

THE

DECEMBER

1948

DX'ER



NORTHER CALIFORNIA DX CLUB, INC

POSTOFFICE Box 75

OAKLAND CALIFORNIA



W6KEK - EL CERRITO, CAL

The very nice layout pictured above is that of our member Frank Torchia, W6KEK.

Being by choice a CW man, Frank has been toying lately with a little NBFM but still he likes CW the best. Perhaps after listening to KLX and KLX-FM most of each day Frank has a bellyfull of phone.

As for the station description We'll let Frank take over:

'As for the rig, it ends up with a pair of 100TH and up to a legit KW input, they are driven by an 829B the VFO is a VX101 Jr. The receivers are a new NC183 the XYL gave me for my Birthday, with a BC453A and a 101X..... The antenna setup is changing constantly but at present I am using a pair of dual Triplex Beams on 14 mc, another folded Dipole for 14 mc two folded dipoles for 28 mc and another folded Diaper for 7 and 3.5 mc. Makes quite a mess on a 50' lot HI. The antennas are all over 35' up and are selected by a switch at the operating position.

The location is in the S.E. part of QRM Gulch at the base of the Berkeley Hills neither of which is conducive to wrkng DX but am at least up to 99C."

And thats true..We know that Frank has come up in the country worked list like mad and with all the drawbacks still gets his share of the DX and always puts out a good clean signal thats a credit to the Club.

Lee Bates-W7HXG-Portland

We had a nice note from Lee and if you are wondering why his country total has gone down its because Lee has started in all over again from W7 Land.

Lee also has a new setup as follows:

Receiver: Collins 75A

Xmitter: Collins 310B-3 which still drives the ole PP TZ40 at a solid 300 watts in.

Antenna now is a 3 ele wide spaced beam.

Lee's latest stuff includes: HH, VP2, VP6, VP8, LULZA, and HP.

We may see W7HXG at a meeting soon as he informs us that he can fly down at no cost but the only thing holding him back is the lack of time at present.

ex-W6RVU now is W9FQC

Seems like Old Home Week hearing from both our members that moved away. Mac now is about ready to fire up with his new call. Press of business has kept him off the air lately however but he has heard several of the gang and wants to be remembered to all.

1 9 4 8 S W E E P S T A K E S

Will all the rugged individual stations that took part PLEASE credit the NCDX Club and also either bring in your score to the next meeting as we have to send it in in order to obtain credit.

TNX

P.S. We better finish the above by explaining: Either bring in your score at the next meeting or mail it to the SCTRY if you cannot make the meeting.

QTH Dept.

VP2AA-AACS Sqdn., APO855 c/o P.M.
Florida.

TA3FAS: Lt. John Adel
T U S A F G
American Embassy
Ankara, Turkey

MD7HV-Bert Verinder (Cont Next P.)

QTH Dept (Cont.)
MD7HV-Bert Verinder
#17 Glossa
Anthemieu St
Varosha
CYPRUS

HDPF ~~1st~~ W7MMX

Les-Henson
c/o Columbia Packers Assn
Astoria, Oregon.

ZG6UNJ-Tel Aviv
QSL Via W1NYI

ZG6XY-Palestine
QSL via W9HXP

ZC8PM-Arab. Palestine
QSL Via: W2A13

AC4YN Came Through!

And How...51 cards for the
W6 district came through and
by now have all been distrib-
uted.

Out of the entire 51 there
was 13 for the club.

Not a bad average!!!

More on AC4YN Cards.....

The following members of the
Northern California DX Club
were the lucky recipients of
Reg's cards:

DUB, TT, PB, MEK, RBQ, ZCY,
RM, LDD, CIS, MHB, DZZ, OMC & MX.

Some info from Herb. W6QD.

Norfolk Island is about to
be added as a country. That is
its hoped that CQ and QST can
come to some agreement on this.
The guy in question hangs around
the low end of 20 in the a.m.
around 8 a.m. Call VK9NR.

Nothing on ISREAL being a
separate country. As Herb puts
it: ' If they can't agree on the
boundaries over there, howinell
can a little mag like CQ say
anything!! '....

So, for now, Isreal is still
part of Palestine as far as our
country lists go.

