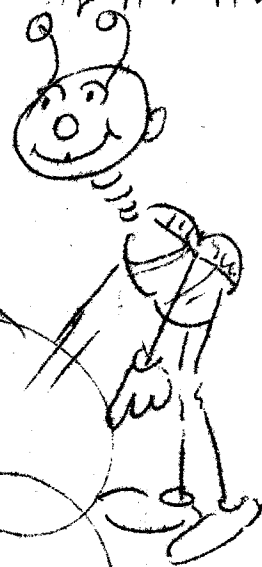


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Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution and By-laws of the Northern California DX Club, Inc.:

The purpose for which this club is organized are to bring together radio amateurs interested in DX; to secure closer co-operation and co-ordination in their effort to achieve DX; to elevate the standards of practice and ethics in the use of amateur radio communication; to participate in the exchange of knowledge, methods, or any other expedient that would be mutually beneficial to the members in achieving DX accomplishments.

Now that the Fresno meeting is over it is time to get busy and do something about getting that cup again next year. It is up to all who can to get on for both the phone and cw portions of the A.R.R.L DX Contest. It was those few extra points earned by cw men getting on for the phone contest and the phone men putting in a little time on the cw contest that made the difference, so let us do it again. The phone contest is the week ends of February 6th and 20th, and the CW contest the week ends of March 6th and 20th. Get in there and pitch, every little bit helps. We want that cup again next year.

Since the last issue of the DX'er we have elected new officers. One thing about the Northern California DX Club is that it has always stood 100% behind the officers it has elected, so it is up to us to back W6PYH and his staff the way we have always backed up previous officers. Pete has a lot of good ideas and it is up to us to make this an outstanding year for the Northern California DX Club.

The annual DX Conference at Fresno was it's usual FB Clambake. There were 81 at the banquet and W6TI, W6TT, W6WB, W6ATO, and W6DZZ did a swell job. Next year we are promised a good time by the Southern California DX Club so let's all start planning to be there. These Fresno meetings have done a great thing in building up a friendly rivalry between members of the two clubs, it has also established cooperation between the clubs when some of that rare stuff is coming through.

This issue of the DX'er is not as large as we would like it to be, we have not received as much news from members as we usually do. This is probably due to rotten conditions. When conditions are the way they are now it is a good time to do a little checking on the lower frequencies, your editor did and was rewarded by snagging ZK2AA on 80 meters. Also we have been having some good reports on 40 meter activity, if conditions are this way during the DX contest, 40 and 80 meters are going to earn some of the gang some good multipliers. As we are typing this we just had a phone call from W6PB who is copying CE7ZD in Antarctica on 40 meters, so this gives you an idea of what's coming through these evenings on 40.

Well Gang: thats all for this time, don't forget to get in there and do your best in the DX Contest.

The following info was given us by W6EEL:

QTH: 3A2AB/W9SRB/6  
Guy L. Kaul  
Box 627  
Dixon, Calif.

The next Fresno meeting has been set for January 16-17, 1954, start planning to be there, only 50 more weeks to go.

New QTHs of club members:

W6CIS Ken Hughes,  
3105 Crest Haven Dr.,  
Sacramento, Calif.

W6GTI John E. Stewart,  
c/o Penta Lab., Inc.  
216 No. Milpas St.,  
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Don't forget our next club meeting, Hotel Coit, Thursday February 12th, we sit down to eat at 7:00 pm.

W6BUY and W6DUB expect to be back on the air soon. The Fresno meeting seemed to instill that old DX spirit. (That's a new name for that stuff they served in "Elmar's" room).

We still have several members who have had their cards for sometime but still have not sent in for their DXCC Certificate. Lets get them in gang. Also let's keep the country list in "CQ" up to date by sending in our countries worked. Some club members have never bothered to send in anything.

W6AM tells us that W7GHU (ex W6GHU) QTH is Rte 1 Box 229 Tuscon, Ariz. He has Pp 4-125A's at a KW and expects to be on in the DX contest. Also W6GAL/7 hopes to be on in Tuscon for the contest.

Eddie, W6DZZ sends us the latest on the CE3AG, Easter Island dope. CE3AG will be there for three days only with substantial gear, but so far does not know exactly when. He will leave a smaller amount of gear with another operator who will remain at Easter Island for nearly a year.

