



THE BULL SHEET

THE NEWS BULLETIN OF THE TEXAS DX SOCIETY

an ARRL affiliated club

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD, all the hard work and months of planning paid off in the 1975 Field Day effort. The TDXS took the FIRST PLACE award in the 3A category. K5RLW and crew assembled a really super effort to make it all possible. The extra effort in the CW segments proved to be the advantage in the total score.

CW SS LOOKS LIKE A TRIUMPH. South Texas was favored with the best band conditions for CW SS. Three TDXS members made over 1000 QSO'S. WA5LES broke the existing CW SS record with 1200+ QSO'S. K5PFL took an unofficial fifth place with just over 1100 QSO'S while the multi-single effort of K5LZO/WB8FUO should make top multi-op effort in the country. Our member to the east, W5WMU, totalled out with just over 1K QSO'S, but Pat's score doesn't count in the club total for ARRL credit. High claimed scores...

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| 1. W7RM | 6. WB5DTX |
| 2. WA0CVS | 7. W6RR |
| 3. W6HX | 8. WB4AEX |
| 4. W5MYA | 9. WA5RTG |
| 5. WA7NIN | 10. K5PFL** |

(**=TDXS members)

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| 1. WA5LES** | 6. W6RTT |
| 2. KP4EAJ | 7. K4GSU |
| 3. K4PUZ | 8. WB4AEX |
| 4. W7RM | 9. W6HX |
| 5. K5PFL** | 10. WA7NIN |

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| 12. WA5LES** |
| 20. W5WMU** |

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| 17. W5WMU** |
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A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL at the TDXS Annual Banquet held at the Continental Steak House in Pasadena. Fifty-three TDXS members and guests attended, including W6RTT and WA5RXT(from RWK). The 1976 officers of the TDXS were announced. WA5LES resumes another term as President, K5LZO now assumes the duties as Vice-President, K5PFL accepted another term as Secretary/Treasurer, while WB5IFY continues his duties as meeting chairman for another year. W5SBX will keep the TDXS contesters informed as contest chairman, and the position of Field Day chairman is currently vacant, but will be announced soon.

THE NEXT TDXS MEETING will be at the Howard Johnson's on the Gulf Freeway (I.H. 45 South) on Friday, February 13th at 7:30 p.m. Chairman WB5IFY reports that we are still searching for possible meeting sites, as we are quickly outgrowing HO JO'S... To be discussed at the meeting. The following meeting will be April 9th, place T.B.A.

CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL, the FCC has authorized special prefixes for the 1976 calendar year. These prefixes are entirely voluntary, and do not require any special approval. Listed below are those designated prefixes...

W - AC	KH6 - AH6	(3) WB6 - AG3
K - AD	KJ6 - AJ6	WG6 - AG5
WA- AA	KL7 - AL7	WH6 - AH1
WB- AB	KM6 - AH7	WJ6 - AJ1
WD- AE	KP4 - AJ4	WL7 - AL1
WN- AK	KP6 - AIØ	WM6 - AH2
WR- AF	KS4 - AH4	WP4 - AJ8
KB6-AG2	KS6 - AH3	WS6 - AH5
KC4-AC4 (1)	KV4 - AJ3	WV4 - AJ2
KG6-AG6 (2)	KW6 - AG7	WW6 - AG1

1. Navassa Is., not Antarctica
2. Guam, not the other Marina Is.
3. Novices on Canton, Baker, and Enderbury, Howland Is., not California.

A PRELIMINARY OUTLINE of the "Contester of the Year Award" is enclosed with the bulletin. Tom, WA5LES, informs us that this is a preliminary release. Take a hard look at it, and be prepared to comment at the next meeting.

IF YOU NEED SPECIAL CLUB QSL'S, be prepared to place your order at the next club meeting on February 13th. K5PFL will be taking orders for cards at the meeting. Don't forget the response to contest QSO'S when placing your order...

OPERATING EVENTS

February 7,8	ARRL DX Competition-Phone (see QST p. 61)
February 21,22	ARRL DX Competition-CW
March 6,7	ARRL DX Competition-Phone
March 20,21	ARRL DX Competition-CW
April 3,4	"Open" CD Party-Phone
April 10,11	"Open" CD Party-CW

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Dear TDXS Member:

The ARRL DX competition is upon us again. The schedule for this year's event is as follows:

<u>Phone</u>		<u>CW</u>	
<u>Starts</u>	<u>Ends</u>	<u>Starts</u>	<u>Ends</u>
Feb. 7, 0001 GMT	Feb. 8, 2359 GMT	Feb. 21, 0001 GMT	Feb. 22, 2359 GMT
Mar. 6, 0001 GMT	Mar. 7, 2359 GMT	Mar. 20, 0001 GMT	Mar. 21, 2359 GMT

Check sheets as well as chronological logs (not separate logs for each band) and summary sheets must be postmarked by April 19, 1976. Please submit a copy of your summary sheet to the club secretary before the second week in April so that the club aggregate score may be prepared and submitted on time.

