reports to W2MTA via packet radio; if you have this mode, my home mailbox is WB2ACV in New Berlin (formerly KB2EACV). OBS report received from N2JEU (formerly KB2EACV). Hope to see many of you at the RAGS Hamfest at State Fair Grounds on Oct. 14. Traffic (July): N2EIA 507, WB2W0 405, W2MTA 331, WA2FJ 291, K2ZJH 275, N3JV 264, K2YAI 204, ND2S 193, W2FR 143, N2IYA 137, K2D2 116, KA2QO 98, WB2NLU 93, N2DLN 84, KA2ZNZ 84, NN2H 72, WB2QJ 69, AF2K 59, KA2BD 48, WB2OEV 46, WB2ACV 37, W2PFS 36, N2EJV 24, N2IKR 24, KB2EQO 20, KE2EA 12, KA2ZKM 6. (June) KE2EA 36, WB2JH 33.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA: SM, Otto L. Schuler, K3SMB—SEC: WA3UFN. STM: NO3M. BM: KC3ET. TC: N3EFN. OOC: K3XV. ACC: AK3J. SGL: KA3OEM. NET: PIO.

NET	QNI	QTC	SESS	KHZ	T/D	MAN
WPACW	362	70	31	3585	7:00P/D	WA3UNX
WPAFTN	362	70	31	3983	6:00P/D	WA3HML
KFN	113	49	28	3983	1:30P/D	N3EEM
PFN	180	169	31	3958	5:00P/D	WA3THH
WPA2MTN	268	56	31	2898	8:00P/D	KA3BGC
NWPA2MTN	512	57	26	5345.133	9:00P/D	KC3NY

I have the sad news of the passing of three amateurs in the section. They are W3NY, KB3O, KB3L, the founder of the United Airlines ARC and WA3BOH. A word about WA3BOH. Although suffering, Arnie was always ready to assist any and all amateur functions. He had his car prepared for his use to overcome his disabilities. He was a true amateur in giving his all without wanting any credit. Our condolences to their families. Now must say that I am resigning the SM position. I have no idea about who my successor will be as yet, but I hope we can find one. I am having problems with my eyes and back

which must have treatments. I regret having to give up my appointment which I enjoyed greatly. I hope to be able to help for a long time to come. I want to thank all those in Newington for all their help during my term of office. August Traffic: N3EMD 305, KQ3T 299, N3FM 254, W3OKN 122, NO3M 114, N3AES 63, KQ3T 299, N3FM 254, W3OKN 122, NO3M 114, N3AES 63, K3SMB 55, W3KUN 36, WA3DBW 36, WA3JUC 28, KF3V 24, KA3E6 16, KC3YE 15.

CENTRAL DIVISION

ILLINOIS: SM, Dave Carlson, AA9D—SEC: W9QBH. BM: K9EUI. ACC: WB9SFT. STM: K9CNP. SGL: K9IDQ. TC: N9RF. OOC: W9TT. PIO: W9EWA. DEC: WD9EBQ.

NET	FREQ	TIME
ISN	3905	1800DAILY
ILN	2690	1830,2200DAILY
ITN	3705	1900DAILY
CTN	147.69/09	2100DAILY
ILARES	3905	1830 1ST, 3RD SUNDAYS
IEA	3940	0900SUNDAYS
ILPN	3855	1645M-F, 0830SUNDAY
NCPN	3915	0700M-SAT
NCPN	7270	1215M-SAT

The Lake County Regional Red Cross needs communications specialists to assist in providing emergency and disaster relief services. If you would be willing to help, contact Gene Rampale, KA9UNQ, who is the LAMARS (Libertyville and Mundelein ARS) Disaster Coordinator. Call him at (312) 356-0429 and tell him you are ready to "make a difference" the next time disaster strikes a Lake County family. Members of the WIARC (Western Illinois ARC) and some hams from the Keokuk, Iowa, area helped with the Keokuk cart races in July. Thanks to K9BD, K9RL, KA0QI, WB0LKT and WB9OTW for their help. The Sangamon Valley Radio Club has voted to support a Boy Scouts of America Explorer Post. The Boy Scouts have asked that 5 members of SVRC act as advisors for the group and help guide it through the first years until the kids are able to take over the regular operations of the Post. Contact Ed, KA9ETP, if you can spend some time helping in this worthwhile activity. Members of BARS (Bolingbrook ARS) operated a special-event station during the NMTA Revolutionary War Re-enactment at the Naper Settlement on July 15 and 16. KE9BW, NW9K, NW9V, NB9AF, WD9HG, NM9J, KA9CAI, NW9T, NO9D, W9ZTD, N9FRT, N9GUN, KB9CJQ, KB9CVD and WA9DIP all participated in the activity. Traffic: KA9FE 414, W9HLX 187, W9HOT 165, WA9LV 163, W9HBI 126, K9CNP 90, N9SF 83, K9OEV 71, WD9HQ 50, WB9TVD 50, KA9CXI 46, NC9T 46, WL9WL 42, W9KH 36, KA9CTW 26, W9OBU 23, W9VZ 23, KA9VTU 17, KA9JNE 16, WD9CIR 13, WA9AXL 10, W9VEYIM 7, K9EHP 6, KA9JEX 6, W9LNQ 4.

INDIANA: SM, Bruce Woodward, W9UMH—SEC: WD9AVO. STM: WA9OHX. ACC: K9ZEM. TC: WA9JWL. SGL: WA9VQO. BM: W9CUL. PIO: N9IPA. OOC: K9JG. Net Managers: ITN KA9EUI, QIN K9JL, ICN KD9ER, VHF W9SPMT. IWN KA9ERC. Daily Net Reports:

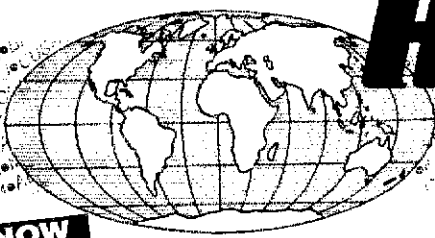
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ITN	3910	1330/2130/2300	2811	192	2072	93
ICN	3556	1430/0900/0300	367	437	898	62
QIN	3705	0100	53	19	317	21
IWN	3910	1310	1347		370	31
IWN VHF BLOOMINGTON			744		275	31
IWN VHF KOKOMO			1032		199	31
IWN VHF LIGONIER			798		320	31
HOOSIER VHF NETS (22)			5766	168	5061	243

DRNS for July 366 QTC @ 62 ses. IN 90% by WA9OHK, K9ZLS, W9UEM, KC9GS, N9DWU, K9GBR. CAND 632 QTC in 31 ses. D9BN 100% by N9RK, K9ZLS, N9DWU. SILENT KEYS: H.A. McAllister, WA9OJK, of Anderson, Lester A. Gilley, K9YFT of Oden, and William "Brooks" Clark, WB9EAP of Marion. Mac was active right up to his becoming a Silent Key. Both Les and Brooks had been active prior to their illnesses. They all will be missed. Appointments: EC Ben Gimm, KA9KOC for Noble County, EC Robert Rinzer, KA9ZOR, Jefferson County. PIA John Mary, W9BIZ, Noble County. D9RF, Disciples Amateur Radio Fellowship met in Indianapolis this month in connection with their church convention. Doc, W9KRV, was the host. They plan to activate the club station at the Missions Building. EC Reports: N9DLZ, W9DX, KA9RTD, WB9AHJ, KA9EV, W9CNE, W9YDP, N9ENC, KA9D2M, KA9OHH, K9H9, W9KGE, W9JLU, K9D2N, W9BNC, W9SQC, W9SHIE, W9SNE, KC9CU, W9DHI, W9BAGT, W9CFI, N9ADS, N9GFX, K9BAC, W9BUJL, W9BHRN, N9DFU. Packet-BBS Reports: W9ZRX 6038, W9S9YK 1826, KD9CB 1438, N5AAA 1058, KA9LQM 1045, WA9JXP 897, N9BAC 545. Public Service Reports: DeKalb County, K9ZBM Weather Net. St. Joseph County, W9EPT Firecracker Races. Vanderburg County, KA9EIV Drum & Bugle Corps competition. Cass County, W9CFI Weather Net. Tippecanoe County, WB9RVN Fielders Contest at Battleground also Weather Net. N9FZO 146 10/70 monitor program. 317 hours reporting 5 accidents, 4 traffic signals, 6 stalled cars, 1 fire hydrant, 1 weather net, 1 drunk driver, 3 fires, 1 phone call, report boys on roof. KE9PR Lafayette 147, 135, 2 vehicle emergencies, 2 car accidents, reckless driver, possible break-in. Traffic: NR9K 360, K9J 212, W9UMH 122, W9UEA 94, WA9OHX 69, WB9JAA 59, WA9QCF 54, K9ZLS 42, WB9QPA 51, N9DWU 43, W9OCL 42, K9FEI 32, K9GBR 31, W9DHI 29, K9ZBM 29, K9HPR 28, K9SBB 28, WB9HRN 25, W9PMT 24, W9DX 23, W9CNE 23, KA9QME 23, KA9LQM 23, W9PPO 22, N9XA 20, N9ENC 18, KA9ERC 19, N9HZ 18, N9X1 16, W9BQZ 14, KA9ZOD 14, W9ZCV 12, K9BHI 12, K9OUP 12, KD9DU 11, K9ET 11, W9OZJ 11, W9DWD 10, N9DGT 8, W9KH8, WB9JLV 8, K9IY 7, K9BSU 7, K9WC 6, AB9A 6, W9BIZ 6, W9BNC 5, K9B9C 5, W9RTH 4, W9XD 3, W9B9Y 2, N29S 2, W9CFI 1, W9YDP 1, W9SHE 1, WA9OIZ 1, W9KMY 1.

WISCONSIN: SM, Richard R. Regent, K9GDF—SEC: W9ZAG. STM: KC9CJ. ACC: KA9FOZ. BM: WB9JUN. OOC: NC9G. PIO: K9ZZ. TC: K9GDF. Congratulations to Green Fox ARC for renewing as an ARRL Special Service Club. A beautiful wood plaque with QSL and nameplate was presented to K9JL for furthering DX through operating at the Mellish Reef (VK9ZM) and Willis Island (VK9ZV) expedition. New Greater

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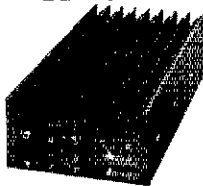
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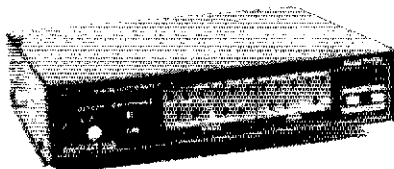
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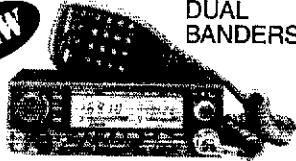
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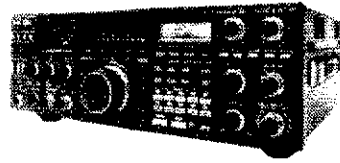
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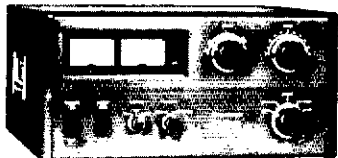


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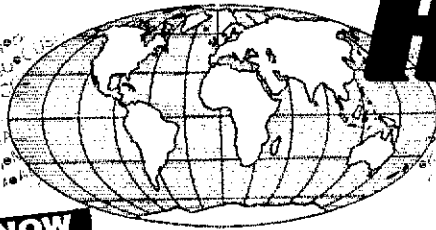
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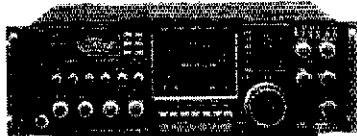
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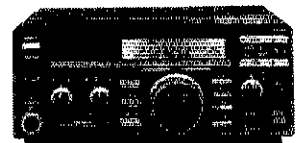
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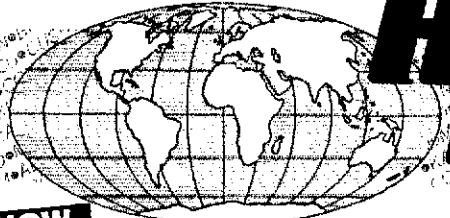
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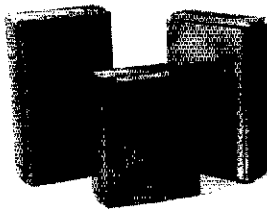


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DAKOTA DIVISION

MINNESOTA: SM, George Fredrickson, KC0T—It's interesting how a month with 31 days can pass so quickly, but that's what happened to July. That's called "Slip—Slid in Away!" Traffic-wise July was an OK month totaling 1,695 traffic handled and 20 stations reporting. Thanks, Gang! We were all saddened to learn of the passing of Warren Kopy, WB6KIS, who became a Silent Key on July 26th. Warren was active one day, and gone the next. And, we will all miss him. I understand that the Marshall Repeater is now on 147.195 (+ 600) which brings that repeater in line with the current band plan. Congratulations to Sister Alverna O'Laughlin, WA0SGJ, of Courage Center, HANDE-HAMS for receiving the 1988 ARRL Humanitarian Award. That was an upbeat piece of news and I know we all share in thanking her for a great job and wish her all the best for continuing success. Congratulations also to Ray Anderson, KA0VQN, Brooklyn Park as the Minnesota Section Amateur of the Month for July. Nice work, Ray, and thanks to all MSN participants in MSN and for the great work they are doing. That's it for now...Until next time, 73 es GL. Jim Swisher, KA0EPY, STM.

NET	FREQ	TIME	QRI/OT/C/SS	NET MGR
MSN/1	3685	6:30P	324/60/31	KA0EPY
MSN/2	3685	10:00P	276/6/31	KD0NH
MSSN**	3710	6:00P	251/40/31	KA0SBY
MSP/N/N	3860	12:05P	no report	
MSP/NE	3860	5:30P	684/18/31	KC0T
PAW	3928	9:00A	2176/195/116	WD9BAC

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NORTH DAKOTA: SM, Bill Kurtz, W0CM—Not much activity for the SKYWARN Spotter this summer of continuing drought. However, Minot was called out on July 11 with 8 amateurs responding. Also at the Peace Garden Hamfest several Hams went out to watch a storm that developed over the Turtle Mts. Hamfest was a success again. WD0DAJ was elected ham of the year. Congratulations, Stan, KA0SLI took care of the VE4HF ham station again. A good time was had by all 260 + registered. KA0CHX & N8CBV did an outstanding job in directing the communications for the Canoe Race from Fargo to Winnipeg, in all 25 Hams helped in this project. Also, ND Hams provided communication for the TransAmerica Bike Trek for the National Lung Assn. A Nord-Link Digi W0CM-8 NDPMB was installed at Pembina giving us a reliable path for Packet Traffic between the BSSs in MB & ND. I received a list of ARRL Affiliated Clubs today. If yours isn't, maybe it's time to get going on that.

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STORM NET	3941KHZ	(DURING STORMS ONLY)		W0CM

SOUTH DAKOTA: AGM, R. L. Cory, W0YMB—Asst SM: NBABE, WA0EPR, SEC: KA0KPY, STM: KD0YL, N8JQJ is giving Amateur Radio lectures and demonstrations in the Rapid City area grade schools and following this, N8JF and KA0SEZ will have Novice classes at the SD school of Mines and Tech. Dakota Chapter 102 of OCWA held their annual meeting at Bridge on Aug 5 and 6. An excellent program on the early history of Amateur Radio was put on by W8LX. Chapter President W8H0J and wife were not able to attend. Present officers were re-elected for another two-year term. Area Hams are sad about the passing of Hoss Fenn, W8LXO, Sioux Falls, who died from injuries suffered in an airplane crash. Pierre ARC has received their certificate of ARRL affiliation. They are planning to put receiver voting on the repeater to improve their coverage area.

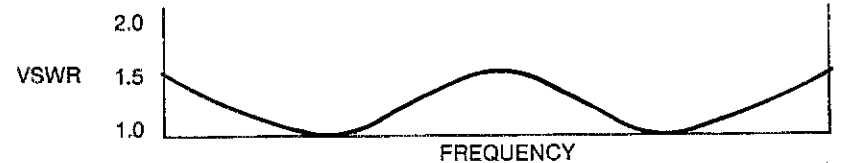
DELTA DIVISION

LOUISIANA: SM, John "Wondy" Wndergem, K5KR—ASM: K5BCX, SEC: N5ADF, ACC: K5KR, SGL: KD5SL, TC: W5PWF, OOC: WB4ICV. Packet: WB5ASD, SIM: WB4FDT, Shirl, K5OPL, reports that Amateur Radio coverage of the National Hot Air Balloon Championships in Baton Rouge Aug 4-13 was outstanding. Approximately 100 amateurs in South Louisiana participated and helped ensure the safety and welfare of the nearly 200 balloon pilots, crews and spectators. Coordination of amateur activities was handled by the Radio Amateur Service Club (RASC) of Baton Rouge using the KD5SL repeaters. A special-events station was set up at the

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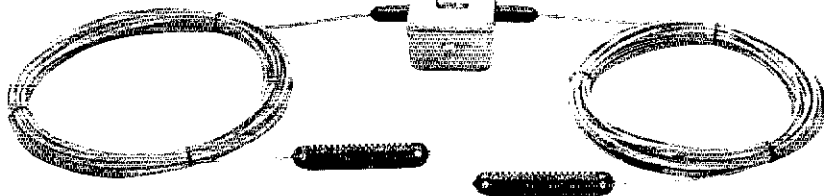
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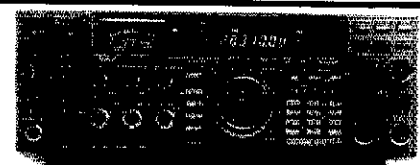
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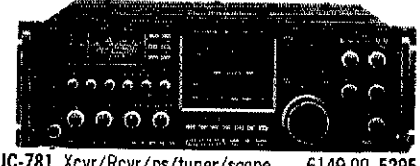
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festival site working most states and many foreign countries. Well done to the Shreveport Amateur Radio Assoc. (SARA) for winning the 1989 Louisiana Field Day Competition and an attractive plaque. The Springhill ARC was a close second. The ARK-LA-TEX Hamfest and ARRL Delta Division Convention at Shreveport was bigger than ever and an outstanding success. Larry Price, W4RA, ARRL President; Joel Harrison, WB5IGF, ARRL Delta Director and many other Delta Division Leadership Volunteers were on hand to discuss current events. Welcome aboard to Phil Sager, WB4FTD, of Ruston as Section Traffic Manager. He is aggressively revitalizing the Louisiana Traffic Nets. Traffic: DRN-5 July 89. 478 msg 62 sessions. LA rep 79% by K5WOD, WB4FTD, N5CCK, N5LRF, K5SVW, WA5WBZ & WA5TQA. SAR: WB4FDT 54, K5EOD 19, K5CCK 19, 73 & GL de "W5DE" K5KR.

MISSISSIPPI: SM, Butch Magee, KF5DFE—ASM: WD5GHW, SEC: N5DVR, SGL: KA5WFX, TC: W5VZF, STM: KB5W, BM: W5EPW. The Delta Division Convention was held in Shreveport, LA, 12-13 August. If you didn't attend, you missed a really great hamfest-convention. Make plans to attend the Mississippi State Convention in Biloxi. Promises to be an exciting event as always. The Hurricane season will be with us for a bit longer, so if you have a general coverage receiver, jot down these frequencies for aircraft hurricane surveillance. 3407, 5562, 6673, 8876, 10015, 13354, 17901, 21937. These are aircraft to Miami monitor. Air to air 123.050, 304.800, and 4701 hf for back up. Well, this has been a busy month for the traffic and section nets. I say a job well done. Special thanks go to the traffic handlers. The reports are: Fifth Region Day Time (RNS), W5YDD Net Mgr. 62 sessions, 478 messages, MS. represented 100% by KT5Z, W5HKW, N5SM, W57CQ, and KB5W. Central Area Net Daytime, K5UPN Net Mgr. 31 sessions, 632 messages, Ms. Station N5SM. Mississippi Traffic Net (MTN) KB5W Net Mgr. 31 sessions, 57 messages, 197 QNL, Mississippi Section Phone Net, W5OXA Net Mgr. 31 Sessions, 1834 QNL, 31 QTC. Mississippi Slow Net, W5YRX Net Mgr. 18 sessions, 63 QNL, 7 QTC. Meridian ARC Emergency Net, K5ASR Net Mgr. 4 Sessions, 81 QNL. That's all folks. See you on 3862.5, 73, Butch Magee, KF5DE, SM.

TENNESSEE: SM, Harry Simpson, W4MI—Eastern Assistant SM and PIO W4TYU, Central Assistant SM WA4GLS, Western Assistant SM and ACC K4CXY. BTM: NG4J. SEC: K4UVH. OOC: K4LSP. SGL: N4FYQ, TC: W4HHK. The TN Phone Net is on 3980 kHz with early sessions at 6:40 AM Eastern, Regular sessions at 7:45 AM Eastern Monday thru Friday, at 9 AM Eastern on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. Evening sessions are Monday thru Saturday at 7:30 PM Eastern. CW Net Sessions are on 3635 kHz at 8 PM Eastern, Monday thru Friday. It is with deep regret that I report the passing of five TN hams during July: Philip Ewald, W4EWR, of Knoxville (father of Steve Ewald, WA4CMS, of the ARRL staff), Joseph W. Lowe, WB4QZY, of Springfield, Lee Welch, K4YFF of Knoxville, Walt E. Gary, WB4FME, of Harriman and Billy C. Primm, WK4R, of Bruceton. The last three were Army MARS members and died on consecutive days—the 27th, 28th and 29th! All will be sorely missed by their friends in TN and the world. Some of the major hamfests this month (October) include Memphis on the 14th and 15th, Gray on the 21st and Chattanooga on the 28th and 29th. At this writing, I am unable to return to Gray this year because of my budget travel, but I know it will be a great success as usual. I will be in Memphis and Chattanooga and look forward to seeing you there. Traffic: WA4FMR 139 (the made BPL for the umpteenth time for originations plus deliveries!), WA4GZZ 43, KA5KDB 35, W4M30, WB4LAL 29, WA4HKU 28, W4PFP 25, W4TYV 21, W4DDK 19, K4CXY 12, WA4DSA 2.

GREAT LAKES DIVISION

KENTUCKY: SM, John Khammes, WM4T—Asst. SM: KC4WN, SEC: WB4NHO, STM: KA4MTX, PIO: WA4SWF. (July) I am pleased to report that substantial progress has recently been made on the long-awaited Kentucky Emergency Response Plan (KERP). KC4WN and WB4NHO have been working closely with Frankfort DES and an agreement is near! Stay tuned for the latest update. A big thank you goes out to the Mammoth Cave ARC for their hospitality during my visit this month with VP Wilson. The Kentucky Colonels ARC has submitted an application for Special Service Club status. Hopefully, the good news on this can be reported in next month's column.

NET	QNI	QTC	SESS	MGR
MKPN	1423	131	31	WD4RWU
KTN	619	58	28	WD4RWU
KYN (BOTH)	254	102	61	K4AVX/KZ8Q
TSTMN	401	34	31	KZ8Q
KNTN	217	56	41	WA4EBN

SAR (July) WD4RWU 108, K4VHF 89, WA4EBN 48, KB4UJA 42, KC4WN 41, K4QJH 39, K4AVX 33, N4LAF 22, W4TPB 19, WB4AUN 16, N4PEK 12, PSHR: K4QJH 94, KC4WN 77, KA4MTX 65.

MICHIGAN: SM, George E. Race, WB8BGY (@N8FTY)—ASM: WA1LRL (@WA1LRL). BTM: WD8KQC (@NT8P). SGL: N8CNY. TC: W8YV. OOC: WA2AJJ. ACC: N8JVA. PIO: N8KBA. BM: W8WV. Silent keys, with deep regret, A.L. Baker, WB7TZ, and Harold Vincent, WB8PIM. On July 22, a train derailment put Saginaw Co. amateurs to the test. The accident, near Freeland, brought about the evacuation of several square miles around the area. Ruptured tank cars were allowed to burn out for several days. Genesee Co. ARES sent 10 volunteers, St. Clair and Oakland Counties had others on standby. 57 hours of continuous operation were provided. An overall operation of 109 hours in 8 days. Total manhours exceeded 425. The following operators participated: N8FAU, N8JAZ, WD8POK, WD8M, NY7F, N8GSS, N8ERF, N8JAT, N8JIT, N8JIO, N8JIS, KB8ATR, KB8BMZ, KB8DAC, WB8CI, WB8JV, N8HSD, K8APRV, N8JKQ, K8AQD, N8IOV, N8BQ, KB8OC, KB8OWR, KB8AUB, KB8QF, WB8PLO, WB8CTY, KB8OT, N8GVO, WB8I, AND A8ER. On July 29, a van carrying toxic medical supplies overturned near Gaylord. About 150 local residents were evacuated. Otsego Co. EC, N8JCL, reports the following were involved in the emergency net: K4IUH/8, N8KCK, N8JSP, K8RNLC, K8RWJ, K8AJWQ, K8SON/8, K8CBT, N8HFN, N8ICN, N8JZ, N8AYQ, N8JIM, N8SX. Otsego Co. ARES provided liaison to shelters, radio stations, and the mayor's office. This year, Della Carver, WB8EIB, has been named Michigan Radio Amateur Operator "YL" of the year. Della does an outstanding job as Net Manager of the MITN. You can hear her friendly voice most any evening at 7:00 PM on the MITN. Her participation in MI ARRL activities has been outstanding. Congratulations from

all of us Della, on receiving this years YL award. John Sheldon, WA8MVB, has been voted the U.P. Net Ham Of The Year. John is one of the many very active U.P. net members and devotes much of his time to Amateur Radio and traffic handling. Congratulations John, well done. Duane, W8J, Calloun Co. EC, reports all went well at the International Balloon Championship held in Battle Creek. Named for outstanding contribution to the event are: W8OX, WD8BZV, N8E, N8BDM, KB8DCC, WD8JOM, WB8UJU, K8AMZM, and K8BVX. The Great Lakes Emergency and Traffic Net (GLETN) has new officers. NM—Al, N8W8M, ANM—Tom, KA9WFW, and SEC/TREAS—Hut, K8ZJH. Many ECs and DECs are reporting big plans are underway for the 1989 SET to be held on October 21st. If you have never been involved, we invite you to take part in this yearly "On The Air" demonstration of our ARES, RACES, and NTS programs. Help us make Michigan the outstanding national leader again this year. Please support the following MI area Nets:

NET	FREQ	TIMEDAY	QNI	QSP	SESS	MGR
UPN*	3921	5:00PM Dy	1037	60	36	WB8DHB
MACS*	3953	11:00AM M-Sa	312	45	31	K8OCQ
MITN	3983	7:00PM Dy	514	196	31	WB8EIB
GMN*	3663	6:00PM Dy	525	111	61	WB8R
MNN*	3722	5:30PM Dy	289	122	62	K8BBY
SEMTN	14533	10:15PM Dy	396	112	31	N8HSC
GLETN	3932	9:00PM Dy	1126	64	31	N8W8M
WSSBN	3935	7:00PM Dy	575	28	31	WB8DI
VHF Net Activity						No Report Received

*QMN Fast-6:30PM Dy; QMN Late-10PM Dy.; MNN Late-8:00PM Dy.; MACS-1PM Sun.; UPN-12PM Sun. Traffic for July: K8BBY 307, K8BCPS 222, WD8KQC 105, N8H8C 88, N8JS 82, WB8P 65, WB8PG 61, N8PNN 61, WB8DHB 59, WB8YDZ 54, K8HAP 49, N8HSC 46, N8FTY/BB8 74, W8EOI 43, WB8JIB 38, N8CNY 38, K8UPE 37, K8CQF 36, WB8BGY 32, K3UJVO 31, K8BVK 30, K8OCQ 29, WB8YIC 28, WB8EIB 25, WB8HX 24, W7LVB 23, K8ZJU 22, WA8MVB 17, NY8W 17, WB8RO 16, N8JAT/BB8 16, N8HHH 15, WTBJ 12, K8IQ 11, N8HW 11, KN8JDN 5, W8URM 2, N8EXS 2. June: N8JS 72.

