

CLUB REPEATERS W6RGG/R 147.24,(+), 444.200 (107.2 PL)

President's Report Steve Thomas N6ST

# **Steve Sez**

What song does a swan sing? This is my final column as President and I am not even sure what key the song should be in - perhaps it should be done with a memory key! Well, we did a great job as a club this year! The performance of the club



in Sweepstakes was nothing less than fantastic. I counted five club members in the box for double clean sweeps. Those efforts plus many others led to our win. Ahearty THANKS to all who participated and submitted scores. The participation in CQP was also excellent. We continue to present the state QSO party in the country that gets the most participation. Lets keep doing enough things right so that will continue to be the case! The next President needs to know that the timing of the announcements that are sent to magazines comes very soon after taking over the office. This timing is to assure that contesters have plenty of planning time to mount county expeditions and get their big arrays all turned toward California and operators recruited. With the Wisconsin QSO Party starting to offer cheese prizes, and the Washington Salmon Run offering salmon, pretty soon an avid contester may be able to have quite a feast from contest prizes. Thanks to all the officers and directors and others who pitched in where needed to make sure the club ran smoothly this year. As far as I know, there were no major hassles or political wrangles during this year. Also, no one called me to complain about another club member. For this I am truly grateful. Looking at the slate of officers I am confident that the club is in very capable hands. Please continue to lend your support to the new officers and directors as we continue to have fun as a club. I vowed we would have fun this last year. I think were were successful! My 73 to all.

# Thanks To Outgoing Officers

All those who have 'em, and a brief pause while all those who don't find something equally as stylish and appropriate, raise the glass with the NCCC logo in salute to our outgoing officers who did an outstanding job for our club this past year. Good meetings with great exchange of information and updated technology, participation in contests full speed into new records and holding onto first place, parties, picnics, and field day, budget in tow.

Together gang:, "THANKS" !To Steve, N6ST a President with relaxed meeting know-how and quick wit. To Andy, AE6Y,VP/CC, who not only knew the score(s), but kept them right. To Bruce AA6KX, Sec/Treas, who managed the budget so well he added up to President. Praise and Applause!

May 20th Election of Officers

# Next Meeting

. Election will be held at our upcoming meeting, May 20th, at Hewlitt Packard, 6:30 Pizza, 7:30 Election and program which will be announced after the election. See page 2 for map and directions to HP, Santa Clara.

The NCCC BOD presents for your consideration the following slate of candidates for 1994 NCCC officers:

President: Bruce Sawyer, ex AA6KX,

V P/CntsChr: Bob Wolbert, N6IP

Sec/Treas: Dick Dievendorff, AA6MC

Directors: Al Maenchen, AD6E

Bob Wilson, N6TV

Dave Leeson, W6OHS

Past Pres: Steve Thomas, N6ST

(running unopposed)

In addition to this slate, nominations from the floor will be accepted, as per our bylaws. TV Bob headed the committee to recommend the above candidates and the board expresses thanks to him and to the nominees for their willingness to serve.

### APPROACHING CONTESTS

de AE6Y

(all in QST, P. 136, except as noted)

MAY

14-15 CQ-M (Peace to the World)

\*\*28-29 CO World Wide WPX

Jan. CQ, Feb. QST, p.109

JUNE

4-6 ARRL June VHF

11-18 ANARTS WW RTTY

18-19 All Asian DX, CW

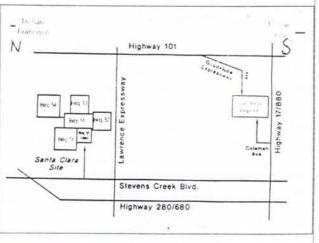
25-26 Field Day

\*\* Denotes NCCC Club enttry

Directions and Map Meeting, May 20 at Hewlett Packard, 6:30 p.m. Pizza

From North on 280, exit at Stevens Creek Blvd., turning left onto Stevens Creek, and left at first stop light.

