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MEETING NOTICE: The May TDXS meeting will be Friday, the 14th, at 7:30 P.M., at the Chimney Rock Medical Plaza, located at 6550 Mapleridge, which is near Bellaire General Hospital.

CONTEST REPORT

May generally produces the greatest amount of contest results. In the Gagarin Cup CW contest (names for Yuri Gagarin and held one every three years) K5VWW was number 1 for North America and number 4/world on 20 meters. Orville is to be congratulated not only for his fine score, but also for sitting through that weekend during one of the worst solar flares of this century. N5CDO received a surprise in the mail a few weeks ago...a medal for a 1st place North America/multiop finish in last year's All Asian CW Contest. Actually Grady did do all the operating himself, K5ZD, K5WA, KA5GJO, WB5WHR, and N5JJ were just there to take shifts pushing his chair from radio to radio.

In this month's CQ are results for the 1981 CQ WPX CW test. Some significant finishers in the club are: K5RC (op by K5ZD) number 2/USA and 7/world for single op/all band, KN5H (op by KN5H, K5GN, K5KG) number 2/USA multiop and N5JJ (op by N5JJ N5CDO, WB5WHR) number 3/USA multiop. Also listed in the results are W5WMU number 1/20 meters/W5, KB5FU, W5ASP, and N5AF. Fine job gang. The aggregate score placed TDXS number 15 in the world.

High claimed rumors for this month...

1981 CQ WW DX SSB Contest -	K5KG #23/single op/all band K5GA (by KN5H) #7/15 meters K5RC (by K5GN) #3/10 meters
1982 ARRL DX Contest CW -	K5RC (by K5GN) #4/single op/ all band K5IY (by KN5H) #2/20 meters WB5WHR #3/10 meters
SSB -	N5JJ #1/40 meters K5GA #3/20 meters K5RC (by K5GN) #3/10 meters

By now I am sure everyone has seen or at least heard about the sweepstakes results carried in the May issue of QST. It seems that TDXS did not quite make it to the top of the pile in the "medium" category club competition after all, however, it was close. The winning club had seven more scores submitted than we did but only beat us by 243K. I am extremely proud of our group's effort. The club that beat us has a roster of over 300 members, 50 entries for them takes no effort at all. We have yet to be able to come up with 50 scores. Again, I think a large amount of credit goes to our team captains for last year - KA5GJO, N5WW, K5GN, and KN5H.

We had two disqualifications for logging inaccuracies this year. Even if these two scores had not been removed from the club entry we still would have been short to win by about 30K. In the case of the single op disqualification, the DQ'ed operator will only be ineligible for a single op effort in the next contest and mode disqualified for (i.e. CW SS). In the multi-operator case though, since it was multiop, all operators are eligible for both modes of the next SS. It is my hope that the persons effected by this will look upon it not as a disgrace but as part of the experience necessary to become a better con-tester.

Some of the outstanding facts for this SS are:

- N5DKG was #1/multiop/CW and #6/multiop/phone and was the West Gulf division leader for both modes,
- N5AU (by K5ZD) was #1/singleop/CW and #4/singleop/phone and was the single op division leader for both modes,
- seven club members had sweeps both modes: K5WA, K5ZD, K5SU, KN5H, N5CDO, N5DKG, N5JJ.

Not bad for a total of only 29 listed.

- K5ZD now holds the South Texas record for phone and the North Texas record for both CW and phone.

Again, I think we owe ourselves a pat on the back for a job well done. It took a close, well coordinated effort to score as a group this well.

Other than Field Day, June is usually associated with the ARRL June VHF QSO party. Complete rules appear on page 80 of the May QST. Three significant changes will be in effect for this year. First is that single band entries will now be allowed and will compete for certificates issued to a multiop entry. And finally, all contest operation on 146.52 FM will be prohibited.