OHIO: SM, John Haungs, WA8STX Ph: (513) 563-7373—ASM: David Kersten, N8AUH, Ph: (216) 221-8740. SEC: WD8MPV, STM: KF8J, ACC: K3JO, ACT, BM: WB8P. TC: KB8MU. OOC: WB8ZCE, SGL: N8CVK, PIO: K8QOC.

NET	QNI	QTC	SESS	TIME(LOCAL)	FREQ	MGR
BN(E)	193	100	31	1845 DY	3.577	WB8C
BN(L)	180	89	32	2200 DY	3.577	K8TVG
BNR	---	---	---	1800 DY	3.605	W8EK
OSSBN	1607	754	93	1030,1615, 18453	3.9725	N8BS
OSSN	207	105	31	0845 M-F	3.577	KD8HB
OSSN	---	---	---	0800 S-SU	3.577	KD8HB
OSN	209	60	31	1810 DY	3.708	WB8KBW
OGMN	---	---	---	2100 M-W-F	50.16	WB8CTX

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The Ohio Section Conference is scheduled for Sunday, October 8, 1989, at the Berlin Park in Columbus. The location is just off I-71 at the Greenlawn Ave. exit. The Conference will begin at 0900 and last until 1600. There will be a break for lunch. There are many fast food places close at hand or you may want to bring a picnic basket. Grills are available in the park for those who might wish to cook out. The Conference is open to all Radio Amateurs and interested parties. This is a chance to express your thoughts and ideas and find out what is going on in the Ohio Section. There will be a talk-in on the 147.667.06 repeater. Watch for the Autumn issue of the Ohio Section Journal for final details or call N8AUH. Congratulations to Lake County Area Amateur NX8R, Daniel Patterson of Painesville, who received the club's "Good Ducky" award for his work on the new towers and antennas. FCC EXAMS in OHIO: Oct 14, Mentor, North Olmstead Maumee. Oct. 28, Akron. Nov. 11, Columbus, Maumee, Nov. 12, Independence. Nov. 25, Canton, Fremont, Dec. 2, Mentor, Columbus. DEC.9, Ravenna, North Olmstead, Zanesville, Cincinnati and Maumee. As listed by K3RC. The Columbus Amateur Radio Assn. (WB8TO) is running a Special Event/Contest on Columbus Day weekend. Oct. 7/0000Z—Oct. 8/2400Z Freq. 7.240; 14.340; 21.375 and 28.500 MHz. Commemorative QSL According to David Kersten, N8AUH, the Ohio General Assembly passed a law which makes it a felony for anyone to hinder or obstruct an Amateur Radio operator when he/she is undertaking ARES Public Service Duty. That's a good reason to make sure that you always carry your proper ARES/CD photo ID cards with you. Congratulations to the following Special Service Clubs on their renewals: The Mahoning Valley ARA, the Portage ARC, Tusco ARC, and the Warren RACES Club. Congratulations also to the Woodchuck ARC in North Ridgeville, where Joanne and Larry Solak presented a hand-lettered charter of affiliation. Make a point to get with your local club in Oct. and help out on the Simulated Emergency Test. Watch for your ARRL ballot which should be out not later than Oct. 1 and back in by noon Nov. 20. The election of a Great Lakes Director and Vice Director will be up to you. Traffic: WD8KBW 540, K8TVG 282, KD8HB 270, WB8I 250, K8DKU 215, WB8O 196, WD8IKC 189, K8JDI 175, WB8P/MJR 162, WA8STX 141, K8OCF 132, KB8CV 128, WA8SSI 121, W8SPK 113, N8FWA 98, WD8RFN 94, WB8LW 94, K8BHN 77, KB8DH 76, KA15 74, KN8BN 68, WB8QZK 62, WB8HED 58, KBES 54, WB8VNV 49, WB8LD 43, WD8REO 43, N8EFB 37, WA8EYQ 36, WB8DPZ 36, K8ALV 36, N8BX 35, WB8FSV 35, WD8QXT 34, K8IOW 33, N8SC 37, K8BFXG 27, WB8JUG 26, K8XSN 26, K8BNNQ 25, N8WE 24, WB8KWC 24, K8OCGF 23, N8HJH 23, K8B8BO 23, K8AYIT 20, K8WVZ 19, WB8GDO 19, K8CJH 18, K8LQM 18, WB8JYE 18, K8BESU 18, N8GCB 15, WB8HHZ 15, K8BLMQ 14, WB8LD 14, WB8REB 14, K8AGJV 14, N8INP 12, K8BRX 11, N8JRV 11, K8BAKW 11, WD8CSP 10, N8FB 10, N2NS 10, K8WOQ 9, N8CB 6, N8FPF 8, K8DXE 7, W8RG 6, WB8GDM 6, N8CW 6, K8RCQF 5, N8JOC 4, W8NJE 4, K8BODX 4, WD8PWG 4, K8CQY 4, K8BYVD 4, W8FPA 3, W8PBX 3, K8BXL 3, N8KTU 2, N8GIO 2, WBXT 1. (Jun) WB8JUG 53.

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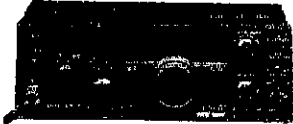
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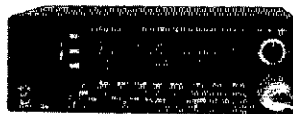
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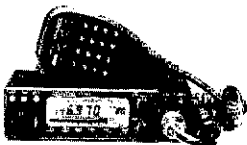
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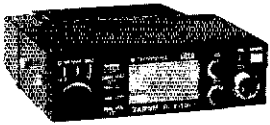
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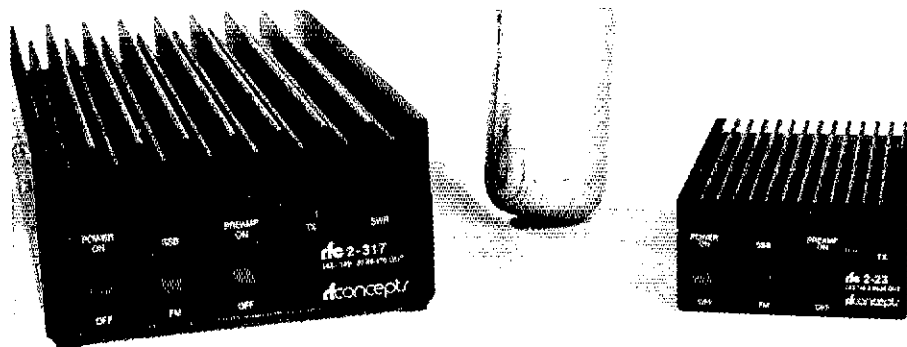
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NYPON	3913 kHz	1700	DLY	KA2UBD
NYSIM	3677 kHz	1600	DLY	N2EIA
NYSIE	3677 kHz	1600	DLY	KU2N
NYSIL	3677 kHz	2200	DLY	KU2N
NLT	28450 kHz	2100	WED	N2IMP
ESS*	3590 kHz	1800	DLY	W2WSS

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 NR2L -4 Water Mill 145.090 Eastern Suffolk
 WB2IBO -4 Massapequa 145.030 Backup for AI2Q-4
 VE LISTINGS: LIMARC—second Saturday of each month at 9:30 AM at Salten Hall, NY Institute of Technology, Old Westbury—contact Al Jones, W2ZDB 516-676-579D
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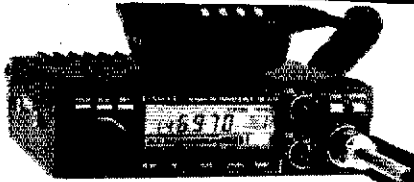
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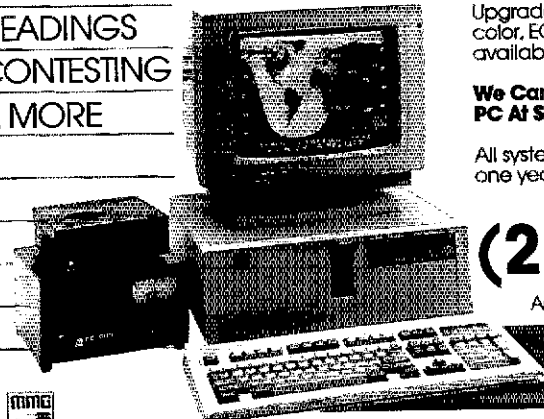
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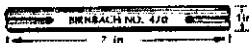
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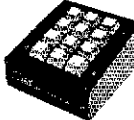
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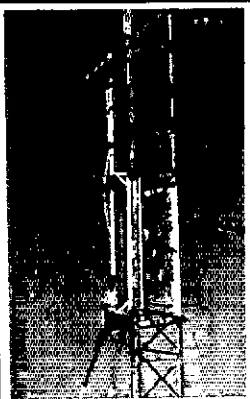
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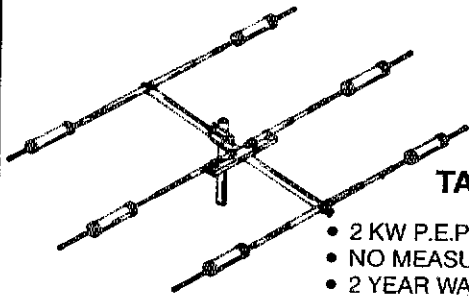
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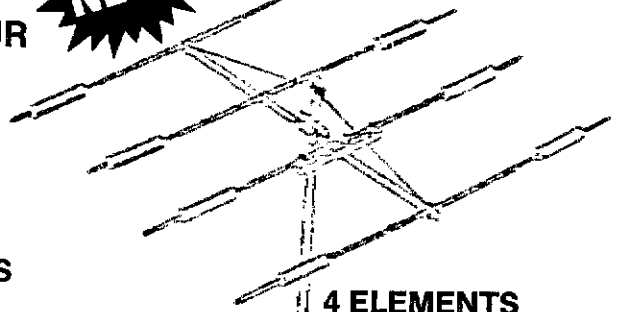


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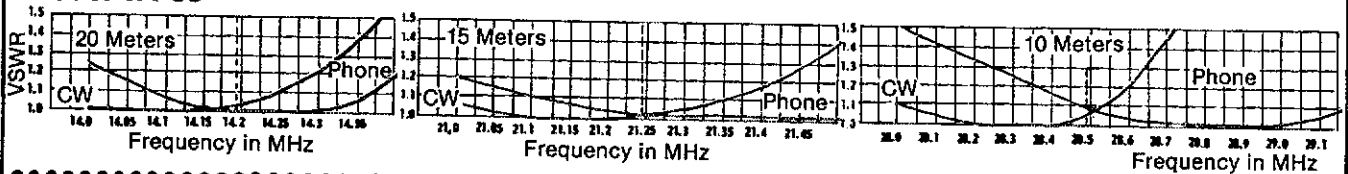


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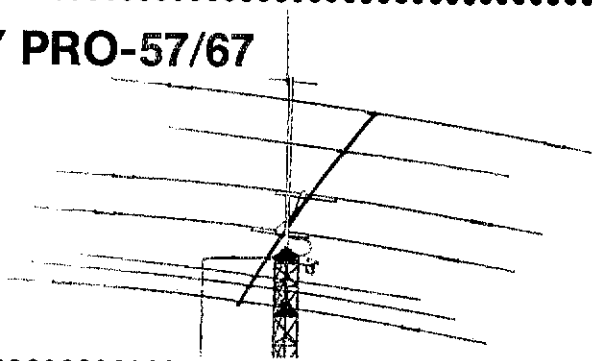
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MODEL NO.	HEIGHT		NUMBER SECTIONS	WEIGHT POUNDS	SEC. OD		SUGGESTED HAM PRICE
	MAX.	MIN.			Top	Bot.	
HDX-538	38'	21'6"	2	600	15"	18"	\$1319.00
HDX-555	55'	22'	3	870	15"	21 3/4"	\$2309.00
HDX-572	72'	22'8"	4	1420	15"	25 3/4"	\$3959.00
HDX-572MDPL*	72'	22'8"	4	1600	15"	25 3/4"	\$6049.00
HDX-589MDPL*	89'	23'8"	5	2440	15"	30 3/4"	\$7919.00

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MODEL NO.	HEIGHT		NUMBER SECTIONS	WEIGHT POUNDS	SEC. OD		SUGGESTED HAM PRICE
	MAX.	MIN.			Top	Bot.	
TMM-433SS*	33'	11'4"	4	315	10"	18"	\$1089.00
TMM-433HD*	33'	11'4"	4	400	12 1/2"	20 3/4"	\$1319.00
TMM-541SS*	41'	12'	5	430	10"	20 3/4"	\$1429.00

*Hy-Gain and some Alliance rotors when installed inside tower will restrict retracted height by approx. 24". Most Kenpro models allow full retraction.

Shown w/optional MARS550 rotorbase and rotator.



Net	Freq	Time	Sees	QNI	QSP
NJM	3965	1930	31	245	94
NJNE	3695	1930	31	289	81
NJNL	3695	2200	31	142	47
NJPN	3950	1800	36	300	68
NJSM	3735	1830	31	144	28
NJUNE	146.895	1930	31	627	72
NJUNL	146.490	2230	31	226	60
NJTTN	147.120	2000	30	230	95
NJTTN	223.880	2100	31	170	32

Packet NTS 24 hr/day via WA2SNA-A: 83 July Traffic: (Call/Traffic Total) PSHR Total: W2QNL 303/116, W2RXP 150/97, W2FTX 146/82, N2XJ 113/98, W2ZLF 109/111, N2DYP 89/61, KA2RE 49/72, KF2LX 45/62, KA2KJF 37/61, W2CC 22/, N2DNY (1) 10/43, WA2CLP 18/, W2XD 17/, KB2VI 14/, W2AL 12/, WA2PAC 10/58.

MIDWEST DIVISION

IOWA: SM, Wade Walstrom, W0EJ—SEC: KD0BG, STM: W0BAV, SGL: NU0P, OOC: W0AQM, BM: KD0IR, IC: KD0AS, SGL: WR0G. The Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa was its usual big success. W0BRSW again enlisted the help of many amateur radio clubs along the route to help with passing traffic and putting amateur radio before the general public. A lot of traffic was passed this year. 388 pieces of traffic were sent, received or delivered via the K0CMM packet. 58 percent was delivered and 87 forwarded from the W0BFTJ-1 packet bulletin board. KE0GP originated enough to make the Brass Pounders League for July. Thanks to all involved in making this year's HAGBRAI amateur radio activity a great success! The Cedar Rapids Hamfest was another success this year. New upgrades at the VE Exams at Cedar Rapids were extra: W0BMYZ, K3BKW. Advanced: W0BMKT, N0JUL, N0HOF, K0DAR, W0GQH; General: K0BCHL, N0KNIX; Technician: K0EUS, K0EYN, K0BERH, K0BEWI, K0EHC. There were also several newcomers receiving their first licenses to Technician and Novice. Congratulations to all! A heartfelt THANK YOU to all of you who helped in the rescue and recovery following the United Airlines DC-10 crash in Sioux City! It was a very difficult job, but one well done! Traffic: K0E0F 355, W0SS 130, W0YLS 81, K0E0V 80, K0E0F 76, K0BADF 69, W0BMCX 82, K0CMM 61, K0CZK 60, W0BAVV 40, N0JUL 11, K0AVB 5, K0KQJ 4.

KANSAS: SM, Robert M. Summers, K0BXF—SEC: N0BLD, STM: W0OYH. Congrats to N0KOW, new VL ham in ARES zone 36. Suzi was put to work right away as NCS of the zone net and QNI has already picked up. W0MYM gave presentation on NTS etc to the BEARS June 3. Hiawatha hams in good attendance at the National convention. Net reports for June '89 as follows: K0SBN QNI 1202 QTC 143, KPN 356/18, KMWN 571/475, KWN 845/566, CSTN 1804/64, QKS 147/52, QKS-SS 25/2. Still needing some good CW ops in the middle and western part of the state to QNI QKS and QKS-ss. NCS duties are available. 1989 FIELD DAY is over and reports were received from the following: N0IGE, N0ZM, W0G0RM, K0B0K, W0E0E, K0E0H, K0E0W, W0OYU, K0E0H, W0P0P, N0K0V & W0E0R. If your club/group is not represented through one of these calls listed, then perhaps you should start tracing your message sent to see where it bit the dust. I don't believe I lost any in the paperwork. W0E0E, Wichita ARC represented by KF0M, W0BL, N0FFO and N0FFOXYL, shot the moon from an Expedition to Riverton, NE during May of this year on 2 mtr EME. A number of Triathlon's taking place during June, July and August. Hope we receive lots of reports of HAM activity on these as well as other events. Traffic: K0BXF 251, K0B0RCH 243, W0F0R 235, W0F0R 144, N0Z0M 135, W0OYH 73, W0BZNY 62, W0FDJ 51, W0QMT 55, W0RTJU 51, W0E0E 25, W0C0J 17, W0MYM 16, W0P0P 10, W0AYXK 4, K0E0I 4.

MISSOURI: SM, Bill McGrannahan, K0ORB—During the July meeting of the Central Missouri Radio Assn.—with more than fifty members present, Ben Smith, K0PCK, the retiring Section Manager, was presented with a plaque in recognition of his outstanding services to the Missouri Section. Benny says, "Thanks to all for the beautiful plaque. It will always be a reminder of the enjoyable time I had serving as Section Manager." The CMRA also provided communications for the medical team of the Saddle Soars Cross Country Trails. The 51 horses and riders in this event were served by W0OYU, N0D0N, W0A0R, K0A0B0M, K0A0T and W0B0TEG. Vice Director Chuck Miller, W0K0LH, attended the Annual Volunteer Examiner Coordinator Meeting in Gettysburg. Several Missouri hams will go to the Central VHF Society Conference in Chicago this month. The Washington Hamfest was blessed with ideal weather this year. The figures aren't in yet, but the crowd was large and having a great time! Midwest Director Paul Grauer, W0F0R, conducted an ARRL forum. Also your SM met with the Asst. SM, Roger Volk, K0GOB. My PBBS K0ORB-1 V KCMO.

NAME	MGR	FREQ	TIME (cdt)	DAY	SFS	QNI	QTC
M0N	A0D0L	3.585	7:45-8	F	60	182	132
M0C0W	W0D0LL	3.953	8-30	F	31	604	91
M0SSB	W0W0LU	3.963	8:00	F	31	294	88
H0N	K0B0Q	3.880	12:05	M-F	21	333	24
K0ARC	W0RTU	146.82	8-30	Th	4	68	11
HARC	K0BSKY	148.94	9:00	Th	4	90	9
SLARES	K0NEX	148.91	9:00	M	5	272	3
LOZFM	N0HVO	148.72	9:00	F	4	104	3
SEDARES	W0ENW	147.03	9:00	Tu	4	43	3
CMFN	K0PCK	148.78	9:00	W	4	67	1
Z0A0N	W0D0LL	147.24	9:00	Tu	4	42	1
ARESN	K0B0CG	147.255	9:00	Th	4	36	1
LOZBE	N0HVO	148.73	8:30 AM	M-Sa	21	422	0
P. HEVERE	W0E0EJ				5	256	0
J0RC	W0B0R	147.00	8:00	W	4	87	0
ELDON	N0HIZ	148.895	8:00	M	4	82	0
CARL	W0W0LU	146.46	8:30	W	4	42	0
R0BN	W0NFI	146.79	8:00	D			
SWMSWN	K0K0C	146.91	7:00	Tu			
Q0W0S	K0Q0Q	148.97	8:30	Th			
M0PAC-1	W0B0FT	148.015	9:10 AM	Sa			
K0ARES	N0UAA	148.97	9:10 AM	Sa			
PHD	W0K0UH	146.435	9:10	M			

Traffic: N0E0W 1248, N0Q0G 216, N0D0N 198, W0A0HTN 167, A0D0 123, W0AYXK 116, W0O0UD 52, K0E0B 52, W0B0WLU 43, K0F0B0M 26, W0B0MA 26, W0R0D 19, K0E0A0 17, K0P0CK 6. **NEBRASKA:** SM, Vern Wirka, W0B0G0M—The Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club and the Midlands ARES have combined resources to install a packet radio system at the Omaha National Weather Service Office. The system operated during this past severe weather season and will be on 145.01 MHz with the call W0EQU anytime the National Weather Service

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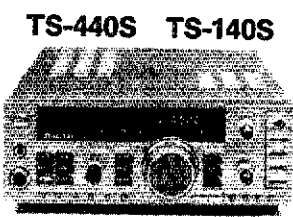
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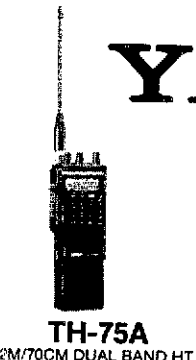
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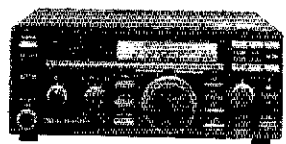
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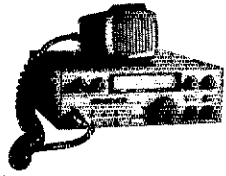


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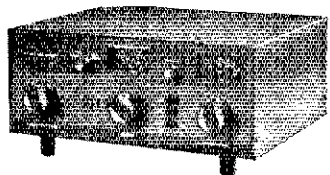
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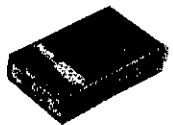
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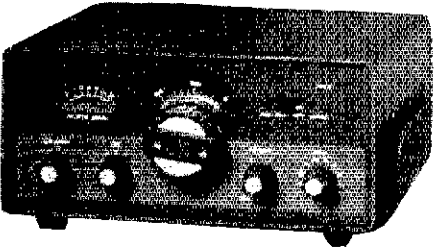
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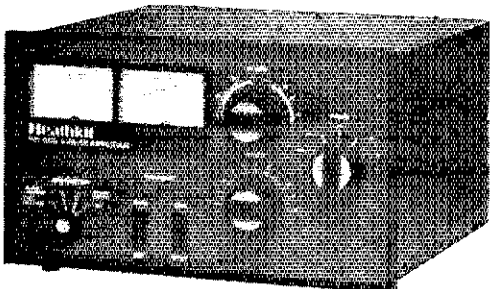
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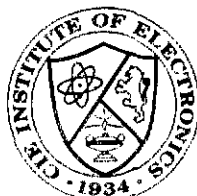
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collaged to use the two repeaters in the 220 MHz band. The WB0GQM system uses an input of 222.34 MHz and the output is 223.94 MHz with a link to the 147.00 MHz repeater. This means a Novice could be on the 223.94 MHz repeater and talk to someone on the two meter band. The other Omaha repeater uses the call W0EQU and operates with an input of 223.34 MHz and output on 224.94 MHz. There is some simple activity in the Omaha-Council Bluffs area on 223.50 MHz. Dale Heandeaue, K0BLG, of Fremont reports three new amateur radio operators have been licensed following completion of classes offered in Fremont. The new operators in Fremont are: Douglas Fletcher, KB0EJW; Dennis Growcock, KB0EYJ; and Steve Wessell, KB0EYF. Thanks to the clubs that send their newsletters to your Section Manager, they are appreciated. Traffic: K0DKM 18, WB0GQM 18, WA0BOK 5, WD0EWH 4, KE0XG 3, WC0O 2.

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

CONNECTICUT: SM, Caesar Rondina, N1DCS—ASM: KB1H, STM: K1EJC. SEC: N4GAA. DOC: NA11. AGC: NK1J. BM: N1API. PIO: WA1CMF. TC: WIHAD. SGL: K1AH. The kids are back in school, and we're on our way towards winter. Now's the time to get that outside work done. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer. And don't forget SET time is here. We have had a couple of opportunities this year to test our skills in disaster type situations. Did we perform to our expectations? SET time is the time to brush up. For those of you still looking to brush up on your CW skills, don't forget Meriden ARC 80 meter informal slow speed CW get together. It happens every Monday and Wednesday evening at 9 PM. Freq is 3.715 MHz. I see Shoreline ARC had a Hidden Transmitter Hunt. That type of event always proves to be very interesting. As you all know, KY1T has had to remove his BBS from the packet airways. I would like to thank Luck for his efforts and dedication in running his board. And I am pleased to announce that although KY1T's BBS is off, he will continue to serve as NM for the Connecticut Section Traffic Node. This node is housed by N1DCS-4 BBS with access ports on 145.05 and 145.07. Thank you, Luck, for your past and continued assistance to the traffic community. There is an upcoming meeting of the TRI-STATE AMATEUR REPEATER COUNCIL. At the time of this writing, a date was not set. ALL REPEATER OWNERS, please check your local BBS or have someone do it for you, for further details. Let's go CT, get yourself represented. In addition, Chuck Notes, K1DPS, is now a CT director for TSARC. You can contact him with questions or problems at 747-6377. Congrats to the new officers of West Haven ARA. Well campers, that's all for now. 73. Caesar.

Net	Sessions	Stations	Traffic	NM	Liaison
WESCONN	32	456	123	K1GWG	CPN
NVTN	31	508	188	NM1K	CSTN
CN	62	310	189	W1WCG	1RN
CPN	30	309	91	KY1F	FRN
RTN	31	231	59	WA1FCA	GN
TMRGN	4	80	4	NM1K	
CSN	30	72	21	N1FNN	

PBBS: N1DCS-4 BBS (KY1T) Received 309, Forwarded 276, Total 585. Traffic: NM1K 425, K1AJN 269, W1WCG 249, K1EJC 167, W1EJW 153, K1GWG 128, KY1T 111, KY1F 79, W1KYD 62, N1API 48, K1TIC 40, WA1YUA 38, N1FNN 34, NX1Q 31, K1R0L 26, N1GKJ 25, K1TOL 21, N1G8P 19, K1UJU 16, K1TBM 15, W1YOL 14, N1BOW 12, W1BDN 12, WB1ESJ 11, W1CUN 10, W1QV 8, K1ATMJ 8.

