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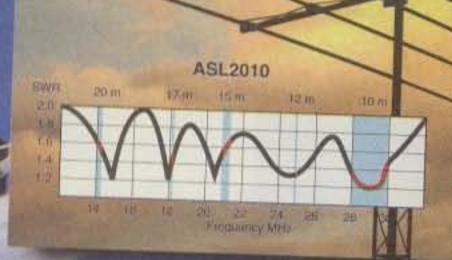
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AN EDITORIAL

he world's greatest and biggest DX contest takes place later this month. While combining contesting and DXing produces an even greater anathema to some, the event itself momentarily raises then quickly buries any finite or even philosophical discussion of what is a country. In this month's DX column Chod Harris reports on all of the considerable machinations of the ARRL in their search for a proper definition of a country and for the perfect "who and how" used to make that definition. Pratas Island and Scarborough Reef are basically constructs of one's imagination. I don't believe either one has a Permanent Mission to the UN, local currency, postal stamps, or even one lone souvenir stand selling knikknaks to tourists.

Maybe it's something in the nature of amateurs that makes us want to take an inanimate construct and turn it into a carbonbased entity. We firmly believe that there are about 328 countries out there, with another almost 50 floating in historical ether, to which some of us lay claim. They're real, alright, as real as we want to make them. One's point of view is focused perhaps with respect to having worked the "country" or not. Another point of view might lend credence to something, by having several committees with important sounding names audaciously and interminably discuss the matter at length, then table it for future discussions. Something that serious must be real. With all that talk, one would think the fate and balance of the world was at stake. If you remember, it wasn't too long ago when there was a tremendous discussion going on about the emergence of Albania resuming amateur radio activity. In the beginning it was almost a zoo, with real Albanians, not so real Albanians, and phony Albanians all getting on the air within a few blocks or so from each other. Who would "count"? Who didn't "count"? Who had permission and who didn't, and from which part of the Albanian administration? It didn't take very long for those to become academic questions as everybody had their fill of ZA contacts, and on a good day there were just about as many ZAs on the band as W4s. In reality, all the amateur world had at that moment was a number of voices "saying" they were in Albania and using ZA calls. Most of us wouldn't readily recognize an Albanian accent, and so we took it on faith that whoever was saying we were 5/9 was actually in Albania and had someone's authority and permission to do so. Later on, a number of people who were not Albanians, and who did not live there, ultimately decided whether or not Albania was real and which Albanians were more real than others. Makes perfect sense to me.

creased if the operator or group is known to most other amateurs. We presume that if so-and-so says he is at Point X, then he is, no question. Historically, though, we know that isn't always the case. Some folks like to point their fingers at one particular individual who was famous (or notorious, depending on how you looked at it) for "shocking" the DX community by his alleged actions. Principally, his shortcoming in that affair was his personality. What he allegedly did was no different than many other operations of the day (and earlier). He didn't play the game the same way the others did and wasn't as well liked personally. Some of the others were indeed well liked, and it really didn't matter that they weren't exactly at or on Point X. Sometimes it was good enough just for them to "see" Point X. In some cases even that delicate distinction was overlooked. It was good enough that we wanted them to be there and we accepted whatever they said.

Is Scarborough Reef a country or will it ever be a country in the traditional sense? Well, I doubt that it ever will be divided into states or provinces complete with a major highway network, or boast a modern urban capital city. Tourists may never get the opportunity to go downtown in the capital city to visit the Scarborough Museum of Natural History to see the rich and varied record of the evolution of both man and the ecology of the reef. On the other hand, Scarborough Reef can obviously take pride in an extremely low crime rate-in fact, it's nil. Is it then a country? In terms of amateur radio it is. Amateurs went there and operated from there, and I guess those aspects can be substantiated somehow, if it's really important to know. Is it a country in terms the rest of the world would understand? I think they would think we were crazy to even consider it or spend so much time, effort, and money over the remote possibility that it was a separate geographic entity. I think that just the simple fact that the host government went out of its way to encourage this cooperative venture is substantiation enough, at least in amateur radio terms. It's just as real as a piece of uninhabited frozen real estate in the middle of nowhere, supporting some birds and a lot of cryogenically preserved guano. Maybe we need a guano faction or some acceptable level of guano to state definitively that this indeed is a country. If we want to get truly literal as to what a country is, then at some point we have to consider a local population, currency, postal system, economy, and, yes, a capital city. As amateurs we've always opted for a looser interpretation which would tend to increase the total number. We like to accumulate. Whatever it is, more is definitely better and certainly increases our standing within the community. More even includes the phrase "I've got more deleted countries than you." Try to explain that concept to a non-amateur. The one thing that most amateurs are not interested in is the concept of a "level playing field" or total equality in opportunity. Somehow I find it difficult to imagine all of us using the same one-tube rig and wire dipoles, and every couple of years doing away with our award and honor roll system just to be able to start clean once again so that all of us stay even.

I don't think that we're likely to have too many entrants in the CQ World-Wide from Scarborough Reef this year, so for most of us, working Scarborough Reef is still a long way off. It's also not too likely that we'll see a Delegate or Legation to the UN from Scarborough Reef show up this year. On the other hand, we're still waiting for the Permanent Legations from Hawaii and Alaska to show up, and they've been foreign countries for a long time. That possibly can be explained by some local confusion in that the indigenous population seems to feel that they're States, and part of the United States. Obviously, they're misguided and haven't read all of the committee reports.

We seem to have done this before with some fellow amateurs who said they were in Burma, who even received and sent mail from someplace called Burma. Some of us said they were real and some of us said they weren't. Overall, however, what was paramount was what the people in that place they called Burma called themselves. Maybe that's not important, and more time and effort should be spent convincing the Alaskans and Hawaiians that they're really foreigners residing in sovereign nations. If either Scarborough Reef or Pratas show up in the CQ World-Wide, work them. We'll count them as countries even though our meetings weren't as convoluted and lengthy as some. Cass says "DX is" and he's right. It's an emotion, a feeling that's impossible to describe let alone dissect into discrete rational elements. It's the same with contests. It's feeling the fire and sensing the heat that makes you eager to jump in and be part of a great experience. Leave logic and reason behind, the same way you did when you first got interested in amateur radio. It was a flight of imagination as to a whole new world opening up, and you know, you were right. Something is, by virtue of believing it is. Maybe, every so often, we tend to forget what it's all about and impart meaning where none exists. Relax and enjoy yourself, and have a good time in the contest. See you there. PS: You will not find an "Awards" column this month. Norm was in the hospital for a bit, but is right as rain and will be back next month!

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73, Alan, K2EEK

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 BMHA—Continuing its policy of presenting informational programs to both the ham and non-ham public, the Bicycle Mobile Hams of America has announced a program/demonstration of bicycle-mobile VHF and HF equipment and techniques. The event will take place at the west coast's largest gathering of hams in Pacificon, Concord, California on Oct. 20–22. Neil Fullagar, KE6NCX, will coordinate the presentation. For more information, contact BMHA, Box 4009, Boulder, CO 80306 (303–494-6559).

 Satern Emergency Services Seminar—to commemorate the third annual conference, Oct. 13–15, in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Activities are planned for the lower portion of the General and Novice subbands. Digital activites are also planned. For commemorative QSL card, send your card and SASE, and name of operator worked to NH2Z, AI Shaver; Apt. #608; 84-265 Farrington Hwy, Waianae, HI 96792; or directly to operator contacted. Exams will be conducted at Camp Wonderland In Kenosha on Oct. 14.

 Convention Radiantistica Internazionale is commemorating the first centenary of wireless telegraphy and celebrating Guglielmo Marconi as their "Past President." The Bologna section on behalf of the National Steering Committee A.R.L is organizing an International Meeting for Oct. 13–15. For information, contact: ARI, Comitato Celebrazioni Marconiane, c/o Sezione ARI G. Sinigaglia, C.P. 2128-40100 Bologna. FM simplex. For certificate, send a business-size or 9 x 12 SASE to TCARC, P.O. Box 643, Brevard, NC 28712.

N5SUM, from annual induction ceremonies, International Space Hall of Fame & Museum, Alamogordo, New Mexico, The Alamogordo ARC, 1500-2300Z Oct 21; SSB 28.475, 21.375, and 14.275. CW to be announced on the air. A QSL picturing the Space Hall will be mailed to all two-way/SWL requests received and confirmed. No SASE required or requested. Mail *must* be addressed to: International Space Hall of Fame, Attn: N5SUM, Route 2001, P.O. Box 533, Alamogordo, NM 88311-0533.

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KE5TC, to honor those serving on WWII submarines, aboard the WWII submarine U.S.S. Batfish, Muskogee, Oklahoma, Eastern Oklahoma Area Hams; 1400–2130Z Oct. 7 and 1700–2130Z Oct. 8; in the 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meter phone subbands. For QSL, send SASE to KE5TC, P.O. Box 436, Keota, OK 74941.

W6CUS, from observance the 90th birthday of the City of Richmond, California; The East Bay ARC; 0100-0500Z and 1700-2400Z Oct. 14, and 0000-0400Z and 1700-2400Z Oct. 15; General subbands on 80, 40, 20, and 15 meters; Novice subbands on 10 and 2 meters. For certificate, send QSL and 9 x12 SASE to EBARC, P.O. Box 1393, El Cerrito, CA 94530.

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Oct. 1, The Hall of Science ARC Hamfest, New York Hall of Science parking lot, Queens, New York, Call evenings only: Charles Becker, WA2JUJ, 516-694-3955; or Amie Schiffman, WB2YXB, 718-343-0172.

Oct. 1, North Central Ohio Hamfest, Ashland County Fairgrounds, Ashland, Ohio. Contact Wally Green, W3YXS, 3 East Liberty Street, Ashland, OH 44805.

Oct. 1, Huntington ARS Hamfest, PAL Club, Huntington, Indiana. Contact Chris Richardson, N9QVI, P.O. Box 284, Huntington, IN 46750 (219-356-0319). (Handicapped accessible; exams.)

Oct. 6–8, Second Annual CVARC Hamfest, Costerisan Lake, Bakersfield, California. Contact Al Chadwick, c/o KC-VARC, Inc., P.O. Box 743, Bakersfield, CA 93302 (phone 805-396-1012; fax between 8 AM and 4 PM PST 805-872-8774).

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Oct. 7, Ham Expo '95, Bell County Expo., Belton, Texas. Write to Temple ARC, 2014 S. 53rd, Temple, TX 76504; call Mike, WA5EQQ, 817-773-3590; e-mail 72437.424@compuserve.com or laird@vvm.com. (Handicapped accessible). (Exams.)

Oct. 7, Forx ARC Hamfest/Computer Fair, University Lutheran Church, Grand Forks, North Dakota. Contact the chairman: Jeff Sorell, NØPPW, 701-594-5013. (Exams.)

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W3XX, from the submarine U.S.S. Requin, centennial of the Carnegie Science Center, Pittsburgh, Penn-sylvania; The Breezeshooters ARC; 1400Z- 2100Z Oct. 7-8; operation on vintage CW equipment in the lower half of the Novice subbands; phone in the General class segment of 20 and 40 meters. For certificate and QSL, send QSL and 8-1/2 × 11 SASE to Ron Berry, WB3LHD, 326 Sunset Drive, Bethel Park, PA 15102.

WI3A, from 95th anniversary of the first AM transmission, Cobb Island, Maryland; Southern Maryland ARC; 1500–2100Z Oct. 29; lower portion of the General 40, 20, and 15 meter phone subbands and Novice 10 meter phone subband. For QSL send QSL and SASE to Southern Maryland ARC, P.O. Box 273, Clinton, MD 20623.

KB3BHS, from the Houston, Pennsylvania Pumpkin Festival; WACOM; 1400–2000Z Saturday and 1600– 2000Z Sunday, Oct. 14–15; in the upper portion of 40 and 20 meter bands and 28:340 on 10 meters. For a QSL, send SASE to WACOM, Box 1386, Washington, PA 15301.

KE4YVV, from 214th anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis, Yorktown, Virginia; Williamsburg Area ARC; 1300–2300Z, Oct. 21; on 28.350, 24.950, 21.350, 18.150, 14.270, 7.270, and 3.870. For unfolded certificate, send QSL and 9 x 12 SASE to Hershel Kreis, KE4GWV, 145 Sand Hill Road, Williamsburg, VA 23188-6609.

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KF4BHC, from Ft. Pickens, Santa Rosa Island; The Serious Hams ARC of Pensacola, Florida (IOTA NA-142); 1230–1800Z, Oct. 14. For QSL send SASE to N4MAD, Mike Brown, 519 S. Edgewood Circle, Pensacola, FL 32506.

KE4ZIS, from Halloween celebration, The Devil's Courthouse, Transylvania County, North Carolina; Transylvania County ARC; 2100Z Oct. 31 to 0100Z Nov. 1; on 7.234, 14.295, 21.365, and 28.335 SSB, and 146.52

. The following hamfests, etc., are slated for Oct.:

Oct. 1, NW Ohio ARC Hamfest, Allen County Fairgrounds, Lima, Ohio. Contact Jon Solomon, W8TY, 1370 tact SM6CTQ

Oct. 8, 1995 Nutmeg Hamfest, Durham Fairgrounds, Durham, Connecticut, Contact Bill Wawrzeniak, W1KKF, at 203-269-8252 (eves.). (Exams.)

Oct. 8, Seventh Annual Shore Area Hamfest/NJ State Convention, Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, New Jersey, Contact Al Allen, K2LG, at 908-495-3246. (Handicapped accessible.)

Oct. 8, Maysville Hamfest, Maysville, North Carolina. Contact Jo Ann Taylor, WD4JYR, 919-393-2120.

Oct. 8, Springfield Annual Hamfest, Clark County Fairgrounds, Clark County, Ohio. Call Ron, KB8JTD, 513-964-8618. (Handicapped accessible; exams.)

Oct. 8, Shore Area Hamfest '95/ARRL New Jersey State Convention, Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, New Jersey, Call the Hamfest Hotline at 908-495-3246. (Handicapped accessible; exams.)

Oct. 13–14, QCWA National Convention, Holiday Inn, Manchester, New Hampshire. Contact Gladys Chase, W1VPF, 203-668-0845.

Oct. 14, Waycross Area Repeater Association Third Annual Hamfest, Waycross Ware County Fairgrounds, Waycross, Georgia. Contact David Sweat, KD4FGC, 912-283-4603; 358 Pineview Drive, Waycross, GA 31501. (Exams.)

Oct. 14, Augusta Hamfest, Evans Middle School, Evans, Georgia. Contact Richard, KR4XN at 706-860-3828; or Rhonda, KE4DIM, at 706-560-9600; or write to P.O. Box 3072, Augusta, GA 30914.

Oct. 14–15, The Greater Louisville Hamfest/ ARRL Kentucky State Convention, Kentucky Fair & Expo Center, Louisville, Kentucky, Write to P.O. Box 34444-Q. Louisville, KY 40232-4444 (812-948-0037).

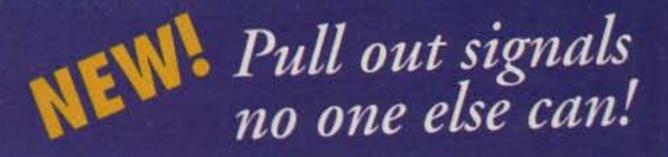
Oct. 14–15, MemFest '95, Shelby Farms Show Place Arena, Germantown, Tennessee, Call Mary Moore, AC4GF, 901-758-0661. (Exams.)

Oct. 15, Centralia Wireless Association Annual Hamfest, Kaskaskia College Gymnasium, 3 miles Northwest of Centralia, Illinois. Contact Bud King, WA9U, 618-532-6606. (Exams.)

Oct. 15, KMRAC 17th Annual Ham Radio and Computer Swapfest, Waukesha County Exposition Center, Waukesha, Wisconsin, Write to KMRA Swapfest, S46 W32264 Highview Drive, Waukesha, WI 53188. (Exams.)

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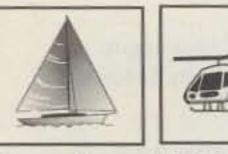
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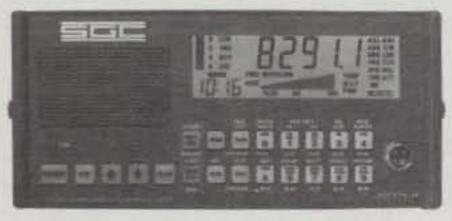
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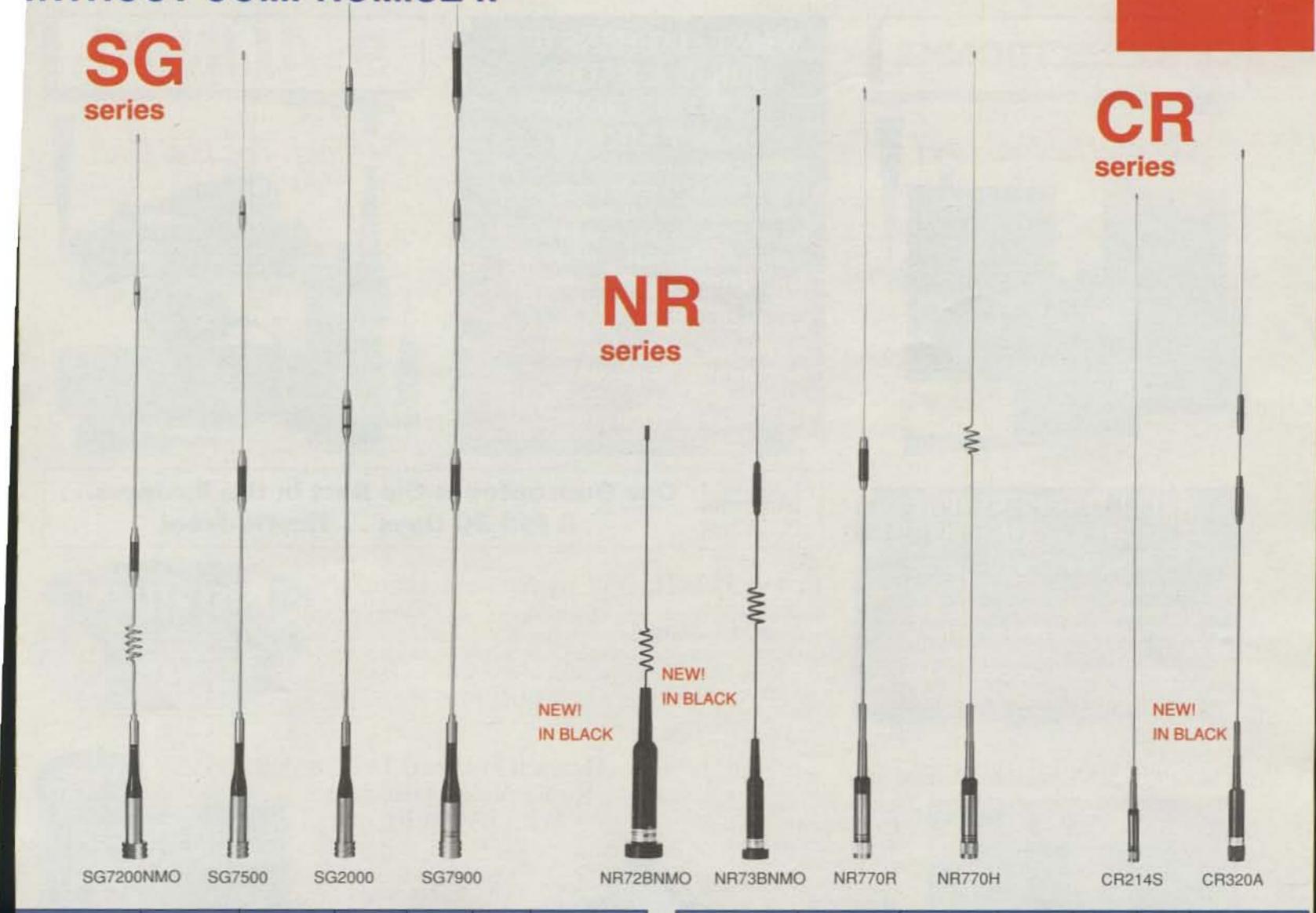
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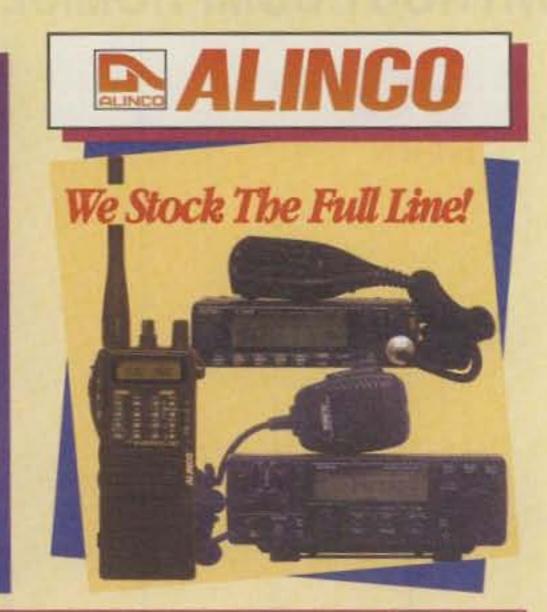
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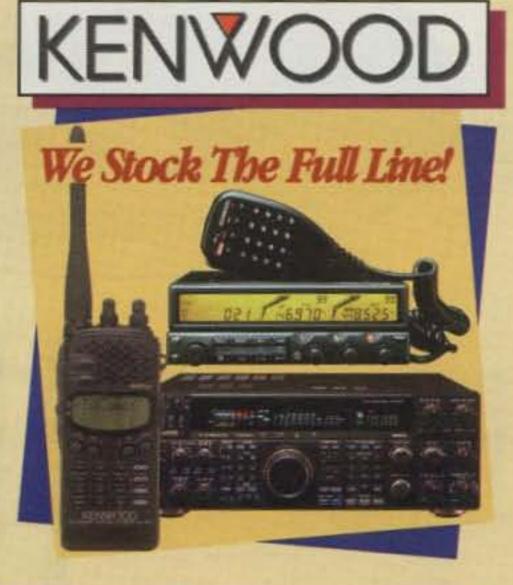


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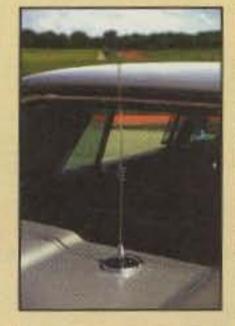
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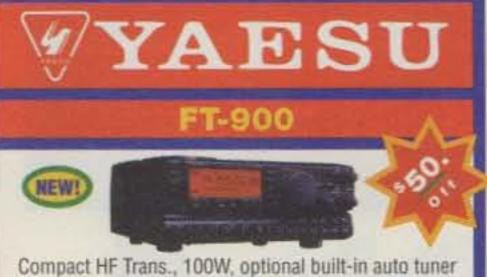
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Planning does make for perfect. Ville, OH2MM, had planned his operation from EA8EA to go for the world all-band title. Operating from inside a converted water storage shed overlooking the Atlantic for 270 degrees, he keyed himself into the record books by winning a world championship at least once in each of three different decades! He first accomplished it as ZD3Z back in 1972—quite a great feat, Ville!

Venturing out on his first DX try at the top spot, Jeff, KRØY, operating at P4ØF, proudly claimed second place. Jeff also set a new CW QSO record of 6557 QSOs. Jose, CT1BOH, the SSB champion, rounded out the top three from the QTH of PYØFF.

There were three Asian stations in the top 10: H2ØA (Opr. 5B4ADA), A71CW (Opr. SP5EXA), and VS6WO (Opr. WX3N). Considering his distance from Europe and North America, Dave at VS6WO did an outstanding job getting those three pointers. Falling just outside the top 10 box at #11 was 9M8X (operated by OH2BH) and #12 Chris, ZS6EZ.

Congratulations to S59A, the top European score on both modes. You can sure tell that the sunspot minimum is hard upon us. Just like phone, the USA was often an afterthought on 10 and 15, especially from eastern Europe. One-sixty and 80 are now assuming more and more importance. Scores on CW were very tight with less than one million points separating first place from tenth place in Europe. The difference was often the number of 3 point QSOs and how error-free a log was submitted. Second place went to YU7AV, Vojislav, operating from near the YO border. Ben, DL6RAI, carrying the flag of the Bavarian Contest Club, was third. Conditions were very strange, as seen by the fact that the highest European QSO totals were racked up by EMØF and UT2QT from the Ukraine. A careful check of the top US logs revealed that the winner was Randy, K5ZD/1, over Bob, KQ2M, operating at KM1H. Out of 4931 QSOs only 11 QSOs and 2 multipliers separated the two stations. Wow! Randy's unique rate was very good, and he ended up as the USA allband champion. Remember that the SSB top 10 had several non-east coasters. The conditions on CW were such that the top 10 guys stretched from Larry, N6AR, in Florida to KM1H in New Hampshire. The farthest west station was N6AR! So how did the competitors do farther west (I mean really west)? K5MR led the pack, followed by KØRF and W9RE. Check out the new top scores in the active zone box for other worthy scores.



QTH of PYØFF operated by Jose, CT1BOH, on the left.

100 watts in Rwanda sure adds 10 dB to your took top European honors. But there is more to

The top world score in the barefoot category went to 9X5EE operated by PA3DZN. Having

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signal. Working in war-torn Rwanda, he took time to hand out a rare multiplier. I think I can speak for everyone by saying, thanks for the rare one.

The world second-place, low power score was quite remarkable. Angel, EA7CEZ, operating with a KT34XA, Cushcraft 2-element 40 meter beam, a sloper on 80, and a LW on 160 the story. He also was the top European score regardless of power! Of course we didn't believe it either, but a thorough check of his station and him proved that indeed he was the real thing. Being on the Iberian peninsula and having "spot-light" conditions allowed Angel to have an unprecedented result. Congratulations. Third place in the world went to J8ØC



Shown here is the ZF1A multi-single team. Left to right, front row, K9LA and K4UVT; back row, WA6VNR and W6OSP.

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24DF	319/15/49	732/20/70	1408/27/94	1376/30/97	1732/32/99	994/26/79	KM1H	45/7/30	317/19/62	687/34/106	775/32/103	572/25/94	64/14/3
PYØFF	231/13/47	585/18/62	723/26/81	1701/35/100	1558/29/101	1100/21/82	W1KM	35/10/29	401/23/78	599/28/101	674/29/100	457/22/76	38/14/3
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The second place in Europe slot went to EA5WU, who also put his EA location to advantage. Third place in Europe went to Franz, S59AA, who is always among the top scores and cooks a delicious fresh-water fish dinner.

Single op, all band, low power for the USA

ating at P4ØW in Aruba, with a new world record of over 10 million points. His score would only have been fifth in the world in the singleoperator category, proving that the optimum use of packet spotting has not yet been found. Second place and first in the U.S. was Jeff, K1ZM, with 3.3 million. His score would have been fifth in the U.S. in the single-op categoing that many stations are assuming the callsign sent out on packet is correct. Many logs lost contacts (including some nice multipliers) by logging the callsign spotted on the packet system instead of the callsign sent by the station they have worked.

was won by Barry, W2UP/3. Barry fell into this category due to TVI problems; we all should have such "bad" luck! W1PH and K7GM/4 followed closely behind, taking second- and third-place spots. Also noteworthy was K2QMF, who despite having only 50% of the first-place QSOs, managed to have nearly the same (or more than) number of mults as the top three!

ry. Jeff was followed by OM3NA (top European scorer) with just under 3 million, which would have been sixth in Europe in the single-operator category.

The use of packet spotting assistance continues to spread worldwide, with a growing number of European entrants and even one from Hong Kong this year (VS6BG, top Asian scorer). However, it is clear from the log check-

Multi-Single

In the fiercely competitive Multi-Single category, the world winner was the team from the mountain overlooking Bologna. Operating from inside a narrow cave, they outkeyed the second-place team of NP4Z. Felipe's crew consisted of three guys. What a great job! The Europeans take their multi-single seriously, as

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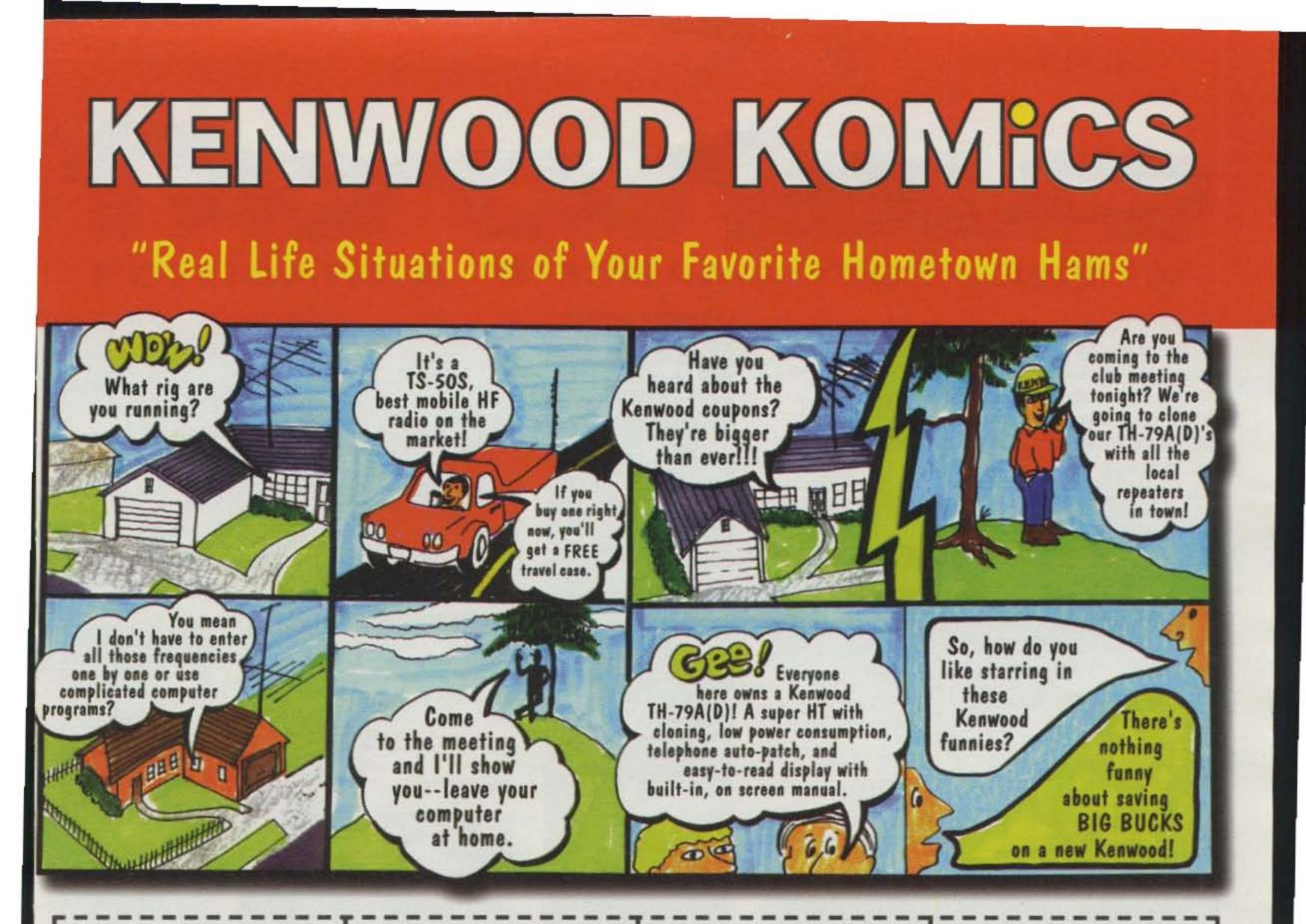
In the QRP category, TA4ZM (aka DK5WL) won for the world. Heinz-Josef found that moving from DL to TA enabled him to increase his score eight-fold, netting over 1600 QSOs with just a Buttnernut vertical and 5 watts. And thanks for the multiplier! Taking second-place world, and first-place USA (again) was perennial QRP winner Randy, AA2U. It is interesting that both Randy and Heinz-Josef each worked a total of 97 different countries, despite the ever-fading SFI. Even more interesting is the value of being a multiplier. Compare the TA4ZM score of 1.7 meg using a vertical with AA2U's second-place score of 486k using stacked KT34XA's at 90 and 38 feet, a 2-element 40 meter Yagi at 97 feet, and a full-sized 80 meter loop! Maybe we all should spend our funds having a fun vacation instead of laboring with hardware.

Assisted

The Single-Operator Unlimited category was won this year by John Crovelli, W2GD, oper-



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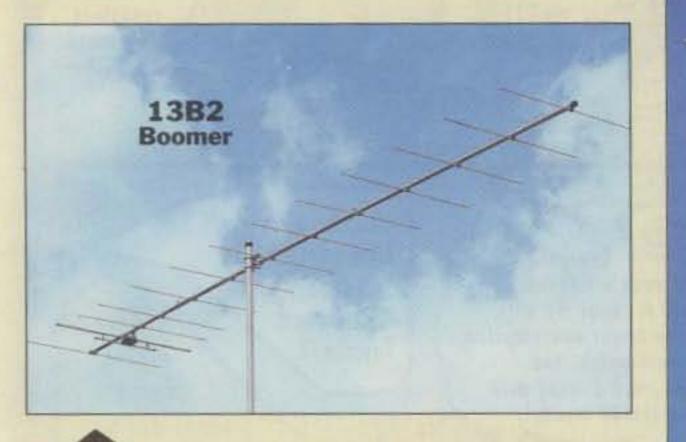
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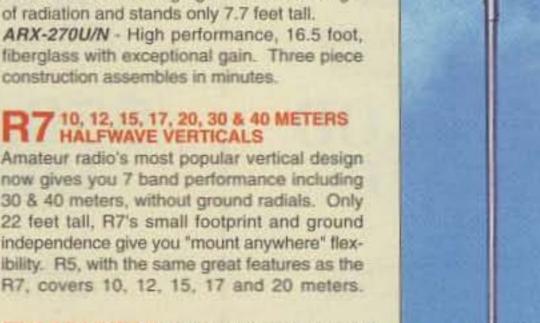
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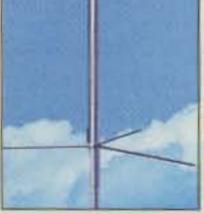
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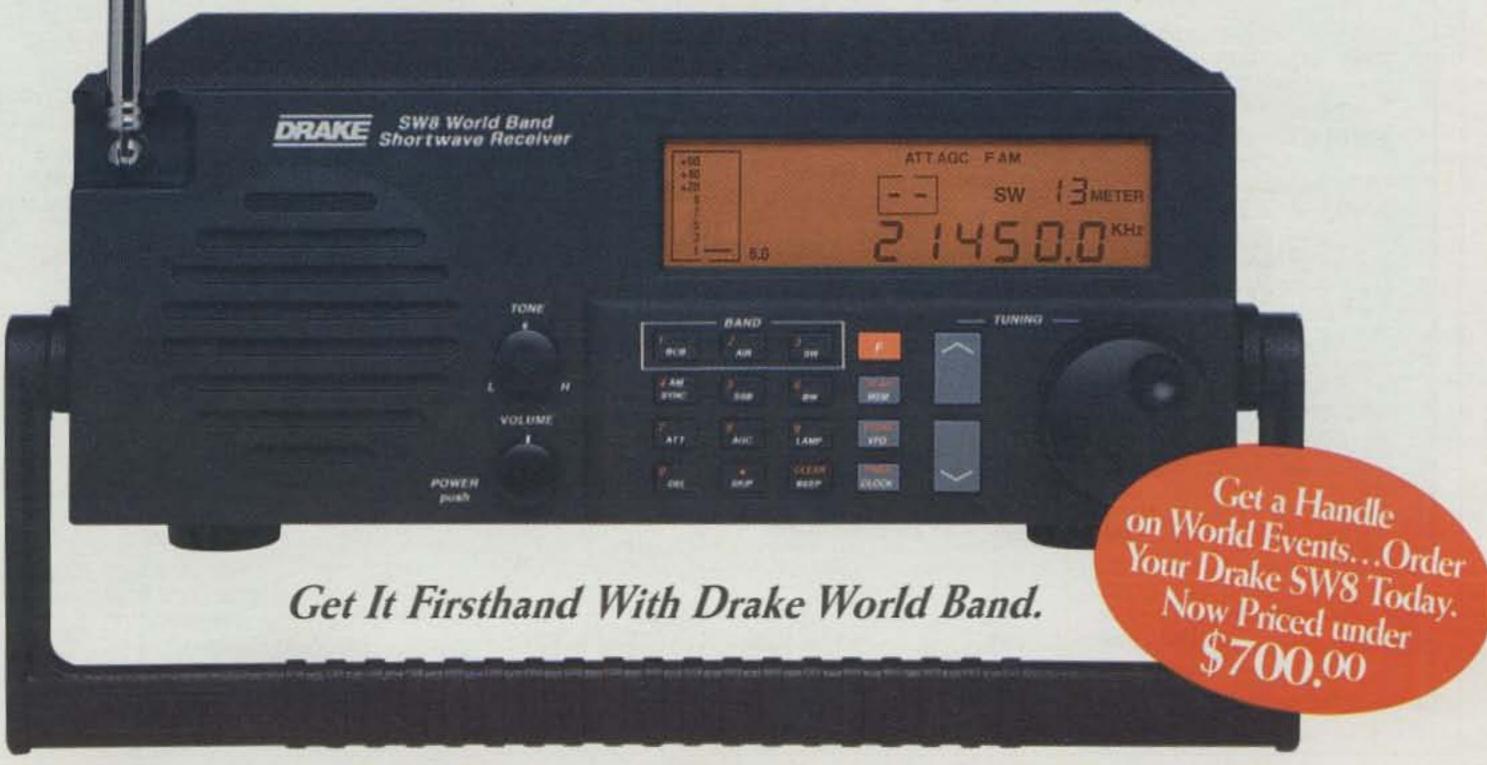
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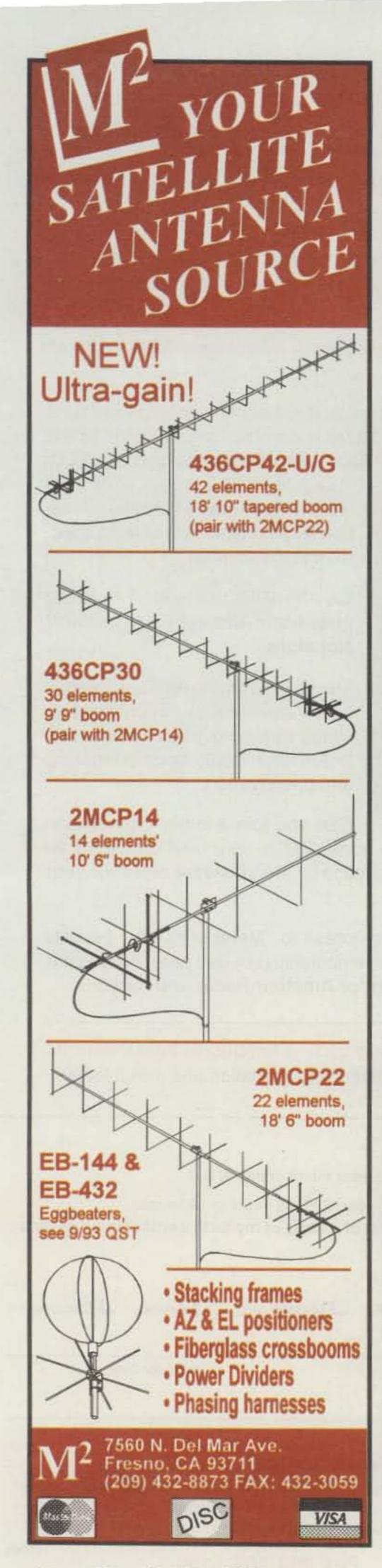
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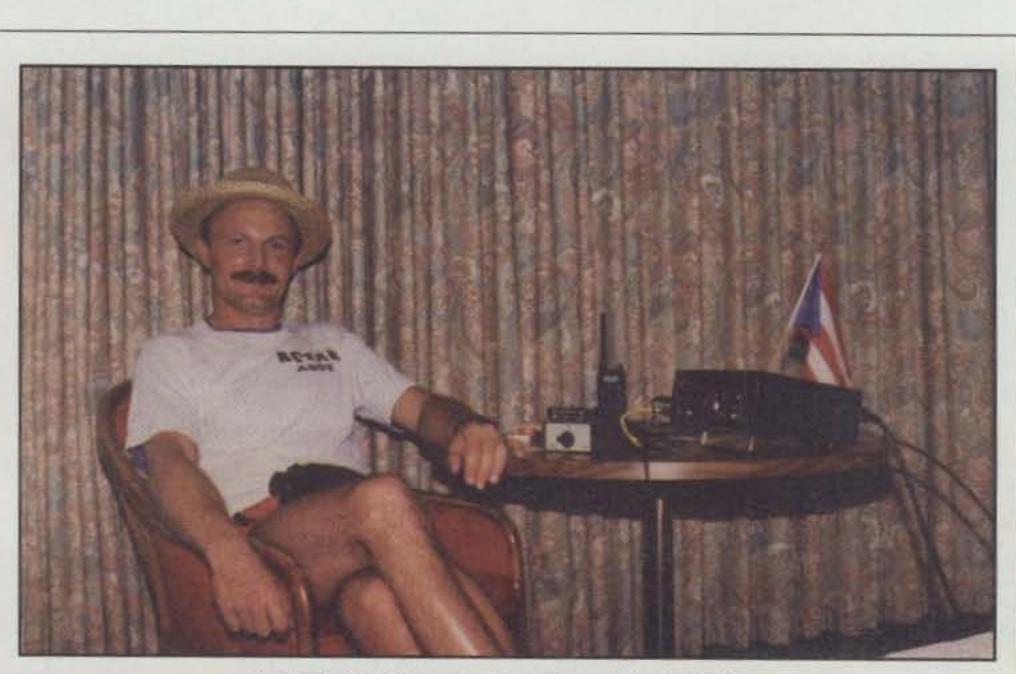
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you can see by the fact that four of the top six stations were from Europe. Finishing second in Europe and third in the world was the powerhouse of OT4T. Putting ON4UN's knowledge of antennas to work, they almost overcame their propagational disadvantage compared to stations farther south. The boys of HZ1AB should feel pretty good. They broke into the top six box. They made a lot of guys happy on the west coast of the US when their signal came booming in on the morning long path.

Finishing just below the world top six but finishing first in the US was the crew of K1AR, alias K1EA. They won by over 1 million points. They re-enforce that famous saying and add to it: Loud is good. Being in New England is good. And it's good to see Europe with a good pair of binoculars. Finishing second down FRC way was the excellent station of N2NU and crew. They edged out KC1XX, who came in third. continents are represented in the top six score box. You cannot ask for diversity. The winner was 9G5AA. These guys put a rare CW country into over 11,000 logs! Many comments from entrants offered their appreciation to that DXpedition for a new band or mode country. Second place went to the gang at VP5VW. They had more QSOs than anyone in the contest. The computer program they were using could only handle 10,000 QSOs, so they had to scramble when that number was exceeded! Third place went to the JA gang, who traveled to KHØAM. They were easy to work. Boy you would drool if you could see their 160 log into JA. The top European score was HG73DX, who edged out

Multi-Multi

This category is always a battle. Five different

their rivals farther south in Croatia, 9A1A.

In the US Frank's crew at W3LPL is sure pushing the edge. They were tops in all three categories: QSOs, zones, and countries. Diversity of antennas and heights is sure paying off. To find out who was responsible for the score, check out the operator list. Located at almost the same latitude but farther east in the New Jersey pine barrens was the fine crew of



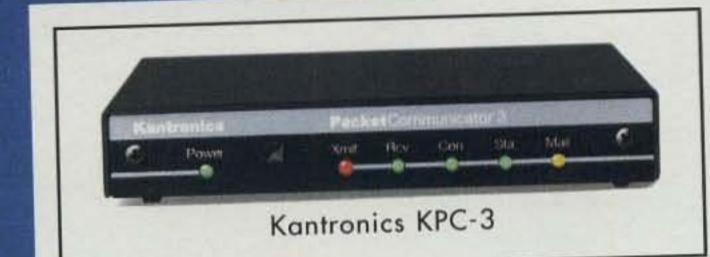
College student enthusiasts from the Chiba Institute of Technology at breakfast (not sushi) after operating JA1YDU.

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l	Yankee Clipper Contest Club	139,840,28
l	Northern California Contest Club	63,342,52
l	Southern California Contest Club	60,104,39
l	Potomac Valley Radio Club	
l	Society of Mid-west Contesters	
l	North Texas Contest Club	24,468,00
l	S.E. DX Club	17,279,09
l	FLA CW Contest Group Oklahoma DX Association	13,961,28
I	Oklahoma DX Association	12,990,58
l	Carolina DX Association	12,74846
l	Mile High DX Association	12,130,96
I	Mile High DX Association Texas DX Society	11,654,93
l	North Florida DX Association	10 779 94
l	Mad River Contest Club	10,182,63
l	Mad River Contest Club Northern Alabama DX Club	8,455,57
I	Dixie Dxers Central Virginia Contest Club	7,770,21
	Central Virginia Contest Club	6,274,90
l	Willamette Valley DX Club	6,195,38
l	North Coast Contesters	
l	Minnesota Wireless	5,624,69
l	Southwest Ohio DX Association	5,234,95
l	Kansas City DX Club	4,479,80
l	Lone Star Contest Club	4,380,41
	River City Contesters	4,196,22
l	Southern California DX Club	
l	Western Washington DX Club	
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l	Order of Boiled Owls New York	2,984,00
I	Kentucky Contest Group	
l	Hoosier Contesters	2,485,22
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	Western New York DX Association	1.856.84
	Northern Ohio DX Association	
	Central Texas DX Contest Club	1,390,89
	Salt City DX Association	1.367.69
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Bavarian Contest Club	83,215,092
Rhein-Ruhr DX Association	82,081,388
Slovenian Contest Club	39,957,790
Ukrainian Contest club	37,971,085
OH DX RING	37,129,792
Hungarian DX Club	28,649,328
LNDX	18, 104, 218
Croatian DX Club Chiltern Contest Club(G)	17,593,490
Chiltern Contest Club(G)	15,882,795
Delta Mike(I)	15,254,748
LYNX	
SP DX Club	
Vojdovina Contest Club(YU)	8,694,193
YU DX Club	7,749,941
Alaska DX Association	5,498,563
Tupy Contest Club (PY)	
Top of Europe Contest Club	3,507,123
Danish DX Group	3,246,305
Lithuanian DX Group	3,179,378
Bavarian DX Club	
RAST (HS)	
Beemter Contest Club (PA)	2,440,957
OH3NE	1,949,804
Fraser Valley DX Club(VE)	1,457,718
Perugia DX Club (I)	1,404,241
OH3NE Fraser Valley DX Club(VE) Perugia DX Club (I) Sarajevo Contest Group	1,379,522
Dream Team (S5) GACW (LU)	1,364,326
GACW (LU)	1,101,578
FOX Contest Club (YU)	767 794

San Diego DX Club	1,293,891	FUX Contest Club (YU)	/0/,
Mississippi Valley DX Contest Club		Belarus Activity Group	
South Florida DX Association		Bavarian DX Group	
Northern Shenandoah DX Club		Berghem Contest Club (PA)	
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Amarillo DX Society		Amsterdam Contest Group	
Redwood Empire		South German DX Group	
Long Island DX Association		Berlin DX Group	
Genesee County Radio Club		Czech Contest Club	
Santa Barbara		YV DXPERT'S Team	
Albany ARA		OZ9EDR.	
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Central Arizona DX Association		Tiara Club (JA)	
South Jersey Radio Association		Tartu Radio Club (ES)	
Williamsburg ARC		SP Contest Club	
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Bob, N2RM. Third place was taken by the new multi-multi K1KI.

We would be remiss if we did not mention the winners of the multi DXpedition trophy, YKØA. A special DXpedition which was centered around the CQ WW, they offered RTTY, WARC band contacts to the deserving before and after the contest. They are to be congratulated for the goodwill they generated in Syria for amateur radio. Well done, guys.

Records

The following outstanding operators set new World records: 4X4NJ (1.8), 9X5EE (Opr. PA3DZN) (Low All Band), PT7CB (Opr. YU1RL) (Low 14), P4ØW (Opr. W2GD) (Assisted All Band), IT9XUC (Assisted 14), PA3EBT (Assisted 3.5), OHØBCI (Assisted 1.8). Other

TEAM CONTESTING

- 1. FRC and the Cookie: 31,306,866. By N2NT, N2LT, W3BGN, P4ØF (KRØY), P4ØW (W2GD).
- Team from Cyberspace: 26,173,840. By HC8N (WN4KKN), VS6WO (WX3N), N4RJ (KM9P), K5ZD/1, N6BV/1.
- OH-DX-Team: 22,857,620. By 9M8X (OH2BH), DX1EA (OHØXX), EA8EA (OH2MM), ZB2X (OH2KI), LX4B (OH2PQ).
- 4. Top Guns: 10,770,786. By W2SC, WJ2O/KP2, OH6KIT, W1WEF, K3TUP.
- 5. Wild Wild West: 6,059,933. By N5RZ, K5MR, K6XO, ZF8BS (AA6KX).
- 6. Barefoot Men: 3,623,924. By AA4GA, K7GM/4, K7SV/4, XE1/AA6RX.
- The Uno-banders: 2,790,571. By UN2L (UA9BA), 9M6NA (JE1JKL), IO9T (IT9TQH), NQØI, DLØIU (DL4AAE).
- Jorge Bozzo, LU8DQ, Memorial: 2,275,903. By ZPØY (LW9EUJ), LU1ICX, LU6ETB (LU2CW).
- 9. Slovenian Contest Club #2: 1,434,002. By S5ØA, S59L, S5ØK.
- 10. Slovenian Contest Club #3: 524,835. By S57U, S57W, S53EA, S51AY.
- 11. Top of Europe Contesters: 482,854. By SM5IMO, SM3SGP.
- 12. Elettra Marconi (YL's): 417,268. By I2RLX, I5AZX, I5UNA, IKØPXD).
- 13. Five is Enough (Most QRP): 113,016. By VE6SH, VE6GK, N7ENU.

