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MEETING NOTICE

PLACE: DINAH'S SHACK 4269 El Camino Real, Palo Alto
DATE: FRIDAY, 10 August 1979
TIME: 6:30 P.M. --- Cocktails 7:30 P.M. --- CHOW!!!
MENU: SMORGASBORD
PRICE: \$7.25 Including tax and tip
PROGRAM: Ray Vincent, W6PUX, will present a talk on three dimensional spectrum analysis. Get the real facts on the Woodpecker!

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WHATCHA MISSED

The July meeting was held on Friday, July 13, 1979 at the Blue Dolphin in San Leandro. The guest included K6FO, WD6CHF, AG6D, JA9ATS and HK3BLE.

There were five second readings. They were for Bruno Bienenfeld, AA6AD, Ken Ruddock, K6HNZ, Ed Westbrook, WA6IUM, Charles Strobel, K6PBT, and Rod Dinkins, AC6V. Congratulations fellows!

There were three first readings, for Norm Brooks, K6FO, Jan O'Brien, K6HHD, and Tak Mori, K6RUW.

The Treasurer's report? \$685.99 in checking, \$2123.97 in savings and \$370.40 in the repeater fund.

W6SC also reports that the QSL cards now at the printers will be sent via UPS by the printer to those who are still waiting for their's.

K6DC noted that there were about 23,000 Desecheo QSL cards to be answered and he is organizing a work party to tackle the immense job.

The president described the changes incorporated into the Procedures Manual. The newly revised manuals have been distributed to the Club officers, but not to the general membership. Copies will be available for \$2.70. A motion to include the cost of the manual in the annual dues and send a copy to each member failed to pass.

It was suggested that a copy of the Club by-laws be included in the DXer. (If someone will send me an up-to-date copy, I'll put it in - Ed.)

Once again the subject of the NCDXC repeater came up. Merle, K6DC gave a brief rundown on the history, purpose and some recommended procedures of the repeater and those wishing to use it. (More in this issue - Ed.)

Our ARRL Director, Bill Stevens, W6ZM, presented a forty membership award to Lloyd Colvin, W6KG. Lloyd is just short of fifty years now. Congratulations Lloyd!

At the conclusion of the business meeting Charlie, W6ZYC, turned the gavel over to the new president, Ted, W6BJH, who introduced the new Club officers.

Neal, KB6EI presented an interesting program on his recent trip to Taiwan.

NCDXC Club Repeater

The rules governing operation of the club repeater WR6ACZ are included in the NCDXC Procedures Manual which were approved by the board of directors in July 1976. Subsequent revisions were made and approved by the board of directors on July 5, 1979.

To apprise club members of the purpose and intent of the club repeater and the code of conduct for its use, the following is excerpted from the Procedures Manual:

- a. NCDXC owns and operates a 2 meter closed repeater on 147.96/147.36 MHz. This repeater is for the exclusive use of club members and its use by nonmembers is discouraged.
- b. Primary purposes of the repeater is for exchange of DX information and to conduct weekly on-the-air club meetings. Secondary purposes include communication among club members and their invited guests or friends to exchange technical information and news of general interest. Other purposes include participation and handling of emergency traffic, providing assistance to Civil Defense, State and local police and providing communication service to the public.
- c. Use of the repeater for "rag chewing" not of general interest is discouraged; members are expected to QSY to an appropriate simplex channel or another repeater.
- d. Members using the repeater output frequency for direct communications must be in a location where they do not disturb the DX monitoring operations of other members by breaking the squelch on their receivers.
- e. To insure full use of DX information by repeater users, announcements should be preceded by the statement: "DX announcement", followed by the callsign, frequency, and any other pertinent information concerning the DX station.
- f. Club directors and members of the repeater committee are authorized to monitor the repeater for compliance with the intent and purpose of the repeater as set forth herein above. Verbal or written notification of infractions may be given as appropriate.

