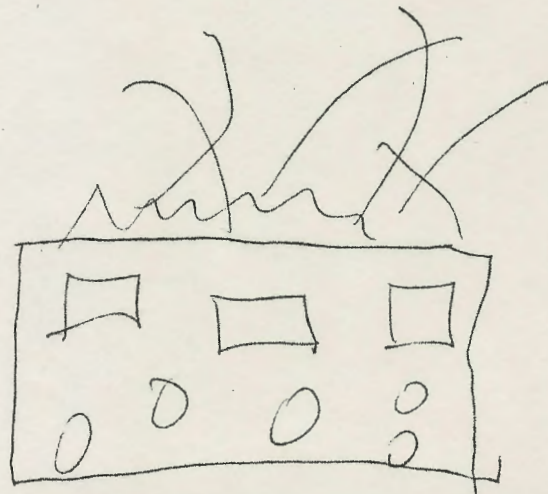
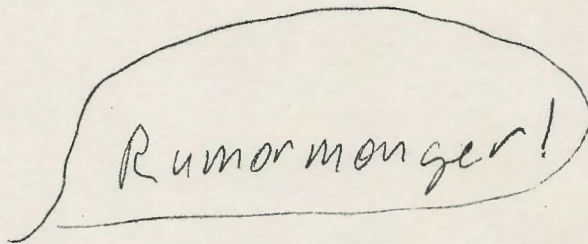
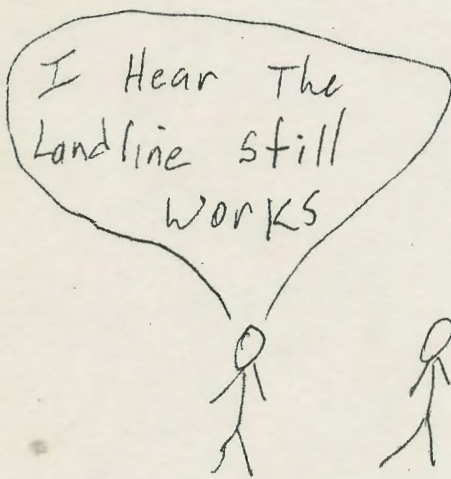


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The purposes for which this club is organized are to bring together radio amateurs interested in DX: To elevate the Standards of practice and ethics in the use of amateur radio communications: To participate in the exchange of knowledge Methods or any other expedient that would be mutually beneficial to the members in achieving DX Accomplishments.

DX Buletins are sent Sudays at 1800 GMT or
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News--All contributions must be received by the 25th of the month. Items may be sent to;

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MINUTES OF THE JUNE MEETING OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DX CLUB

The June meeting of the NCDXC was held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in San Francisco on Friday, June 8, 1973.

The meeting was called to order at 2130 hours. Minutes of the May meeting were read and the treasurers report was given by Don K6ILG. A repeater report was given by Don W6MAV. New tubes are needed for the receiver and transmitter. Don made the motion to assess each member of the club a one time fee of \$1.00 to be used as a repeater fund to pay for tubes and misc. parts for the repeater. The motion was seconded by Bob K6SSJ and was passed.

Wes, W6UJO made a motion to raise the annual dues to \$10.00 because of the increased cost of printing the DXer. This is an increase of \$1.50 over the present dues of \$8.50 per year. The motion was passed.

A letter was received from WB6IMP saying that they had checked the frequency and deviation of the WB6IMP repeater and all was found to be ok. The WB6IMP and W6WX repeaters are only 30 Kc. apart and narrow band filters will be necessary to eliminate the interference.

K6SSJ, Bob reported on the clubs operation from Black Mountain during the upcoming Field Day. The NCCC will also be operating during Field Day.

A second reading for W6IZU was read and he was voted into membership. There was also a first reading for W6NUE.

Elections were held and the new president will be Bob, K6SSJ. The new Vice President will be Merle, K6DC. Jo WB6ZUC was elected as the new Secretary and Bill K6TXR was elected as treasurer.

The meeting was adjourned at 2315 hours.

Respectfully submitted.

D. E. Jacobson, WB6CQY
Secretary

"The South Shall riiiiisssssseeeee.....I Say,.....

~~The South Has RIZ,..... AMEN.....~~

Some club members may think that the ARRL DX Contest is the greatest of them all. Others may think that it is the CQ Contest that is the best. But there's one club member who KNOWS which is the greatest of all possible living Contests....why it is the Geoja QSO Contest...what else?... And the true believer is one Charles K. (for Kilowatt) Epps, K4BVD/6, W6OAT, K1ZCH, etc etc. Some how known as "Rusty" to his friends. Of course, the fact that Rusty was the originator of the world-famous Geoja QSO Contest (while still a 16 year old enthusiast) has nothing to do with his infatuation...maybe.