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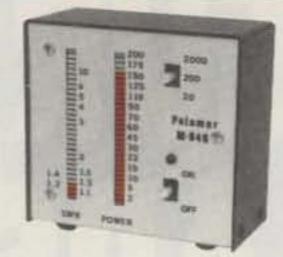
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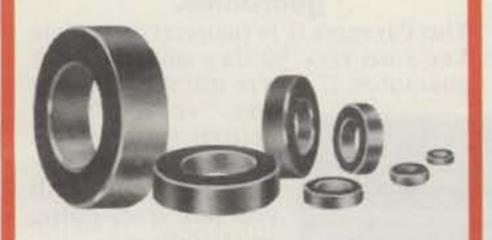
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than those above, the following set continental records: EA9EO (7), ZL3GQ (7), JA7SSB (Low 14), OHØBH (Opr. OH2MAM)(14), EA7CEZ (Low All Band), OL7Z (Opr. OK2PAY) (Low 14), US4EX (QRP 21), II8W (Opr. IK8JSV) (Assisted 7), KP2A (Opr. KW8N) (14), CO2VG (Low 3.5), KIØG (QRP 1.8), W8UVZ (Assisted 1.8), P4ØF (Opr. KRØY) (All Band), YV3AJ (Low 28), and 4M7A (Low 3.5). Congratulations to all!

Clubs

erly named and on one disk! Other clubs please take note.

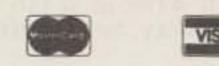
Also leaving nothing to chance were the top two European club entries. They both submitted most of their logs as a unit in one box. The scores were very close. After careful checking, the Bavarian Contest Club was declared the winner of the DX club trophy.

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On the left CR3U operated by DL2HYH, and on the right CT3FN operated by HB9CRV.

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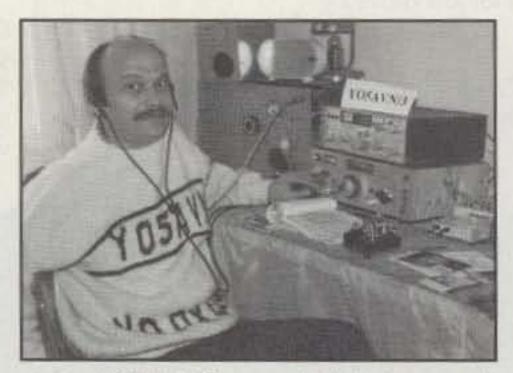
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The Amateurs of Bucharest, Romania

BY GEORGE PATAKI*, WB2AQC

Bucharest, the capital of Romania, is the largest city of the country and has the biggest amateur radio population of all the urban centers. In the United States the federal capital of Washington, DC is not the largest city of the country, and the state capitals are not necessarily the largest municipalities of their regions. In the European countries, however, usually the most populated and developed cities are their capitals. The number of amateur radio operators in big cities is larger than the average per capita because there exist more educational possibilities, and more people. Bucharest is the power center of the country, and the ones closest to that power receive the most benefits.

The Federation of Romanian Radio Amateurs is in charge of organizing the activities of Romanian amateurs. It is sponsored by the Ministry of Youth and Sport and is subsidized as a technical sport, emphasizing participation in competitions. The General Secretary of the Federation and his deputy work in Bucharest, but they often visit amateurs and radio clubs of other cities. The country has 40 counties and the majority have county radio clubs with full- or part-time employees or chiefs of the clubs. There are also municipal radio clubs run by volunteers, except for Bucharest, which has a full-time chief.



Joska, YO5AVN/3, uses both factory-made and homebrew equipment.

ever, each county club is responsible for its outgoing QSL service. The radio station of the central radio club, YO3KAA, active mostly in contests, is also at the Federation.

The municipal radio club has its own station—YO3KWA. Every Tuesday afternoon after



Mitica, YO3BFL, operates CW using a special keyboard made for the blind.



The incoming YO-QSL bureau is located at the Federation, where received cards are sorted and distributed to the county clubs. How-

*84-47 Kendrick Place, Jamaica Estates, NY 11432 4 PM the local amateurs gather there to pick up their QSL cards, to borrow or return books and magazines from the club's library, and to exchange news and gossip. Once a week a course in electronics and rules and regulations, plus a code practice session, is held for those who want to take the licensing test.

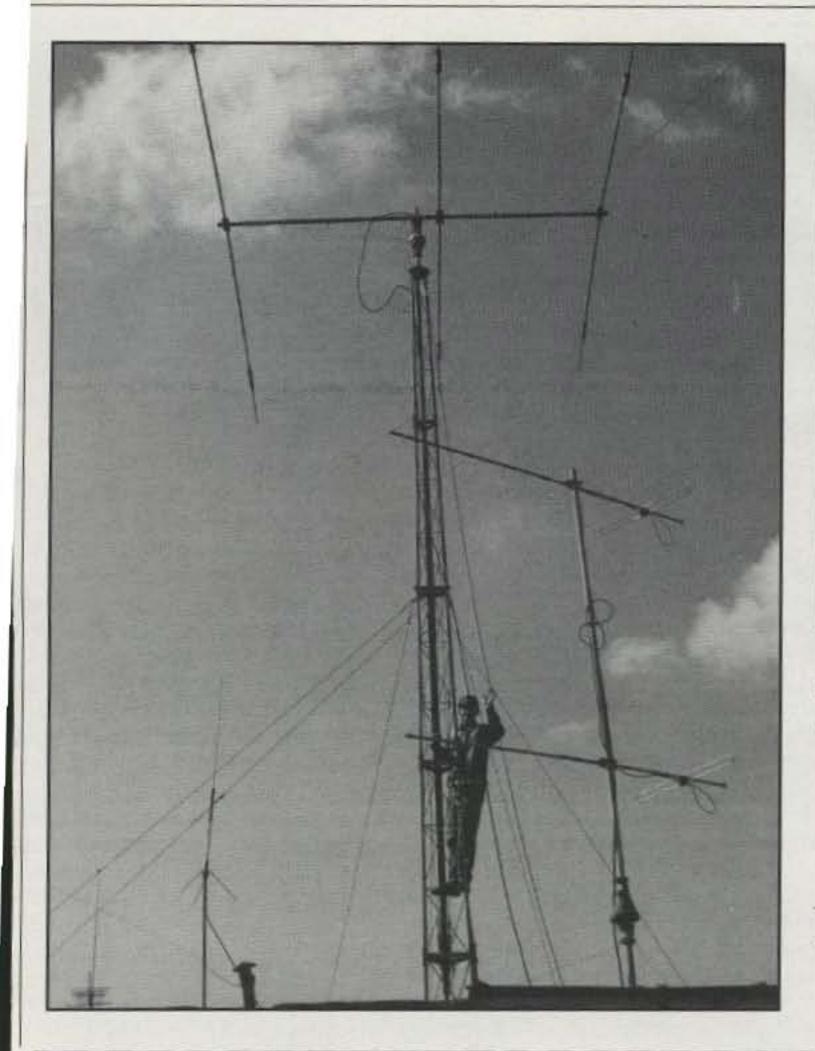
At the club I met people in all kinds of professions. Many were high-ranking officers, some were retired, and others were still on active service. Some of them were from the armed forces, while others were from the secret police. As I said, some were retired and others were still in active service. Often I did

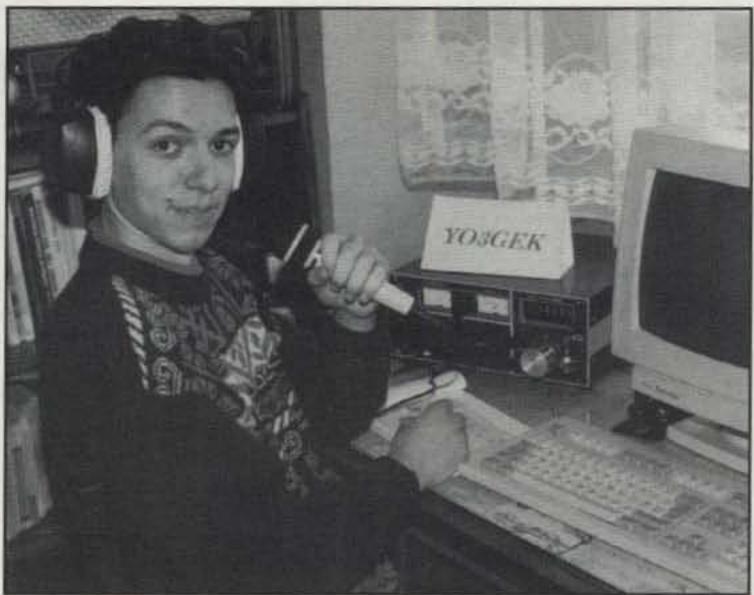
The father-and-son team of Costi, YO3ACX, and Paul, YO3GMP, shares a well-equipped station, a vertical antenna, and wire dipoles on the roof of their ten-story apartment building.



losif, YO3JP, at the YO3KAA club station in Bucharest.

Yani, YO3XQ, is a veteran CW operator who uses homebrew equipment.





Matei, YO3GEK, is a 17-year-old amateur who has modern, factorymade equipment and a computer for packet operation.

Adrian, YO3APJ's three-element beam is on the top of a tall apartment building with wide-open space in every direction.



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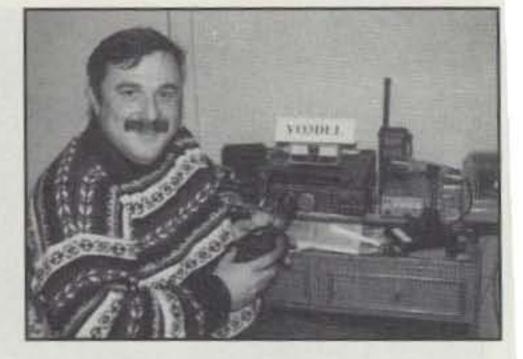
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Aurel, YO3CDN, is a civilian electronics specialist who has a neat station equipped with a computer.



Liviu, YO3DLL, is very active with his small station. He is in charge of the electrical energy supply for the telephone company.



Toto, YO3NL, President of the Federation of Romanian Radio Amateurs and a member of the YO DX Club. He has 275 countries confirmed and 5BDXCC.

not know which was which. While on this subject, I heard a local story. On a battleship an officer was testing a seaman, asking him, "What would you do if another sailor fell into the water?" "I would throw him a life preserver, Sir," was the prompt answer.

"And what would you do if an officer fell overboard?" was the next question.

The seaman hesitated for a minute and then asked, "Which officer, Sir?"

There are several other club stations, some more active than others. At the "Children's Palace" YO3KPA is run by two instructors-Sandy, YO3AWC, and Nicu, YO3CB. A couple of small private companies in which the owners are amateurs have organized radio clubs: YO3KWT of Adcon Computers has Lix, YO3NP, as chief operator, while Costel, YO3GDS, is in charge along with YO3KBN of Conex Electronics.

Speaking of radio clubs, I heard that at one of the meetings a member got very upset because things were not going his way and yelled, "Half of the members of this club are idiots!"

All the amateurs jumped on him and demanded an apology and a retraction.

"OK," mumbled the angry man, "I apologize. Half of the members of this club are not idiots!"

YO3APJ. He uses a small transceiver and very big linear amplifier resting on the floor. Adrian's three-element beam is on the roof of a tall apartment building with wide-open space in every direction. No wonder he is on the Honor Roll and has 5BDXCC. Every Thursday at 6 PM local time Adrain conducts (on 3.650 MHz) a DX forum, giving the latest news about DXpeditions, QSL managers, etc. Lots of Romanianspeaking amateurs check in with questions and answers.

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There are many amateurs with personal stations. One of the most active ones is Adrian.



The father-and-son team of Costi, YO3ACX, and Paul, YO3GMP, shares a well-equipped station, a vertical antenna, and some wire dipoles installed high up on the roof of their tenstory building. Costi is a flight radio operator on IL18 Russian-made airplanes, and Paul is a 15-year-old high school student.

Mitica, YO3BFL, is sightless. He operates CW using a special keyboard made for blind people. Nick, YO3BWK, is blessed with all kinds of foreign-made transceivers and test instruments.

Aurel, YO3CDN, is a civilian electronics specialist who works for the army. He has a neat station equipped with a computer. I worked him on 20 meter SSB and received his QSL. Liviu, YO3DLL, is in charge of the electrical energy supply for the telephone company. He is very active with his small station.

Calin, YO3RA, spent some years in a labor camp for political prisoners. After the 1989 revolution/coup d'etat he was one of the many who ran for the office of president, but unfortunately for YO amateurs, he didn't make it. Anyway, why would a nice person like Calin want to get in a business like that?

Tina, YO3FRI, a wife and the mother of two, is very active on SSB, CW, and RTTY. Luky, YO3DCO; Nelu, YO3CZ; Petrica, YO3ZR; and Mihai, YO3CV are the big guns of Bucharest, and they do QSL sometimes. On the other hand, I have a long black-list of amateurs from the capital city whom I worked and sent my card, but I did not receive theirs in return.

As in many countries, the amateurs of Bucharest are a diverse group, and I am glad I had the opportunity to meet many of them.

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CQ REVIEWS: The HAL Communications P38 HF Radio DSP Modem

BY JAY TOWNSEND*, WS7I

he digital operator is in the midst of a rapidly evolving part of amateur radio. There have been many advancements in digital technology with new modes, new techniques, and new challenges all providing additional capabilities and expanding the usefulness of the digital modes.

When HAL Communications, Inc. brought out the P38 board at the Dayton Hamvention this year, they quickly arrived in the midst of the revolution. HAL has been long recognized as one of the leaders in digital communication devices. The P38 born out of the earlier PCI-4000 Clover II DSP board directly answered the questions that digital operators had about price vs. performance.

Specifications

P38 comes as a full-size PC board and will require a full-size slot in an AT-type computer (a 286, 386 ,or 486 machine). It uses the 16bit AT bus of the mother board. The other part of the P38's system is user software which is called P38-COMM.

converter. It has a dual FIFO (first in first out) buffer interface to the PC bus and the P38 is a four-layer circuit board.

P38 Features

Modern HF radio modem design requires that the device be capable of doing four digital modes: Amtor, Baudot (RTTY), Pactor, and one other mode. The other mode these days usually seems to be proprietary. In the case of the P38 it is Clover II.

Amtor is used for casual keyboarding and for contacting HF BBS systems. Baudot (RTTY) is the king of DXing and digital contesting. Digital DXing and contesting are two of the fastest growing segments of interest in amateur radio these days. Pactor seems to have overtaken RTTY for the keyboarding mode of choice. Clover II is one of the best methods of moving high volumes of digital data. Clover II is well suited for poor band conditions, the low bands, and for crowded band conditions. Clover may well be the future of digital radio.

that they have to share the data stream with status and control signals from modern to the PC. This creates a huge choke point. Having the ability to generate multiple different interrupts and having a large FIFO (first in first out) buffer as well having DMA (direct memory access) to the main computer memory for data transfer gives the P38 great power and many technical advantages.

Use of the plug-in board format also greatly reduces the manufacturing cost of the P38 since expensive cabinet, power-supply, and front-panel parts are not required. They directly relate to cost savings. In many instances it makes the entire system easier to connect and gets rid of the need for additional table space and room in the shack. The P38 does not require yet another RS-232 port, cable, and IRQ (interrupt), which makes installation a lot easier.

Hooking It Up

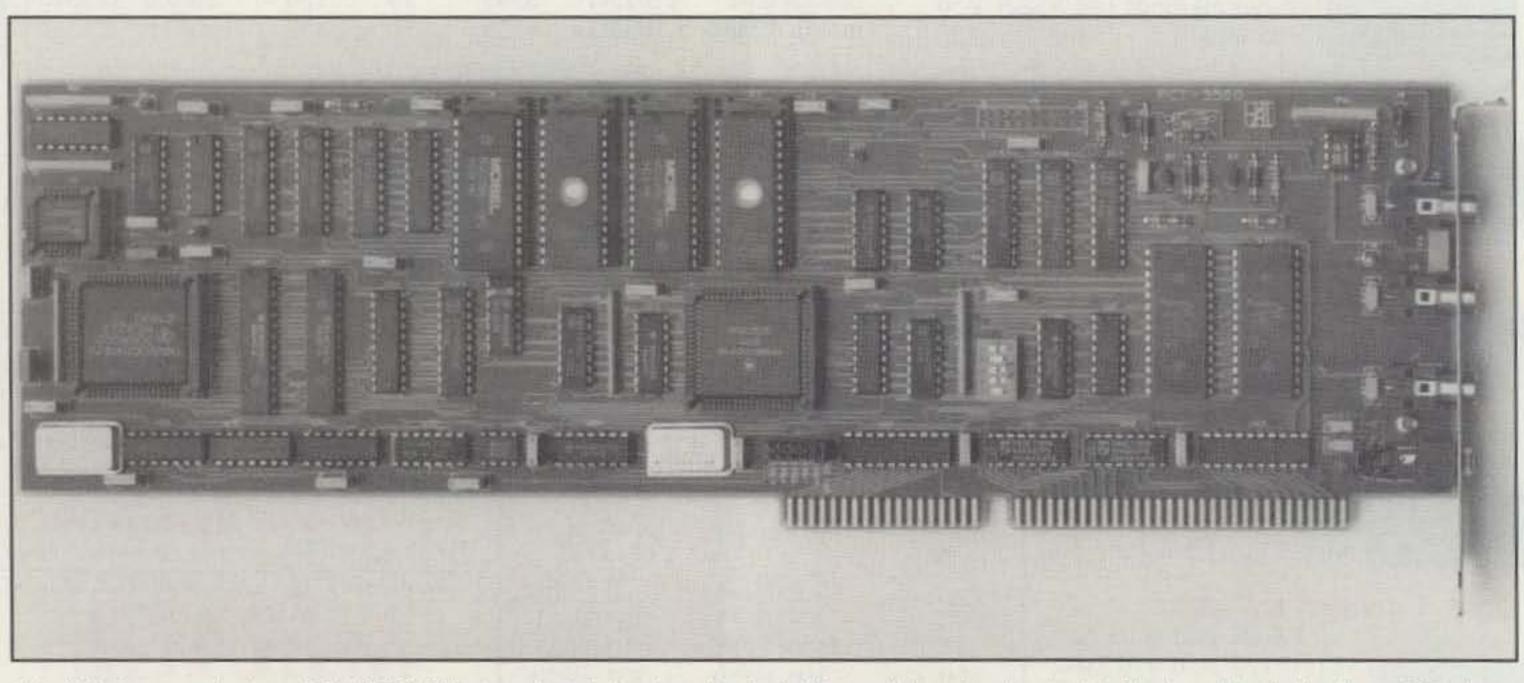
Interfacing the P38 modem to your rig is guite easy. Input and output to the P38 are by four connectors on the edge of the P38 computer card. Three of these are RCA phono jacks and the other is a mini stereo jack. These connectors handle the five inputs/outputs from the unit: audio from the receiver to the P38; audio output to the transmitter; push-to-talk control for the radio; FSK (frequency shift keying) for

Hardware is a 16-bit TMS320C25-50 DSP chip with a 14-bit TLC320AC01 A/D and D/A

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One of the negative comments most often heard about the P38 is that it is a drawback to have a plug-in card that must be installed inside the PC. This is actually one of its main features.

The problem with modems in cabinets that are external to the PC ("stand-alone boxes") is



The HAL Communications P38 HF DSP Modern. Installation is quite straightforward. Input and output to the board is via the three RCA phono jacks and the mini stereo jack on the right of the board.

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he transmitter; and a selective call (SELCAL) control line for the software/hardware for scanning is the last connection.

Complete Unit

Jnlike most other digital products, the P38 modem comes complete with the user software and hardware. This is probably one of the best kept secrets about the P38 system. The user manual that comes with the unit is really two manuals in one. There are complete instructions on how to install the modem in the computer and to your HF radio.

Most of the operating guide is spent in examining actual operation of the four supported modes using the P38-COMM software. There is a wealth of data on how the system can be used and operated in very detailed step-bystep terms. This manual has very nice large type and is easy on the eyes.

Flying The P38

Pactor is one of the most fun modes and this mode was tried first. I made a number of contacts and quickly discovered that the P38 was well designed for this mode. I did not have much of a learning curve on the software and quickly tested Amtor, Clover, and saved RTTY for last. Baudot is my first love in digital, and I was curious to see how the P38 stacked up to a several different devices I have in the shack.

Tuning on the P38 is done using the DSP software and the user program. Tuning bars are used. Bar tuning worked quite well for me during my tests. Each user program approached tuning in a little different manner. A few "old-timers" will long for the familiar green glow of a scope while doing RTTY. There is not a method for hooking up a scope on the P38, since this is DSP and the unit has no hardware filters.

Smoke tests were run using a number of bands and the P38 was off and flying. RTTY performance seemed to be good on the upper HF bands (30 meters and up), but were spotty on the low bands (80 and 40 meters) at night. HAL is working on this and assures me that a new software version will be available soon. Eighty and 40 meter bands put some unusual demands on an HF demodulator (modem). Selective fading becomes a big problem. This was one of the design criteria for the Clover II mode. Clover II on 80 and 40 meters is better than any other mode by a very large factor. You might notice that most tests on proprietary modes are done on 20 meters or above 7.5 MHz.

Design Pays Off

From the initial Clover II experiments to the development of the HAL Communications PCI-4000 board and now to the P38, a design was put forth which now returns a big payoff. Rather than the normal industry standard which uses EPRO's, HAL used code that is downloaded from the host computer to the board when it is first initialized. This offers a big advantage to HAL and to the amateur. When changes are done in the P38 code, they

can be distributed to the amateur via modem, Internet, or even diskette.

What this means is that bug fixes can be distributed cheaply and quickly. It also means that enhancements (as bug fixes are usually called by the manufacturer) can be done often. EPROMs are very expensive to make and to distribute. A change often is ignored rather than sent out to all the end-users. With the PCI-4000 and now the P38, these units can have new code days after development with little cost to the user or to the manufacturer—a great concept and one which should be more of a standard.

When it was discovered that low band RTTY performance of the P38 had problems, I called HAL and they quickly attacked the problem, verified it, and began working on the fix. An early beta-test version delivered to me already shows improved performance. This speaks highly of HAL's engineering staff.

More changes will probably be made over the next few months—and indeed years—as the product is enhanced. For example, what started out as a Clover II only modem, HAL's PCI-4000 now supports these modes: RTTY, Amtor, and Pactor. This was all done with the subtle little software changes in the code sent out over the HAL Communications BBS system reached at 217-367-5547. This BBS operation is professionally done.

P38 vs. PCI-4000

As a result of the in-process improvements being made to the P38's RTTY and FSK modes, the P38 actually works a little better then the



PCI-4000 at present on RTTY. However, HAL tells me that the P38 improvements of course wil be added to the PCI-4000 as soon as possible. Clover tones are fixed center frequency on the P38, but the tones can be inverted. FSK tones and shifts are also fixed on the P38. Clover linking on the P38 has only one link method, which is the long burst, "Robust link." This will make scanning mailbox operations slower, but avoids link problems that existed with the "short burst" on DX paths. HAL's P38 has a little less "horse power" than does the PCI-4000, but the Clover on the P38 is always compatible to the Clover on the PCI-4000.

Other Software

Windows is spoken on the P38 board using a couple of other programs. First is *Ragchew*¹ by Jim Jennings, KE5HE. This program does Amtor, Baudot, and Pactor on the P38 under Windows. It has both a mailbox and a logging program. This software has very quickly become my favorite for casual use.

Express¹ 2.0 by TY1PS does Clover II in a big way with compression, mailbox, radio control, pictures, and lots of fun things. It is a Windows program.



Digital's Future

Express 3.0, which shipped in July 1995, has all four modes. Pactor and Amtor have a full mailbox (Winlink/RLI compatible). Express 3.0 supports cross linking on all modes. When in standby, the mailbox accepts links in Pactor, Amtor, and Clover. Express 3.0 systems now automatically exchange little portraits at link time. These pictures are kept on disk, and whenever you link, Express 3.0 will show a photo of the person you linked to. If there is no photo available on your local disk Express will automatically request it from the other side. A new feature is the sketch board. This is an on-line sketch pad that is working across the link. Operation is similar to paintbrush, but with the difference being what you paint appears on the other side of the link and vice versa. You can chat and send files while drawing a picture. The mailbox file is now in DBF(data base format).

In Clover you can attach binary files (pictures, for example), music, and voice, to a message and they will be forwarded along with the message. Full variable control by mode has arrived. Things such as date, time, call, RST, etc., can be stored and sent. This way you can make up contest exchange buffers. A contest serial number counter is also included. The program has a complete logbook that also uses a DBF formatted file (same format as LAN-Link). You can snatch calls, RST, serial numbers, and names, comments from the received text with a mouse click without typing. Express 3.0 will automatically read frequency and S-reading from your radio and fill the logbook accordingly. You can now backspace on all modes to correct typing errors. The backspaces are transmitted and correct the text on the other end of the link, much as is done in Pactor. This feature alone will make it a favorite program. The final entry in software tested with the P38 is RTTY by WF1B1, the standard in RTTY contesting programs. I cannot guarantee higher contest scores using either the P38 or WF1B software-only good operators can do thatbut I can say that these two products used together make RTTY contesting a whole bunch easier and a lot more fun.

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Final Impression

The P38 is a hardware/software product, that much like its famous World War II namesake, has the capability of revolutionizing the HF data modem market. It offers low-cost, quality performance, and cutting-edge technology by one of the leaders in the digital communication arena. It has the built-in flexibility to grow as necessary to be useful today and tomorrow.

The P38 is priced at \$395 and is available from HAL Communications, Inc., P.O. Box 365, Urbana, IL 61801 (217-367-7373).

Further articles of interest on Clover and the developments of the P38 board and the PCI-4000 board can be found in the following articles: CQ May 1992, RTTY Journal April 1993, Digital Journal August 1994.

Footnotes

1. Ragchew, Express, and RTTY by WF1B are all available from the International Digital Radio Assn., P.O. Box 2550, Goldenrod, FL 32733-2550 (407-677-7000).

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Results of the 1994 CQ WW VHF WPX Contest

BY JOE LYNCH*, N6CL

Participation was up from the 1993 contest. Over 120 of you submitted logs. Also up were the scores attesting to the better conditions and the more entrants in the contest.

As mentioned above, conditions overall were better than last year. Some double-hop sporadic-E gave Tim Marek, NC7K, almost an exclusive opening into the east, while John Godwin, KB5IUA, took advantage of some good tropo to generate his high score.

In the are of DX, thanks to publicity by our sister publication CQ Español, a fair share of log entries were received from Spain and other European countries. In the single operator category DL1ZC was again the European winner. Operating on 144, 432, and 1296 MHz, he accumulated over 34k points. Again this year by far the biggest point total came from PA6VHF, a portable Multi-Op Class II entry that amassed almost 248k points.

In North America, the winner in the single op category was KB5IUA, who totaled almost 168k points. In the Portable Station Single Op category NC7K took advantage of that doublehop east coast pipeline to amass over 86k points. The top Rover scorer was NØLRJ, who scored over 188k points.

Scoring again was a problem with over 80 percent of the entries having errors. Hopefully the 1995 contest, which did away with the dual multiplier, will have fewer scoring problems who sent me a log request (rather than sendthan last year. The QRP category is gaining in popularity with double the entries from 1993. The 1994 category winner, Tyler Stewart, KF3P, amassed more than 150k points.



At the end of a long drive, award-winning Rover Randy Simons, NØLRJ, parks his vehicle and gives out a few more contacts from yet another rare grid. (Photo courtesy NØLRJ.)

My apologies go to Zack Sadecki, KB7FUV, ing it to CQ headquarters). Unfortunately, noticing that the address indicated VHF WPX Contest, I placed it in the box with the entries and only opened it when I started scoring the logs, way too late for Zack to enter. I hope you all had fun in the 1995 contest! 73, Joe, N6CL

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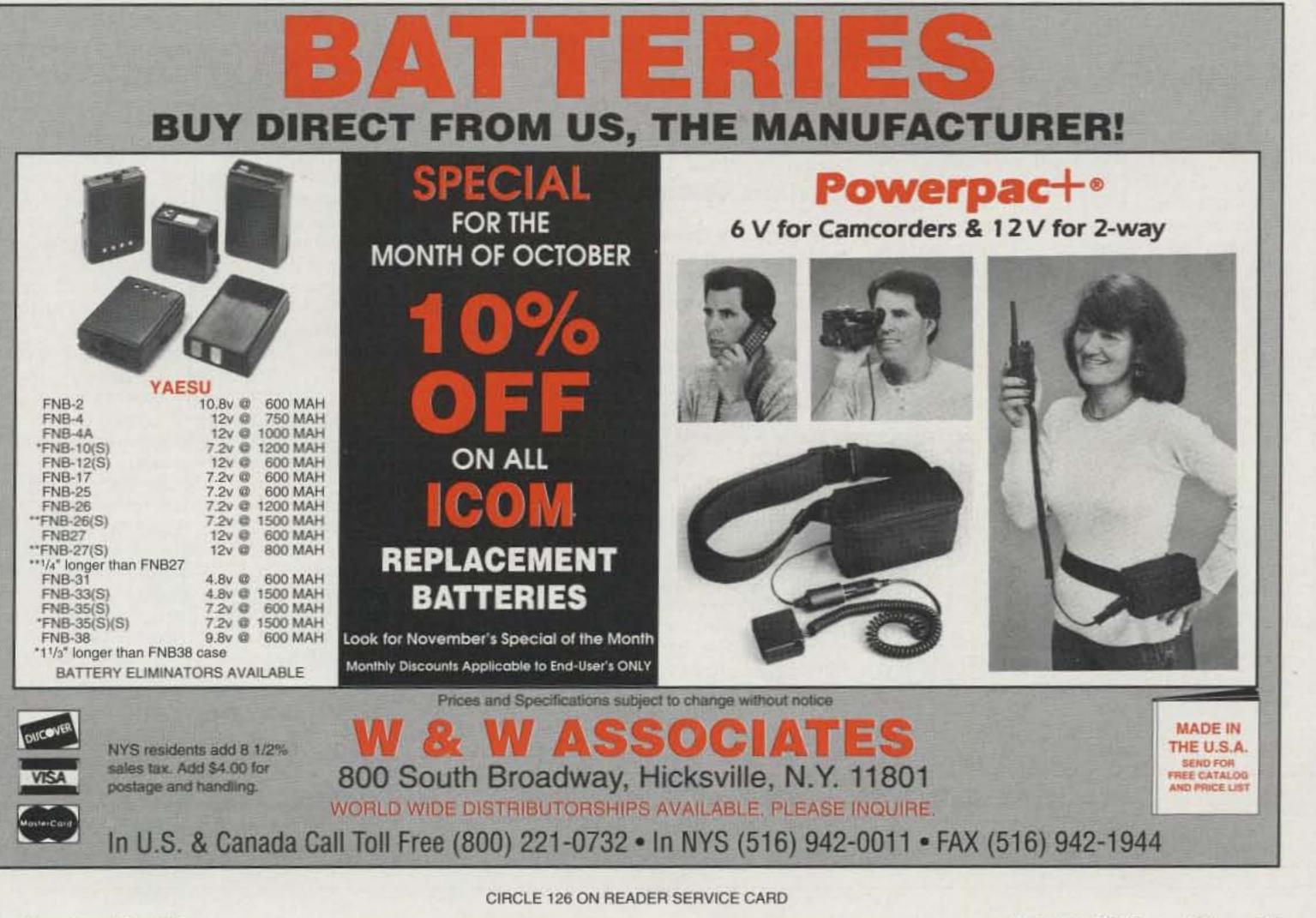
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REGULATORY NEWS IN THE WORLD OF AMATEUR RADIO

BY FREDERICK O. MAIA, W5YI

Where Things Stand! The Status of FCC Rulemaking

he following lists the regulatory items that impact personal, amateur, and commercial radio and that are currently being considered.

Family Radio Service

Proposal: On July 20, 1994 the Radio Shack division of the Tandy Corporation petitioned the FCC to create an unlicensed UHF-FM, lowpower, two-way voice Family Radio Service (FRS). The new service would share unused and little-used General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) spectrum at 462 and 467 MHz. Tandy told the FCC that FRS would help meet the growing public demand for an affordable and convenient way of direct communication among individuals. The FCC accepted the proposal as having merit and assigned it file No. RM-8499.

Status: After a preliminary round of comments, the FCC proposed new rules on June 22, 1995 seeking to implement the Family Radio Service as requested by Radio Shack. The Commission said it will encourage rapid deployment and growth of inexpensive lowpower communications equipment for use by groups and families in which members need to communicate over very short distances.

The new service will share seven existing GMRS channels that are not used for repeater operation, as well as utilize seven unassigned channels that are located between certain GMRS channels. All fourteen channels are called "interstitial" frequencies since they are sandwiched in between the existing eight GMRS duplex channel pairs. Tandy says the current non-repeater channels are "underutilized"-a claim which is strongly disputed by the Personal Radio Steering Group, a GMRS user association. PRSG is vehemently opposed to mixing licensed and unlicensed operators on the same frequencies, and they believe that FRS will "disrupt and impair both current and future GMRS operations.... REACT International, basically a CB association, supports the concept of the Family Radio Service, but opposes the use of GMRS spectrum for it. Motorola, on the other hand, supported the Tandy/Radio Shack proposal the public interest is better served by the creation of a new unlicensed personal radio service that offers consumers improved communications options in a cost-effective manner." The Telecommunications Industry Association foresees a "potential strong market" for FRS with applications varying from " . . . parents keeping in contact with children, local watch patrols monitoring neighborhood activities, small businesses improving efficiency through radio, and outdoor recreationists enhancing the enjoyment of their activity while increasing their safety as well." FRS would be a Part 95 Personal Radio Service, the same as CB radio. The proposed direct frequencies are:

 1. 462.5625 MHz
 8. 467.5625 MHz

 2. 462.5875 MHz
 9. 467.5875 MHz

 3. 462.6125 MHz
 10. 467.6125 MHz

 4. 462.6375 MHz
 11. 467.6375 MHz

 5. 462.6625 MHz
 12. 467.6625 MHz

 6. 462.6875 MHz
 13. 467.6875 MHz

 7. 462.7125 MHz
 14. 467.7125 MHz

Family Radio Service users would use palmsize, 1/2 watt output radio units to communicate while on outings such as visiting shopping malls and amusement parks, attending sporting events, camping, and taking part in other recreational activities. Tandy stated "..., many persons could benefit from such a service, particularly for personal security, due to the low cost of the units and the communication capability."

Tandy has already tested the feasibility of FRS under a five-channel Special Temporary Authorization (or STA) conducted at the Disney World theme park in Orlando, Florida, where visitors were provided with Radio Shack's own Model PRS-100 handheld, which operates only on the interstitial frequencies.

The FRS proposal is now in the formal public comment period following the FCC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

The FCC also wants to know whether interconnection to the public telephone network should be approved. The Commission agreed that selective calling would enhance the appeal of the Family Radio Service by allowing users to answer calls addressed only to them without having to also monitor all other communications on the channel. The new proposed rules allow equipment suppliers to incorporate this option. newal applications, which is what the League believes that FCC's proposal amounts to. The ARRL requested that the Commission not adopt their proposal. "Instead, the Commission should adopt the rule changes proposed in the League's petition, RM-8418, which provides for a lifetime operator license."

The National Conference of VECs, an organization made up of representatives of all VEC organizations, also asked that the FCC not adopt their proposal, but for a different reason. NCVEC believes that amateurs with long-term expired licenses—longer than the current twoyear grace period—should be re-examined.

"The NCVEC believes there is a fundamental difference between an individual who has let his/her license lapse 'years ago' and an amateur who has kept renewing. The difference is that currently licensed amateurs are more up-to-date on FCC rules and technology. Amateurs who have been away from the hobby for long periods of time will find that the amateur service and its regulations have changed drastically. They should undergo some sort of training or refresher course. The examination syllabus provides the needed curriculum."

The FCC will now have to decide whether or not to implement any version of a lifetime license.

National Volunteer Examiner Coordinator, P.O. Box 565101, Dallas, Texas 75356-5101 (817-461-6443)

Lifetime Operator License

Proposal: The American Radio Relay League proposed on January 6, 1994 that all amateur operator (but not station) licenses should be issued for the lifetime of the operator. The League's petition (assigned RM-8418) also asked that the lifetime license be made retroactive to any previously licensed amateur whose license had already expired. The objective of this provision was to permit persons with new-found interest in amateur radio to return to the service without the need for relicensing.

The ARRL also believed their proposal would reduce the burden on the Volunteer Examiner program, since previously licensed amateurs would not have to be re-examined.

Status: The FCC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on April 25, 1995. The comment period closed on July 14th. The Commission's version of a lifetime license was far different from that of the League, however. Rather than create a lifetime operator license, the FCC proposed to give examination credit for the fewest examination elements necessary for the license class previously held. The result was essentially the same, though. Under the Commission's plan, the former licensee would not have to retake the examination elements.

In their comments, the ARRL said that the VEC System has no authority to process re-

Club Definition

Proposal: As of this past spring, the FCC resumed issuing club station licenses. Once the vanity callsign system is implemented, clubs will be able to trade in this callsign for a specific callsign chosen by the trustee.

The ARRL petitioned the FCC to change the rules to increase the minimum number of members required to constitute a club from two to four persons. Assigned RM-8462, the League points out that it is important for the FCC to determine that applicants for a club station license are legitimate clubs and not just persons pursuing an additional callsign.

Status: The FCC agrees that there is merit to ARRL suggestion and has issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking to increase the eligibility requirement to four persons for a club station license. The comment period on the NPRM has already closed.

While the ARRL believes that this will discourage "... two individuals who simply wish to obtain a distinctive alternate callsign but who do not function as ... a normal amateur radio club," the W5YI Group pointed out that increasing the club eligibility from two to four club members would not in itself prevent abuse, and that at least one family of four has already obtained 23 different club callsigns.

VE Session Manager

Proposal: In a Petition for Rulemaking filed July 15, 1993 the National Conference of VECs asked the FCC for a rule change that would recognize in the rules the existence of a volunteer examiner (VE) on-site manager at license examination sessions.

Status: The FCC issued a NPRM on April 26, 1995 looking toward adopting the NCVEC petition. In their formal comments the NCVEC said that all VECs utilize the services of a VE who is considered to be in charge and accountable for the proper conduct of the test session. While VEs are organized into teams of three of more persons, it is almost always one examiner who organizes and supervises the activities of the other VEs.

This lead examiner usually has custody of the examination materials, submits the test results to the VEC, and maintains the session records. "... the lead VE organizes the test session, supervises the VEs, and is responsible for the integrity of the test session. It thus follows that the VE who manages the examination session should be more accountable for its conduct and reliability than the other VEs who essentially assist." NCVEC noted that three VEs would still be required to conduct all examinations.

Holding the three certifying VEs equally accountable " ... can make enforcement action difficult should an examiner team be found to be knowingly and willfully disregarding or circumventing proper examination practices. Having three examiners certify examinations often divides the responsibility to the point where no one can be held responsible."

The NCVEC also pointed out that VE teams often utilize a "production line" system of more than three examiners at large test sessions and that "... the three VEs who certify the FCC Form 610 application are frequently not the same ones who administered or observed all of the examinations to the examinee."

The ARRL opposed the concept of the VE Session Manager and believes "To permit a single person to bear the responsibility for the proper conduct of an examination session makes it far easier for an examination session to be compromised, without detection. . . . The issue of a VE Session Manager should be a matter subject to the discretion of the VE teams, rather than a regulatory requirement."

The League said, "... the system is not broken, doesn't need fixing, and the Commission's proposal is extreme overregulation."

The comment period has closed on this item and the amateur community awaits a final FCC ruling on RM-8301.

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Proposal: It is a long story as to how specific amateur callsigns chosen by the licensee got included as a regulatory fee in the Clinton budget. Basically, it was the incredibly persistent work of a single amateur, Jim Wills, N5HCT, of Tyler, Texas, who wanted his previous callsign, WA4EHQ, re-issued to him.

Wills filed a Petition for Rule Making in June 1990 requesting that amateurs be allowed to specify three callsign choices in order of preference in exchange for paying a \$30 fee to the FCC. He said, "The Federal Budget and the amateur community all gain from this proposal."

That petition was denied because of the statutory exemption of amateur service applications from fees. But it started the ball rolling. Wills later contacted his Congressman (Ralph Hall, D-TX), and with the help of Telecommunications Subcommittee Chairman Edward J. Markey, who wrote to FCC Chairman Al Sikes, got the "vanity" callsign proposal included in the Clinton Deficit Reduction Plan. It was an unbelievable accomplishment to pull off! The initial annual fee proposed in the Clinton budget for vanity callsigns was \$7.00 or \$70 for a ten-year license term. The American Radio Relay League later requested that this fee be increased to \$150 and changed to a one-time application fee.

Status: It now appears certain that Jim Wills original request for a \$30 fee for an amateur callsign of choice will be the cost you will pay for the callsign you want! On June 14, 1995 the FCC adopted a revised schedule of Regulatory Fees and vanity amateur callsigns were reduced to \$30.

The basic concept of regulatory fees is to charge those who benefit from FCC services rather than all taxpayers. The authority to impose and collect regulatory fees is contained in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993.

The FCC Form 610-V vanity callsign application form still has not yet been released. And the FCC can't release the form until five Petitions for Reconsideration of the vanity callsign rules are disposed of. We have a standing order at the FCC for the new Form 610-V, and anyone wishing a free form should send us a business-sized, self-addressed stamped envelope. (Send to W5YI Group, P.O. Box 565101, Dallas, TX 75356.)

At press time here are the vanity callsign rules that have been nailed down so far.

 Any licensed amateur is eligible to choose a special callsign. Trustees of club stations are eligible, but RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) and military recreation stations are not.

 The FCC will notify the amateur community when they may apply for a special callsign.
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 Club stations with written permission of close relatives, and close relatives of deceased amateurs, may immediately apply for their callsign. Club stations and close relatives do not have to conform to the appropriate callsign group requirement.

6. The first assignable callsign from the applicant's list will be shown on the license grant. The Form 610-V application and \$30 payment must be sent to the FCC's bank. That address is: FCC, Amateur Vanity, P.O. Box 358924, Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5924. The Mellon Bank will process the payment and forward the application to the FCC in Gettysburg, PA, for vanity callsign assignment.

We will publish a complete wrap-up of the Vanity Call Sign System once the FCC Form 610-V is released, the Petitions for Reconsideration have been resolved, and the Commission is ready to begin accepting applications.

Special Event Callsigns

Status: In its comments concerning the vanity callsign system, the American Radio Relay League had requested that one-by-one callsigns be reserved for assignment to stations operating in conjunction with short-term events of national significance.

The FCC wants stations wishing to obtain a special event callsign to indicate the nature of the event at least 120 days in advance and certify that it is of special significance to the amateur service community. In addition, the licensee would submit a list of one-by-one format callsigns, in the order of preference.

This list could be included in a letter or on a form prepared by the applicant or supplied by an outside source. Unlike ten-year-term vanity callsigns which are scheduled to cost \$30, special event vanity callsigns are proposed to be free. The first assignable callsign on the list would be stamped "granted" and a copy of the list would be returned to the person making the request.

The special event vanity callsign could be used for a period not to exceed that of the special event, or for 15 days, whichever is less. The FCC is still considering comments from the amateur community on this matter.

Self-Assigned Indicators

Proposal: The FCC has proposed to allow amateurs to use any self-assigned indicator before, after, or before and after their station callsign.

Status: The FCC said it has received several informal requests for clarification of the station identification rules which provide that "An indicator may be included with the callsign. It must be separated from the callsign by the slant mark or by any suitable word that denotes the slant mark. If the indicator is selfassigned, it must be included after the callsign and must not conflict with any other indicator specified by the FCC Rules or with any prefix assigned to another country." The FCC said it is getting requests to include a self-assigned indicator before rather than after the assigned callsign as provided in the current rule. For example, the licensee of amateur station W1AA in Boston, Massachusetts, decides to operate the station while vacationing in the Virgin Islands. In order to direct more attention to the station, the licensee may include a self-assigned indicator such as /KP2 in the station identification announcement. (Stations located in the Virgin Islands are normally assigned a callsign with the prefix KP2, NP2, or WP2.) The callsign given in the station announcement, therefore, would be W1AA/KP2.

The FCC said, "We propose to permit also the station announcement KP2/W1AA and KP2/W1AA/KP2. We believe that allowing indicators to be included before, after, or both before and after, the assigned callsign will provide the amateur service community better flexibility when making the station identification announcement." The proposal is also in the comment period.

Privatizing Interference Handling

Proposal: The FCC is looking into letting the private sector handle radio frequency interference complaints. The Commission would not get involved until an authorized service agent had determined that the problem could not be resolved at the local level.

Status: The Federal Communications Commission alone receives approximately 30,000 complaints a year of radio frequency interference to home electronics equipment. And this may only represent 10% or 20% of the problem. Due to the FCC's limited resources, it is not possible for the Commission to resolve these individual RFI problems, and it is now Commission policy not to further investigate them. The FCC also does not offer any protection from interference.

According to the Commission, interference to home electronic equipment is a major problem in the United States that they must deal with in order to ensure communications excellence for the American public. The FCC is now looking into the possibility of having the private sector become involved in resolving these interference problems. The Tampa Office of the FCC's Compliance and Information Bureau is undertaking a pilot project to determine the feasibility of such a program. Canada and Great Britain already have privatized RFI handling. To get the project underway, a fact-finding meeting was held in Tampa on July 19th. The meeting was moderated by FCC Engineer-in-Charge Ralph Barlow of the Tampa field office with Robert McKinney, EIC of the Vero Beach, Florida assisting. The Commission is now in the process of determining how to proceed with this program.

Proposal: The FCC said when they adopted rules to implement vanity callsigns that they would be setting aside the one-by-one callsign block for special event callsigns. A one-by-one call sign consists of a single prefix letter (K, N, or W), the region number (Ø to 9), and a single suffix letter (A to Z). There are 780 such callsigns.

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Commercial Radio Testing

Proposal: Like amateur radio operator testing, commercial radio operator examinations are also conducted in the private sector. The FCC has now ruled on regulatory fees for commercial radio operators and new question pools.

Status: As of July 1st, the \$35 regulatory fees—which are in addition to examination fees—have been eliminated. The only fee that a new commercial radio operator applicant will pay is the examination charge, which can vary depending upon the testing service used. Commercial radio operators who renew their license will pay only an application fee of \$45.

The FCC will also revise their commercial radio operator question pools with new questions showing up in examinations 90 days after their release to the public. Table I shows the schedule.

Morse Code Requirement

Proposal: Proficiency in the radiotelegraphy is required in the Amateur Service due to Radio Regulation 2735 of Article 32 of the International Radio Regulations. A move is underway to eliminate this requirement.

Status: New Zealand is leading an effort to abolish RR-2735 in view that the following regulation, RR-2736, contains "... ample scope to require competency in Morse code or not as deemed appropriate."

Eliminating the Morse Code requirement from the Amateur Service is opposed by the American Radio Relay League and the International Amateur Radio Union, an organization made up of national amateur radio societies.

The suppression of RR-2735 will be brought up at the upcoming World Administration Radio Conference to be held beginning October 23rd in Geneva.

Electronic Application Filing And Renewals

Proposal: The FCC proposed to speed up application handling by implementing electronic filing of amateur radio operator applications and implementing a new renewal system.

Status: Electronic filing of amateur radio operator Form 610 applications has now been implemented by all VE Coordinators. Basically, it works like this. Successful applications are received by the VECs from the volunteer examiners. This transfer is either made by mail or via modem. The W5YI-VEC is currently the only VEC that is electronically transferring the application data—computer-to-computer right from the VE team.

Once received, the application information is keyed into a computer program and then transmitted over the telephone lines directly into the FCC's computer database, which is maintained in Washington, DC. The FCC's computer immediately authorizes a license grant and callsign and the examinee may begin operating on the amateur bands as soon as this callsign is determined.

The FCC posts every license grant to the Internet and VECs download this information daily. To obtain your new callsign, simply call 1-800-669-9594 if the examination was coordinated by the W5YI-VEC, or 1-800-326-3942 if an ARRL exam. There are sixteen VEC organizations, but W5YI and ARRL account for nearly 90% of all examinations administered.

New callsigns and license grants are also posted daily to the World Wide Web page of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. Their web server address is:

http://www.ualr.edu/doc/hamualr/callsign.html

They download the new FCC database data at night and have it ready for access by the public the following morning.

Under the new policy, new amateur operators no longer have to wait until they have their license in their possession before getting on the air. You are considered licensed once the FCC's database has been updated, and that

Elements	Release Date	Effective Date
7 and 9	Sept. 1, 1995	Dec. 1, 1995
1, 3, and 8	Oct. 1, 1995	Jan. 1, 1996
5 and 6	Nov. 1, 1995	Feb. 1, 1995

Elements 7 and 9: GMDSS Radio Operator and Maintainer pools.

