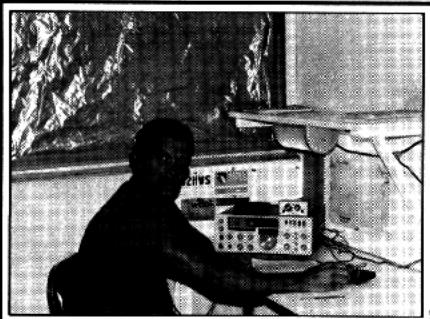
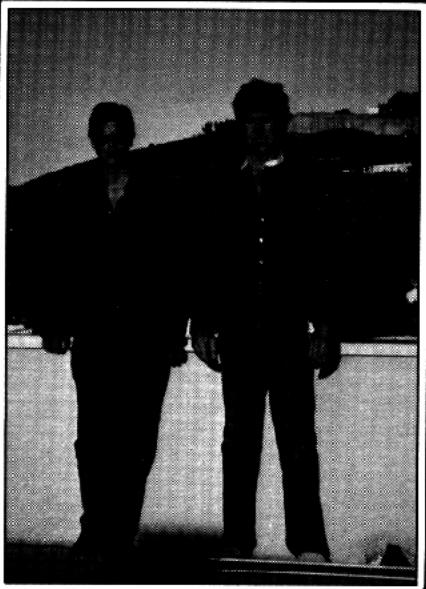


Ville, OH2MM, traveled halfway around the world to visit Phil, YB0ARA, and put his station to the test in the all-band category.



A fine single band 21 MHz effort was shown by KA2DIV/V2A.



Jim Neiger, N6TJ, is shown here next to host EA9KF just before the contest. Jim managed a fantastic 5 million plus to finish second to rival N6AA from 9Y4VT.



HB9AMO used this 85 foot vertical on 160 meters to amass 60K and a third-place finish. Lots of low-band activity at this time of the sunspot cycle.

1984 CQ WORLD-WIDE DX CONTEST C.W. RESULTS

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It is the 47th hour of the CQ WW CW test, and our hero is just about exhausted. It has been a long contest this year. The receiver has hissed continuously on 28 MHz, and George is sure there is something wrong with it. Where were all those Europeans on 10? Surely 10 meters was worth more than 20 QSOs. And 80 meters—if George hears W3 blankety blank call CQ one more time he will scream. Does K6 ump de ump really think he can fool us into believing those imaginary JA calls George heard him “logging” on 40? With George’s 5 over 5, he would have heard them for sure. And then there’s the litany of DX stations just running contact after contact who failed to identify their call. George tried his best on that one, transmitting a well-placed di di dah dah di di in there often to wake up those turkeys. The nerve of that UK2 for telling George he had duped him 7 times on 20. Right now, George

was going to stop the daydreaming and get back to his CQing on 15. Got to get all those JAs he missed yesterday. This would be his best hour of the contest. But what’s this? Oh, no. It’s K6 ump de ump trying to take over George’s frequency again. That guy would never learn; there he goes logging those imaginary calls, too. But George knows better, and another couple of cycles of the CQ machine and that K6 would be gone. Aw nuts, what’s the use; George will move instead. So, up 5 kHz George goes and he strums out a CQ. “QRL, QRL . . .” resounds melodiously out of the receiver, so the dial spins again, and another CQ. “W3 blankety blank QRZ . . .”

Oh well, 40 is a better bet the last hour anyway. There are just 40 minutes left to go now, and George sets his mind to chasing multipliers. With a flash he is tuned up and ready to go. What’s this? It’s for real, SU1IM on 40 CW. Boy, will he show that W3. George is going to scoop him on zone 34 on 40. So, George sets after his prey. George calls him long, and George calls him hard. Well-placed 4 by 4’s; that will do it. “Lid, lid . . .” booms from the headphones, but our hero is sure they’re talk-

ing about that lousy W3 who is in there now, too. “K6 ump de ump, K6 ump de ump de SU1IM . . .” With this George has lost all vestige of the exhaustion we spoke of. George is now as single minded as a man can be. George is going to work that SU or else.

It is now 0005Z, and George is sure he will be next with the SU. Everyone has stopped calling, and it’ll be clear on this next try. But the phone rings. It’s Joe over at W3 blankety blank. “How was it? It was fantastic, the best CQ WW ever . . .” With that pearl, let us just check and find out how the Georges and Joes of the world did this year.