Rusty was born a native of little Rock, Arkansas. However the peach country beckoned and he began his DXpeditionary travels at a tender age, settling in Columbus, Geoja. At a very early age, this precocious young man took up the study of astronomy with the same enthusiasm that he now gives to radio. But alas, he was lured away from his heavenly studies by, of all things, Sputnik...a way back in 1958. Seems as though Rusty couldn't find the basketball sized Sputnik in his telescope, but he had a neighbor down the country lane who could HEAR its "beeps" on the radio. (just below 21 mc) so Rusty trotted down the street to "hear" Sputnik. On that same first visit to the ham-neighbor, they just happened to hear and work a "U05". Now that was just a whole lot farther away than Atlanta,...a few light years away at least. Well, that was it. Rusty decided to move his interests back down the spectrum a few megs and traded in his telescope for RF. So at age 14, Rusty entered the wonderful world of amateur radio and has come to be known as Geoja's answer to Sherman by all the Yankees who've had the pleasure of working with him. (the only difference is that we enjoy getting beaten by this Suthen Gentman, Suh).

After getting Kn4BVD in 1958, our tyro ham set up shop with a homebrew (whatelse?) 6AG7 running 10 watts, with much reliance on the old erector set to get all the parts arranged just right. The first QSO was with another Novice, Kn4YTO, all the way over into Alabama. Not many Novices start off with DX contacts like that--the first QSO is usually your buddy down the street. So, Rusty was off and running.

In the beginning, it was traffic and contests (still) which got BVDs attention. Also, the manly art of certificate hunting. I can personally attest to BVDs prowess at contesting, having worked him many times (along with his buddy K4BAI) in the CD Contests of that bygone era. Georgia was hard to find in a lot of those contests too; so K4BVD was always a welcome signal coming through.

He came close to Novice WAS, missing only Idaho and Nevada. His first bite from the DX bug came when he worked a WH6...Hawaiian

Novice. That was in 1959. And in the 3 years before he left for the Nawth in 1962, he worked 215 countries using a DX-40 running 75 watts a SX-28 and a TA-33Jr. One of his early DX triumphs, which he did not come to appreciate until he became a jaded OM, was the time his 80 meter CQ was answered by VS9HAA.

In 1962, Rusty decided it was time for him to become a man; so he decided to invade the Nawth. So our hero proceeded to take Boston like Grant took Richmond--in reverse. It was 4 years grind at MIT then another year down the street at Harvard. He majored and minored in such academic disciplines as Business, Electrical Engineering, Political Science and Industrial Magement. He also found Boston to be a pretty good liberty town too! During his sojourn there, he managed to hang in the contests too, using his own call, K1ZCH, and also to work the contest-famous MIT station, W1MX.

After Boston, Rusty moved west and went to work for Hewlett-Packard. Presently, Rusty is in Electronic Marketing for Watkins-Johnson, Corp. Guess what his territory is???? The entire South below the line from Southern Calif across the country to Nawth Carolina-Suh!

Rusty is one of those eligible bachelors who thinks nothing of flying to Puerto Rico for the weedend to gamble and lay in to sun. It comes cheap too, because Rusty has a "system" at the gaming tables which pays for the entire trip in an hour or so. (Anyone for a DX-pedition to Las Vegas with OAT in command?). Of course, he has developed a very practised International Traveler reputation. If you will recall the last few contests, it has been Rusty who was off to such places as Venezuela, Puerto Rico, and some of the idyllic isles of the Carib to put in a tough 48 hour stand at mike or Key. In short, Rusty is still an incurable contester. Well, there are a lot of us who love the contests too, but Rusty has the knack and drive to win them. As a matter of fact, one of his dreams of Glory is to win a major DX contest. He almost had it at KV4AM last AER1 test, but came in second. However, he did set a new world record for DX multiplier---316!

In past years, Rusty has been in on several multi-op efforts from overseas stations too. For example, at PJ0FC in the 1970 CQ test--when they won with a world-high multi-multi score, and also set an all-time CW record score. At KE1KS/2 in the CQ CW 1971 test. Then to Venezuela at 4M4AGP in 1972 where as a single op he placed second whrld high. And, then this year at KV4AM.

In addition, Rusty gets around and visits the fellas he talks to overseas too...in England, and especially on various Carib isles.

