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## THE MAY MEETING

- DATE: Friday, May 9, 1986
- TIME: Cocktails - 6:00 PM  
Dinner - 7:00 PM  
MEETING - 8:00 PM  
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- PLACE: Harry's Hofbrau, Palo Alto. Take the Embarcadero turnoff to the Palo Alto Airport / Golf Course.
- PROGRAM: The speaker for our May meeting will be Sanford Smith, a member of the Traveler's Century Club (see the DX'er Dec.'85 issue) who has earned DXCC the hard way - by visiting each country in person. This should be a very interesting evening.

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### FROM THE PREZ:

Congratulations to Hal, N6AN -- the NCDXC DX'er of the Year! The announcement of Hal's selection at Visalia last weekend met with resounding approval, as well it should. Thanks are due to Adam, N6QR and his DX'er of the Year Committee for a lot of hard work and a superb choice.

Speaking of Visalia, those of you who failed to attend missed a great time. The programs were interesting, but the camaraderie and social activities were great. The highlight of the event, in addition to the announcement of DX'er of the Year, was the joint presentation by the Northern and Southern California Clubs of the Lifetime Achievement Award No. 1 to Nose, KH6IJ. Jim, W6CF, did his usual superlative job of describing some of Nose's achievements and activities in a lifetime of ham radio. Jim's "living legend" talk was met with a standing ovation.

FROM THE PREZ (Cont'd)

The June meeting will be an outdoor barbecue hosted by the SLAC Amateur Radio Club. These guys have agreed to do all the work of preparing dinner, ensuring a good time for all. Other than the election of new officers, there will be no program, so we'll all have plenty of time to talk, swap DX lies, and renew old acquaintances. Elsewhere in this issue is a reservation form, necessary in this case both in order to ensure enough dinners and also to ensure that the security guard will let you past the gate. If you plan to attend, please get the form to Knock, K6ITL, along with your check.

I am writing this some eight hours before we leave for Clipperton. This issue should hit the mails just about the time we hit the air from FO0XX. I hope to see you all in the pileups.

73, Kip, W6SZN

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SANTA CLARA COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION  
INVITES YOU TO ATTEND  
**PACIFICON '86**  
**THE ARRL PACIFIC DIVISION CONVENTION**  
OCTOBER 3-5, 1986  
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SAN JOSE, CA 95103    CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**HAL GODFREY, N6AN,**  
**NAMED NCDXC DX'ER OF THE YEAR!**

Hal Godfrey, N6AN, was named "NCDXC DX'ER OF THE YEAR" at the International DX Convention in Visalia. The announcement of Hal's selection prompted a huge round of applause from all in attendance, and especially from those of us who know him personally.

Hal was first licensed in October of 1931, when he was 20 years old, and joined NCDXC in April, 1969. His long list of ham related awards include: DXCC Honor Roll - mixed, 330 countries; DXCC CW 263 Countries; 5BDXCC, 5BWAS#45, WAS-SSTV#4, Code Proficiency 35 WPM and many others. He is an avid contester and was the ARRL CW winner for S.F. in 1948, 1950 and 1957. He placed 1st in SCV in the 1976 ARRL DX Contest and most recently placed 1st in the 1985 NCDXC Marathon. But these aren't Hal's only accomplishments.

Hal served 3 terms on the NCDXC Board of Directors. He wrote and currently edits and maintains the *NCDXC PROCEDURES MANUAL*. He is a regular contributor to the *DX'er* and can always be counted upon for help of any kind. In this, and many other respects, Hal is a tremendous asset to the Club.

He and his wife, Kay have two daughters, Corrine and Marilyn, neither of whom is a ham ( "One ham in the family is enuff!" ). He retired in 1972 from the USN Material Inspection Service and Defense Supply Agency where he had been Quality Control Director. Other interests Hal pursues are woodworking and genealogical research. He is an ARRL member and belongs to the 10-10 Club.

Hal Godfrey is a bonafide radio ham who has come from winding coils on Quaker Oats boxes into the high-tech space age. He is an asset to the Club and richly deserves the distinction of having been selected for this honor.

HAL GODFREY, N6AN  
NCDXC DX'ER OF THE YEAR.

**VERY APPEALING...**

**YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU**

"Ask not what your club can do for you, but WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR CLUB."