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS: SM/SEC, Barry Porter, KB1PA—STM: WA1TBY. AGC: N1GTB. BM: K1AINO. OO/AA: AG1F. SGL: K3HL. TC: K1UJ. PIO: K1HLZ. Mass Hotline: 617-437-0111

Net	Mgr	Freq	Time(EDT)	Day
EMRI	K1GEP	3658	1900/2200	DY
EMRPN	W1TC	3880	1730	DY
EMZMN	N1DUB	630/3	2000	DY
EPN	WA1FNM	3945	1830	SUN
HHTN	N1FLO	04/84	2230	DY
EMRIS	N1CVE	3715	2100	DY
CITN	KB1AF	745/045	1930	DY

The reasons there was no column last month were 1) space restrictions and 2) vacation. I only get so many lines a month and I have been going over my allocation, and have been catching heat for it, so I saw a chance to "catch up" and took a month off. The traffic handlers and their fearless leader Jim Hatherly have been the most visible victims of the space crunch. I have never seen a more dedicated bunch of hams as those that handle traffic. Every day 365 days a year the traffic nets meet. Jim, thanks for all you have done to keep everything running smoothly. The net manager is the ham that keeps the individual nets running smoothly. Due to job and family restraints, N1AJJ and WA1FCD have had to resign from their net managers post. Welcome to K1GEP and W1TC who take over the nets listed above. Thanks also to the Official Bulletin Stations who keep us all up to date on the W1AW bulletins. I hope everyone had fun during field day and are now resting up for a busy fall club season. Your club needs your participation. I have received no inquiries from anyone interested in the RACES program. 70% of the towns in Eastern Massachusetts do not currently participate, which is unacceptable. We need to act now before we start to lose the right to erect antennas outside and to participate in our hobby/service. Don't assume the other ham will do it! Become proactive not reactive! To find out if your town participates or not, talk to your local Emergency Preparedness (CD) Director. This program is VITAL for the protection of life and property in your community, because in a real disaster, communication with the State and Federal Governments can speed assistance to your community. If you run into difficulty, let me know. Have you done anything to enhance ham radio's reputation this month?? Please express your opinion on Amateur Radio issues to your section or division staff. We appreciate your input. Traffic: K1UGM 1046, WA1TBY 435, KB1AF 316, KW1U 302, N1CVE 133, K1GGS 106, WA1FNM 95, N1FLO 89, K1GEP 84, W1TC 83, N1AJJ 77, W1CE 53, K1AIMD 40, K1ABO 37, K1PEP 24, K1AIRS 23, K1ADJ 20, K1UXB 18, K1EYD 16, N1EGN 16, K1BZD 15, K1NOI 15, K1AMR 13, K1BEC 10, KB1EB 7, K1AKCU 2.

MAINE: SM, Ted Bonesteel, WAZERT—Rod Scribner, K1RFD, replaced KASUVQ as Section Emergency Coordinator on July 15th. Rod's address is: 19 S. Grove St., Augusta, ME 04330. Please contact him concerning emergency communications if interested in a volunteer position. We

Coordinator, Public Information Officer, and Section Manager. Please contact me if interested in any activity: (Net/Manager, Sessions, Checks, Tr.) Sea Gull Net/K1GUP 26-714-81; Pine Tree Net/W1KX 31-277-112. Arcocton Emergency Net/W1AYNZ 4-65-5. Cumberland County ARES/K1A1ODT 5-55-0; Central Maine Emerg Net/N1DZI 9-166-5; Kennebec County ARES/RACES/K1LPW 6-94-1. Station Activity: W1KX 192, NR1F 64, K1UNQ 61, W1JTH 59, K1REB 54, WA2ERT 50, ND1A 44, N1BCF 30, W1AYNZ 15, W1BMX 12, W1VEH 12, KAZZKM 6, K1A1ODT 2. Upcoming examinations: Oct 7, Sat, 9 AM, Rockland, KC1CG, 845-2536; Oct 11, Wed, 6:30 PM, Newcastle, K1ADAX, 563-8512; Oct 21, Sat, 9 AM, Bucksport, N1TA, 374-6475; Oct 26, Thurs, 5:30 PM, Augusta, N1BCF, 623-4249.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: SM, Bill Burden, W1BIRE—TC: W1JY. SGL: N1AIX. Warren, WB1HBB, and I attended the Division Director's cabinet meeting together with other SMS, Asst Dirs and committee members. The dominant issue was the ARRL no-code proposal. Based on the small number of inputs from individuals and as a result of the cabinet discussions, it was agreed to recommend privileges from 6m up. It was generally recognized, however, that the real problem on growth is our own poor promotion of the hobby in the face of many other competing "hi-tech" hobbies. Even with increased privileges (Novice high) and reduced requirements (no-code), there is little evidence to suggest we will see growth. It is more likely that a continuous, focused campaign to recruit from selected segments of the population (and from the general population) will be the real key to reasonable, meaningful growth. And that involves us—you and me—as well as HQ and the directors. The real action and opportunity on growth is here in the trenches, not in the board room or the admin offices! It's still a one-on-one situation and I get evidence every week that whenever one of you makes a contact with an interested party and ties them into self-study, an instructor or a class, the probability is very high that we will have a new ham within 2-3 months! Moreover, I am seeing the "sponsor" staying involved in getting them on the air and making sure that the new ham is comfortable with his/her station and operation. Just do more of that and we'll get the results we need! And speaking of promoting the hobby—Bo KATOLM was featured in the front page leading story in the Derry News with pix and lots of enthusiasm! The final tally on the results of the GARSAR Novice class is—15 new Novices! And Mi Moriah RS had a very successful VE session with 20 of 30 applicants upgrading including 9 new Techs. Twin State RC pres K1R1RP thanked club members who assisted in the Norris Cotton Bikeathon to support Cancer research—another good example of visible public service. By the time you read this report, Hams in NH will have used the new ARRL handout and promo material at booths at the New England Escadrille in Manchester and the Governor's Walk. If your group wants to do a promotional effort, contact League HQ or check with me about the new material. Now let's look at the traffic situation. The newly formed VTNH net had 31 sessions in July with a total of 238 check-ins and 291 messages for the month. VTNH had 100% on 1RN cycles 3 and 4 and the NH section had 100% rep on FRN in July! Clearly, not everyone is not on vacation!!

SECTION TRAFFIC NETS:

Net	Freq	Day	Time
G5FM net (south)	146.84	Dv	2030
G5M net (North)	146.475	Dv	2030
	147.475		
G5PN	3.943	Dy	1800
VTNH	3.539	Dy	1900

Traffic: Nets: VTNH 291, G5PN 149, G5FN 96.
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RHODE ISLAND: SM, William M. Foss, K1JXH—August 6th, RI had a mock disaster at T.F. Green Airport. Thanks to 40 hams from NCRG & NRIRC and to OSARG & VARS for the use of their repeaters. Congratulations on a job well done. E. BAY and NRIRC provided communications for 100-mile bike race on Sept. 10th. New repeater on Block Island on 441.15 with a CTCSS of 88.5 Hz and is tied into the New England network. Traffic: W1EOP 195, K1JXH 114, PSHR 86, EMRI 3.658 MHz at 7 & 10 PM; EMRPN 3.880 MHz at 5:30 PM; EMRIS 3.715 MHz at 9 PM; 1RN 3.602 MHz at 6:30, 7:45, 9:30 PM; FRN 3.948 MHz at 1:45, 3:30 PM.

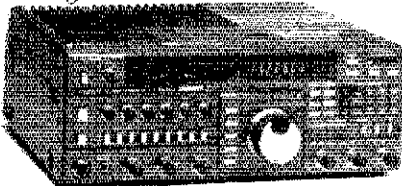
VERMONT: SM, Jonathan P. Maguire, N1COE—ASM (RFI): W1CTM. ASM (Education): WB2MIC. ASM (Packet): K1AJE. SGL: WB1A4. STM: K1TIO. TC: WA1AM. PIO: WA1YUJ. Due to a relocation by my company, this is the last column that I will be writing as your Section Manager. I will be living in the Tampa, Florida area. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the people who have worked on my staff for their efforts. Also, I'd like to thank the many amateurs I've had the opportunity to talk with over the last 11 months. I also apologize for the missing columns for the last two months. In other news, the Annual BARRC Hamfest was held on August 12th at the Champlain Valley Fairgrounds in Essex Junction. Despite the rain, a large crowd gathered for the event. In other news, please call or write to your SM or League Headquarters with comments on the ARRL no-code proposal. Your input is needed!

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS: SM, Bill Voedisch, W1UD—CO/RFI: N1GM. PIO/ACC: K1BE. SEC/SGL: WB1H1H. TC: K1AJJM. STM: W1KK. I have often wondered if anyone reads this section news. I sure found out the hard way. I mixed a couple of calls signs up in last month's article. QST was out a matter of hours when my phone started ringing. Jean (K1IFCI) not Joy (K1EJX) received the award for message handling at the HCARA annual dinner. In the traffic totals, K1EJX also received double credit. Her own totals plus K1IFCI's. Oh well, nothing like proofreading. Congratulations to Mark on his upgrade. His new call sign is NX1K. Our 2 meter weather net is in fine shape. On July 10, a severe storm front passed across the section and was in constant surveillance. 237 stations reported the track of the storm and its intensity. This information was relayed to the National Weather Service as well as MCDA Framingham. 38 NWS warnings resulted. The following stations were liaison stations between various repeaters that monitored the storm's progress. Congratulations to everyone. A job well done. A special thanks

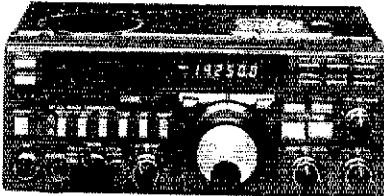
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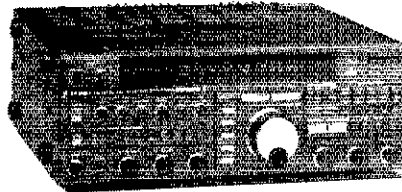
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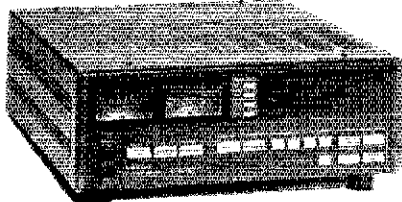
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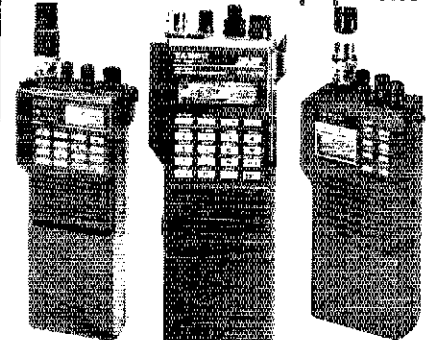


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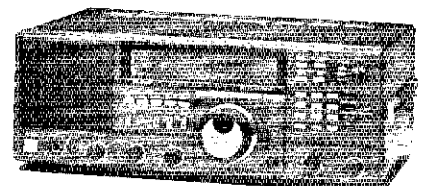
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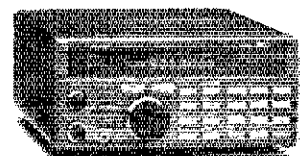
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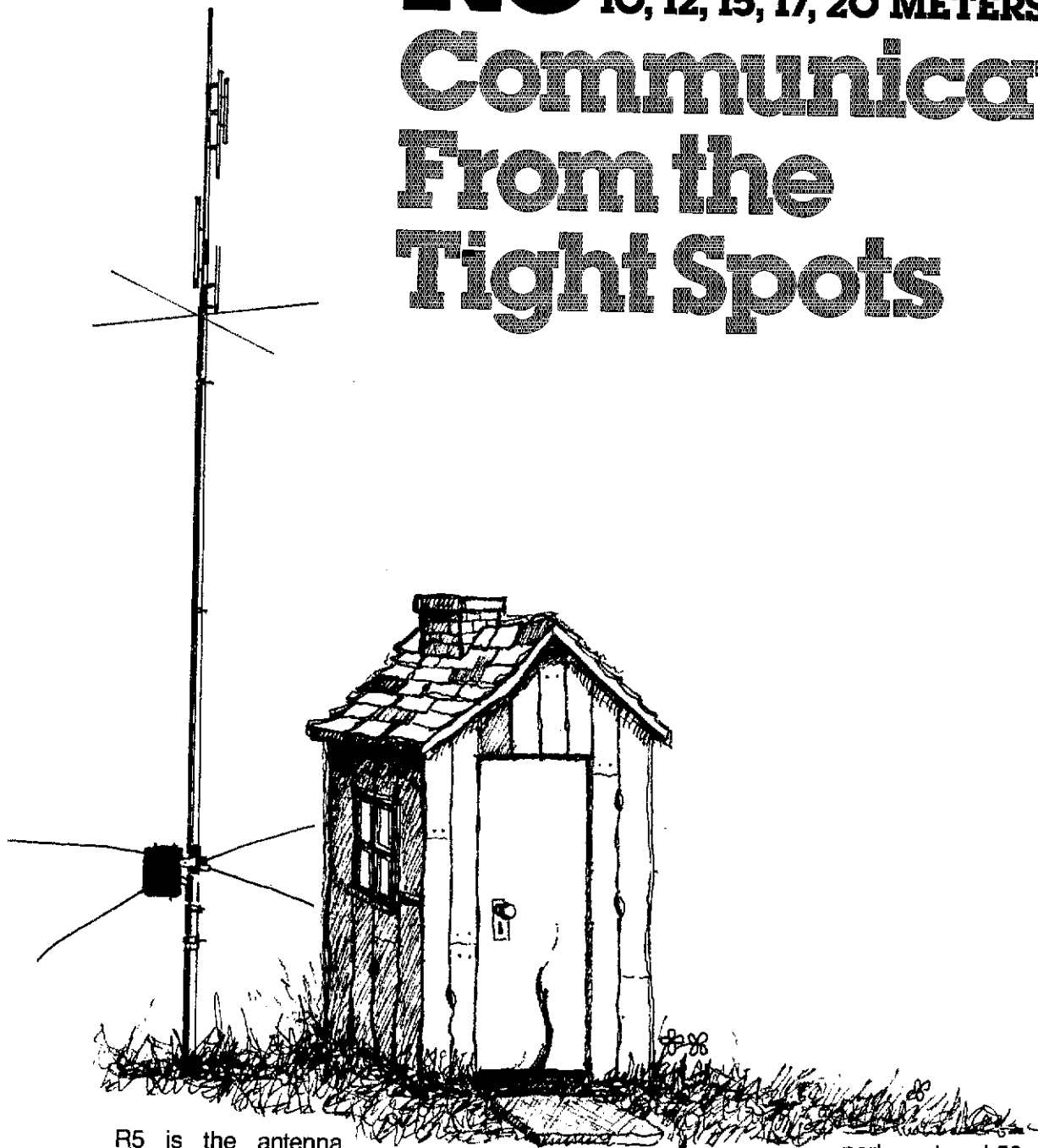
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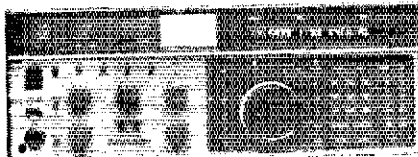
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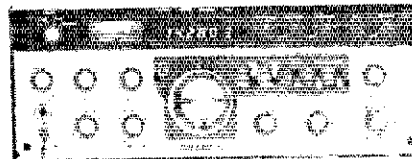
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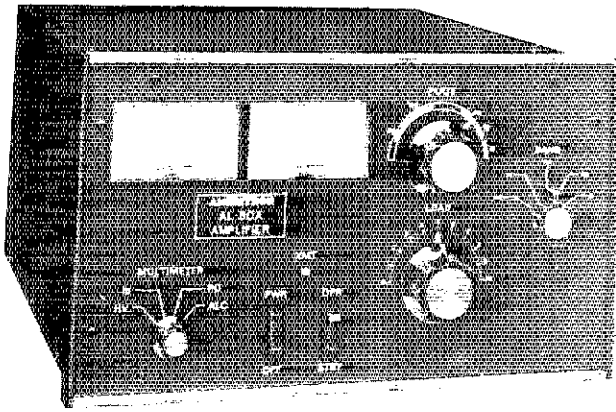
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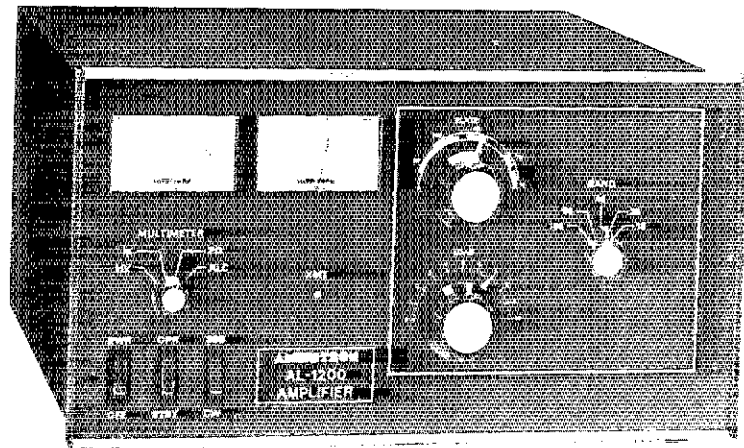


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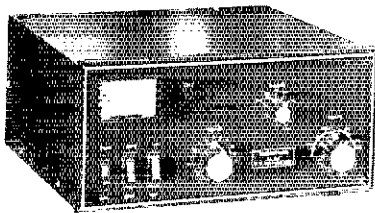
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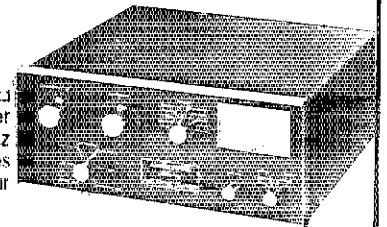
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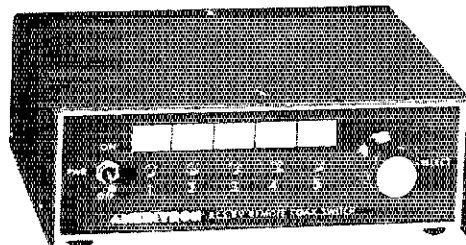
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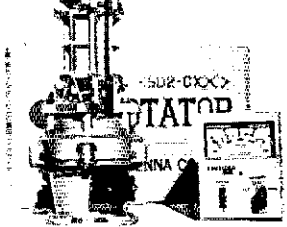
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Bill picks up the slack in the traffic nets for people away on vacation. It's great not to have to double up on skeds while the regular NCS is on vacation. Thanks, Bill. Traffic: KA11FC 648, KA1MEW 218, KA1EXT 150, KA1RVN 98 W15JV 77, WB1IHH 63, KA1QFV 59, NX1K 36, KA1GHP 30, W1TMM 21, K1JHC 21, NM1U 6, WA1OPN 4, KA1GSP 4, W1GOP 2, W1UD 163.

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

IDAHO: SM, Don Clower, KA7T-ASM: K7REX. SEC: N7MAL. STM: W7GHT. OOC: WB7CYO. ACC: N7BI. PIO: W7GE. The Eagle Rock ARC is the winner of the first Idaho Field Day trophy with a score of 5605. Congratulations on a good job. Txns to the others who submitted a score. Idaho hams are busy helping with the forest fires. A large number of hams are in the field now supporting the Forest Service with our communications. More details next month. Traffic: W7GHT 154, W57U 69, N7MAL 40.

NET	SESS	QNT	QTC	MGR
FARM	31	2071	88	W47GSM
GD	21	604	17	K7UBA
NW7N	31	822	41	NLBC
IMN	31	282	96	KA7EEE

PSHR: W7GHT 92, W57U 69, N7MAL 62.
MONTANA: SM, Pete Peters, KF7R-Another very good turn out by many hams in July for help with communications for public events. Many thanks to all those that participated. Congratulations KE7X, Fred Cady, who was selected for the Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award and W7BKM, Harold Schneider who got his Worked All Counties certificate. Proclamation as Amateur Radio Week was given to Butte ARC for public service: Mt. Pio K7B7J had a PR article published in the Billings paper, good work Eileen. New repeater at Bigfork 146,02/62. Novice: Justin Carlson. Tech: Nikki, Wold, NC; KB7HSA; Gen: N7NGW; KB7HLH. Adv: KA8MNI, KB7GPW. Ex: N7LSM. PSHR: WB7WVD 71, tic 66, KA7YYR 82.

NET	SESS	QNT	QTC	NET MGR
MTN	31	1282	81	N7AIK
IMN	31	282	82	KA7EEE
MSN	5	92	0	KF7R

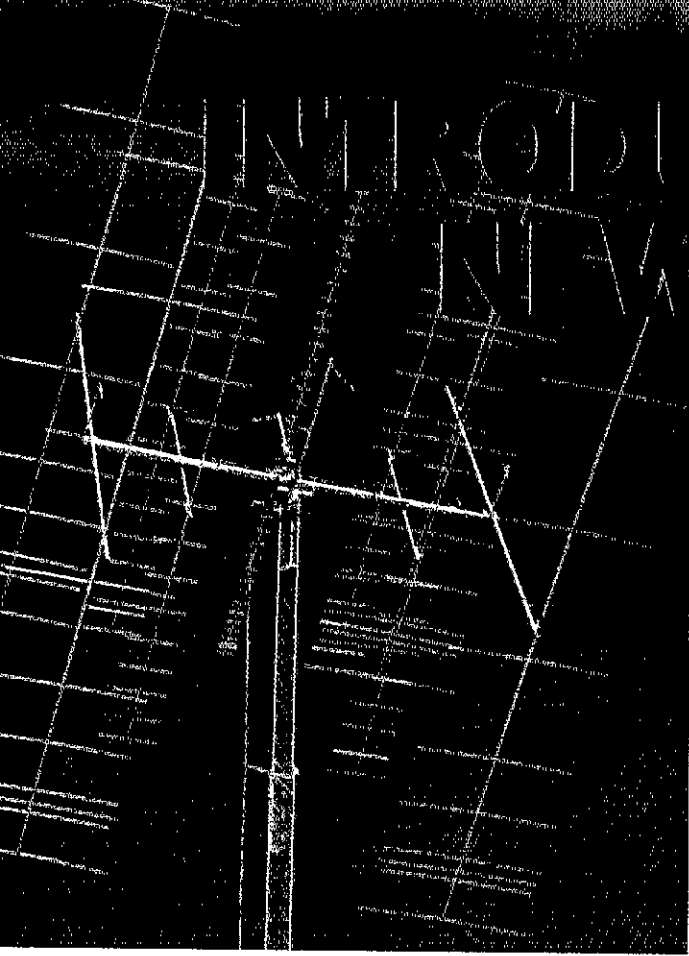
OREGON: SM, Randy Stimson KZ7T-ASM: KM7R. ASM: W7FBP. STM: W7VSE. SEC: KV7F. PIO: KC7YN. SGL: KA7KSK. ACC: WF7Q. OOC: WN7W. STC: NY7EN. A bit of bad news. Emerson, K7SGU has resigned as Emergency Coordinator for Portland because of family illness. Emerson is a good friend and has done a great job as EC. I hope everything works out for him. Now for a bit of happy news, Ken, K7IFG and Joanne, KB7GYC, had a baby girl. Congratulations. I presume her first word will be Dit-Da. We have a couple of public service events coming up that will promote Amateur Radio and its capabilities. The first is the Hood to Coast relay run. There will be 9000 runners and 2000 support people. It covers 185 miles and lasts for at least 34 hours. There will be 40 hams doing the communications. Last year there were four ambulances called in during the event. These people have learned the difference between Ham Radio and CB. The next event is Cycle Oregon. They tried it last year with the States communication and it didn't work too well. They called and asked if we could help and you know what I said. This is a State run operation so there will be state officials with us at all times including the state police. We will use seven different repeaters. There will be 2000+ cyclists. It starts in Portland and ends in Ashland seven days and 550 miles later. They will be bussed back to Portland. Bob, KV7F, told me that a lot of the Emergency Coordinators will be participating in the national SET in October. Traffic (P) = Packet W7VSE 360, WB7VMS 300P, N7BGW 235, KA7EEE 170, WB7EMO 76, W7ODG 63, WX7A 54, K7IFG 33P, W7LNE 29, KA7AID 27, N7DRP 24, KA7DEF 18, KA7WFW 12, Late June WX7A 102.

EASTERN WASHINGTON: SM, Tom Plaisance, KC7PH-STM: W7GB. SEC: WA7CBX. OOC: W7LKR. ASM: KC7MM. ACC: NQ7M. SGL: KD7AC. TC: W7DBV. ASM: KE7WG. Congrats to David, KE7WG, an appointment as ASM and Net Manager of Washington Emergency Net. Congrats to new ORS N7HXT, Emily. A big thank you for many years of service to Harvey Madsen, K7GXZ, traffic handler extraordinaire who recently retired and is doing some traveling. Speaking of traffic, STM W7GB sez, "We need more traffic handlers. Phone or CW. No previous experience necessary. No fancy equipment needed. Just a desire to become part of the great fraternity of traffic handlers and a willingness to learn." Contact W7GB if interested. W7LKR reports regular VEC testing in Pullman, Walla, Walla, and Clarkston. Interested in the FCC's ideas on non-ionizing electromagnetic radiation? Contact TC W7DBV. 73. KC7PH @ N7HUU BBS. Traffic: W7GB 167, W7LKB 81, WA7YEN 38, N7HXT 14.

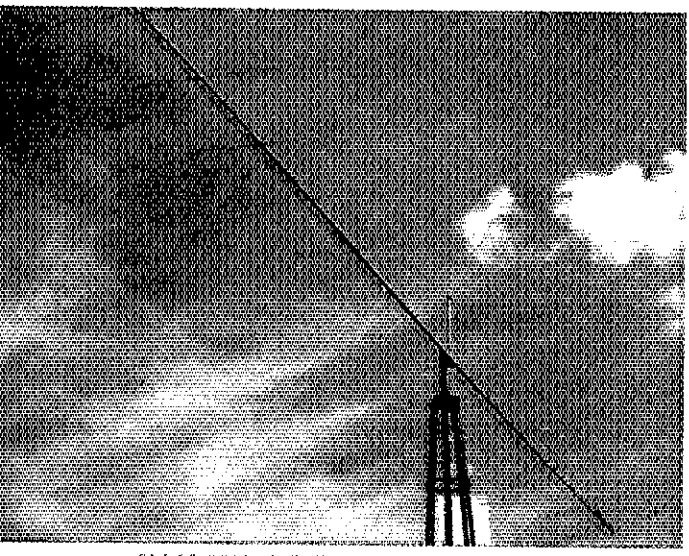
WESTERN WASHINGTON: SM, Ed Holloway, KA7INX (@N7HFV). STM: KD7ME (@K7KNZ). SEC: NM7N (@N7HFZ). OOC: @W0LVJ. SGL: KD7AC. BM: N7CAK (@W0LVJ). PIO: N7FKV. ASM: K7CLL (@K7IFG). ACC: KR7L (@W0LVJ). Please be advised that KE7OM is no longer the BBS that some of us use. N7HFZ has taken over that BBS. Looks like almost all of the planned summer activities are all over and put away for another year. PUBLIC SERVICE HOURS: Mason County 66, Island County 220, Thurston County 150, King County 275, Cowlitz County 18, Clark County 78. Total ARES membership 518 reported, increased by 2. Traffic: KA7JT 14, K7CLL 6, KA7CRN 24, WB7EJS 11, N6EQZ 43, N7GGJ 56, W7IGC 261, W7LG 118, KA7PMD 33, K7SUX 85, KA7TTY 45, W7TVA 241, K7UQH 62, WB7WOW 281. Additions for April KR7F 92, WB7WOW 381. PSHR: W7TVA 123, WB7WOW 116, KD7ME 108. Next month the announcement of election results will be listed in this column. 73.

