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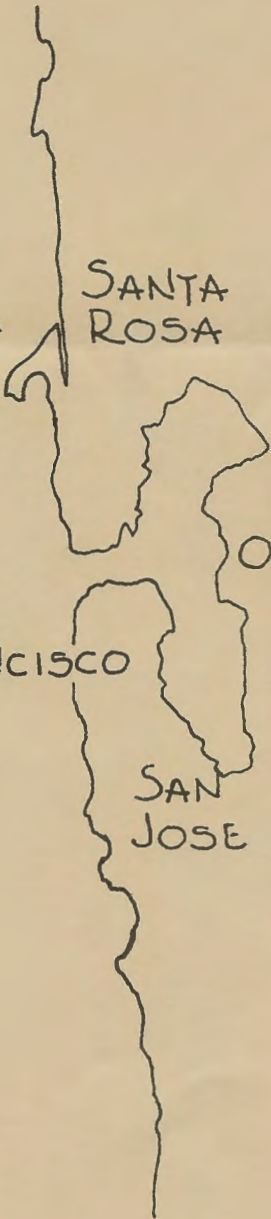
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The purposes for which this Club is organized are to bring together radio amateurs interested in DX: To elevate the Standards of practice and ethics in the use of amateur radio communications: To participate in the exchange of knowledge methods or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

DX Buletins are sent Sundays at 1800 GMT or Mondays at 0200 GMT on 14.002 MHz by W6TI
Club repeater W6WX 2 Meter Freq. are: Input 147.96 Output 147.18 MHz. Simplex 147.90 MHz.
W6WX Trustee, Lee Shaklee W6BH.

News--All contributions must be received by the 25th of the Month. Items may be sent to:

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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING OF THE NCDXC

The September meeting of the NCDXC met at the Marco Polo restaurant in Oakland on September 8, 1972.

First Readings: Bill Johnson, W6MUR
Second Readings: AJF Clement, W6KPC; Vern Hajek, K6UGS; Pete Grabosky, WB600L. All three applicants were voted into membership by a majority vote.

The following committee reports were made:

1. Awards (W6ISQ): New Honor Roll members are Jim, W6CUF and Iris, W6DOD. Jack also announced the genesis of a new award to be given to those club members who enter contests in the name of the NCDXC; the rules will be submitted by the Awards Committee.
2. W 6TI Bulletin Station - W6RGG.
3. Convention - K6SSJ, Note that the Fresno bash will take place April 7th and 8th 1973.
4. Dixer - K6HIH.
5. Repeater: The new receive frequency, effective January, 1973 is 147.36 mc.
6. QSL Bureau - W6HVN indicated that membership help is greatly needed.

W6RGG motioned that no club funds be expended to import a guest keynote speaker for Fresno. The motion was seconded by WB6ICM, but was defeated by a majority vote of the membership.

K6ILG, motioned to spend up to \$50.00 to buy a typewriter for club use. The motion was seconded and approved by the membership.

John Orr of P.G.E. gave an instructive and spirited talk on "Power Line Noise Detection and Cure," and the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Al Burnham, K6RIM, Secretary

K6SSJ - ART COLLECTOR

If you have ever attended a DX convention at Fresno, you owe Bob Thompson, K6SSJ, a loud HUZDAH with a triple flourish! Every other year, Bob almost single-handedly puts on the affair for the NCDXC group (and is already hard at it for the '73 blast). In alternate years, he is chief consultant to some fella, who's name I forget, who does the job for the SCDXC group. And this has been going on since Marconi was a Novice, too.

Young Robert's interest in radio was generated back in the late '20s. (bet a lot of you fellas didn't think he was that old!). In 1934 Bob got his Class "C" ticket and began life as W8RYJ in Cadillac, Michigan with a 45 Hartley oscillator----loop modulated, and a two tube regenerative receiver. Bob also spent a lot of time on the 5 meter band and 160. And he's proud too, that he spent several years exclusively on CW...a path followed, you will admit, by all superior operators through the ages, beginning with a Neanderthal thigh bone paddling on a goat skin. In 1938, Bob moved to Tennessee and got the call W4GMP. He promptly picked up his Class "A" ticket and went on 20 meters. That did it. Bob got the DX bug and has been hard at it ever since. Shortly thereafter, just barely out of his teens, Bob became chief engineer of WJBZ, Clarksville, Tenn. and held that position until he joined the Navy in 1942.

In the Navy, Bob added the wanderlust to his DX lust as he proceeded to cross and re-cross the U.S. of A...courtesy of Uncle. A year here and a year there...east..west..north..south. Bob saw USA.