The 1986 International DX Convention is now history and the plans for the 1987 Convention are already in motion. It will be our turn to host this world famous event. An event such as this cannot possibly happen without the committment of the club membership. We have approximately 385 members and should be able to obtain the assistance of at least 50 members. Len K6ANP and Lyle, N6BLN have agreed to serve as Co-Chairman and are asking you to step forward and volunteer your skills. We want to make this event the best ever. We know many of you are concerned about being infected with the "Volunteer Plague," and are reluctant to serve the club. We call your attention to the fact that others have served for many years, in many capacities, and as yet seem no worse than when they started. For those of you that have not yet served the club its time to get off the wagon and the free ride and start pulling some of the load. We are therefore asking you to make a contribution to your OWN CLUB and assist us with this one event.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

**CHAIRPERSONS:** PRIZES, PUBLIC RELATIONS, PROGRAM, ON SITE REGISTRATION, PUBLICATIONS (Program book), RAFFLE TICKET SALES, CONCESSION SALES (Mugs, patches, etc), COCKTAIL SPONSOR RECRUITMENT, CONTEST EVENT, AND DX FORUM.

**ASSISTANTS:** To all the above chairpersons.

**NOTE:** To all of you that have assisted and made the Conventions possible, in the past, you too are welcome to again provide your valuable expertise.

**CONTACT US NOW AND JOIN THE T - E - A - M !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

  
Len K6ANP

  
Lyle N6BLN

## COMPETITIVELY SPEAKING...

CON-TEST: 1. A struggle for superiority or victory between rivals. 2. Any competition; especially one in which entrants perform separately and are rated by judges...

The following information about upcoming contests was sent to us by Frank Anzalone, WIWY, Contest Editor for *CQ Magazine*. Although Frank sent us complete information on all contests, we have chosen to show only DX type contests herein. For details please see *CQ Magazine*.

May	10-11	USSR CQ-M Contest
May	17-18	ARI International Contest
May	24-25	CQ WW WPX CW Contest
June	7-8	RSGB National Field Day
June	14-15	So. American CW Contest
June	14-15	All Asian Phone Contest
July	1	Canada Day Contest
July	5-6	Venezuelan SSB Contest
July	12-13	IARU Radiosport Contest
July	26-27	Venezuelan CW Contest
Aug	9-10	European CW Contest
Aug	23-24	All Asian CW Contest

CON-TEST-ANTS: 1. Those who take part in a contest...

I'm happy to report that the Interclub Trophy for competition between Northern and Southern California DX Clubs went to NCDXC for the '85 competition. We're waiting to see the outcome of the '86 competition.

We haven't heard of any club members going to unusual places for contesting. It's to be expected, since there are no "major" contests coming up in the immediate future. If you're planning a trip associated with one of the major contests, please advise your DX'er Staff, so your trip can be publicized.

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## FOOTHILL ELECTRONICS FLEA MARKET, MAY 10, 1986

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## NCDXC MINI BIOG

CALL: W6JD NAME: Doug Westover

OCCUPATION: Sr. Software Engineer EMPLOYED BY: SRI Int'l  
YEAR BORN: 1938 FIRST LICENSED: 1952 DATE JOINED NCDXC: July  
1963

SPOUSE'S NAME: Myrna CHILDREN'S NAMES: Dan (19), Meredith (15)

OTHER HAMS IN THE FAMILY: (none)

RIG(S): TS520-SE/ SB200 7583

ANTENNA(S): Hy-Gain 18HT "Hi Tower" Vertical (80-10)

HAM RELATED AWARDS: DXCC - mixed (308/309), CW (274/277), Phone  
(200/212) WAZ, WPX

OTHER HOBBIES & INTERESTS: Photography, gearing up for packet

OTHER RADIO ORGANIZATIONS: SPECS & NCDXF

FAVORITE HAM ACTIVITIES OTHER THAN DX'ING: Packet Radio (see  
above)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Got interested in Ham Radio as a YV SWL  
in 1950-1951. Earned a B.S. in Mathematics from Stanford  
University in 1960. Other calls held; K2CHN, WOQFD, W7UYE,  
K6TZX.

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## HOST COUNTRY DESIGNATOR

For some time now, the IARU has recommended that a station, operating in a host country under reciprocal permit, place the host country designator before the station's callsign rather than after it. For example, VE3/W1WPR rather than W1WPR/VE3. In May, the question will come before the CRRL Board which will decide whether or not to support this change in Canada and recommend it to the DOC.

