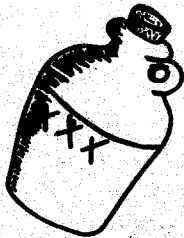


The Contest JUG



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All the news that's fit to trash...

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EAST COAST SUCKS NO MORE*

THE PREZ SEZ...AND SEZ...and sez...and...

Wow! Those of you who missed our June meeting missed one of the most exciting presentations we've seen in a long, long time. Wayne Overbeck, N6NB, was our speaker and he kept us spellbound with slides and recounts of the hilarious and harrowing experiences of a record-setting VHF DXpeditioner. From panic inside a runaway van careening down a mountainside to jubilant exhilaration as he handed out via moonbounce that last QSO needed to achieve a never before accomplished two meter WAS, Wayne has done it all. Our hats are off to a real pro who once again demonstrated what enthusiasm and determination can accomplish. I hope we all keep Wayne's example in mind as we wade into the contest season this fall.

Both the North American Sprint and Radiosport seemed well stocked with NCCC callsigns. The sprint in particular saw a large turn-out of our members and promises to be a real cliffhanger in terms of which individuals and teams came out on top. Early returns say it's too close to call, but since I happen to have landed the log checking assignment, I'd bet you'll get a sneak preview of the results right here in the "Jug" next month. As for radiosport, not only did we field a couple of big multi-op entries from our home territory, but a gaggle of our lads trekked off to BC-land to show everybody how it can be done from north of the border. Pix and tales from the VC7WJ expedition get top billing at the July meeting -- don't miss it!

Looking ahead a bit, the cw All Asia test is just around the corner. Though the BOD decided not to push for a major club effort in this one this year, the AA nonetheless is a perennial NCCC favorite and there should be lots of activity. Why, just a day or two ago our AA superstar, N6BV, mumbled that he might even try to organize a few teams among those planning to operate. The rarefied air at the

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PREVIEW OF COMING DISTRACTIONS

July:

24 NCCC meeting at the American Savings and Loan, 22533 Foothill, Between A & B streets in Hayward. (7:30 p.m.)

August:

3 NCCC Bored meeting at N6BV's, 115 Mendosa Ave., S.F. (7:30 p.m.)
5 - 6 ARRL UHF 'test
12-13 Worked All Europe, CW
13 JUG deadline
19-20 Can-Am Contest
26-27 All Asian DX Contest, CW
28 NCCC meeting, Hayward AS&L, 7:30

CONTEST CHAIRMAN'S CELL

Good morning; or good afternoon; or good evening.

The summer flurry of contest activity is now history. Wives and girlfriends of contest addicts may take comfort in the knowledge that there are no more major contests until late August! So, rest your voices and keyer fingers for a while - the best is yet to come.

High claimed scores have been published (thanks to the NCJ) and congratulations are in order to those stations and op's who placed among the top-20 in the various categories: WA7-NIN, N6TU, WA6JUD, N6OP, N6IG, K6RU, N6RO, N6BV and N6BT. A very good Northern California showing indeed -- Look out, East coast; one of these days we will get you in a DX 'test!!

During the IARU Radiosport contest, I had the pleasure of operating with N6KT and WA6DGX, from superstation VC7WJ in Langley, British Columbia. I recorded our entire trip on film, and will be showing the slides of our 'DXpedition' at the NCCC July meeting. Enclosed along with the pictures of the 2 (!) towers and 6 (!) sta-

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* See page 2

EAST COAST SUCKS NO MORE!

That's right! At its last meeting, the BoD voted unanimously to discontinue the clubs current line of T-shirts.

While they may be humorous and somewhat attractive to us, they seem to be sucking wind with much of the fraternity. But do not despair, fellow KBer! The board also decided to produce a new line of shirts. Among the suggestions were "NCCC is #1" in 6 different languages, a "KB" beer can, the club logo and several others. After much deliberation, it was decided the best thing to do is to hold a contest. T-shirt design contest that is...