Well, the TDXS boys invaded Dayton last week. WD5CHY's vests really made us stand out. The club also made a good showing in the CW pileup competition sponsored by the Kansas

City DX group. K5GN tied for first, K5ZD was fourth, and N5JJ was seventh. Several of us also had an opportunity to QSO the operator of DØVE. She had a dynamic personality that really blew us away.

So that is all for now.

Dave, N5JJ

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MILLION POINT COMPETITOR AWARDS

As a means of increasing contest activity within the club and recognizing those members who have contributed to the Texas DX Society team scores in various contests, Steve Nace, KN5H, and I would like to propose that the club issue plaques to those members who have accumulated one million points, or more, toward team totals.

All contests in which team scores are recognized count towards this award. Each increment of one million points, or multiples thereof, will be recognized by issuance of an endorsement tag which would be placed on the plaque in the space provided. Points in excess of million multiples will be carried over into the next year's scores.

Verification of scores would be by published results in the contests' respective magazines. Multi-operator efforts will be split evenly among the participating operators.

Point counting would begin with the first contest in which team totals are recognized, after club acceptance of this proposal.

Presentation of the plaque(s) and/or tag(s) could be integrated into the annual Christmas party.

This activity will fall under the control of the contest chairman. If necessary, Steve and I will oversee the acquisition and issuance of plaques.

The plaque is an inscribed aluminum tag (2" x 3") attached to a walnut base (4" x 6"). The price of the base and tag is \$4.75 each, and \$.10 per letter for the inscription. The inscription will read "Texas DX Society Million Point Competitor" followed by the operators call sign and the year of issuance. The endorsement tag (1-3/8" x 9/16") costs \$.90 each, and \$.10 per letter for inscription. The tag will read "one (two, three.. etc.) Million Points" followed by the year of issuance.

The estimated cost of the plaque, including inscription,

is about \$9.50, and each endorsement tag should be no more than \$3.00 each, including inscription.

Steve and I will propose this as an activity for the TDXS to take up at the next meeting. So please give it your consideration for a vote at the May meeting.

73,

Dale Martin, KG5U

Field Day Report

FIELD DAY - June 26-27, 1982: Field Day is rapidly approaching and it's time to begin our work assignments for those who wish to operate. At present we have the following work assignments filled: Station 2 (20 m cw, 10 m cw, 80 m cw & ssb) has K5KG as station manager and K5MA as antenna chairman. Station 3 (15 m cw & ssb, 40 m cw ha N5JJ as station manager. Station 1 (10 m ssb, 20 m ssb, 40 m ssb) has K5DX as station manager. Antenna chairmen, at present, are needed for stations 1 and 3. Volunteers for these jobs should be skilled at all phases of antenna work, especially under less than ideal conditions. I might also ask station managers 1 and 3 to think about finding an RV chairman to be responsible for securing the rental of an RV, getting it set up on site, and returning it afterwards. If you are interested in fulfilling your work detail in either of these tasks, contact the individual station managers first to get their approval, then notify me.

A FD equipment run will be made on Saturday, June 12. On this day we will make the rounds for all towers, antennas, and miscellaneous gear. A schedule will be made with all donation parties for pick up times (+ 2 hours). I will need at least 1 volunteer (with a strong back) to assist me on this day. The following day, Sunday, June 13, I will need 3 or 4 more volunteers to take all of this accumulated hardware to the Domney site for storage.

The \$1,000.00 that was approved by the membership for purchase of towers, rotators, and antennas for club use is still in the bank. I am currently waiting on word from Orville, K5VWW, about Fansco possibly selling us 2 of their trailerized crankups for \$800-\$1,000!! Keep your fingers crossed, think about your work detail schedule, and see you at the meeting.

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FOR SALE

1. Wanted: To borrow, RCVR preselector for performance checks on my antennas and receiver. Will return promptly.

2. For Sale: IRC's, \$.45 each. Proceeds go to JSC/ARC (W5RRR)
for stamps and QSL's.

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