From South on 280, exit LawrenceExpressway,take middle lane and make left turn onto Stevens Creek...



de W6ISQ

## The Editor's Disc

We're on the prowl. What we're looking for is probably you. This club has a lot of technical talent that oughta be put to work. And since we want interesting stories and articles for the JUG, we're gonna set about to prod,push, and who knows, even bribe, (how 'bout a DUB) some of you high aptitude types to accept a writing or reviewing assignment. A page is just fine although two pages would be better. You get the picture. Which reminds me.....photos are great too, so please submit. Don't be shy.

We've had some ideas for articles we'd like to assign to one or two of you we perceive might be well versed on a subject or two. Even better, we're open to articles on topics of your own choosing? If you've got something to say, we've got something to print it. Dayton maybe had a new product Or maybe someone has a new, superb operating gizmo that would help us to do better the the Sweepstakes? New antennas-- how are they working? What's the new Alpha final unveiled at Dayton, really like? Those who bought the DSP boxes, how do you like them after using them? I noticed one for sale on the 2 meter packet and wonder whether the charm wore off or whether it didn't perform as hoped. Anyone bought a new key? I see new ones adsvertised and wonder if anyone is still buying them So, there's the rolling ball. Hope you'll each pick it up and run straight to the JUG with it. We'll welcome any short or long article, or just a paragraph, something you of interest to you is going to be of interest to NCCC. And we thank you.

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News 'n Views

### **Bulletin Board**

DUB NITE at NCCC. We herewith declare and promise a DUB NITE at the meeting after elections if everybody demands it and if we have time to bake the DUBS and still get out the JUG, and if we can find enough deserving folks to receive the DUBS so as to make it all worthwhile, and if the price of chocolate does not rise precipitiously, and if we don't ferget. We hereby appoint a committee of W6RGG and N6TV to remind us the day before that meeting to do the deed. If we have time and I don't eat 'em enroute. First will be payouts to those already holding IOU's. Then new and old (just retired) officers, followed by new members followed by all those who have done good for NCCC lately. Presumably, that's the complete roster

VISALIA PHOTO COVERAGE. We expected to have a grand photo journal story of contesters at Visalia. But a problem arose. I lost the main 50 mm lens to my camera somewhere at the convention. It never did show up at lost and found. It was in a small black carrying case which I must have put down somewhere and walked away. Sad. If you NCCC types were more beautiful I'd invest in a great new portrait camera Naw, guess I'll have to get out the old brownie camera. I'll put it on a strap around my neck of course.

#### LESSON LEARNED de AA6MC.

Dick sends in the following read-it-andweep statement and suggests you follow his learned-the-hard-way advice.

Read the rules (again if necessary) before sending in your log. AA6MC made about 12M single op at KI6CG's place in last year's WPX CW. He just whipped out the K1EA summary sheet and didn't read it very closely. Had he said "low power" (which he was) on this summary sheet, he would have come in first place in the state. Instead he was about 5th in the high power category. Dick blames no one but himself.

### de AE6Y FABER'S FINALE

NCCC WINS SS A N D W P X AGAIN!!!!



May was a good month for both CQ and QST: the former contained our club victory in 1993 WPX, and the latter extolled our virtues in SS. In SS, we came out finally with 7,439,544 points out of 80 entries, beating our next competitor, the Yankee Clipper Contest Club, by over 2 megapoints. We'd better watch out next year, however, as the Southern Calif CC had 6.2M points to win the medium category (50 entries or less). We should be really pround of ourselves, since winning SS reflects a wonderful, broad-based effort. The overall phone winner, by the way, was our own Rich, KI3V/7, who swears he did it with only one radio. W6QHS (KM9P op) came in a very close second. WPX SSB CONTEST MUSINGS

Due to editorial tyranny by W6ISQ, last month's column went to press the evening that WPX Phone finished, so there wasn't any time to include any comments on that contest (plus I was pretty wasted, having done what for me was a very serious single-op at home station). Some of the things I noticed:

a) I continue to think that this contestcould be much improved by eliminating the zero points for contacts with your country. There should be a basic symmetry in contesting, so that both parties to the qso should want to make the contact, i.e., both should get credit for it. But-in wpx, once I've worked an N8, then all the rest of the N8's get credit for working me, but I don't get any for working them. Changing the rule would lead to more activity, plus redressing the inequities between, say, VE's and W's. See my rantings in May, 1993 JUG for fuller explanation. Nobodywouldbehurt, since W's never win the contest anyway.