PACIFIC DIVISION

EAST BAY: SM, Bob Vallio, W6RGG-ASMs: W6ZF, W63FCV. SEC: W6LKE. STM: K6APW. OOC: K6TI. TC: N6AMG. Welcome to new OOC, K6TI, and my thanks to previous OOC, NY6Z, for his service as the East Bay Section's first OOC. NBARA Pres. KA9MCF, singled out the following members for their service to the club: K6EHR, NH6CN, K6IZU, W1VDE, N6GHR, W6BJA, & N6NZO. The COCC welcomed new members KA20GQ, W6RMY, K6BVOL, KD6KV & N6VKK. Upgraded are KC6CTW to N6VFZ, KC6VKT to N6VIF & KC6COI to N6VJL. HRC's "The Chewed Rag" featured an "Oakland Tribune" article which included news of SBARA and HRC FD plans as well as general info on



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Elements	5	9	11	17	18	20	14	22	N/A	16	39	N/A
Boom	15'9"	39'6"	50'4"	33'	36'	41'4"	9'10"	18'	N/A	10'	30'3"	N/A
Weight	11/14	31/40	38/47	13/15	14/16	30/37	6/8	12.5/15	1.5/3	4/5	12/13	1.3/3
Windload	2.0	5.0	5.9	2.7	2.9	6.1	1.1	2.5	N/A	0.82	2.5	N/A

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Amateur Radio. Very nice. LARK's new officers are: WX6G/Pres, N6FQG/VP, KB6DLT/Sec, K6OY/Treas, NF6S/Activities and Board members KF6VU, K6USH, K2BIO, WA6TGF, WA6SDA, WD6J & AD6X. Their prestigious J.K. Murphy Award was won by K6C8DT, and the Klutz-of-the-Month award went to N6BQR. BARC's "Log Book" featured an article on the success and growth of the VVRC. The VVRC Newsletter recognized N6UXG, N8SWR, WD6BUS, K6HH, N6QGS, N6OFZ, K6USW, N6UPU, & N6UPW for their contributions to that success. Their "youngest ham" is 11-year-old John Lawson, who recently completed the club's Novice course and is awaiting his call. FBI EBARC welcomed new members J. Levi Wilson, Dave Reichard & K6C8DRW. Member WB6DOB reports their newest member to join the NTS is N6VMK. MDARC welcomed new members WB6DXZ, WA9UKA, and returning member N6OTY. Member N6VHV has upgraded to Tech. July 13: WB6DOB/243, W6VOM/126, K6APW/43, WB6UZX/43 & N6VMK/35.

NEVADA: SM, Joe Lambert, WB1XD—Guest columnist, Marty, KK4M—One of our reasons for being is public service. Are we teaching our newer members this responsibility and tradition? Can we show our elected representatives the level of public service we regularly perform? The answer to all of the above is, we don't know. We all do know that we may be called upon to defend our frequencies at any time. You do not have to be a big-time traffic handler. If 50 of you handle 1 or 2 messages a month & tell me about it, it results in some pretty impressive numbers. A number of you may already be qualifying for the Public Service Honor Roll or Brass Pounding League awards now. So far, I've not met one of us who doesn't like to see his or her call sign listed in QST. Please use ARRL form FSD-210 for reporting so that I can up with each category. The forms will soon be available from me and will try to send a supply to each club. I need to have your info not later than the 25th of each month. You can send it in the mail, call on phone, send radiogram or send it via packet. Also, I need to know if you are a Novice or Technician as these two classes qualify for listing and awards at lower point totals. Many of you are already doing the work, let's make sure we can prove it if we ever have to!

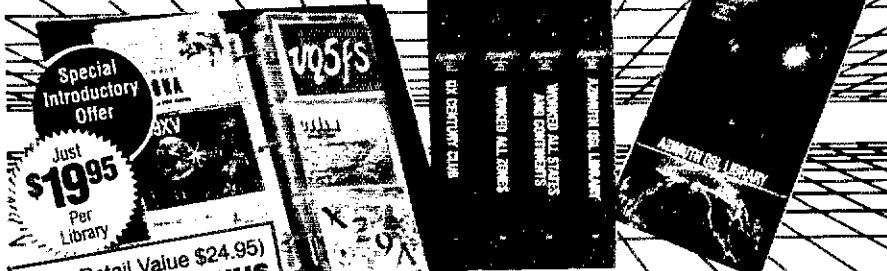
PACIFIC: SM, Wayne Jones, NH6GJ—At 1048 AM, July 13, while camping on Mauna Loa, Paul Leib, KH6RME, established 2-way contact with Jack Henry, KE2GXQ, in Baja, California on 2-meters, establishing a new world record of 2659 miles. Paul was at his 2-meter beacon site, and Jack was located at Rosarita, about 640 miles south of San Diego. Paul was running 80 watts into a pair of 7-element horizontal Yagis stacked vertically and Jack was running 180 watts into an 18-element horizontal boomer. A 5-2 signal report was exchanged, using SSB. They didn't rest on their laurels though, and went back to work, breaking three more records during the next two days. The 70 CM record, 2573 miles was established at 3:47 PM HST July 14, between Mauna Loa and El Rosario, Baja, California, with a 5-5 signal report being exchanged. The 13 CM record of 2573 was established at 5:54 PM, HST, between the same locations with a 5-1 report exchanged. They repeated their record-breaking activities with a 5-2 exchange on 1 1/2 meters at 7:55 AM on July 15, breaking four records in three days. The best conditions were reported on July 14, when Paul reported hearing Jack using half a milliwatt on 144.170 MHz, over 2500 miles. Congratulations Paul and Jack! Traffic: KH6GMP 42, KH6H n/a, KH6S 33, Nets 54.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY: SM, Bob Watson, W8IEW—The Section lost its EC for Lassen County when Ken Estes, WB6BRV, moved to Eureka, but Benny Morrow, KJ6MJ, has stepped in to fill the gap. His wife Janis, K6CHC will help him as an Assistant EC. Thanks to Ken for the many years of service and to the Morrows for volunteering to carry on. Lassen County hams have been busy on two wildland fires lately, and I am looking forward to the details from Benny. Congratulations to the North Hills Radio Club for qualifying as a Special Service Club to become the fifth in the Section. The other SSCs are Amador County ARS, Sierra Foothills ARC, Golden Empire ARS, and the River City ARCS. Speaking of SSCs, if you have QSL cards to be verified by a HF or VHF Awards Manager contact the Sierra Foothills ARC—The one appointed by the Amador County ARC, N6GG, has resigned. With all the talk about the advancing age of the average ham, it gives me great pleasure to welcome mid-twent Jennifer, K6EAN, to the ranks of active hams. That makes three out of four in the family of N6RWG and K6OZO, a Public Info Assistant. Traffic: WA6WJZ 151, WA6ZUD 86, N6DQJ 40, W6RFF 35, K6SRF 23, W6PCP 16, W6SRQ 7, K6B6WJ 6.

SAN FRANCISCO: SM, Dick Wilson, K6LRN—W6OSN became a Silent Key, K6TP has had a stroke. We all wish Bob a speedy and complete recovery. Thanks to everyone who helped with the Marin County Ride communications: W6TKD, W6FCQ, N6TKD, N6VKU, K6BMW, N6AQY, W6DTV, N6FAX, K6GEV, K6LAR, WA6UBX, WA6CQ, W6HCV, WA6MHO, N6DE & W6AQW. Hams vs. City of Novato dept: K6QW has been ordered by court to remove 40M beam, keep height at 35', future antenna elements are not to exceed 35' and pay court costs (some compromise!) W6BJU ordered to remove tower that was in required setback. Spencer Wilner was postponed for 60 days. (Ironically there is a ham on the Novato's city council.) Looks like Field Day was a success! REDXA, 7738 pts + bonus; SCARC, 1747 pts; SHARC, 10,775. Not too early to start planning for next year! Sarah, N6FAX, is Sonoma City ARC's "Member of the Year." Congratulate W6BZHD now on Packet and the NCDXSPN. W6W is moving. (One step ahead, Sam?) N6FWG is on NCM-VHF. Amateur antennas in Marin County are about to become regulated under the Flightop Telecommunication Policy Plan while designed to protect Marin Co's scenic skyline and other sensitive areas from a proliferation of commercial and other radio installations, the planners want to include hams in the plan. This would affect those of us in the unincorporated areas of the county, but could affect the cities and planners are encouraging city's adoption of the plan.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY: SM, Byron Smith, WA5YLB—Asst. SMS: K6YK and W6TRP. SEC: W6BU, STM: N6AWH. Recent fires in the Aubrey area kept hams and amateur repeaters moving—ask Tony, N6DYJ. Congrats to the Southern Sierra Amateur Radio Society's recent article on their repeater install. Upgrades: AI N6SAE, Tom AA6PM, Conrad, AA6PO to Extra, Glen, WA6AVI to General. Introductory code classes via 75 M phone on 3760 kHz ± QRM, Monday through Fridays 0830 to 0700 California local time. Course starts on first Mon-

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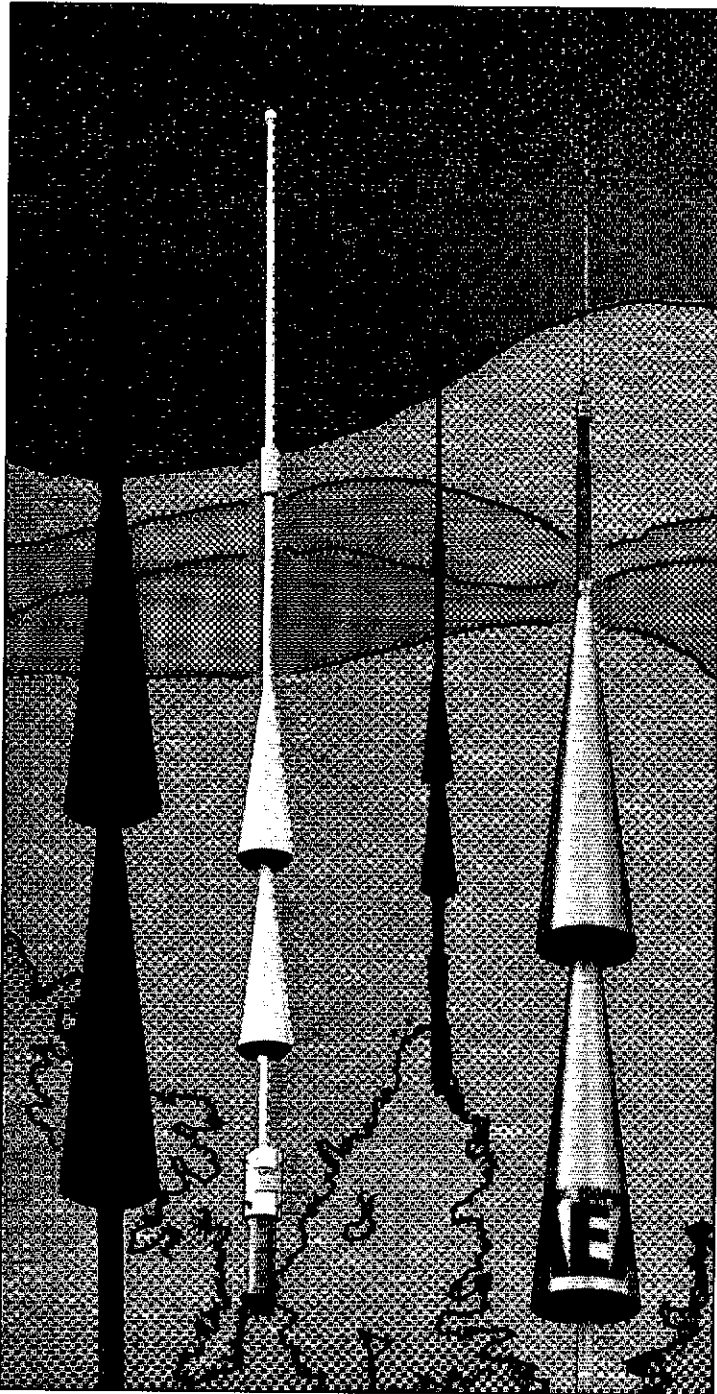
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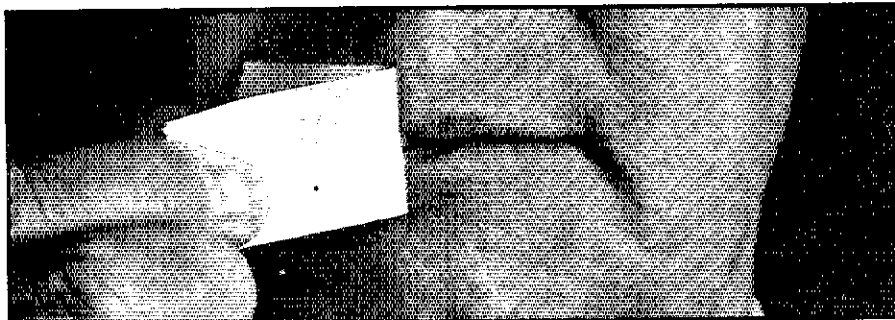
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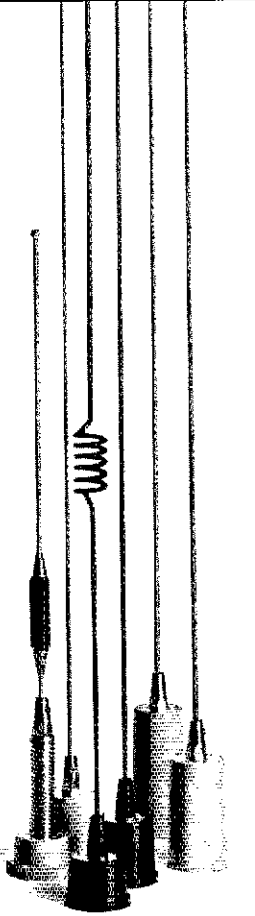


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day of each month. Sad to report the following Silent Keys: Bill, WB6WXS, Jane, WA8RHW, and WD6BLH. KC6ESL is a new Novice and is active on 10 M SSB. WA8OQV has a TS940. W6DPD has a IC-781. KC8ESL has an IC-Q3AT. WA8OQV is on packet-KA8VAF has all mode TNC. Traffic: W6DPD 2. Late report N6MXG, May-5, June-5.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY: SM, Glenn Thomas, WB6W—SEC: N8JQJ. TC: WA8PWW. STM: N6JLJ. PIO: N6HMO. ACC: W6MKM. BM:(vacant) OOC: KA8S JULY-A busy month indeed! We had a slight rumbling from the San Andres fault wake us up, and many tuned in to the earthquake nets that came up as soon as the shaking stopped. Thanks to those who took net control duty (KA8TGE and N6JLJ among others). Also thanks to the many of you listened and didn't clutter the net with "yeah I felt it too" when net control asked for "damage reports only". . . . The Central Coast Radio Council (CCRC) is reorganizing. CCRC is an association of radio clubs in the bay area and has in the past been a major force for the enrichment of our hobby. If your club is interested in participating and wasn't notified of the August 2 meeting, contact CCRC at: CCRC, 1910 Sunshine Drive, Concord, CA 94520. The Foothills ARS had an interesting program, the section slides show with the script read in the correct order and the slides shown in reverse order! It's amazing the effects you get with pictures and text out of sync! FARS meets at 7:30PM on the last Friday of every month at the Electronics Museum at Foothill College. . . SVECS had its quarterly breakfast. The SVECS newsletter is a sight to behold, 24 pages of excellent articles. Don W6GJF and Kathy N6SPC do an incredible job of putting it together. Well done! Yours truly visited the Gabilan ARC in Gilroy. A very interesting meeting where many of the critical issues in Amateur Radio were discussed. I think we'll be seeing a lot of good things coming out of garlic valley! GARC meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30PM at South Valley Jr. High School, 385 100F Ave. in Gilroy. . . Speaking of garlic, many of you participated in the Gilroy Garlic Festival, doing communications and also operating the special events station KG8GF (Kilo Garlic & Garlic Festival). They've got an outstanding certificate for those they worked. . . The Electronic Museum Radio Club (EMARC) held a pizza bash in lieu of their regular meeting. Sounds like tough duty, guys! EMARC usually meets at 7:30 PM on the first Friday of every month at the Electronics Museum at Foothill College. . . The Ames ARC is losing their shack, a trailer. The good news is that they are getting a new double wide trailer with a roof that doesn't leak and a floor with no holes. Congrats, guys! The San Mateo Radio Club heard from Stuart Fox KM7V on "Transceiver Specifications: What they really mean." The SMRC meets on the third Friday of every month at the Beresford Park Recreation Center, 28th Ave and Alameda de las Pulgas in San Mateo at 7:30 PM. The Los Gatos/Monte Sereno ARES/RACES group is growing at an incredible rate, thanks to EC Jim KJ6CW. They also put out one of the better newsletters in the section, with a month calendar of public service events and articles on a number of topics. Jim is also the Assistant DEC for Santa Clara County. There is a telephone number that has information on Amateur Radio License classes. (408) 971-1424. Well. . . it only has the info that I put on it, and I can only put on it what I know about. PLEASE, let me know about any classes your group or club is sponsoring so that I may include them on the recording. My phone number is on page 8 of this issue of QST. Traffic: (no report this month). Phone numbers: Amateur Radio Classes (408) 971-1424. License Exams (408) 984-8353 (ARRL VEC) or (408) 255-9000 (Sunnyvale VEC).

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NORTH CAROLINA: SM, W. Reed Whitten, AB4W—ASM: AB4S. SEC: N4MYB. STM: K4NLK. BM: K4IWW. ACC: WC4T. TC: KM4OX. SGL: KE4ML. PIO: AB4FW. KE4ML, your section's State Government Liaison (SGL), reports that the State Legislature has just passed Senate Bill 758 which changes the expiration date for all Amateur Radio License Plates to June 30. This bill ONLY changes the date on which you get your renewal sticker. It does NOT change the law enacted three years ago which set the additional fee for an Amateur Radio License Plate at \$10.00 for FIVE YEARS (\$2.00 per year). Prior to passage of that law, which brought about a SUPER lobbying effort by amateurs throughout the state (coordinated by KE4ML), we paid the same \$10.00 additional fee each year as the holder of a personalized tag. (NOTE: the Legislature has also just passed a bill which doubles the additional fee for a personalized tag. Were it not for passage of that law three years ago, the privilege of having a call sign license plate would now cost us \$100.00 extra over five years.) Why is the additional fee for Amateur Radio license plates lower? Because the Amateur Radio operators of North Carolina provide emergency communications for the citizens of our state (for which we, of course, receive no financial compensation). The Legislature recognized this and also wanted to encourage the amateurs in the state to have a license plate which would facilitate identification of our vehicles in an emergency situations. This reduced fee is a privilege we have EARNED and MUST CONTINUE TO EARN through our participation with the State Emergency Response Team (SERT) and local emergency organizations in emergency situations, emergency exercises, HAM WATCH and SKYWARN. The most recent exercise which SERT held was the National Security Exercise on July 27, 28 & 29. The scenario was an attack on the United States. There was significant involvement of Amateur Radio throughout the State in this exercise. EM officials recognize that Amateur Radio would become one of the prime methods of communication in this scenario. All county ECs: Please plan and publicize your SET (scheduled for Oct 21, but date is flexible to meet the needs of your local agencies). SEC N4MYB will provide more information. Publicity is an important aspect of this ARRL sponsored emergency communication exercise. Make your media contacts well ahead of time. A10K, SKYWARN EC for the RDU NWS office, held a net training class earlier this year. A number of new competent net control stations were the result of the class. Their participation has enhanced the RDU SKYWARN net. Three Hamfests in October: JARS, Oct 1 in Benson; Maysville, Oct 8, and Triangle East ARS, Oct 21 in Smithfield. Greater Greensboro Hamfest is scheduled for November 25 & 26. July traffic: K4NLK 306, N9CGD 158, WD4HTE 144, K4YV 126, K4IWW 113, WB4HRR 109, K4EYF 94, KB4FWL 79, N4JMM 75, AA4ZV 58, WD4LOO 58, KB7LX 56, WA9NEW 47, WA4HF

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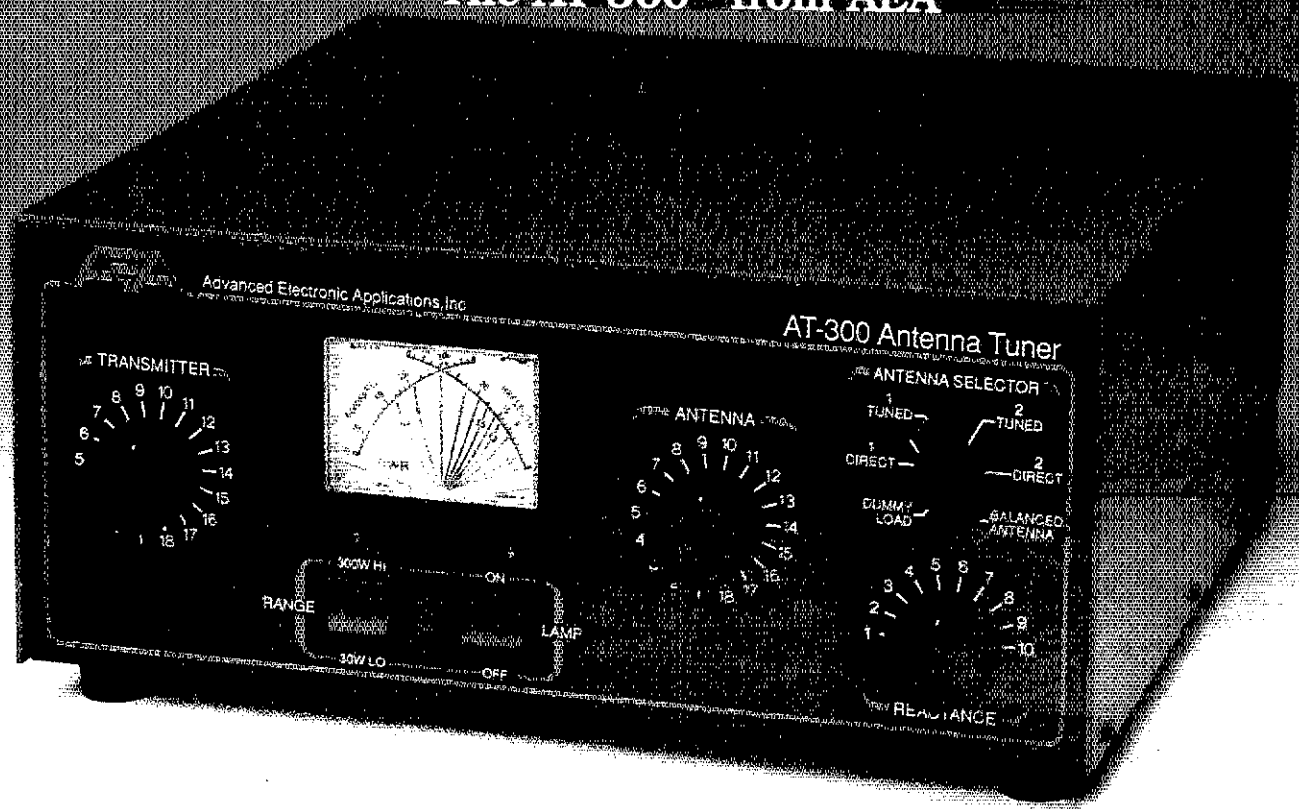
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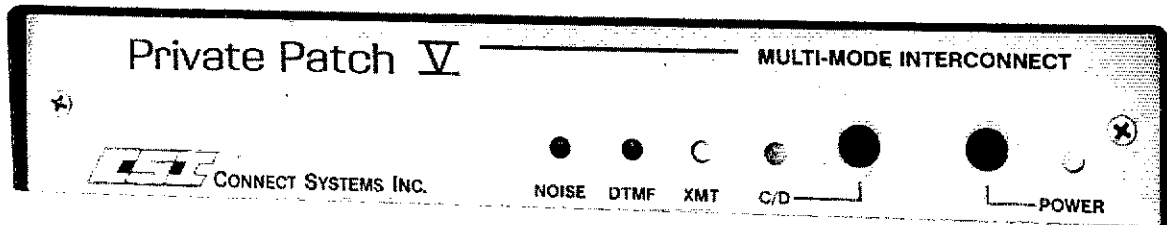
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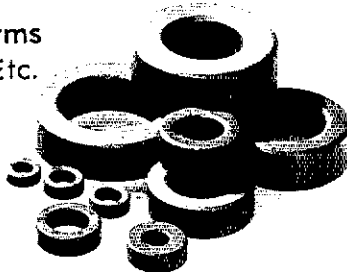
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SOUTH CAROLINA: SM, Ned Moeller, N4FVU—NTS TFC NETS accomplish more than msg handling! The SCNT Net moved to 7243 kHz. Sched 12 PM daily Mon-Sat & 12:30 PM Sun. NM & Newsletter Editor, KA4UIV. SC SSB Net meets 7 PM daily 3915 kHz. NM, N4RQM. Net Directory Editor/Treas. KA4LRM. CW Nets: Carolinas Slow Net (ATTN: Novices) sched 6 PM daily on 3715/7115 kHz. NM, AA4MP. Carolinas Net sched 7 & 10 PM daily 3573 kHz. NM, K4IWW. 2-Meter Tlc Nets: Anderson NM, WD4BIUH. Blue Ridge NM, N4RQM. G. Pee Dee NM, NN4N. Lancaster NM, KJ4DT. Oconee NM, WA4SUS. York NM, KB4ZA. Digital Mgr, KA4GUT files msg tlc into the PACKET SYS. Tlc is addressed to Pkt Stas & routed to Pkt BBS Mail Boxes. Pkt Stas download msg tlc from the PBBS and perform msg delivery. WE OWE THE PACKET BBS SYSOPs & NET ROM DIGI OWNERS A DEBT OF GRATITUDE! Financial aid is needed to keep their equipment operable & replace lightning-damaged equipment. July tlc: K4IFL 634, W4ANK 111, N4MEJ 104, KA4LRM 54, W4DRF 36.