W6NIG writes us that after a two year wait he finally received a card from CR5UP via W4PJU  
Box 1253  
Clewiston, Florida

We hear that Joe is moving back to Corcoran and has sold out most of his gear, we will sure miss you Joe.

W6GPB, our Marin correspondent sent us the following:

W6FOZ of Southern California is now living in Marin County, he is in charge of the Furniture Factory at San Quentin Prison. (We hear that W6FOZ missed the Fresno meeting due to having an argument with a buzz saw, We hope that the saw wasn't too rough on him).

W6MUF's work keeps him off the air, he is busy flying between Denver, Honolulu and up North.

Thanks to W6RBQ's editorial, W6GPB has found a new way to work the rare ones. Listening in one day Joe could tell the band was ok but no one was on the air (guess everyone was listening) so Joe didn't want to call a straight CQ DX, he was afraid Bill might be listening, so he called CQ-DX in Portugese on 14 Mc CW and golly it worked, CR6CZ came back, so after that QSO he called CQ-DX in French and sure enough, there was FB8BB calling him. Joe is busy learning a few more languages.

Joe has received his W.A.A. certificate it is # 76 and 31st in U.S.A. and 3rd W6 to be issued.

W6GPB has worked or heard the following DX on 14 Mc.: VQ4SJP, OY2Z, GC2F2C, VQ5CL, I5SG, I5GO, FB8BB, OQ5LL, VQ2FU, VP6PV, CR6CZ, ZS3T, VQ2HR, OQ5CP, and MI3LK.

QTHs: VQ2FU, Box 199, Livingstone  
MI3LK, Box 374, Asmara, Eritera

W6GPB has been accused of opening a remotely controlled garage door about ten blocks away from his QTH. The man said every time Joe presses the key the garage door would fly open and lights turn on. Joe wonders if TVI measures would work here. hi

Heard at W6EJA:

5A3TY 14,046 Kc 1042 PST  
OD5AB 14,054 Kc 1048 PST  
ZELJX 14,078 Kc 1243 PST  
DU7SV 7,037 Kc 0623 PST

Worked at W6EJA:

DULCV 7,023 Kc 0630 PST  
VS6CM 7,033 Kc 0615 PST  
ZK2AA 3,502 Kc 0110 PST  
ZL3OP 3,502 Kc 0120 PST

Following borrowed from the West Gulf DX Bulletin. ZS6EW reports VKLHM now on Cocos Island, operates regularly 1300 - 1430 GMT VFO (heard on 14270Kc) AM modulation. Has two V beams 400 ft per leg on South Africa and Australia. QSL air mail service only, include enough IRPs. QTH, VKLHM, C.W.R. Holman, c/o Dept Civil Aviation, Cocos Island.

"Fresno Highlights"

Those of you that missed the annual excursion to Fresno should get busy and make sure that you don't miss it next year, because every year it keeps getting to be better and better. We, who made the trip, thank W6TT and his FB committee for one swell time. As usual W6TT and W6DUB set up their well organized open house, complete with everything. This is one of the highlights of the Fresno deal and is one of the things we all look forward to.

Off course the highlight of the banquet was the awarding of the DX trophy to the Northern California DX Club. DX'ers with former DX calls who were there were OZ4FT, W2WMV/C9, 3A2AB, and W6SAI. Herb Becker gave us the dope on the new "Umac 606" (Wotta tube) Rumor has it that W6BAX is using a pair of these, that his how he "Flushes" out that DX. When Herb announced this new tube it had quite an effect on certain items on the stock market, we hear that Scott Tissue has already touched bottom. W6ENV gave us some dope on scores of the recent CQ DX Contest, and also some discussion was held on changing the CQ DX Honor Roll, this discussion continued at the DX Breakfast. W2WMV/C9 showed his slides and told of his experiences in the C9 and C3 countries.

As usual, everyone showed up for the DX Breakfast, the usual DX quiz was held with W6SC and W6SA tied for the best score, W6SA took the 4-125A and W6SC a book. W6LDD and W6MHB were among the high men, W6LDD got a Elmar catalog, we forget what W6MHB got. Certificates were awarded for the 1951 CQ DX Contest and those of the Northern California DX Club receiving cetificates were W6MVQ, W6MHB, W6RRG, W6NIG, and W6AM. Bud Bane gave a FB talk on "L" and "Pi" net - works. Everyone had a FB time and once more thanks to Horace and his committee. Don't forget, we all have a date at Fresno, January 16 and 17, 1954.