Anyone wishing to submit an entry may do so by making a rough draft of what the shirt should look like and sending it to Tom Schiller, N6BT. Entries must be received by September 4 to qualify for awards. Oh yes. Awards... First prize (and only prize) is a free T-shirt and a free can of KB beer.

Entries should be inspirational, but not smutty! Enter now. KB!

THE PREZ SEZ...(from page 1)

top of Dean's tower does funny things to your head, but he sounded half serious! Could be there's an easy steak dinner or a case of KB beer to be picked up if the right challenges get made. Huh, Dean?

Finally, treasurer W6LH tells me you guys (and gals) have not yet succeeded in sending more \$6.00 membership renewal checks (made payable to NCCC) than the postman can stuff in his mailbox in one day. You gonna let him get away with that? Show Bob a thing or two. Fire a check off right now to 1462 Crespi Drive, San Jose 95129. Tell him to stuff it!

See y'all next Monday . . .

73,
Rusty

WB6ADM UPDATE

W6LH reports that the repeater fund is climbing steadily. At present there is about \$480 in the fund. More is needed, though, if we are to have a working duolexer.

Recent contributors are: W6EH, \$50.-; Wally's Rentals, \$50.-; The Concord Base Station, \$25.-; N6RO, \$25.-; AA6GA, \$20.-; N6IQ, \$20.-; K6RV, \$20.-; K6HNZ, \$25.-; WA6ITV, \$15.-; WB6ION, \$10.-; W6KZJ, \$10.-; K6BR, \$10.-; K6ZM, \$10.-; K6XV, \$10.-; AA6UO, \$5.-; W6XB, \$5.-; WA6AVS, \$4.-; WA6DMM, \$4.-; K6TG, \$4.-. Thanks to all!

A REEL MYSTERY

If you've only been an NCCC member for less than a year and half or so, you may not be aware of the existence of The Tape: a tongue-in-cheek "How to Operate the Sweepstakes" tape created for the 1976 SS effort by a small group of eccentric, wine soaked Butt-Kickers at the QTH of WB6CEP, Bill Zachary (now N60P). This impromptu gathering carved out a moment in NCCC history that is fondly remembered by those who participated. The tape itself has been played far and wide to the great amusement of just about everyone.

Unfortunately, nobody seems to know where any copies of this tape are to be found. It would be catastrophic if such a magnum opus (that's latin) and milestone in NCCC history were to vanish from the face of the earth, leaving newer members to wonder for all eternity just what the fuss was about. We must have a copy for the archives!

Besides the original, several copies are in existence somewhere. If you, gentle reader are in possession of, or know the whereabouts of same, won't you please contact either N6SF or W6LH, right away? We'll make a copy for our files and return yours if you wish to keep it. Tnx!

-W1ARR/6

HAVE YOU RENEWED?

Our records indicate the following stations have renewed their memberships for the 1978-79 fiscal year. Are you here? If not, you are officially delinquent as of July 1st, and who wants to be on a delinquent list? A \$6.00 check (\$3.00 students) to W6LH gets you off. That's cheaper than they charge in San Francisco! W1ARR, WA6AVS, W6BIP, K6BR, N6BT, N6BV, WA6BVY, WD6CGS, WD6CHF, K6CSL, N6CY, WA6DGX, N6DM, WA6DMM, W6DPD, WB6DSV, WB6DZC, K6EBB, N6EK, K4EO, WD6EPV, N3ER, WB6EXW, WB6FCR, WD6FGA, AA6GH, N7GM, WA6HJV, K6HNZ, N6IG, WB6ION, N6IQ, K6ITL, WA6ITV, N6JM, N6JV, WA6KAC, N6KB, K6KLY, N6KT, W6LH, K6NA, WA6MFJ, N7MH, WB6MRL, WB6MSU, N6NB, WA7NIN, N60P, WB7PIJ, K6RJJ, WA6RJK, K6RLY, K6RM, N6RO, K6RU, K6RV, N6SF, K6TG, N6TJ, N6TV, AA6UO, WA6VEE, WB6VEX, N6VV, W6XB, N6XI, K6XM, K6XO, K6XV, WB6ZGY, K6ZM, K6ZX. Renew now!