VIRGINIA: SM, Claude Feigley, W3ATQ—STM: N4GHI. SEC: WB4ZTR. ACC: NT4S. BM: AB4U. PIO: AA4VP. TC: WX4C. SGL: WAUMC

Net	Freq	Seas	
VTN	1 PM	3807/7280	W4JLS
VSN	6 PM	3347	K4BR
VSN	8:30 PM	3630	N4KSO
VN (early)	7 PM	3680	N4GHI
VN (late)	10 PM	3680	WB4KSO
VLN	10:15 PM	3947	K44FV
SVEN	7:15 PM	148.82	NT4S
STARES	9 PM	148.87	KJ4VT
CECEC	9:30 PM	3947	KA4NWK

(3rd Wed)

For the first time in many, many years, the call of W4HU is missing from the listing of the section's leadership officials. John, after serving as an OO/OOC for over 20 years has requested to be relieved of these duties and it is with deep regret that I have accepted his resignation. W4HU has performed an outstanding service in the often thankless job of an Official Observer/Auxiliary Station. It was a pleasure meeting and talking with many of you in the section meeting held at the Berryville hamfest. Reports were made by N4MM, Division Director, on the July APRL Board Meeting, N4GHI, STM, on traffic and WB4ZTR SEC, on ARES activities, WB4ZTR reported WA2FMT as EC for Frederick County and N4SCK replacing WB4WZZ as EC for Fairfax County. It is with deep sorrow I report N4IC as a Silent Key. Sid was an active member of SPARK and had served as EC for the city of Hampton. In this issue of QST, in the "Happenings" section there should be an announcement seeking nominees for the office of Virginia Section Manager (SM). As I have served you as SM for 2 full term and 15 months of NN4I's term of office it is not my intent or desire to seek re-election as SM. I believe the time has come for the section to have new leadership. Nominations must be submitted to APRL Headquarters by December 1989. For further info, contact your SM, W3ATQ. Upcoming VE exams; Oct 7 Williamsburg contact WJ4X 253-2811. Nov 4 Portsmouth ARC contact AA4AT, 484-2857-Nov 4 Shenandoa Valley ARC contact NC4B 703/869-5241. While conducting the summer have been very erratic, our nets have managed to function. As the fall season approaches and the traffic increases, we are looking forward to many new stations joining in the fun of traffic handling. At the time of this writing, it appears that the packet operation at the Boy Scout Jambores is doing an excellent job of clearing the messages from the site. It will be interesting when a postmortem of the operation is held to find out the knowledge gained from this first major traffic handling operation performed by packet. Traffic: N4HOG 948, N4GHI 588, K4DOR 512, W4JLS 247, W4SGQ 212, W3ATQ 174, N4EXQ 169, K4MTX 147, KJ4VT 117, WB4VMX 79, WY7U 77, K44FV 65, WB4ZTR 56, WB4EDB 50, KK8L 50, KB4OPR 40, W4TZO 35, K4BGZ 33, N8AND 30, W8SA 28, WB4ZNB 28, NT4S 28, K4JM 25, WA4TV8 24, KC4ESG 23, AA4GL 19, K4W 17, N4FNT 15, K4MLC 12, WB4KT 11, N4RHV 9, WB4UHC 9, KB4WT 8, W4HU 2.

WEST VIRGINIA: SM, Karl S. Thompson, K8KT—SEC: K8QEW. STM: N8FXH. SGL: K8BS. TC: K8LG. ACC: WA8FLF, Repeater Coord, WB8GDY. Congrats to Matt, WTBL, who has made BPL two months in a row. Regret that several reports were missing from last month's report, due to late receipt on packet. K2BQ invites everyone to join "slow" WVN-L at 10:00 PM each nite on 3567. New ECs are W8GUL, K8ZXP, and KQ8E.

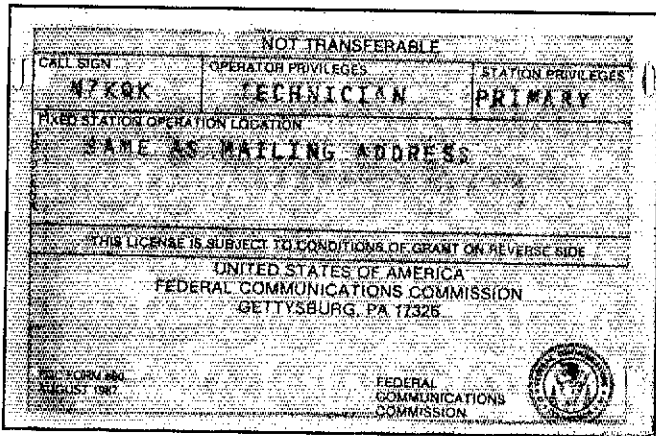
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WVFN	3885	6:00	820	80	31	WB8DHC
WVN	3567	7:00	223	89	31	K2BQ
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WVRN	3840	8:30	142	15	28	K8LG
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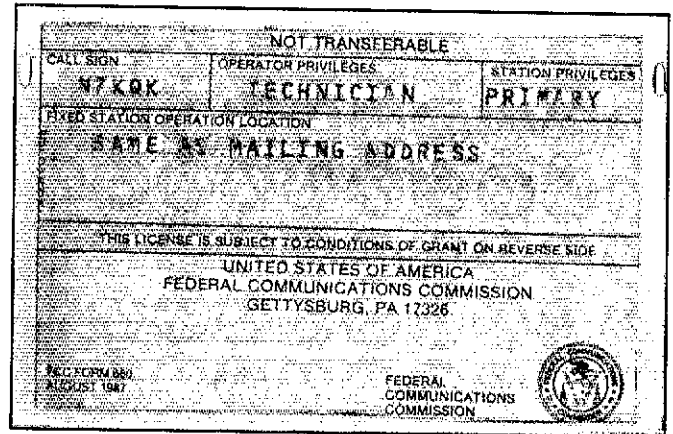
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COLORADO: SM, Edie Sheffield, KA8MQA—SEC: K4UBU. STM: KB0Z. ACC: WB8DUV. PIO: WB8QBS. OOC: KA8CDN/W8BJR. SGL: WB8HNQ/W8BHP. TC: W8LJ. BM: KA8VKM. The APRL Colorado State Convention was very successful for the DRC who hosted it. The Colorado Section Amateur of the Year (1988) was W8HJX. Emergency Commendation certificates were given to Boulder Amateurs & BCARES and Longmont Amateurs for their communication efforts in the Sugar Loaf Mountain fire. APRL certificates of Merit were given to WA9ABB, N8BQP, KA7TYU, KA8EFM, OOC KA8CDN & W8BJR helped with the recent testing of new DF equipment for the FCC. Congrats to the amateurs in Grand Junction who helped with communications during the 4th of July parade and a river float trip during Dinosaur Days. Congrats also to the many amateurs who helped ECHO with the communication efforts for the Jerry Ford Golf Tournament in Vail. October 7th is the APRL Computer Networking Conference to be held at the Air Force Academy in Colo Springs. Contact N8CCZ for info. 73, KA8MQA NETS: CWN QNI 41,

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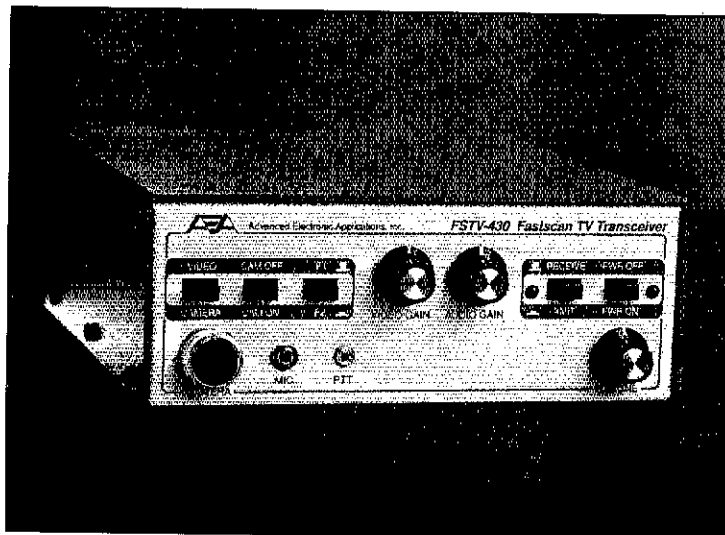
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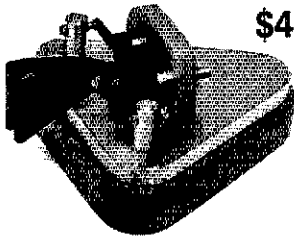
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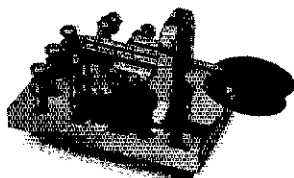
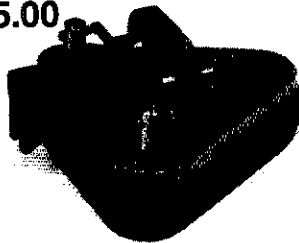
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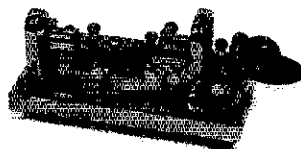
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QTC 41, QNF 212, 22 sess. CWXN: No totals. Col: QNI 833, QTC 29-115, QNF 1006, 31 849.31 Sess. QNI 744, QTC 132-747, QNF Sess. NCTN: QNI 237, QTC 74, QNF 347, 29 Sess. SCTN: QNI 317, QTC 30, QNF 302, 31 Sess. Traffic: K0HOA 548, N0HFZ 485, WTRG 202, K0WIE 198, W0LJF 92, K6SN 85, K8BZ 30, W0BQVH 23, N0KIA 15, K0CNV 10.

NEW MEXICO: SM, Joe T. Knight, W6PDU—ASM: K5BIS. SEC: K5YJ. DEC: W5HCB. STM: ND5T. NMs: WA5UNO, K5ANN, W5QNR. TC: W5GY. ACC: KA5BEM. Southwest Net meets daily, 3583 @ 0230 UTC, handled 77 msgs with 127 checkins. NM Roadrunner Net meets daily, 3939 @ 0100 UTC, handled 60 msgs with 947 checkins. NM Breakfast Club meets daily, 3939 @ 6:30AM, handled 139 msgs with 874 checkins. Yucca 2-mtr Net, 78/18 handled 11 msgs with 293 checkins. Caravan Club 2-mtr Net, 66/06 with 126 checkins. SCAT Net, 66/06 handled 7 msgs with 404 checkins. Info Net 12/72, with 85 checkins. The Pr. Tuthill (Flagstaff) hamfest was certainly a grand success with the best participation ever. New Mexico was very well represented and all reported a grand time. So very sorry to report the passing of one of our very old timers, W5GWI. Warren will certainly be remembered as one of the original members of the Sandia Base Radio Club and the Caravan Club. Traffic: K5SVF 94.

UTAH: SM, Rich Fisher, NS7K—SEC/STM: Jim Brown. If you have info for the Section report please let me know. I need info on all clubs in Utah. Pres, name, and club mailing address. 73, NS7K. Traffic: WA7MEL 64, N7JLC 59, K07H 10, NS7K 4.

WYOMING: SM, Jim Raisler, N7GVV—K7AR—K7AR Reports Cowboy Net held 21 sessions with 508 QNI and 5 QTC. W7TZK reported 160 traffic count. Balance of reports will be in next month's report. Is your county interested in running a special event station during this next year to celebrate the Centennial? If so, when? The University ARC is recommending a spring weekend for all WY counties on the air (during good DX conditions). Are u interested in getting involved? WE NEED A FEW GOOD OPERATORS. If we can get enough support, then special QSLs will be printed up etc. Please contact Wayne, N07Q, in Laramie or me. Plan on getting involved in the WY QSO party on Oct 7 & 8 sponsored by the University ARC. 73 till next month.

SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

ALABAMA: SM, James Spann, W04W—ASM: W4XI. SEC: KB4GDN. STM: W4PIM. PIO: KB4KCH. ACC: AA4BL. OOC: KF4VS. SGL: N4FRQ. BM: KA4ZXL. We welcome the South Baldwin ARC as our newest ARRL affiliated club in the section. The club President is Ray, W4CRY, and their meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Riviera Utilities Kilowatt Room on US 98 in Foley. Please think first before you use packet beacon! The digipack functions on nodes BHM2 and BHM3 have been shut off due to "beacon congestion" in the Birmingham area on 145.67. Silent Keys: Jim Muse, N4TUH, of Birmingham, and Len Bonner, WA4YHZ, of Verbena. Interest in fast scan television continues to soar along the Alabama Gulf Coast. Daily transmissions are taking place between Mobile and Pensacola, and plans are being made for construction of an ATV repeater between those two cities. The new President of the Bibb Co. ARC is James, KB4Y1F. The Alabama Repeater Council is working with a pair of repeater owners on an interference problem involving systems in Birmingham and Muscle Shoals on 146.62 MHz. Let's hope things get worked out on this matter. Remember to send you monthly traffic reports to our STM: W4PIM, and your PSHR reports BPL: WA4JDH, PSHR: WA4JDH, PSHR: WA4JDH, W4PIM, and your PSHR: WA4JDH, W4PIM, W4QAT, W4CKS. Traffic: W4QAT 107, W4CKS 58, W4ZJY 5.

GEORGIA: SM, Eddy Kosobucki, K4JNL—ASM: K4MJ. SEC: NC4E. STM: WB4WQL. Packet: W4QO. ACC: KM4IH. OOC: W4TG. SGL: WB4UVW. As u probably have noticed my staff is still missing a BULLETIN MANAGER, PUBLIC INFORMATION ASSISTANT & TECHNICAL COORDINATOR. As of this writing, I haven't received an answer from the people I'd like to serve on the staff. In order for the GA section to function as we have in the past, these people are very important. The rest of our FB staff agreed to stay with us as I start a new two-year term as SM on Oct 1. THX guys! Also as most of u know I retired from the Penney Co. two years ago. Well, I hate to tell u this, but I'm working full time at Sears as an Electronic Tech. Got tired of washing the dishes & doing the laundry. Hll NC4E, our SEC, reminds all that on Oct 21 & 22, it's SET time agn & he would appreciate even more activity than we had last year. Let's get out & be number ONE in the nation this year. Also, PLEASE get with ur club officers & see the ANNUAL CLUB REPORT has been sent in. In the printout I received only yesterday many haven't sent one in for over two years. PSHR achievers for July are WB4DVZ, KC4BHX, WB4WQL, K4JNK, WA4LLE, KA4HHE & WA4YYQ. Warner Robbins Hamfest this yr is on Oct 21-22 at a new location. Two more Silent Keys in the section are: W4ZM & W4ORI. Our sympathy to the families of both of these fine Hams. Pat, W4NLK is moving to Michigan in the near future and all of us in the section hope that she will continue to check into the Ga nets. There is no reason for anybody not to take an AMATEUR RADIO EXAM in the Georgia section, because we have an overflow of VE teams. Most repeaters announce their VE teams' EXAM skeds. If you are having a problem, please contact me & I'll see if I can help. God Bless. Traffic: WB4DVZ 139, KA4HHE 114, WB4WQL 83, KC4BHX 64, WA4YYQ 44, K4JNK 34, K4JNL 34, WA4LLE 32, N4UZ 24, K4ZUY 23, WA4TXT 20, N4MWR 20, K4BAI 15.

NORTHERN FLORIDA: SM, Roy Mackay, N4ADI—TC: Ed, W6RAO. BM: Dave, N4GMU. PIO: Pety, WA4PUO. SGL: John, KC4N. ASM: Bill, KB4LB. STM: Cotton, KB9LT. SEC: Rudy, WA4PUP. OOC: John, A88L. ACC: Dick, WA4BIH. Just noticed that I left WA4BIH off the list of LOs for last month. Sorry, Dick will try to do better! By the time this is printed, the IARU meeting in Orlando will be past, but I want to thank all the clubs and operators who spent time to set up, operate and take down the antennas and gear for running the station W1AW4. It was a great once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for us to be part of a great event. FMTN now has Carl, W4NFK, as its NM. We wish him success in this endeavor and hope he can recruit a few more active hams for NCS and liaison duty to 4RN and RN5D, so more people can be involved in this key element of the NTS. FMTN is in its 32nd year of operation and we hope it will continue to be active for many more years. If you would like to assist, check in on 7247.5 at 1800Z (noon ET) and let your call be added to the roster. We'll all



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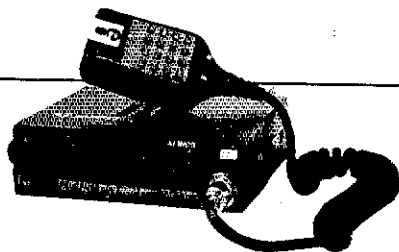


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SOUTHERN FLORIDA: SM, Richard D. Hill, WA4PFK—STM: K4ZK, SEC: WASS, TC: K4AT, BM: WD4KBW, PIO: N4PBF, AAC: W4TAH, ACC: K4EUK, SGL: KC4N, Pkt Mgr: K4CY. THE SUPER NEWS THIS MONTH IS THAT MISS PHIL, KA4FZ1, HAS BEEN NAMED "ARRL PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR." at the July meeting of the Board of Directors. The presentation is scheduled to be made at the Melbourne Hamfest in September. The Fort Myers ARC, K4KKP and KC4EGO will be recognized for their enthusiastic assistance in the outstanding program she developed. The following note was received from Maude Hottenstein—Maude is an elderly widow living in Plantation with her daughter and son-in-law. She has lived practically all of her life in Maryland where most of her friends still are located. This writer has originated many messages for her and she writes; "Please tell all who help, I pray God will bless all who send my little messages. You'll never really know those sick and elderly people...if you could read all of my thank you notes you'd feel as high as a steeple. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

The Fort Myers ARC, Modulator has an interesting article taken from the W5Y1 Report concerning mobile operation and how to reduce unwanted effects on the vehicle. The Everglades ARC notes that WD4PWC received a plaque on behalf of the demonstration given earlier this year. The Motorola ARC's The Marconi had information from KD4GR that the club operated Field Day for 24 hours without interruption with an estimated 3900 points compared with 2500 for 1988. KD4GR also spoke on traffic handling at the Broward Amateur Radio Digital Society meeting as well as the Broward County Emergency Preparedness Net. The South Brevard ARC Spark gave info that WA4SIR has permission to operate a station in the orbiting shuttle scheduled for March 1990. Other club bulletins included the Englewood ARC and the Southwest Florida Traffic Net in which K4FQU thanked K9ALX and all of the net members for the work done while he was away on vacation. The Florida Phone Traffic Net reported with sadness that Coy, KA4AJR, became a Silent Key, WD4KBW reports 141 bulletins received and sent by WA4EIC 70, W4TF 24, K4EIK 20, WD4KBW 22, and WA9VND 5. The ARRL Information Net is going strong on 3940 at 8 AM Saturday mornings. 73 de WA4PFK. Traffic: W3CUL 2056, W3VR 936, WA4PFK 378, WA9VND 287, K4SCL 273, WA4EIC 255, N4HAP 172, KB4KXV 163, KD4GR 161, WA4RUE 155, W4NFK 139, WB4WYG 128, K4IA 128, AA4IC 125, N4OPZ 108, KA4FZ1 100, N4MML 99, AA4BN 99, W4DWN 95, WA4HXU 88, N4KFU 88, N4ET 86, W3TLV 81, K4EUK 74, K44NXF 64, KC4VK 59, KF4QU 59, WA4NBE 58, KB4WBY 54, KF4RL 53, KM4LPWD4KBW 53, KB4MOM 43, W7LUS 34, KB4UHC 34, AB4OV 31, K4ZK 31, N4HAS 30, KA4SIH 29, KC4HJU 29, WB4ZJS 27, KA7YHS 19, N4TKS 18, WB4CGK 18, KA9AKY 17, KC4GHT 17, K4JI 15, AB4BC 15, K1AZW 15, K9ALX 14, N4TVV 14, KB6EHC 13, W4VQE 12, N8OJA 11, KA9GYF 8, KA4GDV 7, W3JUR 7, KB4UJ 7, N9ABC 7, W4MPV 7, N4RHJ 6, W4MFD 4, W4TF 3, KB4HAY 3, N4XSQ 2, W4NSY 1, KA2KNZ 1. (June) N4TVV 12.

VIRGIN ISLANDS: SM, Ron Hall, KP2N—ASM: KV4JC, SEC: NP2B, STM: NP2E, NM: VP2VI. Hurricane Dean caused quite a scare for the islands. It was on track to hit us with winds of 85 MPH. At the last minute, it turned North and later hit VP9 land. Local ARES members under our SEC direction were activated and ready to go. KV4EY furnished us up-to-date weather info from VITEMA HQ via the 6.810 repeater. We are all thankful that the islands were spared. I had the good fortune to meet the new SM for PR, WP4CSG, along with PR4RL Pres. KP4FO and SE Div. Dir. Frank Butler, W4RH. This meeting went to establish communication links between our sections. A trip to the Arcebo radio-telescope highlighted my stay. St. Croix ARES had 4 sessions with QNI 29. St. Thomas ARES had 4 sessions with QNI 22. Traffic: NP2E 8. The SM net is now QRT until Fall. New ham classes have started on both islands. Spent 9 days stateside and attended Hamfesters hamfest. 73 de KP2N.

SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION:

ARIZONA: SM, Jim Swafford, W7FF—STM: W7EP, NMs: K7POF, K6LL, K6ZH, Ft. Tullih Hamfest is now history and as usual was a great event. ARCA sure runs a good show. Attendance was estimated at 2,500 to 3,000 this year. VE's testing 50 applicants with about 85% pass rate on written elements, 100% on 20 wpm code, 14% on 13 wpm and 80% rate on 5 wpm. Over 20 applicants upgraded to new class. Congrats. ARRL-elected officials attending were W6BF, SM from LA: W5PDI, NM SM: W8IXD, Nevada SM: WA6WZO, SW Div Director, KJ4K8 from ARRL HQ. Many thanks to Sandy Heyn, Fried's wife who came from Los Angeles to help out in the ARRL booth. She is WA6WZNI and is Fried's right hand in ARRL affairs. Success story of the year comes from Suspension ARC who obtained a zoning amendment in the City of Mesa to allow antennas and towers up to 75 feet! The previous limit was set at 30 feet. This vote by the city was a conclusion to six months of negotiations between Mesa City Staff and the Suspension ARC headed by Bill, K7GUF. Legal guidance was provided by Neil, K7VO. Others providing much assistance included Marge, K1YCC, Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, the LDS Church, American Red Cross, Mancoopa Co. Civil Defense and Emergency Services, the US Army MARS, the American Graduate School of International Management, the Consular Corps of AZ and many other individuals who plugged for Amateur Radio in the area of public service. Also Ed, K7P, our SEC and retired Superior Court judge attended the hearings and spoke on behalf of Amateur Radio. Congrats to all. (thx, ARA Squelch Tail) While on the subject of public service, a group of the Green's Peak Repeater users in the White Mtns. provided tactical and logical communications on their two mtr repeater to the US Forest Service in fighting a forest fire. The fire occurred in CC Canyon early in July and burned for several days. Assisting the firefighters with radio comm. were: KD7EL, Ermon; KA7AKK, Beth, KF7AH, Bill; N7JJE,

Jackie; KA7YYY, Mike; KB7EWO; Linda and K7RJD, Warner. These hams took portable equip into the field to the various fire camps. Many other Green's Pk. rpt users operated either at home or mobile to assist. Congrats on a job well done. Their repeater site on the mountain is leased from the US Forest Service. Bet they won't have any trouble renewing their lease next time, Hl. Final note on Ft. Tullih hamfest: Gail Peterson, N7BXX was awarded "Ham of the Year," by ARCA members. K4SUF, K1YCC, K7VO, and KF7PO received Certificates of Merit from ARRL for their outstanding efforts on the Mesa antenna ordinance. See you on the same street corner next month. 73, Jim.

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Traffic: W7AMM 344, WE7G 65, W7EP 64, W7OIF 44, K7POF 31, K7RLL 23, N7ETP 10.					

LOS ANGELES: SM, Phineas J. Icenbice, Jr. W6BF—First, the good news: We still have part of the twenty-meter band for OUR use. The bad news is that not many hams write to the FCC or their Congressional representatives. You may or may not know that your life is becoming more POLITICAL. Therefore you must express your opinion and desires just to maintain your status quo. Two years of INTRUSION monitoring our Amateur bands has led me to this conclusion. Comments by (US) Service radio operators also lead me to believe that some if not many Military and Commercial stations regularly tune up and operate in our exclusive Amateur bands almost every day. Since many jokes are aimed at our faithful LAWYERS, you should read the Hughes AR Bulletin for something different. The definition of an engineer is: One who passes as an exacting expert on the strength of being able to turn out, with proficacious, strings of incomprehensible formulae calculated with micrometric precision from extremely vague assumptions which are based on debatable figures acquired from inconclusive tests and quite incomplete experiments carried out with instruments of problematic accuracy by person of doubtful reliability and of rather dubious mentality with the particular anticipation disconcerting and annoying everyone outside of their own fraternity. Oh yes, lawyers, —some are buried —down deep or mors. They are the ones that are really good —down deep —Skip Bolnick, KJ6Y, have his usually outstanding ANTENNA AND TOWER INSTALLATION talk to the Crescenta Valley Radio Club last month, if you need an excellent program give Skip a call at (818) 887-3669. N6VI, Marty, K6YML, Hank, K6BUJ, LAPD Capt. Keith Bushey, KA6GSE, Dennis and I visited our local councilman in July to request his assistance regarding our recently changed ANTENNA ordinance. You must be careful even when you are 500 miles from home. AK6Y, my good friend Ron, our Section Emergency Coordinator was in the audience at the Flagstaff "Pt Tullih Hamfest" last week. —N6MAD, Kathleen reported a total of 281 emergencies handled on W6FNOR for July. 17 operators handled a total of 265 vehicular emergencies, 14 fire emergencies and 2 medical emergencies. W6FNOR also was employed to coordinate Red Cross activities during the July 3rd Turnbull Canyon/Facienda Heights fire. ARES members were activated to handle communications during this emergency. If you want to help the real EMERGENCY GROUP, call AK, Ron Boan, (213) 566-7449. Our new Official Observer Coordinator is W6W7K, David B. Morse (818) 893-2817. Give Dave a call if you need help or want to help. Dave is a great guy and always ready to help. We also have a new AWARDS MANAGER, NR6O, James T. Hoff. James can certify your WAS and other awards. Call him for an appointment or visit the Long Beach ARC, K16BU, Henry, is the AWARDS MANAGER in the San Fernando Valley (818) 993-7736. According to N6AHV, Tex is the president of the So. Ca. DX Club. The Visalia DX Convention is scheduled for April 6/7/8, 1990. It is now too early to get your reservations at the Holiday Inn. (209) 651-5000, NBIC, Don Bostrom is in charge of preregistration (818) 784-2590. LA has most everything now the new and the latest in LA is Dodger—SUPER PANTY HOSE—they have fewer runs!