W1ICU

"Just a line to say I enjoy receiving the DXer back here every month. Hope to get out there later on. I'm still chasing DX and finally got listed under Radiotelephone in QST on the May 1979 Honor Roll and have 3 more worked so maybe I'll stay on the H.R. this time. All the best to all my friends and"

73 Norm

EDITORIAL QRM

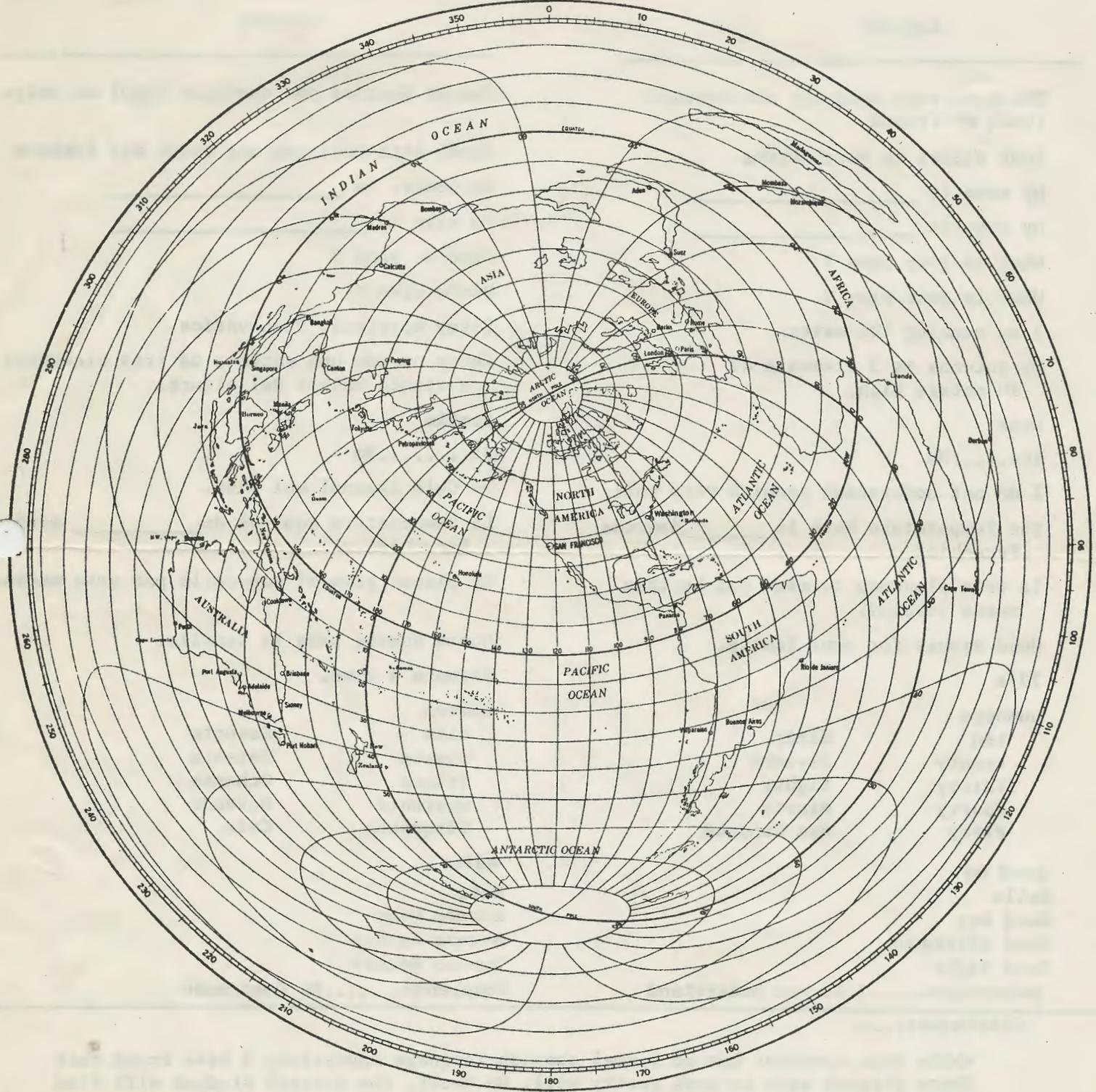
By now you have all undoubtedly heard that the West Coast DX Bulletin has ceased publication after over a decade of service to the DXers of the world. I am sure that I am not alone in regretting it's passing from the scene. I would like to personally thank it's editor, Cass, WA6AUD, for a job exceedingly well done.

There have been those who semi-seriously asked me if I would take over the job that Cass has just resigned. He made it abundantly clear that it was an immense task, and one that was full time. Were I independently wealthy I probably would. Until that day arrives (HI HI) I will do what I can. From now on, I will accept reports for the DXer. The deadline for the DXer is two weeks before the next meeting. Only news of upcoming DXpeditions or information on currently active DX of a rare nature are being solicited. For the garden variety or semi-rare DX, use WR6ACZ. I would really like to see a weekly newsletter continue, and according to HR Report, it may soon. Until, and unless the WCDXB resurfaces, listen to WR6ACZ and send in reports.

