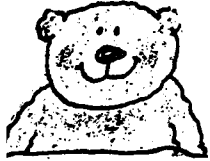




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## OUR PREZ SAYS

Every month as the SCCARA-GRAM printing deadline approaches, the adrenaline shoots up in my system just thinking about what to write. This accelerates as I get closer to deadline where I am right now. It shouldn't be

hard because we have had an eventful summer to date, but there is something that keeps nagging and finally surfaces. As many fine programs as we have had, participation has been down. Sure field day was fun, but we could have had many more out there really getting into the swing of things. Our July 11th picnic was the same. A beautiful spot, good chow, unlimited things to do, but very poorly attended. Those of us who made these events enjoyed them, but for some reason or another most of us didn't make them.

SCCARA is a large club in terms of membership, one to be proud of ... but often small in terms of participation. This worries me, particularly as "PACIFICON '87" approaches. We collectively voted to put on a convention for the ARRL Pacific Division, but as the first deadline for registration closes, SCCARA's own member showing was mighty poor. Our convention chairman will be actively seeking committee participants soon. Please offer to help, better yet volunteer. Shorty reports that most of the early committee volunteers have been doing their job, but there are those with no performance so far. I hope that these negatives are not harbingers of the success that we hope for. It is not too late. Come to the meeting,

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get your reservation in NOW, phone Shorty with an offer to serve, and be proud that YOU are a member of SCCARA!

Enough scolding -- my sincere thanks on behalf of SCCARA to all the people that put SCCARA's FIELD DAY over, particularly Mike, KB6LCJ; Lou, WA6QYS; Dan, WM6M; Bob, KD6US; Herb, KB6ABG and wife: Cynthia; VEEP Allan, N6NOY; Wally, KA6YMD; Mickey, N6ODN; Tom, KB6LUC; Terry, N6NRQ; Larry, KB6HRN; "JJ", KBOHN; "JD", K6YKG; "Doc", W6ZRJ. and so on. Our condolences to the Getslas' Kathy, KB6ICQ, who on the night before in and adjacent camp, broke her foot walking around in the dark, and is just now getting out of the cast. Enough of my ramblings; time to close to attend "Rod's" roundup at the pizza Parlor across from Quement's, which our Pacific Division Leader, KB6ZV informally chairs weekly. See you at our August meeting on Berger Drive.

73 de ED, WD6 Chile Hot Dog

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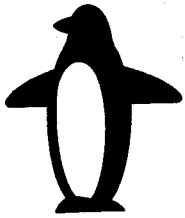
## EDITOR NOTES:

Congratulations are in order for: Robert Keller, KB6OHO, our club photographer. He passed the 20-word code test on August first. Only one hurdle to get over to be able to legally QRM Allan.

Marvin Moyer, N6MXR, our wandering sailor is off to Japan for a tour of duty. Just think, Marvin, when you return you will be closer to having twenty years in. Good luck!

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FROM YOUR TREASURER

Welcome to August! This is kind of an "in-between" month; field day is over and "PACIFICON '87" isn't quite here yet, but, be assured, that there are many SCCARA activities awaiting your participation.

I'd like to dwell on the word: participation a bit. I think that we all belong to this club so we can participate in the many club activities -- why else belong? Efforts are made to provide you with a variety of activities, interesting programs, meetings, and so forth. If you haven't been to a SCCARA function recently, why not make it a point to do so. You will be pleasantly surprised; not only do we still have most of our long-time SCCARA crew, but we have added many newcomers who are anxious to meet YOU! Remember the thrill of your first ticket; getting on the air; the problems with your new rig or your new antenna; perhaps, your technique. The cast has changed, but "Murphy's Law" still applies. I urge you to share your experiences with the newcomers. You'll both enjoy the exchange.

NOVICE CLASS:

Here we go again! Our next novice class starts on Wednesday, August 12th at 1900. If you know anyone interested in "going-for it", persuade that person to come to 1555 Berger Drive. Students should purchase the NEW "ARRL TUNE IN THE WORLD" -- THE NEW VERSION WITH THE TWO NINETY-MINUTE CODE CASSETTES. The new version is now in stock at Quement Electronics and HRO. Our format will be an experimental one. Instead of weekly classes, we will use the seminar format using two Wednesday evenings and two Saturdays. YES! ONLY TWO WEEKS TO A NOVICE LICENSE. Can we do it? I think so, but two weeks of intense dedication to the study material is required with class attendance a must.