After the war, Bob went back to the BC business and took over as chief engineer at WSB Atlanta, and began going to Georgia Tech. Then Bob found out about 10 meters. He started off modestly with a 3 element plumbers delight and a pair of 809s plus the good old home brew receiver. However, with that wide-open DX band nicely alive, it wasn't long before he had graduated to a pair of 250ths and a pair of 810 modulators....and fed the whole thing into a 12 element Lash H array! He modestly admits to "excellent results". Since there was nothing he could not work, his favorite game was to try to break his own record for the shortest possible time for WAC. Bob says there were numerous "under 15 minute" WACs, but we'd guess it might have been ten minutes.

After a few years in Atlanta, Bob began to wonder what some of those places looked like that he was talking to on ten meters. So he signed on with Philco as a Tech Rep and took off for another gigantic swing through the U.S. and then through Europe and the Mediterranean. In all Bob hit 42 countries, which is about as many countries as a lot of us ever work. And, as you might understand, the affable Tech Rep made a point to visit personally many of those he'd worked on 10.

Bob settled down in Yugoslavia for a couple of years to teach radar operations. There he became the first western amateur licensed in a communist country, and signed YU1GM for 19 months. He made

about 6000 QSOs in that time including all states and 200 countries. Bob didn't spend all his time behind the mike though. As a matter of fact, he became quite well acquainted there. So well so that he married one of the young ladies from Belgrade...wife Lidija. And anyone who attends NCDXC meetings has met Lidija with Bob.

Back in this country, Bob decided to try the Manufacturer's Rep game and went to work for Don Wallace, W6AM, and later for Dale Hoppe, K6UA. Since 1960, Bob has been on his own and now is a Manufacturer's Rep for about 12 companies. This makes for a lot of traveling for Bob, but he spends a lot of his "away" time visiting other havs and attending other DX club meetings. And every place he goes, he's a great ambassador for NCDXC!

Bob should be off the air about the time you read this. He is moving....next door!...if you can believe that. Must be a bigger yard'er sumpin. Or maybe he has buried a few miles of wire under his present yard and want to tie into all that gound system once he gets next door. Just right for that 160 ground plane.

Bob says he doesn't chase certificates much, but that's hard to believe when you hear him in the pile-ups! He says his most cherished certificate is his membership certif in NCDXC, which is dated March 9, 1956. That's before a lot of us members were born! Or at least, before some of us were licensed. Bob's got the QSLs for DXCC and WAZ, but his secretarty hasn't had time yet to send in for the wall paper. What he lacks in certifs, he makes up in the frenzy of the contests. Bob prefers the CQ DX contests because he "feels it is a better contest for other than "W" stations".

"SSJ" thinks that there are too many countries or places having country status that shouldn't have status. Says he doesn't like some of the reefs, etc. Bob is one of those who believes we should start all over again with DXCC about 1975.

For all that Bob doesn't like those little islands for DXCC he likes them for sailing. He wants to shut things down here some day and get the largest sail boat he can manage and take a 2 year trip around the world. Bob has the idea he would like to eyeball some more of those exotic spots he's talked to through the years, particularly through the Caribbean and SoPac. What do you bet that K0SSJ/MM will be one of the leaders of the fight to include smaller and smaller islands and reefs in the DXCC list once he starts wading ashore with his trusty Kenwood gear! Applications for crew members are taken during Happy Hour before NCDXC meetings.

Bob and Lidija have one son, Reg, who, to date hasn't caused Bob and QRM with an interest in radio. However, it will come, no doubt. Just so long as Bob can get Reg to help hoist the towers, though, he'll over-look it.

Outside amateur radio, Bob goes in for stamp collecting (please note Ester and Fernel, photography and...wine tasting.

I dunno why he wants to fool around with just tasting the stuff, but that's what he says. He also is a big reader, and...an art collector. That just proves that an NCDXC member can develop a taste for culture, despite his exposure to some of the NCDXC meetings.

If there's any job to be done that will benefit the club, Bob's available. While you're in there chasing DX and jawing on 2, this fella is probably doing something for NCDXC and you! So, in advance, Bob...again..thanks for Fresno and a lot of other things.

de W6ISQ; Biography Editor

NEXT NCDXC MEETING.

The October 13th meeting of NCDXC will be held at the Black Angus 477, 9th Ave. San Mateo.

Cocktails in bar at 7pm - Dinner 7:30, price \$5.50 T.N.T. New York steak. Program! "DXing by Slow - Scan TV", live Demo. by Bud Bone W6WB & Dave Bradley W6CUB.