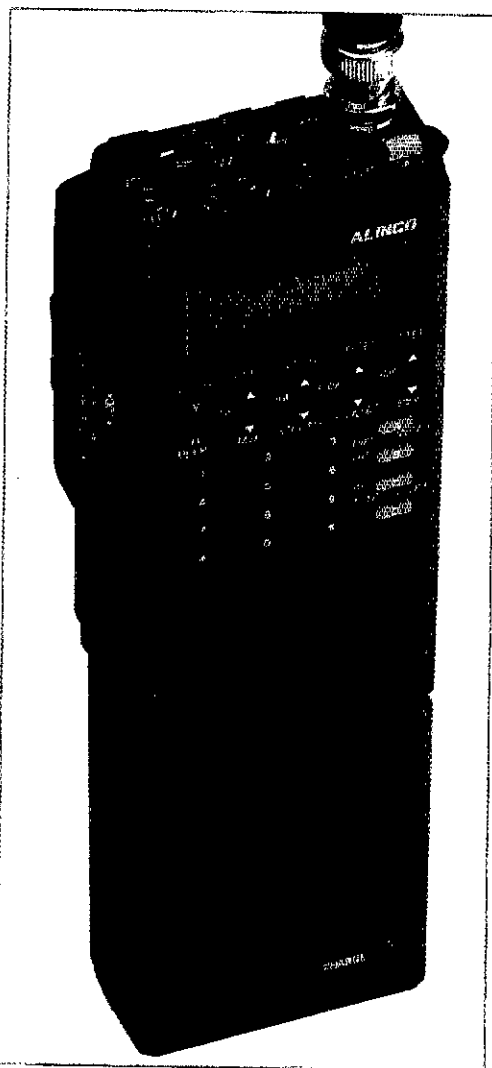
ORANGE: SM, Joe H. Brown—ASM: Riv. Co, Bob, W6LKN (714) 686-3823, ASM: Org County, Ralph, W6BUBI (714) 776-9272, ASM: SB Co. Ken, WA6ZEF (714) 682-6212, STM W6FO reports BPL: W6FO, PS8R: W6BO, KA6HJK, KA6STND, W6RE and W6SX. Traffic Totals: W6FO 579, W6SX 155, K6ZCE 87, W6CPB 65, ADEA 64, W6RE 56, KA6HJK 49, KA6TND 31, KB6PBI 14. NEED new stations for SCN/CW. Schedules SCN CW 3598 kHz 6:30 PM. SCN2 Slow Speed 3705 kHz, 10:00 PM. the best to AD9A, Jerry, in addition to SCN 1 manager. He has taken over the Section PIO slot. John, KD7XG, has resigned from the Section TC position, due to school and career commitments. John Wendt, WA6BFH (714) 685-0485 has been appointed to fill the void. Good luck to both of you. ARES/RACES News. Art N6GDM has resigned EC/RACES. Vescom District of Riv. Co. Art should write a book on public relations and amateur radio operator motivation. He did a fantastic job in this area. Bob Gentilin has been appointed ARRL EC for this slot and Riv Co FD has appointed him as RACES Radio officer for the District. Have at it, Bob. City of La Palma forms Amateur Radio Corps ARC has recvd training on ARES/RACES and exposure to City and County Comm Systems. For Info, call LeRoy, W6D5GNL or Commander Dave Barr (714) 523-4562. Club Views: St. Jude Hosp and Rehab Central ARA, April WABOPS sez work on the new console is under way. Hope to have it ready for the Oct anniversary celebration. Look for us each Wed morning. OCCORA, WARA has won the FD Orange County competition with 3691 QSOs and 9072 points. Tri-County ARA (QRM K6AGF) is the oldest radio club west of the Mississippi and goes back to the 1920s. Inland Empire ARC Im Tony W6BQHB. We have classes for upgrading, for getting an amateur license, but nothing for improving our skills. Perhaps it is time to abandon our "monkey see, monkey do" training methods and offer classes for amateurs and offer classes for Amateurs desiring to improve their operating skills communications techniques.



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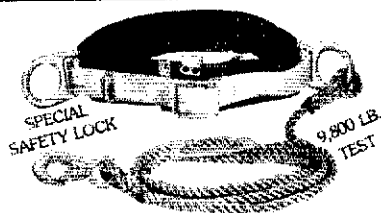
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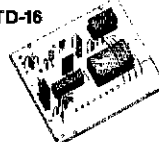
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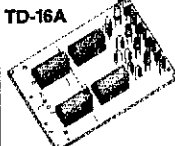
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SAN DIEGO: SM, Arthur R. Smith, W6INI—TC: N6JZE. SEC: W6INI. STM: N6GW. PIO: N6PKY. ARRL-affiliated clubs are reminded to make their annual reports to ARRL in order to maintain their active status. Forms were mailed to clubs earlier this year. The Southwestern Div Conv for 1990 will be held in San Diego Aug 24-26. Featured will be a dinner-dance cruise on San Diego Bay Fri eve. For info on SANDARC, volunteer exams call 619-465-3926. Upgrades: K8BNZA to Advanced. N6QVW won the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Mira Mesa Town Council. Fifty opers provided supplementary communications for the US Forest Service at the Vail fire north of Mt Palomar from Jul 31 thru Aug 5. Rigs were mounted in forestry vehicles with mag mount antennas and lighter plug power. ARES needs operators to support the Calif Dept of Forestry Red Flag Patrol. Call W6INI, 273-1120, for info. Traffic reports will be in next month's report.

SANTA BARBARA: SM, Thomas I. Geiger, W2KVA—ACC: K8SAH. ASMs: N.Vntra N6MA. S. Vntra, W8AKF. Sbar W86BYU. BM: N8TNG. STM: N6WP. COC: W8AKF. TC: W8KFY. SEC: W8IUY. DECE: Vntra-W86RVA. S.Sbar: KA6KGF. N.Sbar: K16XG. SLO: W8IUY. This month we bid welcome to the Santa Maria Amateur Radio Telegraphy and Telephony Club (SMARTT) which became the section's newest ARRL affiliated club after being in existence for only about six months. I'll have the pleasure of presenting their certificate of affiliation at the August 15th meeting. Most of July was pretty uneventful, with many clubs curtailing activity while their members recovered from Field Day and/or took off for vacations, the month ended with a some real excitement in San Luis Obispo county. The following is taken from a narrative report filed by W7AZF: On Thursday, July 27th, at 1730 hours, a major wildland fire broke out in the area between Santa Margarita and Atascadero. In the first 15 minutes the fire consumed 100 acres. The fire spread quickly and soon developed into a major incident. At 1600 EC Steve Woodward, W7AZF, was interrupted at his dinner by California Department of Forestry (CDF) notification that their Emergency Communications and Mobile Command Center was being dispatched to the fire and that assistance from San Luis Obispo County ARES/VIP was requested. (The CDF "command bus" is a self contained unit carrying generators, antennas and radio equipment, including amateur radio voice and packet gear, for emergency field use.) Steve quickly requested EC Dale Auth, N8BUY, to begin call-up procedures and proceeded to the scene with the command bus. Meanwhile, Ross Conner, K6KAX, had been monitoring and immediately activated the ARES station in the CDF Emergency Command Center in San Luis Obispo. Mike Stephens, N6MLJ, and Bob Engdahl, KA6MBB, met with Steve at the fire scene and assisted in setting up antennas, generator and other equipment. Voice and data communications were established with the ECC and the flow of emergency related traffic began. By Friday night the fire had consumed more than 5500 acres and was still burning out of control. The site selected for the Incident Command Post was rapidly becoming too small. At approximately 2300 hours the on site personnel were notified that the ICP would be moved to accommodate expanded operations. Antennas were lowered, equipment stowed and the generator pulled from the soft, sandy soil by N6MLJ's 4 wheel drive ICP was relocated to an area about one mile north of Santa Margarita and Communications was once again established from the new ICP. Voice channels used Charlie Klein's W8BFC/R repeaters on 145.80 MHz and 442.70 MHz while packet went via W8BFC-1 (NETROM "SNLUIIS") on 145.03 MHz. At about that time a vital piece of packet firmware decided to "go south." W8BFC quickly provided a replacement ROM and operations continued without interruption for the next three days. On Saturday afternoon WD6Z helped set up a second packet station in the newly arrived Planning Section trailer. This was used all day Sunday to transmit demobilization orders to the ECC for all the crews and equipment which had been brought in. This process required the forwarding of large quantities of written data and the use of packet radio was an excellent choice. For two consecutive days during the incident W8RPI accompanied the CDF Public Information Officer and provided an important link to the public. (In any such incident public information contributes very significantly to public safety.) All operations were terminated at 1700 hours on Sunday. At the peak of the operation there were approximately 750 personnel involved in the suppression of the Chispa fire. Before it was contained the abandoned cabins, two vehicles and a mobile home. The fire crews did an excellent job of containing the blaze which, with an unfortunate wind shift, might have threatened the town of Creston or moved into nearly inaccessible mountain terrain. Able support by the San Luis Obispo ARES/VIP operators won praise and Congratulations and WELL DONE to the following operators who assisted in the Chispa incident: At the ICP-W7AZF, AA8DT, AA8CT, W86KET, N8RAN, N6SRQ, K6SAR, N6MLJ, KA6MBB; at the ECC-W8IUY, K6KAX, N6NKK, N6MUJ, K8TIB, K6BDG; packet radio assistance-W8BFC and WD6Z; supporting the Salvation Army canteen-W6ZEK, W8JU, N6LYZ; recruiting and coordinating operators from his home-N8BUY; CDF-ARES liaison-CDF Captain K8NFFY. July testing successes-SBARC/VE (ARRL) 8 July: N8VRJ, General to Extra; to General-N6VMO; to Technician-K8EKF, K8EOT, K8CXQ, K8EOU, Roger Hoffman (uni), Todd Levin (uni), Patrick Reilly (uni); Examiners-K8SAH, AA6JG, N6PIM, AA6OT, WD6ETK. Satellite ARC/VE (GLAARG) 8 July: N6RAA to Advanced; N6TME to General, K8EOD to Technician; Examiners: N6IR, N6PKK, KA7MGM, W8ZCY, AA6FX, W8VNO, W8PIM. Congratulations to all. 73 for

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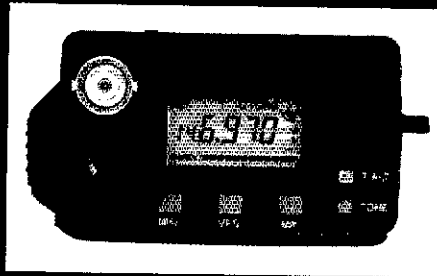
NORTH TEXAS: SM, Dan Dansby, W5URI—ASMs: W5GPO, K5MXQ, K5SGG, W5IWE, ACC: KA1CWM. PIO: K5HOL. COC: W5YKO. STM: W5VMP. TC: K5SXK. SEC: N8AJP. This column was due at the time I was scheduled to go to the National Scout Jamoree in VA and help operate K2B8A along with 40 other hams. K5MXQ has agreed to write the column in my place this month and I'll see you next month. So George, as my Cajun wife would say, "How goes it?" With that introduction, it went like this—Anyone interested in learning about traffic is urged to check into the D/FW Traffic Training Net held every Tuesday at 1800 local on the 146.72 repeater. Topics being covered include the "How To's" and also Packet handling of NTS Traffic by W8MWD. By reading further, you will learn that CW is far from dead. But in the mean time, we need more operators from NTX to participate on TEX which meets at 1900 and 2200 local on 3.697 kHz.

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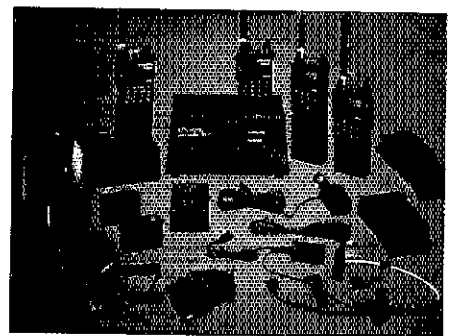


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On the present TEX roster, 69% are STX, 14% WTX and 30% NTX. Of the 30%, 28% are in the D/FW area. We really need some help from areas outside of D/FW and Longview. Traffic arriving from late RNS has a 12-hour delay till the 7290 Net the next day. In the FYI department, I made a survey of the traffic handled by the NTB Region and Area Nets over the period of Oct 88 to Apr 89 and found that 11294 peices were passed on CW nets and 8691 pieces on the SSB nets. Not bad for an "outmoded" methodology. Non NTS were not included nor were section-level NTS nets. It is with deep regret to note that NSMOP, Dan Moffett of Malakoff, has become a Silent Key. Among his activities were DRN5, 7290 and when conditions were right D/FW Traffic Nets. Now some news about some of our folks on the move. N5CY is now sending traffic from Missoula, MT. W5VZ late of Hollywood, FL, now in the Chicago area, and last, but not least, AC6Z has returned to the NTX Section from STX and is now in Nacodoches. I want to thank all of the NTX folks that have, for about the last three years, been sending in their SARs and PSHRs to me every month. Keep up the good work, but please get them to me by no later than on the 6th of the month. Congrats to KF5BL, Bill, upon making BPL this month. PSHRs for July KF5BL, K5MXQ, K5UPN, N5NZH, W5YQZ, W5AMWV, N5KCL, KB5BNU, and W55CPY. Traffic for July: K5UPN 470, KF5BL 316, W5TNT 243, W5YQZ 165, K5MXQ 127, W5OYL 117, N5KCL 100, N5NZH 42, KC5NG 32, KB5BNU 24, W5VMP 13, K5MXQ.

OKLAHOMA: SM, Joe Lynch, N6CL—The ARRL West Gulf Division Convention (Ham Holiday) was a fantastic success! Over 1000 paid participants attended several good seminars, bought lots of goodies from the new and used dealers and the flea market. The Wouff Hong ceremony was great. Special trx to K5EVI, W5SOQ, W5EJU, N5KUE and K5DLE for their assistance in the ceremony. Trx to W5NZS, Gov. Bellman declared the week including Ham Holiday "Amateur Radio Appreciation Week." A special trx to AASGI, President of CORA for all of the many hours he single handedly put in to bring in new dealers and overall organize the convention activities. Speaking of conventions, now is the time to pre-register for Texhoma. There is always a good time to be had by all of the Oklahomans and Baja Oklahomans (that is what we call the state to the south) who get together and swap tall tales. The Bat Net meets every night after midnight on Tulsa's 28/88 machine. If you are wide awake, check in. Hugo's Boys Orphanage is looking for help in establishing an Amateur Radio Club. Contact your SM if you can help. 73 for this month, Joe, N6CL.

SOUTH TEXAS: SM, Arthur R. Ross, W5KR—SEC: K5DG, ACC: W5YDD, PIC: W5AUBZ, BM: W5WGY, MTC: N2ZU, OOC: K5SBU, STM: W5GKH, SGL: K5KJN, ASM, all of above plus N5TC. EC K5SLN reports Huntsville ARS is proud owner of a 15-ft trailer; conversion to emergency communication facility is going nicely. Johnson Space Center ARC is newly ARRL affiliated; welcome aboard; Heath Company donated two HK-21 TNCs for use in SAREX. 7290 Traffic Net Secy NF5T reports 278 messages in 47 July sessions; 3362 QNI; NTB liaison, 2 per session; NM W5YQZ. Clear Lake ARC "CHRONICLES" reports W5LOO and K5GLX donated antenna for CLARC repeater; new time for regular swapfest is second Saturday each month 7-10am on Hwy 3 between NASA Road 1 and Bay Area; CLARC PIA K5AWM reports busy July with South Belt 4th of July Spectacular Parade, Johnson Space Center Homecoming Parade (NASA); following ops worked in one or more of the events: K55AQV, K5FHV, K55GLX, AA5ML and wife, NY5H, N5GIG, W5SHJV, W58KUJ, K3WIV, N5OLU, W55EUU, W55EEV, K5BY, W5SX, K58FHS, K55GNA, N5GFS, N5GIN, K55U, W5CLW, N5IMC, N5MMC, K55SMY, W55HOC, K55WS, W55WOW, WA4WRI and wife, K55AWM. DRN5 NM W55YDD reports 478 messages in 62 July sessions; STX represented 100% by W5KLV, W5CTZ, W55HZQ, K55ZV, N5NAV, WA5TUJ, W55X, KD5KQ, N5ILI, N2ZU, W55YDD. PIA N2ZJ reports W55DLN performed NCS duties for Seguin's 4th of July Freedom Parade; other net members were W55QR, K5XW, K5TK, W5FFG, N5OEO, K55AGM, W5MTO, K5KEI, WA5JL, WA5DYN, K55FUH; he also reports he finally reached 18 months on the Honor Roll; congratulations, Bill, Pearl and ARC President WA4KST reports K55EBP upgraded to Technician; WA5JVS went from Advanced to Extra; congratulations to both. OBS W5KLV reports 5 propagation forecasts, 10 bulletins given 32 readings on 7 nets in July. PIA K55EEQ, Brenham ARC, had excellent press coverage for FDB9; his picture of Boy Scouts at working positions, plus his accompanying article, made for great effect. The TEXan, "newsletter of the Texas CW Traffic Net (TEX), wants all to know about CTTN; it covers Central Texas like a blanket; meets twice daily on 147.10+ at 1845 and 1930 Central Time. Traffic: N5NAV 258, W55J 201, W55YDD 180, W5CTZ 151, W55GKH 126, N5ILI 78, N2ZJ 33, W5BGE 23, K5KLV 11, N5KAO 11, W5KR 6.

WEST TEXAS: SM, A. Milly Wise, W5OVH—According to all bulletins I have received from various clubs in the area of West Texas, Field Day was a big success. There were high scores and good fellowship. San Angelo hams provided communications for the 38 and 76 mile bicycle races in Robert Lee by using a portable and their generator trailer. Also emergency communications were provided when a major storm struck the area with high winds, golfball size hail, and more than 4.5 inches of rain in an hour...The El Paso Amateur Radio Club will start a new Novice class on Saturday August 19 at the Clubhouse. Since the last bulletin, am very happy to report that Childress had only weather watch reported. Jim, N5CAN, reports on June 5 the big hail in Childress will be remembered as he lost his airstream trailer and house roof due to hail damage. The Big Springs ARC will start a Novice class in September. Not many bulletins received this month. I guess it has been too hot for much activity. After Field Day is over, the clubs start getting ready for hamfests etc. Enjoyed Hamcom and am looking forward to seeing friends at the hamfests in Amarillo, Lubbock, Odessa, etc. 73, Milly, W5OVH. PS. Labor Day, September 4, QCWA members and members of El Paso Amateur Radio Club and Sun City Amateur Radio Club along with other amateurs and friends in attendance. Jerry McTernan, W5VY, will be honored for attaining 75 years as an amateur and will be presented with his certificate by Hugh Winter, W5HD, Vice President of QCWA at the W5ES clubhouse 2100 San Diego in El Paso. Congratulations, Jerry. Traffic: AE51 20, K5KKO 7.

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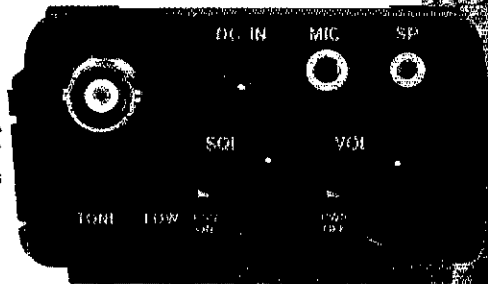
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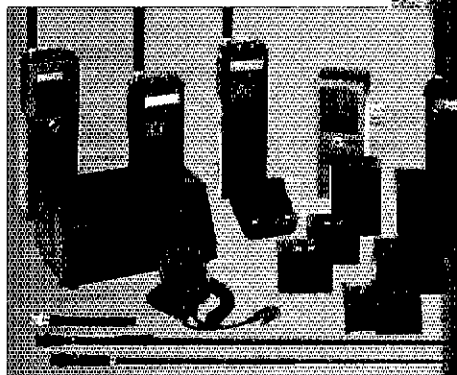
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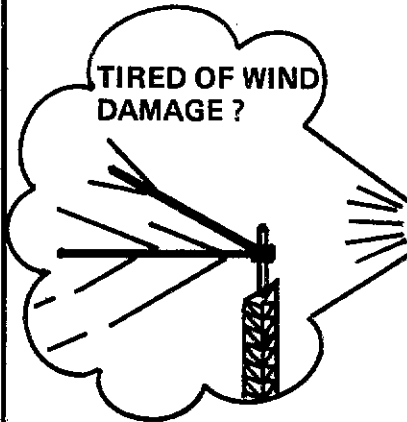
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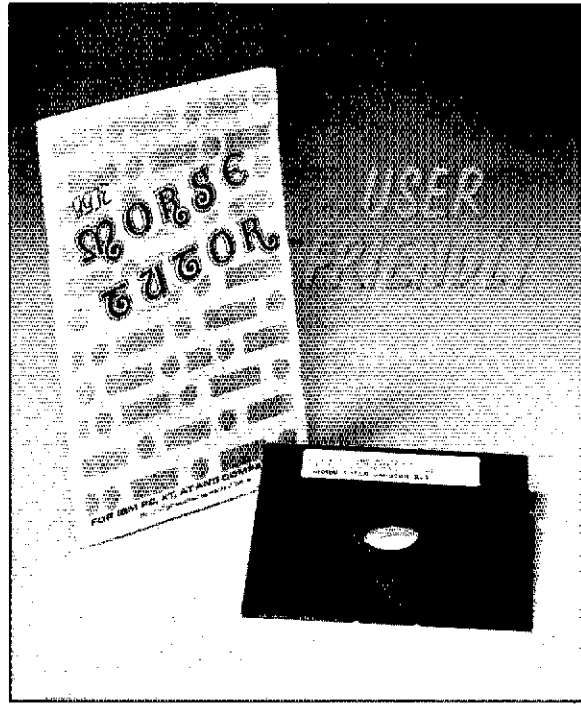
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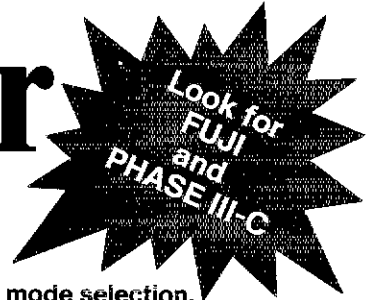
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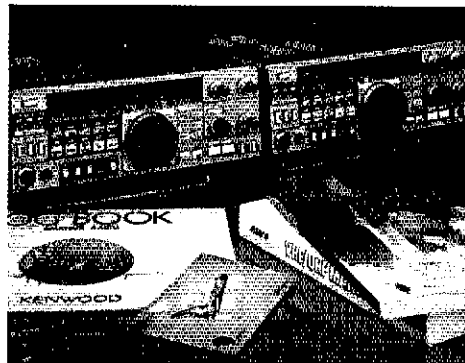
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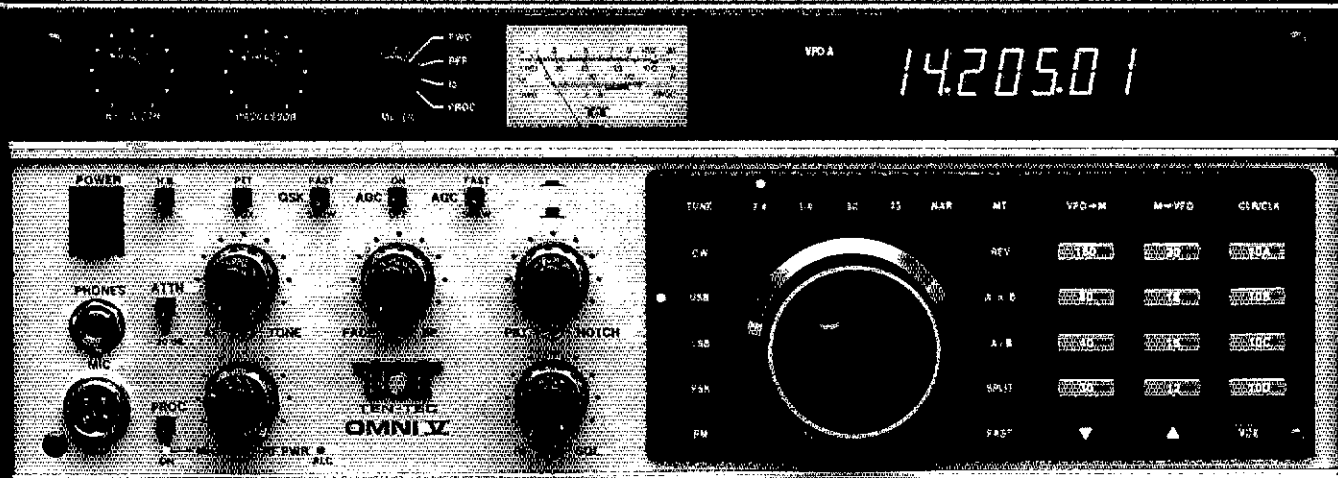
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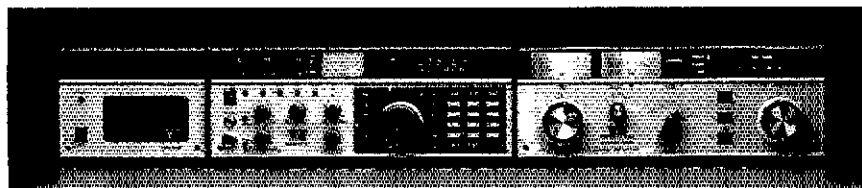
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The OMNI V is a Paragon with a 12 band crystal mixed local oscillator in place of the general coverage synthesized oscillator. The result is receiver cleanliness like the legendary Corsair and Omni series. The OMNI V local oscillator is a new ultra low noise 5.0 to 5.5 MHz PLL design. Phase noise is simply eliminated as a significant variable. Dynamic range is maintained right up to the edges of the crystal filters, even under the most adverse conditions.

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The OMNI V operates USB, LSB, fast or slow QSK CW and real FSK. FM is optional. All bands from 160 through 10 meters are push button selectable. Each band position covers 500 kHz plus 30 kHz over-shoot at the band edges. The four 500 kHz segments of the 10 meter band are switched automatically as you tune through the

The OMNI V Station with Model 961 Matching Power Supply, and the Mighty Titan Amplifier.



segment limits. Tuning is in your choice of 10 Hz or 50 Hz increments on SSB, CW and FSK. With the FM option, tuning is in 100 Hz or 500 Hz increments. Up/Down buttons tune in 10 kHz or 50 kHz increments.