Rusty's present rig consists of one two meter FM rig which works nicely into W6WX from his kitchen table. Understandably, the landlord (and neighbors) would take a dim view of antennas, and such projecting from his bachelor apartment. he does have an old S-line system stashed away at K6EBB's contest QTH, however, which sees service on appropriate weekends.

Most of Rusty's recent DX work has been done from the Forbes QTH at WB6GFJ/WB6QDC. It was from their home that Rusty turned in stellar performances in garnering early serial number plaques for 5BDXCC and 5BWAS, USA-CA and 1st place in the all Asia Contest.

Here's a fella who obviously thrives on competition. That's one of his professed pleasures in chasing DX--especially the toughies. The same goes for the contests..regardless of which end he is working from.

Rusty likes the present DX goals pretty well, especially the 5 Band varieties, but he would like to see uninhabited areas removed from DXCC lists. As far as contests are concerned, he joins the swelling ranks who would like to see ARRL contests reduced to one weekend per mode. He also suggests that the all Asia contest be scheduled into one of the weekends left vacant by reducing the ARRL tests to one weekend--that late summer schedule for the AA ain't great. He'd leave the CQ WW test as is, but eliminate the WPX test.

Outside of working all DXCC countries, Rusty's principal goal now is to win world-High, Single Op in a major DX Contest. Right after that he will run for Governor of Georgia. And after that, he wants to go on a rare DXpedition--preferably to Clipperton. By the time anyone gets a license for Clipperton, Rusty may have served three terms in the Georgia State House.

About those DXpeditions, Rusty believes that the only way NCDXC should get involved in sponsoring a DXpedition is to send one or more of its own NCDXC members out. Also the rare spots should be places which NCDXC and the west coast in general needs, such as Mt. Athos, some of the African spots, etc. Spratly? Who needs it. Rusty, however, would go personally on any DXpedition knowing that somebody, somewhere, would need that country. It is the financial support of NCDXC that he would withhold unless it were a particularly needed spot by ussers out heah.

As most of you know, Rusty is current President of the Contest Club. And a very enthusiastic one too. He realizes that the Contest Club will do a much better job of taking on the East Coast Pros if they have all the help they can get from some of the top notch NCDXC members. He also recognizes that NCDXC will do a much superior job in shellacing the Southern Cal Group in ARRL contests, if they have the scores of club members which might otherwise go to the contest Club. With those impelling reasons, Rusty and Iris Colvin worked diligently to come up with a compromise agreement which offers to each group the plumb each desires most-- Thus, our eminent friend, Rusty, becomes the Henry Kissinger of Georgia and comes to the aid of NCDXC and NCCC. Say Rusty, did you take any courses from Hank at Harvard?

For all of Rusty's triumphs, however, the one which remains enshrined on the wall, festooned with battle ribbons and framed with old battered cavalry bugles, is certificate number 3 of the Worked All Georgia Counties award, Some feat considering there are 159 counties and most do not have hams. Congratulations, Rusty and thanks for the enthusiasm and vitality you have injected into our Yankee NCDXC.
de BIOGED W6ISQ

DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES.

At the last club meeting, a increase for publication of the DX'er of \$1.50 was voted in. In addition a 1 - time assesment of \$1.00 was approved for maintenance of Repeater. Membership dues as published in the June edition of the DX'er are on longer applicable. Regular members who have already remited \$8.50, should mail an additional \$2.50 to the Club Treasurer, Bill, K6TXR.

Regular members \$7.50 + \$2.50 for DX'er + \$1.00 Repeater = \$11.00
Asso. members \$5.00 + \$2.50 for DX'er = \$7.500

CLUB MEMBERS REMARKS

K6WR, Brad-----SCDXC puts out DX bulletin, Freq. 14221mc at 0300Z on Mondays on SSB yet. We have competition with W6TI. I findlly worked 100 on 5 bands, now all I have to do is get the cards in!

W6QDE, Vince----Just purchased a FTdx-401 and am getting used to it. Installed running time meter, & now have 19 hrs on it but have been on the air only abt 1 hr.

W6AFI, Phil----In case you didn't know, Cliff, (K6HIH), I finally traded in my old W6AFI call about two months ago for K6ZM. I'm trying everything I can think of to help me smash you in the WW DX contests coming up this fall, (Phil was seconded to me (K6HIH) in the SSB part of the ARRL DX test this year in the clubs participation.) so you had better get ready. I may even get up some better antennas for 80 meters!

K6HIH, Cliff---My answer to you Phil, is, that if any of the big guns would have operated in the contest, neither of us would have been first or second, but I will try and be ready for you, big guns or no big guns!!!!