As an example, compare my own score to two VE6's that had similar qso and

multiplier totals but much higher scores: AE6Y1439  $\times$  605 = 1.345M (pts/Q = 1.54) VE6JY 1410  $\times$  608 = 2.149M (pts/Q = 2.51)

CJ6V 1283 X 527 = 1.496M (pts/Q = 2.21)

The difference? Well, they may have more 40/80 mqso's (see below, my theory of high North American scores in WPX), but I'll bet that VE6JY and I had virtually all the same stations in the log—the biggest factor is that when he worked a KD4, he got 2 or 4 points; when I worked the same station, I got zip.

- b) On a related front, why do US stations want to work anyone in the US two or three times on different bands? They get no points for the additional contacts, and neither do we. I must have had at least 30 or 40 US stns work me more than once.
- c) Also, a suggestion to portable ops: pickan interesting prefix (as VE3SUN/WT6 always did). As I understand the rules, a station such as W2XXX/6 counts as W2 prefix, but he can legally take any legal prefix, such as W2XXX/NT6, and give out a new one). Am I wrong on this?
- d) A suggestion to the publicists for CQPnextyear: there were several VE8's onthis weekend, in addition to old faithful VY1JA. Why not write to them and invite them to participate in CQP?
- e) Conditions seemed to be better than in the ARRL Phone contest (or maybe there was just much more activity). Still no EU's on 10 meters, though half the population of Argentina seemed to be on the air (maybe it's all those antennas I saw on the rooftops of Buenos Aires, hi). There was some interesting propagation on 20 meters Saturday night, where a JA run slid seamlessly into a Northern ex-USSR run that lasted at least 90 minutes. Trey had his dial welded to 14163, just let them come to him (some even came my way).
- f) Some terrific local efforts observed: Trey, WN4KKN operating at W6QHS skunked us all once again. There was a fine multi-multi (two xmtr) by AA6MC, AD6E and K6WKX, using the call AD6E and AA6MC's new superstack of Force 9 antennas, and WM2C did a great job in a 20 meter single-bander at K6KM, as did AB6ZV

(ex-WB6JPY) on 80m with his 2 el. Force 5 Yagi). I understand that Rich, N6KT, went QRP after finding his amp blown and soldiered on to a new QRP world record at HC8A (part of the time at 1.5 watts!).

g) Anyone looking for the secret of high WestCoast scores in a sunspot minimum need look no further than the summary sheet for the excellent multisingle effort at W6EEN, which shows almost 3000 QSO points on 40 meters (morethanthey had on any other band)—they must have had one heck of a JA run! n fact, I'll bet the single greatest corellation in W/K scores is with serious 40-meter aluminum.

I calculated the pts/q for all of our scores(see below), and am embarrassed to see that yours truly has one of the lowest figures. This tells me that I've got to do fourthings in the future: (1) Not get seduced by the ego trip of running US stations (though we do need the prefixes), (2) Point the antennas to JA as early and as late as possible, (3) Put up something more awe-inspiring than inverted vees for 40, especially, and even 80, and/or (4) Wait for conditions to improve so we can run Europeans on the high bands as in the old days.

#### NEW VP/CC IN THE WORKS

Elections are coming in time for a peaceful, nonviolent transfer of power. Though this goes to press before our May meeting, I assume that the official slate will be elected, in which case I cheerfully hand over the word processor to my successor, who was also my predecessor, Bob, N6IP. Please be sure to send all scores and summary sheets to him, not to me. I've enjoyed being VP/CC and thank you all for your help and support this past year.

Here's a pome to celebrate Bob's precession/succession/succeeding.