ANOTHER PLEA...

The Jug runneth low, my friends. Contributions of newsworthy items are always appreciated but rarely received by the editor. If you, wonderful subscriber, have any submissions, I would very much enjoy printing them. Jug deadlines are noted in the calendar on page 1, for your info. Let's here more from all of you!

--N6NE

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VHF QSO PARTY (cont'd)

NET QMI FOR JUNE

3) K6XO, WB6DSV; 2) N6NE, N6TU, K6HIH, WB6SHD;
1) K6SG, N6TR, N6RZ, N6VR, N6DA, N6KT, WA6MFJ.

As of last Tuesday, net controls are listening for check-in's in the general portion of the band. Frequencies will be announced by the NCS, each week. If the fact that the net is in the advanced band has been deterring you from checking in, the BoD has come to your rescue!

Don't forget the Tuesday night net!
3815 KHz, 1930 local time.

WB6YJC (+WD6FGA, WB6ZGY).....	228	27
W6YX (N7MH).....	160 25	WA6ITV..... 67 5
WB6DSV.....	150 10	WA6VEF..... 37 3
N6IG.....	140 8	W1ARR/6..... 25 4
WB6SHD.....	130 6	N6SF..... 8 3

NCCC FIELD DAY MOBILE

WB6SHD.....	244	N6IG.....	40
N7MH.....	227	K6CSL.....	25
AA6UO.....	125	N6SF.....	25
N6BT.....	64	N6KB.....	17
N6QR.....	55	K6XO.....	2
WB6DSV.....	50	KBKBKBKBKBKBKBKBKBKBKB	
WA6VEF.....	40	BKBKBKBKBKBKBKBKBKBKB	

EARLY NA SPRINT RETURNS
(Complete results next month)

N6BT.....	240	47	K6XO.....	163	38
N6RO.....	241	44	N6NE.....	162	37
N6BV.....	220	42	N6XI.....	147	44
W6YX (N7MH)...	202	43	AA6DX.....	147	44
N6TU.....	196	44	WB6SHD.....	80	20
N6SF.....	197	43	WD6EPV.....	50	14
N6PO.....	190	41	N6LC.....	35	15
N6KB.....	175	44	N6KL.....	15	3
N6CN.....	163	40			

ROSTER UPDATES

W1ARR/6, work phone is (415) 327-9300.

Add: WD6CGS
James L. Presley
2926 Cedro Lane
Walnut Creek, CA 94598
H: (415) 939-2843

WB6MSU
Harold L. Jones
P.O. Box 6281
Oakland, CA 94603
W: (415) 577-5156

EARLY RADIOSPORT RETURNS

* indicates duped total

VC7WJ (WA6DGX, N6KT, WA6VEF).....	3647	139
W6YX (W1ARR, N6IG, WA6ITV, N7MH, N6NE, AA6UO, K6XO).....	2620	101
WB6JOS (AA6RX), cw only.....	1394	82
K6HNZ, phone only.....	1005	84
WA6OEC, both modes.....	900	?
WB6SHD, both modes.....	413	22
K6XO, both modes.....	301	41
N6KL, both modes.....	174*	47
N6NE, phone only.....	70*	25
WB4TJV/6, cw only.....	16*	2

NEW MEMBERS OF THE NCCC ALLSTAR TEAM

Jim, WD6CGS, has been licensed for 1 year, currently holds an advanced ticket and is a 50-50 CW/Phone operator. His station complement includes the Kenwood twins for the low bands and an IC-22S for 2 meter operation. Antenna's are wires on the low bands and a GP on VHF. Experience includes the '78 FD.

Harold, WB6MSU, is a general class licensee, and has been licensed for 13 years. On the low bands, he runs a Triton IV and wires. On VHF, he uses an IC-245 & GP. Also active on 450 MHz, Harold uses an IC-30A. Harold has been on 2 FD's, and the last SS.