NOTE???????

CLUB PA SYSTEM: Who has it?? Please bring it to the next meeting or contact a Board Member to Pick it up.

NEW PHONE

New Phone number of W6BH is 357-5162.

CLUB MEMBERS giving help to QSL Bureau during September:

WA6AHF	WB6BGQ	W6NTQ	W6ITD
W6RGG	K6UJS	K6RXZ	W6AFI
WA6IVN	WA6CXK	K6YGS	W6GF6
WA6YXP	K6TWT	W6CUF	W6OL
WB6COB	K6DC	W6LQC	W6OKK
WN6QJA	W6DBK	W6JZU	W6TSQ

BELIEVE IT OR NOT!!!!!!

Rubin on CW???????????????

3X1P Sept. 21 1651Z Him 21.152MC, Me 21.170MC

CW

Do you think we should believe Him?????????? ED

BOARD ACTIONS - AUG THRU SEPT
1972

AUGUST:

- **Frequency change of output of repeater to 147.36 effective Jan. 73.
- **Sell club PA system.
- **Orders for club QSL's to be routed through Secy, cash with order.

SEPTEMBER:

- **Appointed Committee Chairmen for Fresno Convention.
- **Appointed board members to lend assistance to QSL Bureau sections as follows:

W6---K6RIM	WA6---W6BH
K6---W6ZBS	WB6---W6DOD

- **Board will publish all actions taken in DXer.
- **Appointed By-Laws Revision Committee (temporary appointments: WA6AUD, W6CUF).
- **Ordered 50,000 QSL's per original submitted by W6BH and approved by membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Al Burnham, K6RIM
Secretary.

DX NOTE.

Lee, W6BH received this letter from WAØLGR on info about a BhutanDX' pedition.

Dear Lee,
In a recent QSO, I mentioned an upcoming Bhatan operation and you were going to pass the work. Now you can pass the word that it has been derailed. The King of Buutan just died and since the Country must go into official mourning for 60 days, the permission to operate was with drawn until the middle of November. However, by November it will be snowing so much in that region that access will be impossible. So as of now the earliest we can get going again will be the middle of April.

CAMBODIA. In QSO with XV5AC I asked what had happened to XULAA, he (John) replied that there was no operation there now. Talked like they might send someone over later and that they were readying for a contest. I presume the CQ contest on Oct. 28. (W%FFW)(LIDXA)

MELLISH REEF. VK9JW QSL will be accepted by ARRL for DXCC-credit after November 1 st.

The following stations were taken from the NCDXC Members Activity reports.

CALL	DATE	TIME	FREQ	MODE	REMARKS
A51PN	9/12	1421	14078	CW	
AC3FT	8/27	1441	14252	"	
CE6CA/0	9/13	1745	21	SSB	
CR9AK	1/5	0700	14	CW	
CT1UE	9/7	0500	14	SSB	
EA8BH	9/10	0626	14	"	
EF2YL	9/22	1528	14227	"	
ET3DS	8/25	1800	21	SSTV	
FB8ZA	8/30	1515	14	CW	
FL8HM	9/6	1842	21275	SSB	
FF8DH	8/31	0249	14	"	
FY7AE	8/17	1845	21350	"	
GW2RV	9/26	1749	21027	"	
HA1KZ	9/4	1619	21273	"	
HH9DL	9/10	0515	14258	"	
W6MTE/HR6	9/17	2320	21013	CW	Swan Is.
HS4AGN	8/26	1530	14009	"	
I2ZGA	9/26	1746	21037	"	
JT0AE	8/23	1700	14	SSB	
JY1	8/31	1450	14245	"	
LG5LG	9/27	1612	21028	CW	
MP4BIN	9/10	0347	14	SSB	
OH2OP/0	9/3	0420	14	CW	aiand Is.
FW2AA	9/5	0317	14	SSB	
FZ5CW	9/9	0532	14	"	
ST2SA	8/31	1430	14245	SSB	LP QSL to K3RLY
SV1FT	9/4	1800	21278	"	Crete
SV0WU	9/13	0330	14206	"	Rhodes
TJ1BF	9/3	2331	21	"	
TL8LI	9/24	2225	14	"	
TU2DD	9/10	1807	21023	CW	
TU2DO	9/7	0643	7074	SSB	
UF6CE	9/23	0343	14	SSB	
UH8BY	8/28	1715	14	CW	
UN1CC	9/1	0435	14	SSB	
UP0L21	8/28	1700	14	CW	
VK9ZB	9/8	0648	14265	SSB	Willis Is.
VI8LR	9/6	1835	21	"	Falkland Is.
VQ9MC	9/8	1800	14210	"	
VQ9NEW	9/6	1502	14246	"	
VR1AA	8/28	0541	7	"	
XT2AF	9/20	0042	14	"	
XW8BS	8/25	1405	14	"	
YA1TCA	9/22	1627	21309	"	
YB0IZ	8/24	1600	14	"	PO Box 2761 Jakarta
YJ8BL	8/7	0651	14220	"	QSL W6NJU
ZD7BB	9/16	1825	21	"	" WA0WKW
ZE5JJ	9/6	0320	7002	CW	
ZL1ZJ	9/23	1410	3804	SSB	
ZL1BN/ZK1	8/23	0700	14	CW	QSL ZL1BN
ZS2MI	8/27	1558	14204	SSB	QSL ZS6LW
ZS3AK	8/27	1540	14212	"	