Once Again it's N6IP, Who steps to the plate as VP. So send him your scores, And he'll do the chores. FortheJUG, since he's also CC.

73 and KB, Andy, AE6Y Scores are on Page 8

### N6KT QRP Operation from HC8A Sets

# World Record WPX Phone Contest 1994

Editor's Note: Seems like only yesterday that Rich Smith, N6KT, set a new world record by making more than 10,000 QSOs as a single Op in one contest at HC8A. He didn't plan to go QRPp when he left the states, but circumstances dictated that it was QRPp or not much else. He was not nicknamed La Maquina during the multi-multi CQ WW SSB '93 at EA9UK for nothing. His fast talk at HC8A set a

new QRP WPX Phone world-record for number of QSOs in a major contest by a single op. Part 1

de Rich Smith, N6KT

In December 1993, I received a FAX from my friend Guido, HC8GR. He informed me that he had SOLD his property on San Cristobal on which was located the world-record-holding station which I operated as HC8A. The property is called "El Junco" and is in a remote area of the island

I was shocked! Fortunately there was some better news as I read the rest of the FAX. He said he wanted to keep HC8 on the air for future contests and we could set up the station at his home in town.

We talked on the air during January and February about whether his house would be a good place for contest operations. Even though he lives in a small town, I was concerned about line noise and TVI. We decided to try a contest to see whether this would be a good location for future operations. I would come down and operate the WPX Phone contest.

I arrived at San Cristobal to find all the antennas taken apart and cleaned, towers, were repaired and being painted. Guido had planned well for the building of the station and things were progressing almost as planned. Guido had a part-time assistant, "Washington", staying at his house. Giuido made "Washington" available to me as full-time help with station construction

We started putting together the antennas while Guido arranged the erection of the towers. The previous location, "El Junco", was on a hill and was much cooler that the current location, which is at sea level.

Tower erection on San Cristobal is an interesting feat. They use what might be called the "Armstrong Tilt-Up" method. First, a metal base held by concrete is prepared. Then one side of the bottom section is attached to the base and tilted over. The rest of the sections are attached. Guido calls a bunch of locals who push the tower up to about a 30 degree angle, then Guido's truck pulls it up the rest of the way.

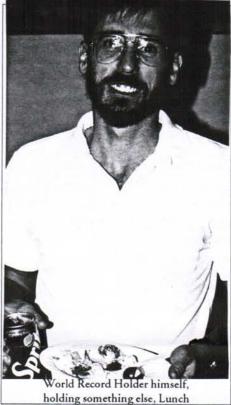
This works well most of the time. Unfortunately, we had a bad experience when we tried to stand up a 24 meter tower. The ropes stretched while the tower was being pulled up by the truck and, when the tower became vertical, the ropes unstretched and pulled the tower down. Luckily, it didn't land on Guido's house. He is considering using a gin pole in the future

We had quite a time putting the 20 meter beam back together. It had fallen last year and was in BAD shape. It took one complete day to search through all of Guido's pieces of left-over aluminum and pieces of old broken antennas to find parts that could be used to put 20 back together. Not all straight and not with stocksized elements, but it was together.

The antennas were finally ready about an hour before the start of the contest. Time to connect-up the station! With 30 minutes to go before the start, I turned on the amplifier and tried to tune it. No idling current! I rechecked the connections, looked at the manual, and finally decided that I probably wasn't going to be able to fix the amp quickly.

I had a decision: Low Power or QRP. I decided on QRP because I have never tried QRP in the 18 years I've been contesting. It would be a challenge.

I put Guido's power meter in the line, whistled into the mike, turned the mike down till the meter read 5 watts, and I was all set. At 00:38, I called W4MYA on



15 meters, he said I was copyable but not very strong. A few CQs didn't net a single QSO.

Changed bands to 20 meters, set the power to 5 watt, and started calling CQ up high in the band. Afew stations called and I was on my way. 30 QSOs were in the log in the first half hour, but it seemed too slow. During a few unanswered COs, I rechecked all connections and settings. Then I saw the problem—the power meter was in the 20-watt position and I was reading power on the 200 watt scale. I was really running 1/2 watt!!

