



# THE BULL SHEET

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MEETING NOTICE: The November meeting is, as originally scheduled, Friday, 11/14, at the Marriot Brookhollow, Loop 610 North at TC Jester. Happy hour begins at 6 in Katies Bar, followed by dinner at 7 in Katies Restaurant, and the meeting gets underway in the Quail Valley Room about 8. The program is a presentation by the folks from Butternut on their vertical antennas. It promises to be a very enlightening program.

CONVENTION 80 is now history. Once again the convention appears to have been a great success and the TDXS activities were some of the highlights. Cudos have to first go to Bob, WD5CHY for an outstanding job of running the hospitality suite, Orville and Dennis for running the DX/Contest program, Lee and Sharp for the QSL display and Al, K5BZU for running the raffle. Reports came in far and wide, once again, that the TDXS hospitality and programs were applauded as being some of the best in the land.

SWEEPINGSTAKES FEVER has spread over the TDXS this year, thanks to the efforts of our contest Chairman K5WA and his staff of team captains, K5GN, K5MA, and KA5CHW. The CW weekend saw tremendous Club participation and an aggregate score that was 90%+ of our total score last year. Individually, the top five look like K5GA, K5IY(CHW), K5MA, N5JJ, K5GN, but, what's really amazing is the next 20 places in the TDXS. There were lots of big scores. We'll have a complete tally next month after the phone weekend. Team-wise, the G.N.'s are on top with the Weirdos second, Aristocrats third and the Aborigines bringing up the rear, but there aren't many points separating the teams. The Voice weekend should really bring some intense competition for the team honors AND MAYBE A TDXS GAVEL!

TOM'S SHORTS Don't forget, the November meeting is the time when we elect the 1981 TDXS officers, come out and Vote! Thanks to Dennis for putting together the Bullsheat last month while your hon. ed. was taking care of a few hundred last minute convention details. Visitors to Houston the last few weeks included K7JA (at the Convention), N6TR and VK6RU. K5NA/2 has a tribander and a loud signal in these parts. Richard is very active and anxious to QSO the Club members, especially on 160. WA3OVC passed his Extra and is trying to get rid of that yankee call sign. The intermod problem on 96/36 seems to have intensified with the onset of the cool weather (inversions and less path loss). We really need to keep the discussions of who we suspect as causing the interference off the air and report any specific observations to Kim, K5TU, at 463-7676. The new antenna will be on order shortly, and we hope that will help somewhat. Be advised that the problem is being worked as rapidly as possible.

PLANNING A DXPELITION? The following list, furnished by the FCC will give you an idea on where you might want to go:

Governments that have reciprocal agreements with the U.S. are:

Argentina	Germany, Fed. Rep. of	Netherlands
Australia	Greece	New Zealand
Austria	Guatemala	Nicaragua
Barbados	Guyana	Norway
Belgium	Haiti	Panama
Bolivia	Honduras	Paraguay
Botswana	Iceland	Peru
Brazil	India	Philippines
Canada	Indonesia	Portugal
Chile	Ireland, Rep. of	Sierra Leone
Colombia	Israel	Spain
Costa Rica	Jamaica	Surinam
Denmark	Jordan	Sweden
Dominican Republic	Kuwait	Switzerland
Ecuador	Liberia	Trinidad & Tobago
El Salvador	Luxembourg	United Kingdom
Fiji	Monaco	Uruguay
Finland	Netherlands Antilles	Venezuela
France		

Amateurs who wish to apply for a reciprocal operating permit should write to the radio licensing authorities in the government of the country to be visited. Applicants may get the addresses of these licensing authorities either from foreign embassies or from radio clubs listed in the Foreign Amateur Radio Callbook.

FOR SALE: Station #1: T4XC, R4C, AC4, MS4, SB220 = \$1500  
Station #2: IC701, P/S, Mic, DX1, Cables, SB220 = \$1350  
Mike Mauldin, K5NU. 512-643-8142

FOR SALE: Akai GX620 open-reel tape deck, \$400. Sony 250 open-reel tape deck \$40. Sankyo Dolby cassette deck, \$50. Dual 1019 Turntable with cartridge, \$40. Set of 30 prerecorded open-reel tapes, \$50. Hallicrafters HA-1 Keyer, \$50. Tom, K5RC, 481-4586

TDXS ELECTION If you cannot make the November meeting, please send a ballot to the Secretary, TDXS, 7722 Twin Hills, Houston 77071. Chose from the following slate of nominees:

President: Wes Whiddon, N5WW  
Tom Lay, AA5Y  
Vice President: Al Loeckle, K5BZU  
Kim Carr, K5TU  
Secretary: Bill Eckenrode, W5SG  
Rich Keller, K5WA  
Treasurer: Butch Barber, K5GB (unopposed)

73 and DX

*Tom*  
Tom, K5RC