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The next meeting is Saturday September 29th at noon, Shakey's Pizza Parlor, 2000 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Manhattan Beach (near TRW Swap meet)!

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Plans for this year's CQWW DX Contests are shaping up. Marty, N6VI, is organizing another contest expedition by SCCCers to XE2SI. He is looking for operators and equipment- if you are interested in helping, fill out the form found elsewhere in this bulletin and return it to Marty ASAP!

Also, other SCCCers are working on plans to go on other expeditions.

Lets beat our club score of 1982, our best ever to date. Now is the time to get your station ready for those big winter contests. Everyone's score, no matter how large or small, is needed. Put in all the time you can in both the Phone and CW contests, (CQWW) send your logs in to the contest committees and a copy of your summary sheet to me (Don't forget to indicate "Southern Cal Contest Club" on the logs). It is imperative that you send me a copy of your summary sheets!

CQ now stipulates that a club officer must send a list of participating stations and their scores beginning this year

If you don't have a competitive station and could do better elsewhere, you are in luck! There will be several Multi-singles/multi-multi's where you can help. Let me know and I will help you get a place to operate from.

C'mon GUYS ---LETS SCCCORE IN 84 !! 73's, Dennis NE6I

SCCC NOTES

The contest season is upon us! The club will be concentrating on CQWW this year so please be ready! But keep in mind, the NA Sprints, the California QSO Party, and the Sweepstakes are all in the next couple months too!

The WASP Team will not exist during the Sprints this time around. Instead, Mark, WA6OTU is organizing an SCCC Team.

XE2SI officially took fourth place in the world among multi-multi's in the 1983 CQWW Phone. W6YA (oper. by N6NI) took first on 21MHZ, W6AM (oper. by N6AW) took third on 7MHZ and K6SE took first in California on 1.8MHZ. (Earl, K6SE recently earned DXCC on 1.8MHZ as well- congratulations Earl!) A nice writeup on the XE2SI (SCCC group) appears in the results (Sept. 84 CQ Magazine).

ARRL has scheduled a CW QSO Party the same weekend as the CAL QSO Party--UNBELIEVABLE!! (MARTY--PLEASE RECOMMEND A CHANGE!) Should confuse things for us. Every red blooded Californian will be in the CQP rather than the ARRL contest though!

AREA REPORT

Los Angeles

Ah, back home at last! Santa Fe was quite a lot of fun, but I'm happy to be back. I did become very familiar with a Collins KWM-380, which I'm beginning to think needs to be my next radio. Boy, what a radio it is. It has its problems, granted, no QSK and the tuning rates are kind of awkward, but the thing that makes it worth its weight in gold is its receiver. The factory filters, combined with the 10Hz tuning steps make it virtually impossible to miss any signal unless you really work at it, and those filters are so good that you can really attack interference from loud signals very close in frequency. The radio just takes a little getting used to, that's all.

Well, the 84-85 contest season is at hand. the fellows I've spoken to recently sound like they're all making good progress toward being well prepared. What about You? Remember the antenna work offer to L.A. OPS: call me with a bit of advance notice for an antennae party, provide pizza and beer, and I'll take care of rounding up the eager souls who like to do that sort of stuff.

At present we are still anticipating some major work at W6AQ and W6UE to better those two stations for competition. Honing the blade, so to speak. Also in the works are a complete 40 meter portable antennae system, which will pack on the back of my pick-up and be erected in 15 minutes to a half hour (especially with Mexico in mind!) and will be fully rotatable. Have Quad will travel.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the next meeting, after the swapmeet in September. We need a good turnout, and we'll get one if you'll come on down the the swapmeet then head over for lunch around the corner afterwards, SEE YOU THERE! 73, Mark WA6OTU

AREA REPORTS

ORANGE COUNTY

Sorry for the delay in the Orange county report, too many hours at work, too many contests, too busy and a great vacation in KH6. In between getting my contest logs prepared, I've been furiously hacking on the C-64 to get several contest related programs functional.