Elements 1, 3, and 8: Marine radio law, electronics, and the radar endorsement pools.

Elements 5 and 6: Basic and advanced radiotelegraph.

Table I– Commercial Radio operator question pools, their release dates and effective dates for new questions.

is immediately after transmission by the VEC into the FCC's computer.

Amateur radio operator license grants are being handled quicker than ever! Depending upon how fast the VE team handles their paperwork, you could even have your new license grant and callsign within a couple of days of testing. The average waiting time, however, is about a week. In any event, it is certainly a lot faster than the two to three months that new amateurs used to wait!

A new amateur operator license renewal procedure will begin shortly. An FCC Form 610-R "return card renewal" will be sent to all licensees whose licenses expires in December and afterward. You need only sign and return the card to the FCC to renew your ticket. 73, Fred, W5YI

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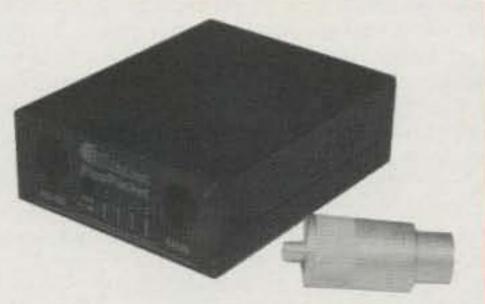
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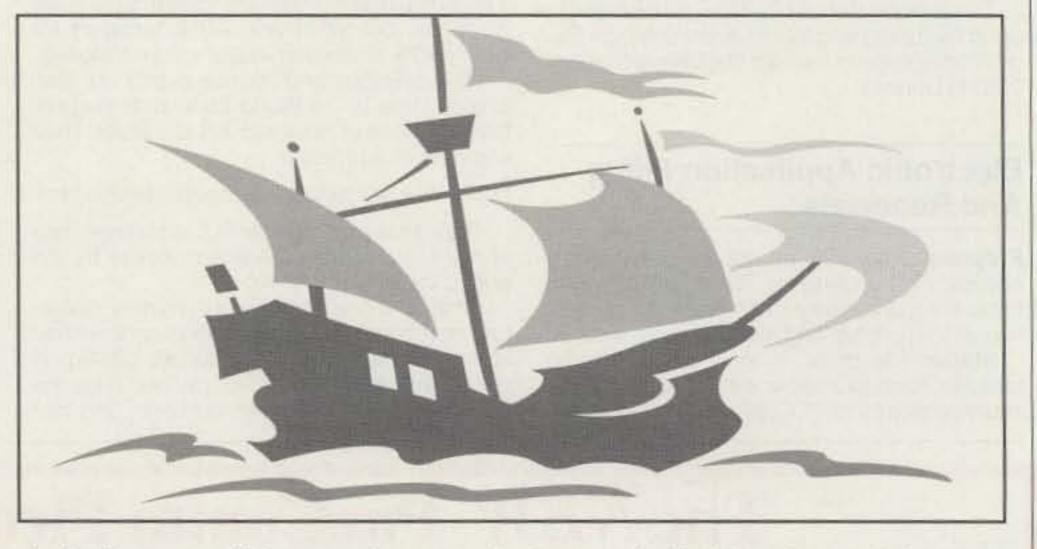
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BY DR. THEODORE J. COHEN*, N4XX

What is it with DXers?! It starts with that first DX QSO, perhaps to some semi-rare country on the other side of the world, and then escalates into an addiction that causes us to build super stations, skip meals, miss sleep, stay home from work, rearrange vacations, and do all sorts and manner of weird things, all in the name of DX. But we can't stop there. Soon we're thinking about other worlds to conquer, with some among us searching out rocks that are barely above sea level on which to establish a new "country." Just the mere possibility that some piece of ground out there might count as a new one is enough to make our hearts beat faster. Such was the experience I recently had while reviewing the history of an expedition to the North Pole that took place in the late 1870s.

It all began with a casual trip to a used book store in Alexandria, Virginia. There, in the back, among the musty stacks of old and worn books, rested a worn and discolored volume entitled Hell On Ice, written by Commander Edward Ellsberg (Ref. 1; see also Ref. 2). Somewhat of a buff on polar adventures, I bought the volume for a buck and turned to it during a recent bout of low solar flux and high geomagnetic activity. The saga, in a nutshell, involved an ill-fated expedition to the North Pole aboard the sailing ship Jeannette. Originally commissioned as the Pandora in the Royal Navy, she had been bought by James Gordon Bennett, owner of the New York Herald, who was seeking new worlds to conquer in the name of journalism. (History buffs will recall that it was Bennett who sent Stanley into the wilds of Africa to find Livingstone.) Bennett, a powerful figure of the time, even succeeded in getting a bill passed in Congress that made the Jeannette an official U.S. Navy vessel. Thus, while he put up the money for the expedition, all of the personnel aboard the ship were Naval officers or enlisted men. The ship's captain was George Washington DeLong, who was eager to discover what was to be found at the pole. After being outfitted in San Francisco, the Jeannette sailed for Alaska on July 8, 1879. By September of that year, the ship had traveled to the northeast of Herald Island (which is just to the northeast of Wrangel Island). There, on September 9th, she became frozen in the ice, and drifted, at times aimlessly, for over 20 months. On September 6, 1881, following a heavy gale, the ship was located near 77°16' N, 159°33' E, and it was there that DeLong spotted two islands. He named the first Jeannette Island (after Bennett's sister, for whom the ship



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also had been named); the second was named Henrietta Island, after Bennett's wife. DeLong sent a small landing party over the ice to take possession of Henrietta Island and to explore it. Led by the ship's Chief Engineer, George Wallace Melville, the party reached the island on June 2nd, and claimed it, and Jeannette Island, *in the name of the United States*.

Whoa! What's this!? Two islands, claimed in the name of the United States, which, taken together, might constitute a new "country." I continued to read, my interest piqued. The trials of the *Jeannette* and her crew continued, until the ship was crushed in the ice and sunk on June 17, 1881.

The crew of the Jeannette then set off on foot, with small boats, sleds, and sled dogs, in an attempt to reach the coast of Siberia. On the way, they discovered still another island, which they named Bennett Island and which they also claimed in the name of the United States. Taken together, the three islands—Bennett, Henrietta, and Jeannette—comprise what today are known as the DeLong Islands.

The question now, of course, was whether or not the islands indeed belonged to the U.S. A check of the atlases in the local library provided little information on this score, though all showed that the islands still retained the names they had been given by DeLong. It wasn't until I placed a call to the Reference Desk of the National Geographic Society in Washington, DC, that I learned the answer: the island chain belonged to Russia.

To say that I was disappointed is an understatement. But I should have guessed that this would be the case. With the likes of OH2BH and others searching the world for new "countries," it seemed unlikely that they would have overlooked the DeLong Islands, regardless of their remoteness.

Well, it was a nice thought while it lasted. Did the islands ever belong to the U.S.? And if they did, when were they ceded to Russia? Perhaps the answer lies in The Congressional Record.

But that's the way it is with DXers. We're always pouring over documents, maps, and photographs, looking for "the next one" from which to operate. Why do we do it? I'm not sure. Perhaps Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD, founder and former publisher of the West Coast DX Bulletin said it best: "DX is!" That's good enough for me!

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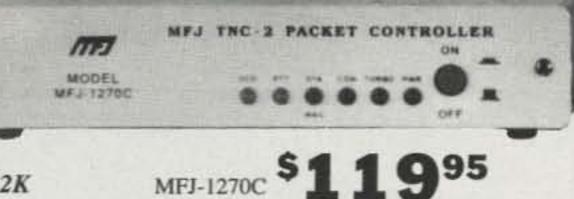
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New Life For Old Bugs

During the last few years I have refurbished a creditable number of semi-automatic keys for my own use and for others. Many of you have asked me to describe the procedure, but squeezing those details into my "Keys Special" columns; Keys, Keys, Keys book; or new selfpublished Keys // book has been difficult. They have all been overloaded with photos and details of marvelous keys (and more are still coming in next year's columns!). This month's column thus summarizes my "quick and easy" restoration process, and also explains how to adjust a bug for great on-the-air operation. I am sure you will find this information beneficial for cleaning up your CW treasures and using classic keys today.

First of all, I should emphasize that both classic rig collectors and key collectors have their personal preferences in restoration and use of newly acquired items, and a single process obviously does not apply to all cases. One person may elect simply to dust off an item with a soft brush to retain full authenticity; another may prefer doing a "full rebuild" complete with repainting and rechroming. My preference is about midway between those extremes. It is inexpensive, not too lengthy (10 to 20 hours per bug), retains authenticity, and produces a "well-seasoned yet exceptionally well-preserved" appearance. Since I also use my collectible bugs on the air, they must emerge from refurbishing with a good feel and smooth handling action, otherwise they could be replaced with a fancy modern paddle. Now on to the cleanup process!



Photo 1– Clip leads are convenient for quick-checking a bug and troubleshooting bad connections. The Deluxe Speed-X shown here was an absolute basket case I thought would never clean up or work again. Now it is a delight to use (but still needs rechroming).

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Pieces Galore!

After visually inspecting a newly acquired key, I quick-connect it to an oscillator or transceiver with clip leads and check operation (photo 1). If the key does not work, I can easily move the clip leads from point to point for spotting the troubled area. Bugs I have acquired that are in poor condition are torn down immediately after testing (usually at night, when photographing is difficult). Consequently, I have only one good "before restoration" photo at this time (photo 2). Bugs in good condition are also torn down. However, "before" and "after" photos of those items seldom reveal improvements. One must actually see the key to appreciate refurbishing results.

All parts are then carefully laid out in an "exploded view" manner on a towel placed in the lid of a large cardboard box. This arrangement is necessary, as the key must move between shack, sink, and outdoor deck during refurbishing (sunlight helps reveal overlooked blemishes).

All parts, including the base but excluding plastics/fingerpieces, are cleaned using a soft toothbrush and a mild mix of Comet and water.

4941 Scenic View Drive, Birmingham, AL 35210 Each piece is then dried with a towel and hair blow-dryer, and then "sunned" for 30 minutes. Next, tarnished chrome and time-grunged screws, springs, and even pinion rods are soft polished to as new as possible using steel wool. A sharp eye and good judgment are important here, as ultra-thin chrome is easily removed. Steel wool should never be used on nameplates or plastic. Although some folks may disagree, I also polish the key's contacts and sharp-tipped/pointed pivot points to like new with steel wool (photo 3). New replacements are desirable, but not always available (nor do they match other "aged" parts). Leaving old contacts as-is (dark with age and pitted with use) causes scratchy and choppy dots. Contacts I have polished to shiny new with steel wool have stayed shiny new, so I can honestly say it works—and ensures good keying. All parts are then recleaned (more Comet

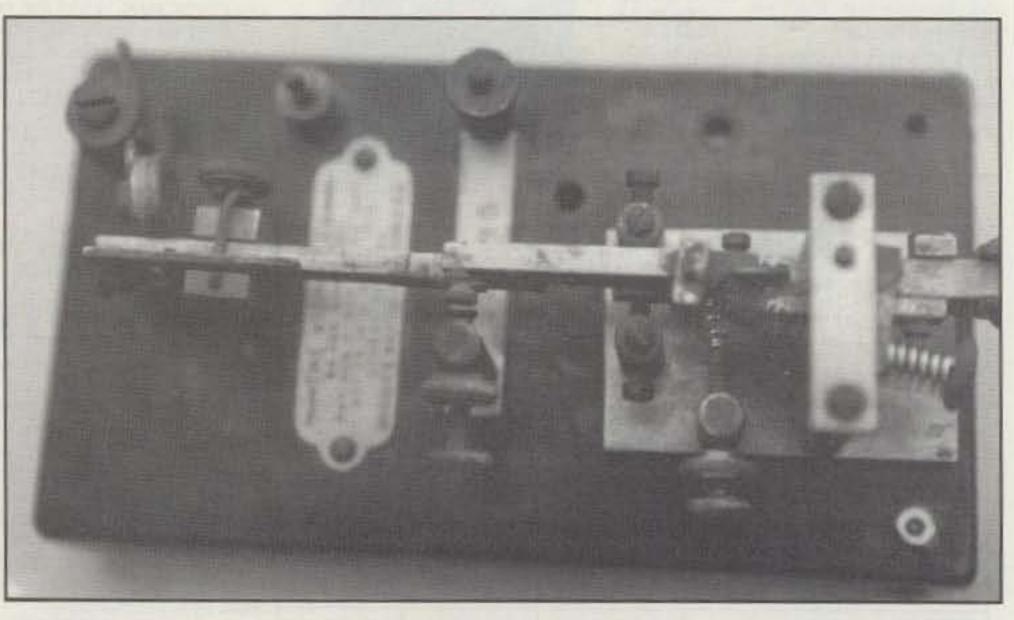


Photo 2– Before-restoration view of Vibroplex model "X" bug. It looks in bad shape, but there is beauty under that grime!

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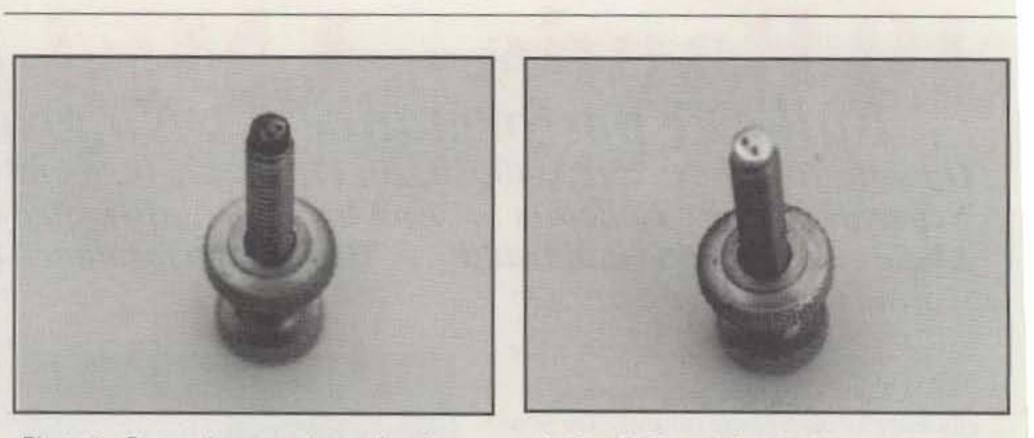


Photo 3– Super-close-up photo of a dot contact before (left) and after (right) cleaning/resurfacing with steel wool. Deep pits call for removing too much contact surface and must be left.

and water), dried, and reinspected with a magnifier. In the meantime, the key's (previously cleaned) painted base is anointed with two or three light coats of hair spray (with 10 minutes of "sunning time" between coats) to give it a just like new, but not phony, lustre. Most of the key's parts (excluding base, pivot points, contacts, screw threads, springs, plastics, and wiring strap ends) are then polished/protected with a good chrome/aluminum wax product as shown in photo 4. The best products I have found to use here are Eagle 1, Harley Davidson, and Mother's Gold. I photographed the Vibroplex model "X" during refurbishing, and it is shown in photo 5, but I am unsure if all its glamor will be picked up by magazine reprinting. Before refurbishing, dot contacts were black as the base, chromium parts were dull with black streaks, and the nameplate was barely readable. The refurbished and reassembled model "X" (photo 6) now looks and

straps and blackened with age yoke screws. As a final topping, original plastic pieces are handwashed in dishwashing detergent, and old tensionless springs are replaced with modern substitutes. Finally, I should point out the model "X" is a superb showpiece, but it has only one set of contacts to make both dots and dashes—and thus has a cumbersome "flat" feel. In other words, it is not an item one would use daily, regardless of how well it is adjusted. That statement brings us to the next section.

Brother Dave's Bug Tips

Most well-adjusted and skillfully handled semiautomatic keys can produce beautiful sounding Morse and make an electronic keyer seem rather impersonal by comparison. Their interactive feel or "tactile feedback" during use also makes hand-sending pleasantly addictive: the more you use a bug, the more you want to use and enjoy it. The problem, however, is most

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Photo 4– Main items/products used in "light refurbishing" of bugs, as discussed in text. I prefer retaining all possible authenticity, so except for springs, few parts are replaced/substituted.

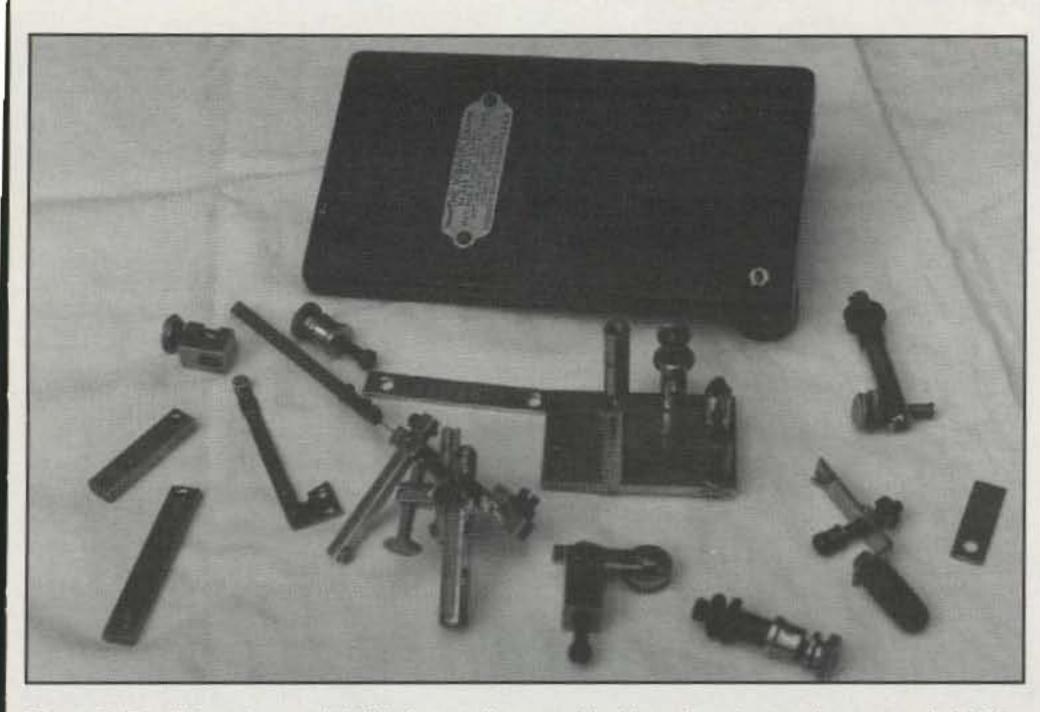


Photo 5– The Vibroplex model "X" shown disassembled here has just undergone refurbishing as described in text.

operators adjust their bug for a light touch and a short fingerpiece travel distance (which is fine for a paddle and keyer, but not for a bug especially below 30 wpm). Off-the-air practicing also tends to be overlooked, resulting in many slower speed operators actually sending more readable code with an electronic keyer and paddle than with a bug. What is a good solution? At the risk of unpredictable scorn from lifelong professional telegraphers, I have a few suggestions. Let's begin by assuming you have cleaned and reassembled your bug, and/or its main adjustments are close to your normal preference. We will first focus on adjustments to give your bug a good feel and solid rig keying, then we will hit adjustments to produce slower dots and more controlled dashes (the most popular request).

First, check to ensure accurate seating of the main arm and pendulum assembly's sharptipped pinion rod in mating pinion set screw sockets on the yoke's top and bottom (A in fig. 1). Proper seating assures the pendulum is in line with the base (straight horizontally and vertically) and swings freely. If the pendulum exhibits excessive vertical "play" at its far end (near damper), slack can be reduced by tightening the top pinion set screw (B) very slightly. Careful-this adjustment influences the bug's "feel" and agility. If the screw is set too tight, the main arm will feel stiff and impersonal. A bare (and I say, bare!) amount of vertical wobble at the pendulum's far end usually enhances the bug's feel; you can sense a slight "kickback action" in your fingers as the pendulum vibrates to make dots. This interaction between operator and bug differs with every fist and every bug (each one's flexible mainspring has aged and tempered differently), but striving to enhance it is always worthwhile!

Next scrutinize both dot and dash contacts (C and D) for solid surface mating. Use a magnifying glass if necessary. These contacts are responsible for giving your signal a clear and solid CW signal. Reset the pendulum-mounted "U" shaped dot contact spring (E) and dash slider contact (F) as necessary. These adjustments can be tedious, so be patient and strive for accuracy.

Your bug is now well on its way to pleasant perking, so let's concentrate on taming its high-speed dots and minimizing "double dashing" errors. Start by readjusting the bug's dot and pendulum travel-setting screws (G

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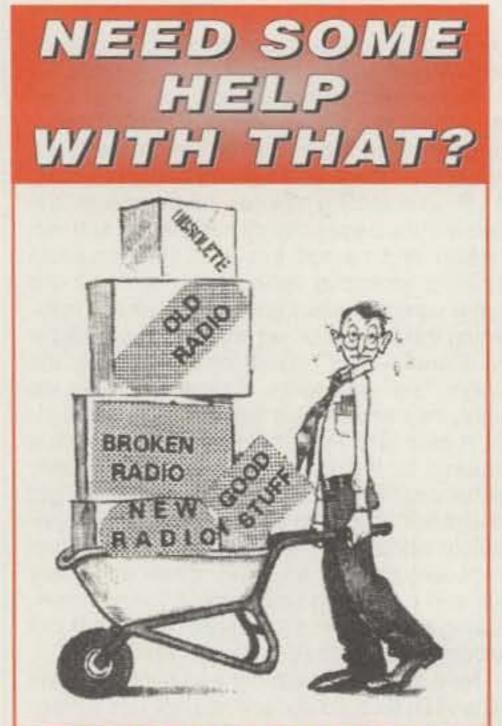
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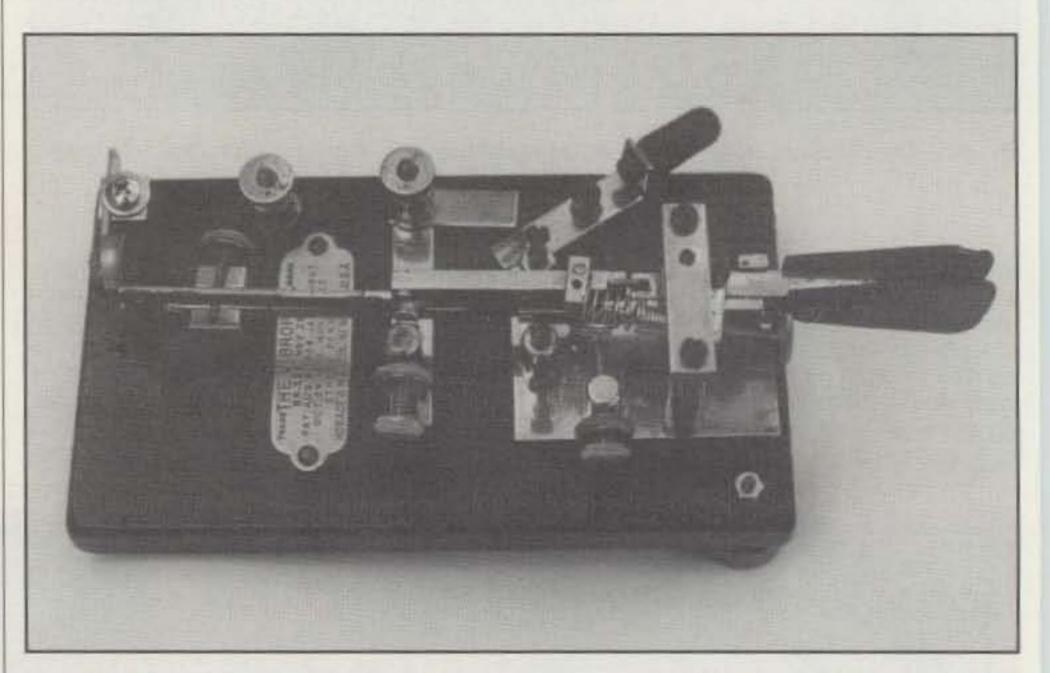
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encourage running the dot contact (I) in far enough to produce only 10 to 20 dots before the pendulum rests in "key down" condition. This adjustment will result in the most solid and DX worthy (heaviest) dots consistent with a wide range of CW speeds. Now you can understand why I previously suggested ¹/s inch fingerpiece travel: it ensures the pendulum taps the left travel limiting screw (G) with plenty of momentum to set up good slow dot-producing vibrations. A short travel distance works for speeds above 25 wpm, but a longer travel distance is the keynote to slower speeds.

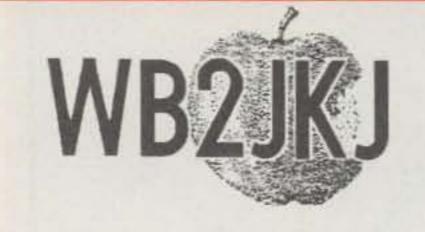
Closing Notes

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Photo 6– Reassembled, fitted with new springs, and meticulously readjusted—the Model "X" is a real attention grabber. Quite an improvement from "before."

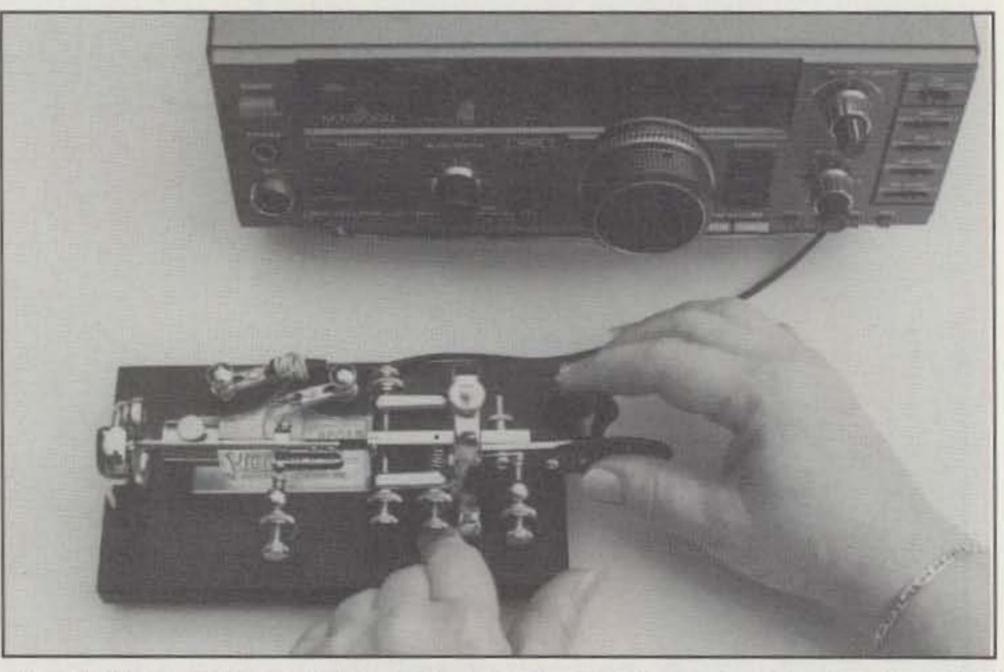
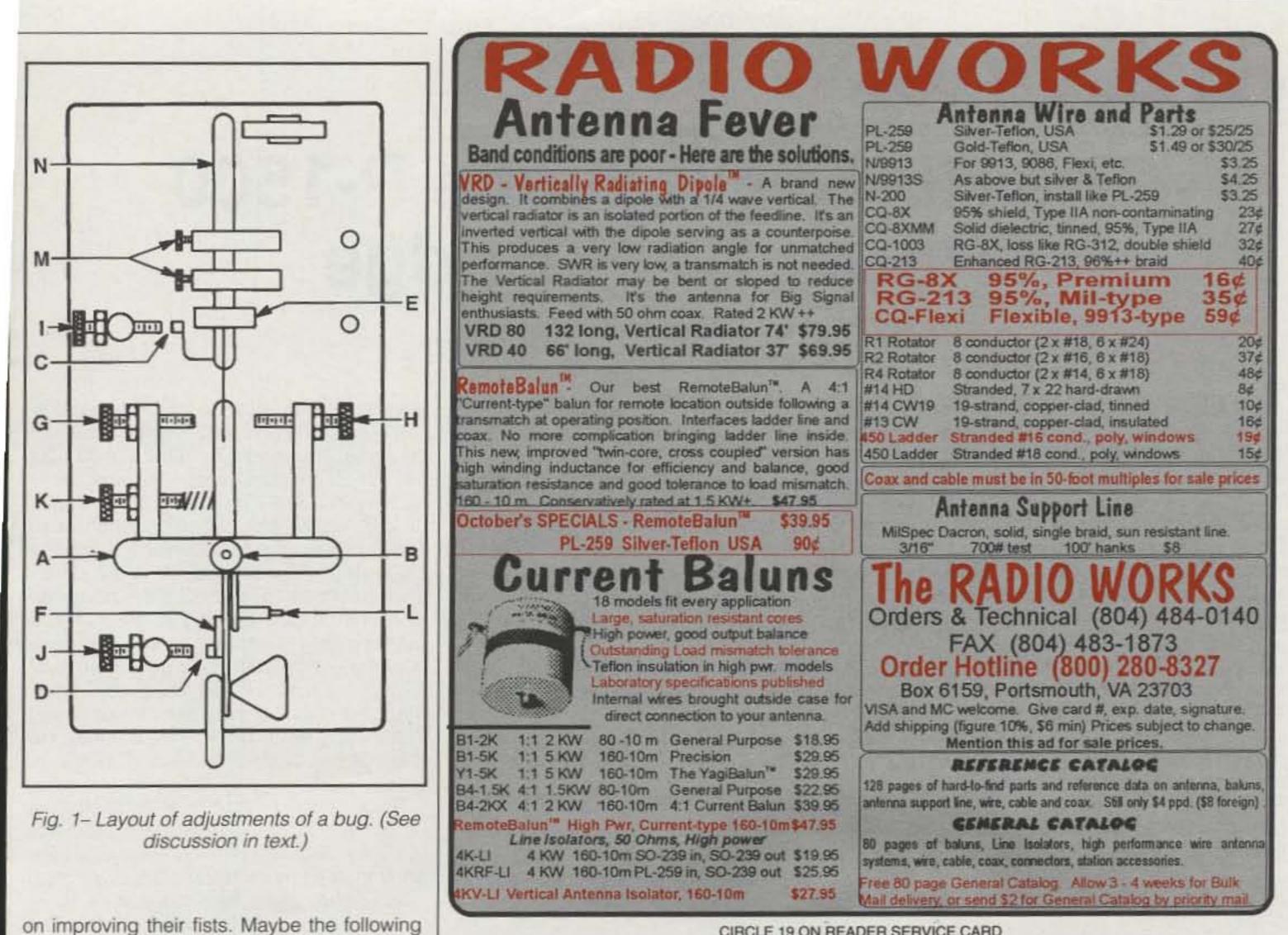


Photo 7– My suggested method for positioning and using a bug. Arrangement overcomes "stiff fingers," and really makes operating CW fun.

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quick notes will help both groups. Connect your bug to your rig's sidetone monitor for practicing, and strive to duplicate the "perfect CW" like that produced by an electronic keyer (do not go for a personalized "swing" until mastering this step, please!). If you have a computerized packet and CW setup, work on good sending until accurate copy shows on the screen. If controlled wrist action is a problem, try these changes. Position the bug "broadside" in front of you-between you and your rig. Then position your arm parallel to the rig's front panel so your wrist faces the bug's fingerpieces as shown in photo 7. Got it? Okay, now move the bug toward the rig slightly so your finger's position on the fingerpiece almost makes a dash while "at rest" (moving your wrist back to avoid sending undesired dashes is easier than moving it forward to make dashes). Hold the bug's base or dot contact screw with your left hand to increase accuracy and confidence (most operators are concerned with a bug "walking" or tilting, and unconsciously handle it too gingerly for positive action).

 Are semi-automatic keys worth the time and effort associated with adjusting and using them? You bet! In the same way that vacuum tubes produce glamorous full-bodied audio unequalled by transistors, bugs can sing beautiful Morse that cannot be equalled by an electronic keyer. Expertise in finding, refurbishing, adjusting, and using the bug best suited to your fist, however, is the secret. Good luck in the pursuit, and I will be listening for your good fist on 30 meters!

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CQ REVIEWS: The RF Applications P-1500 Power SWR Bridge

BY LEW McCOY*, W1ICP

The RF Applications P-1500 is a very unusual piece of equipment in that it serves as a constant bar-graph monitor of your transmitter and antenna system. It accomplishes this feat by providing a visual indication of four switchable items. These include the forward and reflected power readings, the standing-wave ratio, and last—and to this reviewer most important—the true power in the line going to the antenna.

Before going further, let's look at the specifications. The unit measures $3.5" \times 4.0" \times 4.0"$. It is powered by a separate 12 volt DCsupply (provided). The power measurement range is from 15 to 1500 watts. The SWR range is from 1:1 to 19:1. The accuracy of power and SWR is ±10 percent with a frequency range from 1.8 through 30 MHz.

There are four switchable readings available. First is forward power (FOR);

next is VSWR; then reflected power (REF); and last, true power in the line, which is forward minus reflected.

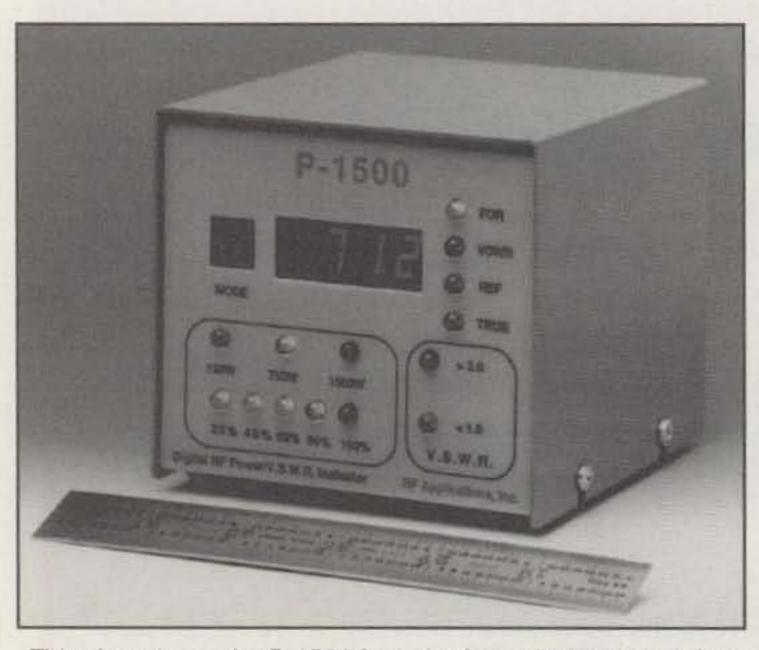
The P-1500 is an extremely accurate device. I carefully checked the power reading against some of my test devices. The reading accuracy is rated at ±10 percent of the reading. I found that in my checks I easily could have made the rating at better than 5 percent. There are three scales, or ranges, of the bar-graph readings: 120 watts, 750 watts, or 1500 watts. There is also a jumper setting that changes the lowest range to 200 watts. Four LEDs at the right of the bar graph show what mode you are in. From the top, they are FOR (forward power), VSWR, REF, and the last, TRUE power.

I set up various SWR conditions to see how the accuracy checked, and it was outstanding. What was interesting and should be a revelation to many users is the TRUE power readings that one gets with varying SWR conditions. I was using a rig that has a maximum power output of 100 watts. Under one SWR condition I noticed that I was showing a FORward power of 157 watts and a REFlected power of 80 watts. This would be a total of 80 plus 157, or 237 watts. There was absolutely no way that this rig could put out a total of 237 watts. But, when I switched to TRUE power, the real power leaving the rig, it read 77 watts, which is the difference between 157 and 80! SWR and power readings can be very confusing and not very easy to explain; at least there are no simple, non-mathematical methods of explaining them. If you want more information on this subject, then I recommend Walt Maxwell's book Reflections. He treats the subject of "reflected" power in great detail.

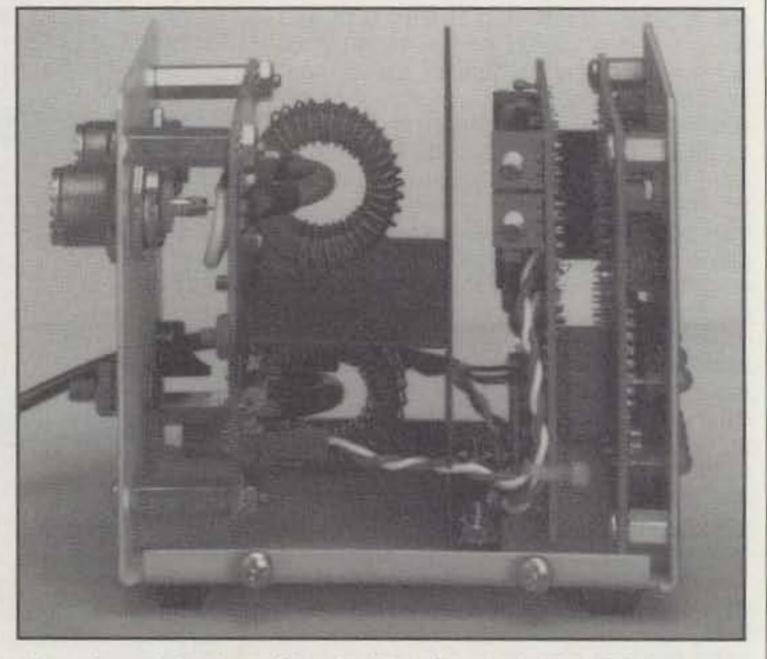
So what do I think of the P-1500? It must be obvious from this review that I feel this is a very excellent piece of gear. It is very easy to read, is extremely accurate, and tells you what you want to know.

The P-1500 is priced at \$219.95. The unit is made by RF Applications, Inc., 9410 Little Mountain Road, Kirkland Hill, OH 44060 (216-974-1961).

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This view shows the P-1500 from the front. At the lower left are the lights indicating power and percentage of power. At the upper right are the four lights for FOR, REF, VSWR, and TRUE. The actual power indicator is at the top center. The black square to the left of the readout (labeled MODE) is actually a "pushbutton" switch. By pushing the switch, you cycle through the various indicator readings. The normal position for the readout is forward power (FOR).



Here is a side view of the inside of the unit. Two SO-239 type coax fittings serve for the input and output. The cord off the bottom rear is to the power supply (furnished). Construction is first class.

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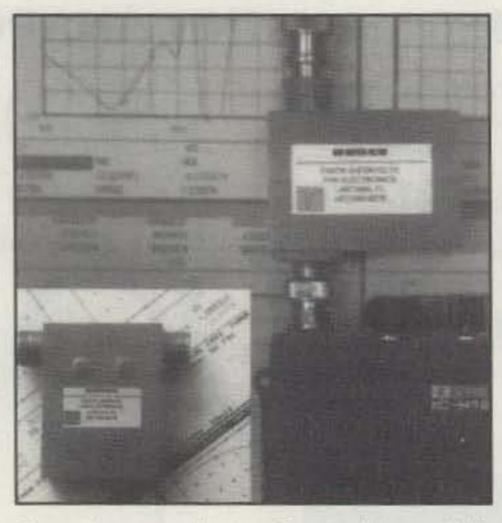
To tell you about some of the neat things that have come my way the past few months, this month we'll cover a great deal of territory—perhaps in somewhat less detail than usual, but with lots of graphics. With that caveat in mind, let's get started.

Antenna Notes

PAR Electronics 2-Meter Intermod Filters. In January 1995 CQ, Ed Juge, W5TOO, reviewed the PAR Electronics VHFDN152 2 Meter Intermod Filter, stacking it up against more expensive cavity-type bandpass filters as an intermod solution. He found that the PAR filter seemed to work as well as the more expensive cavity, cost less, and was smaller and easier to install.

PAR Electronics' Dale Parfitt, WA2YPY, contacted us with more information about his filter, advising that he now has an HT version. The response to Ed's review has been encouraging, as have been testimonials from amateurs who had about given up on solving the intermod problem in their situations.

Since Ed reviewed the filter it's been improved greatly. The improvements include increasing the notch depth another 8 dB, to about 50 dB; minimizing the SWR at 70 cm (initially about 2.8:1) to make the filter essentially transparent to dual-band radios; and developing a smaller version of the filter with male and female BNC connectors for direct connection to an HT. The original VHFDN152 is \$62, while the VHFDN152HT is \$68; the latter is pricier because of the expensive gold/teflon BNC (see photo).



Shown here are the two 2 meter intermod filters offered by Dale Parfitt, WA2YPY, of PAR Electronics. The original VHFDN152 filter is on the left; the new VHFDN152HT is on the right. Both filters provide a very deep notch on 2 meters. They are comparable to the notches offered by more expensive cavity-type bandpass filters. (Photo courtesy PAR Electronics)

adjust taps or change loading coils to switch from one band to another. The antenna uses a motor-driven center loading coil; the coil slides down inside a copper mast as you move up and down in frequency. The top whip may be any length; a 102 inch stainless-steel whip is suggested. You also can operate the BB3 as an inverted-"L" if antenna height is a problem. The heart of the antenna is its beryllium copper finger stock, sweated into the copper tubing; 68 fingers make contact with the coil. This makes for very low loss and an anticorrosive environment. The antenna also uses a sleeved bearing for the coil to ride on, allowing tuning smoothly while in motion. The motor that raises and lowers the coil is mounted inside the copper tubing. A two-wire shielded cable comes out of the bottom side of the antenna to control the motor. A DPDT switch and a pushbutton control the direction and operation of the motor; coil travel time across the 3-30 MHz range is less than 60 seconds. The antenna handles 1500 watts SSB. and its weight is 9.5 lbs. A broadband transmission line transformer is included. The BB3 with matching network is \$265. Several options are available, including a 160 meter coil, remote-control unit, and whip. For more details, contact the T. J. Antenna Co., 1055 North First Place 3-E, Hermiston, OR 97838 (1-800-443-0966). XMATCHTM Antenna Tuner. Paul Schrader, N4XM, has announced his custom-built transmatch, the XMATCHTM Antenna Tuner. The high-power patented circuitry used in the XMATCH reportedly yields high efficiency and overall good performance even on 160 meters.

It can handle full legal power at up to a 5:1 SWR over the full HF range 1.8–29.7 MHz. The unit features continuous coverage and tuning ease, and it has a high-quality counter dial, heavyduty bandswitch, and classic appearance.

Further information is available from Paul D. Schrader, N4XM, 7001 Briscoe Lane, Louisville, KY 40228-1653. Paul also offers detailed technical information on the XMATCH for \$3.

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For more information, contact Dale at PAR Electronics, 6869 Bayshore Drive, Lantana, FL 33462 (407-586-8278).

Mobile Antenna Tip de WAØKKC. Frequent correspondent Richard Mollentine, WAØKKC, regularly FAXes us "quickie" antenna- and tower-related hints and tips, many of which we share with CQ readers. Richard observes that the majority of commercially built mobile antenna bases are hollow, and a hollow base eventually will "suck" air, moisture, rain, humidity, snow, etc. This may rust the connections. To prevent this problem, just open the bottom of the base and completely fill it with clear silicone. The homebrew potting should last for years.

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RF Applications Update. Bruce R. Knox, N8LXS, set up RF Applications, Inc. "to develop and market interesting and useful products to the amateur radio community." The company's first product was the D-144 Two Meter Deviation Monitor; the second was the P-3000 Digital RF Power/VSWR Indicator, a microprocessor-based instrument that gives fast and accurate power and VSWR readings in real time, with no adjustment or calibration required. We described the P-3000 (\$299.95) in May 1994.

Since May '94, RF Applications has introduced a second unit, the P-1500 Digital RF Power/VSWR Indicator. The new unit, much like the P-3000, offers virtually instant, adjustment-free VSWR measurement, an autoranging bar graph, and a four-digit LED display. The P-1500 is for use in 50 ohm lines and can display power from about 15 to 1500 watts. Unlike the P-3000, which has two modules (a directional coupler and a separate display unit), the P-1500 has a built-in coupler. Price is \$219.95; an optional power pack is \$16.95.

For detailed specs, contact RF Applications, Inc., 9310 Little Mountain Road, Kirtland Hills, OH 44060 (1-800-423-7252).

New Antenna Pubs de I.C.E. In several columns we mentioned the free Industrial Communication Engineers, Ltd. catalog. I.C.E. offers a wide range of accessory products, notably for lightning protection and grounding. The catalog is an excellent reference.

In February 1993 we also brought to your attention the free one-page technical publications I.C.E. offers for customer reference. The mini-reports are single sheet, 81/2* × 11* in size, and they cover a variety of subjects related to the use of their products, station design and construction, lightning protection, and product comparisons. The publications are written in easy-to-understand language for the nontechnical user, and they contain capsulized information not found easily elsewhere.

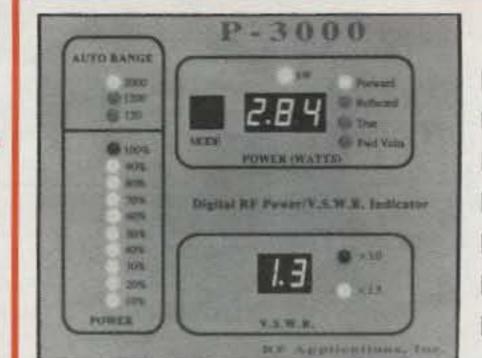
Recently, I.C.E. added seven new reports to their growing list. The new pubs include gas tubes as lightning protectors (#34); earthgrounding construction materials (#35); fighting broadcast-band (BCB) interference (#40); resolving 6 meter amateur interference (#42A); mobile-radio noise elimination (#44); AC power-line noise (#47); and one creatively entitled "The Infamous Arc—The Hidden Interference Generator" (#48).

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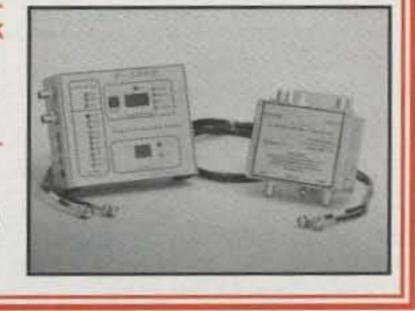
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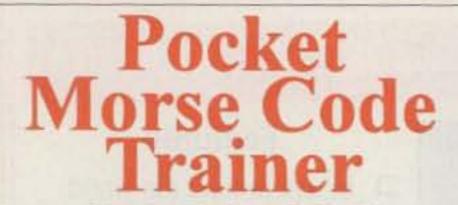
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Fig. 1– DX Desktop Logbook main-entry screen. DX Desktop is a Microsoft WindowsTM based collection of software and hardware to assist you in equipment control and QSO data handling. It is, at heart, a very capable logger that handles DXCC, WAZ, and WAS records with ease and includes Buckmaster HamCallTM and SAM callsign lookup. The Logbook provides a specialized database management system for QSO data.

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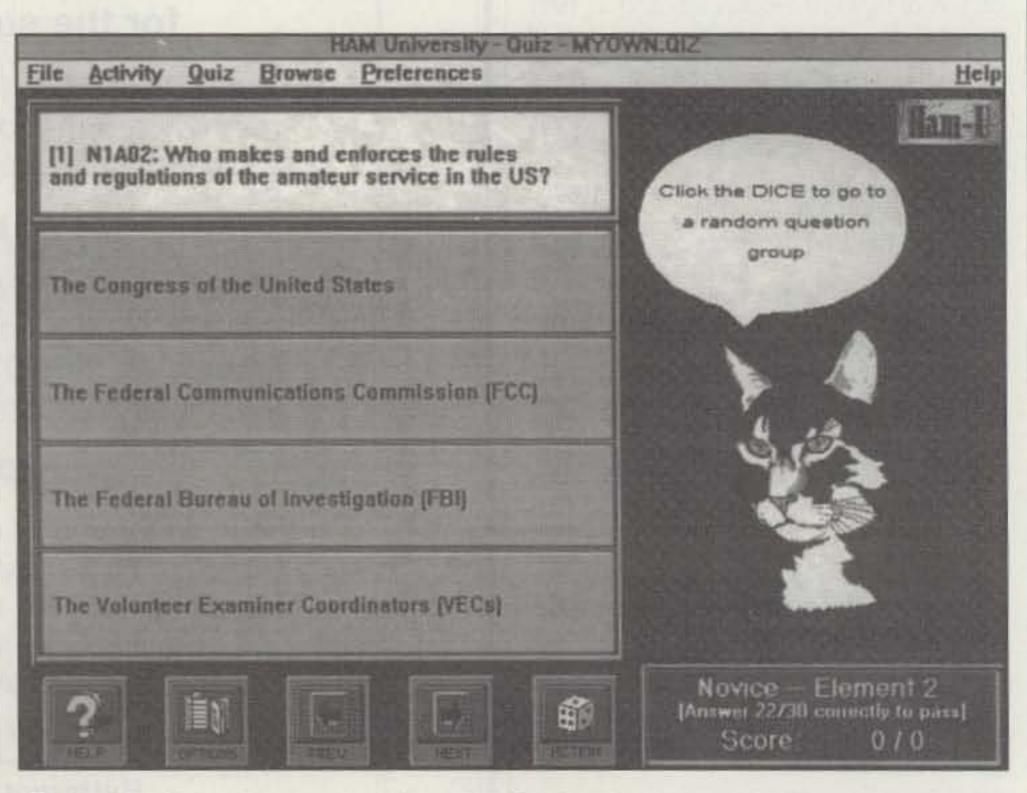


Fig. 2- Ham University example quiz screen. For the written exam, there's a quiz section that lets you browse through the questions and test yourself on them as you like. Complementing this is the exam section that administers a practice exam. There are extensive hypertext explanations of each question in the subject help files.

