

1976 SS CW: 1976 CW SS is history and by the time this is in the mail phone SS weekend will be here. MRRC gave a good account of itself on CW (results to be in next months FLASH). The activity must continue during the phone contest so that MRRC's showing this year will be a successful one.

There are other new contest clubs that have been organized during the last year and their memberships are nearly equal to that of MRRC. The respective scores of these groups and MRRC should prove to be very interesting. Make it a point to be ON THE AIR NOV. 21-22 to add to MRRC's total.

Records were made to be broken and it seems as though the 1976 CW SS was one of those record breaking years. Good activity and a reasonable weekend of propagation combined to drive QSO totals to unprecedented levels. If activity is at a similar level during the phone weekend, records will continue to fall. It could be a memorable weekend.

MRRC SS REPORTING: PHONE SS--- NOV. 20 -- NOV. 22
2300Z -- 0300Z

Don't forget to put in time and make a score for MRRC! Also report your activity to K8RMK by one of these methods:

- 1) Postcard to 8321 Edgewood Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
- 2) Phone 1-216-255-7205
- 3) ON THE AIR Dec. 26 *8:00 p.m. EST 3890 khz

Make sure you report your activity before Dec. 26 so that we may meet the deadline!

CLUB UPDATE: As mentioned in the Sept. FLASH SEVERAL new contest clubs have been organizing. The Northeast Contest Club had 65 members with a potential 100 members by SS. The club covers the EMASS/NH/VT/WMASS area and its president is W5UDK/1.

Texas has spawned a group with a radius that includes Dallas/Ft. Worth/San Antonio/Houston. WA5LES is heading up the group that includes many of the Texas biggies.

Southern California has also given birth to a new group to rival the NCCC. They have taken over publication of the National Contest Journal and feel they are going to give people stiff competition in the near future.

These groups plus MRRC and others seemed to have helped increase activity during CW SS. One has to wonder what activities levels can be reached when most of the major contest clubs really crank up for blood.

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