Last May I had an experience that might be of interest to all of you. I read the results of the 1983 CQWW WPX test only to find that after 30 hours in front of a screaming radio had vaulted me into a first place finish in the disqualified category. I had spent two weeks preparing the logs (long hand, no computer), I was a bit confused. I wrote to Steve Bolia, N8BJQ, the new director of the contest, to obtain an explanation of the excessive unverifiable QSO's. Steve replied with a list of 29 calls out of the 1377 submitted that were not allowed. This represented 2.1% of the total and I thought I had been DQ'd for being over the 2%. The problem was that someone had been having fun with me by working me with phoney calls. Not being a prefix hunter I hadn't realized that I was had by someone having fun with me. Steve's letter stated "when in doubt, strike it out and submit it on a separate list". This poses a serious problem in this contest. Can you identify valid prefixes? I was also ineligible for 2 years. I called Steve and he said a letter was on the way allowing me to participate again. He stated that others had the same problems but not enough to put them over the 2% mark. I must admit that my log had some un-removed dupes, w's & K's that don't count for points but do count for multipliers.

Steve turned out to be a real nice guy who is dedicated to preserve some integrity to the WPX contest which has apparently had alot of gross abuse. Steve is moving to Edwards AFB and may join SCCC. 1983 was Steve's first year as director of WPX, not an easy job, and I wish him GOOD LUCK!

Learn from my experience and carefully eliminate your dupes and questionable calls when submitting logs. Computers work wonders!

This years FIELD DAY was as much fun as last years and we were near the same QTH signing "NI6W 3A ORG". We bettered our 2nd place score from last year. The novice station was N6JKR. The equipt. consisted of 5-transceivers, 9-monoband antennaes, 4-towers and lots of misc. supporting gear. SCORING:

	CW	PHONE
80	60	50
40	509	244
20	779	602
15	225	581
10	Ø	27
novice	57	2mtr 5
	1660	1509

Operators:AI6E,K6CYX,KM9P,KV6O,KZ6E,N6CCE,NI6W,WA6JAH,N6JKR,WD6BSB
We had a great time and plan to repeat nxt year. Interested?

Bill Fisher,KM9P, was working out here for the summer. He usually OP's from K4VX, KRØY or at home. Bill and I went to W6KUT,my usual contest QTH and signed W23KUT for Radio Sport. Tallied 2506 Q's, 106 Mult.'s, heat prostration, an Icom with blown front end and a linear suffering from the "CHINA SYNDROME". We left my dad with a sizable electric bill, several un-used beers and a HUGE QSL CHORE!

GOOD LUCK & 73, KURT NI6W

AREA REPORTS

San Diego

We still need a representative for this area but I was down there recently so here is what's happening.

I was down for the ALL ASIAN CW and worked about 500 JA's on 40m w/71 mult. conditions were fair at best. On Sunday W6YA held his annual So. Cal. San Diego DX Club BASH. This is always a great gathering, with many DX and Contest heavy-weights swapping war stories. N6ND was carrying several pictures of a mountain top QTH he may soon inhabit. N6VI was discussing this year's XE effort. K6UA was working on the CQWW CW. W6AM was passing out cards from FOØDCW. N6CW was telling abt how much fun the VP2VDH crew had beating XE2SI. N6AA and N6TJ discussed the possibility of a trip to YBØ for CQWW Phone. For the CW weekend Dick will be at 9Y4 and Jim will be at EA9. I checked out the FOX TANGO SSB filter in W6YA's TS930, definitely not for the gentlemen DX'er, and made sure the beer barrel didn't get too full. Those of you who didn't make it should plan for the end of August next year.

I attended the S.D.D.X. Club meeting, the end of July, to see Phil YBØARA. He showed a short video he made of his old and new QTH. The new place is out in the country with lots of water around it. He's got one 100 ft. tower up now and is planning for more. He is going to up-grade his low band sys so he can hear better on 80 and 160. Phil also explained his real time computer logging sys he uses for contests. He has a hard time staffing his station and would love to have some stateside OPS for some of the major contests. (Everyone seems to have a staffing problem! ED.) All you need to do is buy a round trip fare to Djakarta (about 1100.) and Phil will take care of the rest. (Rumor has it that GXO is going for CQWW Phone.)

With all the GUNS in San Diego we ought to be able to find a Area Coordinator. It is an easy job!