FLASH ON HDPP, GALAPAGOS

W6RBQ and W6MX have received
their cards from HDPP so perhaps
we all will have hopes.
(See QTH elsewhere)

LULZA Controversy still On.

Heres the CQ version of why they
are counting LULZA as a Country:
They are counted the same as
any other South Orkney Station.
For their dough when you work LULZ
you work a station on South Orkney
You don't work Argentina...Nor do
you work a ship or boat or plane.
Apparently the British don't con-
trol it enough to kick the guy
off the air..And there are more
books that give joint claims to the
Island than just British only..
So there!!!!!

Dunno but what we don't agree
with Herb..After all there are a
slew of the Club gang that worked
LULZA and have his QSL card and
would certainly like to count him
as South Orkney.

OUR BEST THANKS TO W6LEE-W6DYH.

The NCDX Club sure wishes to
extend their thanks and gratitude
to LEE and DYH for the loan of the
movies and 35mm stills which W6AM
is bringing up to show at the
club on our December 9th meeting.

We know the terrific amount of
work involved in getting those
pictures and we all appreciate the
use of them.

Our club will soon start on a
round of 16 mm movies of all the
stations and we will be most
happy to lend them to the L.A.
gang when they are completed and
edited.

Again, our thanks.

The sad, sad story of W6YI

Larry was well up there in
countries on the first half of the
Sweepstakes. Or rather we should
say multipliers to the tune of
319 contacts. Inasmuch as the log
was mostly on scraps of paper
Larry decided that he would take
same to the office and have his
Gal type them out. So, Larry took
an old briefcase and loaded it in
to the car. On the way, (Cont.)

About W6YI (continued)
Larry decided to get a haircut at a local barbershop. Well, when he came out the briefcase had been stolen!!

All the Cops in San Leandro were running all over the town like crazy looking for Larry's briefcase but it never did show up.

SOOOOO, W6YI didn't get on the second half of the contest. For which we don't blame him.

THE SOUTHERN CALIF. DX CLUB..

From Don Wallace W6AM

The S.C.DX Club met in November with 50 present., and elected a temporary committee: ANN,DFY,GHU and EBD. The first draft requires of members a DXCC or WAZ Certificate. Each member may sponsor one Associate member who has at least 50 Countries. The first dinner meeting occurred Wednesday December 1, at Clinton's Cafeteria in L.A.

We say, WELCOME to the L.A. gang and we will be very glad to co-operate in any way possible and in the event that they have a news similar to ours will be glad to exchange same each month.

Last minute changes in W6AM:

Additions to W6AM Country list:
CW-173- Phone 81- Zones-31
(Done of course CW DXCC & WAZ)

LAST MINUTE INFO FROM W6MVQ

Rich reports QSO with VK9NR which looks like another country for him. Along with ZD2GHK that ups his total to 177.

MVQ reports 40 as being plenty good lately out his way with:

FM8AD-7030-9.00 p.m.

PY7WS-8.00 p.m.

VP8AP-7010-T6-8.50 p.m.

Also there are several Ruskis on 40 meters that Rich heard during the SS, namely UA9 and UAØ.

FE8AB on abt 7015.

So it might not be a bad idea to dust off the 40 mtr antenna. Some of us could use that FM8.

December, 1948.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a noise-free location. Signed W6MEK
(P.G.&E.'s Pal)



These are mostly on PHONE this month and about 99% are from W6AED so, we shall reverse the procedure and note that all are phone unless otherwise noted:

All 20 Meters:

EA3AE-14365
EA3DR-14352
MB9BB-14282
ZC6XY-14389
CR7BC-14166
ILAXE-14317(Trieste)
VQ4SC-14362-14346
VQ4ERR-14329
ET3AE-14182
ET3AD-14341
ZM6AF-14182
PJ5KO-14384
HI6EC-14155
AR8AB-14385
TA3FAS-14363
RV2/FO8-14373
OQ5AV-14315
OQ5DE-14347
VQ8AE-14378
VP3TY-14365
VP3MCB-14346
VU2ET-14355
VU2LL-14385
CX6AD-14057-CW
UL7BS-14065-CW-T9 waver
ZC8PM-14080-T9-CW

All the above are coming thru mostly in the mornings. However, the band has been spotty with mostly poor condx as an average over the month.

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEW PHONES?