TNX, Rubin, WA6AHF

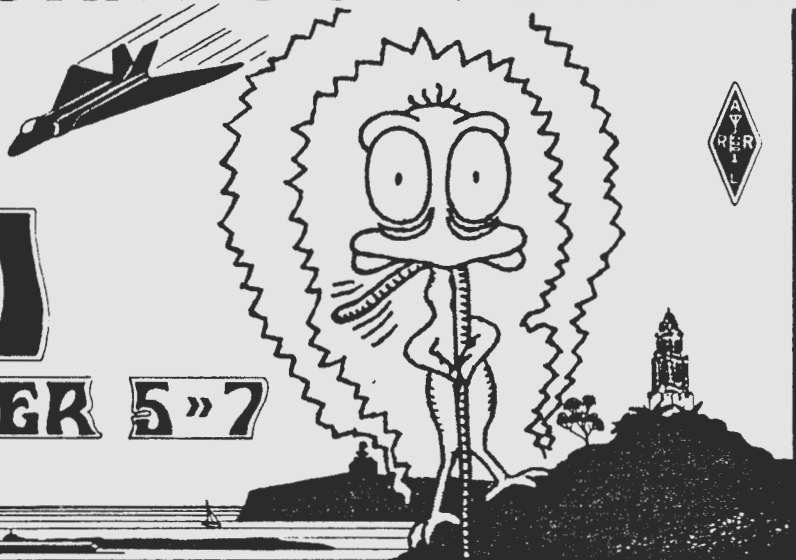
**Chairman's Welcome**

Welcome to the hams from all over the world who will be joining us in San Diego. We are making this "Early Bird" offer to get you to mark your calendar now for a great vacation in Southern California this fall!  
Walt Hicks, W6UZL, General Chairman

# 1986 ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION!

# SAN DIEGO

## SEPTEMBER 5-7



**HIGHLIGHTS**

- ARRL, MARS, FCC Forums
- Technical Sessions
- Special Youth Activity
- Public Service Sessions
- VEC License Exams
- Banquet - W0ORE & K6DUE
- Ladies Luncheon - W6NAZ
- Alternative Activities
- Old Town & Tijuana Tours
- New Products & Exhibits
- Freq & Deviation Clinic
- Antenna Gain Contest
- World Class "T" Hunt
- Spark Gap Radio Demo
- Hospitality Suites
- Hourly Prizes

**YOUTH FORUM**

Lead by W0ORE, Astronaut Tony England. Experts will expose teenagers to the latest in ham radio "high tech" with hands-on demos.

**DINNER DANCE CRUISE**

Friday Evening - Romantic boat tour of San Diego bay, open bar, dinner, dancing.

**CONVENTION SCHEDULE**

**Friday September 5**

- 1500 Exhibits Open
- 1830 Dinner Dance Cruise
- 2100 Exhibits Close

**Saturday September 6**

- 0800 Special Interest Group Breakfasts
- 0900 Exhibits Open
- 0900 Tech Sessions & Forums Start
- 1130 Ladies Luncheon
- 1300 Old Town & Tijuana Shopping Tours
- 1300 W0ORE Youth Forum
- 1600 ARRL FORUM
- 1700 Exhibits Close
- 1830 Social Hour
- 1930 Banquet
- Midnight Wouff Hong

**Sunday September 7**

- 0800 Special Interest Group Breakfasts
- 0900 Exhibits Open
- 0900 Tech Sessions & Forums Start
- 1300 "T" Hunt Starts
- 1300 Convention Closes

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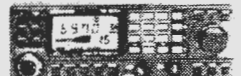
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**ADVANCE REGISTRATION PRIZES**

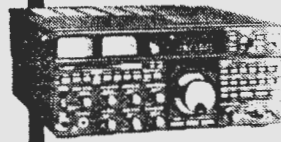


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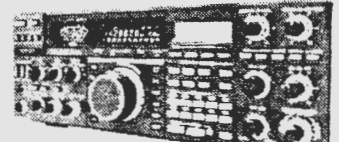


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**GRAND PRIZES**



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TS-940S

ARRL 1986 NATIONAL CONVENTION  
September 5, 6, & 7, 1986  
REGISTRATION DATA FORM (Print or Type)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Call \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
Make Badges As Follows:  
Call \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
Call \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
Pick up Tickets and Badges at the Door.