CHART OF THE WORLD

Showing Great Circle Distances and Azimuths
from San Francisco, Cal. to all Points on the Earth's Surface

Vessels should not use this chart for navigational purposes



"NO OBLO ESPANOL MUI BIEN"

English-to-Spanish translation of commonly used amateur radio phrases.

English

Spanish

Thankyou very much for the contact (QSO) my friend

Muchas Gracias por contacto (QSO) mi amigo

Your signal is very strong

Usted esta ponienda una senal muy fureate

My name is _____

Mi nombre is _____

My city is _____

Yo vivo is _____

What is your name ?

Como se yama ?

What is your city ?

Donde vive ?

I am running 100 watts.

Estoy corriendo cien vatios.

My antenna is 3 elements at 20 meters high.

Estoy usando una antenna de tres elamentos a viente metros del altura.

Over

Cambio

Yes.....No

Si.....No

I do not understand spanish very well.

No Oblo Espanol mui bien.

The Temperature here is _____degrees Farenhiet.

La temperatura aqui es de _____ grados Farenhiet.

It is a pleasure to meet you by this means (radio).

El placer para mi conocerle por este medio.

Good wishes for your family.

Buena suerte para la familia.

73's

Setenta y tres.

numbers

numero

ten Sixty
twenty Seventy
Thirty Eighty
Fourty Ninety
Fifty One Hundred

dies Sesenta
viente Setenta
Trinta Ochenta
Quarenta Novenda
Cinquenta Cein

good by

adios

Hello

Hola

Good Day

Buenos Dias

Good Afternoon

Buenos Tardes

Good Night

Buenos Nochas

Understand.....I do not understand

Comprendo.....No Comprendo

Disclaimer.....

While this operator has no formal spanish language education, I have found that these phrases seem to work pretty well. No doubt, the spanish student will find many errors embedded here-in, however, I have found the spanish speaking amateur radio operator is delighted to communicate with DX in his native language and most will respond in english when you say, "No oblo espanol mui bien". Also there are many spanish-english bi-lingual operators on the air who would be glad to help you practice with the pronunciation and inflection.

Try it, you'll like it!!

TO MY NEIGHBORS:

NOTICE CONCERNING ALLEGED TV INTERFERENCE
FROM THIS TRANSMITTER

1. You have called to my attention the fact that transmissions from my station are causing interference to your TV reception.
2. Interference such as you describe is not caused by amateur operations, as amateur stations cannot and do not cause TV interference. Nor is this interference the result of any malfunction of my equipment or poor operating habits - - for my station is NOT an amateur station.
3. Be advised that your government is placing a \$500 per year tax on all TV receivers. Because it is difficult at this date to obtain a listing of TV set owners for taxation purposes, your government has established a vast network of TV jamming installations with the hope that TV set owners will make themselves known to these jamming stations so that their names can be added to the tax rolls. This station is such an installation.
4. Your government greatly appreciates your turning yourself in. You will be one of the first taxed. You have also verified that this TV jamming equipment is functioning properly.
5. We have also made note of the time and channel which you reported this jamming. This information will be given to several TV program rating surveys.
6. You have therefore provided a valuable service to the entertainment industry and to your government.
7. So that you will not be the only one taxed, please be patient as we continue our TV jamming operations.

OPERATOR
OFFICE OF TV TAXATION

Did you hear the one about the unhappy genius whose IQ of 185 put him beyond the understanding of others? He was desperately lonely, and wanted to be normal.

Then he heard of a scientist who had invented a brainshrinker. He told the scientist his plight and offered himself as a guinea pig. He wanted an average intellect, no more. The scientist hooked up the machine to the fellow's head, set it for an IQ of 125 and went down for a drink.

An hour later, having dawdled over his drink, he remembered his lonesome genius. He raced upstairs. The guage had dropped from 185 to 10! He ripped wires, electrodes and dials from the man and said, "My God, I'm terribly sorry! I just forgot you. Are you all right?"

The man grinned and said, "Ten-four, good buddy."

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* Input freq. --- 147.96 MHz
* Output freq. -- 147.36 MHz
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* Suggested simplex: 147.54 MHz
* NCDXC THURSDAY NITE NET
* On WR6ACZ Thursdays at 8:00 P.M.
* NCDXC DX BULLETIN BROADCASTS
* W6TI, the NCDXC Memorial Station
* broadcasts DX bulletins each Sunday
* at 1800 GMT or Monday at 0200 GMT
* on 14.002 MHz.
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