73's from Your Roaming Reporter Kurt NI6W

NORTH COUNTIES

It seems that we all have been super busy in 1984. I have been trying to complete a room addition so I can start on my new 400 sq. ft. radio room. N6VR, Ray, has been upgrading his station and now is sporting 5-elem on 20 and 2-elem on 40 at 80 ft. on his new tower. Ray and I got it going a couple days before All Asian CW. His station, perched on a hill overlooking the Ojai Valley, has the promise of being one of the better contest sites in Ventura County. We operated WPX CW as AK6A from there and it works real good. I operated N23ADI multi/multi for 30 hours in All Asian CW with 1500+ QSO's. I was very active from 1 July thru 31 Aug using N23ADI and tallied over 13K QSO's mostly on CW from the Olympic Rowing site. (abt 3 miles away actually).

I am planning a major member drive in the North Counties this Fall and will be visiting various ARC's. I would like to join the XE2SI crew this fall and hope you do too. Anyone interested in contesting in the smog free country contact me. We are always crying for help so don't be bashful. It is always a major effort to find operators for some reason. Good Luck in the coming contests.

73's SKI N6ADI

TEST EQUIPMENT
Marty Woll N6VI

I have recently acquired a Hewlett-Packard 608-D vhf signal generator and a 415-B swr meter, thanks to some poking around at the swap meets. Although hardly state-of-the-art any more, it all works. One of the things I can do with this setup is measure insertion loss in lengths of coax, relays, switches, filters, etc. and port-to-port isolation in relays and switches, all to within a fraction of a dB. I have found this capability very helpful in finding faulty components and evaluating newly acquired ones.

I would like to make this modest test facility available to other club members. If you need to run any of the above-described tests give me a call and I will be happy to arrange a time for you to bring the subject hardware to my home, where we can check it out. Sorry I can't make house calls, but the generator isn't very portable (too big and heavy).

I would also like to encourage other club members to let us know what they might have available in the way of test gear (either at home or readily available at work) by dropping a note to the bulletin editor. I hope this will spread and become a valuable benefit of membership. By sharing our technical resources we can help improve the quality and effectiveness of our collective stations.

CONVENTION PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The contest forum at this year's ARRL Southwestern Division Convention in Santa Maria will be held Saturday morning, October 13. The forum, hosted by N6VI, will start off with a screening of "To Win the World", a film profiling the efforts of the crew of K2GL's million-dollar mountaintop station in Tuxedo Park, New York, to defend its championship in a recent worldwide dx contest (including the raising of a 4-element 80 meter yagi onto a 200 foot tower!)

Following the film will be a slide show highlighting various major contest operations from both domestic and dx locations. The forum will finish with a discussion of issues currently under consideration by the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee.

SCCC members are encouraged to attend the convention and the forum. For those who cannot make it to Santa Maria, the film only will also be presented at the Thursday night, October 11 meeting of the Southern California DX Club at the DWP building in downtown Los Angeles.

SUNDAY MORNING OCT. 14 AT ONE OF THE SPECIAL INTEREST BREAKFASTS AT THE ARRL SOUTHWESTERN DIV. CONVENTION, SKI NBADI WILL PRESENT A PROGRAM ON BELIZE AND THE DX JUNKIES. ALL ARE WELCOME....

JOIN XE2SI AND THE SCCC WINNING TEAM IN MEXICO FOR CQWW PHONE & CW IN 1984 ! (SEE OTHER SIDE FOR DETAILS) --BE RADIO ACTIVE !!!----

MEXICO--AGAIN IN 1984?

Last year several members of SCCC went south of the border to operate the CQ WW DX phone and cw contests. We had a great time and racked up some pretty impressive scores. Well, the members of XE2BC who so graciously assisted us in site authorization and getting through the border check quickly are again willing to help smoothe the way for us this year.

In order to minimize the last-minute fire drills of last year, I am starting to plan now for the operations in the fall. I would thus like to get an indication of your interest as soon as possible. (Both those who joined us last year and those who could not are encouraged to get involved.) Would you please take a few minutes to complete the form below and return it to me? Thanks for your time, and I look forward to your response. 73.