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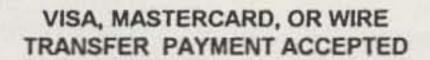
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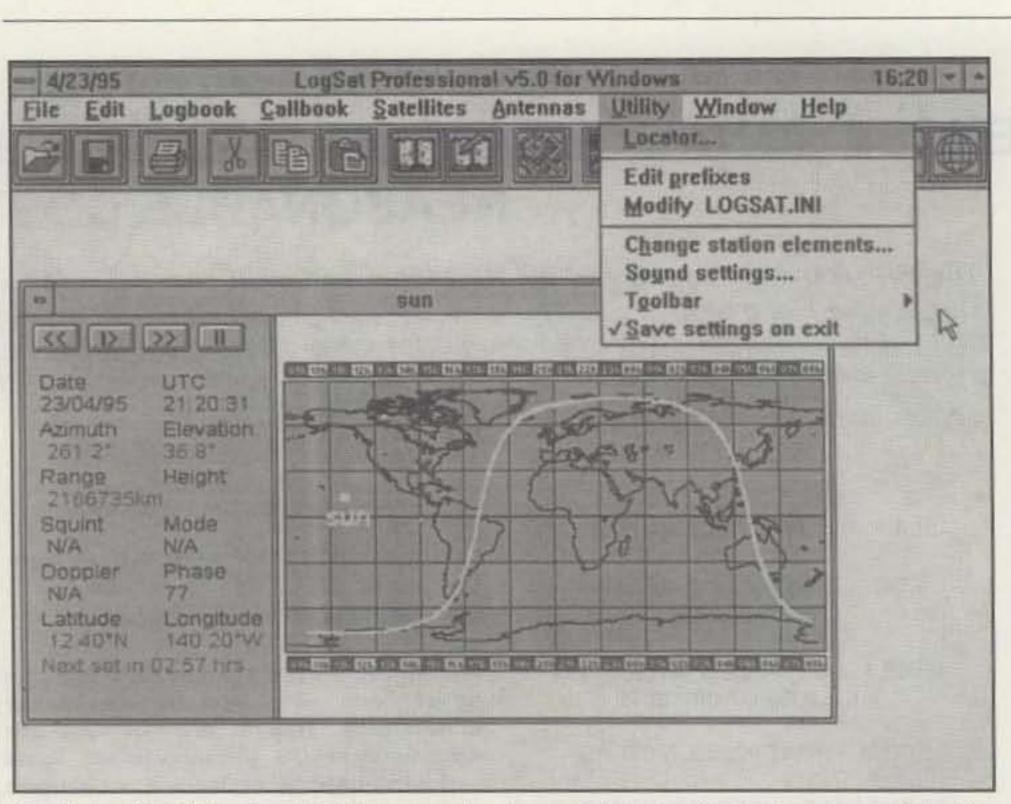


Fig. 3– LogSat Professional for Windows, showing equidistant cylindrical map projection. After you select a satellite (or another body, such as the sun in this case) in LogSat Professional for Windows, you can choose the type of map on which you wish to view the satellite. The available projections are Mercator, Sinusoidal, Hammer, Orthographic, and Equidistant Cylindrical (selected here). The program has a complete toolbar with pop-up help descriptions.

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For more information, contact Tom Case, K8CLA, or Bob Craig, K8RC, at Debco Electronics, Inc., 4025 Edwards Road, Cincinnati, OH 45209 (1-800-423-4499). (See fig. 1.)

Ham University[™]. Ham University is a new Windows program from Amateur Radio Education (ARE) to help you pass the FCC amateur radio exams. It covers both Morse Code and the written elements, and includes two sections to help with the written exam and two sections for Morse. There's also an addictive onscreen game, PENTODE, to help you master Morse and have fun doing it.

For the written exam, there's a quiz section (see fig. 2) that lets you browse through the questions and test yourself on them as you like. Complementing this is the exam section that administers a practice exam. There are extensive hypertext explanations of each question in the subject help files, in case you have problems with any of the questions.

For learning Morse, there's the lessons section, a series of lessons that introduces the code gradually, for 20 minutes once a day. There's also a less-structured, flexible exercises section that lets you teach yourself Morse "your way."

If neither of these approaches works for you, there's a built-in game, PENTODE, where you can master Morse while having fun. PENTODE even keeps a "Hall of Fame" to keep track of



who really has the code down pat.

The program, priced at \$69.95, has the distinct advantage of having the code, theory, and game modules all together in one graphical, Windows-based product. Plus, the program makes good use of graphics and the sound card capabilities of many new PCs. And, although it's designed for all ages, the program should be particularly useful in interesting youngsters in learning Morse Code and getting into amateur radio.

For more information, contact Bob Gregg, AB6CH, or Roy Stephens, AC6CQ, at Amateur Radio Education, Inc., 19032 Pauline Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646 (714-968-0042).

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Fig. 5- VHF-DX V2.0 is for VHF/UHF contesting, VHF/UHF Century Club (VUCC) award tracking, DXing, and OSCAR satellite operation on 50 MHZ to 10 GHz. It works in a real time mode, displays QSO and grid totals by band, and performs "new grid" and duplicate checking. The recently enhanced program also lists previous QSOs; displays confirmed grid count by band for VUCC tracking; logs OSCAR contacts as well as simplex, SSB, and CW contacts; and more.

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Fig. 6- Buckmaster HamCall Windows lookup. A particularly nice HamCall feature is an attractive Windows-based callsign lookup program, ICALLW, in addition to the DOS-based ICALL. The DOS and Windows programs even return U.S. licensees' approximate latitude and longitude, grid square, telephone area code, county, and GMT time adjustment. A new, user-friendly beam heading and distance calculation (between U.S. points) is forthcoming in the next edition of HamCall.

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LogSat Goes Commercial. In the January 1995 column we highlighted LogSat, a multipurpose satellite-oriented Windows program designed by Roberto Franceschetti, IK8SQI. His shareware program concentrated primarily on the real-time tracking of satellites orbiting the earth. But it also kept a logbook and callbook, analyzed antennas, and did several other neat things. It's done these things so well that it's no longer shareware, and now is offered as a slick, regular commercial software package by LogSat Software Corporation of Orlando, Florida.

LogSat Professional for Windows is de-

signed to serve the amateur radio operator and the "average computer user," enabling both to track and view satellites of all types, and incorporating quality graphics, sound, and text. Ease-of-use considerations are given to homebased owners with satellite dishes who want to watch overseas programs as well as ship and aircraft captains who rely on Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking fixes.

Some of the program's features, several of which are new, include multitasking real-time satellite tracking, with the ability to track up to 500 satellites per window, in dozens of windows; five global map projections with zoom in-and-out capability; personal logbook and callbook management; and several types of antenna pattern analysis.

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updated with NASA or AMSAT formats.

The program is \$39.95 from LogSat Software Corporation, 425 S. Chickasaw Tr., Suite 103, Orlando, FL 32825 (1-800-350-3871).

Morse Tutor Update. Warren Hoffnung, KF6VV, has introduced a nicely upgraded IBM PC product, Morse Tutor Gold[™], a follow-on to his popular Morse Tutor Advanced Edition. Since 1987 the Morse Tutors have guided thousands of amateurs and prospective amateurs in Morse instruction from beginner to Extra Class in self-paced lessons. Warren notes that he changed the name of the program from "Advanced Edition" to "Gold" since some customers thought the program was only for the Advanced class or higher.

Besides the capabilities of its predecessor Advanced Edition, which we highlighted in the January 1992 column, Morse Tutor Gold adds enhanced drill capabilities. For example, you can just enter the problem characters and the program will send you a random drill containing only those characters. There's also "typealong" support for most modules, so that if you prefer to write what you hear you may do so just as if type-along were not present. There's also a feature called "instant code" in which you can type a forgotten character on the keyboard and immediately hear it in code.

The program reportedly supports all sound cards and provides volume control of the sound card from within the program. Of course, if you don't have a sound card, you can use your internal computer speaker although the sound quality won't be as good.

Morse Tutor Gold is for IBM PCs and compatibles. The program is available from dealers, 73 Amateur Radio Today, the ARRL, or directly from GGTE. The price is \$29.95 plus shipping and handling. For more information, contact GGTE, P.O. Box 3405, Newport Beach, CA 92659 (714-968-1571). (See fig. 4.) VHF-DX Contest Logger Update. Recently, we covered VHF-DX, Version 1, designed by Mark Hoersten, N8VEA, for VHF and higher operation and logging. As we noted, the program supports various ARRL VHF/UHF contests, tracks grid squares, and logs OSCAR satellite contacts on the bands 50 MHz to 10 GHz. VHF-DX handles four- or six-character grid locators and keeps track of both worked and confirmed QSO and grid count by band. As that column was going to press, Mark released Version 2 (see fig. 5), which offers a number of impressive new and enhanced features. These include tracking of states worked and confirmed by band; a manual QSO entry mode; several new reports and forms, including listing confirmed/worked QSOs by grid or state; QST "World Above 50 MHz" column standings and CQ "VHF Plus" column report forms; contest log merging; and the ability to handle some 7000 QSOs. VHF-DX Version 2 is \$16.95 postpaid and includes a printed 32-page manual; specify disk media. Contact VHF Products, P.O. Box 23391, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023-0391 (216-543-2748). Buckmaster HamCallTM Update. In the September and December 1993 columns we highlighted the HamCall callsign database. HamCall is a CD-ROM database of all 685,000 FCC-licensed amateur stations, including over 2400 club, military, and RACES entries, plus international listings. With HamCall you can retrieve data by callsign, name, address, city,

state, ZIP code, or license class; copy output to disk, a database, or printer; generate labels; and manipulate callsign data in various ways. Updates are issued at the end of October and April.

HamCall has gone through various incremental improvements over the past several years. It now contains more than 380,000 international amateur callsign listings from 113 countries.

This is impressive, since lots of international callsigns are hard to obtain today in that many countries are pending settlement of political boundaries or are unwilling to release their callsign data. Also, some countries prohibit distribution of licensing data in machine-readable form. The new CD-ROM also has over 105,000 cross-references from old calls to new calls. In total, well over a million callsigns are included.

Besides the callsign data, the CD-ROM includes more than 800 PC public-domain programs and many data files of various types there are over 200 ZIP (archived) files. Both the IBM PC and Apple Macintosh can access the CD-ROM for callsign lookup.

A particularly nice HamCall feature is an attractive, Windows-based callsign lookup program, ICALLW, in addition to the DOSbased ICALL (see fig. 6). The DOS and Windows programs even return U.S. licensees' approximate latitude and longitude, grid square, telephone area code, county, and GMT time adjustment. The CD-ROM can be accessed by most popular logging programs for nearly instant callsign lookup. A new userfriendly beam heading and distance calculation capability is forthcoming.

Buckmaster also has released a variety of other CD-ROMs. Probably the most interesting from our standpoint is The 1995 Electronics Software Compendium (ESC). It's a massive collection of shareware programs and datafiles that pertain to electronics, broadcasting, amateur radio, and SWLing. There are over 25,000 files in total, with automatic unzipping to your hard drive-some 300 MB of PC material and 50 MB of MAC stuff on the CD-ROM. There are some 1900 ZIP files and over 300 indexed, informational text files on the disc. ESC is updated annually in April. Buckmaster also has introduced or announced several other CD-ROMs. These include an indexed and text-searchable reference disc, News-to-GoTM, of special interest to news enthusiasts, students, and educators. It contains over 60,000 indexed, full-text current news articles. There also are two CD-ROM discs, as well as a book, having to do with advanced cryptography topics. The HamCall CD-ROM is \$50, The Electronics Software Compendium CD-ROM is \$25, and News-to-Go is \$60, plus \$5 shipping and handling. They're from Buckmaster Publishing, Route 4, Box 1630, Mineral, VA 23117 (1-800-282-5628). Flyers that describe Ham-Call and other new products are available.

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Book Notes

Three from Tiare. As we've noted previously, Gerry Dexter, of Tiare Publications, offers a good selection of books on SWLing, scanner and utility monitoring, broadcasting, and related pursuits. Recently he's added several new titles to both the flagship Tiare and the new Limelight Books imprints.

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One of the new Tiare releases is Computerized Radio Monitoring, by Todd D. Dokey (125 pages, \$22.95). This very interesting book presents a wealth of ideas on successfully marrying your PC and your shortwave or scanner radio. It covers planning the computerized radio shack; managing, storing, and getting results from your data; computer monitoring; automated logging; remote receiver monitoring; and more.

A second new Tiare release is The Outer Space Frequency Directory, by Anthony R. "Tony" Curtis, K3RXK (67 pages, \$17.95). This creatively titled book covers the whole range of possible extraterrestrial signals, including satellites, space shuttles, space stations, probes, and even signals from deep space. Tony also discusses the receivers and antennas you need for each type of reception. There's also a section on amateur radio astronomy and a master list of over 2000 space and related frequencies.

A new Limelight Books release is The Electronic Gateway, by David T. Kruchowski (123 pages, \$19.95). This A-to-Z book provides practically everything you need to know about hooking up and communicating using your PC. It includes reviews of the major and several less-well-known online communications services, as well as the Internet. It helps you get going with E-mail, message bases, file transfers, modems, and terminal programs.

A new "Great Radio Reads" catalog is \$1 from Tiare Publications, P.O. Box 493, Lake Geneva, WI 53147 (414-248-4845).

The Internet Yellow Pages, Second Edition. Can reading a telephone "yellow pages" book actually be interesting? Not usually, but in this case doing so is quite intriguing, and even entertaining as well. The Internet Yellow Pages, by Harley Hahn and Rick Stout, is a massive (812-page) compendium of just about everything you're likely to find on the Internet. The book constitutes an excellent guide to the Internet, including the popular Usenet Newsgroups and the ever-growing World Wide Web, for users of any skill level. This reference greatly assists you in finding whatever information you need quickly and easily; practically every type of human activity is represented. The book has descriptions of about 5000 separate items, grouped into some 185 categories. Even amateur radio is covered, both under "hobbies" and under "radio." The book has a detailed table of contents and an impressive index. The book is available in bookstores at \$29.95. A catalog of computer books is available from the publisher, Osborne McGraw-Hill, 2600 Tenth St., Berkeley, CA 94710 (1-800-227-0900).

an electric engine block heater to warm a rotor. Equipment-wise, we highlighted the Palomar Engineers M-835 SWR and Power Meter and the PA-360 Amplifilter; and the SGC-303 marine and mobile HF antenna from SGC. Inc.

Software-wise, we featured the Diamond Systems license study courses; the Six Shooter Morse code program and the QLog contest loggers for the Macintosh PC, offered by John Olapurath, KE1Z, of ZCo. Corp.; the Key-Notes® Electronic Reference Library series of programs from Digital Learning Systems; and the Grammatik IV grammar and style checker from Reference Software International.

If you find a topic we covered in this or a previous column to be of interest, please obtain the back issue directly from CQ's Hicksville, New

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Wrap-Up

That's all for this time, gang. Next time more Antennas and Accessories topics of current interest. See you then.

Overheard: Isn't it always the case? The person who has the least expertise has the strongest opinions.

73, Karl, W8FX



Looking Back Five

Now you know what the column looks like in October 1995. But what were the hot topics of discussion in the column of October 1990?

The October 1990 column was "Thoughts on Multiband Antennas and More." We featured an essay on the challenge of multiband antennas by Harry Wolf, W6NKT. In it, he aired his views on HF wire antenna systems, coaxial cable, and matching, noting that it's not easy to design a good multiband antenna that will match the frequency diversity of the modern transceiver. We featured a discussion of using



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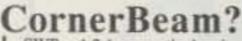
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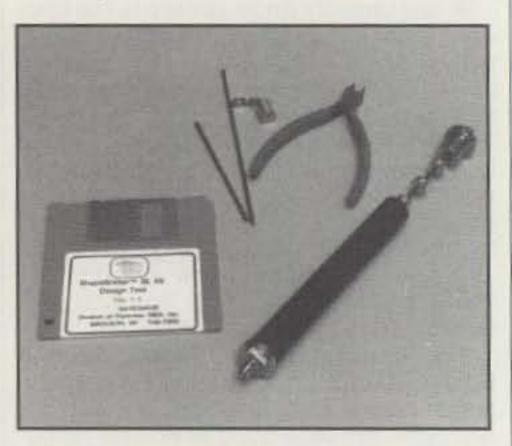
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The Shape Shifter Model SL55 from Gatewave is a stepped-impedance tubular filter that provides both design software and reconfigurable hardware. The SL55 covers cut-off frequencies from 500 to 5500 MHz with up to 11 sections. Typical insertion loss is 0.2 dB at 1 GHz and 1 dB at 5 GHz. The specific parameters of the kit's hardware are embedded in the synthesis routines of the software, allowing for rapid design and construction of custom lowpass filters for lab use. The software





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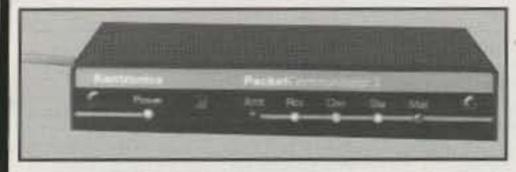


may also be used to analyze user-defined configurations. Macintosh and PC platforms are supported.

For more information write to Gatewave, 565 Science Drive, Madison, WI 53711 (phone 800-797-9283; FAX 608-238-5120), or circle number 102 on the reader service card.

Kantronics' KPC-3 Now GPS Compatible

Kantronics' KPC-3 now offers GPS capabilities. To receive and re-transmit GPS (global positioning system) data, the KPC-3 connects to GPS receivers with NMEA-0183 interfaces. GPS capabilities include: Multiple string parsing (users select as many as four of the GPS unit's NMEA data strings); storage of outgoing data in tracking buffers (GPS data can be stored for later retrieval and is accessible via the KPC-3's mailbox); time-slotted location broadcasting based on the GPS clock (users specify beacon start time and amount of time between beacons. so multiple stations report without collision); remote access (system operator can reconfig-

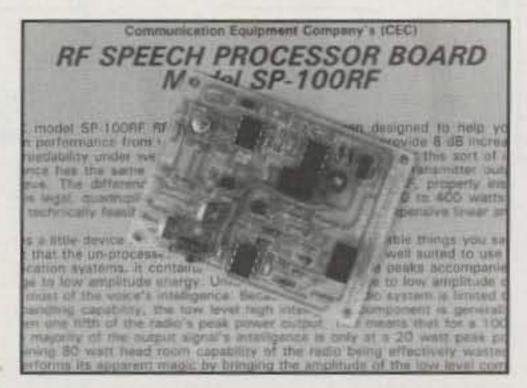


ure the GPS unit from a remote location); and the KPC-3 is APRS compatible.

All these features are now standard in the KPC-3 version 6.0. For versions prior to 6.0, Kantronics offers an EPROM upgrade. Contact your authorized Kantronics dealer or Kantronics, 1202 E. 23rd Street, Lawrence, KS 66046 (phone 913-842-7745; FAX 913-842-2021), or circle number 103 on the reader service card.

GFS Electronics SP-100RF RF Speech Processor Board

GFS Electronics manufactures a new small board level RF speech processor for internal mounting. The SP-100RF provides an 8 dB increase in a signal's readability under weak and noisy receive conditions for SSB radio equipment. It brings the amplitude of the low-level component up close to that of the peaks, de-



creasing the average-to-peak power ratio. It is a 55 mm × 75 mm PC board requiring +8 volts or +12 volts DC. It connects in series with the microphone's audio line.

The SP-100RF is priced at \$75 plus freight from Australia. For more information, contact GFS Electronics, P.O. Box 97, Mitcham, 3132 Victoria, Australia (phone 61 3 9873 3777; FAX 61 3 9872 4550), or circle number 104 on the reader service card.





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PACKET USER'S NOTEBOOK

CONNECTING YOU AND PACKET RADIO IN THE REAL WORLD

BY BUCK ROGERS, K4ABT

Déjà Vu—I've Done That; I've Seen That; I've Been There!

A few months back I wrote about the Kantronics KPC-9612 and the addition of the new K-NET firmware. While I was writing that article, I mentioned to Phil Anderson, WØXI, that it would be great to have a similar K-NET node firmware available in his Kantronics KPC-3. He said that might just be possible. I responded that if Kantronics did implement the K-NET into the KPC-3, I would let the packet world know about it. Well, here's keeping my word.

First I'll point out some of the nice features of the KPC-3. The NEWUSER command (default setting) enables the new packet radio user to get started on packet with a subset of the larger command set in the KPC-3. The INTERFACE command allows the seasoned packeteer to access the Terminal mode or KISS mode, etc., by choosing any one of the six available commands. Again it's a simple keyboard command to the KPC-3 that allows the operator to advance to the next operating level of packet.

The KPC-3 is equipped with an internal personal mailbox, which offers all the latest forwarding and reverse-forwarding features. If you are operating on a local area network and wish to enable a community maildrop/PBBS, then I suggest that you add the 128K RAM.

Guidelines For Interfacing And Node Stacking

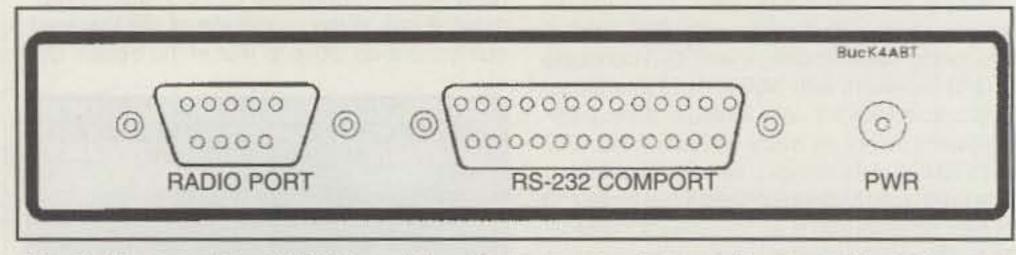


Fig. 1– The rear of the KPC-3 has all input/output connections readily accessible to the user. The DE9 is the radio port, and the DB25 is the comport for the terminal (RS232) connection.

ask you to enter your callsign. From this point forward you are in control.

If for any reason you find a need do a hard reset of the KPC-3, follow the procedures outlined on page 105 of the KPC-3 manual. If you are using the default terminal baudrate of 1200 baud, watch as the hard reset signs on and initializes the RAM.

When adding more RAM or when installing the K-NET EPROM, use the same procedure after the RAM or EPROM installation. The signon will also indicate the RAM size as it performs the hard reset. Be sure to return J7 to its normal position (on one post only) after performing the hard reset. At turn-on, the KPC-3 defaults to the monitor mode. Any packet signals heard on frequency should display on the very well documented and concise manual that accompanies the KPC-3.

Building A Net Using The KPC-3

Here is your chance to build a TheNET, X-1J, or NetROM compatible node using a TNC in the \$100 class. The extra benefit of using the KPC-3 in a node stack is having the added feature of a community mailbox/PBBS in it. If you add the 128 KB RAM, the node and PBBS can have all the space needed to allow users to leave mail at the node and enable the node buffers to expand to larger routing tables. The System Node Operator (SNO) has the remote access option available to clear old messages and set parameters of the K-NET node from the home QTH or any other remote location. Because the interest in node building is high on our networking lists, I've included several

The KPC-3 can operate from any 7 to 24 volt DC power source. I have one of my KPC-3's operating from an internal (easy to install) 9 volt battery. Current drain is less than 25 ma. All input/output (I/0) is made at the rear panel of the KPC-3 (see fig. 1).

Also on the rear of the KPC-3 are two D-type connectors that allow interconnection(s) to the transceiver and the DB25 connector interfacing to the terminal or computer.

The DE9 nine-pin connector shown as port 1 in fig. 1 is provided for 1200 baud PTT, transmit AFSK, and receive data.

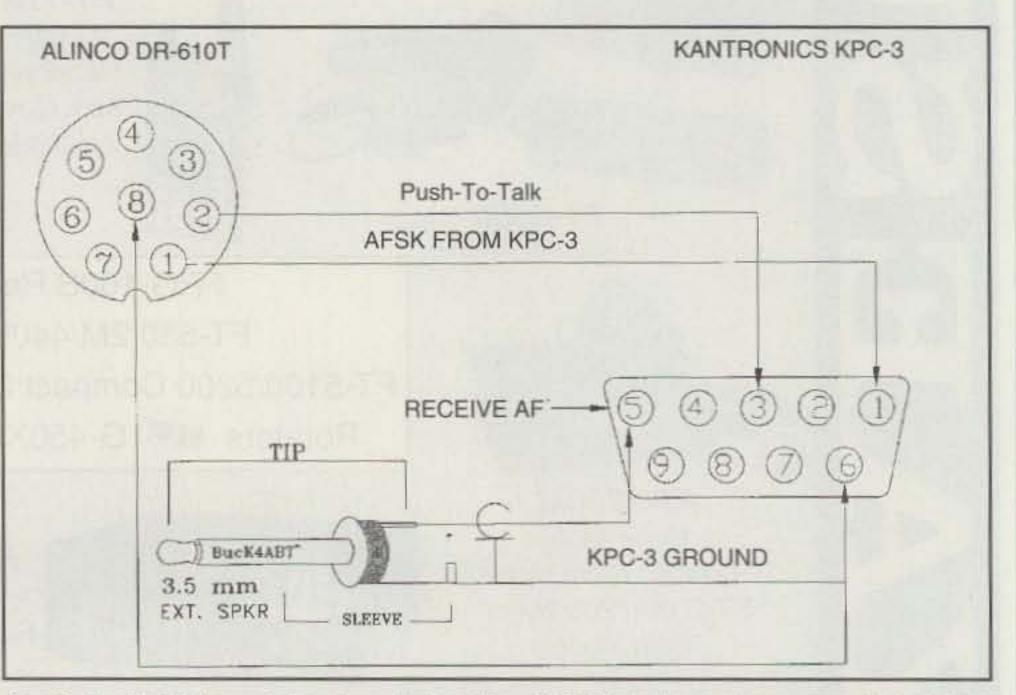
Fig. 1 provides a quick reference to the port assignments. In figs. 2, 3, 4, and 5 I've included enough interface information to enable the new KPC-3 owner to have the unit on the air as a 1200 baud node or in a node stack providing gateway to other frequencies and bauds.

It's "A Piece of Cake"

Once you have the KPC-3 interfaced to your terminal and transceiver(s), the rest is easy. Boot the terminal or terminal program (a disk with a terminal program is included for the IBM PC and compatibles) and turn on the KPC-3. The KPC-3 will exercise an autobaud routine. During the autobaud scanning you may press the asterisk (*) and the autobaud will lock and

screen.

The KPC-3 can be accessed by using the remote access call and entering the sysop password (RTEXT). Remote configuration is easy. There is more about this feature in the



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Fig. 2– The KPC-3 is easily interfaced to the Alinco DR-610 dual-band transceiver. Note that the Alinco DR-610T dual-band VHF/UHF transceiver is also 9600 baud ready.

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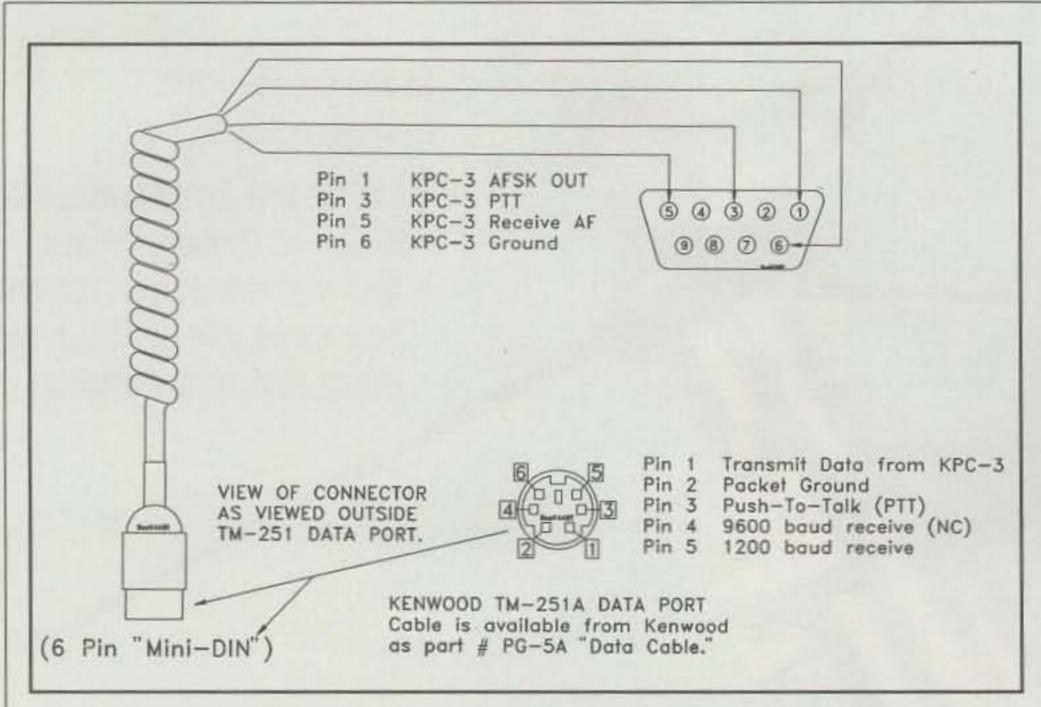
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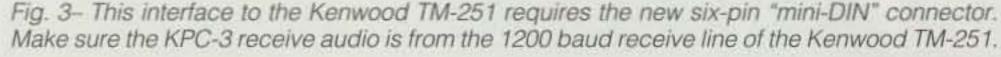
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Who's On First?

If you plan to implement this new firmware, it would be in your best interest to become familiar with the use and application of NET/ROM and TheNET derivatives. The K-NET PROM is KPC-3 specific and must be installed in a KPC-3 Controller. It will not operate if installed in any other TNC. Since K-NET operation requires more RAM than traditional TNC operation, additional RAM is recommended to allow for a larger PBBS. Available from Kantronics are 128K static RAM chips (optional, but recommended). In the August 1995 edition of the "Packet User's Notebook" I covered much of the basics of packet networking. That article begins on page 100 of August 1995 CQ and fills almost 10 pages with good networking practices.

 Observe proper anti-static precautions and remove the PROM from socket U10. The PROM has a white Kantronics label on it.

4. Carefully *insert* the new K-NET EPROM in socket U10, ensuring that pin 1 (notch end) of the EPROM is located closest to the ON/OFF switch. The K-NET PROM will use all pins of socket U10. When inserting the new (KPC-3 version 6.0N) EPROM, be careful not to bend any of the pins underneath the EPROM.

5. Perform a hard reset as described on page 105 of the KPC-3 Reference Manual and reassemble the KPC-3.



The "EVA" K-NET node is attached to the Isopole at the top of the tower. EVA is one of the SEDAN nodes (see text).

leaning; it's the way I was standing on my head when I took the photo.

The "EVA" node is a vital contributor to our network and a link into the SEDAN 9600 baud backbone at 223.700 MHz. The K-NET is operated by my wife, Jean Ann, as WB4EDZ-7 with the alias of "EVA," alias for "Evington, Virginia"). In addition to the KPC-3 node we have a KPC-9612 that enables access to the 9600 baud backbone and to another 1200 baud frequency that gateways into a local area network which is unable to access the SEDAN on 145.770. This requires a two-port node-stack interface cable as outlined in fig. 4. When more than two KPC or TNC nodes are needed, the interface cable at fig. 5 may be required.

The KPC-3 provides a 1200 baud node and user access to other nodes and users on 145.770 MHz. The node is fully compatible with the rest of the 100-plus X-1J4 and K-NET nodes on the Southeastern Emergency Digital Association Networks (SEDAN). The SEDAN nodes extend from Washington, DC to Orlando, Florida and Atlanta, Georgia, Harlan, Kentucky, and east to the coast. As I write this month's column, hurricane Erin is making landfall into

Installing The K-NET PROM In The KPC-3

The K-NET EPROM adds the function of a network node to the operation of the KPC-3. All the original features of the KPC-3 are retained, including your PBBS, simultaneous keyboard operations, and remote access. This means that you can still use the KPC-3 as you now do, and add the K-Net PROM, to provide your local area with a dual-port network node that operates in the background of your normal TNC operations!

To install the K-NET PROM you will need to remove the cover of the KPC-3, locate and remove the old PROM (U10), insert the new K-NET PROM, perform a hard reset, and then reattach the cover as follows:

1. Turn the KPC-3 off.

Remove the two screws (one on each side) that secure the top cover to the case and remove the top cover.

Broadcasting From Atop "Sunburst" Ridge

The K-NET node antenna here at our QTH is at 1240 feet AMSL (see photo; Isopole is at the top of the center tower). No, the towers are not

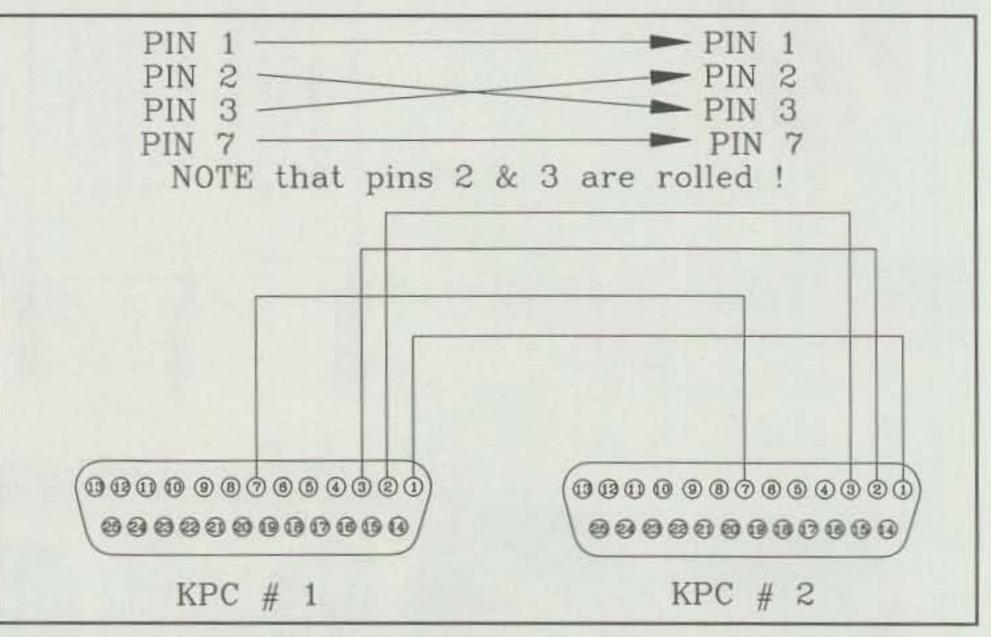


Fig. 4– When porting the KPC-3 to another node, use this two-port node interface cable. This interface may be used to build a gateway to other bauds and/or frequencies. When implementing the K-NET for gateway use, be sure to set the INTerface command to NET.

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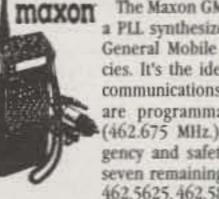
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Filling in The Blanks

Note that after the K-NET PROM is installed. the KPC-3 will power up in the AUTOBAUD mode and all commands are reset to factory defaults. Before you install the K-NET PROM, it's a good idea to use the DISPlay command and make a print-out (or disk file) of your present parameters.

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The factory default values in the K-NET PROM have the network node operation disabled. To enable the K-NET node, the NETAL-IAS and the NETCALL must be entered. It is assumed that you are connected to the RS232 port of the KPC-3. Many of these commands and features may be set after the K-NET node is relocated to the remote site. However, the user must be the node sysop and give the appropriate password (RTEXT).

The NETALIAS is usually a mnemonic that gives users an idea about where the node is located (other network nodes do not care what the alias is). For example, EVA is a good NETALIAS for Evington, Virginia. The NET-CALL is the callsign of the node. The NETCALL consists of your callsign plus an optional SSID (example, K4ABT-7). It must be different from any other callsign used in the KPC-3 (MYPbbs, MYGate, MYAlias, MYNode, etc.).

Use the DISPlay Id command to make sure that the NETCALL you select is different from the other callsigns that are in use by the KPC-3. Many times local "customs" will serve as guidelines for what NETALIAS and NETCALL to use. In the paragraphs that follow, all callsigns and aliases are examples only. When building your KPC-3 node(s), use the callsigns and aliases applicable to your node and area. In the example below I'll use the same alias as we've selected here in Evington, Virginia.

HH EVA:WB4EDZ-7] [alias:]call port neighbor [via digi1[,digi2]] quality [obscnt] ADDNODE port call [via digi1[,digi2]] quality [!] ADDROUTE BYE causes this node to disconnect you [/S] causes internal connect to BBS BBS CONNECT [[port] callalias [/S]] to host or another node or end user [UI text] puts you in CQ mode enables UI broadcasting for CQ command CQBC Text sent first to someone else connecting to NETALIAS CTEXT DELNODE [alias:]call port neighbor [via digi1[,digi2]] port call [via digi1[,digi2]] quality DELROUTE INFO Data sent in response to INFO command Number of minutes between node id (0-255) IDINT LINKS Status of level 2 links Max # of L3 hops (0-255) L3TTL L4DELAY Level 4 acknowledge delay in seconds (1-60) L4LIMIT No activity timeout in seconds (0-65535) Level 4 retry count (1-127) L4N2 Level 4 retry timer in seconds (5-600) L4T1 L4WINDOW Max # of unacked packets for each circuit (1-127) [LONGISHORT] Displays list of callsigns heard MHEARD Minimum quality in order to add to nodes table MINQUAL NODES [[* | alias | call]] Number of minutes between node broadcasts (0-255) NODESINT OBSINIT Initial L4 obsolescence value (0-255) OBSMIN Minimum obsolescence count in order to broadcast (1-255) QUALITY Port quality PORTS Displays messages about radio ports ROUTES **Displays** neighbors Displays users connected to node STATS allows log-in of authorized sysop SYSOP

Table I- Example of the entire HELP contents.

EVA:WB4EDZ-7] Node	S:		Concernance of the
77:K4ABT-6	6684:WB4QOC-3	BIGIVA:K4ABT-8	BLTV:WA4CBX-7
CFNC:N4ZRT-7	SNC:WA4PVI-8	DVA:KN4UN-7	MVA:KC4SUE-7
MADVA:WA4FRB-6	MILEHI:WB4QOC-5	PNC:WA4PVI-7	SBV:AB4YR-7
SHELBY:WB4QOC-4	SWVA:KD4BNQ-8	WNC:WA4GSO-7	YNC:KD4SFU-7

Enter the NETALIAS: At the cmd: prompt type & <enter>NETALIAS EVA

Next set the NETCALL: cmd: NETCALL WB4EDZ-7

This command will cause the KPC-3 to perform a soft reset as memory is allocated for the K-NET node operation. Your K-NET node is now in operation! There are six additional "NET" commands that are only available from the command prompt of the KPC-3. These commands and their current settings can be displayed with the DISP N command.

Most other node commands are accessed by connecting to the node either locally with your terminal or remotely. If connected remotely, SYSOP access (see SYSOP command) is required to list and change SYSOP-related parameters. Note: RTEXT command in the KPC-3 must be set to allow remote SYSOP access).

When you connect to your K-NET node, you will not receive a command prompt (cmd:). Hitting the ENTER key will display the commands available to you. To see the current setting of any of the commands, just enter the command and hit the ENTER key. Whenever you are at this "invisible command prompt," you automatically have access to the entire command set, since you are assumed to be the system operator (sysop).

A short help description of each command is available by entering H(elp) or ? followed by the node command.

The entire HELP contents can be displayed by entering H H<cr> (see Table I). If Jean Ann HKY77:KD4CDX-7

Table II- The node list is displayed when a nodes list is pulled from the K-NET node "EVA.

TheNET X-1J/K-NET CROSS-REFERENCE GUIDE

X1-J PARAMETER

- Max. Destination Node Size 1. Min. Auto update quality 2. 3. Neighbor default quality RS-232 default quality 4 Initial obsolescence count 5. 6. Min. Obs. count to broadcast
- Node broadcast interval 7.
- Initial Time-to-Live 8.
- Transport Frack timeout (sec) 9.
- Transport Retry counter 10.
- 11. Transport Ack Delay (sec)
- 12. Transport Busy Delay (sec)
- 13. Transport Window Size (frames)
- 14. Transport Overfill Limit (frames)
- 15. No Activity Time Out
- Persistence 16.
- 17. Slot
- 18. Link Frack (T1)
- AX.25 Maxframe 19.
- 20. AX.25 Retries
- 21. Link Response Time (T2)
- 22. Active Check (T3)
- 23. AX.25 Digipeat
- 24. Validate Callsigns
- 25. ID Beacon
- CQ Broadcasts 26.

NETDest MINgual Quality N/A Obsinit OBSMin NODESInt L3ttl L4T1 L4N2 L4delay N/A L4Window N/A L4Limit cmd: PERsist cmd: Slottime cmd: FRrack cmd: MAXframe cmd: RETry N/A cmd: CHeck cmd: DIGipeat N/A cmd: IDINT CQBc

K-NET COMMAND

Table III- The X-1J/K-NET cross-reference guide.



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is not in the sysop mode and she issues the "H H" request, the node will respond with an abbreviated (user) subset of these commands. The MHeard command may be sent to the K-NET in either of two ways: M S(hort) will return a list of recent "heard" stations without their paths to the node, while issuing an M L(ong) to the node returns a long list that also gives the paths that were used by the "heard" stations. The node list is displayed when we pull a nodes list from the K-NET node EVA <enter> n. (See Table II.)

More Information About The K-NET

Although the default parameters of the K-NET node will get you "up and running," there are some guidelines that can enhance the desired operation. Good-neighbor relationships are really the key to good networks.

In the August 1995 column we covered the configuration and fine-tuning of the K-NET. You may refer to that column for more information regarding the setup and configuration of your K-NET.

Table III is a cross-reference guide to assist in the configuration of node parameters if an X-1J node is located in your area. The basic X-1J PARMS can be listed by connecting to an X-1J node and giving the "P" command. This should precipitate meaningful discussion among node sysops in an attempt to arrive at a "Network Standard" of node parameters that benefits all users.

Ordering Information

The K-NET node EPROM is priced at \$34.95 each and is available from Kantronics Inc.,

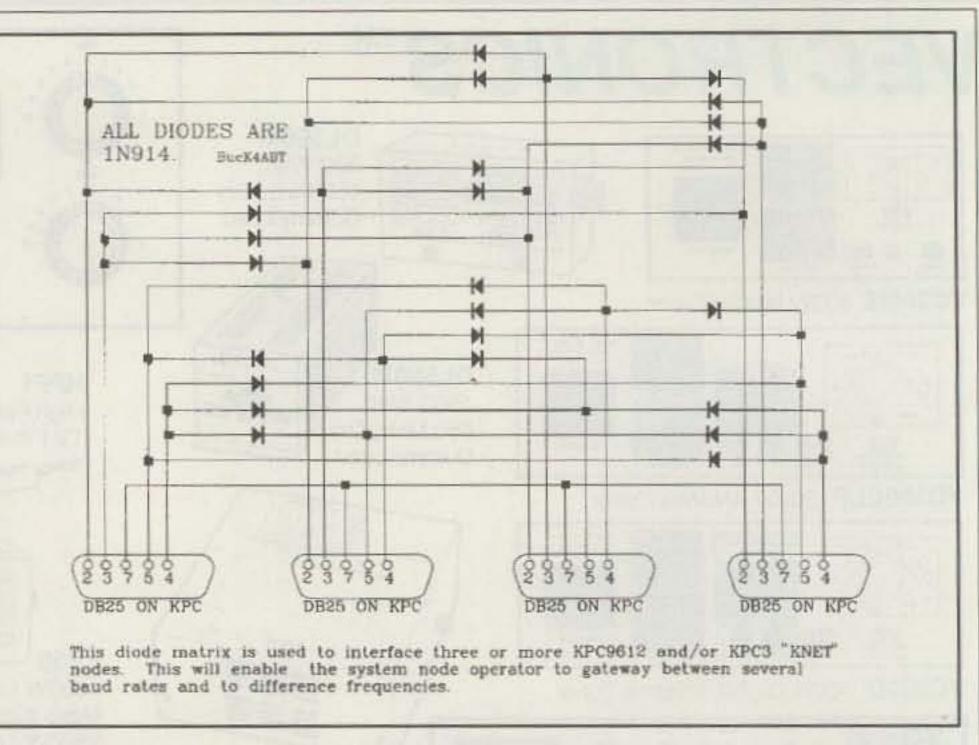


Fig. 5- When more than two nodes are included in the node stack, use an interface similar to the one shown above. All diodes used in this diode matrix can be 1N914 or 1N4148. Remember that it is important to set the INT command to NET when two or more KPC K-NET's are implemented in a node stack.

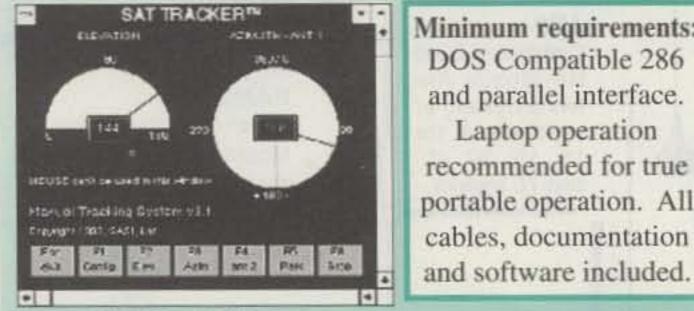
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Be sure to specify the K-NET EPROM for the KPC-3 if that is what you are using, as Kantronics also has the K-NET EPROM for the KPC-

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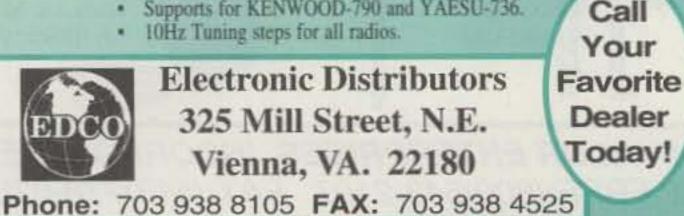
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BY IRWIN MATH, WA2NDM

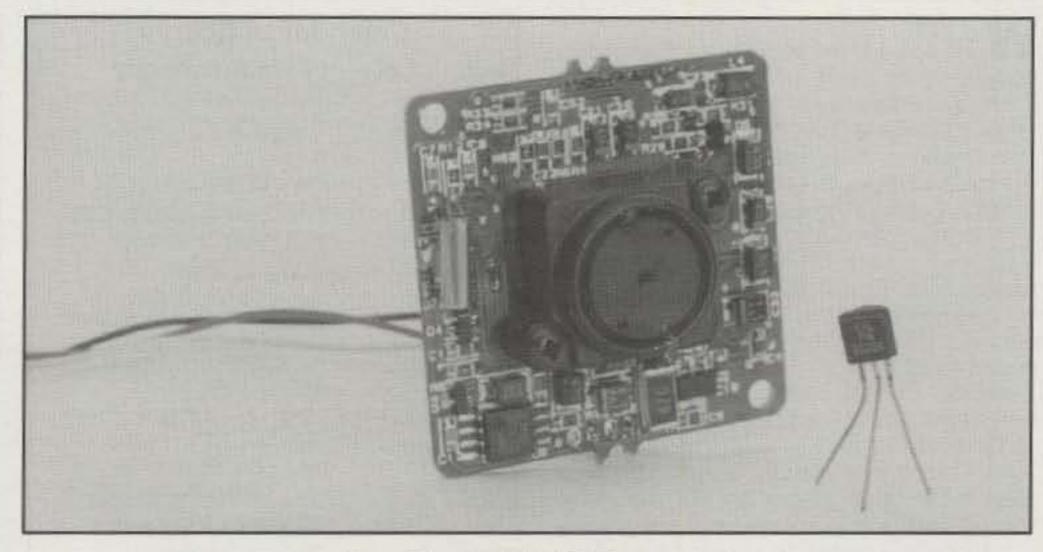
WHAT'S NEW AND HOW TO USE IT

A Micro-Miniature B&W Camera Module

his month I would like to highlight a new product I have become aware of that is an excellent item for those of you who have been "itching" to get involved with video. The device is a micro-miniature solid-state B&W TV camera that is available at low cost and is ready to build into your particular project.

The unit is capable of producing a baseband NTSC video signal that is compatible with all standard monitors, VCRs, and other video equipment using baseband video inputs. The unit measures 1.25" wide by 1.25" long by 1.25" thick, weighs 0.7 ounces, and comes with a built-in lens. The lens is in focus from 1 foot to infinity and has an angle of view of 80 degrees. It can be focused as close as 1/2" by adjusting several set-screws if desired. Operating power is 8 to 14 volts DC, and the camera will operate for about 8 hours from a 9 volt lithium-type transistor radio battery.

