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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mercifully, it's all over but the shouting. Uh, counting. For some of us, the CQ Worldwide was mostly a matter of survival. Seems like the problems were more prevalent this year - or maybe we're just getting too old to cope.

First, let's take a look at some of the problems and excuses:

Antenna problems at SU1AH relegates W6NV/SU to single-band 20. Oli promises to find us on other bands. I'm still looking. N6AA arrives in Dubai sans CW filters for the A61AC '940. K6NA forced to go at 9Y4H with a bad phase box and no stack. Stack? What's a stack? AH3C finds all the P10F antennas cut for the phone band. Pete smokes the 40 meter sloper switch box. Cross-Easter Island four-wheel drive truck expedition with N6AA in the lead gets lost. Almost miss contest. HC1OT is heard to complain about 'Damn Yanquis.' N6TJ finds a busted rotator and spin-damaged coax upon arrival at D44BC, fixes problems, hurts back, and is laid up for 5 days. Cape Verde Edison choses to turn juice off for 7 hours Sunday during the contest. N6ZZ blows the 15M bandswitch on the EA9LZ linear. Even more troublesome, finds the EA9FA multi-multii one block away deafening and frustrating. Phil is heard to mumble something about resuming the Spanish-American War. N6AA/A61AC computer crashes 20 times during the contest. Dick misses new Asia record by 5 QSOs. K6NA/9Y4H forgets about the SCCC Sprint at the start of the contest. Misses 50 easy multipliers. Best one yet: Military coup d'etat in Venezuela Friday threatens to QRT CT1BOH/YV before the opening bell. International incident avoided but Jose also suffers a two and one-half hour power outage with no backup generator.

On the positive side:

Big scores from Galapagos, with N6KT at HC8A on phone and WN4KKN/6 at HC8N on CW, an outstanding 23 meg M/M score from CE0Y by our intrepid SSB expeditioners, a best ever 8 meg score from EA9LZ by N6ZZ, a best ever 11 meg Phone score from N6TJ at ZD8Z, an almost new Asia CW record from N6AA at A61AC, and W6XD finds A61AC at LAX to pass CW filters to N6AA.

Was it worth all the grief, you ask? Don't ask. Well - I guess for some, yes, as they're already reserving their spots for October/November 1993....

N6AA has now operated from 21 of 40 zones in his quest to make WAZ in the CQ Worldwide.

A lot of negative words heard about selling books for QSOs and we're now hearing more opposition to post-contest log generation from audio tape. What do you think?

Sorry to hear of the passing of Al Slater, G3FXB.

Next up, the NA Sprint, ARRL DX, CO WPX, and Visalia/Dayton. Happy Holidays to all. Jim, N6TJ

THE VICE PREZ SEZ.....

Well, I hope everyone survived "Hell Month." At least a few SCCC stations were on in a big way for SS and CQWW both modes.

Lcc, KR6X, did a fantastic job operating all four contests (in addition to the COP) at the FB OTH of Terry, N6UR. Terry has put together a great station and Lee has come out of retirement to prove he still has what it takes to score well in these contests. He totally destroyed the all-time California record for CQWW CW...great job, guys!

Congrats to Bill, AA6TT, and the host of excellent operators (many were fellow SCCCers) who really kicked butt in CQWW Phone and CW. Some new all-time records were set from his station as well.

The team at W6UF put up a challenge to the guys at KF6OG for intramural honors in the SS Phone. When the smoke cleared, W6UE emerged ahead, but not by much. Both scores appeared to earn positions in the top 5 overall.

If you have forgotten to put "SCCC" on your summary sheets for any of these contests, fill out a replacement sheet and send it in (pronto...ed). We sure would like to have your score included in our club aggregate score. Also, if you haven't already done so, send your scores to Mike, KA6SAR via packet, landline or ?. Mike is collecting scores for publication in SCCCORE and would like to hear from you.

Time to start thinking about the upcoming North American QSO Party CW and Phone in January as well as the North American Sprint CW and Phone in February. Check this issue of SCCCORE for dates. We will be putting together teams for all four contests as usual and I would like to hear from anyone wishing to be on a team ASAP! The SCCC typically wins the CW Sprint and one or the other of the NAQPs. This winter I think we should take a shot at sweeping both contests, both modes. We clearly have the operators, stations, and experience necessary to do it. I am shooting for at least one serious team and one or two teams of semi-serious operators for each contest. Is anyone else up for the challenge? 73 es KB!

Bob, W9NQ
P.S. Don't forget about the SCCC On-The-Air Meetings Wednesday evenings at 8PM Pacific Time around 3777 KHz. This is a great way to pass along scores, share ideas, sign up for team contesting, or just shoot the bull about contesting in general. I hope more of you will join us this winter!

SCCC CALENDAR

Following is a list of dates close to the hearts of SCCC members:

DECEMBER 1992

26 - Club Meeting after TRW - see announcement

JANUARY 1993

9 - North American QSO Party, CW

16 - North American QSO Party, Phone

29, 30, 31 - CQWW 160 Meter CW Contest

FEBRUARY

7 - North American Sprint, CW

14 - North American Sprint, Phone

15 - Deadline for February issue

20, 21 - ARRL DX Contest, CW

27 - Club Meeting after TRW

26, 27, 28 - CQWW 160 Meter Phone Contest

MARCH

6, 7 - ARRL DX Contest, Phone

22 - Deadline for April issue

20, 21 - CQ WPX Contest, Phone

APRIL

9, 10, 11 - 1993 International DX Convention (Visalia)

10 - Club meeting at Visalia

FROM THE EDITOR...

It is Monday afternoon, and I just got off the phone with William, AA6TT, who is swamped by his business. He has not been able to get me his page in time, so we don't have enough material to fill out a regular format SCCCORE issue. Bummer. In an act of desperation, I have decided to run a single sheet with the columns I received from Jim and Bob, plus the meeting announcement and calendar, so it gets into the mail and in your hands by Christmas Eve. You guys who like \$5 dues are finally getting your idea of a bulletin. David, AA6RX, has agreed to take copies of AA6TT's Score column to the meeting on Saturday if it shows in the P.O. Box in time. Other than that, it's business as usual, and now I have an editorial all dressed up and ready to go for the February issue...73,
Mark, WA6OTU

NEXT MEETING

The next SCCC Club meeting will be held:

December 26, 1992

11:00 am

at:

The Jolly Roger Restaurant

707 N. Sepulveda Boulevard

El Segundo

on the West side of Sepulveda

North of El Segundo Boulevard

South of Imperial Highway

Special Guest Appearance by:

David Hodge, XE1/AA6RX

From the TRW Swapmeet, go west on Marine approximately 1 mile to Sepulveda. Turn right. Go North past El Segundo Boulevard. Restaurant will be on your left.

From the 405 freeway, exit at Imperial Highway and go West to Sepulveda Boulevard. Turn left. Go South to the restaurant which will come up on your right.

(Thomas Guide 56C5).

We have a Banquet Room reserved.

NOTICE

SCCC Announces

On-the-air Meetings

For anyone who wants to talk contests
Wednesdays at 8:00pm - 3778 kHz

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