Activity Reports Cont.

CALL	DATE	TIME	FREQ	MODE	REMARKS
2D6AX	8/31	1508	14206	CW	QSL WA5IEV
3X1P	8/19	1857	21353	SSB	
3B8CV	9/9	1658	21271	"	
5H3MM	8/24	1650	21	"	
5N2ABG	9/8	0601	14219	"	QSL WA5IEV
5R8BD	9/7	1417	14	"	
5Z4MO	9/8	1441	14	"	
6W8AC	9/20	2014	21355	"	
7X7Z	8/29	0444	14203	"	
8R1N	9/16	1800	21	"	Box 841 Georgetown.
9G1HE	9/2	1638	21	"	QSL VE3FCL
9H1DN	9/4	1723	21279	"	
9K2AN	9/6	1400	7007	CW	
9X5VA	8/29	1900	21	SSB	
K06JC	9/9	1310	2805	SSB	
KB6DA	9/23	0606	7082	"	
KP4DJE	9/4	0513	7	"	

QSLed to the W6s
 3B8DA Alex Ex 3B7DA, Said he has ... he has worked 100 percent and unfortunately he has only gotten back 30 %. He would like all of the W6s to please QSL inreturn.

ED

CONTEST TIME

Well this is the time for every Club member to ready himself for the CQ WW Contest. I know some of you say you are not contest operators but, it doesn't take a supper operator or a big station to score a few thousand points. With over 175 members we could have a real nice score. With the JA's so easy to work, and by picking up a few other Countries, it is not hard or doesn't take hours of your time to make a good score. So PLEASE spend some time working in the Contest for our NCDXC so we can have a much bigger score this year then last. We had only 6,470,053 points last year with only about 45 club members turning in scores. So you can see by this, what we could do if more of the member would take part. We are the oldest DX Club around and our score is one of the few time we are listed as a Club in any of the Amateur magazines. So this being a WORLD WIDE DX CONTEST, and we being the oldest DX Club, this is a time you personally can do something for the Club, so we can have a score that is representative of the fine old DX Club that we are. If you are a new Club member and haven't ever intered a DX Contest before, I think you will fined it to be fun, and you will be doing your part for the Club at the same time.

de ED K6HIH

Joke of the Month

WA6AHF, Rubin. My mobile rig won't work! What will I do?
 W6HVN, Doug. "Bandladash"!!!!

BRITISH PHOENIX. W6BHY JIM, will be in that island group around the middle of September. He will be there several weeks and will sign VR1W and KB6DA while there. He also hopes to Operate in the CQ WW Test during the last week of October with Callsign VR1W. (WCDXB)

SERRANA BANK. There are plans for a operation from there from Oct. 26 to Oct 28/29/. The call to be used will be KS4KZ and the license and transportation are reported as firmed at this time. Plans are for all-band effort and antennas includes a TA-33. (WCDXB)

SPRATLY. There are plans for a Spratly operation in the early December The planning has progressed for sure and the operation is still alive but the postponements may indicate some small problems. (WCDXB)

RODRIGUEZ. 3B9CF. It is reported this station should be on the air right now with a FTDX 500. (MOTA)

COMORO ISL. FH0DL, very active from Moroni and using FL1000 and dipoles for 15-20140 mtrs. Look for him on 7005cw and 7065 SSB. QSL via DK2SI. Also available is FH0CE from there. (DX-press)

NIGERIA. Nigerian amateurs will again be using the 5N5 prefix during the month of October. This is to celebrate Nigeria's 12th Anniversary of Independence. (MOTA)

BRITISH HONDOURAS. VE1A and possibly WPLWMMU will be active in the CW portion of the CQ WW DX Test in November. Pat Sonnier, W5WMMU will be in on the activity and the station will be available for a couple of days before the serious contest work gets under way. (WCDXB)

MINAMI TORISHIMA. K1LDX will be active from Minami Torishima (Marcus Island) during the CQ World Wide DX Test. Indications are that there will be activity during both the CQ phone and CQ CW go-rounds. All bands are planned. (WCDXB)

CLUB MEMBERS REMARKS.