To Reserve a Room at the Convention Site, Call T & C Hotel and ask for ARRL rates. Toll Free: California (800) 542-6082, USA (800) 854-2608  
CONVENTION INFO: (619) 292-7918

MEETING SITE  
TOWN & COUNTRY CONVENTION CENTER  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

How Many	Cost	Amount
_____ Advance Registrations	@ 7.00	_____
_____ Registration After 8/15/86	@ 10.00	_____
_____ Banquet (Prime Rib)	@ 25.00	_____
_____ Ladies Lunch (1st 100)	@ 10.00	_____
_____ Dinner Cruise (1st 100)	@ 33.00	_____
Total Enclosed \$		_____

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**\*\*D86X INT'L CONVENTION\*\***

The 1986 Int'l DX Convention in Visalia is now history. The logo 'D86X' will be familiar to those who attended. A great convention was the consensus, with many wonderful relaxing friendship renewals taking place. The program will not be reprinted here, but just some of the things that took place. Of importance to our Northern Club was the announcement of the DXer of the Year. Hal Godfrey, N6AN was not present, but Hal received a wonderful round of applause. Congrats Hal, and we do appreciate all the work you have done thru the years for the club. I know most of the members probably don't realize your untiring work behind the scenes. The convention was fortunate with the perfect weather. Poolside bars were heavily attended Saturday night. KH6IJ, Katashi Nose was given a beautifully worded acclaim by Jim Maxwell, W6CF. The theme was "A Living Legend". The standing ovation was certainly in order. Our former member, Jim Neiger, N6TJ, delivered an excellent presentation on his DXpedition to Cape Verde, with D44BC, Julio Vera Cruz. The Kenwood TS-940S donated by HRO was won by W7CB, and the 2 KW Henry linear won by Fred Laun, K3ZO. Guests included Ellen & Bob White, The Colvins, DJ8RR, D44BC, G3TXV, KH6IJ, AH2G, CE3ESS, G4BUE, G6ZY/EA6, SMODJZ, YB0ARA, G3SXW, G4LJF, VE7BXG, VE7DX, ON4UN. Many others were present from the USA. Kenwood & Yaesu each had rooms presenting their latest equipment. Next year the convention will again be at Visalia, but the name & decor will be changed. Possibly the name will be Grosvenor, as the ownership has changed. The dates are April 3,4,5, 1987, and the NCDXC will be the hosts with K6ANP & N6BLN the co-chairmen.

Respectfully submitted,



Ron Pantan, W6VG, Secty.



**OOPS... PLEASE PARDON OUR SLIP!**

The following calls were either published incorrectly or omitted entirely from the "NCDXC TOP DOGS" article in the April '86 DX'er. We hope this will set the records straight and apologize for the oversight.

<u>CALL</u>	<u>MIXED</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>CW</u>
K6RQ	352	---	---
K6DT	340	320	295
K4II	334	---	259
W6XP	327	327	---
K6XT	325	---	---
W6GO	ok	ok	293
W6ZKM	---	336	---
W7XA	324	---	---
W6KOE	332	---	---
W1ICU	333	---	---
W6AED	325	---	---

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**DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE DX'er is:  
MAY 30, 1986.**

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June 13, 1986 NCDXC Meeting

**RESERVATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Call \_\_\_\_\_

No. Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$7 per person  
-- steak, salad, baked potato, beer, wine,  
soft drinks)

Please send the completed form and your check to:

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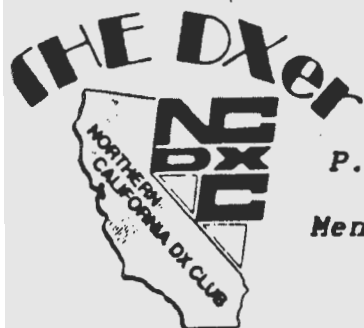
NCDXC THURSDAY NIGHT NET

On W6TI/R Thursday at 8:00 PM PST  
NET CONTROL:

DX NEWS:	Phil Garrahan	W6LQC
PROPAGATION:	Al Lotze	W6RQ
WEST LINK:	Chuck Vaughn	AA6G
CONTEST NEWS:	Ted Algren	KA6W
SWAP SHOP:	Steve Munro	KZ6Z
QSL INFO:	Jay O'Brien	W6GO

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