HERE IS OUR SCHEDULE:

Wed. Aug. 12th 1900-2130: course introduction, scope, and expectations; code chapter cov- (CONTINUED RIGHT COLUMN)

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erage; code practice. Sat. Aug 15th 0800 to 1500: code practice; study material lectures. Wed. Aug 19th 1900 to 2130: code practice. Sat. Aug 22nd 0800 to 1200 code practice, lecture, review, license exam.

This is an aggressive schedule. Our goal is to provide structured, seminar-type instruction in an interesting manner that will arm the student with an understanding and proficiency adequate to pass the novice license examination.

UPGRADES, ETCETERA:

No new members to report this month, but I can tell you that Tom Server, KB6LUC and Michael, KB6OHM both upgraded from technician to general last month. Nice going guys! Let me know when you upgrade so I can mention it here.

MISCELLANEOUS STUFF:

Let's think about having a meeting program dedicated to "HOW TO GET ON THE AIR" for our newcomers. How about an effort for each of us to bring a friend to a meeting as a potential member? Don't forget to register for "PACIFICON '87" soon. How about an article for the SCCARA-GRAM?

That's all for this month, 73 de Dan, WM6M

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

As of Saturday, August 1, 1987, OUR VEEP, ALLEN LEVIN, N6NOY can now legally generate QRM in the extra class portions of all ham bands. Congratulations are in order.

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10-5:30 MON.-FRI., 10-5 SAT. K6DTX, 32 YEARS

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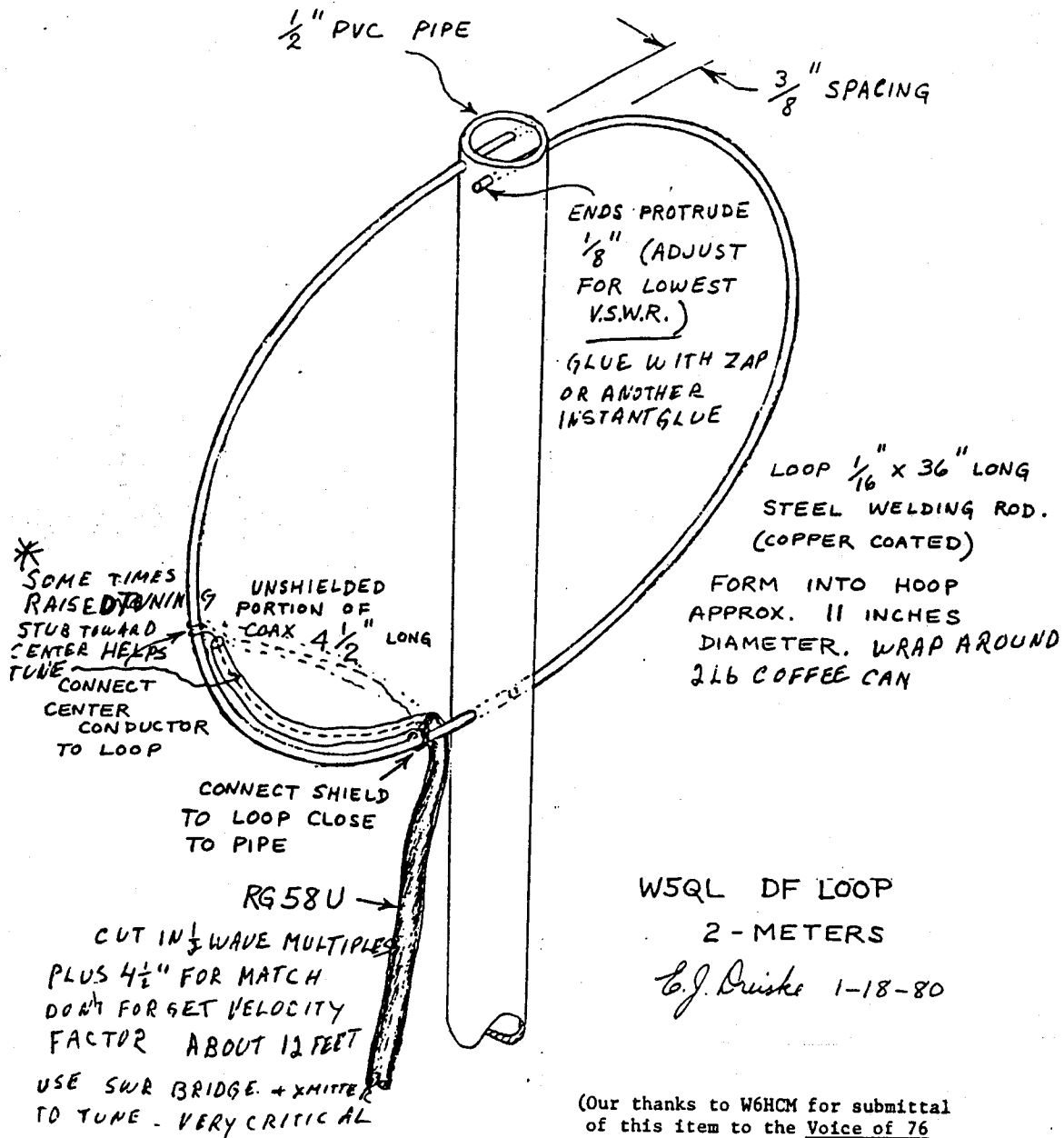
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(Our thanks to W6HCM for submittal of this item to the Voice of 76 Newsletter -- Ed.)