W6JKJ--SELL Swan 350 with 400-12 Pwr Supply \$300.00. 400 watt gas generator \$75. Misc. KW Parts. Phone 736-8358.

K6COF. Still looking for AC3, TN8.

W6ZBS. Most needed active Country 3X1P, EA9, (70, VS9A), 60, AC3, FB8WW.

WB6UJO. VK3CR, Rod working for Calif. Award.

W6HRB. For Sale: Henry 3K-A, used 3 months with full year factory warrenty.

NCDXC MEMBERS STANDING FOR SEPT. 1972

<u>CW/PHONE</u>			<u>PHONE</u>				
<u>CALL</u>	<u>CFD/WKD</u>	<u>WAZ</u>	<u>CALL</u>	<u>CFD/WKD</u>	<u>WAZ</u>		
1	W6CYV	322/344	X	1	W6ZM	320/329	X
2	WB6OOP	321/330	X	2	W6KNH	309/309	X
3	W7ZM	320/334	X	3	W6RGG	308/311	X
4	K6WR	318/329	X	4	W6PTS	308/310	X
5	W6RGG	318/323	X	5	W6ZBS	308/310	X
6	W6KG	317/334	X	6	K6VX	306/310	X
7	W6CUF	316/322	X	7	W6GRV	306/310	X
8	W6HVN	315/321	X	8	WA6AHF	304/306	X
9	W6JKJ	313/322	X	9	K6CAZ	299/302	X
10	W6KNH	313/313	X	10	W6KOE	296/298	X
11	W6DOD	311/313	X	11	K6TXR	283/300	X
12	W6PTS	310/317	X	12	W6CDJ	283/288	X
13	K6CQF	309/319	X	13	WB6UJO	282/289	X
14	K6CAZ	306/318	?	14	W6ZC	282/288	X
15	W6TSQ	308/316	X	15	W6BH	281/295	X
			X	16	WA6WXP	279/290	X
17	W6EJ	300/313	X	17	W6VQD	268/277	39/40
18	W6BH	291/301	X	18	K66CQF	268/?	X
19	WA6HRS	288/291	X	19	WB6UOM	262/269	X
20	W6CDJ	285/290	X	20	W6AOI	259/271	38/40
21	WB6UJO	281/282	X	21	W6CUF	253/???	39/40
22	WB6CQY	275/282	39/40	22	W6LQC	243/264	38/39 XI
23	K6DYQ	275/280	X	23	W6BJB	242/248	X
24	W6HQN	270/???	X	24	K6TF	241/248	X
25	K6LQA	268/277	X	25	W6LQC	230/267	38/39
26	WB6UOM	264/271	X	26	W6ZYC	227/248	38/40
27	K6TF	259/268	X	27	W6HRB	225/236	38/40
28	W6JHV	254/267	X	28	WB6KBK	217/???	38/40
29	W6EYY	252/272	X	29	K6WD	183/197	X
30	W6HRB	250/258	39/40	30	W6YVK	182/193	38/38
31	K6QZ	249/271	X	31	W6ZTJ	178/191	34/36
32	WB6KBK	248/273	38/40	32	W6DOD	177/186	X
33	W6LQC	243/265	?	33	W6KG	149/179	X
34	W6YUS	243/260	X	34	K6QZ	109/197	37/39
35	W6ZYC	229/250	38/40	35	K6TZX	79/87	?
36	K6WD	228/237	X	3			
37	K6TZX	212/230	X				
38	W6ITD	210/214	39/40				
39	K6HIH	200/228	?				

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

1	W6AM	323/352	X	1	W6AM	323/350	X
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Sure would like to see some more of the Club members send in their standings. This page of the DXer is the place to let all of us know just where each of us stand. As you can see, there a lot of the members who have been in the club along time that are not listed on this page. For those of you that are new members, use the last sheet of the DXer and send in your standings Please, and for those of you old timers, lets not keep it a secret any longer.

de ED

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