After resetting the power to a "real" 5 watts, things started moving a bit better. I was able to run 20 meters for a few hours with rates of over 100 Qs per hour. I did experience one of the problems that I was concerned about—line noise! \$6 on 20 meters! I had stations calling me that I couldn't hear. I chuckled to myself that I might be the first QRP Alligator!

de WB6MZQ

# FIELD DAY AND B-B-Q

Advance and first notice for one of our most enjoyable, big yearly events.

All members of NCCC, their families, friends, guests, cousins, kids, in and out-laws, invited! Field Day at K6ZM Memorial Station in Danville, on Saturday and Sunday June 25 and 26.

The operating set up includes three HF stations and one UHF/VHF station. On HF there are monoband yagis on 40-10 meters to create propagation. There's plenty of room and time for everyone who wants to operate. The station plays very well and you'll work from an excellent location. Computers using the K1EA contest program will be used at each operating position. If you don't know how to operate the program, this is

a chance to learn by doing. K1EA also helps cut the paperwork.

Spicy and) marinated chicken, Polish sausage, hot dogs, go on the BarBy Saturday from noon to 4PM. Also, potato salad, fresh veggies and dessert. Sodas included in \$5.00 tag, but your kids eat half price! Beer, 75 cents extra. Let us know how many of you will be

there and eating. Leave a message on the DXSPN for WR6R or call Steve (WB6MZQ) at 510-254-3350.

Since this is the fourth year the NCCC has held Field Day at K6ZM's location, a little history might be in order. Phil Fraizer passed away in 1991. As a memorial to Phil, NCCC held Field Day at Phil's staton, using the call N6OP which belongs to Phil's close friend, Bill Zachary. The second year NCCC used

the call of the then President of NCCC, Bob, N6TV, and the next year, President Steve, N6ST's call. We'll use the call of the current President each year.

NCCC Field Day honorsthememoryofPhil Frazier, K6ZM, a topflight contester and an all-around great guy. He was first licensed as W7AOL when he in was in school in Spokane Washington, Incidently, one of his classmates was the late, and also wellknown ham. Lloyd Colvin. Phil started helping Hams in the nineteen forties continued doing so up to

> the time he passed away. His help

included being an Elmer in contesting, DXing, building, and attitude. He embodied the true spirit of Amateur Radio

Phil's professional career took him to UC Berkeley at Lawrence Lab where he worked on many of the world's cyclotron particle accelerator power supplies. He and his wife, Peggy, moved to their hilltop Danville location in the 60's and gradually builthis world-class station of 4 elements on

40, 5 elements on 20, 15 and 10. The Station helped Phil "work them all" for DXCC Honor Roll.

In the inception of the NCCC, Phil hosted a multi-multi or multi-single for major contests. Literally hundreds of hams have operated at Phil's station and were graciously welcomed and fed. Peggy was there for every contest with home-made lasagna and an ever-open fridge of food and drink and making sure



Field Day Chef Designate Al, WR6R Undaunted by Time, Tide, or Smoke, ready to fill your order.

you had a place to sleep when you were off shift. Good operating skills, teamwork, supportive and low-key atmosphere, small wonder the scores were always high. Phil's son, Bill, never became a Ham, but he was part of the openess and warmth which welcomed us all like one of the family.

In addition to Field Day, Peggy has graciously kept Phil's station open and available to NCCC members for use in any of the contests. So come on out. Bring someone you know who may have a budding interest in Amateur Radio.

Instructions to Field Day Site 44 Toyon Terrace, Danville: (510) 834-9547

Southbound on Highway 680: take the El Pintado exit, left under fwy, immediate right onto El Rio, the frontage road. Turn left on Toyon Terrace and follow parking instructions.

Northbound on Highway 680: take the El Cerro exit. Go right and make an immediate left on El Pintado. At first left, turn onto El Rio Road and turn right on Toyon Terrace and follow parking instructions.