WELCOME!

ALL ASIAN, PHONE

<u>40m.</u>		<u>15m.</u>	
AA6UO.....	240 33	WA6JUD.....	668 45
		N6KT.....	585 48
<u>20m.</u>		WB6SHD.....	605 43
N6BV.....	839 53		
<u>All Bands</u>			
N6TU (+WB6DSV, K6RM).....	1600	141	
W6YX (W1ARR, WA6ITV, N7MH, K6XO)...	1170	116	
K6BR (WA6VEF).....	577	80	
K6HNZ.....	100	88	
WD6CHF.....	7	6	

CALIFORNIA SWEEPSTAKES

October 7 & 8 are the dates of this year's CQP (California QSO Party). Planning chairman WB6DSV says now is the time to plan county expeditions. If you need to know what counties are still open give George a call at (408) 739-4233. Otherwise, bring your plans (DXpedition or otherwise) with you to the July meeting.

VHF QSO PARTY

K6KLY.....	460 47	WB6AMT.....	300 30
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CC Cell (from page 1)

tion set-ups at 'WJ are slide snapshots taken at W7FU, K7SS & K7RA and VE7CC.

That's about all for this month. I'll see you at the July 24th meeting. 73,

GARY WA6VEF

EARLY SS STRATEGY -- OUR GOAL:
15 MILLION POINTS!

Sweepstakes '78 is only 4 months away, now. Here's the early scoop on this year's KB formula to bring yet another gavel to Northern California.

Last year, we won the SS by almost 1 million points with 114 entries, 9 less than the PVRC! I'm very proud of the way all of you guys dug in and did the best that you could last November; I think that if every NCCer pitches in the same type of effort that he did last year, our club will do very well again this year.

However, we need a little something extra if we really want to administer the coup de grace to the East coast. I think that can happen if we RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS. Just imagine what could happen if we had 40 more stations on than the PVRC, each contributing 50K, both modes combined. That adds up to 2 million extra points, making a 15 megapoint club total very possible.

So, start thinking of ham friends that you think might want to put their station on for the SS. Bring them to a club meeting, and let them find out what the NCCC is all about. With the help of new membership, and your getting on-the-air and kicking butt just like last year, I'm sure we can win the Sweepstakes for an unprecedented 4th consecutive year! KB,

--Carl Cook, WA6JUD

IARU BREAKDOWNS

	160	80	40	20	15	10	6	2
VC7WJ	4	31	364	1442	1693	90	7	15
mult.	3	10	21	48	37	15	3	2
W6YX	7	28	428	1213	893	27	3	21
mult.	4	6	18	35	26	7	1	1

SPLATTER

Congatulations to Bob Hill, W1ARR/6, proud of a new job with the AEA in Palo Alto.....CQP will have three-tiered club competition in '78.Greg, N6PO is chief radio operator aboard the Greenpeace anti-whaling vessel. He will be on ~~80~~ meters when near shore and on 40 and 20 when at sea. Don't get harpooned, Greg!..... WB6PYI, David Walker, has moved to Illinois & will be Kbing from there. He will be looking for NCCers to do antenna checks with.....For a small donation W6OIG will send world bearing charts, individually calibrated to your QTH. His address is 59 East Park Avenue, Fresno.....CAC member N6NB informs us that we can look forward to single weekend DX contests in the future.... Wayne also mentioned some of the other items the CAC had recently endorsed: to allow stations which use spotting nets to remain in the Single-Op category; to allow automatic disqualification for dupes in excess of 2%; to offer high-claimed scores to anyone interested for an SASE; to have a uniform starting time for the VHF SS; to make the 10 meter contest a 48 hour contest.....SK

QUALITY USED EQUIPMENT

BC-221 frequency meter with book. Good cdx. Contact Bob, W1ARR at (415) 752-4164

Crystals for WR6ADM-VHF are still available for every type of radio. Contact W6LDP for more information.

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