DX TIPS

MUSCAT-----A4XFE 14225 0208 (W3ZSR, LIDXA)

TRUCIAL-----A6XF 21315 1750, 21286 1734 (W1DNZ) 14210 0303 (WB4SPG)
14209 0226 (W3ZSR) (LIDXA).

FAROE ISL---OY7Q 14013 1430 (W6TI) (LIDXA)

CHAGOS-----WB6VGI/VQ9 14244 1340 (W5FFW) 14204 2344 (W1AM) 14215
2330 (W3ZSR) (LIDXA)

TOKELAUS----ZM7JC 7028 1208 Bryce (W9MCJ) ?????

SWAZILAND---3D2AA 14214 1410 (K8HLR) (LIDXA)

GHANA-----9G1HE 21296 1629 (W1DNZ) (LIDXA)

KAMARAN-----FL8OM and 4WLAF are reported to be planning a trip to Kamaran as soon as air-transport becomes available (Watts)

BANGLADESH--In addition to the stop or in place of the stop at VS5 Wayne, W9IGW plans to operate from Bangladesh. No further details on this one at this time (W2OVC) (LIDXA)

CHINA-----Some operators working for the Japan Air Lines (JAL) are hopeful of obtaining permission for a BY-DXpedition in the near future (WCDXB)

CALIFORNIA AWARD

Certificates have been awarded to the following radio amateurs since the first of the year.

No. 227	ZL1TB	MARK H. CHURTON	22 Feb.	1973	
No. 228	UWØIQ	IGOR MAISTRENKO	25 Feb.	1973	
No. 229	JA2HNP	YUKIMITSU KISHI	1 Mar.	1973	
No. 230	KS6DY	DAVID E. EARNEST	18 Apr.	1973	First KS6
No. 231	DJ2VZ	HERBERT KOEHNE	2 May	1973	
No. 232	PAØVO	JACK VAN OORD	2 May	1973	
No. 233	VK6RU	JAMES ERIC RUMBELE	8 June	1973	

JULY MEETING.

The July meeting of the NCDXC will be held Friday, 13 July 1973, at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel (Peninsula Room), 44 E. 3rd Avenue, San Mateo. Take 3rd Avenue offramp from Highway 101.

Cocktails: 7:00 PM

Dinner: 8:00 PM (Deluxe Steak Dinner incl Strawberry Shortcake dessert) \$7.00.

Program: Movies of DX travels & commentary by Wes & Edy, WB6UJO es WB6VBN. Also INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS.

QSL BUREAU.

Thanks to the following for work on the ARRL W6 QSL Bureau (June 1973):

W6KG	K6OSO	W6DOD	W6OL es YF	W6CUF	W6LQC	W6JZU
W6KJG	W6ITD	K6ZM	W6OKK	W6UZX	K6DC	K6RXZ
K6YGS	W6NTQ	WA6DJI	W6ISI es YF	WA6IEB	WB6COB	W6RGG
WB6DOQ	K6CCY	WA6TOK	W6BSMF es YF	K6UJS	WA6CXX	K6TWT
WB6BGQ	es YF					

CHANGE IN ADDRESS

IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE IN YOUR ADDRESS AT ANTIME, PLEASE, PLEASE, DO NOT SEND THEM TO THE DX'ER. YOUR ADDRESS ARE SENT TO ME FROM THE PRINT SHOP, TO PLACE ON THE DXER. THE SECRETARY IS THE CLUB OFFICER WHO TAKES CARE OF ALL CHANGES OF CLUB MEMBERS ADDRESS, AND IS IN CONTACT WITH THE PRINTER. WHEN YOU SEND TO ME, I JUST HAVE TO SORT THEM OUT OF ALL THE MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORTS AND SEND THEM ALONG TO THE SECRETARY. IF YOU WILL SEND THEM DIRECT TO THE CLUB SECRETARY, IT WILL EASIER ON ME. THIS WAY YOU WILL GET YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED RIGHT AWAY AND NOT HAVE TO WAIT AND STAND THE CHANCE OF THEM BEING LOST IN THE SHUFFEL.