An auxiliary frequency tuning system is available and plugs into the rear panel. This allows you to remotely tune the frequency from the most convenient and comfortable position. It takes about 10 ms to fall in love with this option.

A noise blanker and audio speech processor are standard equipment as is the CW sidetone and speech monitor. The rear panel has a full complement of inputs, outputs and controls for the convenience of the all-mode operator, including an auxiliary RX antenna input. High speed key lines are provided for QSK control of a fast switching amplifier, such as the TITAN or HERCULES II. Changeover in fast QSK is less than 30 ms, great for CW and the digital modes.

The front panel is spacious and friendly. The vacuum fluorescent display uses large, bright, easy to read elements. The frequency display doubles as the 24 hour clock display when the CLOCK button is pressed. Other elements indicate VFO status and warn when the memories are full.

All four of the 6.3 MHz I-F crystal filter positions are push-button selectable, independent of mode. A second filter socket is also provided, in series, behind the standard 2.4 kHz filter in the 9 MHz I-F. This may be used for an optional 2.4 kHz, 1.8 kHz, 500 Hz or 250 Hz filter which is selected with the "NARROW" button. This adds six or eight poles into the crystal filter network and

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If you do not need a general coverage receiver in your HF rig, the elegant OMNI V is a great choice. If you are also a serious DX'er and/or contesteur, the OMNI V is the best choice.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Frequency Range: Transmit and receive on all ham bands from 160 through 10 meters in their entirety. Twelve 500 kHz segments plus 30 kHz over-shoot at the upper and lower edges of the segments.

Frequency Control: LO generated from a crystal oscillator mixed with a low noise 5.0 - 5.5 MHz phase locked loop.

Frequency Stability: Worst case, 1 PPM per degree C at 29,999 MHz.

Frequency Accuracy: ± 100 Hz @ 25 degrees C.

Antenna Impedance: 50 Ohms, unbalanced.

Printed Circuit Boards: G-10 epoxy glass.

Power Required: Receive = 1.5 A. Transmit = 20 A. 12-14 Vdc.

Dimensions: HWD 5 1/4" x 14 3/4" x 17". 14.6 x 27.3 x 43.2 cm.

Net Weight: 16 lbs. 7.25 kg.

TRANSMITTER

Modes: USB and LSB (J3E), CW (A1A), FSK (F1A). Optional FM (F3E).

DC Power Input: 200 watts maximum.

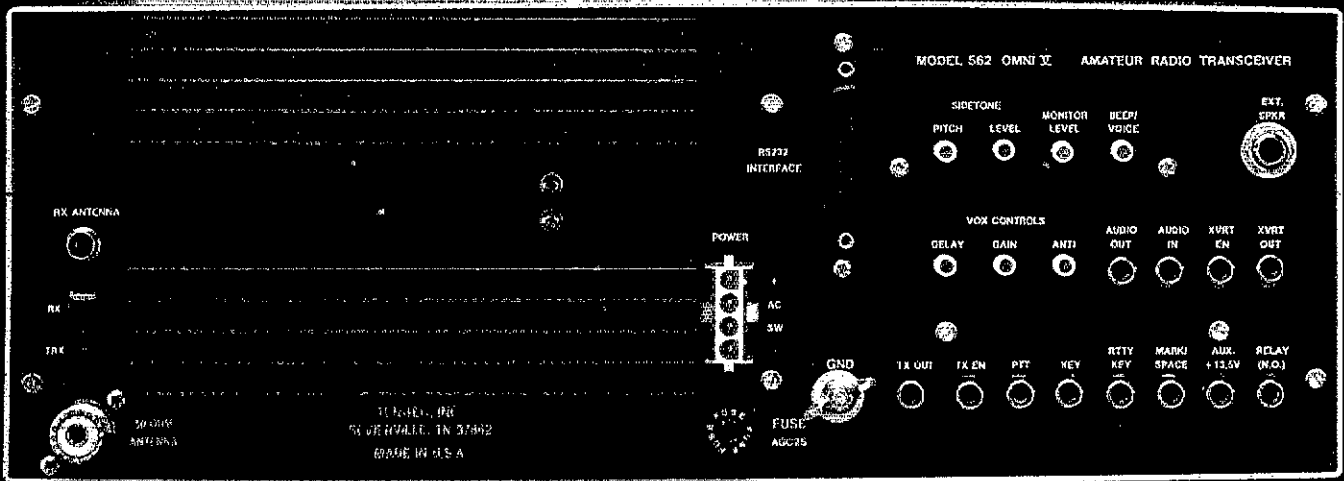
RF Power Output: ALC stabilized, adjustable from 20 watts to 100 watts (50 Ohm load) with front panel RF OUT control.

Microphone Impedance: 200 Ohms to 50k Ohms. Bias voltage for electret mic is provided in front panel connector.

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RECEIVER

Modes: LSB, USB, CW and FSK. FM with optional board.

Sensitivity: .15 uV for 10 dB signal to noise ratio at 1.8 kHz bandwidth. With FM option, .3 uV for 12 dB SINAD at 15 kHz bandwidth.

Selectivity:

	-6 dB BW	-60 dB	Shape Factor
Standard 2.4 kHz	2.4 kHz	3.36 kHz	1.87:1
Opt. 1.8 kHz	1.8 kHz	2.90 kHz	1.60:1
Opt. 500 Hz	500 Hz	1.40 kHz	2.80:1
Opt. 250 Hz	250 Hz	.85 kHz	3.40:1
Opt. FM	15 kHz	30.00 kHz	2.00:1

Attenuator: -20 dB.

I-F Frequencies: 1st I-F 9 MHz, passband tuning I-F 6.3 MHz.

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I-F Rejection: >60 dB average.

Noise Blanker: Switchable on/off with width adjustment.

Dynamic Range: 97 dB, measured with standard 2.4 kHz filter at 20 kHz spacing. 100 dB + with cw filters.

Third Order Intercept: +10 dBm.

Noise Floor: -133 dBm @ 2.4 kHz bandwidth.

Squelch Sensitivity: Less than .6 uV.

Receiver Recovery Time: Less than 30 ms.

Pass Band Tuning I-F Shift: + -2.3 kHz.

Audio Output: Speaker, 1.5 watts @ 8 Ohms.

Fixed level 1 mw @ 600 Ohms.

Notch Filter: 250 Hz to 2.2 kHz, greater than 50 dB notch depth.

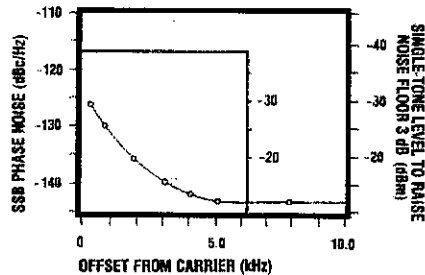
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Tone Control: Variable 15 dB roll-off @ 5 kHz.

PHASE NOISE PERFORMANCE OF THE OMNI V

-127 dBc/Hz @ 250 Hz offset from carrier.

-146 dBc/Hz @ 5 kHz offset from carrier.



Here is a graph of the phase noise performance of the OMNI V receiver. These measurements can only be made under laboratory conditions and, even then, our test equipment is at the limit of its ability to measure the noise at the narrow offsets. The significant measurements are those close-in. Note that this graph does not even go out to 25 kHz offset where many of the published measurements are made. Certainly, we invite comparison.

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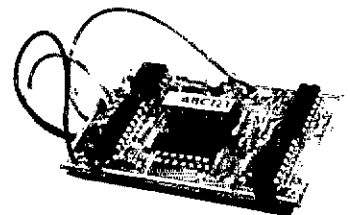
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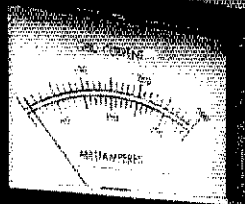
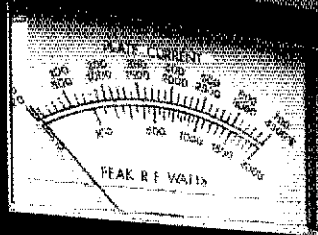
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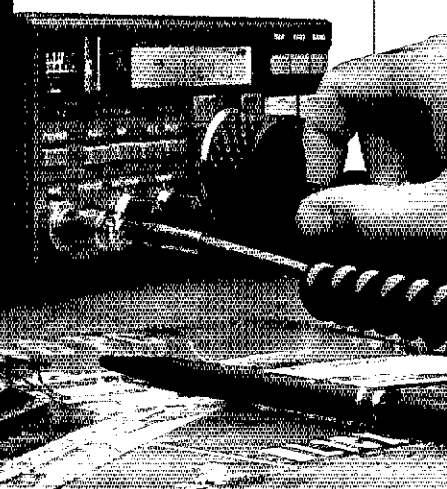
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Two of our first micros, PACSAT and LUSAT, will employ a BBS/Packet mailbox with four uplink channels on 2-meters FM and one downlink channel on 70cm SSB. Ground station requirements to operate both these and future satellites are a pair of compact VHF/UHF multi-mode transceivers, two small antennas, a personal computer, and a satellite-compatible modem/TNC (a Manchester-encoded FSK modulator and a BiPhase Shift Keying demodulator). Another microsat, DOVE, will feature SKI TREK'ers monitored on their ICOM handhelds. DOVE's digitalker, however, will be specially orientated for amateur radio use. Tuning in DOVE with ICOM's new IC-2SAT FM handheld will be easy. Program its 24 hour clock to switch the rig on at "orbit time," it reminds you of the action, and it switches itself off after a pass. That's truly today's most intelligent handheld!

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ICOM manufactures two versions of the IC-275. Units with "A" designations feature an internal AC supply, rear DC socket, and deliver 25 watts output. The IC-275H delivers 100 watts output and the IC-475H is 75 watts output. Each "H" model is powered by ICOM's external PS-55AC supply.

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Since the CT-16 satellite adapter operates with several ICOM transceivers for mode A, B, J, K and L, a brief switch-setting or "rig specifying" procedure is necessary at its time of installation. Use our accompanying chart or your rig's

manuals to determine each transceiver's address, then set the CT-16's switches accordingly. Remember, the CT-16's left switch's address should agree with the transceiver you plug into the CT-16's left socket, and the right switch's address should correspond to that of the rig-connected to the right socket. You are now ready for top-notch satellite action.

If you experience problems, double-check each transceiver's internal addressing switches with this page's figure and reset them as necessary. Remember, too, previous owners of used rigs could have changed internal addresses. If you need further guidance or own a rig not listed in our figure, simply call ICOM's service hotline at (206) 454-7619 for friendly assistance.

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Fig. 1 - Binary addresses of transceivers.

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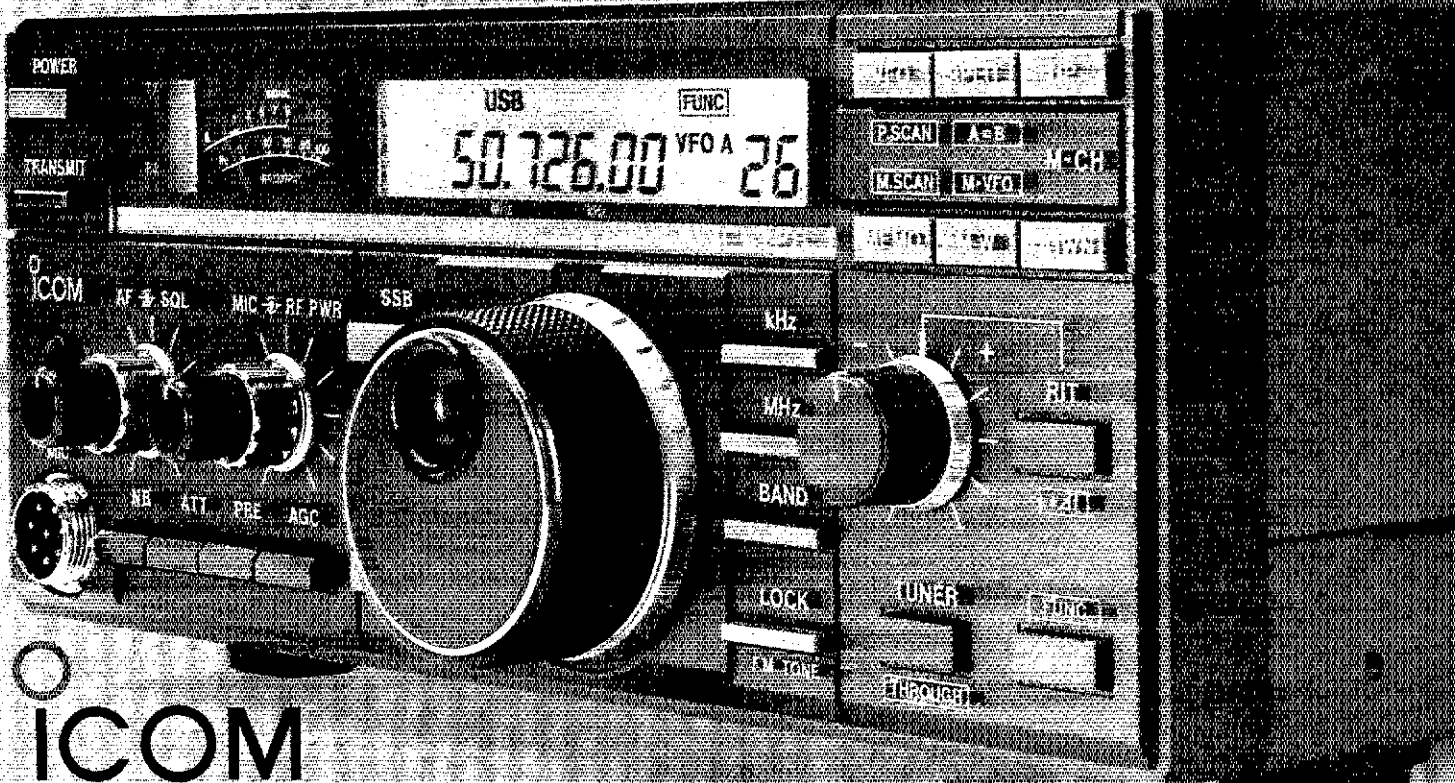
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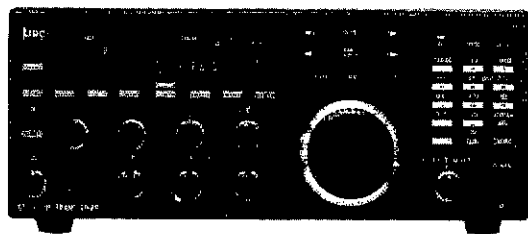
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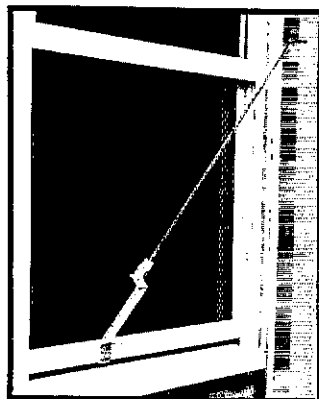
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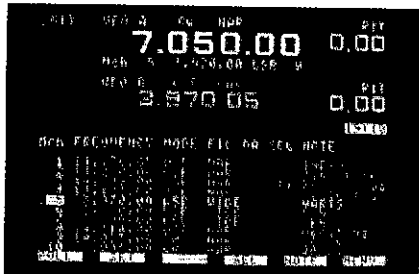
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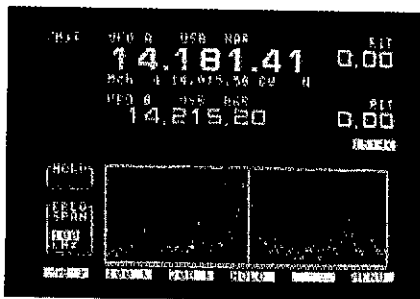
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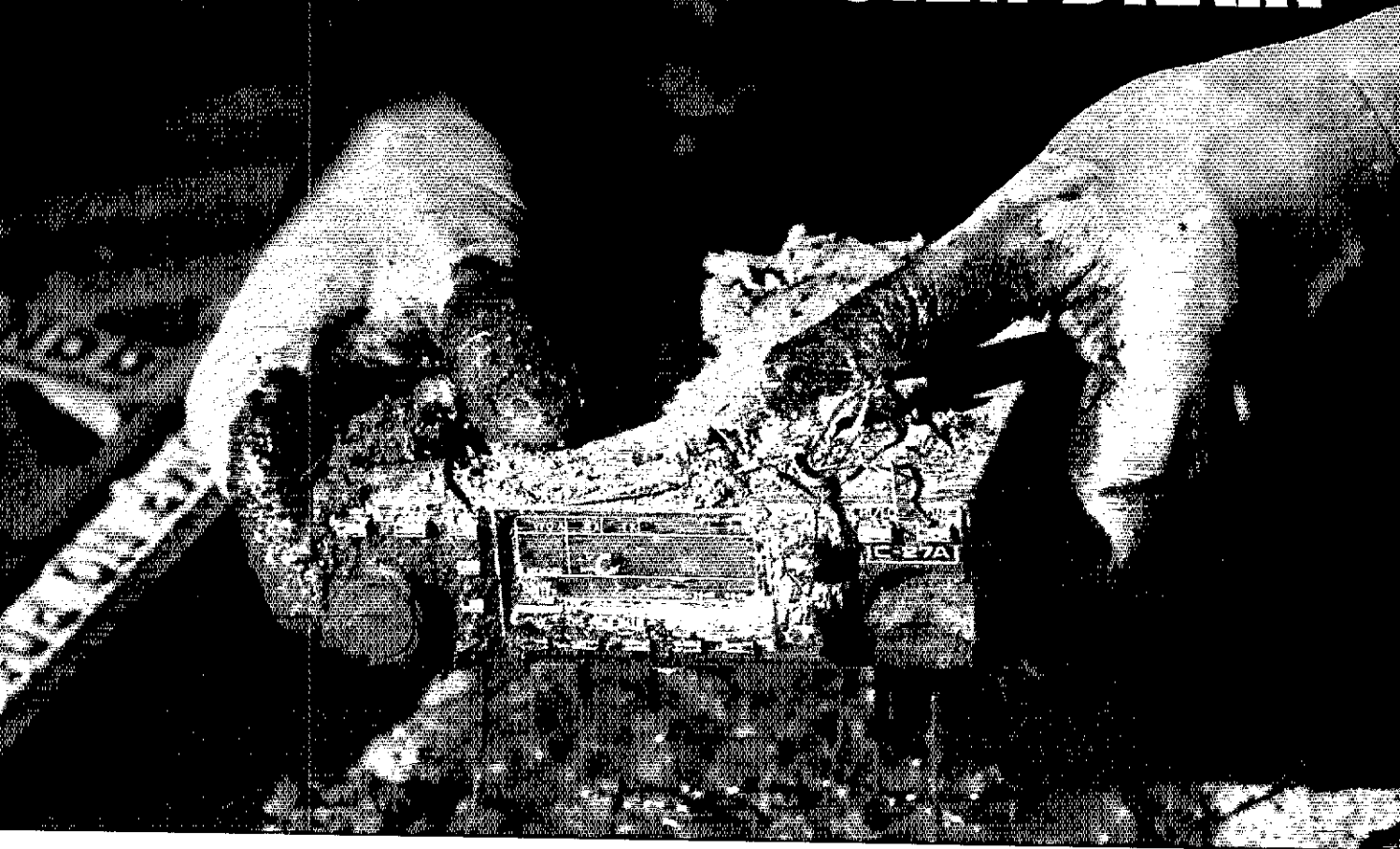
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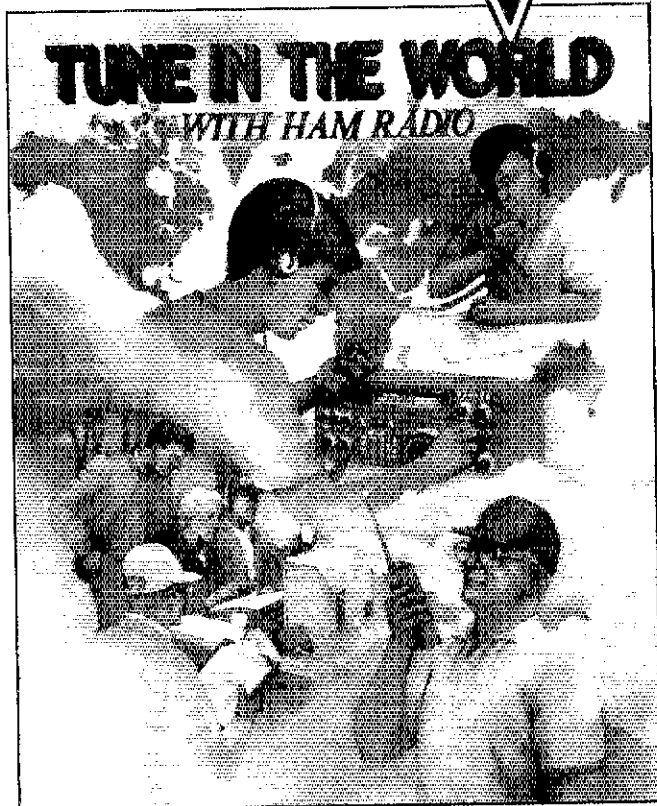
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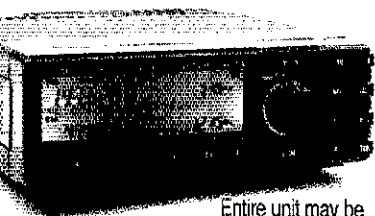
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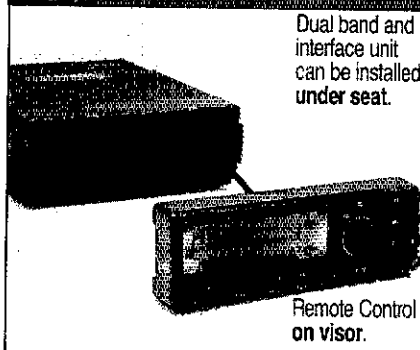
OPTION 2

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Remote Control on visor.