Believe it or not, the following have all been on Phone the last cupla weeks and for a bunch of CW men that is really something! MEK, KEK, LDD, PB, WB, EJA and JK. RM also on but has been on 10 meter phone.

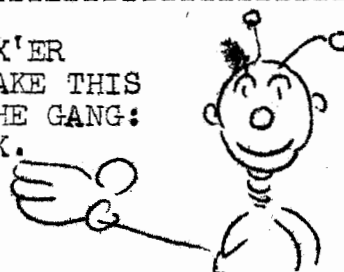
Don't forget-Dec 9th MEETING !!!!!

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DX CLUB ROSTER OF POSTWAR COUNTRIES WORKED.

Call	CW-Phone	Phone	Zones	DXCC	WAZ	Remarks
W6AM	169		40	X	X	
W6AED		103	35			
W6AJF						Hon. Member
W6ATO	86		36			
W6BUY	106		37			
W6CTL	120		38			
W6CIS	150		40	X		
W6DUB	119		38			
W6DZZ	162		40	X	X	
W6EJA	68		32			
W6GIZ	91		38			
W6IDY		142				
W6ITH						
W6IKQ		119	32	(X)		(Prewar)
W6JK	109		38			
W6KEK	96		37			
W6LDD	118		39			
W6LMZ	85		34			
W6MEK	190		40	X	X	
W6MVQ	174		40	X		
W6MHB	83		37			
W6MLY	153		40	X	X	
W6MX	190		40	X		
W6NZ	86		35			
W6OMC	171		40	X	X	
W6PWR		70	32			
W6PB	166		40	X	X	
W6QDE	57		32			
W6QLH						
W6RM	169		40	X	X	
W6RRG	75		36			
W6RBQ	178		40	X		
W6RCC	54		26			
W6RVU		100				(Moved)
W6SQ						
W6SR	115		39			
W6TI	146		40	X	X	
W6TT	186	104	40	X	X	
W6UPV		91	23			
W6UZX	142	91	40	X	X	
W6WJX	106		39			
W6WB	180		40	X		
W6YI		34	23	(X)		(Prewar)
W6ZCY	190		40	X		
W6ZUI	93		37			
W7HXG	78		33			(These are now all contacts from W7)

THE ENTIRE STAFF OF THE DX'ER
(ALL TWO OF US) WISH TO TAKE THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO WISH ALL THE GANG:
A VERY MERRY XMAS AND GOOD DX.

W6MEK Printer
W6PB Editor



DX PREDICTIONS BY JIM RUYS- W6UZX

Due to the fact that (1) We haven't received the monthly prediction charts from the CRPL for December from Washington yet, and (2) since a new form of DX prediction is being used and hereby introduced, the predictions for December will not appear in their usual form this month.

Through the courtesy of CQ Magazine, and particularly it's Assisitant Editor, O. Perry Ferrell, we have received advance information for the month of December, in the form which he will henceforth use in his articles.

It is suggested that Ferrell's article, "A new method of predicting band conditions" page 26 of November CQ be read, as these predictions are based on the following parameters:

1. 1000 watts of effective radiated power.
2. Antenna gain factor of ONE.
3. Noise discrimination factor of ONE.
4. Service gain factor CW to Phone of 14 DB.
5. Receiving location free from man-made noise.

West Coast To:	MC	Time(PST)	Remarks
South Africa	7 14 28	1730-2000 1700-1845 1030-1130	Noise level high at far Noise level same end. Possible but December will be a poor month for this path.
Southeastern ASIA	7 14 28	0230-0430 0830-1015 1545-1700	High noise far end Irregular-Daily variatme Mebbe 'till 1730-Spotty
Middle East	7 14 28	----- 0645-1000 -----	None predicted-If at all will be 2400-0300 Fair Sigs-Flutter fades None predicted-If at all try about 0800
Western Europe	7 14 28	Abt 2400 From 0645 0745-1000	Very weak sigs if at all Poor openings even CW Good openings except during storms
South America	7 14 28	2300-0100 1700-2300 1400-1730	May open as early as 2100 Good Signals Peak sigs around 1530 Band may open as early as 0700 and drop off again 'till 1400.

For those that have some faith in the Moon theory, the FULL MOON in December will occur on the 16th and good days should be from the 11th to the 19th.

***** **