EDITOR'S NOTES

Page 3 is published because it recalls to me the days when every Saturday AM was fox hunt time in San Jose. Fox hunt always terminated at a Denny's for a late breakfast. A good time was always had.



An equal number of YL's and OM's were present at Rod's get-together last Friday until Rod arrived and tipped the balance in our favor. Fellows we are being overrun, and Carla really beamed when I told her.

I am short of material again this month. I am low on suitable backup material, and nothing has turned up from the club. If we have a program for the meeting, I have not heard. Be on the lookout for suitable material and mail it in. Just some scribbled notes will be enough. I can put them into words.

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CONVENTION REPORT

Progress on the convention is progressing nicely. Registration outside of SCCARA has been good, but registration by SCCARA members has been disappointing.

It should be common knowledge by now that the pre-registration prize is a TEN-TEC Corsair II. The grand grand-prize has been established as a Kenwood TS940S. The ICOM 1.2 GHz repeater for a club prize has been purchased. The next prize efforts will be towards obtaining the less pretentious prizes.

Virginia, K6IIU is busily and capably establishing a system of financial records for the convention operation. It is desired to be able to have a better control of our bottom line this year. I am confident that Virginia will accomplish that.



The time is approaching when more help will be required for the convention. Submission of your name and times available will be appreciated. For those who have accepted an assignment without doing anything, please do something.

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HOTEL REGISTRATION: - ASK FOR SPECIAL "PACIFICON '87" RATE  
 LE BARON HOTEL, 1350 N. FIRST ST., SAN JOSE, CA 95112  
 PER NIGHT (SINGLE OR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY): \$48.00 PLUS 8% TAX  
 SPECIAL RATE GOOD THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY NIGHTS  
 CALL HOTEL DIRECTLY - (800) 662-9896 (FREE) OR (408) 288-9200  
 FOR CONVENTION INFORMATION - CALL (408) 243-8349

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PACIFICON '87" PRE-REGISTRATION ORDER FORM OCTOBER 2, 3, 4, 1987  
 MAIL THIS FORM TO: "PACIFICON '87", 481 FENLEY AVE., SAN JOSE, CA 95117  
 ALL TICKETS WILL BE AT REGISTRATION IN YOUR NAME -- NO REFUNDS AFTER 9/29  
 NO-SHOWS WILL PARTICIPATE IN ALL MAJOR AWARD DRAWINGS

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CALL \_\_\_\_\_

ADDR: \_\_\_\_\_

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OTHER CALL(S)/NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

EA PRE-REGISTRATIONS (\$12.00 EACH).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

