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SS FEVER --- CATCH IT!

Pom-pom girls are prancing through the shopping centers, the ambient air temperature has dropped two degrees, and the fabulous (for a phone contest) California QSO Party has come and gone. This means only one thing: ARRL Sweepstakes is right around the corner. The SS, as it is affectionately called, is the major focus of the NCCC this year. In plain English, we're out to win and win big. Even our members who are primarily DX-oriented and whose only contacts with domestic stations are with listmasters for the CEØX are rising to the challenge and training their antennas on the East Coast, as instructed by Ghostbuster Bruce, N6TU. They're catching SS fever. You catch it too. See you at the great ionospheric stadium in the sky Nov. 3-4 for CW, Nov. 17-18 for SSB.

My associate Indy Badhwar has just returned from Langley, Virginia, where, deep inside a bunker abandoned by the PVRC, he located the notorious SS Tapes 1, 2, and 3. These tapes disclose the identity of international fugitive Willie Billie and explain the meaning of the expression "Loose alligator clips sink Yankee Clipper ships." In fact, SS Tapes 1-3 are the Rosetta Stone of post-industrial phenomenology. Indy has delivered the tapes to noted cryptographer Gary Caldwell, WA6VEF, who will play them for our innocent ears at the Big Pre-SS Meeting of the NCCC to be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 22 at the CWA Hall in Hayward. See you all there. Logsheets, dupesheets and bullsheets will be available.

The October issue of CQ Magazine, reporting club and CW scores for the 1983 CQWW, verified that the virtual tie went out of fashion about the same time as the sack dress: the NCCC is listed in its rightful place, far ahead of all other contest clubs in the world. Congratulations to the following members who won trophies or certificates in the CW version:

SINGLE-OPS

N6XI/4X VP2MEV (AJ6V) N6QR	3.1 Million 2.2 Million 1.7 Million	(#12 in the world)
FOØJO (W6GO) N6GG ZK2ZM (K6ZM) DJØUY/HBØ (K4WJT)	1.5 Million .9 Million .8 Million .3 Million	(#1 in Oceania)
W6BH	.2 Million	(20 meters)

MULTI-OPS

AHØC (N6BT, WA6VEF)	6.9	Million	(New Oceania record)
AI6V/KH6 (+ N6AUV)	2.1	Million	
W6QL/HCl (+ W6KG)		Million	
WA7NIN (+ W60AT, N6TV)	1.4	Million	(to NCCC out of 1.9M)
N6VV (+ K6PJY, K6XV)		Million	
AH6AZ (AI6V)	8	Million	(to NCCC out of 1.6M)

Those of you who have been victimized by unreasonable city ordinances regulating antennas (and what contester hasn't?) will want to send an original and four conies of a letter to the FCC in support of Proposal PRB-1, an ARRL-initiated docket that will, if approved by the FCC, attempt to prohibit municipalities from enacting ordinances that seriously hinder amateurs' ability to communicate. It isn't very pretty what a town without pity can do. Don't think your voice won't be heard. It will. The disposition of the recent no-code proposal shows that we amateurs are listened to when we unite and write. Get your letters by November 9 to Secretary, FCC; 1919 M Street NW; Washington, DC 20054.

I'm sad to relate that NCCC stalwart and our good friend Ron Chiappari, N6AUV, was felled by two heart attacks on October 5, the second one nearly fatal. The good news is that Ron is on the road to recovery. A QSL card to his home QTH might pick up his spirits. I talked to him in the hospital, implored him to not stress himself by even thinking of operating in any contests this year, and assured him that NCCCers will keep his antennas and station operational during his rehabilitation period. Let's dedicate our SS efforts this year to Ron and to Cam.

For each mode of the SS, we have designated 80 meter skeds to facilitate our working each other. For each weekend, the time of the sked is 0700Z (11 PM local). The CV frequency is round or about 3.540 MHz. For SSB, try 3.900 MHz. Tell your non-NCCC friends to meet us on these frequencies, too.

One final SS item. Many members have told me that, alas, they don't have stacked monobanders, and the 500-600 QSO's they think they can make won't make a difference. Nothing could be further from the truth. In the SS, there isn't that great a score spread between big guns and little guns. Furthermore, we really don't have that many big gun stations in our club. We will win the SS this year if and only if our little guns turn out en masse and have a ball working a few hundred stations each.

Have fun in the SS. Don't stomp on the frequency of a fellow NCCCer. Don't follow leaders. Watch your parking meters.