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From W6PB we get some additional info on the Easter Island expedition. This dope was given to Dan by CE3DG. CE3AG will go there sometime in March. He will use the call CE7AA and the other guy with the low power who will stay there from March until December will use CE7AB. The equipment is packed and ready to go, everything now depends on when the ship leaves.

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W6PB reports:

OD5AD Alex 14,025 Kc 11:00 am  
OD5AB Jean 14,055 Kc mornings  
QTHs of both OK in book.

Europeans are heard in early evening around 5:00 pm and also around midnight on 40 meters. The only trouble being that it is next to impossible to break through the East Coast QRM. At 4:30 pm one evening last week Dan heard OK1MB on 40 meters S7. Also VK9GM is active on 40 meters in the late evening. On 20 meters Dan has been hearing OY2Z in the Faroes.

Both 20 and 40 have had good openings but these have been of only about one day per week.

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The West Gulf DX Bulletin tells us that W6NMC is on as CR8NMC using 20 meter phone. Also VS9AW has left Oman to return to England.

At the National Convention to be held in Houston, Texas in July, the DX part of the convention will be handled by W5ADZ, W5IX, W5LXY, and W5NMG.

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W6EJA had a QSO with W50IG who is very active on the 21 Mc band. He says when band conditions improve be on the look-out for OQ5RQ, VQ2DT, and on Saturday and Sunday mornings C1BX who are all very active on the band. Also ZD9AA on 21,200 Kc phone who will answer CW calls.

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QSL dope borrowed from the West Gulf DX Bulletin:

KJ6AR APO 105 c/o PM, San Francisco  
4UAG Box 486, Karachi, Pakistan  
ZD4BK R.W.Bishop, c/o G.P.O., Takoradi, Gold Coast  
ZS9I QSL via S.A.R.L., Box 3037, Capetown, S.A.  
CR6CZ Box 32, Lobito, Angola  
ZB9AA QSL c/o ZSLFD

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W6PB and W6PYH are both working on their antenna systems getting ready for the DX contest. We hear that W6MHB is also getting set for the contest.

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The West Gulf DX Bulletin reports SV5UN is on 14345 Kc phone, Island of Rhodes. QTH:

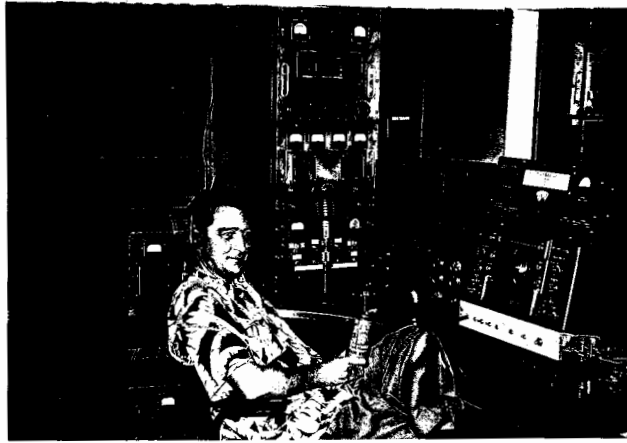
ZC5VR: Vic Randall, P.O. Sandakan, British North Borneo

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W6KEK has had a receiver out to the new KLX transmitter on Point Isabel and sez it's FB, Low noise level and sigs loud.

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Don't forget: Fresno, Jan. 16 & 17, 1954



W6DYP Albert A. Brown, RFD Box 230A, Danville, Calif.

This time we present the FB DX layout of W6DYP located in Danville. Brownie says that the can he has in his hand contains black paint, that's a brand that we never heard of. Brownie has worked 232 countries and has 178 confirmed. Here is the low down in his own words. The rig is as follows: the exciter is a Collins 310B which drives a pair of 257B's in Push-pull. The 257B's drive the final which consist of a pair of 250TH's (non TVI'ed) in Push-pull. The receivers consist of an HR)-50 and a souped up NC240-D (that is stabilized). Antennas are 3 over 3 wide spaced rotaries for 10 and 20. (The 20 meter beam has been only  $2\frac{1}{2}$  elements since the big wind of 1952). These antennas are on a home constructed wooden tower approximately 55 feet high. (Never build a tower -- get a pole). For 7 Mc a ground plane and folded dipole are available. The ground plane works fine for 21 Mc also. For 3.5 Mc an end fed zepp does the work. A new exciter is under construction of the "Gold Plated" variety published in "CQ" a few years back. Hope to complete it within the next few months.