The All Band Results

This year’s new team competition seems to have generated interest and rivalry among some of the perennial entrants. The “Downhill Contesting Team” sent representatives to 5 continents, and ended up with 4 of the top 7 single operator scores in the world. Dick Norton, returning again to 9Y4VU, took the top spot with 5.6 million, with teammate Jim Neiger a close second with 5.0M from EA9KF. Jim

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sitates that we ship the logs twice—once from CQ to the Director in charge, who opens and sorts them and tabulates the high-claimed scores; and second, to each of the log checkers by the 13 categories. One of the boxes of contest logs was lost by the carrier in transit from the Director to the log checker. Specifically, the box of W4, W5, and W6 logs never got to their destination. After months of effort to trace and locate the shipment, we concluded that all was lost. Fortunately, as all logs are received by the Directors, the call, category, and score are recorded. Thus, we were able to construct the results for the entrants whose logs were missing on the basis of their high-claimed scores. After giving up on the carrier, every effort was made to collect the complete

line scores. We are indebted to the many stations who cooperated with us in our attempt to do this, and our apologies to those who didn't get the word. If your line score is not listed, please forgive us for the inconvenience.

For The Record

For several years now we have been harping on the duplicate issue. Nevertheless, we continue to see the problem. People who should know better still leave duplicates in their logs, and neglect to fill out and send in check sheets with their logs.

Perhaps they ask whether it is fair to disqualify an entrant who works hard all weekend during the contest just because he leaves "a few" duplicates in the log. Let us emphasize



Station 4U1ITU was put on the air this year by K1CC, a welcome European multiplier.

the other side. Is it fair to award someone who edges out a competitor by less than the point value of those duplicates? Those who lost in a tight one need assurance that their hard work and effort are rewarded and not someone else's sloppiness. The CQ WW Committee has a duty to preserve the integrity of the contest accordingly. Yet, each of our committee members is inundated with several hundred logs in each category. Time and workload preclude us from dupe-checking each log thoroughly. So, when we find a log that has a duplicate, our only recourse is to come down hard, and that's what we do. For the first 1%, the penalty is 3 QSO's for every duplicate. Up to 3%, the penalty is 10 QSOs for every duplicate. Above 3%, it's goodbye.

It is amazing that anyone would spend the time planning, traveling, and operating in some of the remote locations and then refuse to spend a few hours checking the log afterward. That is part of the game, and if you don't play the whole game, you may not finish at all. Take the time to check your log. Even if you do it during the contest, check it again afterwards. If you hate it so much you just won't check it, then avail yourself of one of the computer checking services. In any event, if you're serious enough to want to compete and be considered for an award, then you must accept the responsibility for the checking and for meeting a submission deadline.

There's a rash of disqualifications this year. Some of them would have been super efforts even had they been checked, but, they were each properly checked. What a shame.

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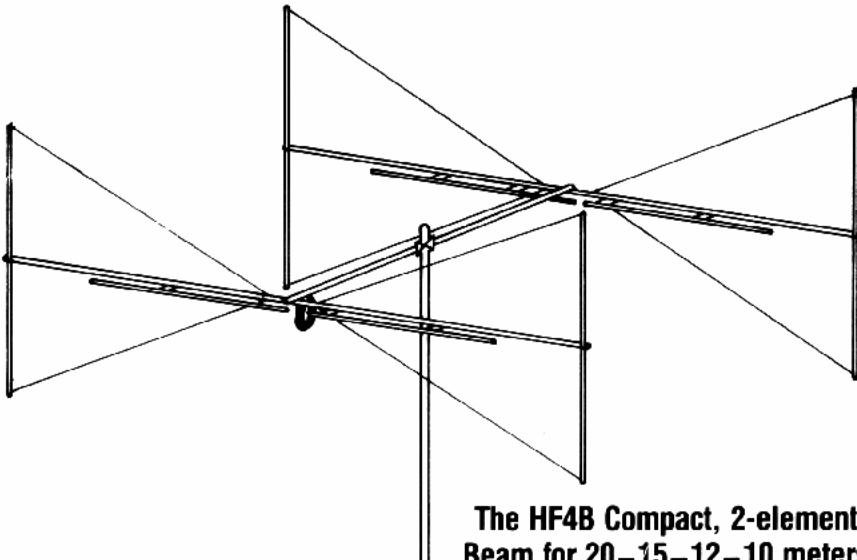
Our thanks to all who helped in the assembly and processing of this year's results. Our committee members include Frank, W1WY; John, K9DX/6; Terry, N6CW; Rick, N6ND; Dave, K2SS; John, K1AR; Ed, N3ED; Fred, AD6C; Jan, N6AW; Glenn, K6NA; Jim, W7EJ; Gene, N2AA; John, K2VV; and Doug, KR2Q. Their work and dedication are appreciated by us all.

Our thanks as well to all who participated in expeditions. Their activity gave all of us additional multipliers and fun. The calls we can thank are N6XX, N6AA, N6TJ, N3RD, WA3LRO, N4KR, N4PN, W6SZN, KD7P, JE1JKL, K1CC, K3UOC, K2KTT, UP2BM, UP3BA, UP2NK, OH2MM, OH2BH, OH2BAZ, VE3DAP, KA2DIV, FY0GA, GJ0AAA, VP2VCW, HZ1AB, 5H3BH, W8ZF, and others who put time, money, and sweat into making the contest special for all of us.

It's about time for George to appear again for the 1985 Contest. Good luck with that SU, George, and 73 to all.

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