As during last year's event, single operator stations may compete in the all-band, high-band (10-15-20) and low-band (40-80-160) sections.

Participation by club members last year was excellent, and I hope that this year's participation will be even better. Please try to operate during at least one of the possible four weekends. Even a small effort will benefit the club score. Contest log forms, check sheets and summary sheets can be obtained from the club secretary.

The club secretary has volunteered to check your logs for duplicate contacts and to prepare your summary sheets, if necessary.

Good luck and see you in the pile-ups.

73,

Jan Carman, WSSBX

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Contest Chairman, TDXS

THE TEXAS DX SOCIETY PRESENTS

PRELIMINARY

THE CONTESTER OF THE YEAR
AWARD

PRELIMINARY

1. PURPOSE: To honor those Amateur Radio Operators who have achieved individual proficiency in the art of Amateur Radio Contesting to such a high degree of skill that their accomplishments deserve special recognition by their peers.
2. ELIGIBILITY: The award is available by application or nomination to all licensed Radio Amateurs, worldwide.
3. CRITERIA: The basis for all awards will be the total number of QSO's made by an individual in the specified contests for the previous year.
4. AWARDS: The Amateur who has made the highest total number of contest QSO's for the specified years contests will be awarded the CONTESTER OF THE YEAR Award. Any Amateur who has made total contest QSO's for the specified years contests will be awarded a MASTER CONTESTER Certificate.
5. ELIGIBLE CONTESTS: The following will be the only contests considered or allowed for Award credit:

CQ Worldwide Phone	ARRL DX Phone	ARRL 10 Meter Test
CQ Worldwide CW	ARRL DX CW	ARRL 160 Meter Test
CQ Worldwide WPX SSB	ARRL Sweepstakes Phone	*ARRL "Open" CD Party Phone
CQ 160 Meter Test	ARRL Sweepstakes CW	*ARRL "Open" CD Party CW

* The All-Asia Phone and CW or The WAE Phone and CW may be substituted for the Phone and CW "Open" CD Partys.
6. VALIDATION: The total QSO count will be only as reported in the official results listed in CQ and QST publications. Credit for the All-Asia and the WAE contests' QSO's will be obtained from the sponsoring organizations. No other credit will be allowed.
7. APPLICATION: The applicant or nominee must enter a minimum of 8 of the 12 contests to be eligible. The application will list complete details, including; contest, mode, call sign used, publication and page number of the results, total QSO credit claimed. For an applicant or nominee involved in multioperator efforts, the total number of QSO's for the station will be divided by the number of operators(as published with the results) and the quotient will be the number of allowable QSO's for each operator. Only 2 such contest entries will be allowed per applicant or nominee.
8. AWARD PERIOD: The award period will be the results published in the January through the December Issues(within the calendar year) of the reporting publications. i.e.: The 1975 award will be for the contests published in January thru December, 1975, QST and CQ and WAE and All-Asia results published in calendar year 1975. Applications will be accepted no earlier than January first and no later than January 31 of the year following the contest results publication.

8. DISQUALIFICATION: This award is based on a quantitative evaluation of performance but is designed to honor an operator based on overall skill and caliber. An operator who has been officially disqualified from any of the eligible contests will not be considered for this award for five years following the announcement of disqualification. If, in the opinion of the Awards Committee of the Texas DX Society, a nominee or applicant is undeserving of this recognition due to repeated instances of unsportsmanlike conduct, poor operating procedures or conduct unbecoming to Amateur Radio, the nominee or applicant may be disqualified from that years award.

By an individual in the specified contest for the previous year

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THE PHONE AND CW OPEN CD PAPER

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contests to be eligible for the award, the applicant will list complete details, including contest, mode, call sign used, publication and page number of the results, total QSO credit claimed, for an applicant's previous participation in any operator effort. The total number of QSO's for the contest will be divided by the number of operators published in the results. The operator will be the number of all valid QSO's for each operator. Each contest effort will be allowed per applicant or competitor.

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