Steve,WB6MZQ, Field Day Organizer and Director

### **SCORES**

Compiled by Andy, AE6Y

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ARRL	DX	PHONE	CONTEST

Call	QSO's	Mult	Score	Class
KH6/WR6R	4960	325	4,836,000	SO
N6CCL	667	243	486,243	S/A
W6FSJ	428	169	216,996	SO
W6EEN	2742	314	2,579,196	M2

#### CQ WPX PHONE CONTEST

(SO=Single o			p assisted)		
Call	QSO's	Mult	1.7	Pts/O	Class
P40V(AI6V)			17,366,875		
WH6/WR6R			9,819,828		
WN4KKN	3071		6,000,000		
HC8A(N6KT	)3640QF				
KI3V/7		627	2,018,940	2.12	SO
KI6CG	1638	639	1,976,427	1.89	SO
WA6BXH	1338	532	1,645,569	2.31	SO
(DXpedition	to W7R	M)			
WM2C	1525	628	1,562,464	1.63	SO-20
AE6Y	1439	605	1,345,520	1.54	SO
KJ6DL	1122	488			
WB6MZQ	635	368	462,208	1.98	SO-15
AB6ZV	639	301	444,878	2.31	SO-80
W6BIP	520	350	407,050	2.24	SO
N6IP	382	216	201,528	2.45	SO
WA6SDM	300	229	161,219	2.34	S/A
W6OAT	302	227	152,544	2.23	S/A
WX6M	204	156	111,852	3.51	SO?
КМ6ОН	209	180	88,020	2.34	SO
NP4IW	276	??	67,600		20-LP
K6MA	144	126	39,816	2.19	SO-LP
N2ALE	151	112	26,880	1.59	SO-LP
WA8LLY/6	91	79	17,775	2.47	SO-LP
KA6ING	95	84	16,800	2.11	S/A-10
AE0M	105	94	15,886	1.61	SO-LP
W6ISQ	26	22	1,518	2.65	S/A-10
V31DX (KI61	M,N6YI	RU.AB6	WM) BIG S	CORE	E M/S
W6EEN	2305	722	4,533,438	2.72	M/S
(+K6XC, KA	A6SAR-	-SCCC)			
KN6SO	1993	724	3,334,020	2.31	M/S
(+W6REC, A	AT W6R	EC)			
AD6E	2064	714	2,778,888	1.89	M/M
(+AA6MC, K	D6WK	X)			

Send all scores to N6IP by DXPSN packet, or by mail

to: Bob Wolbert 10028 Bon Vista CT. San Jose CA 95127 Updated Scores

## Worked All CA Counties

(1, 2, and 3, have benn previously reported in JUG)

#4	WA6QDR, Will Costello	16 Nov, 1992
#5	G0MFO, Dick Dievendorff	5 Mar. 1993
#6	WA6HYB, Caniel C. Pugh	1 Dec. 1993
#7	W2HG, Bob Rossi	7 Mar 1994
#8	4X4RE, Egon Ron	7 May 1994
	#1 4X, All CW	**************************************

de Ken K5PU

### Worldwide DX Cluster

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As I access my local DX packet cluster, I think on the changes wrought by packet; You can find the DX now, without any fluster. Before we got packet, how did we hack it?

We've had this tool for at least five years; We've shared o'er networks each DX spot. But early clusters were local affairs. At all they reported, I'd have a fair shot.

Today with interconnects o'er all the earth.
We've East Coast reports and spots from France
Tristan da Cunha's on ten—small worth;
The still-dark night cloaks the West Coaster's chance.

Of course the opposite's true as well; While we in the West work Spratley on forty, An Easterner might as well bang on a bell. That D-layer lops his path to a shorty.

So what's the point of globe-girdling connections? Are sysops just showing a technical coup? No, those spots are predictive perfections; Just wait on freq. 'till the signal comes through.

Does that always work? Will conditions expand? You can't be sure; MUF may stay low. The DX may stop or move from the band. But your odds improve for all that you know.