73, Ed AJ6V

CQP SCORE RUMORS

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HEIL MIC-HEADPHONES AVAILABLE

Ron, N6AUV, has obtained 15 or 20 Heil mic-headphone sets from Heil for sale to NCCC'ers. They'll be available at the October 22 meeting. The price is \$60. These things are great! I used them during Field Day and the CQP. They're very light and the audio sounds super. If you're interested, bring your checkbook on October 22.

Kip, W6SZN

CW SS November 3-4, Phone SS November 17-18

Sweepstakes is upon us! Don't miss the SS kickoff meeting October 22nd in Hayward. SS logs, summary sheets, and dupe sheets will be available.

Reminder: NCCCers should try to work each other at 0700Z (11:00 PM PST) on 3.540 MHz CW, 3.900 MHz SSB.

The following NCCC members plan to be on for SS. Many others were also contacted, but a report was not received in time for this writing. To find out what your competition is really up to, come to the big meeting on October 22nd!

Lower SCV Report - N6TV/K6X0

N6TU, N6RZ and WA6OCV will all be sharing antennas and stations both modes. Watch for all of those call signs. KA6LAF will be on M/S from AA6T Phone & CW. N6KT looking for Phone station for full bore effort. N6ZB will be on a little on phone, more on CW. N6QW, KJ6V, WB6ASR, W6OKK, WB6RAL, all operating single-op both modes from their home stations. WC6H (ex- WB6ION) plans to operate CW, looking for guest op on Phone. W6OAT plans "super" effort both modes from WA7NIN. WB6RIU and NV6Z (ex- WA6WEQ) will be on for phone. N6TV going full bore CW from K6HNZ; looking for Phone station. K6XO will be on both modes, but still looking for a station.

Lower SCV Report - NU6S

NS6G and AA6T all out M/S both modes with KA6LAF. N6CQ limited operation on Phone, "75% effort" on CW. NU6S predicts 1000 QSOs on CW from WB6KBZ; looking for Phone station. K6GSS will be driving his mobile contest van to a "mystery hill out of the QRM" for an all out effort on Phone. K6XN will be on both modes low power due to RFI problems. N6GJ will be on for Phone. WB6KBZ going all out S/O from home on Phone, NU6S will guest op on CW. N6JL promises to get on a little both modes. W6CF plans limited CW effort (aww...)

Middle SCV Report - AJ6V

Score estimates follow. W6XX - 1000 QSOs on CW, 1200 on SSB. N6BT - 1080 on CW, 1350 on SSB. K6HNZ - 1050 QSOs on CW (N6TV, opr.), and 1350 on SSB. AJ6V - 1080 on CW (from NG6T), 1000 on SSB. AA6UO looking for good CW station. W6MSF will have WB6DSV guest operating one or both modes. WB6EXW will be on both modes. W6JZU - 500 on SSB. W6TPH - 600 on CW, 700 on SSB. AA6G - 500 on CW, 946(!) on SSB. K9LBQ looking for Phone station. W6ZKM will try to be on for Phone. AA6AD - 500 on CW. KN6K - 250 on SSB. K6MA will be on both modes. N6OM - 500 on CW.

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Upper SCV Report - K6KLY

W6SZN on from home on Phone, will have to miss CW. K6BR plans to be active both modes. N6MG may be on S/O or M/S from his brother's QTH. KS6C on for both modes. K6KLY plans full bore effort on Phone. Will also be on for CQWW Phone from K6KLY/4X.

East Bay Report - WA6VEF

W6RGG all out S/O both modes. Bob says "I'm going to beat a lot of people that I've never beaten before!" K6CSL all out both modes with new ICOM 730. K6ZM plans M/S effort with N6OP on CW, S/O with Phil on Phone. W6EEN will be on for SSB from magic QTH in Discovery Bay. VE2AQS/W6 on both modes from home. KF6R plans full bore CW effort, limited effort on Phone. N6IYI (brother of N6CCL) may be on M/S from Larry's QTH. WA6VEF on full bore, or possibly M/S from N6BT. SSB is still a question mark because of travel plans for CQWW.

All of the above are subject to change without notice. See you at the meeting!

73, Bel- N6TV

1983 CQWW T-SHIRTS

Jim, WA6AUE, is spearheading the task of ordering T-shirts commemorating the Club's victory in the 1983 CQWW. The price is a measly \$12. Due to popular demand, four colors are available: light blue, green, red and the always-popular and traditional NCCC Orange. If you're interested, see Jim at the October 22 club meeting or catch him on the repeater. If that fails, call him at work (415-464-1924). (Don't bother to call on Wednesdays -- all bankers and doctors are at the golf course).

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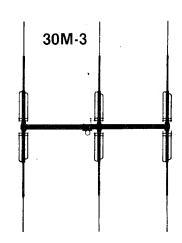
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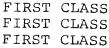
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