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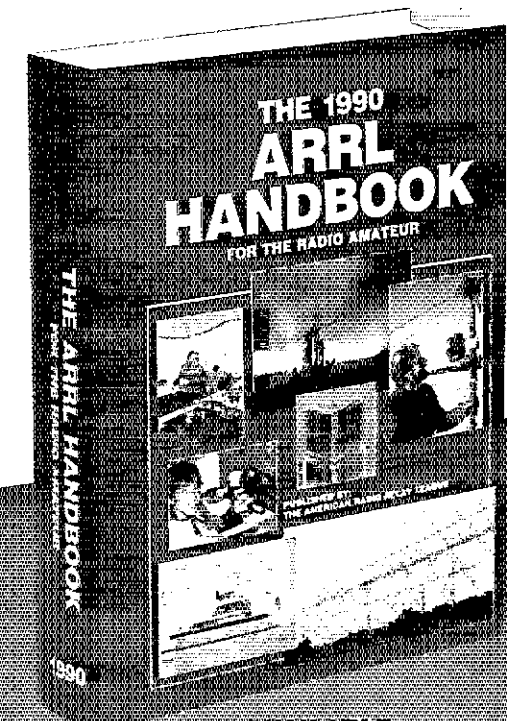
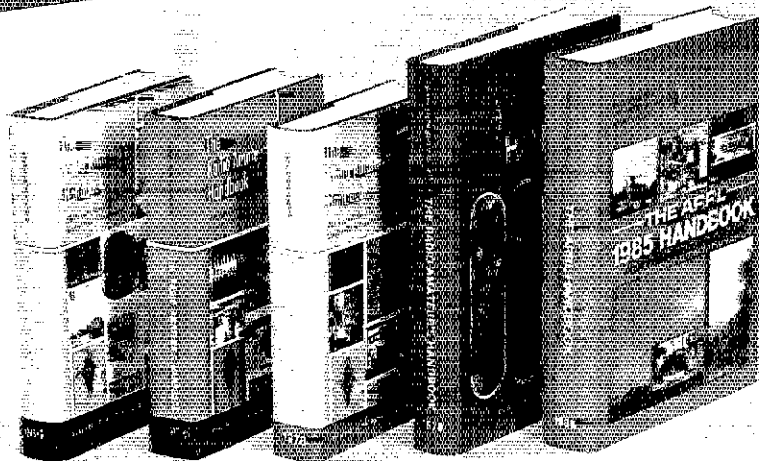
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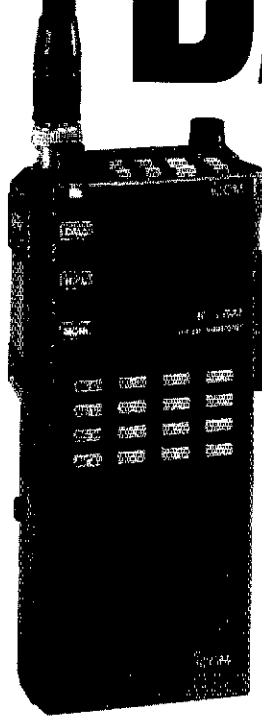
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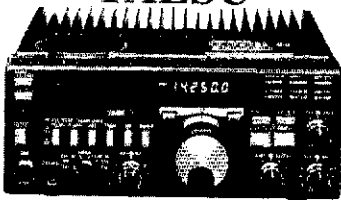
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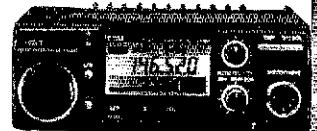
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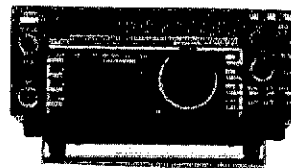
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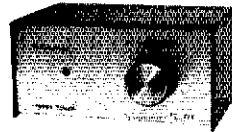
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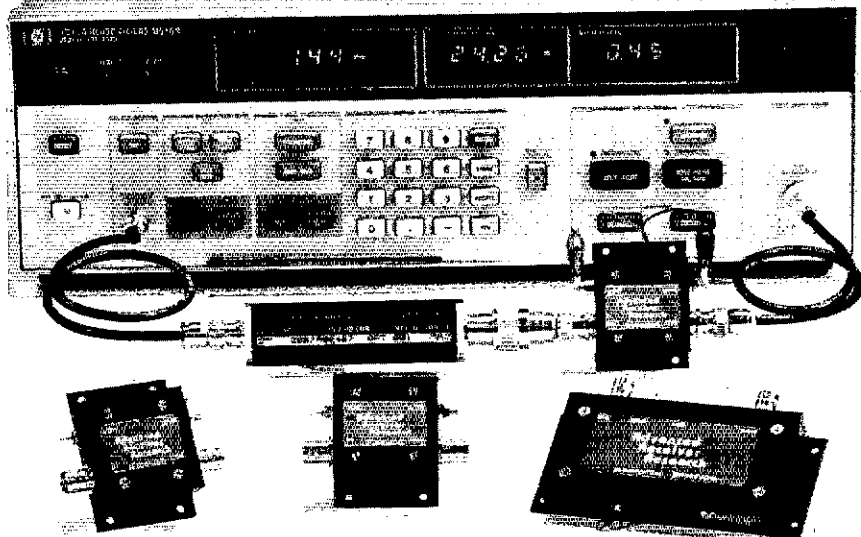
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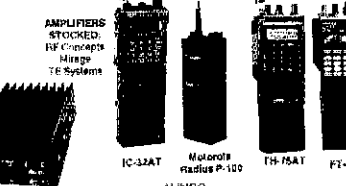
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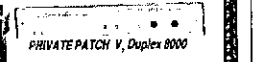
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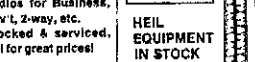
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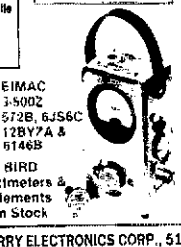
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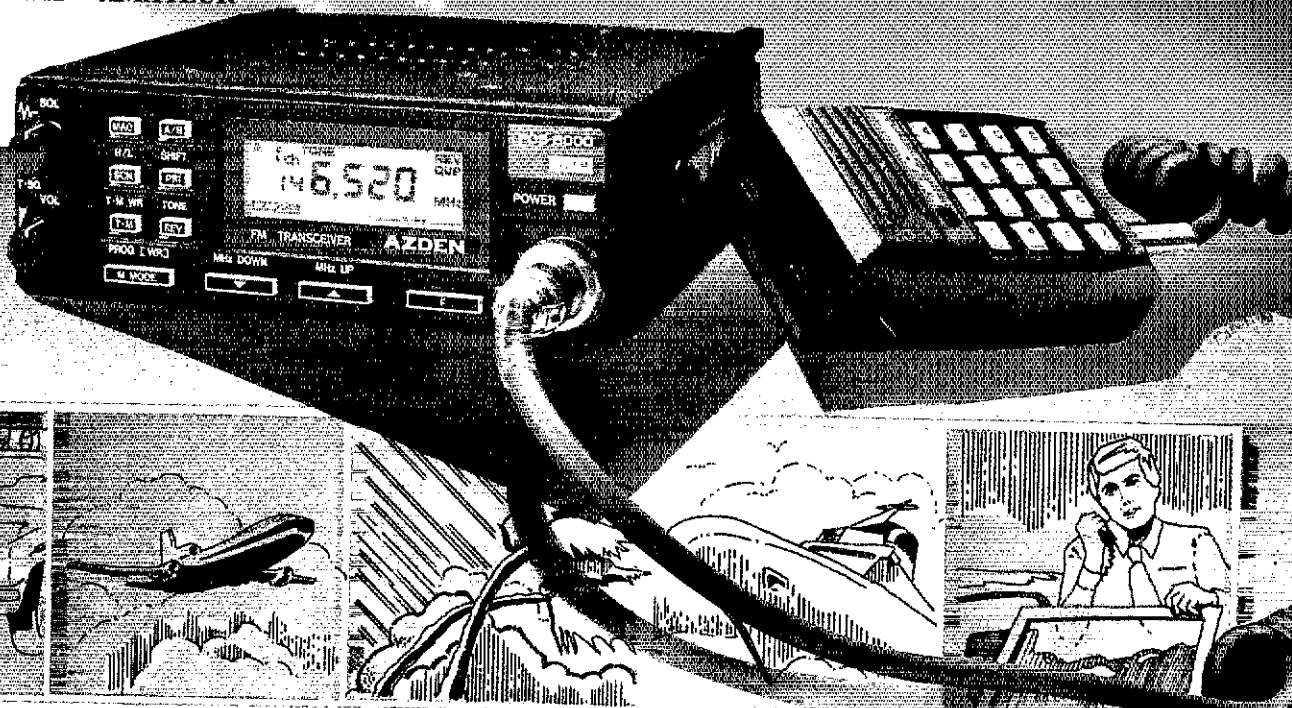
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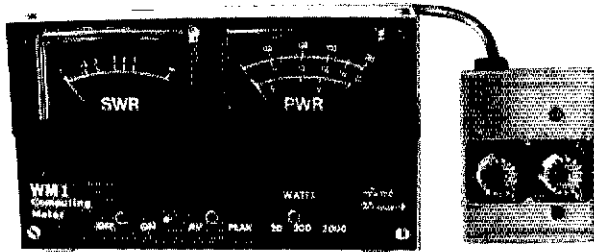
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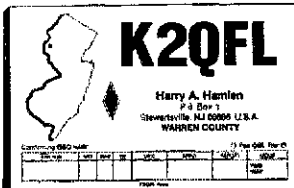
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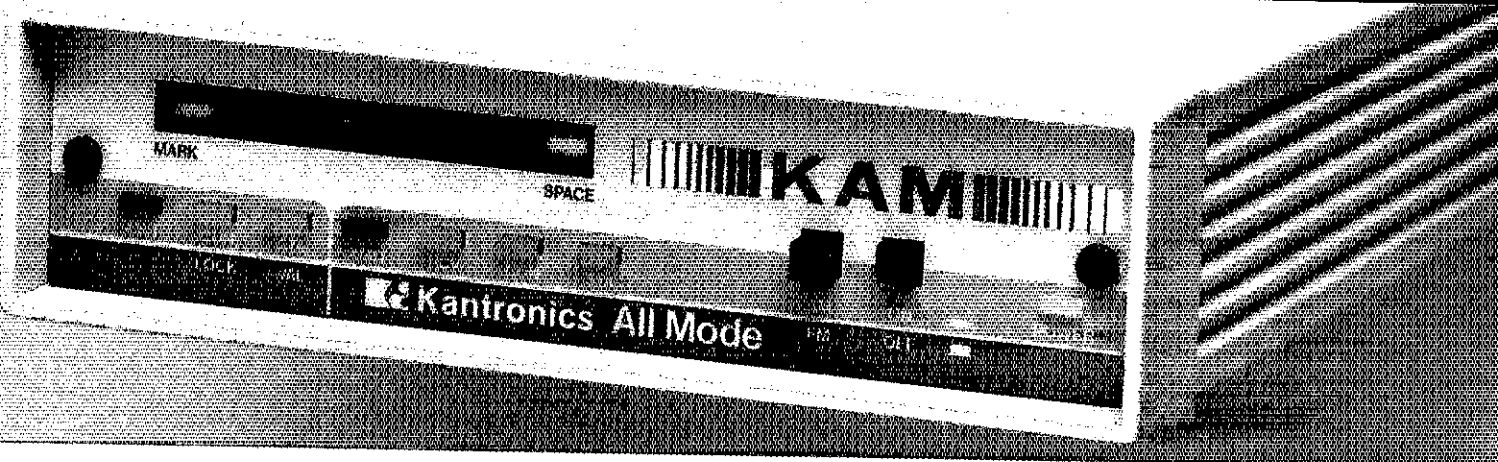
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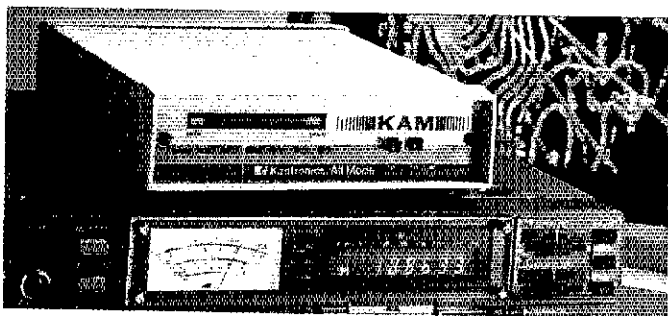
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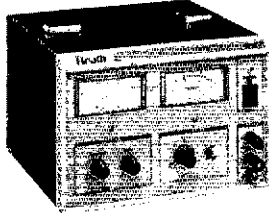
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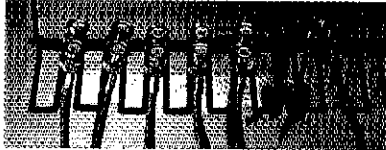


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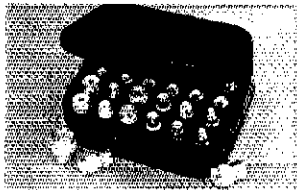
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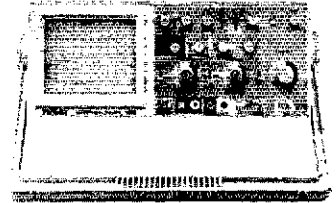
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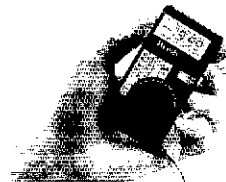
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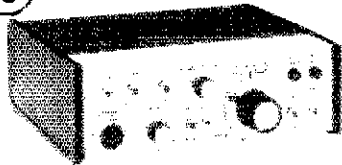
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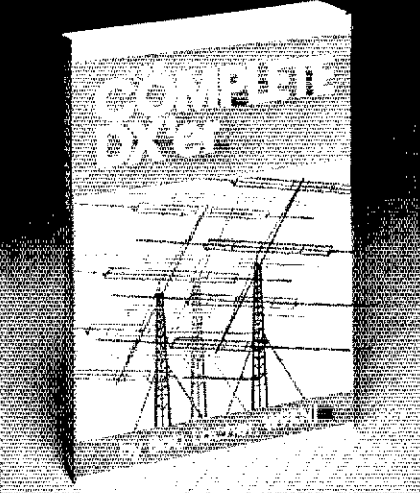
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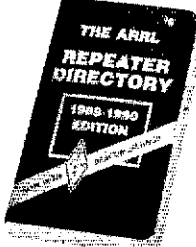
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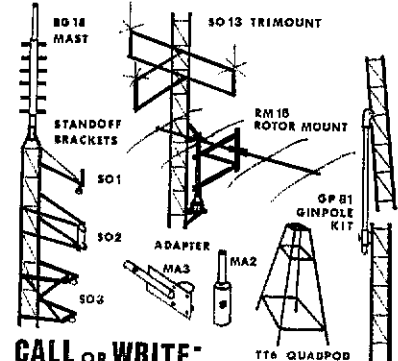
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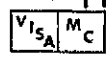
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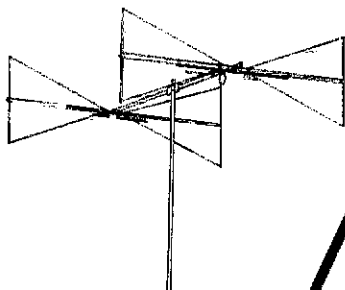
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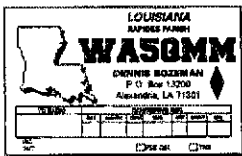
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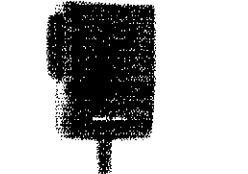
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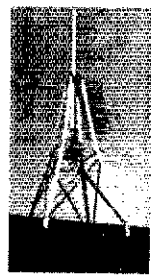
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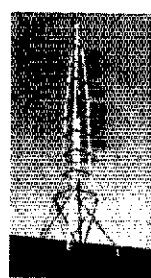
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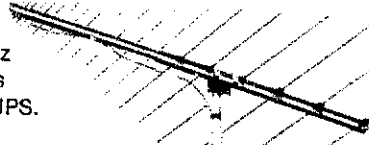
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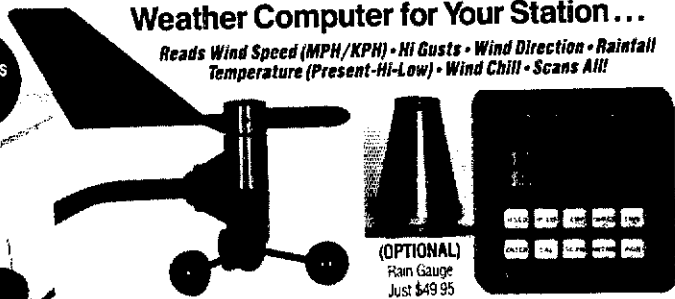
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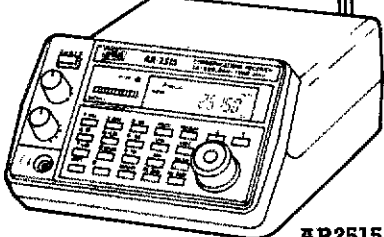
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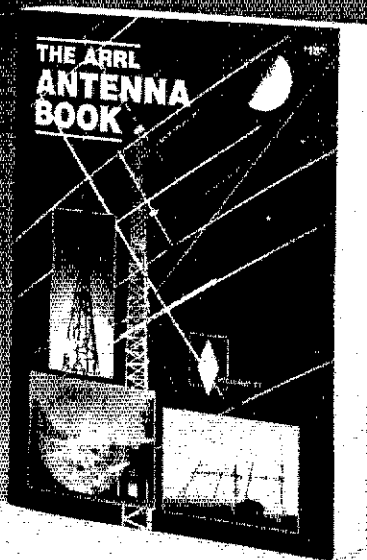


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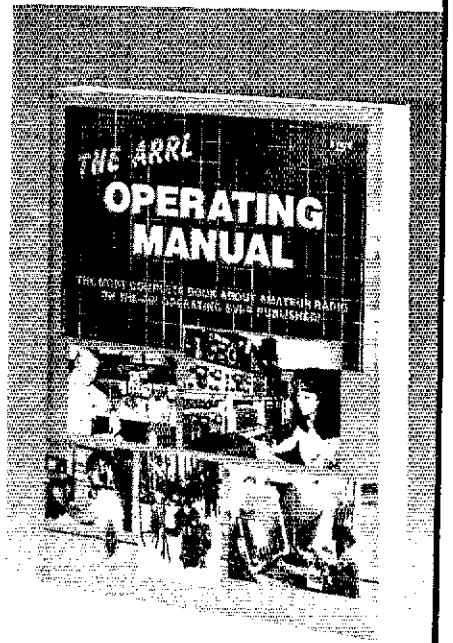


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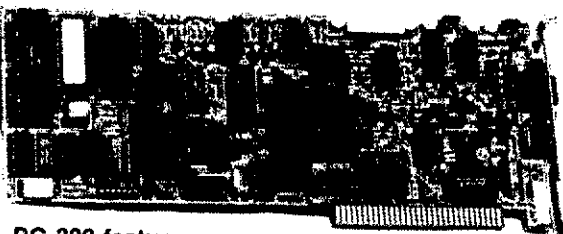
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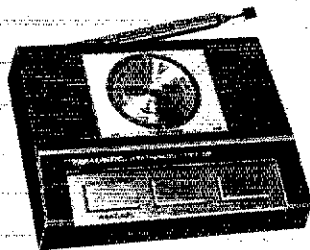
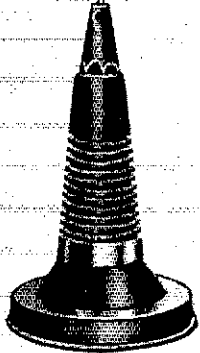
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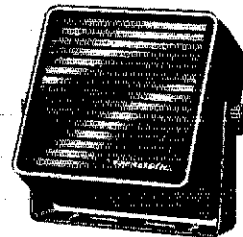
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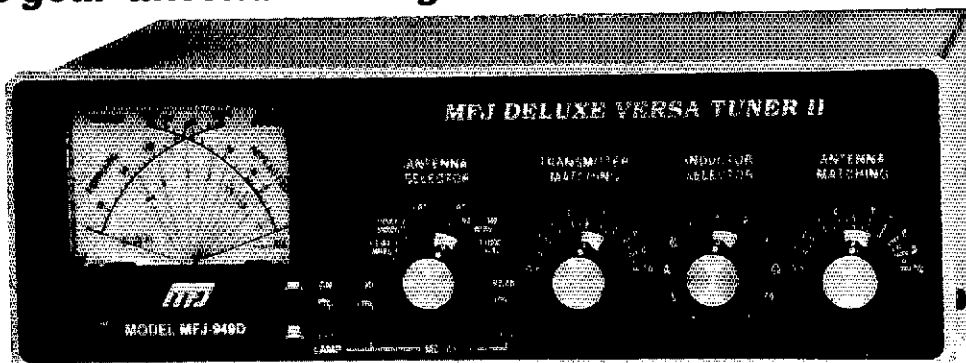
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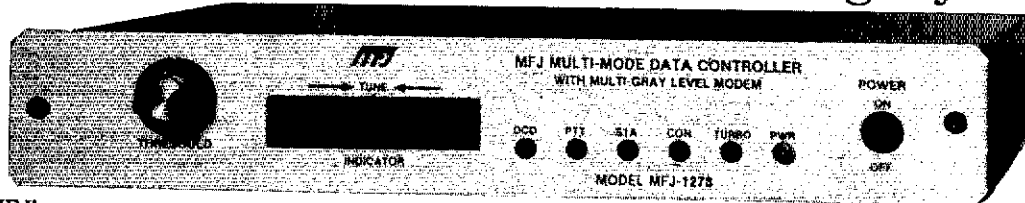
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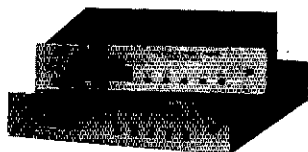
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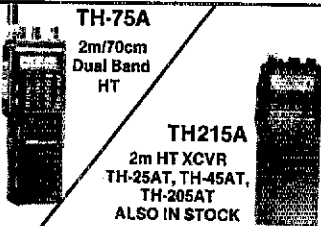
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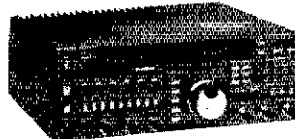
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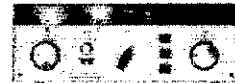
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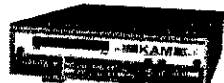
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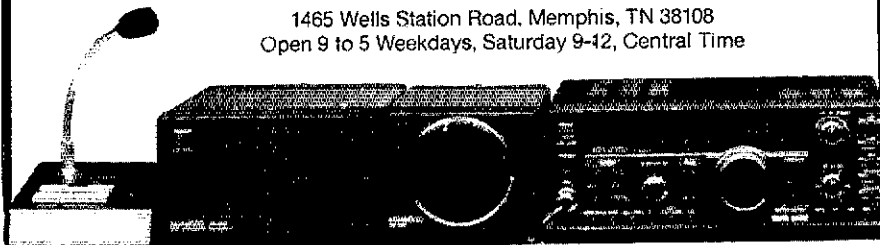
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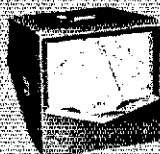
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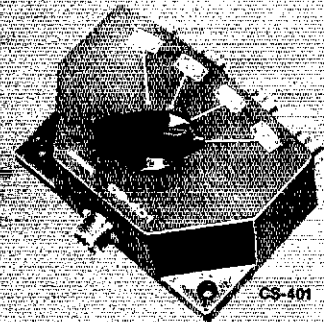
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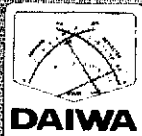


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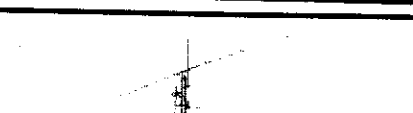
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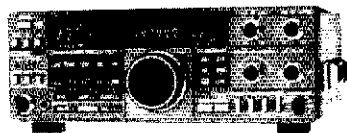
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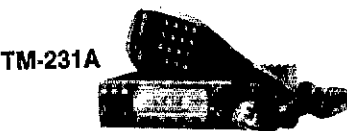
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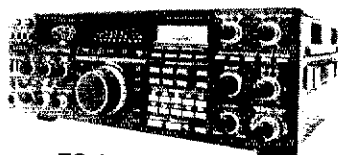
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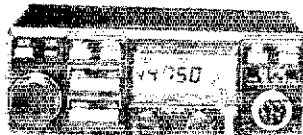
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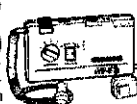
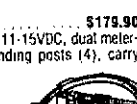
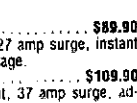
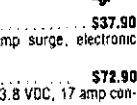
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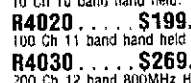
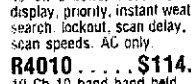
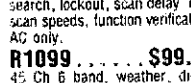
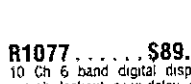
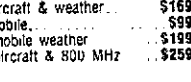
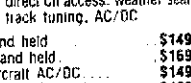
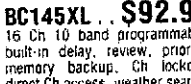
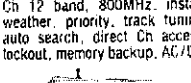
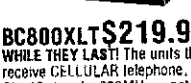
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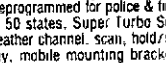
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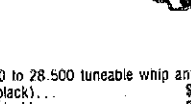
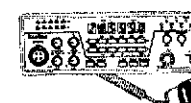
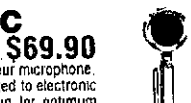
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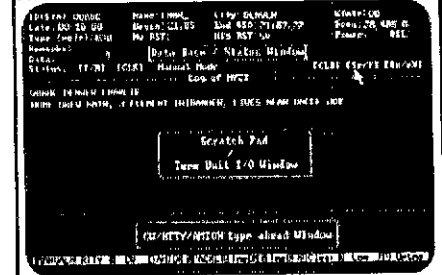
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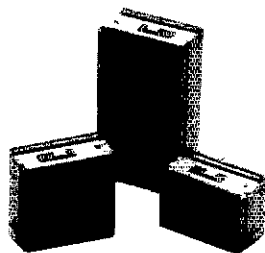


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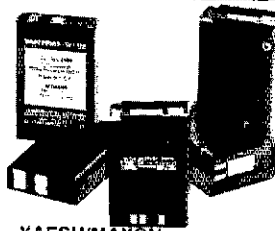


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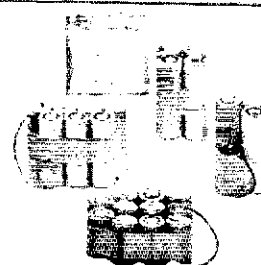
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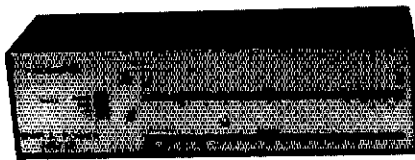


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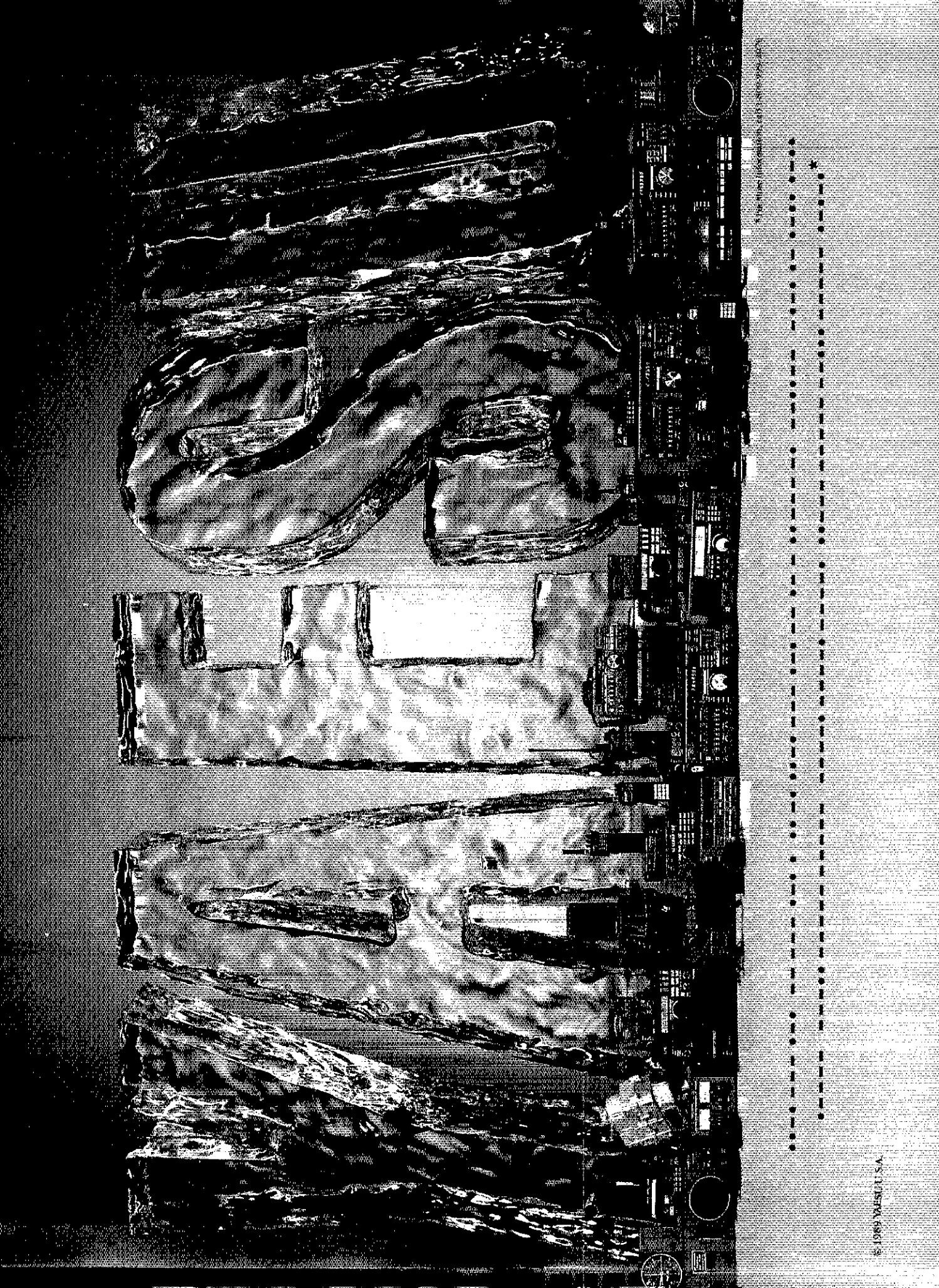
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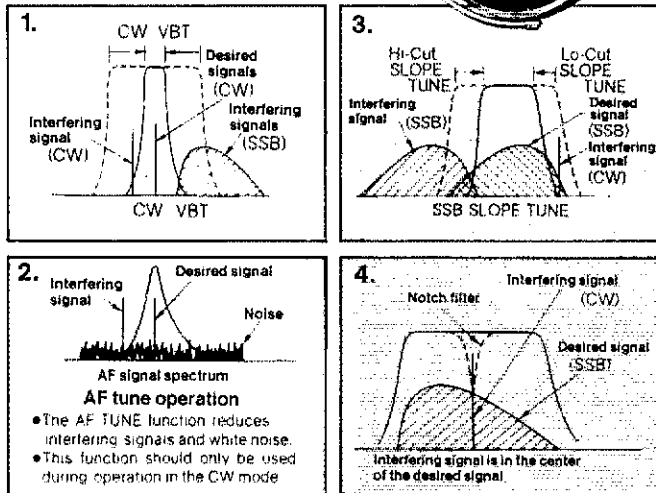
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