The miniature camera uses a 1/3 inch CCD- type pickup and produces a volt pp composite video output into a 75 ohm load. The signal-to-noise ratio is better than 45 dB, which results in an essentially noise-free picture. The camera offers 2:1 interlace scanning and a resolution of better than 380 lines. thereby producing a high-quality picture. An electronic automatic iris control is provided, allowing operation from 0.5 to 80 Lux (indoor lighting to sunlight), and a usable picture will be produced with light levels as low as 0.04 foot candles. The camera's form factor is a printed circuit board, with mounting holes, making it ready to mount into any enclosure suitable for your needs. A mounted camera, 1.5" × 1.5" × 0.57", with a pin-hole lens instead of the standard glass lens, is also available. This camera can be mounted behind a wall, ceiling tile, picture, or any other similar item and requires a "see-through" hole of only 1/16". Typical application for such a camera would be surveillance systems, backyard monitors, RV "electronic rearview mirrors," and hidden-camera applications of all kinds. The camera is available from Marshall Electronics, P.O. Box 2027, Culver



The Marshall V-1207 camera.

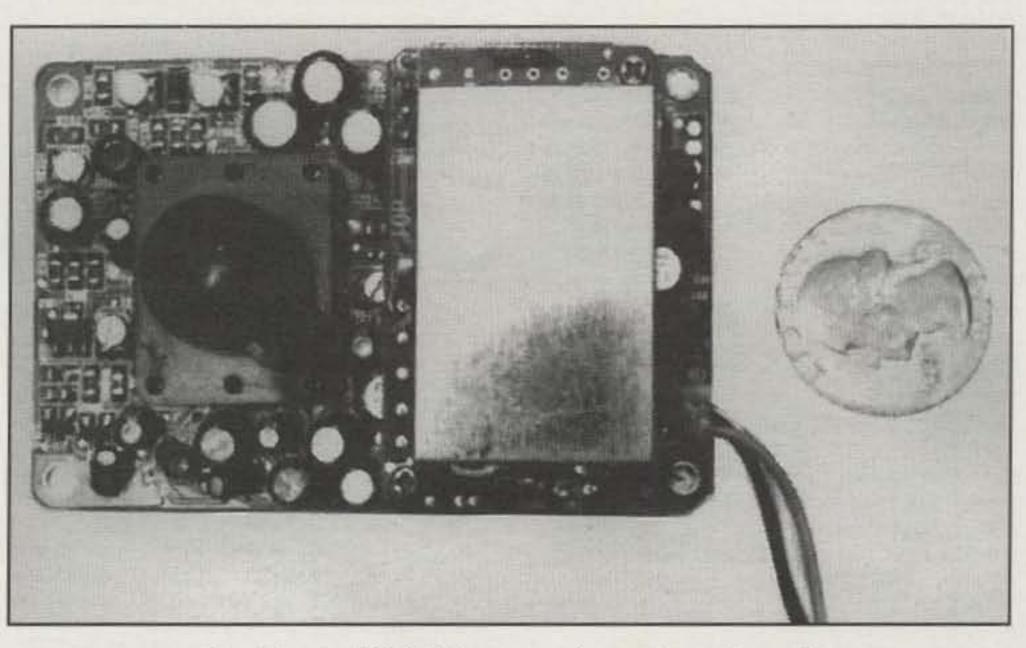
City, CA 90231 as their model number V-1207. Cost is approximately \$100 quite a bargain for any CCTV camera, especially one so tiny.

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degree field-of-view set screw adjustable lens, but can be equipped with a standard C-mount CCTV lens by means of an optional adaptor. This camera is also available for less than \$100. A photograph of this camera is also shown. If any of these are of interest to you, request a data sheet from Marshall or call them at 1-310-390-6608 (internet Email: Lmarsgo@ix.netcom.com).

may still have a limited number of an older design, the V-1206, still available . It measures $1.8" \times 2.7" \times 0.81"$ (roughly the size of a "thick" credit card). This camera is designed for 12 volt DC operation (at 140 ma), is usable to 0.05 foot candles, and also is equipped with an auto-iris. The V-1206 comes with a 74-

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The Marshall V-1206 camera (now discontinued).

CONTEST CALENDAR

BY JOHN DORR, K1AR

NEWS/VIEWS OF ON-THE-AIR COMPETITION

What's Your Favorite Contest?

Calendar of Events

When you ask fellow contesters what they consider to be their favorite contests, you get a incredibly wide range of responses. In part, I think it's because we operate contests for so many reasons. And, I suspect it's also due to the large number of operating events sponsored throughout the year (more on that later).

When it comes right down to it, most of us have one favorite contest that stands out above all the others. It could be based on our station's limitation or strengths, or simply just the first one we ever operated, offering some level of nostalgic value.

Without a doubt-and having nothing to do with where you're reading this (honest!)-my favorite event is the CQ World-Wide DX Contest. In fact, I suppose that I have to concede that DX contest, in general are where my interests lie. This is, for the most part, a very widely held feeling on the East Coast of the U.S. As with any geographical area, the contests that afford the best results are usually the most popular. If you pose the same question to someone in Texas or Nevada, he'd probably tell you about the benefits of operating in domestic contests such as the ARRL Sweepstakes.

As I mentioned earlier, there is a nostalgic part of this equation, too. Like many of you, my first "contest" was the ARRL Field Day. It was my first exposure to amateur radio as well. For that reason Field Day has always had a special spot in my contesting interest curve-so much so that I've never missed operating one (albeit from home many times) in 26 years of hamming. I'm sure there are scores of you who can relate a similar story from the recently discontinued ARRL Novice Roundup. When Hook back at the 20+ hours of operating I did to make 230 QSOs in the 1969 NR, it's amazing that I ever operated another contest. But to tell you the truth, it was one of the best times I ever had in a contest! From an international perspective, DX contests are hugely popular-and not just the CQ WW and ARRL DX. There are literally dozens of national contests, some permitting international participation and others limited to domestic QSOs. Maybe some of you can recall an experience such as listening to a buzzsaw of weak JA stations on 80 meters working each other at high QSO rates, wondering what it would be like to work them yourself.

Sept.	23-24	CQ WW RTTY Contest
Sept.	23-24	Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest
Sept.	23-24	Washington State Salmon Run
	23-24	American\Canadian Island Contest
Oct.	7-8	California QSO Party
Oct.	7-8	XVIII Concurso Iberoamericano
Oct.	7-8	1995 F9AA Cup Contest
Oct.	7-8	VK-ZL SSB Contest
122	8-9	Tennessee QSO Party
Oct.	11-13	YLRL Anniversary CW Party
Oct.	14-15	Pennsylvania QSO Party
Oct.	14-15	QRP ARCI FAII QSO Party
Oct.	14-15	VK-ZL CW Contest
Oct.	21-22	Texas QSO Party
Oct.	22-23	Illinois QSO Party
Oct.	25-27	YLRL Anniversary SSB Party
Oct.	28-29	CQ WW DX SSB Contest
Nov.	4-6	ARRL CW Sweepstakes
Nov.	11-12	Worked All Europe RTTY Contest
Nov.	18-20	ARRL SSB Sweepstakes
Nov.	25-26	CQ WW DX CW Contest
Dec.	1-3	ARRL 160 Meter Contest
Dec.	9-10	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Dec.	31	RAC Canada Winter Contest

better, the annual list in CQ's Almanac), it's easy to see that point of view. There are weekends in which four or five operating events are underway at various times. Hopefully, most contests have some goal in mind. Some are trying to stir up activity from rare states. Others are attempting to increase activity on certain modes or bands. Still others are designed to encourage newcomers or those with small stations to join in on the fun. My question for the contest community to consider is, if there's no significant goal you're trying to achieve by sponsoring a contest, or the organizational support for the event is minimal at best, then why conduct the contest in the first place? The concept is something like the banking system. What the world does not need is another generic credit card with a great interest rate. We all have heard the arguments, however. So many of these contests have little or no activity, so what's the big deal?! Well, my view is that this is precisely the point. If a contest has little or no activity, then why sponsor the it at all? It sure seems like common sense to me. The contest and non-contest community will never completely see eye-to-eye on the virtues of contest operating. It's no different than the conflicts SSTV-ers and non-SSTV-ers suffer from on 20 meter SSB. Or net operators and non-net operators, and 2 meter packet operators and non-packet operators for that matter. The list just goes on and on. Fortunately for the hobby, our self-policing approach works very well-for the most part. What are your thoughts on this subject? The 1995 CQ Contest Survey asks about your favorite contest(s). If you can, take a few minutes and send us your response.

October's Contest Tip

Contest rules are always changing. Although we make our best effort to report them accurately, even we get them wrong sometimes. Although you may think you know the rules of a contest that you've operated for years, the fact is that rules change all the time. Make the effort to "re-read" the rules for any contest you attempt to operate and you may be surprised how a little knowledge can improve your score!



The Punch Line

The preceding discussion cannot be concluded without some comments on the number of contests currently being sponsored throughout the year. One of the most common complaints I receive from non-contesting amateurs is that there are too many darn contests. When you look at the contest calendar (or even

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Want to make the top ten in the next contest? Get out your cable-cutter and head for the guy wires on this tower! Top to bottom: KC1XX, K1EA, NX1H, K5ZD, K1DG, K1TR, WZ1R, KM3T, K1AR, and KC1F.

Final Comments

The 1995 CQ WW DX Contest is upon us. Maybe some of you have already left on airplanes to operate from Zone 23 or BV-land. Even in the doledrums of 1995 propagation, the CQ WW is still the world's most popular contest if you measure that by participation levels. Don't miss out on the fun!

As always, please remember that the deadline for the January issue is November 1st. 73, John, K1AR

California QSO Party

1600Z Sat. to 2200Z Sun. Oct. 7-8

This year's party is again sponsored by the

Northern California Contest Club. Effort is being made to activate all CA countries and make this the most successful of all state parties.

Operating time is limited to 24 out of the 30 hour contest period for single operator stations (multi-ops may use the entire 30 hours). Offtimes must be at least 15 minutes and clearly indicated in the log.

The same station may be worked on each band and mode, and CA stations may contact other in-state station for QSO and multiplier credit. CA mobiles may be worked in each county change.

Classes: Single Operator, Multi-Single, Multi-Multi, California County Expedition, Mobile, and Novice/Technician.

Exchange: QSO number and QTH. County for CA stations; state, province, or DX country for others.

Scoring: Two points for phone contacts; 3 points on CW.

Multiplier: CA stations use states (50) and VE call areas (8). VO/VE1-7 and VY1/VE8. Outof-state entries use CA counties (maximum 58).

Final Score: Total QSO points times the sum of the multiplier.

Frequencies: 160–2 meters, except WARC bands, CW—1805 and 40 kHz up from band edge. Phone—1850, 3850, 7230, 14250, 21300, 28450. Novices work 10 kHz up from edge of Novice bands and 28450.

Try CW on the half hour; 147.54 at 2000, 0000, 0400Z; 160 at 0500Z, and 80 at 0300 and 0700Z.

Awards: The CQP has more award opportunities than almost any other contest. Certificates to the highest scoring single operator in each state, province, and country; also each CA county and stations scoring 100 or more QSOs. There are also trophies galore, including single operator, top three out-of-state, and CA top three. Also, CA county expedition, and a special award for stations making most CW QSOs, multi-single and multi-multi winners in CA, and county expedition. The CA mobile team making the most QSOs, and the top scorer outside the United States and Canada, high-scoring low-power entry (less than 200 watts) will also receive a winner's trophy. A special award of a personalized bottle of California wine goes to the top 20 single operators in CA and out of state. Additional awards are available in a variety of categories such as the most CW QSOs, Phone QSOs, low power entries, etc. Finally, a CQPT-shirt will be available for \$8 to any entrant making at least 100 QSOs in the contest. Include a summary sheet showing the scoring, etc., and a dupesheet if you make more than 200 QSOs, with a large SASE for a copy of the results. Entries may be submitted in CT Ver. 8 or 9 format with a signed hardcopy summary sheet. The mailing deadline is November 15th and entries go to: NCCC, c/o Ken Anderson, K6PU, Box 853, Pine Grove, CA 95665. Logs may also be submitted electronically by e-mail in ASCII format to: "cqp-1995@kb.org". A \$1.00 donation to help defray the costs of printing and postage is encouraged. A contest paperwork packet containing log, summary sheet, contest records, county abbreviations, and Special Awards List is available by sending a large SASE to K6PU.

who was the founder of the French Clubs Group. The URC was designed to benefit amateur radio by facilitating friendships between different club organizations.

Classes: Single operator private stations or multi-op club stations.

Bands: All HF bands according to IARU rules. Exchange: Club stations—59(9) plus serial number and club name; others eliminate the club designation.

Modes: First 12 hours are CW with the remainder of the contest on SSB. QSOs can be credited per band and mode.

Scoring: Club stations—5 points same continent, 10 points different continent. Individual stations—1 point same continent, 3 points different continents. Fifty bonus points/QSO for working F8URC. Multipliers are DXCC countries and different radio clubs.

Awards: The first place club station and SWL outside of France will receive the special F9AA Cup Award. A special cup is valid for AMTOR and RTTY entries. The top ten individual stations receive other awards. All foreign club entries will be notified of the final results.

The log deadline for this one is November 8th and logs should be mailed to: Union Des Radio Clubs, Coupe Fernand Raoult, 11 Rue de Bordeaux, F-94700 Maisons Alfort, France.

XVII Iberoamericano Contest

2000Z Sat. to 2000Z Sun. Oct. 7-8

Organized by "Unio Radioaficionats del Valles Oriental" and by "CQ Radio Amateur de



F9AA Cup 1995 Contest

1200Z Sat. to 1200Z Sun., Oct. 7-8

This contest was created in 1986 to celebrate the memory of Fernand Raoult, F9AA,

Boixareu Editores," this contest will be sponsored every year the week before October 12th to commemorate the anniversary of the discovery of America. This a phone-only contest with the emphasis on Latin-American areas.

Classes: Single operator and multi-operator, single transmitter; both Latin-American and non Latin-American. Single operator EC (EA novice), QRP, less than 5 watts output, and SWL.

Exchange: RS plus a progressive QSO number (001, etc.).

Bands: All six bands, 1.8 through 28 MHz, SSB only.

Points: Latin-American stations score one point per QSO. Non-Latin-Americans, 3 points per QSO with Latin-Americans, 1 point with other non-Latin-Americans.

Multiplier: Latin-Americans use the DXCC

list. Non-Latin-Americans use the following country list: CE, CO, CP, CR, CT, CX, C3, C9, DU, EA, HC, HI, HK, HP, HR, HT, KP4, LU, OA, PY, TG, TI, XE, XX9, YS, YV, ZP, 3C, and DXCC dependencies.

Final Score: Total QSO points from all bands times the sum of the multipliers from all bands.

SWL: Same rules apply to SWL entries. The same station cannot be logged more than 15% of the total logged. And the same station can only be logged again after 5 other entries.

Penalties: Taking credit for excessive duplicate contacts, and violation of rules and amateur radio regulations could result in disqualification.

Awards: Certificates will be issued to the highest scores in each DXCC country. Participating certificates will go to non-Latin-Am-

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Tennessee QSO Party

1800Z Sat. to 0100Z Sun., Oct. 8-9

The Tennessee Contest Group has announced the return of the Tennessee QSO Party. Out-of-state participation is encouraged!

Classes: Single Operator fixed, Mobile, Outside Tennessee, Multi-Operator fixed, Novice/Technician.

Exchange: RS(T) and Tennessee county or state/province/DXCC country.

Scoring: Credit one point per QSO on phone; two points on CW and/or digital modes. Multipliers are Tennessee counties (95 maximum). For Tennessee stations only, add U.S. states, Canadian provinces, and DXCC countries. An extra multiplier may be claimed for every five additional QSOs made with the same Tennessee county. Tennessee mobile operators may claim 500 bonus points for each Tennessee country in which they make at least 15 QSOs.

Frequencies: CW-40 kHz up from bottom band edge. SSB-3900, 7240, 14280, 21390, 28390 kHz. Novice/Tech.-3700, 7130, 21140. 28140, 28390, 146550 kHz.

Awards: Certificates will be awarded to the five high-scoring Tennessee in each operating category. Certificates will also be issued to the high scorer in each U.S. state, Canadian province, and DXCC country.

Logs must be postmarked no later than November 12th and sent to: Tennessee QSO Party, Douglas Smith, 1385 Old Clarksville Pike, Pleasant View, TN 37146-8098. Computer logs in ASCII format will be accepted as well. Send an #10 SASE for contest results.

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Exchange: QSO no., RS(T), and QTH; U.S. state, VE province, or DX country.

Scoring: One point per QSO between stations within the U.S. and Canada (including Alaska and Hawaii). Two points for contacts with stations in other areas. DX YLs score 2 points for QSOs with the U.S. and Canada and with other continents, but 1 point with stations in own continent.

Final Score: Multiply total QSO points from all bands by the sum of states, provinces, and DX countries worked. There is a low-power bonus multiplier of 1.5 for stations using 100 watts or less on CW and 200 watts PEP on SSB. For each duplicate contact removed from your log there is a penalty of 3 additional and equal contacts removed from your log.

Frequencies: CW-3555, 7055, 14055, 21135, 28195, SSB-3955, 7255, 14265, 21395, 28395 (plus or minus 15 kHz). Look in DX portions of band on 40 and 80 meters.

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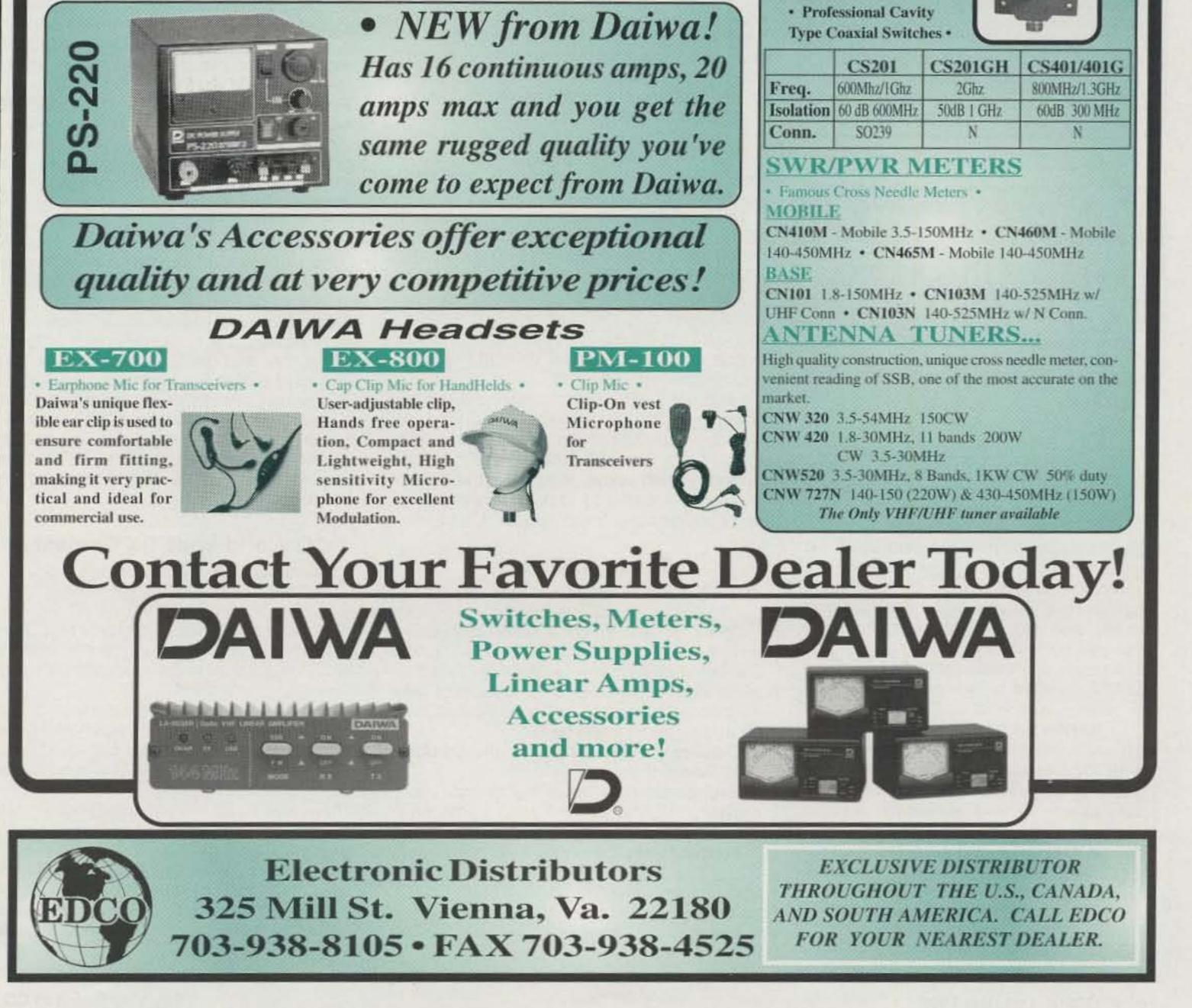




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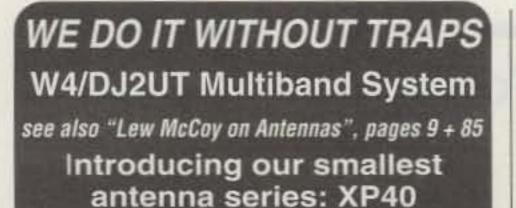
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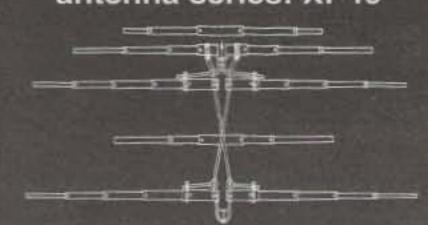
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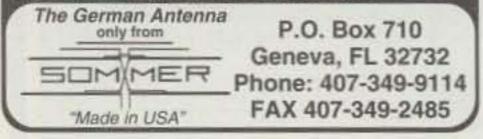
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Pennsylvania QSO Party

1600 to 0500Z Sat.-Sun., Oct. 14-15 1300-2200Z Sun., Oct. 15

This one is sponsored again by the Nittany ARC of State College, Pennsylvania. The same station may be worked on each band and mode for QSO points. PA stations may also work other in-state stations for QSO and multiplier credit, and mobiles in each county.

Classes: Single operator-Low Power (150 watts), High Power, QRP; Multi-Single, Multi-Multi, Portable, Novice/Technician, and Mobile.

Exchange: QSO number and county (PA stations), ARRL/RAC section or DXCC country for others.

Scoring: One point for SSB/FM contacts, points for CW, 2 points on 80 or 160 meters. PA stations multiply total by (ARRL sections + PA counties + 1 DX country) a maximum of 150. Others use PA counties for their multiplier (total of 67 possible). Mobiles add 500 points for each county operated from with a minimum of 10 QSOs. Mobiles on a county line give one QSO number but receive credit for 2 multipliers. QRP stations multiply their score by 2, Novice/Tech by 3. Final score is total QSO points times multipliers.

2 points/QSO on CW. Non-Texas stations score 5 points for Texas mobiles on SSB and 7 points on CW.

Multipliers: Texas stations use Texas counties, stations, VE call areas, and DXCC countries. All others use Texas counties. Final score is total QSO points times total multiplier.

Awards are available to the winners of each category. Send summary sheet, logs, multiplier and dupe sheets, and signed statement by November 30th to TXDS, Box 540291, Houston, TX 77254-0291.

Illinois QSO Party

1800Z Sun. to 0200Z Mon., Oct. 22-23

This is the 33rd anniversary of the Illinois QSO Party sponsored by the Radio Amateur Megacycle Society. It's a shorty, only 8 hours long. Note that 6 and 2 meter QSOs are also allowed this year.

Stations may be worked once per band and mode, and IL stations can contact other instate stations for QSO and multiplier credit.

Exchange: RS(T) and QTH. County for IL stations; state, VE province, or DX country for others.

Scoring: One point for phone contacts, 2 points on CW. Illinois stations multiply total QSO points by (state + provinces + IL counties + maximum of 5 countries) worked. Additional DX QSOs count for points but not multiplier. Others use IL counties for their multiplier (maximum of 102). Illinois mobiles add 200 points to final score for each county from which 10 or more QSOs were made.

Frequencies: CW-3550, 7050, 14050, and 30 kHz above bottom edge of Novice subbands for CW and 28390 for phone. SSB-3890, 7290, 14290. Other bands may also be used, excluding the WARC frequencies.

Awards: Certificates will be sent to the top 10 scoring IL fixed stations, 5 IL mobiles, winners in each state, province, county, and the highest club/team aggregate score. A plaque goes to the top-scoring Illinois station (fixed and mobile). Logs: Indicate band and mode, circle each new multiplier, and IL mobiles must indicate each county change. Stations with over 100 QSOs must submit a dupe sheet. A summary sheet showing the scoring and the usual signed declaration is also requested. Mailing deadline for logs is November 20th to: RAMS, c/o John Matz, KB9II, 7079 West Ave., Hanover Park, IL 60103. Enclose an SASE for contest results.



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Man-Made Interference To The lonosphere

INFORMATION

his article provides an introduction to a military project which involves pumping more than three million watts of radio frequency energy into our ionosphere layers. The details herein were taken from the *Earth Island Journal* and a project fact sheet issued by the Office of Naval Research and Phillips Laboratory. As amateurs, we are vitally interested in everything that concerns our ionosphere layers; therefore, this project merits our attention.

The daytime ionosphere layers extend about 35 to 500 miles above Earth. The atmosphere close to Earth consists of neutral atoms and molecules; the ionosphere layers are composed of positively and negatively charged particles called ions and electrons. Ionized gasses may absorb, distort, or refract radio signals, influencing communication, navigation, surveillance, and remote sensing systems.

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The Project

The name of this combined U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force project is the High Frequency Active Auroral Research Project (HAARP). The site where this project is being constructed is Gakona, Alaska. Gakona was an over-the-horizon (B) radar site.

Similar (but lower power) DoD projects include Charge IV, Excede, and Red Air. Low - From left to right, here are Mariko Sai, Naoka Suginome, and Noriko Ismigochi seated at the high-frequency operating position of JA1YKX, at Kenwood. There are several stations scattered throughout Kenwood's Yokohama, Japan plant and they provide communications from 160 meters through 2400 MHz. Six Yagi-Uda antennas are installed on the roof of the Kenwood building. These ladies have lived and worked in North America. They are licensed and they are active on the air.

power ionospheric research is also conducted at Arecibo, Puerto Rico; Apatity, Russia (C.I.S.); Dushanbe, Tadzhikistan (C.I.S.); Fairbanks, Alaska; Jicamarca, Peru; Kharkov, Ukraine (C.I.S.); Moscow, Russia (C.I.S.); Niznhy, Novgorod, Russia (C.I.S.); and Tromso, Norway. *Note:* These installations do not have the frequency capability and beam steering agility needed to complete projected HAARP experiments.

Purposes

The HAARP Fact Sheet states that this project will be used to study fundamental physical principles which govern our ionosphere layers. Plasma processes will be stimulated and controlled in a highly localized region of the ionosphere. Project results could significantly affect the planning and economics of space systems. Radio frequency energy will be used to burn holes in the atmosphere to create an artificial lens that will enable high-power bursts of electromagnetic energy to be focused at higher altitudes. DoD involvement advises that "Although HAARP is being managed by the Air Force and Navy, it is purely a scientific research facility which poses no threat to potential adversaries and has no value as a military target." The Earth Island Journal reports that one objective of HAARP is to find ways to disrupt global communication capabilities without disrupting American military communica-

45527 Third Street East, Lancaster, CA 93535-1802 tions. Another stated objective is to determine whether or not HAARP could be used to bounce signals to deeply submerged submarines by heating the ionosphere enough to trigger bursts of extremely low frequency energy. The DoD is stated to also be interested in using HAARP to detect aircraft and missiles.

HAARP Team

The organizations running this project are the Office of Naval Research (Arlington, VA), Naval Research Laboratory (Washington, DC), and Phillips Laboratory Air Force Material Command (Hanscom Air Force Base, MA). ONR handles procurement of the primary contract to design and construct the high-power highfrequency transmitters. NRL monitors technical aspects of contracts and interfaces with other government agencies. Phillips oversees environmental processes, site acquisition, and the implementation of scientific instruments associated with the HAARP facility.

Anticipated Users

HAARP facility users are expected to include the Advanced Research Programs Agency, civilian universities, National Science Foundation, U.S. Air Force, and U.S. Navy.

Operating Schedule

HAARP operation will not be continuous. Four or five campaigns will be scheduled each year.

Each one will typically involve 10 to 15 visiting scientists conducting experiments during twoweek periods. Ten days of preparation and four days of shutdown are also involved. The anticipated life of HAARP is 20 years.

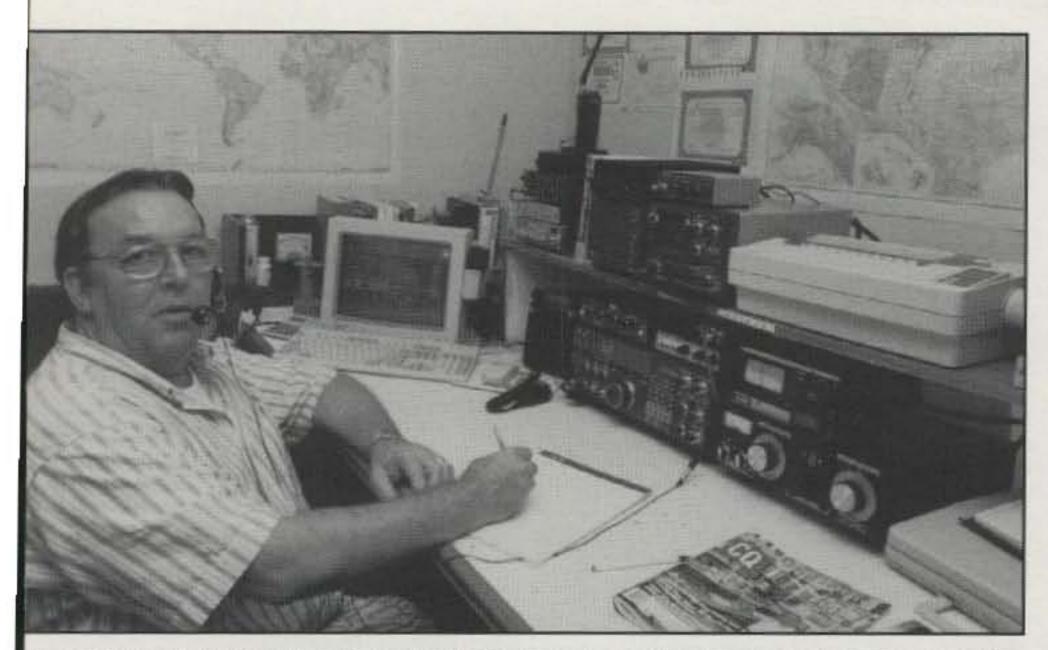
Radio Frequency

Up to 3600 kilowatts of 2.8 to 10 MHz energy will be focused upward in a beam that is a few degrees wide. The width of the beam is calculated to be a few miles in diameter at lower ionosphere layers and several tens of miles in diameter at higher ionosphere layers. Beam intensity will be a few milliwatts per square meter. The HAARP Fact Sheet states that this intensity level is hundreds of times less than the intensity levels created by ultraviolet radiation from the Sun.

Antenna Array

This array will consist of 360 horizontal dipoles, with each dipole driven by a separate 10 kilowatt transmitter. A 12 by 15 (180) group of antenna masts will be mounted on thermopiles in a gravel pad measuring 1000 by 1200 feet. Each mast will support two horizontally crossed dipoles stacked one above the other. The maximum height of the masts is to be 72 feet, and they will be guyed.

The radio frequency energy is focused upward. The amount of ground-level radio frequency is calculated not to exceed radio frequency radiation standards potentially haz-



Bruce Richards, WD4NGB, lives in Clarksville, Tennessee. Despite the existing poor operating conditions on the 10 meter band, Bruce has 306 countries confirmed on that band and he continues to work them. His station includes a Kenwood TS-940S transceiver and a 7-element 10 meter Yagi-Uda up 90 feet.

irdous to humans and large mammals. An exclusion fence will provide protection against round-level energy.

electric power will be supplemented by locally available commercial power. The total electrical power requirement of the HAARP facility will be approximately 12 megawatts.

Electric Power

Primary power will be provided by six 2500 kilovatt electric generators driven by separate 600 horsepower diesel engines. This on-site

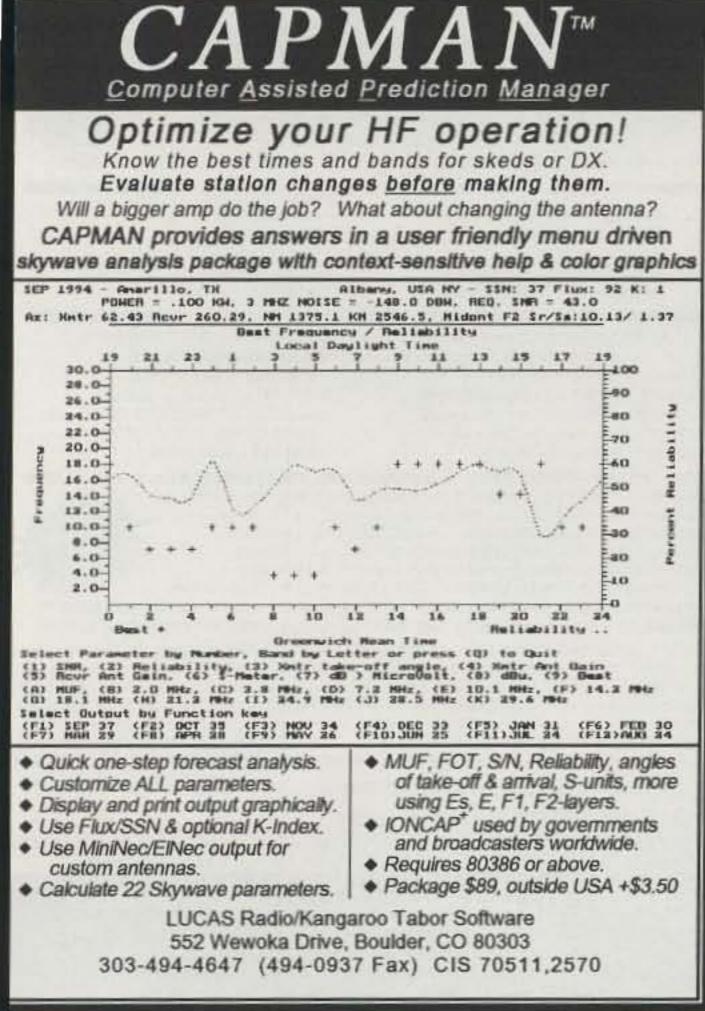
Environmental Impacts

In accordance with the National Environment Policy Act (NEPA), the Air Force (with Navy

cooperation) prepared an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) which evaluated the consequences related to constructing and operating the HAARP research facility in Alaska. This statement covers impacts on electromagnetic and radio frequency interference, air quality, cultural resources, vegetation, wetlands, wildlife, and other considerations. An EIS meeting was held in Glennallen, Alaska during August 1992. The EIS draft was distributed to cognizant organizations and the public on March 12, 1993. The 45-day EIS review period ended on April 25, 1993, and public hearings were held at Glennallen and Anderson, Alaska. The final EIS was released on July 15, 1993. The HAARP Fact Sheet states that the Navy and Air Force are complying with all state and federal regulations which apply to the HAARP facility.

Radio Frequency Interference

State-of-the-art transmitters (with stringent requirements for minimizing out-of-band spurious emissions), proper orientation of the Ionospheric Research Instrument (IRI) antenna array, and the use of operating procedures (including beam steering) to minimize array sidelobes pointed towards Anchorage and Fairbanks, employing special techniques (such as waveform shaping, filtering, and antenna null placement), and working with any affected joint spectrum users to achieve mutually satisfactory resolutions of interference problems should combine to minimize RFI difficulties. Joint spectrum users include aircraft communication/navigation, Alaskan AM/FM/ TV stations, amateur radio, animal tracking



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Construction Status

The Office of Naval Research awarded a contract on September 25, 1992 to ARCO Power Technologies Incorporated for design and construction of the lonospheric Research Instrument. Construction of a demonstration prototype began on November 17, 1993. About 14 acres have been cleared and filled with gravel. A 3 foot thick gravel pad (817 by 680 feet) was accomplished and the installation of 80 thermopiles was completed on February 18, 1994. The installation of antenna masts started during July 1994. The demonstration prototype was finished about November 1994. Ionospheric Research Instrument construction is expected to begin during the summer of 1995 and to be completed during the latter part of 1997.

Demonstration Prototype

The demonstration prototype consists of 36 ten kilowatt transmitters driving 36 separate horizontal dipoles, providing 360 kilowatts of output power in the same frequency range. Use of this lower power prototype should enable HAARP personnel to identify and correct problems before the full power facility is completed.

Diagnostic Instruments

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Most of the diagnostics instruments will be

located at the site of the primary HAARP facility. Due to geometrical considerations, some instruments will be installed remote from the primary HAARP facility site.

A primary on-site diagnostics system is an Incoherent Scatter Radar (ISR) transmitting 430-450 MHz energy. A 120 foot diameter ISR dish will be mounted 35 feet up with a 25 foot thick concrete base.

Cost

HAARP cost estimates vary between 25 and 90 million dollars, depending on which of several reports is used.

Concerns and Controversy

The Earth Island Journal coverage expresses several concerns about HAARP. Documents they received under the Freedom of Information Act reveal that the goal of HAARP is to "perturb" the ionosphere with extremely powerful beams of radio frequency energy, and to subsequently study "how it responds to the disturbance and how it ultimately recovers. Their coverage also advises that a February 1990 Air Force/Navy document lists only military experiments to be conducted with HAARP.

Reprints

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A copy of the six-page December 1, 1994 HAARP Fact Sheet is available for \$1.00 from the author of this column. Mailing costs are included in the stated cost. Please use the Calif-

ornia address shown on the first page of this article. A reprint copy of the four-page Earth Island Journal HAARP coverage is also available from the same source for \$1.00, thanks to Gar Smith, the editor of the Earth Islanc Journal. These reprint offers are only valid during 1995.

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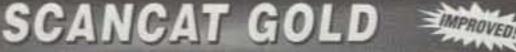
The reprints offered in this article provide a lo more information about HAARP. This article only highlights the main points.

Another source of HAARP data is Mr. John Heckscher, Phillips Laboratory/GPIA, 29 Randolph Road, Hanscom Air Force Base, MA 01731-3010.

Jim Roderick is associated with a group which is seeking further investigation of HAARP and its possible harm to the ionosphere and the area around the HAARP site. Queries can be addressed to him at P.O. Box 916, Homer, AK 99603.

Summary

Clare Zickuhr is a radio operator in Anchorage. Alaska. Clare is a former ARCO employee and the founder of the NO HAARP campaign. The ionosphere layers are an asset deserving of our concern. After you have read the offered reprints, you may decide to contact your federal senators and representatives to request a review of the HAARP Environmental Impact Statement by a suitable unassociated organization. 73, Bill, W6DDE



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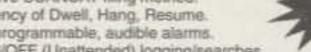
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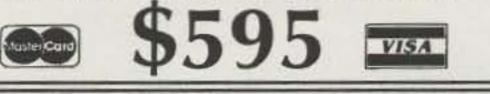
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Answers To Some Common Questions

As an author I have found it useful to keep a notebook that lists the most common questions I receive from readers of my columns in *CQ* and *Monitoring Times*. The same questions are asked over and over by each new crop of licensed amateurs and experimenters. This month I will list some of those questions and provide answers for them.

Question: I want to bury the coaxial feed line that runs between the shack and my tower. I need to know what the best type of cable is for in-ground use.

Answer: The longevity of buried coax is dependent in large measure on the makeup of the soil in a given region. High acidity or alkalinity will contaminate the cable quickly if there is considerable soil moisture. Almost any type of standard coaxial cable can be buried in desert areas without the poisoning that soil chemicals produce. Contaminants destroy the dielectric and make the coax lossy. The solution is to bury self-healing, impregnated coax such as Times Wire & Cable Impervon, or Decibel Products VB-8 cable. Both are 50 ohm lines the size of RG-8. Standard coaxial cable should be buried in PVC tubing that has wellsealed joints and is protected from moisture that could enter the tubing.

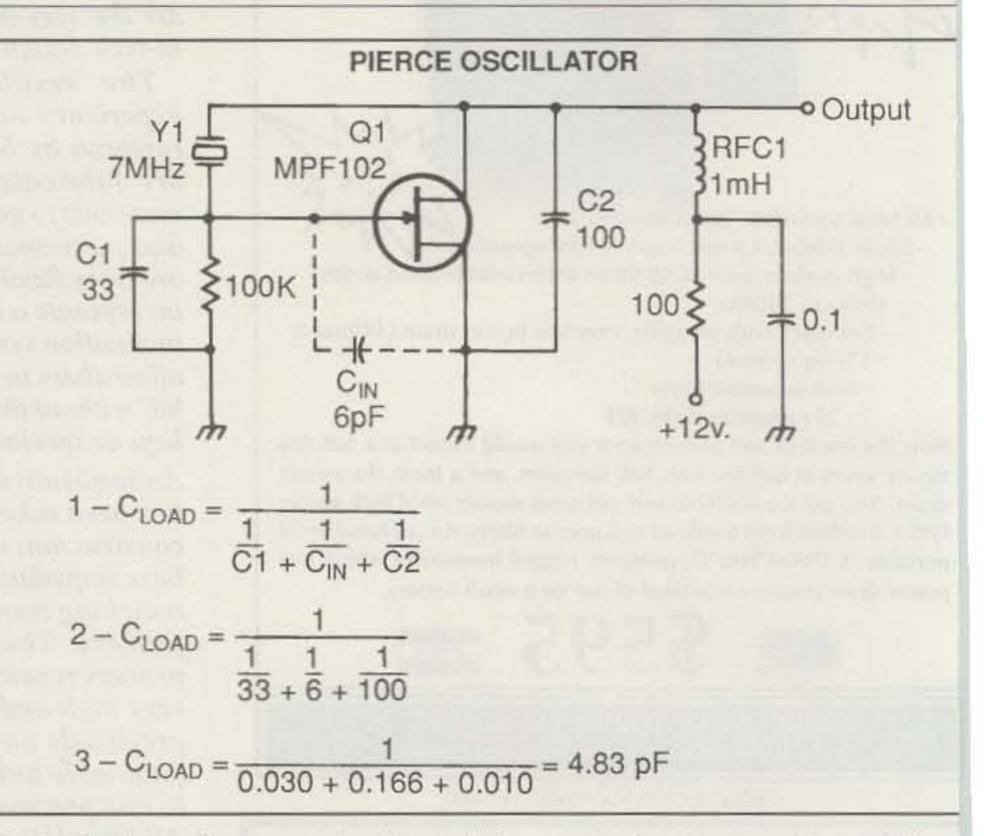


Fig. 1- Circuit for a Pierce crystal oscillator with the equation for determining the crystal load

Question: How many radials do I need for my ground-mounted vertical antenna?

Answer: Although the theoretical maximum useful number of on-ground or buried radials was suggested as 120 in the classical Brown, Lewis, and Epstein paper in the IRE Proceedings many years ago, as few as 15 or 20 quarter-wave radials have been used successfully by myself and others. The wire diameter is not critical, since the radials carry only milliamperes of RF current. The wire can be bare or insulated. Shortened, loaded verticals do not require 1/4-wave-long radials to be effective. The radial length can be the same as the physical height of the vertical. This is because the primary field of the antenna does not extend substantially beyond a distance that equals the antenna height. Although cutting all radials for the same length is recommended, good results can be obtained if some are shorter than the target length. Short radials are better than no radials at all!

Question: Are several ground rods okay if I can't have radials?

Answer: No, they are not suitable if you are using them as a ground screen for an antenna. Rods driven into the soil provide a DC ground for your station, but they do not serve as an RF ground screen. At best, they provide a ground reference for the coaxial cable that feeds your antenna.

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capacitance. C_{in} is the characteristic input capacitance of JFET Q1. C1 and C2 are the feedback capacitors.

Question: My ham shack is on the second floor of my house and the ground system isn't working. I get RF burns when I touch my rig. How can I cure this problem?

Answer: Your ground wire is so long that it is inductive and is acting like an RF choke, thereby preventing the RF currents from flowing to your ground rods and/or radials. Increasing the conductor size to 1 inch wide copper strap will decrease the inductance and may solve the problem. Your best bet is to use a low-power antenna tuner between your station gear and the ground lead in the shack. Tune it for zero reactance (like an SWR of 1 with an antenna) for each frequency on which you operate. A simple diode RF voltmeter connected to the ground lead will permit you to adjust the tuner for zero reactance (minimum RF voltage).

Question: No matter what I have done to cure the problem, RF energy is messing up the audio of my SSB transceiver. What methods are there for resolving this annoyance?

Answer: There is no single solution for this complex problem. Step No. 1 is to make certain your earth ground is truly acting as a ground (see the foregoing question). Step No. 2: If you are using an amplified microphone, such as an MC-80, add an internal 0.01 µF bypass capacitor to the PTT line (and other control lines) and place a 0.002 µF capacito between the audio lead of the microphone amplifier output port and the ground bus of the microphone assembly. Step No. 3: Bond you transceiver to the tuner and the linear amplifi er chassis with copper straps or the shield braid from RG-8 coax (keep the leads short) Step No. 4: Use a 50 ohm line isolator, such a the Radio Works 4KV-L1, between the trans ceiver and the linear amplifier, or between the transceiver and the antenna tuner or coaxia feed line. The line isolator will prevent RF cur rents from flowing back into the transceive along the outer conductor of the coaxial cable

Question: I can only get my SWR down to 1.5:1. Will this make my signal weak?

Answer: The on-the-air difference betweel a 1:1 and a 1.5:1 SWR is not discernible at the other end of the circuit. Most commercial trans ceivers can tolerate an SWR as great as 2: before the internal transmitter-protection circu starts to reduce the output power. Generall speaking, any SWR less than 2:1 is entirel acceptable, although an SWR of 1 should b your goal. Years ago we amateurs had no SWI indicators. We simply tuned our antennas fc maximum RF current in the feed line.

Question: Why is the 2:1 SWR bandwidt of my 75 meter dipole only 100 kHz, when the 2:1 SWR bandwidth of my 40 meter dipole is 200 kHz? I need more bandwidth on 75 meters.

Answer: This is normal, assuming that the Q of the antennas is the same or very close to being the same. The bandwidth versus Q doubles with each higher octave of operating frequency (i.e., 3.5 to 7.0 MHz, or 7.0 MHz to 14.0 MHz). Various methods exist for increasing the bandwidth of a given antenna or tuned circuit, but the tradeoff for increased bandwidth is reduced system gain.

Question: I am building a homemade antenna tuner. How well must I shield it to prevent TVI?

Answer: Antenna tuners, Transmatches, and line matchers do not need to be enclosed in a metal cabinet. They cannot cause TVI unless they have a bad solder joint or other poor RF connection that can act as a rectifier diode and generate harmonic energy. TVIcausing harmonic currents are created in the transmitter and can actually be attenuated several dB by the antenna tuner, depending upon the type of LC network used in the tuner. Wooden chassis and cabinets are entirely suitable for housing tuners.

Question: Why does my linear amplifier deliver maximum output power when the plate current is not at the bottom of the dip?

Answer: This condition indicates instability (regeneration) in the amplifier. Instability is a self-oscillation at or near the operating frequency. It is caused by a lack of complete neutralization, defective bypass capacitors at the tube socket, or excessive RF-lead inductance near the tube. In a worst-case instability situation the strong self-oscillations can destroy the tube and/or related components. A completely "tame" narrow-band RF amplifier delivers maximum output power when the dip in plate current is at the "valley" minimum.

Question: Many of your articles list X_C and X_L values instead of actual parts values. How can I convert X to understandable numbers?

Answer: Simple algebra is all that is required to learn the value of capacitance or inductance when X_C (capacitive reactance) or X_L (inductive reactance) is expressed in ohms. This is clearly explained in *The ARRL Handbook* and in the *ARRL Electronics Data Book*. This equation is used for obtaining the capacitance in µF:

Eq. 1 C(
$$\mu$$
F) = $\frac{1}{6.28 \times X_C \times f_{MHz}}$

In the case of inductive reactance you will find the inductance in microHenries from:

Eq. 2 L(
$$\mu$$
H) = $\frac{X_L}{6.26 \times f_{MHz}}$

Question: Whenever I order a quartz crystal I am asked to specify the load capacitance. What is the load capacitance and how can I find out what to specify?

Answer: The load capacitance is the cumulative circuit capacitance at the point in the circuit where the crystal is connected. C_{load} varies with the circuit used. In most noncritical circuits it is safe to order your crystal for a load capacitance of 25 or 30 pF. Fig. 1 shows a typical crystal oscillator for which the load capacitance is calculated. Once again, simple algebra can be used to solve the problem.

Question: Why do I get different SWR readings when I move my SWR bridge to a different part of the 50 ohm feed line?

Answer: This happens only under two common conditions. (1) If the antenna is not matched to the feed line (at the antenna feed point), there will RF voltage on the outer conductor of the line and this can disrupt the accuracy of the readings. A flat line should yield the same SWR reading no matter where the instrument is inserted along the line. (2) When two SWR bridges are used in one feed line, and the SWR doesn't read the same on both meters, chances are (assuming that the antenna is matched correctly) that one or both of the meters is not balanced for 50 ohms. It might be balanced for, say, 60 ohms or 40 ohms, owing to poor design.