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The following was written for us by W6AM to use as an editorial for this issue in answer to the editorial written by W6RBQ in the last DX'er. The only trouble is that Don sent a copy of it to W5KUC who put it in the "West Gulf DX Bulletin" so now that it has already appeared in another bulletin I feel that I cannot use it as an editorial. This is probably the first time in history that a publication has been scooped in it's editorial.

"We Need More and Louder CQ-DX" by W6AM

When I was in Europe I was appalled by the lack of quantities of W6's. They were apparently all sitting around, waiting for someone to CQ DX for them. They were too lazy to do it themselves, hence a quiet band.

I always appreciate it when I hear some one calling "CQ DX". It often stirs up an otherwise "dead" band.

The foreigners are getting to be like us, they just sit around tuning their receiver. I like many others, think some more activity is desirable. It makes for more fun, like in the DX tests. A live band attracts more DXers-- people have a tendency to gather, where there's already a crowd. DXers are no exception. Hence,

"Yours for more and louder, "CQ DX's".

Don C. Wallace W6AM

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DX CLUB, INC. - \* - \* - \* - \* - \* - POSTWAR COUNTRIES WORKED

CALL	WORKED (CW)	CONFIRMED	WORKED (PHONE)	CONFIRMED	DXCC	WAZ
W6AM	240	238	185	185	X/P	X
W6AED	-	-	123	120	X/P	37
W6AJF		(Honorary Member)				
W6ATO	166	155	50	44	X	X
W6BAX	220	192	-	-	X	X
W6BUY	164	147	-	-	X	X
W6CEM	166	150	-	-	X	X
W6CIS	190	162	-	-	X	X
W6CTL	182	169	-	-	X	40
W6CZQ	144	128	-	-	X	39
W6DUB	142	140	-	-	X	X
W6DYP	232	178	-	-	X	X
W6DZZ	230	225	-	-	X	X
W6EJA	114	100	-	-	-	38
W6GIZ	132	115	-	-	X	38
W6GPB	174	163	35	35	X	40
W6GTI	190	175	-	-	X	38
W6IDY	-	-	142	90	-	-
W6IKQ	-	-	155	148	X/P	36
W6ITH	-	-	115	115	X/P	36
W6JK	173	164	-	-	X	X
W6KEK	157	133	-	-	X	40
W6KEV	190	156	-	-	X	X
W6LW	192	148	-	-	X	38
W6LDD	183	171	45	25	X	X
W6LMZ	170	143	-	-	X	39
W6MEK	240	235	-	-	X	X
W6MHB	195	177	-	-	X	X
W6MUF	140	125	-	-	X	40
W6MVQ	234	215	-	-	X	X
W6MX	238	230	-	-	X	X
W6NIG	167	152	135	134	X/P	38
W6NZ	151	136	-	-	X	40
W6OMC	203	199	-	-	X	X
W6PB	217	206	-	-	X	X
W6PWR	157	136	152	132	X/P	37
W6PYH	179	153	85	69	-	-
W6QDE	153	134	-	-	X	39
W6RBQ	213	199	-	-	X	X
W6RCC	131	112	-	-	X	40
W6RRG	152	120	91	86	X	39
W6SC	209	190	-	-	X	X
W6SR	200	178	-	-	X	X
W6TI	215	208	-	-	X	X
W6TT	230	225	142	133	X/P	X
W6UPV	-	-	76	76	-	31
W6UYX	151	140	140	130	X/P	37
W6UZX	187	171	128	120	X/P	X
W6VE	219	206	-	-	X	X
W6WB	224	210	90	50	X	X
W6WP	76	60	-	-	-	-
W6WJX	140	130	69	60	X	40
W6ZCY	213	199	-	-	X	X
W6ZUI	180	169	-	-	X	40
W7HXG	180	140	52	43	X	40
G5LI	208	190	-	-	X	40

Please correct at next meeting

Totals		
DXCC	50 (CW)	9 (Phone)
WAZ	28	
Members	56	