Marty Woll N6VI

 From _____
 (name) (call) (home telephone nr)

-- I am interested in joining the group for phone (Oct. 26-28)
 -- I am interested in joining the group for cw (Nov. 23-25)
 -- Sorry, I can't join you either weekend (but can provide equip-
 ment listed below)

Band(s) you prefer to operate _____ __no preference
 Would you act as a band captain? _____ band(s) _____

Equipment you can provide (indicate quantity if more than one):

Tx/rx _____ cw filter? _____ speech proc? _____

Amplifier _____
 description 220? 110? description 220? 110?

Keiver _____ 24hr clock _____
 mem? ac? dc? ac? dc?

Bandpass filters _____ preamps _____

Antennas: band description (mfr, #el) mast size range
 _____ _____ _____
 _____ _____ _____
 _____ _____ _____

Coax (type, length, connectors) _____

Rotors _____
 r-cable(ft) #cond's

Towers/masts (length, diam) _____

Tables/chairs _____ ac outlet strips _____

Generator: _____
 kw 220? 110? gas/diesel? tank gal's on trailer?

Truck/camper/trailer/tent _____ use for op. position? _____

Cook stove? _____ toilet? _____ sleeps(#) _____ water supply? _____

Can carry antennas/tower sections? _____ trailer hitch? _____ in. _____

Other _____
 (guys, rope, gas & water cans, climbing belt, tools, etc.)

VIEWS & THE BANDS

BY N6ADI "SKI"

IN FUTURE ISSUES THE FORMAT OF THE BULLETIN WILL BE CHANGED, HOPEFULLY FOR THE BETTER, AND I WOULD LIKE ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE. THESE CHANGES WILL BE ONLY IN THE FORMAT AND I PLAN ON ADDING A FEW REGULAR ARTICLES. THE NAME WILL REMAIN AS VOTED ON BY ALL OF YOU. I WILL ACCEPT FOR PUBLICATION ANY INPUTS YOU HAVE; BE THEY ANNOUNCEMENTS, ARTICLES, ITEMS FOR SALE OR COPIES OF ARTICLES YOU THINK THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP IS INTERESTED IN. ONE OF THE AREAS I PLAN TO COVER IS THE COMPUTER AND THE CONTESTER/DX'ER. I OWN A COMMODORE AND HAVE RECENTLY PROGRAMED IT FOR WPX AND OTHER CONTESTS. I THINK THAT IT WOULD BENEFIT US ALL TO COVER WHAT PROGRAMS ARE OUT THERE AND POSSIBLY SHARE OUR SOFTWARE RELATING TO CONTESTING AND DX'ING.

THE BANDS ARE NOT VERY HOT RIGHT NOW BUT THERE ARE SOME VERY RARE ONES ON THE BANDS. CE0AA ON PHONE AND CW ON ALL THE BANDS. N6VR RPTED WORKING THEM ON LIST ON 80MTR PHONE THE 19TH OF SEPT AT 1AM LOCAL PDT. I WKED THEM THE FIRST DAY ON 20MTR PHONE 14.236 NET LIST OPERATION. THEY ARE COMPETANT CW BUT SPEAK ONLY SPANISH SO ARE BEING LISTED ON PHONE. I THINK LISTS STINK BUT WHEN THEY ARE THE ONLY PEOPLE THERE I WILL WORK THEM ANYWAY I CAN AS I AM SURE YOU WILL DO IF YOU NEED THEM FOR A NEW ONE. SUIER IS ACTIVE AND I NEED THEM. CALL ME COLLECT IF YOU HAPPEN TO HEAR THEM ON. 4K1A & B HAVE BEEN WKING 40CW AROUND 1300Z LATELY AND THERE ARE SOME GOOD ONES IN THE WORKS.

AFTER ALL THE BAD RAPS THAT YV0AA HAS BEEN GETTING THE CARDS SEEM TO BE ARRIVING SO BE A LITTLE PATIENT.

I WILL MAIL THE NEXT ISSUE A WEEK TO 10 DAYS PRIOR TO THE NEXT MEETING. THIS IS BEING DONE TO REMIND YOU OF THE MEETING AND MEETING PLACE JUST BEFORE IT HAPPENS. IF YOU GOT THE BULLETIN ANY EARLIER YOU MIGHT FORGET ABOUT THE MEETING. GOOD DX AND CONTESTING. 73'S SKI (ed.)