I did that for Tristan before early light— Kept watch on the frequency, ready to go. And just as Miniprop said that it might, His signal came up, and I worked him; good show!

## TREASURY NOTES

This is the final report from this treasurer for Fiscal Year 1994. As you will see, we project that we are going to reach the end of the year almost precisely "revenue-neutral". That's the way it's supposed to be! This Club was not founded to build up reserves of tens of thousands of dollars spread around multiple bank accounts.



First, here is the budget we established at the beginning of the year and the activity through April 30;

	Budget	Actual
Membership Dues	\$3768.00	\$3806.00
Contributions to General Fu	nd -	\$ 332.00
JUG & Roster Ads	\$ 310.00	\$ 270.00
JUG Publishing	(\$2340.00)	(\$1966.99)
CQP	(\$ 500.00	(\$ 881.50)
Membership Awards	(\$ 600.00)	(\$ 31.39)
Visalia Hospitality	(\$ 200.00)	(\$ 215.04)
Christmas Banquet		(\$ 219.10)
Awards Banquet		(\$ 20.20)
Other Self-Funding Events	-	\$ 13.99
Contingency Fund	(\$ 200.00)	(\$ 94.82)
TOTAL	\$ 238.00	\$ 992.95

We anticipate the following approximate expenses through the end of the year, though invoices for these have not yet been received:

May and June JUG (\$190 each)	(\$ 380.00)
Membership Awards, per W0YK	(\$ 621.62)
Additional CQP Expenses	(\$ 205.85)
NET FOR FY 1993 - 1994	(\$ 214.52)

The problem above, of course is CQP: we are \$537.35 overhudget on that program. However, we have a pledged contribution of \$300 which we are counting on to offset part of the excess. With that pledge, we will end the year at approximately +\$85.

Our current account balance is as follows:	
Funds remaining from Fiscal 1994 operations:	\$ 992.95
Balance at Start of Fiscal Year 94:	\$2480.89
Activity Credited to Fiscal Year 95:	\$ 300.00
GENERAL FUND TOTAL:	\$3773.84

Topical Topics

## TROSTEROSTER

Think C-Killyon! Remember a coupla years back when the sunspot dances were in phase and conjunction and we had a chance, albiet low probability, of giving the east coast a good run in DX contests. Well, that little possibility is gone for a few years while the sunspots get re-fueled, and we are faced with competing with ourselves—unless—unless we enter Sweepstakes with a Booooanningg. Which I think the new BOD will advise we do.

Last year we won our category with 7,439,544 points. Hooray. We had 80 entires to do it, an impressive number, but that made an average of only 92,994 points per entry. SCCC had 49 entries with each entry averaging 125,775 points! We were in different categories, fortunately for us, but station- for -station, they whipped us, and how! We should congratulate them.

What's to be done to upgrade our average station score to make an impressive impact?

Well,a few years ago we had a battle cry for the DX contests—"Make a Milli-Yun!!" A milli-yun points in a DX contest is a huge score but not too unreasonable for an above average station with the sunspots turned on and a young op drinking lots of black coffee or otherwise staying wide awake.

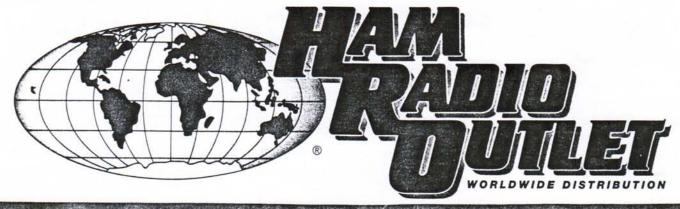
Ah, yes. What's possible for SS is 100K points plus a chunk for each station. But that's not enough to close the gap with SCCC. For this month, let's begin to think in terms of 100K each station, or 100 Killi-Yuns per op! We can psyche ourselves higher from that beginning. I'm sure the new VP/CC to be elected at the May meeting will do some numbers crunching and tell us what totals we have to reach to save our honor. We expect to be running some articles of inspiration in the JUG too. Until then,

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or, quickly,

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