Some Closing Comments

The answer to nearly any question concerning amateur radio circuits and design can be found in *The ARRL Handbook* or Bill Orr's *Radio Handbook* (Howard Sams, Inc.). Other ARRL books such as *W1FB's Design Notebook, W1FB's QRP Notebook,* and *The ARRL Electronics Data Book* provide many straightforward answers for common questions. For antenna problems I recommend that you consult *The ARRL Antenna Book* and *W1FB's Antenna Notebook.* 73, Doug,W1FB







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NEWS OF COMMUNICATION AROUND THE WORLD

DXCC Ruckus

Mid-summer proved to be very hot on the DXCC scene this year, despite a near-total lack of sunspots. A series of controversial votes, decisions, and actions generated hundreds of comments and opinions at DX gatherings and on PacketClusters[™] and the Internet DX reflector. The fallout from this series of controversies will most likely leave permanent marks on the face of the DX Century Club program. While it is far too early to even guess at the extent of the eventual changes (abolishing the DXCC program is one idea being tossed about!), we can at least keep current on the events in the program.

The primary fuss began as a result of a negative DX Advisory Committee (DXAC) vote on possible DXCC country status for Scarborough Reef BS7H. (For more about the background of Scarborough Reef, see the July '94, *CQ* DX column.) In early July of this year the DXAC released the following:

"... The DXAC voted 9 to 7 against recommending the addition of Scarborough Reef to the DXCC countries list.

"Those who voted against the recommendation cited membership opinion within their respective divisions. Some went on to state an opinion that the rocks that comprise the reef do not constitute islands, and for that reason no operation from the reef can be 'land based.'



A61AH at his Dubai shack. (WB2DND photo.)

DXCC rules, is the province of the DXCC desk, and not the DXAC.)

Cutting through the clutter of conflicting opinions on this decision is very difficult, as many correspondents have a vague or incorrect understanding of the DXCC decision-making process and the roles of the DXAC, DXCC desk, and the ARRL Board of Directors. Some very vocal supporters of the outcome of the vote undermined their arguments by errors in simple addition. It was ugly. However, the difference of opinion can be narrowed to one's perception of the role and purpose of the DXAC versus the DXCC rules. Those DXAC members who voted against country status for Scarborough Reef almost all cited the opinions of DXers in their division for their negative vote. There is nothing in the DXCC country criteria, however, about determining the opinions of DXers, nor about applying such opinions in individual petitions for separate DXCC country status. Should such decisions be based on a popularity contest among those DXers willing to share their opinions with their DXAC representative, or should the DXAC members simply apply the published DXCC country criteria as written to a given petition? There is the same geographic split on this question as there is on the question of minimum country size. DXers on the West Coast are heavily in favor of believing that the DXAC must go by the published rules in effect at the time of application, rather than by DXers' opinions. DXers on the East Coast appear to be more willing to go around the printed rules to eliminate what they feel is a non-country. The DXAC votes against DXCC country status for both Scarborough Reef and Pratas earlier this year pointed out an anomaly in the relationship between the DXAC and the Awards

Committee, which is comprised of HF-active amateurs employed at ARRL Headquarters. Positive DXAC decisions—decisions to *do* something, such as change a rule or add or delete a DXCC country—are subsequently reviewed by, and voted for or against, the Awards Committee. Usually the Awards Committee endorses the DXAC decision, and the change is implemented. In the relatively rare cases of disagreement between the two committees, the chairmen of the committees attempt to resolve their differences, and find a solution acceptable to both committees. Recent examples of such a procedure were

"Those who voted in favor felt that Scarborough Reef meets the criteria that were in effect at the time the petition was received. Several cited membership opinion in their divisions.

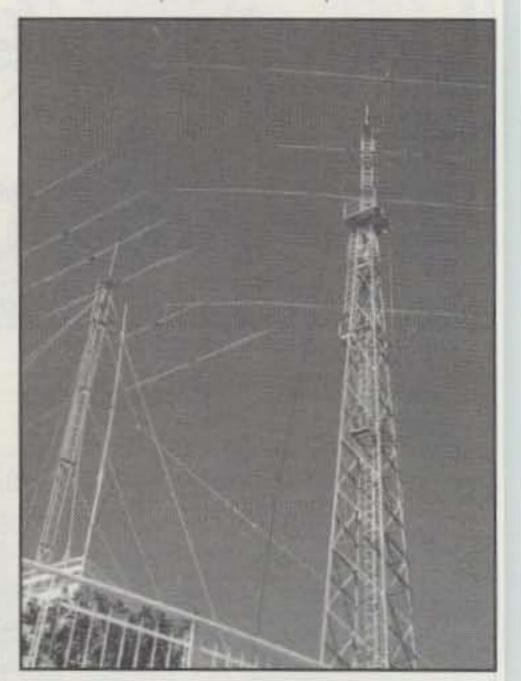
"In membership correspondence to the entire DXAC, 157 persons (72%) were against adding Scarborough and 61 were in support of new country status.

"DXAC Chair Garth Hamilton, VE3HO, stated 'The Minimum-Size Rule was not applied to this petition. DXAC members made a judgment in accordance with the DX communities they represent."

The supporters of adding Scarborough Reef to the DXCC Countries List immediately cried foul. They pointed out that several of the DXAC members voted no because the land area of the Reef is too small, in essence using a minimumsize rule, even though no such rule was in effect when the Scarborough Reef petition was submitted. (In April, ARRL Executive Vice-President Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, directed the DXAC *not* to use the recently passed minimum-size rule in the Scarborough Reef deliberations.)

Some DXAC members said the reason for their no votes was that no operation from the Reef could be "land based" (as required by DXCC rule 8), again despite the fact that the DXCC desk had ruled, prior to the vote on Scarborough Reef, that the second BS7H operation in April was indeed "land based." (Determinations of accreditation, including whether a given operation was in accordance with

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the start date for Eritrea and the minimum-size rule. In both cases the DXAC and the Awards Committee chairmen reached a mutually acceptable agreement.

However, in cases in which the DXAC votes against doing something, such as a vote against adding a country to the DXCC list, the Awards Committee does not review the decision. The petition for separate country status dies at that point, without further review. (The petitioners can resubmit their petition after a two-year cooling-off period, instituted by former DXAC Chairman Bob Locher, W9KNI, to staunch the near-continuous flow of Pribolof Island petitions in the early 1980s.)

What this Standard Operating Procedure meant for both Pratas and Scarborough Reef was that their DXCC country status would not be reviewed until 1997, at the earliest.

Several prominent DXers felt that the combination of DXAC members voting "around" the published DXCC country criteria, and this veto power of the DXAC, was unfair to the petitioners, who are both sister International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) member societies-the Chinese Radio Sports Association in the case of Scarborough Reef and the Chinese Taipei Amateur Radio League for Pratas.

A four-page editorial by Martti Laine OH2BH, published in The DX Bulletin, added fuel to the fires of controversy. The editorial made the above points, and several more in support of reconsideration of the DXCC country criteria for both Pratas and Scarborough Reef. Many DXers were outraged at the attitudes of some DXAC members toward the published DXCC rules. About an equal number of DXers said they disagreed with OH2BH's editorial and supported keeping the two entities off the DXCC list. Few DX topics in recent history have generated as much or as wide disagreement as this issue.

Since there was no provision for further review of the two petitions under existing operating procedures, consideration of the matter landed in the lap of the ARRL Board of Directors, the final arbitrator of all DXCC decisions (and all ARRL decisions, for that matter). The ARRL Board met the weekend of July 21-23. Prior to that meeting, some of the Committees of the Board met. One of those committee members was that of the Membership Services Committee (MSC), whose jurisdiction includes the DXCC program. In a highly unusual event, all ARRL Directors attended the July 19th MSC meeting prior to the full Board meeting.

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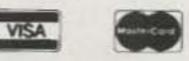
"At its July 19 meeting, the ARRL Membership Services Committee (MSC) of the ARRL Board of Directors voted to remove from the Awards Committee Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) an administrative interpretation of a Board motion. The deleted text said in part, "Thus it requires a favorable recommendation by the DXAC to initiate a country status review by the Awards Committee." All ARRL Directors were present at the meeting, and it was the sense of the meeting that the Awards Committee should review negative as well as positive country status recommendations of the DXAC.

"On July 25, the ARRL Awards Committee voted unanimously that Scarborough Shoal (Huang Yan Dao) should be added to the DXCC List under Point 2(a) of the Countries List Criteria. Committee members all felt that Scarborough meets the rules that were in place when the petition for new country status was received. Further, they concluded that it meets the definition of an island under the UN Law of

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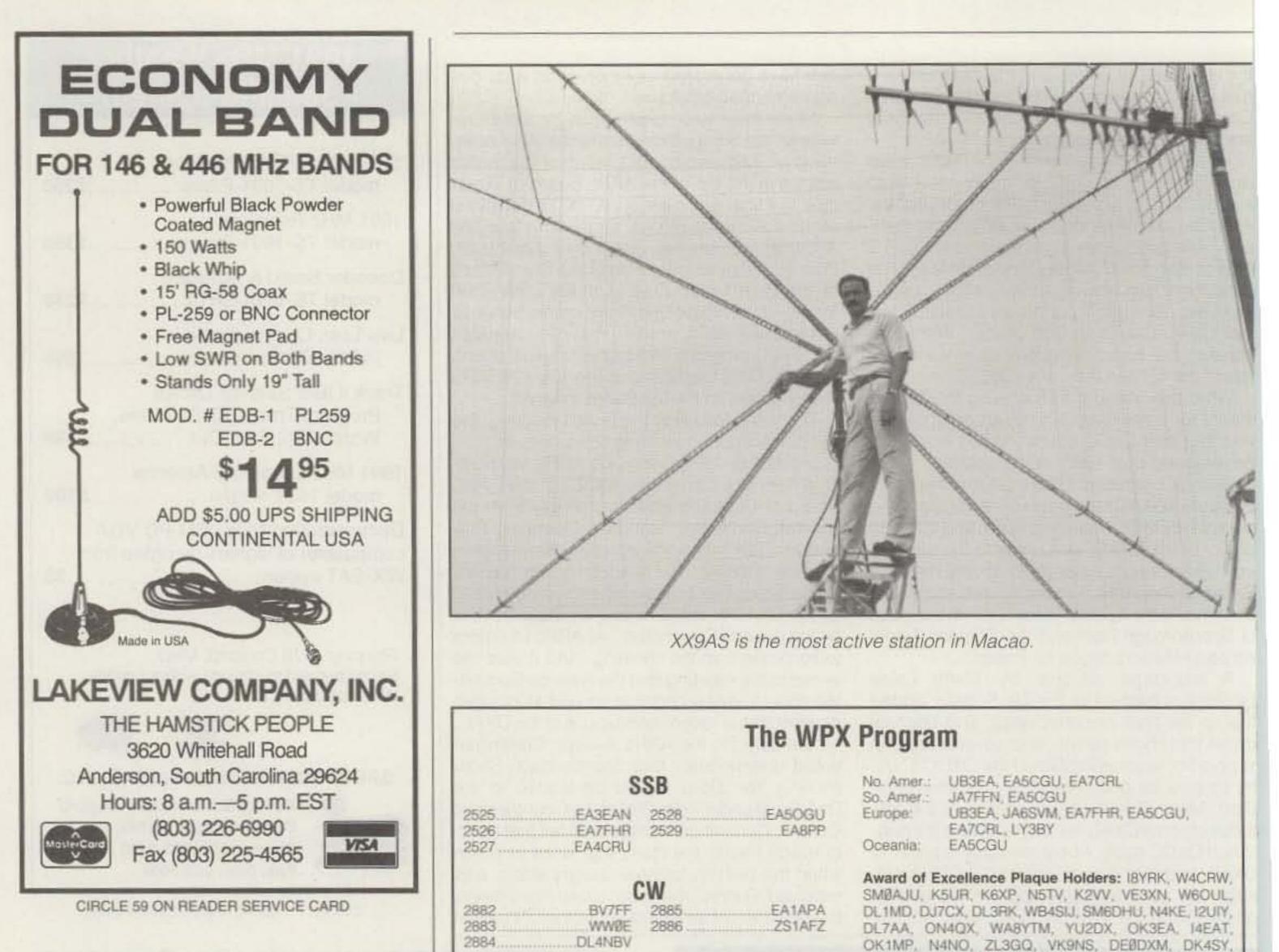
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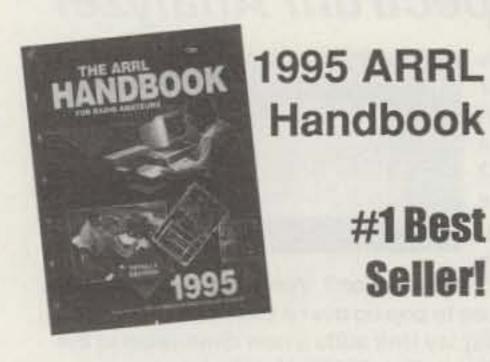




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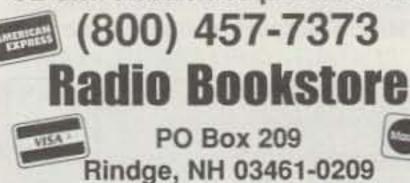




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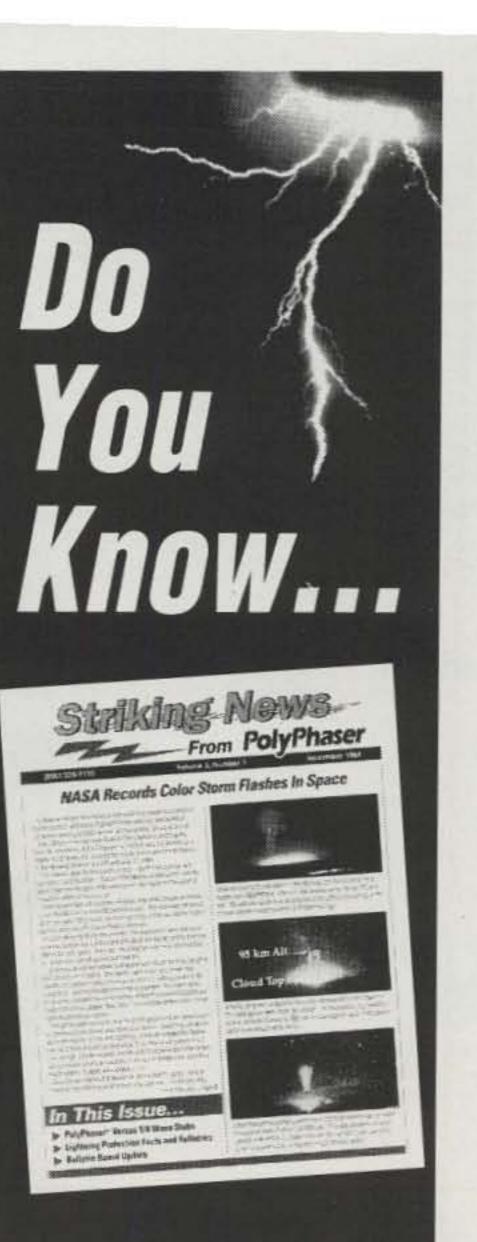
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the Sea Conventions. China claims Scarborough, and there is an absence of other territorial claims. Finally, it is more than 225 miles from the nearest part (island) of China.

"Awards Committee Chair Chuck Hutchinson K8CH shared the results with DXAC Chair, Garth Hamilton, VE3HO, immediately after the vote. As announced in a June 30, 1995 news release, the DXAC voted 9 to 7 against recommending the addition of Scarborough to the DXCC Countries List.

"Under procedures established by the ARRL Board, and because the Chairs are unable to effect a compromise, there is an automatic appeal. In the next step, the two committees will report the reasons for their votes to the MSC for recommendation to the full Board, which ultimately will decide the matter."

This news release makes two important points. First, the change in the Standard Operations Procedures eliminates the "veto" power of the DXAC on potential new DXCC countries. Now even negative DXAC votes will be routinely reviewed by the Awards Committee.

Second, the entire ARRL Board was at the MSC meeting, and concurred with the deci-

sion. This strongly suggests that the Board will vote in favor of adding Scarbcrough Reef to the DXCC countries list when it next considers the question. (As the news release points out, when the DXAC and Awards Committee cannot reach agreement, the two committees outline their reasoning for the MSC, and then the entire ARRL Board for a final decision.) While the next Board meeting isn't until January 1996, the Board may make a decision prior to the next meeting, voting by mail, phone, or email. In any case, it appears that Scarborough Reef will be added to the DXCC countries list in the near future.

There was another decision made at the MSC meeting. Second-hand reports say that the Membership Services Committee of the ARRL Board of Directors will ask Garth Harnilton, VE3HO, Chairman of the DX Advisory Committee, (DXAC) to waive the DXAC's internal two-year limit on re-voting petitions in the case of Pratas BV9. This would allow an immediate re-vote. Earlier this year, the DXAC voted 8 to 7 against adding Pratas to the DXCC Countries List, based on now-discounted reports of intervening rocks. Should VE3HO go along with this request, Pratas will most likely get at least nine "yes" votes, and subsequently be added to the DXCC countries list.

The Pratas/Scarborough Reef controversy was not the only mid-summer DXCC ruckus. In another decision that stirred up numerous comments, the DXCC desk announced on July 6 that documentation for P5/OH2AM has been approved. In accordance with a news release

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People's Republic of Korea) will now be added to the DXCC Countries List.

The DXCC Desk will accept QSL cards for this new country starting October 1, 1995. QSL cards received at the DXCC Desk before October 1, 1995 will be returned without action.

Since P5/OH2AM worked only 16 different stations, this action will dramatically change the DXCC Honor Roll, unless there is another, more extensive operation from North Korea before the next Honor Roll deadline. The 2,000 Top Of The Honor Rollers will drop back to the #2 position, and 400 will drop off the Honor Roll. Martti Laine, OH2BH, has stated that the next North Korea operation will be prior to the Beijing DX Convention in mid-October.

The P5/OH2BH demonstration of amateur radio was based on pre-arranged schedules with certain Asian amateurs. Although this was certainly not Martti's intent, should this result in a dramatic rearrangement of the DXCC Honor Roll, the ghost of Don Miller, W9WNV, will haunt the DXCC program. Miller single-handedly altered the DXCC Honor Roll during his DXpedition career by selectively working stations, apparently not hearing certain highranking Honor Rollers who failed to contribute to or who questioned his operations.

DXers anxiously await final resolution on all three of these issues: Pratas, Scarborough Reef, and a real opportunity to work North Korea. It was an interesting summer for DXers, but not on the air. Stay tuned for further developments on all three issues.

Meanwhile, in a far less controversial vein, "The ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC) status on Aruba until the Netherlands and Aruba have announced a change in the current move towards (sic) independence for Aruba originally slated for 1996."

Aruba was added to the DXCC countries list based on its starting on a ten-year path toward complete independence from the Netherlands. Aruba has since had cold feet about completing the process, putting the original decision for separate DXCC status in doubt. The DXAC decision to table any change in DXCC status for Aruba puts any possible deletion well into the future.

Up-Coming Events And Activities

The ARI DX and IOTA Convention is Oct. 13-15, in Bologna, Italy. The program includes G3KMA and G3ZAY on Islands On The Air; VK9NS, SM6CAS on the Conway Reef operation; Rudi Klos, DK7PE, technical programs; and much more. Information is available from ARI, Via Scarietti 31, 20124 Milano, Italy.

The New England ARRL DX Convention and Dinner is Saturday, October 7, at the Student Center of Worchester State College, Worchester, Massachusetts. The program includes DXpedition reports, DX Quiz, pile-up contest, QSL card checking, YCCC's Contest University, and much more. DXAC representatives and DXCC desk personnel will also be on hand. Dinner speaker is Wayne Mills, N7NG. Admission, including dinner, is \$25 payable to Gary Young, K2AJY, P.O. Box 211, Swampscott, MA

The fifth annual W5 DX Bash is Oct. 14-15 at W5KFT's ranch on Lake Buchanan, northwest of Austin, Texas. The program includes PacketCluster®, contest stations towers, antennas, and DX. Les Bannon, WF5E, W5 QSL bureau manager, will be on hand. Registration is \$20 via Bryan Edwards, W5KFT, 3801 68th St., Lubbock, TX 79413. For more information contact W5KFT at 806-745-3692 (work) or 806-799-5783 (home).

Among the special events on the HF bands this month is the Tall Stacks celebration around Cincinnati, Oct. 11-15. Listen for stations signing /TS after their calls, especially W8DZ, K8SCH, and W8VND. Special QSLs featuring the historic steam paddle boats will be available from N8FU, direct with SASE or via the bureau.

YW6AF is a special operation Oct. 21-22 from the top of the world's highest waterfall, Angel Falls, in Venezuela. The stations will operate on 80, 40, 20, and 10 meters. QSL via YV6AG.

Jose, TI2JJP, plans another visit to Cocos Island Oct. 10-25, and he expects to be active at that time as TI9JJP. QSL to him at P.O. Box 330-1000, San Jose, Costa Rica.

There will be many contest DXpeditions for the CQ WW SSB contest Oct. 28-29. Non-contesters can often catch the operators before the contest, while they test their stations, and sometimes after the test as well. Among those operations already committed are a major multi-op DXpedition to Grenada, where the contest call with be J3A; QSL to WA8LOW with SASE, please. The operators will be on the



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island Oct. 25–31, and will operate with individual J3 callsign before and after the contest. Rep Meanwhile, the Frankford Radio Club will ma operate from Antigua as V26B. QSL to WT3Q. S Again, members of the team will operate with individual V26 callsigns before and after the contest. fixe Mario, DL4MFM, and other German ama-

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Speaking of the CQ WW contest, there is a new country for the contest. The Italian islands in Zone 33, between Sicily and Tunisia (prefixes IG and IH) will be a new country for the contest, starting in 1995. The country's name



Paul, I1RBJ, has been operating from the Principality of Seborga under various callsigns. No applications for separate DXCC country status has been submitted for consideration.

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Total number of active countries is 326. The basic award fee for subscribers to *CQ* is \$4. For non-subscribers, it is \$10. In order to qualify for the reduced subscriber rate, please enclose your latest *CQ* mailing label with your application. Endorsement stickers are \$1.00. Updates not involving the issuance of a sticker are made free when an SASE is enclosed for confirmation of total. Rules and application forms for the CQ DX Awards Program may be obtained by sending a business-size, No. 10 envelope, self-addressed and stamped, to CQ DX Awards Manager, Billy Williams, N4UF, Box 9673, Jacksonville, FL 32208 U.S.A. DX stations must include extra postage for airmail reply. Please make all checks payable to the awards manager. is African Italy. An Italian group is already planning to operate both modes in the 1995 'tests.

In other Islands On The Air news, F5JWW will operate from some of the islands in French Polynesia FO Oct. 28 to Nov. 7. The Mid-Lanark ARS will be active as GB5SI from the Shetland Islands Oct. 28 to Nov. 7. This is also a separate multiplier in the contest. QSL via the bureau to GB5SI. Finally, CO7KR hopes to operate from Los Colorados Archipelago sometime this month. Good hunting!

QSL Information

QSL SJ9WL and LG5LG, the callsigns of the Morokulien Radio Club on the Sweden/Norway border, via John Hallenberg, SMØDJZ, Siriusgatan 106, S-195 55 Mersta, Sweden. (Former manager SMØHUK is a Silent Key.)

To QSL the Key West (NA-062) IOTA DXpeditions of **WB8YJF**, include a business-sized SASE, as the photo QSL does not fit in a regular envelope. Jon Severt, 5586 Babbitt Road, New Albany, OH 43054.

Bob Schenck, N2OO, offers to take responsibility for any logs for Silent Keys or logs to be "closed," as well as acting as QSL manager for DX stations or DXpeditions. Contact Bob at P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087-0345.

Tom Polak, 9A2AJ, is QSL manager for HH2AW, T93A/4U, 5B4ADA/HH2, T91CFG, T91EGR, T94TG, T94YS, T93T, C47A, C48A, H20A, H21A, 5B0A. His address is P.O. Box 613, 10 000 Zagred, Republic of Croatia.

Romeo Stepanenko, 3W3RR, says the QSL routes for his operations remain unchanged. Do not use the address given in the August issue; use the previously published routes. 73, Chod, VP2ML





CQ World-Wide DX Contest All-Time Phone Records BY FREDERICK CAPOSSELA, K6SSS

Number groups after calls are: year of operation, total score, contacts, zones and countries. All-band and Multi-Operator records include a band-by-band breakdown of the world leader in each category.

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	(Opr. OH2IW)							11,095,392	7,086	145	3
	CQ4A('90)		3,912	38	141				9,386	164	6
	(Opr. CT1BOP)								-1	191	
	YU3ZV('88)		3,219	39	134						
		IORTH AMERICA					W	ORLD RECORD			-
3			660	44	00						
	VE3BMV('86)	400 007	662	14	26	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Col	Intri
5	TI1C('92)		1,695	31	108		1.0	4.4.4	10		2.4
	(Opr. TI2CF)	1 100 110	0.000		101	DHD	1.8	111	10		24
)	TI1C('94)	1,108,140	2,882	31	134	PJ1B	3.5	937	25		94
	(Opr. TI2CF)					(1993)	7.0	1,055	29		14
	KP2A('94)		4,810	38	156	22,596,570	14.0	2,011	38	14	47
	(Opr. KW8N)						21.0	1,829	32	13	39
	V26N('93)		4,623	36	150		28.0	3,443	30		28
	(Opr. KW8N)	and the second se	and a second		and the second sec						
	VP2ET('88)	2 423 880	5,137	37	143	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	Total	9,386	164	64	46
	(Opr. K5RX)		0,101	91	110						
	(opinion)	0.000									
	10100000000	OCEANIA		1000	-	the second second	Multi	Operator/Multi-X	mtr		
}	KH6CC('85)		484	13	19					1.44	
ŝ	T32AF('85)		1,064	23	49				13,547	179	7
)	9M8R('94)		2,329	38	122				10,100	142	5
	(Opr.W7EJ)							26,578,978	14,947	175	7
	ZM1BIL('83)	1,334,232	2,635	38	136	NA VP2KC('7	9)		17,767	175	6
	AHØAB('82)	1,923,840	4,509	36	108	O KHØAM('	90)	35,730,600	16,309	179	5
	(Opr. JA3DOC)								19,655	189	8
	KD7P/NH2('88)	2 309 304	4,885	38	123		n sta		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
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		SOUTH AMERICA	0000					and the second sec			
	YV2IF('92)		191	9	25	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	Intri
	P4ØR('87)		1,628	23	91				and the second		
	(Opr. K4UEE)						1.8	531	19	1	50
3		1,199,968	2,637	34	120	PJ1B	3.5	1,335	24		99
	PJ9U('93)	Contraction of the state of the	1000-0100	interit.	ALCON.	(1990)	7.0	2,104	31		17
	PJ9U('93) (Opr. OH1VR)		5,109	38	175	57,610,400	14.0	4,860	38		79
	(Opr. OH1VR)	3 202 242	and a stand and	00		01,010,400	21.0	5,395	38		76
	(Opr. OH1VR) PYØFM('94)		aleate.						- 26.3		1.1.1
	(Opr. OH1VR) PYØFM('94) (Opr. PY5CC)			20	170					1	00
	(Opr. OH1VR) PYØFM('94) (Opr. PY5CC) ZW5B('93)		4,524	39	173		28.0	5,430	39	18	82
	(Opr. OH1VR) PYØFM('94) (Opr. PY5CC)	2,834,228		39 37	173 156	4				18	8 <u>2</u> 03

CQ World-Wide DX Contest All-Time CW Records BY FREDERICK CAPOSSELA, K6SSS

	Single Operator/Singl	e Band			
	WORLD RECORD HO				
1.8	4X4NJ('94)		19	77	A
3.5	NP4A('88)808,64		31	102	A
	(Opr. K1ZM)				1.505
7.0	C41A('93)	4 2,972	34	133	E
	(Opr. T93A)	0 0.501		140	
14	P4ØV('91)1,883,70 (Opr. N7NG)	0 3,521	38	142	N
21	ZPØY('93)1,869,97	8 3,627	35	139	0
	(Opr. K4UEE)				S
28	CXØCW('90)1,890,60	7 3,795	39	128	0
	(Opr. CX8BBH)				Q
1000	AFRICA				1.
1.8	EA8AK('82)75,76		15	51	LC
3.5	EA8XS('88)	0 1,649	24	81	P As
7.0	(Opr. OH5XT) EA9EO('94)1,122,50	6 2,503	34	120	1 ~
1.0	(Opr. EA7TL)	0 2,000	01	120	
14	ED9ED('90)1,444,43	6 3,063	37	121	
21	CR3W('92)1,652,17	0 3,092	38	141	-
20	(Opr. DF5UL)	0 2 200	24	110	St
28	ZS6BCR('91)1,397,65	8 3,209	34	112	
10	ASIA	-			E/
1.8	4X4NJ('94)		19	77	(1
3.5	ZC4DX('87)430,56 (Opr. 4Z4DX)	0 1,318	29	88	13
7.0	C41A('93)1,307,94	4 2,972	34	133	
	(Opr. T93A)				-
14	7L1GVE('92)1,181,93		40	139	1.
21	4Z4T('91)	0 2,240	36	120	
28	(Opr. 4Z4UT) 4Z5DX('90)	9 2,003	39	120	
20		5 2,000		120	AF
10	EUROPE	1 020	10	70	AS
1.8 3.5	GW3YDX('93)		19 35	73 114	EL N/
7.0	S59UN('92)	and the second se	38	135	0
14	OHØBH('94)1,003,353		39	130	SA
	(Opr. OH2MAM)				
21	OH6MCW('89)		37	102	1
28	9H1EL('92)	A CONTRACTOR OF A CONTRACT	39	120	St
10	NORTH AMERIC			70	_
1.8 3.5	VO1NA('93)		20 31	70 102	
5.5	(Opr. K1ZM)	5 2,240	01	102	TA
7.0	ZF2TG('92)	2 2,985	31	111	(1)
	(Opr. WQ5W)				1.0
14	KP2A('94)1,332,460	3,115	38	132	
21	(Opr. KW8N) V29W('90)1,110,512	2 2,829	37	115	
61	(Opr. KD6WW)	2 2,025	57	115	-
28	J79DX('89)	2,661	33	98	
	(Opr. AA5DX)				AF
	OCEANIA				AS
1.8	KH6CC('93)	547	18	24	EL
3.5	VH3AH(/6)1/8,560) 956	24	40	N/
7.0	ZL3GQ('94)			102	0
14 21	ZL3GQ('91)			126 99	SA
28	KD7P/NH2('88)1,037,608		38	105	
	SOUTH AMERIC	an an annatore			-
1.8	YV3AGT('85)147,588		21	63	Sta
3.5	P4ØR('86)		25	90	-
	(Opr. K4UEE)				PJ
7.0	PJ9U('92)1,171,864		30	118	(19
14	P4ØV('91)	3,521	38	142	38
21	(Opr. N7NG) ZPØY('93)1,869,978	3,627	35	139	
E.	(Opr. K4UEE)	5,021			_
28	CXØCW('90)1,890,607	3,795	39	128	
	(Opr. CX8BBH)				_

	5	Single Operator/All B	and		
١F	EA8EA('91)		6,490	171	514
AS	(Opr. OH2MM) JY8VJ('92)		4,900	141	432
U	(Opr. DL1VJ) ZB2X('93) (Opr. OH2KI)	6,129,904	4,606	147	491
JA	(Opr. 06TR)	9,123,817	6,335	159	448
) SA	AH3C('90) P4ØF('94)		4,539 6,557	172 150	335 488
	(Opr. KRØY)				
RP	HI8A('91) (Opr. JA5DQH)		3,320	117	325
.ow Wr.	9X5EE('94) (Opr. PA3DZN)		3,201	110	315
Asst.	(Opr. PASDZIN) P4ØW('94) (Opr.W2GD)		5,541	155	460

WORLD RECORD

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	Intries
	1.8	254	14	5	57
EA8EA	3.5	567	21	E	64
(1991)	7.0	1,114	30	Ş	90
13,225,295	14.0	1,405	37	10)8
	21.0	1,374	36	10	00
	28.0	1,776	33	ç	95
	Total	6,490	171	51	4
	Multi-C	perator/Single)	Kmtr.		
AF EA9EA('91)		5,854	170	582
				175	527
Constraint and the second s		9,962,386		200	626
NA J6DX('9	3)		7,180	159	532
0 KH2S('9		7,249,952		169	399
ST2	3)		6,051	147	475
	w	ORLD RECORD			
Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	Intries
	1.8	181	10	4	19
TA5KA	3.5	962	23	6	9
(1990)	7.0	2,037	31	8	34
13,915,044	14.0	1,231	38	g	6
	21.0	1,518	36	11	2
State State	28.0	1,272	37	11	2
	Total	7,201	175	52	.7
	Multi-C	Operator/Multi-X	mtr.		
AF CN5N('S	90)		14,179	178	644
AS VS6WO	('92)		9,841	190	570
	9)		12,735	189	705
NA KP2A('8	8)			191	631
O KHØAM	('92)		A CONTRACTOR OF	190	527
	8)			194	672
	wo	RLD RECORD)		
Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	ntries
	1.8	717	17	6	5
PJ1B	3.5	1,447	24	8	3
(1988)	7.0	3,119	37	13	3
38,415,760	14.0	3,791	40	14	0
	010	0.007	00	10	

2,997

2,850

14,921

21.0

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Total

134

117

672

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37

194

CQ World-Wide DX Contest All-Time U.S.A. Records **BY FREDERICK CAPOSSELA, K6SSS**

Tabulated below are the record-high scores achieved by U.S. Contesters in the CQ World-Wide DX Contest. Number groups following calls and bands are: year of operation, total score, contacts, zones, and countries.

	PHONE			
	Single Operator/Single E	Band		
1.8	WB9HAD('87)27,181	157	23	54
3.5	K1ZM('92)	742	28	93
7.0	W7XR('92)	834	34	116
14	K1OX('85)1,131,328 (Opr. KC1F)	2,176	36	140
21	K3RV/4('88)	2,298	39	148
28	WØZV('88)1,145,368	2,158	39	142

Single Operator/All Band

	CW			
	Single Operator/Single	Band		
1.8	W1BYH('93)48,552	279	15	53
3.5	K1ZM('92)416,160	1,059	30	106
7.0	K1ZM('90)	1,783	34	125
14	KM1H('93)1,001,035 (Opr. KQ2M)	1,892	39	146
21	W7WA('89)772,146	1,647	39	119
28	K1ZM('89)732,564	1,447	37	134

Single Operator/All Band

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	untries						
	1.8	24	10	5	21	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	ntries
K1AR	3.5	239	15		73	a state of the second	1.8	34	13	2	7
(1992)	7.0	311	26		38	N4RJ	3.5	170	21	6	
7,810,446	14.0	969	39		33	(Opr. KM9P)	7.0	687	34	10	
	21.0	913	33		25	(1992)	14.0	696	37	11	
	28.0	1,292	32		19	5,851,152	21.0	709	35	10	
						0,001,102	28.0	670	32	9	
	Total	3,748	155	55			Total	2,966	172	50	9
		QRP									
KR2Q('90)		1,246,974	1,069	106	305			QRP			
		1				AA2U('92)		1,188,000	938	118	332
NI011/2020		Low Power	1 404		005	1.000		Low Dower			
10811(92)	****	1,864,747	1,424	114	365	N8II('92)		Low Power 2,008,982	1,419	135	368
		Assisted									
		6,631,513	2,800	171	662			Assisted			
(Opr. KRØY)						K3WW('93)	*******		2,499	160	547
	Multi-O	perator/Single	Kmtr.				Multi-	Operator/Single 3	Kmtr.		
Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	untries	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	intries
	1.8	32	12		30		1.8	36	16	3	3
K1AR	3.5	197	18		76	K1AR	3.5	313	26		5
(1990)	7.0	154	26		95	(1989)	7.0	920	35	10	
11,193,606	14.0	1,370	39		67	9,383,459	14.0	1,139	37	12	
11,100,000	21.0	1,167	38		65	0,000,400	21.0	773	39	12	
	28.0	1,517	37		70		28.0	920	37	12	
	Total	4,437	170		03		Total	4,101	150	58	
	Total	4,107	110							00	
	Multi-	Operator/Multi-X	imtr.				Multi-	Operator/Multi-	Xmtr.		
Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Co	untries	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	intries
	1.8	95	14		41		1.8	106	16	5	59
N2RM	3.5	485	23	1	98	K1AR	3.5	726	29	10)7
(1992)	7.0	721	32		28	(1992)	7.0	1,862	37	14	
19,603,032	14.0	1,654	40		78	19,473,615	14.0	1,721	39	15	6
	21.0	2,367	40		78		21.0	1,584	37	15	
	28.0	1,688	36		70		28.0	1,128	34		36
	Total	7,010	185	7	93		Total	7,127	192	75	53
		and the second se									

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries		-				
	1.8	24	10	21	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	Intries
K1AR	3.5	239	15	73		1.8	34	13		27
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	21.0	913	33	125	(1992)	14.0	696	37	11	4
	28.0	1,292	32	119	5,851,152	21.0	709	35	10)7
	Total	3,748	155	559		28.0	670	32	9	12
	TOTA	0,140	100			Total	2,966	172	50	9
		QRP								
KR2Q('90)		1,246,974	1,069	106 305			QRP			
					AA2U('92)		1,188,000	938	118	332
		Low Power								
N8II('92)		1,864,747	1,424	114 365	NRII('92)		Low Power 2,008,982	1,419	135	368
		Assisted			14011(52)			1,415	100	000
WM5G('92)			2,800	171 662			Assisted			
(Opr. KRØY)					K3WW('93)		5,056,464	2,499	160	547
	Multi-	Operator/Single)	(mtr.			Multi-C	Operator/Single	Xmtr.		
Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	untries
	1.8	32	12	30		1.8	36	16	1	33
K1AR	3.5	197	18	76	K1AR	3.5	313	26		75
(1990)	7.0	154	26	95	(1989)	7.0	920	35		00
11,193,606	14.0	1,370	39	167	9,383,459	14.0	1,139	37		28
	21.0	1,167	38	165		21.0	773	39		23
	28.0	1,517	37	170		28.0	920	37		29
	Total	4,437	170	703		Total	4,101	150	58	38
	Multi-	-Operator/Multi-X	imtr.			Multi-C	Operator/Multi-	Xmtr.		
Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries	Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Cou	untries
	1.8	95	14	41		1.8	106	16	_	59
N2RM	3.5	485	23	98	K1AR	3.5	726	29		07
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								39		
19,603,032	14.0	1,654	40	178	19,473,615	14.0	1,721			56
	21.0	2,367	40	178		21.0	1,584	37		54
	28.0	1,688	36	170		28.0	1,128	34		36
	Total	7,010	185	793		Total	7,127	192	75	53

Club Record: Frankford Radio Club ('92) 389,564,535 Team Contesting: Phone—Southern California Contest Club #1 ('92) 53,779,847 CW—Southern California Contest Club #1 ('93) 45,194,836

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A "Rocky Mountain High" Balloon Launch

As part of the 29th annual Central States VHF Society Conference, the Edge of Space Sciences, Inc. organization planned to launch its 24th balloon, EOSS 24, at 9:00 AM on the Sunday morning of the conference.

Founded in 1990, EOSS, the Coloradobased organization, now has around 75 members who have enthusiastically launched and chased balloons across parts of Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Most of the launches are designed to get people interested in amateur radio. Often the launches take place on public-school grounds and involve the faculty and students in onboard experiments. However, a few of the launches were made with the cooperation of the Air Force Academy.

Because of funding cuts, the academy has had to restrict some of the cadet-based experiments that would have been flown on board aircraft. Having the training from EOSS and the balloons as an alternative has enabled the cadets to continue to fly their experiments.

It was about 8 AM local time in Monument, Colorado on that Sunday, when your editor arrived at the launch site. The sky was partly cloudy and a very slight breeze was blowingconditions just right for a balloon launch. Members of the launch team had been at the site since before dawn. Now, less than an hour before launch, these team members were busy scurrying around making last-minute preparations for the launch. Launch Director Nathan Roskop, NØWPG, was busily checking every aspect of the launch, making sure everything was ready for it. Barely 20 years old, Nathan has been licensed as an amateur for just over two years. He has been a part of five other balloon missions. Having volunteered to be launch director (the prime consideration) and having been determined by his peers as qualified for the responsibilities of the position, Nathan was appointed to direct this, his first launch. On board, or rather attached to, EOSS 24 would be a 70 cm in, 2 meter out 300 mw repeater, an ATV (amateur television) transmitter (operating on 426.25 MHz), and a 1 watt packet station to retransmit GPS (global positioning system) coordinates received by the on-board GPS receiver and other telemetry. Additional equipment on board would be a 35 mm still camera set to shoot a picture every five minutes, and an experiment. The experiment was designed to see if a quick cut-down of the payload from the balloon could be achieved by sending a signal to an on-board receiver. All of this equipment would weigh in at just less than 6 pounds in order to qualify for the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) exemption from regulatory control. The balloon would travel to a maximum altitude of approximately 100,000 feet, where its

Oct. 1	Very Poor EME conditions.
Oct. 7-8	ARRL EME Contest. (See text for details.)
Oct. 8	Full moon. Moderate EME conditions.
Oct. 14	Moon Apogee and highest declination.
Oct. 15	Poor EME conditions.
Oct. 18	Orionids meteor shower predicted peak, 1650 UTC. (See text for details.)
Oct. 22	Moderate EME conditions.
Oct. 24	New moon.
Oct. 26	Moon perigee.
Oct. 26-29	Microwave Update Conference, Arlington, Texas. (See text for details.)
Oct. 27	Lowest moon declination.
Oct. 29	Poor EME conditions.
EME conditio	ons courtesy W5LUU.

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expansion would cause it to burst, thereby causing its descent. The descent would be slowed by the parachute attached just below the balloon and above the payload.

With excellent weather conditions, and the FAA and the control towers at Colorado Springs, Denver International, and the Air Force Academy airports notified of the balloon launch, everything was set for its takeoff.

The balloon was slowly inflated with helium to its proper lift weight. Again Nathan checked every aspect to make sure that the balloon was ready. The last items checked were the onboard transmitters and repeater, and that was done by on-air confirmation that the equipment was indeed working. Finally, at 08:58:16 Nathan gave the word to release the balloon. As the balloon went soaring into the sky, the transmitters on board continued their missions of repeating signals, and providing telemetry and visual indications. A net control was set up to operate through the on-board repeater. As stations started check-

ing in, the net control station operator started coordinating these check-ins, giving priority to stations that were at some distance from the balloon. In addition to the balloon repeater, a 2 meter 70 cm repeater was linked to the balloon repeater input frequency so those who did not have access to 70 cm would still be able to work through the balloon repeater.

About 15 minutes into the launch the ATV signal was lost. It would remain to the recovery of the payload to solve the mystery of why it was lost.

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At the same time operators who were tracking the balloon began chasing it northward on a crisscross pattern that generally stayed close to Interstate 25. Your editor was with Jerome and Bobette Doerrie (K5IS and N5UDJ, respectively) and their two daughters, Jennifer, KA5WMJ, and Elena, KB5DAK. We decided to follow Jack Crabtree, AAØP, who was tracking the balloon's progress by using its GPS data along with data from a GPS receiver in the car and his laptop computer. Also with



At the control center several stations are set up to monitor the balloon's progress.

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Just before launch several people are needed to make the airborne transition smooth.

us in their own car were Charlie and Wanda Chennault (WA5YOU and WB5NIF) and their son and daughter, Nathan and Jamie.

As one of the founders (along with Dave Clingerman, W6OAL) of the EOSS organization, Jack had been on most of the 23 other balloon launches. Before we started, he pointed out to us that to this point they had a 100 percent payload recovery after each launch. He wasn't about to let this one get away and spoil the record. So off we went to help Jack and EOSS preserve it!

Beginning our trek up I-25, we followed the zig-zagged route of the balloon. Along the way we each made contacts through its repeater, I with fellow section manager, Joe Knight, W5PDY, who was in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Because of the extended altitude, so extensive was the range of the repeater that stations from New Mexico to Wyoming were now checking in and making contact with each other. At one point we stopped to see if we had a visual contact with the balloon as it reached its maximum altitude. Now nearly 40 feet in diameter, it was barely visible to the naked eye at its height of over 97,000 feet. Shortly after this visual contact, the balloon burst and the payload began its descent. Knowing that the descent would be much quicker than the ascent, our pace quickened. Stops became more frequent as we determined our location in reference to the rapidly falling payload. From burst to landing, we had about 15 minutes to predict its touchdown point and to get to it. Arriving southeast of Castlerock, we spotted the bright-red parachute against the clouds in the sky. After we moved closer to where Jack had predicted touchdown, we stopped the cars, jumped out, and ran in the direction of where we spotted the parachute. Wanda set up her tripod with her very powerful long-range lens in order to take pictures of the parachute's descent, and I ran up a road to watch the descent. Spotting a grove of trees about two miles in front of me, I watched as the parachute finally disappeared behind the grove. I made a mental note of approximately where in the grove I had last seen the parachute.

Nearly four hours later, at approximately 11:55 AM, the payload was on the ground. After following a crisscrossed path northward, it landed approximately 23 miles from its launch site. Because the packet transmitter was still functioning, we could still get a fix on the position of the payload based on the GPS coordinates the packet station was retransmitting.

Back in the cars we drove south along a small hill range. Finally getting in close prox-

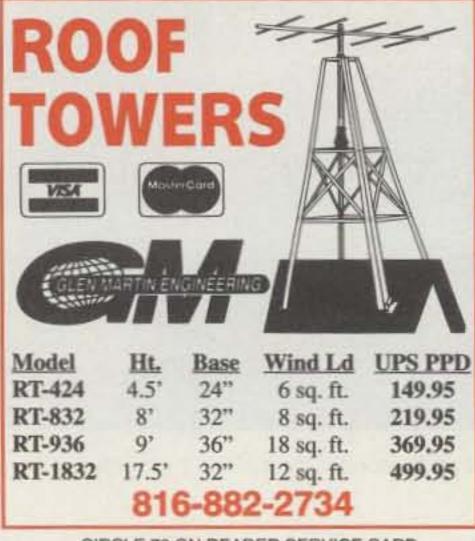
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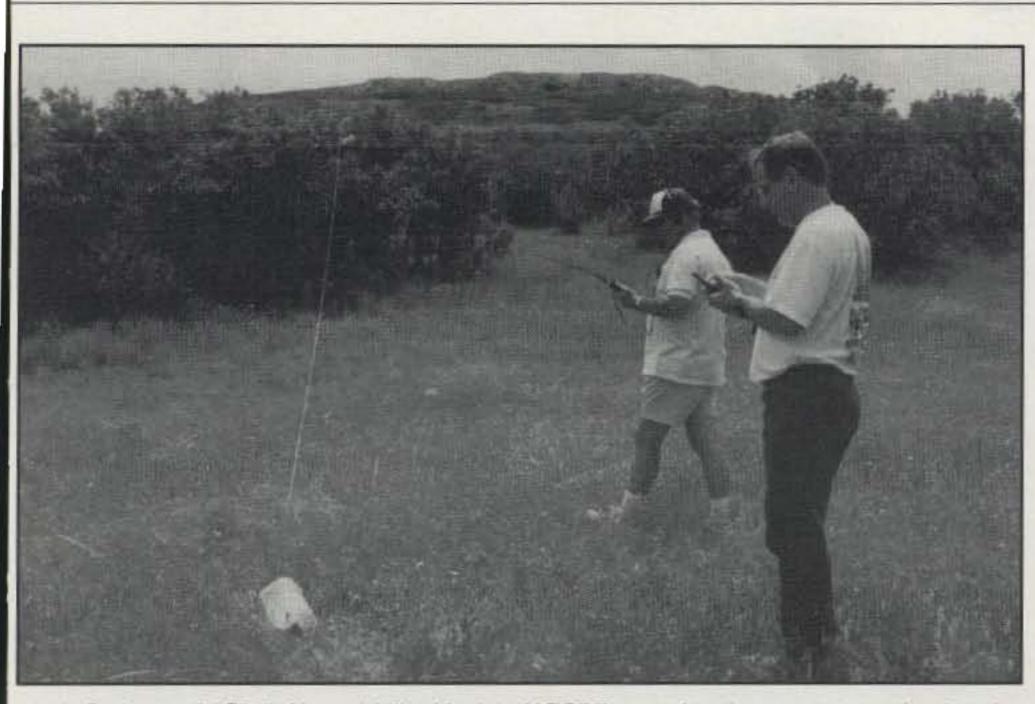


imity to the balloon's position, we found that we



Moments after launch the entire length of the balloon and payload can be seen floating upward.

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Jack Crabtree, AAØP (left), and Mike Musick, NØQBF, examine the repeater payload at the landing site.

would have to hike in to the landing location. And, hike we did, over two hills!

About the time we arrived at our location Mike Musick, NØQBF, from Missouri, also arrived. Parking a bit farther south from us, Mike began his hike. Using his handheld receiver, he began to use direction-finding techniques to locate the signal still coming from the repeater. While I took off for my grove of trees, Jack spotted Mike and joined up with him.

After going over the two hills, I spied the trees. Using Boy Scout survival techniques I learned 35 years before ("Where am I and how do I get out of here?"), I positioned myself south and to the west of the trees as I had seen them

before on their north side. I began walking away from the grove all the while keeping my position relative to the grove.

I found myself walking up a valley toward a "V" in the terrain with the last hill that I had traversed continuing to be on my right (west) and another hill beginning on my left (east). About three-quarters of a mile in from the grove I spotted Mike and Jack on top of the west hill. They pointed down the hill toward a smaller grove of trees, indicating to me that they had spotted the parachute.

Trees in front of me obscured my view, but taking their cue, I continued to walk south, in the same direction that I had been going. Coming across a dirt road, I followed it right to the rope connecting the parachute to the payload at about the same time that Mike and Jack arrived from the west side.