PRE-REG AWARD CHANCES: 3 UNTIL AUG 1; 2 UNTIL SEP 1; 1 UNTIL SEP 27  
 POSTMARKED AFTER 9/27 AND AT DOOR \$15.00 EACH

EA 18 YEARS OR UNDER (NO AWARD CHANCES).....FREE

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EA BANQUET TICKETS \$20.00 EACH (ATTENDANCE LIMIT 250).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

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(BUS TRIP WILL BE CANCELLED WITH REFUND IF SIGNUP LESS THAN 30)

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Here is the information on the novice classes mentioned on page 2 of this issue. TELL YOUR FRIENDS.

NOVICE SEMINAR SCHEDULE, AUGUST 1987

AUG. 12-Wednesday Evening 1900-2130  
Introduction  
Scope of course and expectations  
Discuss TITW chapter 3,  
"Learning Your New Language"  
CODE: Introduce A thru TENT  
(tape 1, side 1)

AUG. 13 Thursday Home Study  
Read TITW chapter 3  
CODE, A thru HAT (reviews code  
from Wed. plus new letters)

AUG 14. Friday Home Study  
Read TITW chapter 2 "The Radio  
Spectrum - A limited resource"  
Attention to section called "The  
Amateur Radio Service"...it  
gives the FCC definition of an  
AMATEUR OPERATOR, THE CONTROL  
OPERATOR, FREQUENCY, AND  
EMISSION PRIVILEGES, plus  
TRANSMITTER POWER MEASUREMENTS.  
Many questions in the RULES AND  
REGULATIONS section of the exam  
are taken from info in this  
section.  
CODE: HAT thru ILL

AUG. 15 - Sat. Session - 0800-1500  
0800-0830 Sign up for SCCARA.  
Code: A thru ILL review  
0830-0850 -chapter 4:  
"Understanding Basic Theory"  
0850-0900 break  
0900-0930 code ILL thru PEPPERS  
0930-0950 chapter 4, chapter 5  
"Circuit Components"  
0950-1000 break  
1000-1030 Code: PEPPERS thru  
FISH  
1030-1050 Chapter 5.  
1050-1100 break  
1100-1130 Code: FLUFF thru END  
OF SIDE 1  
1130-1230 lunch break  
1230-1330 Overall  
review/discussion  
CODE: Y thru BUTCHERING  
1330-1350 Chapter 6 -  
"Practical circuits"

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1350-1400 break  
1400-1430 CODE: J thru AQUA  
1430-1515 Chapter 7 "Selecting  
Your Equipment"

AUG. 16 - Sunday Home Study  
CODE: X thru OXIDE  
Read TITW Chapter 8 "Choosing  
an Antenna"

AUG. 17 - Monday Home Study  
CODE: / thru ZING  
Read TITW Chapter 9 "Putting it  
all Together"

AUG. 18 - Tuesday Home Study  
CODE: ZIS thru SK  
Read TITW Chapter 10 "Over the  
Airwaves...Painlessly"

AUG. 19 - Wednesday Evening 1900-2130  
CODE: Practice/review session  
Introduce code numbers

AUG. 20 Thursday - Home Study  
CODE: ... as much as you can.  
Read TITW chapter 11 "But What  
If I have Trouble?"

Aug 21 - Friday - Home Study  
CODE: practice; practice;  
practice  
Read TITW Chapter 12 to Digital  
Communications Section

AUG 22 - Saturday Session and  
Examination 0800-1500  
0800-0830 code practice  
0830-0850 Chapter 12 balance  
0850-0900 break  
0900-0930 code practice  
0930-0950 Elements discussion  
0950-1000 break  
1000-1030 code practice  
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1050-1100 break  
1100-1500 EXAMINATIONS

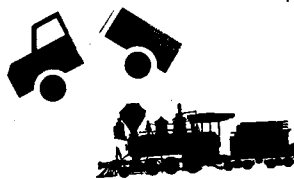
GOOD LUCK!!

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Larry, KB6HRN is vacation-  
ing in Miami and vicinity.  
San Jose Traffic Court has  
had a drastic decrease in  
income as a result. "Take  
it Slow", Larry

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