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MEMBERS ACTIVITY REPORTS

CALL	DATE	TIME	FREQ	MODE	REMARKS
<u>W6DOD Iris</u>					
8Q6AC	5/29	1746	14mc	SSB	Thelma
ZXØVG	6/12	0458	"	CW	
9M8SDA	6/2	1552	"	SSB	Hugh
YO7DL	6/22	0433	"	CW	Sandy
UK9CAQ	6/22	0443	"	CW	Mike
9G1HE	6/10	0559	7mc	SSB	QSL via VE3FCL
<u>W6KG Lloyd</u>					
9Q5AC	6/2	0358	14mc	CW	
F08BJ	6/3	0631	"	CW	
0A6NCT	6/10	0630	7mc	CW	
VS6AW	6/16	1627	14mc	CW	
0E6MKG	6/22	0412	"	CW	
0E5WLL	"	0423	"	CW	
0E4WNW	"	0458	"	CW	
<u>K6WR Brad</u>					
C29ED	5/24	0536	14253	SSB	
8Q6AC	5/27	1732	4203	"	QSL 4S7YL
VS5LH	5/28	1444	14235	"	
Jy6FC	5/29	0511	14207	"	
OHØMAS	"	0521	14217	"	QSL OHØMA
4Z4LI	6/1	0422	14253	"	
VK9MM	6/3	1507	14205	"	Papua terr.
HPLXTW	6/9	0455	3803	"	No. 96 on 80mtrs
ZS2MI	"	0519	3778	"	No. 97 on 80mtrs
9Q1HE	"	0543	3778	"	No. 98 on 80mtrs
PY6AHX	"	0614	3787	"	No. 99 on 80mtrs
HP1LR	"	0735	3783	"	
PYØZAA	6/12	0558	7002	CW	No. 102 on 40mtrs
KC4USP	6/15	0608	3789	SSB	No. 100 on 80mtrs
<u>W6YVK Everett</u>					
WS5MSC	5/24	0232	14	SSB	John
9V1NR	5/27	1612	"	SSB	Charan
OZ9OI	5/28	0632	"	SSB	OVE
3D2JA	"	2033	"	SSB	
SP9AID	6/7	0557	"	SSB	Elek
HA5AIR	"	0619	"	SSB	Tibi
K5LTH/KM6	6/8	0540	"	SSB	Gene
K5LTH/Kure	6/9	0614	"	SSB	Gene
CR6GA	"	0630	"	SSB	Gui

NCDXC MEMBERS STANDINGS FOR JUNE 1972

	CALL	CFD/WKD CW/PHONE	WAZ		CALL	CFD/WKD PHONE	WAZ
1	W6FOZ	319/???	X	1	W6ZM	318/328	X
2	W6MUR	320/323	?	8	K6WR	314/326	X
3	K6AN	318/346	X	3	W6RGG	310/315	X
4	W6ZM	318/333	X	4	W6ZBS	309/311	X
5	W6KG	317/335	X	5	W6GRV	307/312	X
6	W6ISQ	317/330	X	6	W6KOE	304/304	X
7	K6WR	315/327	X	7	W6ISQ	301/309	X
8	K6AHV	315/326	X	8	WA6WXP	293/299	X
9	W6RGG	315/322	X	9	W6BH	285/297	X
10	K6ZM	314/327	X	10	WB6UJO	286/290	X
11	W6TSQ	314/320	X	11	W6JKJ	280/290	X
12	W6DOD	312/316	X	12	WB6UOM	276/283	X
13	W6JKJ	311/321	X	13	W6AOI	267/282	X
14	K6CQF	309/320	X	14	W6PM	254/279	X
15	W6PM	296/306	X	15	W6ZYC	251/269	38/40
16	W6BH	293/303	X	16	W6BJB	250/258	X
17	WB6UJO	286/290	X	17	W6LQC	248/268	38/39
18	K6LQA	284/287	X	18	W6HRB	248/251	38/40
19	WB6CQY	282/288	39/40	19	WB6YLG	237/251	39/39
20	K6DYQ	280/285	X	20	W6ZTJ	201/208	37/37
21	WB6UOM	278/285	X	21	K6WD	194/214	?
22	K6QZ	274/289	X	22	W6YVK	197/207	38/39
23	W6HRB	267/279	39/40	23	WA6INK	190/200	38/39
24	W6EYY	264/276	X	24	W6DOD	177/185	X
25	WA6CXK	261/273	X	25	K6QZ	153/217	37/39
26	K6QX	254/268	39/39	26	K6DQF	152/160	39/39
27	W6ZYC	253/269	38/40	27	W6KG	151/180	X
28	K6UJS	246/270	39/40	28	K6QX	137/208	38/39
29	K6WD	245/253	X				
30	WB6YLG	237/251	39/39				
31	K6HIH	216/243	39/40				
32	W6QDE	216/219	X				
33	WA6INK	215/220	X				

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

1	W6AM	320/352	X	1	W6AM	320/350	X
2	W7NCO	253/260	X				