Mike won the prize for having first spotted the downed payload. However, I was a bit pleased with myself for having used only dead reckoning to walk in on its location, thereby proving at least to myself, that, with a little luck, it is possible to recover the payload without a radio signal, if it's necessary.

Knowing that a film crew from the Grove, Oklahoma Channel 43, UHF TV station was behind us, we left everything intact. Finally, Tony Bickel, K5PJR, and his cameraman, Jean Bohannan, arrived and shot their footage, which they had planned to make available for public televisions across the country.

Upon inspection of the ATV payload, we discovered why we had lost the ATV signal. The antenna was gone! Also gone was the coax connecting it to the ATV transmitter. Jack sur-

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Your editor got the job of carrying out the parachute from the landing site.

mised that the extreme cold of the altitude (-50° C) destroyed the connector or the antenna mounts, causing the antenna to fall off.

We also discovered that the cut-down ex-

took off looking for the balloon. Accompanying several of the teams were spectators who were from the conference and wanted to see results of the launch.

If your organization is interested in ballooning, how would you go about putting together the necessary information to find the resources? Jerome and Bobette Doerrie have written an excellent introductory article, "Ballooning 101," which was published in the *Proceedings of the ARRL 1995 National Educational Workshop*, which was held July 28, 1995 at the Manchester, New Hampshire hamfest. Copies of the *Proceedings* may be purchased from the League for \$12 plus shipping (to 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111).

My thanks go to the Jack Crabtree and Jerome and Bobette Doerrie for their assistance in preparing this topic in this month's column. For more information on Jerome and Bobette's article, contact them at Rt. 2 Box 72, Booker, TX 79005, or call them at 806-659-2264. For more info on EOSS, contact Jack Crabtree at 4327 W. Bellewood Dr., Littleton, CO 80123, or call him at 303-795-7736.

Central States VHF Society Conference

As mentioned above, the 29th annual Central States VHF Society Conference was held the last weekend in July in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Hosted by President Lauren Libby, KXØO, it featured two special guests from Cuba—Oscar Morales, CO2OJ, and Arnie Coro, CO2KK. Oscar presented a report on the new Cuban VHF beacon station and Arnie was the banquet speaker.

Boasting the third largest attendance, the conference featured the usually great speakers and the usual antenna range and pre-amp competitions. Among the speakers and topics were: Paul Shuch, N6TX, who spoke on the search for extra terrestrial intelligence; Bill Wageman, K5MAT, transverter design; Chuck MacCluer, W8MQW, filters for EME work; Doug Allen, W2CRS, predicting VHF and UHF openings; Randy Simons, NØLRJ, portable antennas and masts; and your editor and Charlie Calhoun, KB5ZUD, amateur radio involvement in the Oklahoma City bombing disaster. Additional speakers and their topics were: Pat Rose, W5OZI, the future of SMIRK; Kent Britain, WA5VJB, the future VHF operator; Russ Miller, N7ART, amplifiers and tubes; Chuck Clark, AF8Z, easily constructed local oscillators; Emil Pocock, W3EP, field aligned irregularities; Dave Clingerman, W6OAL, the "little wheel" antenna; Torn Clark, W3IWI, signal processing for weak-signal operations; Ray Rector, WA4NJP, large dish antenna mounts; and Bob Carpenter, W3OTC, software pertaining to weak-signal VHF work. A new feature this year was a young people's program that attempted to demonstrate live contacts using exotic modes familiar to the weak signal VHFer. Jimmy Treybig, W6JKV, with assistance from Mike Staal, K6MYC, and Dave Blaschke, W5UN, attempted to demonstrate EME and meteor scatter contacts. Randy Simons, NØLRJ, demonstrated portable antennas and rover operations. Luca Martini, VE2WKR, demonstrated mobile satellite operations. Additional youth forums were held at the hotel. These included a contest forum conducted by W\$ETT, WØKEA, N5JHV, NØLL, W2CRS, and NØLRJ. Dave, N5JHV, conducted a forum on 6 meter European openings he had experienced. Finally, Jack Crabtree, AAØP, conducted a forum on previous Edge of Space Sciences balloon launches and how they featured amateur radio payloads.

Another first for the society was a talk-in station. Coordinated by Ken, NØYGM, the station was set up with an IC-736 and an IC-820, equipment loaned by ICOM specifically for the society's conference station.

The winner of the John T. Chambers Award for Technical excellence went to Zack Lau, KH6CP/1, for his many years of technical contributions. According to an ARRL special bulletin, "he [Zack] was cited not only for his investigative work on the VHF and UHF bands, but also for his help, as an ARRL staff member, in fielding questions from other amateurs. KH6CP/1 is a mainstay in VHF and UHF contests as well, often appearing from New England hilltops. Zack Lau also is widely known for his low-power HF accomplishments, including a number of ARRL Sweepstakes awards in the under-5-watt category."

The recipient of the Melvin S. Wilson Award for service to the society or VHF/UHF in general was Charles Chennault, WA5YOU. Charlie has served for the past several years as treasurer of the society. Additionally, he has served many more years on the board and has performed many hours of behind-the-scenes work for the society.

A big bouquet goes to Lauren and June for hosting an excellent conference this year. Next year society members are looking forward to going to the Twin Cities of Minnesota, where they will be hosted by Paul Husby, WØUC. The conference is set for the last weekend in July.

Current Conferences

periment failed to work properly. When the signal was received, it would cause a circuit to be complete causing a voltage to be placed across a wire coiled around the rope connecting the balloon to the parachute. When the wire heated, it would burn the rope, thereby cutting it and releasing the parachute and the payload from the balloon.

While there was some burn discoloration of the rope where the wire was coiled around it, the rope was still intact. Initial conclusion of the probable cause of the failure was low battery voltage. Battery voltage in most batteries can drop to zero if exposed to the extreme cold of the altitude. It would remain until the payload was examined by the team several days after the launch to determine the exact cause of the failure of the experiment.

Finally, after everyone had taken all the required pictures, we disconnected the payload from the parachute, secured everything, and began our trek back to our cars. Arriving to what had now become a mini hamfest, we determined that we would have a postmortem lunch at a nearby restaurant, amateurs' usual perfect end to a fun outing.

What does it take to launch a balloon? Upwards of 10 to 15 people are necessary at the launch site. It takes four to six people to get the balloon inflated. Additionally, it takes a couple of others to keep the payload in line as the balloon is alighting. Depending on how many radios are on board, it takes an operator to man each of the ground-based receivers.

Chase teams can be as many as are practical to follow this airborne fox hunt. For this EOSS launch approximately ten chase teams The following was furnished by Al Ward, WB5LUA. **Microwave Update '95 Conference:** The conference will be held at the LaQuinta in Arlington, Texas on October 26– 29. For hotel registration call the hotel directly at 817-640-4142, request the reservations department, and mention the Microwave Update. A toll-free reservations number is 1-800-453-7909 (9-5 Dallas time). You may also fax your reservation information to 817-649-7864. The hotel rate is \$60.00 per night plus tax and the cut-off date for room registration is October 12. The address for the hotel is: The LaQuinta Inn, 825 N. Watson Rd., Arlington, TX 76011.

The technical program for Microwave Update '95 consists of many well known technical microwave enthusiasts from across the nation and even Japan and England. There will be a wide range of topics that cover from 902 MHz to 24 GHz. The customary noise-figure measuring workshop will be held Friday evening along with the flea market. Test-equipment demonstrations are planned by Hewlett Packard and Tektronix. There are plans to have a network analyzer available for tuning filters, etc., so you can bring your LOs.

Kent Britain, WA5VJB, will help out again with the customary equipment auction, which helps offset conference expenses. All donations are always welcomed!

Prize drawings will be held in between the technical papers and again all donations are very much appreciated. Contact Al Ward, WB5LUA, if you have anything to offer.

There will be a poster board session and slide show session Friday evening, so if attendees wish to take a few snapshots or slides of their station and/or equipment, do so. In order to best plan time, Al Ward would appreciate hearing from you if you plan to do either.

On Saturday evening, there will be a trip to WB5LUA's shack for a barbeque dinner catered by Texas famous Dickey's barbecue, and there will also be an exhibition of microwave EME.

There is no formal planned spouse program for the conference but information on local attractions will be available at the conference. (Indicate if your spouse will be attending so that they can compile a list for all those to see at the conference.) Register for the conference as soon as possible. Conference preregistration costs \$40 and is due by October 2. Preregistration also entitles you to be eligible for special preregistration prize drawings. Regular registration fee at the door and after October 2 is \$45. Make out checks to the North Texas Microwave Society. The following is the schedule of events:

Thursday, Oct. 26: 8 AM, Dallas Surplus Tour #1 begins at hotel. Two PM Ft. Worth Surplus Tour #2 begins at hotel. Seven-nine PM registration and informal bull/swap session in meeting room.

Friday, Oct. 27: 7:30-9 AM, registration; 8 AM, welcome; 8:00-8:45, KK7B, The Next Generation of No-Tune Transverters; 8:45-9:30, N1BWT, More Dish Antennas for 5.7 and 10.3 GHz; 9:30-9:45, break; 9:45-10:30, N6CA, Local Oscillator and Filter Design for the Microwave Bands; 10:30-11:00, WB5LUA, New LNAs for the Microwave Bands; 11:00-11:30, WD5AGO, The Art of Stable LNA De-



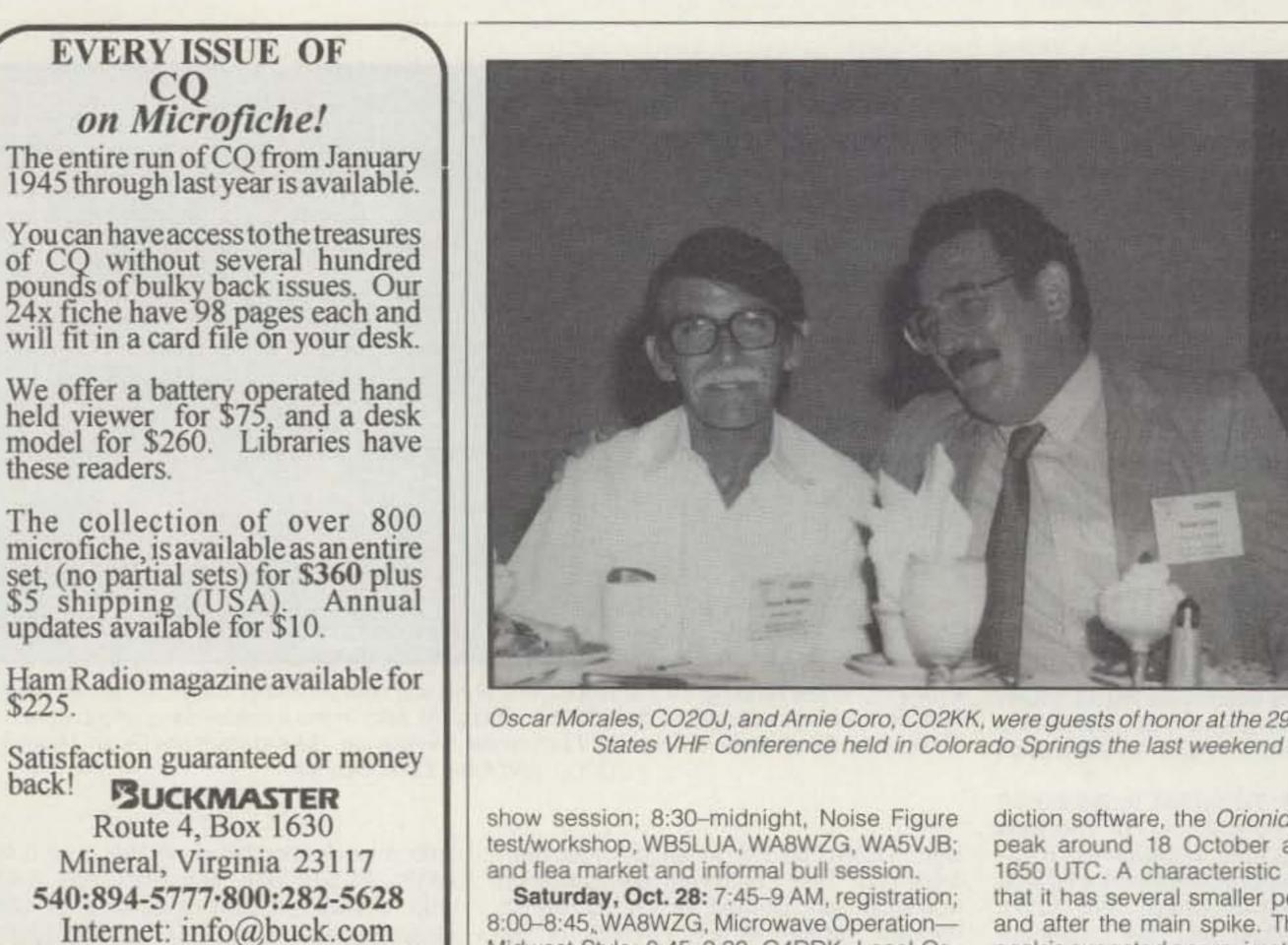
In one of the few relaxing moments for them, June and Lauren, KXØO, Libby, Chairman of the Woman's and Kids Programs and CSVHF President, take in the western band and barbecue show at the Flying W Ranch the night before the conference. Behind them are Oscar Morales, CO2OJ, and Arnie Coro, CO2KK.

sign; 11:30-1:00 PM, lunch (on your own); 1:00-4:00, Test Equipment demonstration/ workshop, John Duffield, W5VYE, of Hewlett-Packard and Kent Britain, WA5VJB, of Tektronix; 1:00-1:45, N6TX, SETI, Searching for Life Among the Stars; 1:45-2:30, W51U, Operating the new Phase III D Satellite; 2:303:00, prize drawing/break N5OSG; 3:00-3:45, WG31, 24 GHz SSB, European Style; 3:45-4:30, JE1AAH, the art of building 24 GHz equipment that works; 4:30-5:15 EME forum, WA5VJB, WB5LUA, VE4MA, WA7CJO, G3WDG, and others; 5:15-7:00, dinner (on your own); 7-8:30, poster board and slide



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Oscar Morales, CO2OJ, and Arnie Coro, CO2KK, were guests of honor at the 29th annual Central States VHF Conference held in Colorado Springs the last weekend of July.

8:00-8:45, WA8WZG, Microwave Operation-Midwest Style: 8:45-9:30, G4DDK, Local Oscillators-European Style; 9:30-10:30, break/ prizes/auction; 10:30-12 noon, N6TX, Smith Chart Workshop-Amplifier Design using Public Domain Software; 12-1:30 PM, lunch; 1:30-2.15, G3WDG, Successful equipment design for 10 and 24 GHz; 2:15-3:00, N2CEI, Neatness Counts: techniques and construction tips for homebrew microwave enthusiasts; 3:00-3:15, prize drawing/break; 3:15-4:00, AA5C, +28 dBm Power Amplifier for 1296 MHz No-Tune Transverters; 4:00-4:45, K5SXK, Waveguide Tutorial, The How's and Why's; 5 PM, gather for journey to WB5LUA's QTH for a barbeque dinner. Moon is up and near Perigee. Plan a microwave EME demonstration on 3456, 5760, or 10368. Return to hotel around 10 PM for an informal bull session. Sunday, Oct. 29, 8-9 AM, next year's plans.

diction software, the Orionids is predicted to peak around 18 October at approximately 1650 UTC. A characteristic of this shower is that it has several smaller peaks both before and after the main spike. The second major peak is expected approximately four days after the main peak. At peak the zenith hourly rate (ZHR, the number of predicted meteors falling per hour) is predicted to be around 25. Look for activity associated with this shower for approximately 16 days beginning a week before the main peak.



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Current Contest

The first weekend of the ARRL annual EME contest is scheduled for 7-8 October. The contest period is the entire 48 hour period, beginning at 0000 UTC. The object of the contest is to work as many stations as possible "off the moon." Categories include single operator, single band, single operator, multi-band, multioperator, and commercial equipment. Each contact counts as 100 points. Multipliers include each U.S. and Canadian call district and each DXCC country worked. Conditions are expected to be moderate during the contest weekend. Complete rules are in the September issue of QST.

VE3ONT is scheduled to be on the air on 2 meters on 7 October and on 6 meters and 23 cm simultaneously on 8 October.

Current Meteor Shower

According to the OH5IY meteor shower pre-

Fred Fish, W5FF Works Them All

Fred Fish, W5FF, has worked all the grid locators in the continental U.S. on 6 meters. Lacking just three of the locators, Fred started his quest in earnest this past June. Completing a contact with Ted, WA4VCC, on 15 June, his total was reduced to two.

Having a QSO on 18 June with Kevin Higgins, K1GAO, Fred advised him of his goal. Kevin agreed to drive to FN67. In the 25 minutes it took for Kevin to make the drive the band all but died out. Fortunately, they were able to make the QSO; which left one locator to be worked.

The next day the band opened again to New England, Lee, K5FF, phoned Peter Stackpole, N1MLE, who fortunately was home. A short while later Peter was in their logs, thereby completing a personal goal of working every grid locator in the continental U.S.

Later this summer, thanks to John Walker, WZ8D, who was grid mobiling through Canada, Fred worked his 849th and 850th grid to complete that endorsement of the award.

Repeater Trustee, Two Other Amateurs Shot to Death

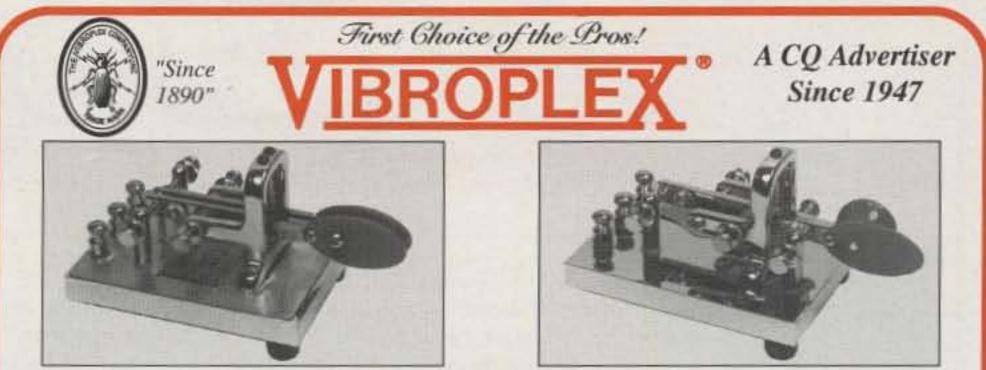
Anthony Gain, W6KFN, the trustee for the Los Angeles City Amateur Radio Volunteers ARC repeater, was one of three hams shot to death on 19 July allegedly by a disgruntled City of Los Angeles radio repairman. Also killed were Marty Wakefield, N6BZ, Neil Carpenter, KA6QIB, and a non-ham, James Walson. All four men were supervisors at the city's Piper Tech Center.

Phase 3-D Launch Schedule Changed

Owing to slippage of launch dates of other Ariane series rockets, the launch of the Ariane 502 mission, the one which Phase 3-D is manifested, is now set for 29 May 1996. A future column will devote extensive coverage to the satellite that has been dubbed the one for all amateurs.

New 3456 Tropo Land Record Set

As announced in a sidebar last month, Al Ward, WB5LUA (EM13qc), and Gary Mohrlant, WAØBWE (EN34lx), have set a new 3456 MHz land tropo record of 841 miles (1386 km). Al noticed a tropo opening taking place between Oklahoma and Arkansas in the south and Minnesota in the north on the evening of 11 July. Staying alert to the condition, he noticed that the path spread to his location the next morning. After working a few stations on 432 MHz, Al attempted a contact with Rich Westerberg, NØHJZ, on 2304 MHz, but with no success. Rich then advised AI that because of a thunderstorm in the area he had to QRT. However, before leaving the shack he placed a call to Gary. Gary got on the air and quickly worked Al on 432 MHz at 1206 UTC on 12 July. They then moved to 2304 MHz and completed six minutes later, thereby making the first MN to TX QSO on that band. Moving on to 3456 MHz, they completed fairly quickly with decent signals both ways. An attempt was made on 902 MHz, but AI discovered that his equipment was not working, thus no completion.



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And Finally ...

I want to thank all of you who sent me e-mail, cards, and letters of condolences over the loss of my brother. I have received correspondence from as far away as New Zealand (Father Phil Keane, ZL2ANQ). Moving to me were the special notes you sent. One said that upon reading my column, he called his brother just to be in touch with him.

I also appreciate your kind words concerning my writing about my involvement with the Salvation Army following the Oklahoma City bombing. You readers truly are family to me and I really appreciate and feel your support.

If you have something special to share with the rest of this wonderful family of the VHF+ world, please let me hear from you. You can email me at 72124.2734@compuserve.com or JoeN6CL@AOL.COM. You can fax me at 405-529-0746. You can also call me at 405-528-6625. I'm looking forward to hearing from you in the near future. Until next month . . .

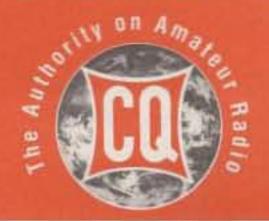
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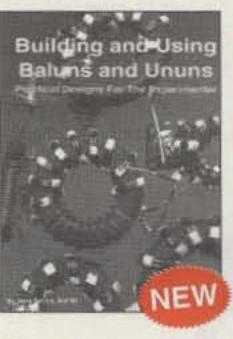


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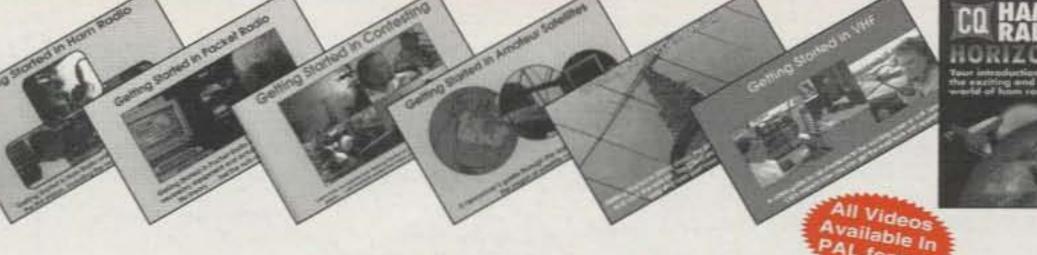
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1995 Contest During Period of Low-Sunspot Activity

Sunspot activity has now declined to a point where Cycle 22 is well into its low phase. A smoothed sunspot count of approximately 20 is expected during the 1995 contest period. This would be seven points lower than the count during last year's contest, and it would be the lowest count during any CQ World-Wide DX Contest held since 1986.

At the time of writing, during early August, a long-range CQ day-to-day forecast based primarily on the 27-day recurrence tendencies of geomagnetic, solar, and ionospheric conditions indicates a high probability of at least Low Normal propagation conditions on October 28, the first day of the SSB contest weekend. There is an increased possibility that a radio storm might occur on October 29th, with generally Low Normal conditions to many areas of the world, but Below Normal conditions to some areas. See the Last-Minute Forecast box at the beginning of this month's column for additional information concerning expected day-today conditions for the entire month of October. An updated day-to-day forecast for the SSB contest weekend will appear as a bulletin at the beginning of next month's column. The November issue of CQ should reach most subscribers before the SSB contest begins.

Sunspot Cycle Activity

LAST-MINUTE F	ORECAST
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Day-to-Day Conditions Expected for October 1995

	Expe	ected Si	gnal Qu	ality
Propagation Index Above Normal: 5, 16, 19,	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
24-25	Α	А	В	С
High Normal: 7-8, 13, 20-21, 23, 26-27	A	в	с	C-D
Low Normal: 1, 4, 6, 9, 14-15, 17-18, 22, 28, 31	в	с	D	D-E
Below Normal: 2-3, 10, 12, 29-30	с	C-D	D-E	E
Disturbed: 11	С	D	E	E

Where expected signal quality is: A-Excellent opening, exceptionally strong, steady signals greater than S9.

- B—Good opening, moderately strong signals varying between S6 and S9, with little fading or noise.
- C—Fair opening, signals between moderately strong and weak, varying between S9 and S6, with some fading and noise.
- D—Poor opening, with weak signals varying between S1 and S3, and with considerable fading and noise.

E-No opening expected.

HOW TO USE THIS FORECAST

- Find propagation index associated with particular band opening from Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages.
- 2. With the propagation index, use the above table to find

DX CONTEST SPECIAL

The 1995 CQ World-Wide DX Contest will be held on the following dates: SSB: 0000 UTC Saturday, Oct. 28 to 2400 UTC Sunday, Oct. 29 CW: 0000 UTC Saturday, Nov. 25 to 2400 UTC Sunday, Nov. 26 For the 45th consecutive year this month's propagation column is devoted to special forecasts and information applicable to both the SSB and CW contest weekends. The accuracy of the forecasts for the previous 44 contests is greater than 90%!

tions were Disturbed for paths crossing the auroral zones.

While a sunspot count of approximately seven points less is expected for the 1995 contest, the difference between the 27 recorded for last year's SSB weekend and the 20 expected this year is not great enough to significantly change overall propagation conditions. In fact, if Mother Nature cooperates this year and there are no radio storms during the 1995 contest periods, conditions this year can even be somewhat better than last year. If such will be the case, expect contest scores to be quite similar to last year's scores; 14 MHz should continue to be the band in which the highest scores should be possible, and there is a good possibility that higher than last year's scores will be possible on all bands this year, particularly for the 7, 3.8, and 1.8 MHz bands. If you plan to participate in the 1995 World-Wide DX Contest, the DX propagation charts and other information appearing in this month's column are designed to help you stay sharp and informed, and to make the best use of the ionosphere for piling up as many contacts and points as possible, despite the present period of low sunspot activity.

The Royal Observatory of Belgium reports a monthly mean count of 16 for June 1995. This results in a smoothed sunspot number of 26 centered on December 1994. The cycle has remained relatively constant between a count of 26 and 27 for five consecutive months.

Corresponding values of 10.7 cm solar flux were 76 for June 1995 and a smoothed level of 81 for December 1994. The solar flux levels are those reported by the Dominion Radio Astrophysical Observatory at Penticton, B.C.

Solar Count for 1995 CQ WW DX Contest

The present plateau that Cycle 22 has reached has slowed down its decline. As mentioned previously, a smoothed sunspot number on the order of 20 is now expected during the 1995 World-Wide Contest weekends. A corresponding smoothed 10.7 cm solar flux level of approximately 75 is forecast. By comparison, in 1989, when the present cycle was enjoying peak activity, the level during the Contest period approached 159! Table I shows the level of solar activity recorded during past *CQ* World-Wide DX Contest periods since 1983, as well as predicted solar activity through 1996.

Table II demonstrates how solar activity can influence scores during the World-Wide DX Contest. A comparison is made for the average of the top three scores in the US single op-

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the expected signal quality associated with the band opening for any date of the month. For example, an opening shown in the charts with a *propagation index* of 3 will be fair (C) on October 1, fair-to-poor (C-D) on the 2nd and 3rd, fair (C) on the 4th, excellent (A) on the 5th, etc. Fair (C) is forecast for October 28 during the 1995 World-Wide DX SSB Contest, and fair-to-poor (C-D) on the 29th.

erator category, for all bands, and for each individual band, for the 1989 SSB Contest when the sunspot count was near a peak of 157 and for the 1994 SSB Contest when a smoothed sunspot number of 27 was recorded. Note the considerable reduction in All Band scores, and the drastic reduction in 28 and 21 MHz scores with low sunspot activity. On the other hand, the reduction in scores for 14 MHz is relatively small, and there is a drastic *increase* in scores for 7, 3.8, and 1.8 MHz.

Mother Nature did not cooperate during the 1994 contest weekends. Radio storms of up to moderate intensity took place during both the SSB and CW weekends, dropping propagation conditions to Low and Below Normal to most areas of the world, and at times condi-

General Conditions, Band By Band

The following is a band-by-band summary of DX propagation conditions normally expected from mid-October through mid-December, and centered on the contest periods.

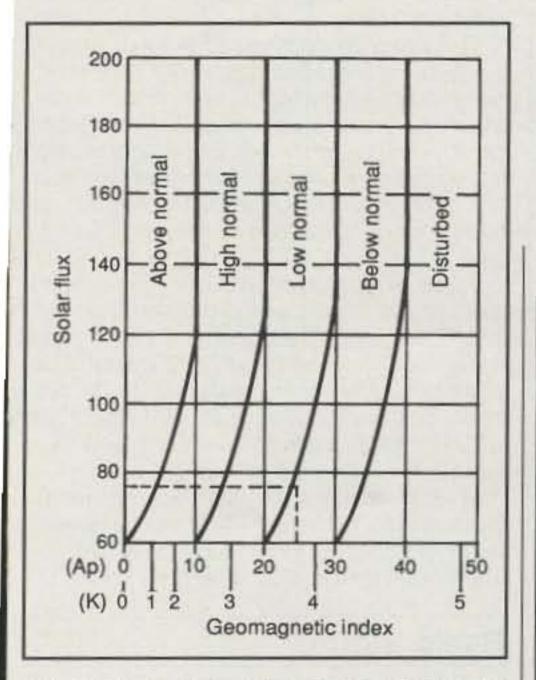
10 Meters: With the bottom of the present sunspot cycle slowly approaching, very few DX openings are expected on this band. During High or Above Normal conditions look for

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Oct.	68	29	17	13	44	125	158	142	138	74	41	27	20*	9*
Nov.	67	24	17	15	47	130	157	142	142	76	45	26	20*	9*

Table I– Smoothed sunspot levels recorded during CQ World-Wide DX Contest periods since 1983. An * indicates predicted values.

All Bands 4,702,960	27 Derator Scores*	(%)
All Bands 4,702,960		
	2 107 400	
	3,187,480	-32
28 MHz 892,861	83,569	-91
21 MHz 682,630	260,285	-62
14 MHz 615,666	526,420	-14
7 MHz 74,978	194,208	+260
3.8 MHz 26,796	143,475	+536
1.8 MHz 3,365	9,850	+29

Table II- Comparison of single US operator scores for CQ World-Wide DX SSB Contest weekends during high sunspot activity (1989) and low solar activity (1994).



afternoon and early evening. During these peak periods, 20 meters should be the optimum band for DX, with openings usually characterized by strong signal levels. When conditions are Below Normal, 20 meter openings should be fewer in number, of shorter duration, and with weaker signal levels. In general, how-

ever, the band should hold up for some DX openings during all but Disturbed conditions.

40 Meters: The band is expected to open during the late afternoon hours, and remain open for DX to one area of the world or another until shortly after sunrise. Look for openings to Europe and Africa from an hour or so before sundown to about midnight in the MST and PST time zones, and to at least 2 AM in the CST and EST zones. Good openings towards Central and South America should be possible throughout most of the hours of darkness. Openings towards the South Pacific and the Far East are expected to peak during a two-hour period before sunrise. During most of the hours of darkness, 40 meters should be the optimum band for DX propagation. When conditions are Below Normal or Disturbed, openings will be spotty and considerably fewer in number.

80 Meters: DX propagation conditions are generally at their best on this band during periods of low solar activity. Some fairly good 80 meter DX openings are expected to several areas of the world during the hours of darkness and the sunrise period. When propagation conditions are Normal, signal levels should be strong on many openings. Even during Below



Fig. 1- Intersection of given values of solar flux and geomagnetic activity determine expected HF ionospheric propagation conditions. (Example: Solar flux is 75 and Ap is 25: therefore, expect Below Normal conditions.)

some openings towards Africa and Europe before noon, towards Central and South America from a few hours before until a few hours afternoon, and towards the South Pacific during the afternoon.

15 Meters: Fifteen meters should be a fairly good band during most of daylight hours. When conditions are Normal, the band should open to many areas of the world from shortly after sunrise through the late afternoon. Signals from Europe and Africa should peak an hour or two before noon, while signals from Central and South America, the Far East, and the South Pacific should peak during the late afternoon. During Below Normal or Disturbed conditions, 15 meter openings will be spotty and of very short duration, if possible at all.

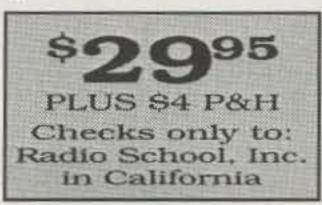
20 Meters: This is again expected to be the "backbone" band during the contest. During Normal conditions good DX openings are expected to almost every corner of the world sometime between sunrise and the early evening hours. Conditions should peak for a few hours after sunrise and again during the late

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Normal or Disturbed periods there is a fairly good chance that some DX openings may be possible during the hours of darkness. Expect conditions normally to peak around midnight for openings towards Europe and Africa, after midnight and before sunrise for openings towards Central and South America, and just before sunrise for openings towards the South Pacific and the Far East.

160 Meters: With longer hours of darkness, DX conditions on this band should improve. While DX conditions may not be as good on 40 and 80 meters, look for openings to many areas of the world during the hours of darkness and the sunrise period. Because of power limitations in force on this band in many areas of the world, signals are likely to be weak and noisy, especially on phone. The best time for 160 meter DX is when a path is in complete darkness. Within this period conditions often peak just as the sun begins to rise at the easterly point on the path. The best forecaster for 160 meter DX (and 40 and 80 meters, as well) is a set of sunrise and sunset tables. For example, if the sun is expected to rise at 0700 GMT in western Europe, then this would be the best time to look for 160 meter openings between western Europe and the USA, plus or minus a half hour. Conditions on 80 meters can often also serve as an indicator for 160 meter openings. The band will often open at the same time 80 meters seems to peak on a particular path. With these tips and some patience, it should be possible to work many DX areas of the world on 160 meters during the contest.

WARC Bands

While the WARC bands are not yet included in



the World-Wide DX Contest, expect 12 meter openings during the same time periods as shown for 10 meters, but with this band opening a bit more frequently than 10 meters. Seventeen meters should behave much as shown for 15 meters. Openings on 30 meters should resemble 40 meter openings during local sunrise and sunset times, but the band is expected to open less frequently than 40 meters during the hours of darkness.

Contest Work Plans

The DX Propagation Charts on the following pages show the times when each amateur band from 10 through 160 meters is expected to open for DX from the United States to the major areas of the world. Instructions for the proper use of these charts are given elsewhere in this column.

This information contained in the charts can easily be reorganized into more convenient types of operational work plans, or schedules, which can serve as valuable propagation guides during the contest. Experience gained during previous contests has shown that such plans can be extremely useful in piling up contacts and points with a minimum of wasted time.

Table III is an example of one of several types of plans that can be devised. For each three-hour period throughout the day it shows the areas of the world to which 20 meter propagation conditions are expected to be optimum. Only those openings shown in the charts with a propagation index of (2) or higher were used in compiling this plan.

A western USA QTH has been chosen for this example, but similar plans can be devised for other locations, for other bands or for multiband operation, and for other time spans.

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Radio Storms

The forecasts discussed in this column are based on normal propagation conditions expected with a sunspot level in the mid-20s. If actual conditions during the contest turn out to be above normal, DX openings on 10, 15, and 20 meters are likely to be somewhat better than shown in the charts. On the other hand, if Mother Nature should play a trick and produce a radio storm during the contest period, expect conditions to drop to Below Normal or Disturbed to many areas of the world, depending on the storm's severity. The storm's influence will generally extend outward from the polar regions, the more severe the storm becomes. Under storm conditions expect considerably fewer openings on 10, 15, and 20 meters, with weaker signals, increased fading, flutter fading, and higher noise levels. Paths passing through the polar regions and the upper latitudes are often more adversely affected than signals coming from mid and lower latitudes.

Conditions on 40, 80, and 160 meters are likely to become erratic as well. During certain types of storms conditions may actually improve at times for openings on all bands towards southern and tropical areas, and on 40, 80, and 160 meters during the hours of darkness.

If a radio storm should develop, concentrate on working trans-polar paths on 10, 15, and 20 meters during the daylight hours. Check the 40, 80, and 160 meter bands for possible open-

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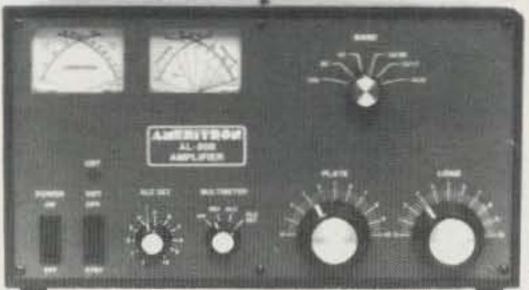
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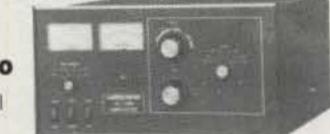
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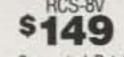
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2. The predicted times of openings are found under the appropriate meter band column (15 through 80 meters) for a particular DX region, as shown in the left-hand column of the charts. An * indicates the best time to listen for 160 meter openings. An ** indicates best time to check for 10 meter openings.

The propagation index is the number that appears in () after the time of each predicted opening. The index indicates the number of days during the month on which the opening is expected to take place as follows:

- (4) Opening should occur on more than 22 days
- (3) Opening should occur between 14 and 22 days
- (2) Opening should occur between 7 and 13 days
- Opening should occur on less than 7 days

Refer to the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this column for the actual dates on which an opening with a specific propagation index is likely to occur, and the signal quality that can be expected.

Times shown in the charts are in the 24-hour system. where 00 is midnight; 12 is noon; 01 is 1 A.M.; 13 is 1 P.M., etc. Appropriate standard time is used, not GMT. To convert to GMT, add to the times shown in the appropriate chart 8 hours in PST Zone, 7 hours in MST Zone, 6 hours in CST Zone, and 5 hours in EST Zone. For example, 13 hours in Washington, D.C. is 18 GMT. When it is 20 hours in Los Angeles, it is 04 GMT, etc.

5. The charts are based upon a transmitted power of 250 watts CW, or 1 kw, PEP on sideband, into a dipole antenna a guarter-wavelength above ground on 160 and 80 meters. and a half-wavelength above ground on 40 and 20 meters, and a wavelength above ground on 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 dB gain above these reference levels, the propagation index will increase by one level; for each 10 dB loss, it will lower by one level.

Propagation data contained in the charts has been prepared from basic data published by the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado 80302.

October 15–December 15, 1995 Time Zone: EDT (24-Hour Time) EASTERN USA TO:

Reception Area	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80 Meters
Western & Central Europe & North Africa	09-11 (1)	08-09 (1) 09-11 (3) 11-12 (2) 12-13 (1)	06-07 (1) 07-08 (2) 08-09 (4) 09-11 (3) 11-13 (4) 13-14 (3) 14-15 (2) 15-17 (1)	16-17 (1) 17-18 (2) 18-20 (3) 20-02 (2) 02-03 (3) 03-04 (2) 04-05 (1) 19-21 (1)* 21-23 (2)* 23-02 (3)* 02-03 (2)* 03-04 (1)*
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Eastern & Central Africa	10-13 (1)	08-12 (1) 12-14 (2) 14-15 (1)	07-13 (1) 13-15 (2)	20-01 (1) 22-00 (1)*

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		13-14 (2)	17-18 (2)	19-22 (1)*
		14-15(1)	18-19(1)	10-22 (1)
		14-12(1)	22-00(1)	
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Central	Nii	09-11(1)	07-08(1)	05-07(1)
& South		17-19(1)	08-10 (2)	18-21 (1)
Asia			10-12(1)	05-07 (1)
1			19-21 (1)	18-20 (1)
Southeast	Nil	17-19(1)	07-08(1)	05-07(1)
Asia			08-10 (2)	18-20 (1)
			10-13(1)	05-07 (1)
			18-21 (1)	
Far East	Nil	16-17 (1)	07-08(1)	04-08(1)
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		18-19(1)	10-11(1)	05-07 (1)
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			19-21 (2)	
			21-22(1)	
South	12-16(1)	12-14 (1)	06-07 (1)	23-00 (1)
Pacific	12-10(1)	14-15 (2)	07-08 (2)	00-02 (2)
& New		15-16 (3)	08-09 (3)	
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		18-19 (1)	17-20(1)	05-07 (2)
			20-23 (2)	07-08(1)
			23-01 (1)	
Caribbean,	08-09(1)	07-08(1)	00-06(1)	18-19 (1)
Central	09-13 (2)	08-09 (2)	06-07 (2)	19-21 (3)
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Time PST	Areas to which openings should be optimum	AN				
00-03	No openings expected with a propagation index of (2) or higher. Some (1) open- ings should be possible to South America, South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia, but this means conditions should be High Normal or better. This is a good time to catch up on some sleep.	Model 50 MHz- 0503G	Pin (W) 1-5	Pout (W) 10-50	lc ((A) (Sain/NF dB) (dB) 15/0.6
03-06	About the same as the previous block.	0508G 0508R 0510G 0510R	1 10 10	170 170 170 170	25	15/0.6
06-09	Should open in just about every direction: Europe, North Africa, Eastern Mediter- ranean and Middle East, most of Asia and the Far East, Pacific Islands, New Zealand, Australasia, the Caribbean, Central America, and most of South America. This is the period in which to rack up points.	0550G 0550RH 0552G 0552RH 144 MHz	5-10 5-10 25-40 25-40	375° 375	60 60 55	15/0.6 -/- 15/0.6 -/-
09-12	About the same as previous period, but signals getting weaker and openings falling off.	1403G 1406G 1409G 1409R 1410G	1-5 25 2 10	10-50 100 150 150 160		15/0.6 15/0.6 15/0.6 -/- 15/0.6
12-15	Western and southern Europe, most of Africa, most of the Caribbean, Central America, and the northern countries of South America.	1410R 1412G 1412R 1450G 1450RH	10 25-45 25-45 5	160 160 160 350 350	24 20 19 56 56	-/- 15/0.6 -/- 15/0.6 -/-
15-18	All of the Caribbean, Central America and South America, most of Africa, the Pacific Islands and New Zealand, the Far East.	1452G 1452RH 1454G 1454RH	25 25 50-100 50-100	350 350 350 350 350 350	50 50	15/0.6 -/- 15/0.6 -/-
18-21	Another peak period, and a good time in which to increase scores. Most of Asia including the Far East; the Pacific Islands, New Zealand, and Australasia; Caribbean, Central and South America, but falling off; Antarctica.	220 MHz 2203G 2210G 2210R 2212G	1-5 10 10	10-40 130 130 130	6 20 19 16	14/0.7 14/0.7
21-00	South Pacific, New Zealand and Australasia, much of South America, Antarctica. A propagation index (1) opening to Europe and Africa.	2212R 2250G 2250RH 2252G 2252RH 2252RH 2254G	30 30 5 25 25 75	130 220 250 220 250 250 220	15 40 40 36 36 32	+ 14/0.7 + 14/0.7 + 14/07
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Fig. 1 can be used with the updated values of geomagnetic activity (Ap or K figures) and the latest reading of solar flux available from SESC to determine real-time day-to-day conditions in terms of Disturbed, Below Normal, Low Normal, High Normal, or Above Normal. If you do not have a modem-equipped computer, the latest geomagnetic and solar flux of Standards Radio Station WWV broadcasts at 18 minutes past each hour. These broadcasts are transmitted simultaneously on 2.5, 5, 10, 15, and 20 MHz. They contain the latest available geomagnetic Ap and K figures, as well as the 10.7 cm solar flux level and shortterm forecast of expected conditions. The same information can be obtained at any time by calling 303-497-3235 (collect calls will not be accepted).

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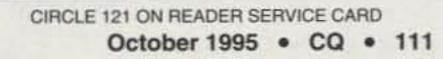
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Auroral activity usually increases during October, and some corresponding auroral-scatter-type and sporadic-EVHF openings can be expected during periods of such activity. The best days to check are those which are expected to be either Below Normal or Disturbed on the HF bands. See the Last-Minute Forecast at the beginning of this column for the days in October that are forecast to be in these categories.

Computer Programs

There are several good computer programs available for supplementing band-opening predictions contained in the CQ DX Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages. Many of these have been reviewed on a regular basis by my CQ colleague Karl Thurber, W8FX, in his excellent monthly column "Antennas & Accessories."

The following is a listing of the more popular programs. All of them contain band opening data. Most of them also contain grayline data, sunset/sunrise times, distance, great-circle bearings, and other useful information. All of the listed programs are well prepared, menudriven, relatively easy to use, and well documented.

Super DX Edge[™]—Computerized version in color for IBM compatibles. Also available in a large plastic slide rule version. Reviewed by Karl Thurber on page 60 in his August 1995 column. For a free flyer, contact Xantek, P.O. Box 834, Madison Square Station, New York, NY 10159. Tel: 212-566-8240

Ham Companion[™]—For IBM compatibles. Version 3.0 updated and revised. New color graphics for EGA and VGA. Calculates band openings for all locations; shows sunrise and sunset times, grayline moving around the world and displays great-circle paths, showing azimuth and distance, and more. Predictions and forecasts can be updated with WWV sunspot numbers and solar flux levels. See W8FX's review on page 83 of May 1994 CQ. For more information contact Brinson Micro-



ware Corp., 114 S.E. 4th Street, Mooreland, OK 73852, or call 1-800-874-0771.

MINIPROP Plus[™]—Version V2.0 is the latest upward revised version of a very popular HF propagation program for IBM compatibles. Predicts received signal levels and all other propagation parameters for any location. Maps display great-circle path and grayline in full color. Also contains comprehensive world atlas with coordinates, and lists beam headings from given QTH. Reviewed in "Antennas & Accessories" column on page 80, July 1994 CQ. For more details contact Sheldon C. Shal-Ion, W6EL, 11058 Queensland Street, Los Angeles, CA 90034-3029.

IONSOUND PRO™—This is an updated version of the very popular IONSOUND™ propagation program developed by Jake Handwerker, W1FM. It is a sophisticated ionospheric prediction program for IBM PCs and compatibles. It is well documented, and user friendly menu driven. It produces tabular or graphic frequency opening times and data between any two locations, as well as greatcircle distance and bearing data. The program permits comparing data for up to twelve smoothed sunspot numbers or solar flux levels. The program has been reviewed by W8FX on page 66 of the March 1994 issue of CQ. Additional information can be obtained for ION-SOUND.PRO and several other propagation programs from Skywave Technologies, 17 Pine Knoll Road, Lexington, MA 02173.

Three propagation programs are now available for radio amateur use of IBM PCs and compatibles that were formerly only available for professional use. They are CAPMAN™. ASAPS™, and PROPMAN™.

CAPMAN[™]—Stands for Computer Assisted Prediction Manager. The program utilizes the sophisticated model of the ionosphere used in the IONCAP program. IONCAP is one of the world's standards used by professional engineers and scientists for propagation predictions and analyses. CAPMAN was developed by Don Lucas, WØOMI, one of the original developers of ONCAP, and Jim Tabor, KU5S, to overcome the shortcomings of ION-CAP, for PC use by radio amateurs. While the IONCAP program for PC use was made available to the general public by the U.S. Government, it was difficult to learn, had very little documentation, and was cumbersome to use. CAPMAN, on the other hand, is well documented, user friendly menu driven, and gives very accurate results. The choices of output include maximum usable frequency (MUF), frequency of optimum transmission (FOT), signal-tonoise (S/N) ratio, circuit reliability, service probability, angles of takeoff and arrival, field strength, modes of propagation, great-circle distance and bearing, and more. The 32-bit program requires an 80386 or higher microprocessor, and a math co-processor is recommended to speed up results. The program also contains a large assortment of antenna data that can be used in the calculations. Karl Thurber reviewed CAPMAN on page 83 in the May 1994 issue of CQ. Additional information is available from Don Lucas, 2900 Valmont Road, Suite H, Boulder, CO 80301, or telephone 303-494-4647. ASAPS™—This is another world-wide standard propagation prediction and analyses program used by professionals, and recently made available for general PC use. The program stands for Advanced Stand Alone Pre-

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diction System, and was developed by the IPS Radio and Space Services of the Australian government. This program uses a different but equally sophisticated model of the ionosphere than does CAPMAN, but the results from both programs are similar. While CAPMAN provides a great deal more data, ASAPS is a much faster program to use, but a 80386 microprocessor and a math coprocessor are still highly recommended. CAPMAN is presently available at approximately one-third the price of ASAPS. For more information see W8FX's review on page 60 in the April, 1994 issue of CQ, or write directly to Jacques d'Avignon, VE3VIA, 965 Lincoln Drive, Kingston, ON, Canada K7M 4Z3, or call him at (613) 634-1519.

PROPMAN™—This program has been newly released by Rockwell/Collins as the Collins HF Propagation Software. It claims to be an easy-to-use frequency propagation and management tool, supported by the Collins heritage of quality HF development. It utilizes the IONCAP propagation program, and offers customization of station parameters, displays current best frequency and propagating frequency as well as 24 hour plots. Data can be updated with SESC or WWV geomagnetic and solar data. Requires 286 or higher, math coprocessor, DOS 3.2 or higher, and color EGA or VGA monitor and graphics card. Additional information can be obtained from Rockwell, 350 Collins Rd. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52498-0120 (800-321-2223).

The listing of the above products does not necessarily indicate an endorsement by the editor of this column. Additional information and prices should be obtained directly from the program producers.

The newly released *The New Shortwave Propgation Handbook* can make an excellent companion during the 1995 World-Wide DX Contest. It contains a considerable amount of additional information concerning propagation, radio storms, do-it-yourself forecasting, and computer propagation programs. The useful information it contains for more effectively using the shortwave or high-frequency spectrum could add considerably to your final score. Copies can be obtained directly from *CQ* by calling toll free 1-800-853-9797, or from your local book dealer. The price is \$19.95, plus \$4 s/h and taxes where applicable.

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Experience from the past 44 contest years has shown that DX contests are excellent periods in which to test the accuracy of prediction and forecast methods used in this column. Contests generate a large amount of activity in every corner of the world and on all HF bands. Previous results and observations have helped considerably in improving the accuracy of this column. Comments concerning the 1995 contest and the accuracy of these forecasts and predictions would be apreciated, and should be sent directly to W3ASK at P.O. Box 1714, Silver Spring, MD 20915. Good luck in the contest!

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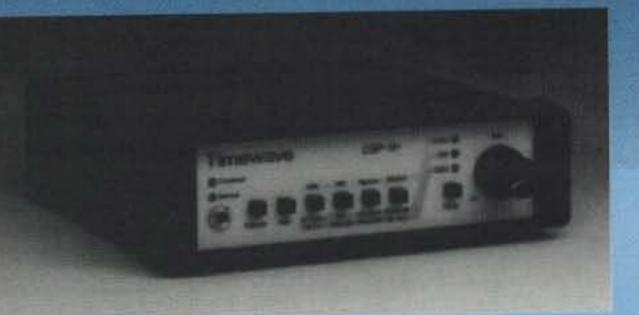
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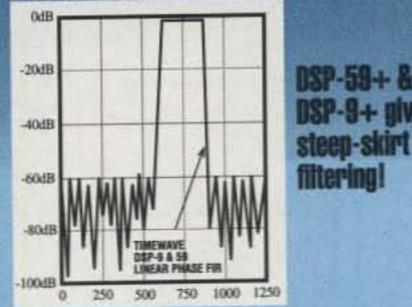


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	KØRF	1,932,678
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hope to even have more and faster checking procedures. I found very interesting the fact that about 55-60% of the different calls in the data base are almost certainly mis-copied calls-i.e., errors! Almost every real call generates a whole string of look alikes. I thought I worked JT7AS on 20 meters, but he had it as K3ES in his log at the exact right time. K3ES, K3EV are just some combinations. You get the idea. The only call with no variations was 4U1ITU. If you submit a computer log, you should submit a disk containing your files. File name examples are (use your call): CT send CT1BOH.BIN; N6TR send DL6RAI.DAT; NA send S5ØA.QDF. If you use another program, send a file per band of calls in chronological order in ASCII. If you are lucky enough to be a potential top score, you must submit a disk as per the rules. If you do not, you will not be eligible for

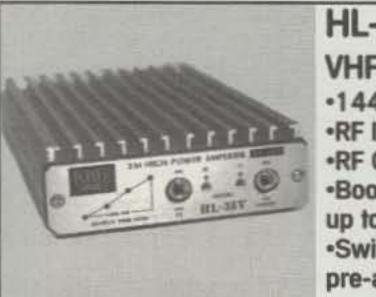
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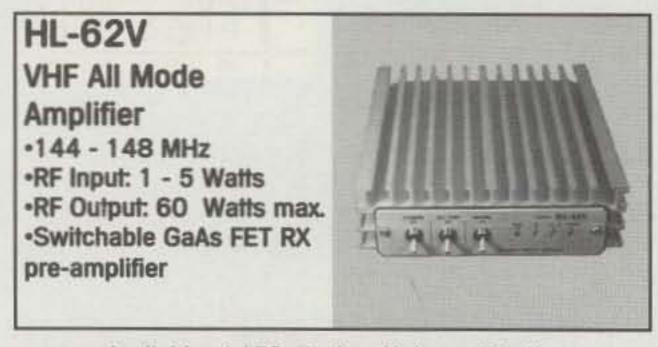


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4	K5MR	2,021,940	24	VS6WO	5,983,476
5	K5ZD/1	4,037,408	25	JH5FXP	2,389,920
6	XE1/AA6RX	1,331,323	26	HSØZBI	1,218,114
7	TI5NW	949,390	27	DX1EA	3,766,896
8	KP2/WJ2O	3,776,500	28	9M8X	5,390,300
9	P4ØF	12,393,150	29	VK8TM	3,475,170
10	HC8N	10,181,750	30	VK1FF	774,750
11	PYØFF	10,778,990	31	KH6/N6HR	1,711,97
12	3G1X	4,139,394	32	ZL3GQ	672,612
13	LU1EWL	530,612	33	EA8EA	12,805,040
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16	UT2QT	2,531,613	36	9X5EE	4,014,270
17	EY8MM	1,184,622	37	5X1XT	1,461,76
18	RWØAB	843,483	38	ZS6EZ	5,322,790
19	UAØFZ	807,128	39	3B8/F6HWU	959,10
20	H2ØA	7,467,174	40	JWØI	1,054,596

awards. We had to type into the computer many logs this year. We do not like to do this at all. It wastes our time and introduces our typos. So give us your disks. Thanks!

Remember that IG/IH count as a new multiplier as of this October's contest. There are also some rule changes pertaining to the use of two calls at one QTH. In a nut shell, the new rule says that another call other than the entrant's can be used to aid any submitted score. You can still check into packet, etc., using your call. That's no problem. This rule applies most germanely to the multi categories.

There are two reflectors on internet which you might find of interest. The Youth reflector is set up under the CQ WW as a reflector for young contesters age 25 and under. Some discussions have been very interesting. The Club reflector is open to any radio club in the world. Just send a message to K3EST@netcom.com to find out more about both of them.

Thanks To The Committee

This was an especially strenuous year for log checkers. Computers do not make for less work. They create more. So let's take our hats off to the guys who helped certify the results published herein: K6NA, W7EJ, KRØY, W9RE, WA8YVR, WR3G, K3UA, W3ZZ, K1DG, N3ED, W2RQ, N6ZZ, N2AA, KR2Q, KR2J, KZ2S, and CT1BOH. Thanks to all our DX advisors who in several cases helped resolve very difficult problems: I2UIY, S5ØA, G3SXW, OH2KI, OH2MM, JE1CKA, ON6TT, VE3EJ, CT1BOH, and DL6RAI. Thanks to our special advisor K3ZO, WN4KKN for making our life easier via internet, and N8BJQ who provides WPX

advice. A big bow to N6TR for keeping up with our ever-changing computer software demands. Thanks to K1AR for the trophy and certificate mailings.

A hero of the republic medal goes to N6AA, who spent countless hours pouring over the data and on the phone with K3EST to make the data as perfect as we could make it.

Congratulations to all the winners and participants! See you in October and November 1995.

73, Bob, K3EST

DX QRM

Always a great pleasure to QRV in CQ WW! . . . UA3AGW. Thanks for two new ones on 80 meters UAØSR. Hope to join you agn next year. Age here 78 ... PA3BEJ. No propagation, heavy power line noise, no time for contesting, but I love the CQ WW! ... LU7DW. Lots of fun! Pile-ups with low power were tremendous on 15 meters ... OD5/OH1NOA. Thanks for making the 100W category. One doesn't have to compete with the kilowatts ... OK1CZ. Sri dear N6T. QRM was too big on 3.5. Try agn next year ... YL2SM. My arch rival VE6BMX on computer-I on all manual took him to the cleaners VG6BF. I had a great time! Doubled my score from last year and finally broke the 1000 QSO mark for a single contest. My next goal is 1500+ QSOs! ..., VK1FF.

Learning more about contesting each time I enter. With regard to multipiers I keep this simple philosophy in life: The important thing is to keep the important thing ... VK4/CU. My apologies to all for my fumbling attempt at CW. I have been phone contesting since 1970, but this was my first CW contest. Unfortunately it was fun, so I have another addiction to feed, Hi! ... VK5GN. Thanks to flight changes, vacation limitations, and no meaningful planning, I am pleased to offer my entry of one QSO. A new

record for me, but one for which there is only one direction for the future! VK8/N3JT. Pre-contest preparation on Friday consisted of a couple of hours at the beach, wondering if we should ever go back to the shack. We ran on adrenaline all weekend. Had a blast and wouldn't hesitate doing it again . . . VP2EZA.

Worked a few on 10 meters at last, but missed the low bands. Wish the contest would last a week! VU2PTT. My first serious contest. Wow! 686 QSO with 5W into a R7 is not bad, isn't true? ... IK2LEY. Many thanks for my first contest. It was very very good to me . . . IT9ORA. As usual only had time to pick some plums out of the pudding. But what a delicious pudding . . . SM6BZE. First time in a contest. There is much to do to become better next year, but it was a real pleasure ..., DK8NX. Condx were much better than predicted. Some nice 5 band QSOs. YKØ was a fish in a barrel. Got called by R1FJL on 160 DL2HBX. It's getting tougher every year with my small setup, but it was FUN as usual! Congrats to some US ops; they must be able to hear the grass grow! . . . DL2OBF.

Great cndx on 10 for a sunspot minimum ... 4X1/F. It was great fun. Hope everyone enjoyed contacting zone 36 and 9X ... 9X5EE (Opr PA3DZN). 28 MHz had been dead all week. It was open from sunrise to after sunset while the contest was on. It takes the CO WW to bring it to life ... EA6ZY. I never had such good personal results. Things very fine, good propagation, good DXers . . . ER5GB. I was so surprised to be heard in the pile-ups with ny vertical antenna that I forgot my call. Hi Hi ... F5JOT. Low power contesting is more and more challenging. But I like it (and so do my neighbors) . . . F6DSV. With my age (88 years) I still participate. First QSO April 1925 ... F8TM. Hope that Loyalties Island are now in all the logs FKØP (Opr F6AUS).

My first CW contest. Very exciting! Will be there next year ... FK8FU. On Sunday a patch of ionosphere seemed to move across the globe allowing me to make the most of the contest by bouncing sigs off it. It was great to really wrk hard with the 100W. 73

Travelling Ham Show Takes Amateur Radio on the Road

Ed Hammond, WN1I, is doing what so many of us have only dreamed of doing. He's hitting the road with Amateur Radio to spread the word that this is a great hobby. Beginning in September, Ed will visit fourteen cities presenting seminars and demonstrations of Amateur Radio. In cooperation with Ham dealers at each stop, Ed will demo how it all works, and tell what it takes to join the ranks of licensed Hams. The entire expense for the tour is being borne by Ed.

Formerly the North American Sales Manager Amateur Products for Cushcraft Corp., Ed is an accomplished professional public speaker who has had an unabashed love affair with Amateur Radio for 25 years. He is also the author of a new book on the hobby, "Ham Radio-Your Ticket To Worldwide Adventure." While the tour is aimed at spread-



Ed Hammond, WN11 (center), talks to some future Hams at a warm-up seminar session.

ing the word to folks who know nothing about Ham Radio, this might be the chance you've been looking for to get a non-Ham spouse or acquaintance in your hobby. Contact the dealer in your location for exact seminar sites and times. Here's the tour schedule:

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Tom put SMØCNS/DU7 in lots of logs.

and tks for the best test of the year ... G4OBK. 88's to XYL for letting me put in the time so close to SSB test ... GM4BVJ.

USA QRM

My favorite contest. Always fun, even from W5 during sunspot minimum K5MR. VK8TM on 14070 kHz with 10 minutes to go was a good zone 29 catch! K7ABV. Trailer parked about 100 yards from shack loaded with dynamite and blasting caps! K8OQL. VS6WO and KHØAM on 160 meters-Wow! KØCS. Forty meters sounds more and more like 20! Was open to Europe or Asia 20 hours a day ... W1FEA/6. Operating time 20 hours. Operator's endurance = 1 hour! . . . W2PAU, While mowing lawn forgot the 80 meter wire was in the grass! Riding mower cut it into multiple 2 meter antennas, so didn't get to operate 80 . . . W4PLL. Wow! Fine conditions considering low sun spots. Was able to work a surprising number of JA's on 20 and 15! Good thing it was cold out, as my shack had electric heater working (3-500z's) . . . K1JKS. You should have a contest just for the little pistols-too much competition against the "big pistols" K2JF. Kids home for Thanksgiving, but got some time in anyway K2NV. Passing kidney stone half way through contest-that's all she wrote! K2SWZ. This was the best I have ever done in a DX contest. I usually get in to just wrk a few stations, but this year I set a goal of 50 stations. I run only 5 watts with a 6Y6 final tube. I'm glad that you do not use serial numbers in your contest. That way I don't get discouraged when I hear those high power guys . . . K3WWP. Was surprised to have VK9NS answer my CQ . . . K4RZ. 100 watts to a vertical makes this a challenging contest K4XG. Low dipoles stink. Still trying to get zoning ordinance changed . . . K6LRN. Had a great time. Conditions seemed fair and good activity ... K6SG. Great low-band conditions before the coronal hole arrived Saturday ... K9MA. Achieved goal of at least 25 QSO's per band except 160 for first CW contest from my rural QTH KA2CDJ. In the face of low solar activity, I worked more stations, zones, and countries with only 4 watts! KA6SGT. It was fun as usual and provided some new band countries. Missed SU2MT on 80 again for one of the last needed zones ... KB4GID. Had a great time in this contest. My age is only 11, but I have my General. I will be in the contest again next year with a higher score due to a new 70 foot tower ... KB8SUZ. In a pinch used 40 meter beam on 15. Better than nothing KG4W.

Best signal on the bands: VP5VW. A very classy operation. Best DX worked was 9G5AA. Best DX missed ZA on 20 which would have been an all time new one KI4HN. I am 17 years old and this is my first time in the contest. Worked RUØLL on 40. I had never worked DX on 40 before that QSO ... KJ7EJ. It's always great to hear so many familar calls and operators . . . KK4SM. Had a blast, discovered some strange propagation quirks, surpassed my goal. What more can anyone ask? Thanks to the faithful JA crowd for some really FUN runs! ... KN6EL. Five watts from "black hole" of northern Minnesota = last in pileups . . . KRØB (AF9T). Poor conditions. No Europe Saturday. Wind and rain static Sunday. Amazed to score what I did. Then there is always next year . . . KV8Q. My first time in CQ WW contest. Spent more time on report than operating W2LRO. First time tried computer logging ..., W2TZ. Conditions were so bad on Saturday evening that I took time out to listen to the Lawrence Welk program on PBS W3VT/4. The DX opening on 40 was very nice. The patience of some DX operators was remarkable W4PBG. I really enjoyed low power, as there was a sense of accomplishment to work overseas stations ... W4YN. Greatest thrill was adding 5 new countries to my 80 meter total W5CWQ. Had more contacts than I expected with predicted poor conditions . . . W6BIP. Due to Thanksgiving company, only spent 15 hours in the contest. Hope to do better next year without the company ... W6KFV. 9G5AA on 80 meters! ... W6MVW. I was surprised at the level of activity considering the conditions of late. Turned out to be a FB contest W6NKR. Was able to squeeze in only a few minutes of operating this year. Oh well! W6ZH. Pet peeve: DX stations that don't identify for several minutes ... W7IIT. First CQ WW ever. Great fun despite poor conditions. Twelve new countries for me. K7NPN made me do it! ... W7JHS. Forty meter QRP is tough, but after a few no QSO's in the first 7 hours, a complete check revealed that the RIT was on. That's frustration! ... W8QZA/6. Having my grandson, N9RIT, post a better score than me. Hi . . . W9LNQ.

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FT-1000 HF Transceiver	0 22	FT-5100 Dual Band Mobile	FT-736R Multimode V/UHF Base	REC		FRG-100 Receiver
DATATADE	Model	Applications	Mast Size	Rotator Size	Pre-sets	Wind Load
ROTATORS	G-450XL	Light/Medium-duty	11/4-2 inches	121/2"H x 71/2" Dia.	No	10 Sq. Ft.
121	G-800S \$25 OFF	Medium-duty	11/2-21/2 inches	121/2"H x 71/2" Dia.	No	17 Sq. Ft.
ATT . 1937	G-800SDX \$25 OFF	Medium-duty	11/2-21/2 inches	121/2"H x 71/2" Dia.	Yes	17 Sq. Ft.
	G-1000SDX \$25 OFF	Heavy-duty	11/2-21/2 inches	121/2"H x 71/2" Dia.	Yes	23 Sq. Ft.
	G-2800SDX \$25 OFF	Extra Heavy-duty	17/8-21/2 inches	135/8"H x 8" Dia.	Yes	34 Sq. Ft.
	G-5400B \$25 OFF	Azimuth-Elevation Rotator combination	11/2-21/2 inches (Boom Dia. 11/4-15/8 in.)	Mounted together 121/2"H x 71/2"Dia.**	No	11 Sq. Ft.
**Rotator size mounted together	G-500A \$25 OFF	Elevation Only	11/2-21/2 inches (Boom Dia. 11/4-15/8 in.)	101/2"H x 71/2"Dia.	No	12 Sq. Ft.

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JE6ZIH: JR6GKT, JF6DEA, JI6BRB, JG4KEZ, JH2ZUN: JI2KGI, JE8KKX. JH8YCT: JJ7FBO, JJ8NHY, JG1UHA, JH8WAH, JJ3YBB: JA3FHL, JA3LHL, JA3PJL, JE3TXA, JF3EIG, JH10RL, JH3FBS, JH3FQF, JI3ERV, JR3RIU, JJ60AA JR1ZTT: JN1MSD, JEBIUZ, JRØXHL, JRØUUU, JEBBKI, JR1LWO, 7L1XCM, JL6MPR, JFØMOX, JT1T: JT1CD, JT1BL, K1AR & K1EA, K1GO. K1KP & WA1S, NB1B, KM1D, K1TR & K1RX, NX1H, N1HFE, K1MNS, K1BG. K3DI & WD4IEH, K8AZ & K8NZ, WT8C, NX8R, NIBL, W8CAR, W8KIC, KQ8M, N8ARD. K8LX & N8EA, WA8ZDT, K9UWA & KC9LA, KR9U, KR9V, KA9A, N9NO. KB1H & KZ1M, K1DW, K1EBY, WA1HYN, AA1CE, NX10. KB3TS & N3KEG. KC1XX & AD1C, KM3T, K1XX, KA1XN, N1RFE, KF2KT & KB2RVD, N2ZAK, RA9USU. KO4EA & WB4PJW, W4XD, WF3L, KS9K & KA9FOX, NB9C, NØBSH, WE9V, WX9E

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ON6VL, ON7ZV. OT4A: ON4AID, ON4AWU, ON4BI, ON4DB, ON5DH, ON5SH, ONSOT, ON6EV, ON6ML, ON6MR, ON7SF, ON7VU.

OT4T: ON4WW, DL1SBR, DJ4AX, DL1VJ, DK7PE, RA3AUU, ON6TT, ON4UN, ON6WU, ON5NT, ON4AAC, ON6KD, ON6HE, ON7UF, ON5UK, ON4AFZ, ON1BEJ, ON4TJ, ON4EJ, ON1ACV, ON1CIK, ON7GB, ON4ANT, Frida, Marlene, Stefan. PA3FHA/P & PA3GKW, PI4ALK: PAØXAW, PA3DLA, PA3CVY, PA3FPA. PI4CC: PA3ALK, PA3BSO, PA3EPD, PBØAIU, PI4DEC: PAØMRG, PAØTUK, PA3AAM, PA3AWW, PA3ERA, PA3FUE, PI4TUE: PA3GFE, PA3GLZ, RKØQ: UAØQDL, UAØQN, UAØQAU, UAØQAS, RK10WZ: UA10Z, UA10SS, UA10MZ, UA10MX, UA10DN, RK9AWN: RA9AA, UA9AR, RAGALC, RAGATW, RAGATU, RAGAX, UAGAU, RAGANR, RAGAEW, RS3A: RA3DUU, RX3AEV, RX3AQL, RX3DAZ, RV3DDZ, RW3DD, ER2CQ, RW3AI, RK3AXX, UR4VJA, UA3-170-79, RW10: UA10M, UA10V, RA10DO, RA10FE, Sivolap, ex-UA9WAL, RW2F; RA2FA, RAØFA, UA2FB, UA2FF, UA2FX, UA2FZ, UA2AD, UA2CY, UA2FBR, UA2FBS, UA2FFX, UA2-125-767

RZ4AYT: UA4-156-1857, UA4AJ, UA4AJY, UA4ALI, BA4AL RZ4PZL: Khmyz, Blinov, Carpenko. RZ6LZL: UA6LP, RA6LFO, RA6LBX. SK1PW: SM1ALH, SM10II, SM1TDE, SK4AO: SM4PEL, SM40TI, SM4HFI, SM4KFIL SM4KSM. SK6AW: SM6CAS, SM6CDG, SM6CVE, SM6DER, SM6EHY, SM6GBM, SM6IQD, SM6LFJ, SM6MGZ, SM6UQJ, SM6VAQ, SK6EL SM6LPF, SM6REA, SM6CMR, SM6DEF, SM6LPG, SM6GDR, SM6TOL SKEWU: SMEASE, SMEKHN, SLOCE: SMEMXO, SMENSJ, SMETXT SPOPKO: SP6EJH, SP6FER, SP6HAO, SP9KRT: SP9HNB, SP9ADU, SP9-1753. TM8A: F5SSG, F50ZF, F5NTV. TM9C: F5IN, F5DF, F5LGE, F6ARC, F6DZS, F6FVY, TU5EV & TU2XZ, UN5G: UN8GO, UN8GJ, UN7GF, UT7W: UR5WCW, UT7WA, UT7WZ, UT7WW. UU4JWI: Retser, Nechitailov, Cherkasov, VE3EJ & VA3DX, VA3EU, VA3NA, VA3RU, VE3CDX, VE6AO: VE6AAV, VE6CIZ, VE6JO, VE6RCI, VE6AMR, VE6EX, VE6KC VE7U: VE7WRA, VE7WNA, N2PNG, VE2QBI, VK4MZ & VK4EMM. VP2MDE: W5ASP, K5GN, VP2MEG, VP2MFH. WØCP & K9AY, N3SL, KCØD. W1CW & W1YL, K1ZX, G4BKI, WB4BBH, K1KNQ, W1XS & WS1K, NU1H. W3GG & WD3I, W4PRO & WB4DNL, W4DHZ, K4IX, W6GO & AA6WJ, KV6H, N6IG, N86G, N6IYS, W66H, W6REC & RAØFC, W9KDX & K9RN, K98G.

KS9W, AA9LX, KF9LB, WA6IET & W2KVA, KO6GA, WE1B: N1KKY, AA1FN, N1JAC, WF1L, KATEUX, WH6R & N6VI/KH6, AH6MZ, WT1T & W01N, WB1ELA, K1MBD, K1TWF, WA1TET, KT10, WN1V, WXØB/5 & NA50, AL7CO, KN5E, AB50Y. YU1AAV: Sasallic, Bozic, Stojiljkovic, Bozic, Aleksic: ZF1A: WA6VNR, W6OSP, K4UVT, K9LA.

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6E2T: NGAZE, NGKI, WGUOF, K9VV, KMGSN, 9A1A: 9A2DO, 9A2HO, 9A2LJ, 9A2MP, 9A2OG, 9A2RA, 9A3GW, 9A3NR, 9A4WW, 9A6ABX, F2CW, Vieko, 9G5AA: G3SXW, GM3YTS, KC7V, K7GE, N7BG, DLØKF: DK7XS, DL3LBX, DJ3UL, DJ6TN, DL2ZT, DF4PA, DK5TI, DK8LV, DJ4FZ, DL8KUA, DK7LN, DF3LZ, DJ9MT, DF6LI, DJ2BV. EM21: UR3/KY, US1/TU, UT2/A, UT2/B, UT2/D UT211, UT21J, UT21M, UT210, UT21Z, F6KJX: F5R0X, F5MLJ, F5MFL HG73DX: HA1AH, HA1DAC, HA1DAE, HA1TJ, HA2RV, HA2RX, HA5AWH HASCCC, HASFM, HASGF, HASIW, HASML, HASOM, HASTI, HASWE HABNE HAGND, HAGNL, HAGND, HAGNY, HAGON, HAGPX, HAGWX, HA7RY, HA7VB IK2VUE & IK2XNW. IR5R: ISESR. IK500E, ISJHW, ISIIG, IU20: IK2ILH. IK2MMF, IK2IKT, IK2OHG, IK2MRZ, IK2OFR, IK2FED, IK2EKY, IK2GAU, IK2RJK, IK2VJF J45T: SV5TH, SV5VR, SV5BYR, SV5BYT, SV5BYV, SVØ/KB4PMS, J77J: K1XM, K01F, AC10, G4WJS, G4WVX, K4BAI, JA1YDU: JHØNZN, JHØLFE, JA9VDA, JF7TFK, JRØJFM, JI2UYK, 7L1DGK, JM1UWB, JJ1CFQ, JQ1QOW, JS1INN, JL7MYL, 7L1ETO, JP1CWU, JJ1DYR, JL2LCE, JA3YKC: JL3MCM, JM3FVL, JG4LSR, JL4CVB, JP3PZD. JA3ZOH: JH3DPB, JH3PRR, JE3MAS, JG3JEW, JG3KIV, JG3MRT, JG3WDN, JI30PA, JM3XKG, JH4IFF, JH4NMT, JH4RHF, JR4ISF, JF4FUF, JK4KSD, JA7YAA: JE1AMC, JF1CKX, JF1SXL JJ1CVH, JM10PR, 7M1JAS, JK7RZN, JL7LYM, JL7MXK, JRØSPG. JH5ZJS: JASBJC, JASFDJ, JASJCC, JASTHU, JRSPDX, JRSVHU. K1KI & K1TO, K1CC, K1ZZ, W10D, AA2Z, K5FUV, K3ANS & N2BIM, WF3H, JH7PKU, N2EA, K3YD, NC3C, N3JGX, N3IYX, K3LR & WR3G, W3YD, K8CX, NA8V, K3KD, WD8IXE K4VX & K4XU, N4CC, K5GD, AA9D, K9BGL, KD9D, KIØW, N9JF, NSØZ KHOAM: JETCKA, AHØK, JATWSX, JFTMIA, JOTRUR, JPTOGL, 7LTGVE, JH1GTV, JF1SDC, JE2JCV, JK3GAD, JE7BIZ, JR7OMD, JA9SSY, KY1H & NT2X, WZ1R, KB1W, KM1P, AA1AS, NY1L, WM1K, NJ1F, WT2Q, W1NG, BA3AKR. KY3N & WB3FIZ, WBFJ, WU3M, WN3K, WB3LFZ, LY7A: LY1DF, LY3DA, LY28DW, LY3BBC, LY2BMX, LY2FN, LY2NK, LYR346, LYR728, LYR1751. N2MM & WB2R, AA2NS, KE3GA, K2TD, WK2G. N2RM & K3UA. W2RO, N2AA, KZ2S, KAZAEV, N2BCC, WM2H, KE2PF, W2GMA, K2TW, KR2J. N6DX & AD6C, N6IC, N6VR, N6RZ, N6RVZ, N8SR, KC6X, WA6CDR, W86SHD NE3F & NT3F, K3ATO, KS3F, NL7G & KL7Y, KL7PJ, KØMVL, KL7U, NL7VJ, KL7AF, KL7DM. OH1AJ: OH1JM, OH1LD, OH1WR. OL7O: OK1AWZ, OK1CF. OK1FKD, OK1JKT, OK1WF, OK1WT, OK1TN, DK2RZ, OK2ZW, OM3TPG. OZ4HAM: OZ2JZ, OZ8PER. OZ5WQ & OZ1BIZ, OZ3PE, OZ3ZW. PI4COM: PA3ALP, PA3BBP, PA3BWD, PA3CAL, PA3DMH, PA3ERC, PA3FVW, PA3GBQ, PAØCLN. RU1A: RU1AA, RV1AW, RW1AC, UA1ANC, UA1ABL, RV1AO, UA1-2574. RW9C: RA9CBS, RA9CMO, RA9DK, RA9DZ RU9CK, RU9CZ, RW9CF, RZ9CN, RZ9CO, UA9CDC, UA9CDT, UA9CDV, UA9CIR, UA9CGA, UA9DD, UA9FQY, UW9CO, UN7-26-577. UU5J: LZ3DB. UB5-67-1025, UB7-67-2, UT7CR, UU1JA, UU2JQ, UU2JX, UU2JZ, UU3JD, UU3JW, UU4JDF, UU4JFJ, UU4JKC, UU5JR, UU8JJ, UUØJM, UUØJX, UUØJZ, UX7CO. VP2EZA: ND3A, ND3F, WR3Z, VP5VW: K8MFO, WT8N, WØCG, W6RGG, WA4DRU, WD8LLD, WD8AUB, WØAIH/9 & KØFVF, NØAXL, AAØOD, KEEA, WAERBW, W4ETD, ALEY, WRUC, ND90. W3LPL & WR3E, W3EKT, AI3M, KE3Q, KF3P, K3RA, N3RR, W4BOF, K07V, KE9A, KP4XS, W4MYA & WA4QDM, K4BAM, WA4PGM, KX4S, Vicky. W7RM & AA7NX, N6TR, WA68XH, WJ7R, AA7VB, NV7E, YK0A: WA2TMP, K3NA, K6ANP, W6DAT, W6OTC, NW6P, N6TV, W8YK, YU78L: YU100, YU1ML, YU1JU, YZ1GD, YZ1ZI, Z30M; Z31GX, Z31G8, Z31FK, Z31ET, Z31VP, Z31CN, Z32XX, Z32XA, Z32XA, Z32KO, Z31WW, Z32KV, Boby san, Tone. ZM2K: ZL2AGY, ZL1AIZ, ZL4SS, ZL2IN, ZL2DX, ZL2BSJ, ZL2AHC. ZLZIR, ZLZAL

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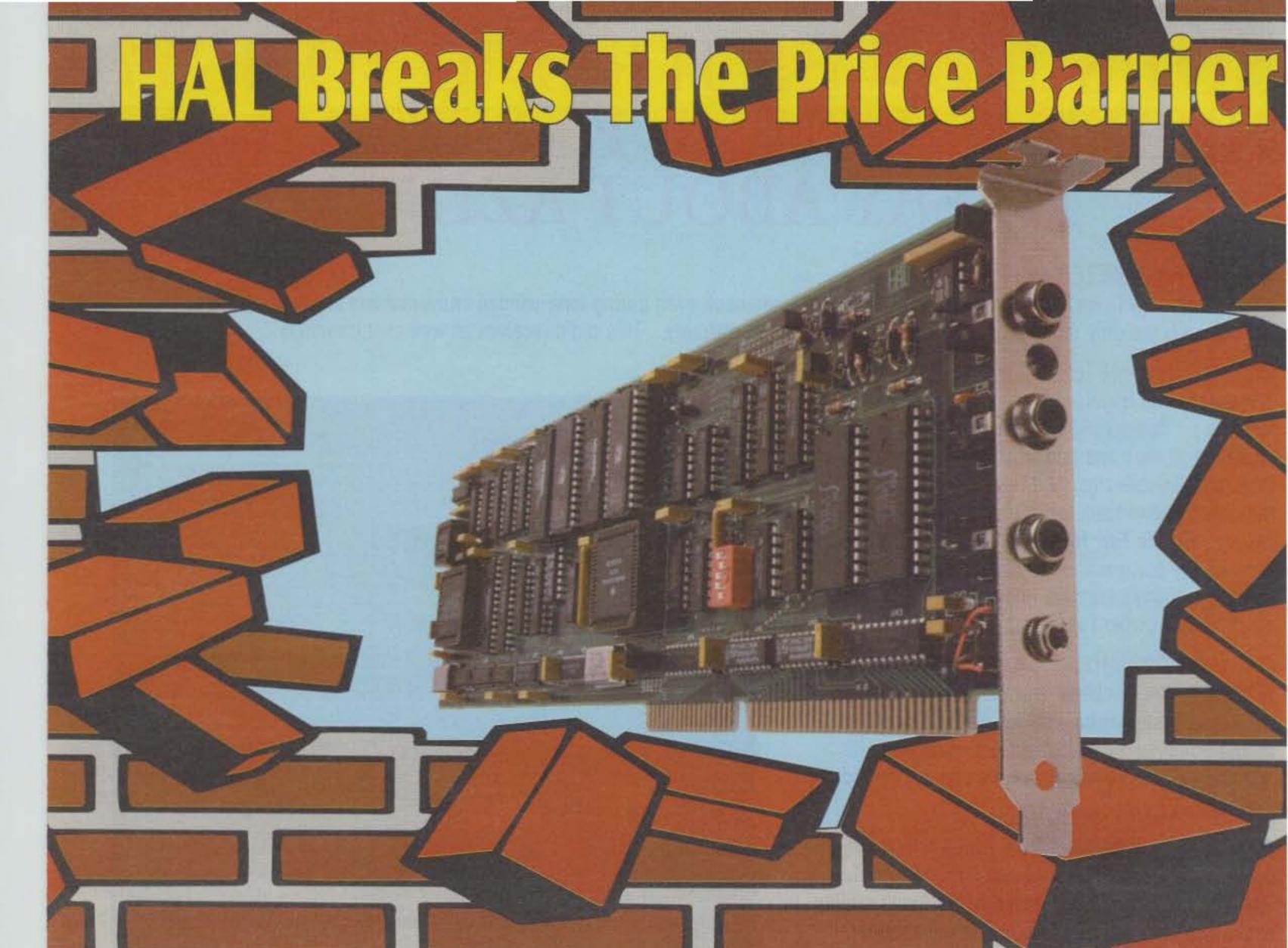


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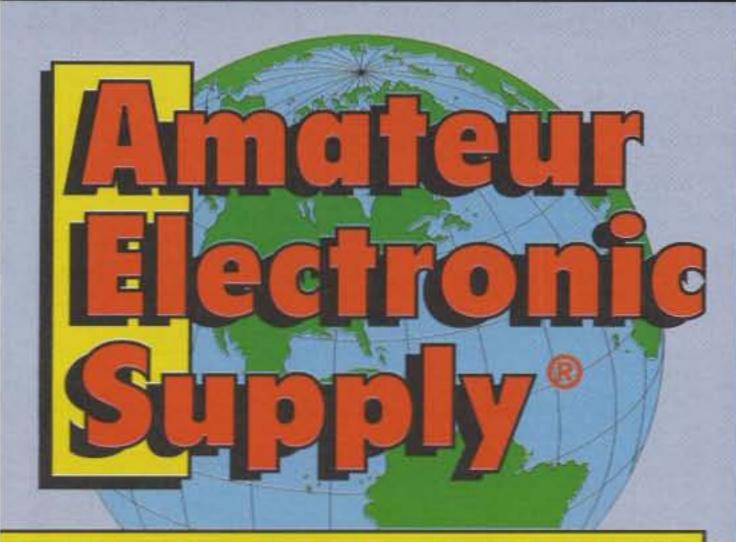


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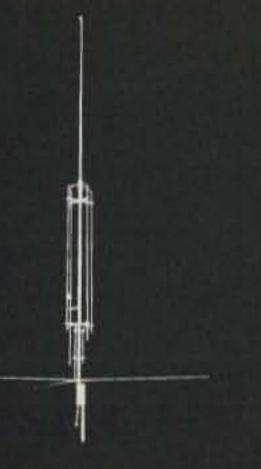
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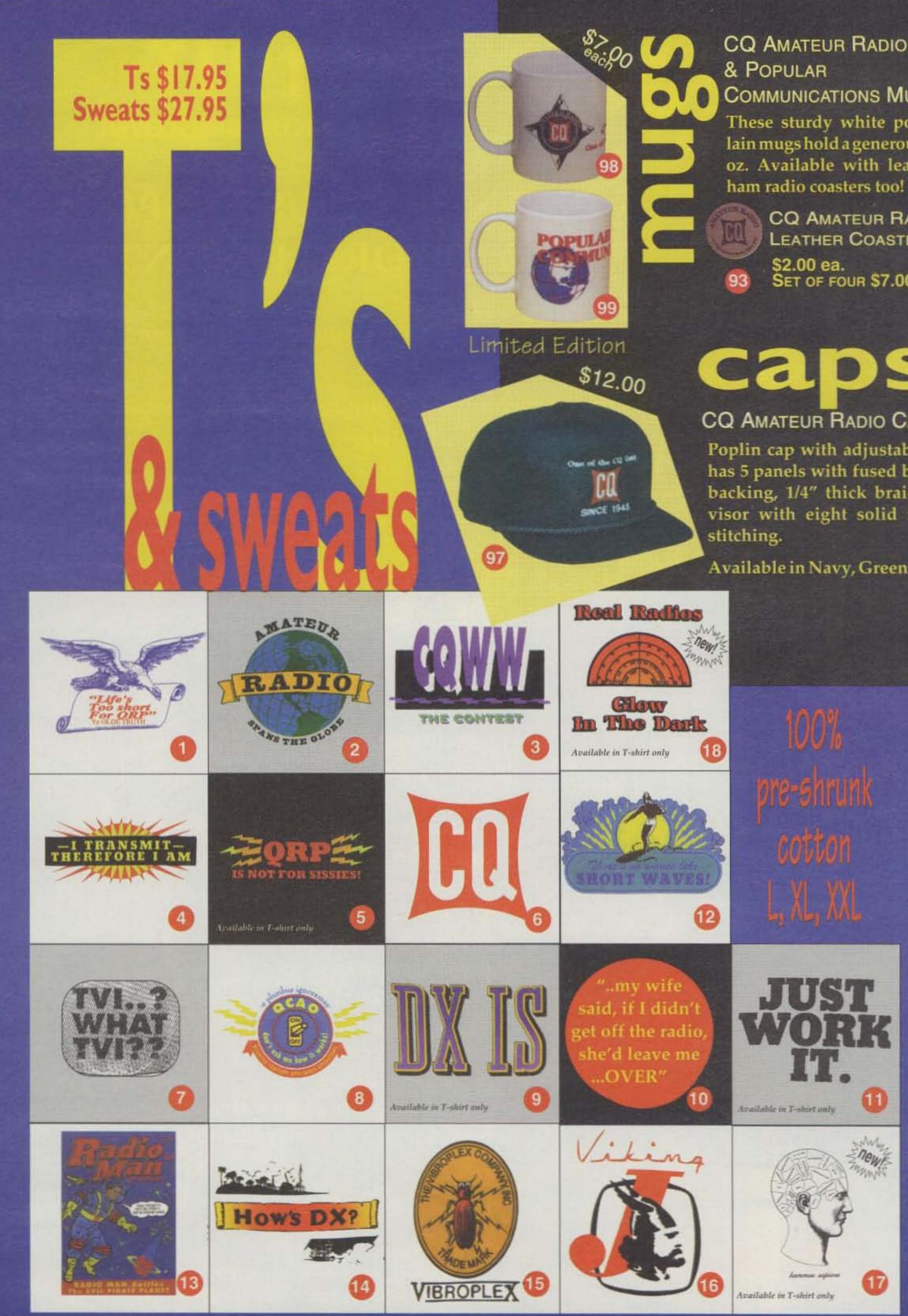
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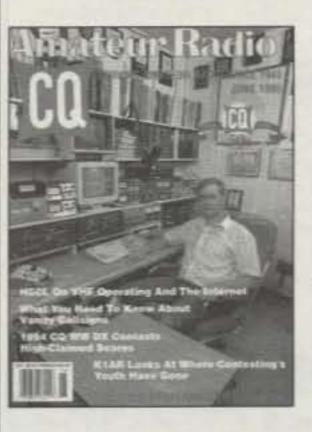
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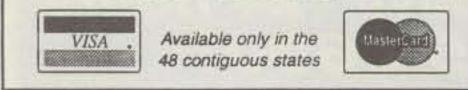
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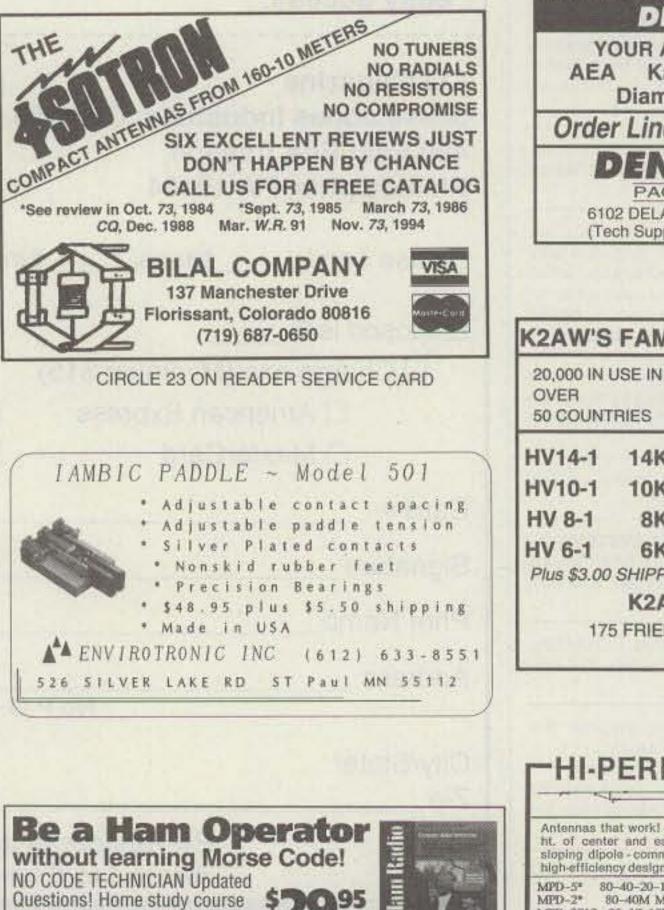
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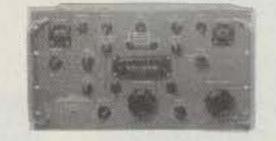
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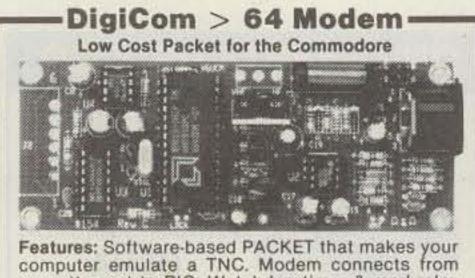
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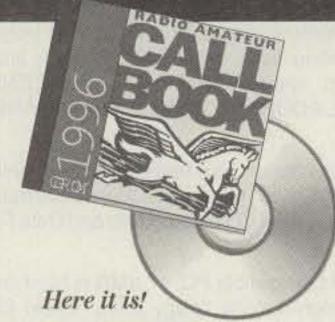
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Oct. 15, MIT Flea Market, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Call 617-253-3776.

Oct. 21, 9th Annual Sumter Hamfest & Computer Fair, Sumter County Exhibition Center, Sumter, South Carolina. Call Mike Dunlap, KC4HUT, 803-481-4611. (Exams.)

Oct. 21, Octoberfest, Grandview East Junior High School, Grandview, Missouri. Contact: KGØUP, P.O. Box 1142, Grandview, MO 64030. (Exams.)

Oct. 21, Holland ARC Hamfest, Holland Christian High School, Holland, Michigan. Contact Barbara Siebelink, N8NXA, 6418 Otis Rd., Saugatuck, MI 49453 (616-857-1343; fax 616-857-1463). (Exams.)

Oct. 21, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreal, Oregon. Contact Evan Burroughs, N7IFJ, at 503-585-5924; for exam info, contact Sandy Berry, N7TQQ, at 503-588-7685 (must preregister). (Exams.)

Oct. 21, Rogue Valley ARC Swapmeet, The Medford Armory, Medford, Oregon, Contact W5HVK at 503-770-5631. (Exams.)

Oct. 21, Ham Radio Auction & Flea Market, Christian Life Building, Seneca, Pennsylvania. Call Mary Housholder, N3QCR, at 814-437-2036; e-mail address: MAHOUSHOLD@AOL.COM; or write to Fort Venango Mike & Key Club, R.D. #1, P.O. Box 591, Cranberry, PA 16319.

Oct. 21-22, Palm Beach County Hamfest, South Florida Fairgrounds, West Palm Beach, Florida. Call Vi Kiekenapp, KC4LCF, at 407-585-9074. (Exams.)

Oct. 21-22, Louisville Computer Fair, Kentucky Fair and Expo Center, Louisville, Kentucky. Call 513-263-3378.

Oct. 22, RH Hill ARC Hamfest, Sellersville Fire House, Sellersville, Pennsylvania. Call the Hamfest Hotline: Linda Erdman 215-679-5764; or write to P.O. Box 29, Colmar, PA 18915. (Exams.)

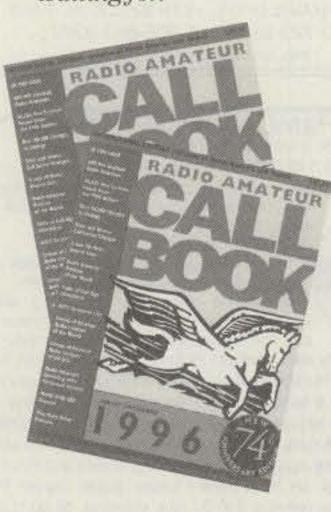
Oct. 22, USECA Swap, Our Lady of Redemption Conference Center, Warren, Michigan, Call Kevin Everett, N8QVX, at 810-772-8082; or write to Kevin at 21947 Birchwood, Eastpoint, MI 48021. For VE test registration, call Bill, N8CVC, 810-468-8345. (Exams.)

Oct. 22, 1995 RMRL Hamfest and ARRL Colorado State Convention, Jefferson County Fairgounds, Golden, Colorado, Call Joe Dickinson, WTØC, at 303-771-9577. (Exams.)

Oct. 28, Franklin Fest '95, Franklin, Kentucky, Call Ed Schwab, KA4REF, at 502-843-4389; or write to him at P.O. Box 9656, Bowling Green, KY 42102.

Oct. 28, Tri-City ARC Annual Fall Auction, Senior Citizens Center, Waterford Municipal Complex, Waterford, Connecticut. Contact Bob Dargel, KA1BB, 8 Willow Lane, East Lyme, CT 06333-1526; or call 203-739-8016. (Handicapped accessible.) (Auction only.) Oct. 28, The Mayflower ARC Amateur Radio Flea Market, Plymouth Memorial Hall Building, Plymouth, Massachusetts. Call Jon, WS1K, 508-746-0162; or Jim, NM1F, 508-747-2224. (Handicapped accessible.) Oct. 28, Port St. Lucie ARA Hamfest '95, Port St. Lucie Yacht Club, Port St. Lucie, Florida. Call Bill Perciasepe at 407-879-4020; or Roy Cox at 407-340-4319. Oct. 28, Halloween Hamfest, West County Tech., 8 miles west of St. Louis, Missouri. Contact Dennis, AAØA, 5022-Lansdowne Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109 Oct. 28, Hamfest Minnesota & Computer Expo, St. Paul Civic Center, St. Paul, Minnesota. Write to P.O. Box 5598, Hopkins, MN 55343; or call Hamfest Minnesota information line at 612-535-0637. (Exams.) Oct. 29, Long Island Hamfest-Computer Show, Knights of Columbus Hall, Lindenhurst, New York. For additional information from 7 pm to 10 pm only call Andy Feldman, WB2FXN, at 516-928-3868; or Walt Wenzel. KA2RGI, at 516-957-0218. Oct. 29, Lebanon Hamfest/Flea Market, Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds, Lebanon, Indiana. Contact Michael Ottinger, NX9Q, at 317-482-1866; or write to him at 809 E. Walnut Street, Lebanon, IN 46052. Oct. 29, 21st Annual HamFiesta and Computer Show, Marion County Fairgrounds Coliseum, Marion, Ohio. Contact either Karen Eckard, N8JDH, 6583 South Street, Meeker (Marion), OH 43302 (614-499-3565); or Betty Krist, N8UDT, 132 N. Seffner Ave., Marion, OH 43302 (614-387-3533 after 5 PM). Oct. 29, Hamfest Iowa '95, 4H Building, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact Randal Lees, NØLMS, 1575 Northwest 78th Street, Clive, IA 50325-1255 (515-279-4241). (Exams.) Oct. 29, Hampden County Radio Association Annual Hamfest and Electronics Show, Southwick Recreational Center, Southwick, Massachusetts. Contact Barry Mason, N1IJK, 413-747-7010 (before 10 PM); or John Walker, N1QXV, 413-572-4592 (before 9 PM); or write Hamfest Committee, 36 Kenwood Terrace, Springfield, MA01108-1716. (Pre-registration required for exams; contact Yorke Phillips, K1BXE, 413-566-3010.) Oct. 29, Mason-Dixon Computer & Hamfest, Carroll County Ag Center, Westminster, Maryland. Contact Larry Martin, N3DGK, 410-374-4544. (VE exam pre-registration: Bill Wolfgang, NZ3J, 717-359-7095.)

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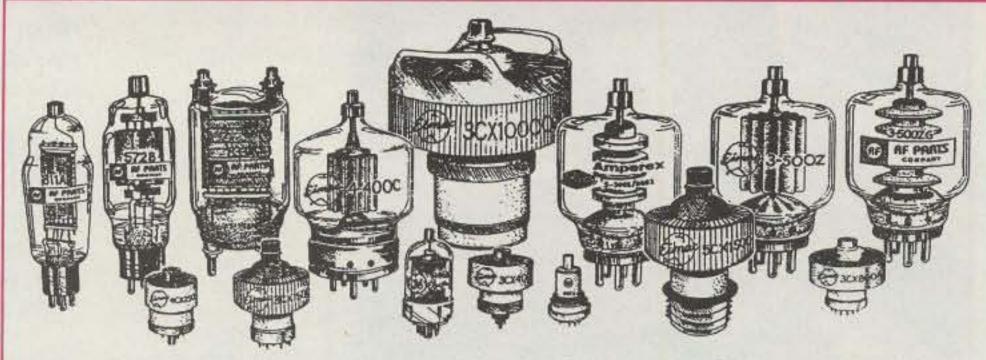
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