## FLASH MAD RIVER RADIO CLUB

DEADLINE: SS Logs must be postmarked by 12/10/79 - Summary sheet attached.

SS Wrap up: The scores are now drifting in. It looks like we will get between 3 and 4 million points. In the next issue, more details.

 $\underline{\text{CQWW Wrap up:}}$  Please submit your total points to me as soon as possible so that I can submit my letter to CQ.

CAC Update: The ARRL DX contest has undergone major revisions for 1980. Following a 6-4 vote on a HQ proposal, HQ has changed the test format to essentially that of CQWW. DX (outside W/VE) will be permitted to work each other, with their multipliers being DXCC countries rather than states/provinces. W/VE will be added to the multipliers available to the W/VE crowd, with the question of contacts across the border for credit being ambiguous in the preliminary rules. The onerous 10 minute rule for multi-singles has been modified to permit QSO's on other bands within that period for new multipliers only. The high band/low band categories has been replaced by single band categories, and a QRP category added.

Nothing further has been done on the Field Day changes suggested in the October QST FD writeup; comments to the CAC are still in order on the subject.

MRRC PARTY: K8MR is again holding his after Christmas contestors bash, December 28, starting around 7:30 p.m. at his QTH - 3592 Atherstone Rd., Cleveland Heights, Ohio. This is the Friday night between Christmas and New Years. All MRRC'ers are invited. This is not an official meeting for contest eligibility rather just a good time for all. Please bring some sort of goodies - six pack, some soda, munchies, etc., to contribute to the cause. Ample floor space available for overnight - bring your own sleeping bag. Also bring your slides, photos, tapes, logs, and stories. For further details and info call Jim, K8MR, (216) 381-7030.

<u>Upcoming Events:</u> The day after the bash is another special contest - The Midnight Special - on 40 meters only - see Dec. QST Contest Corral for details.

FLASH FORMAT: Because of limited time, I have not been able to bring about the new look in the Flash. Hopefully 1980 will see a change in the area. The new look will resemble the NCJ.

Monday NETS: Don't forget Monday nights at 8:30 local time at 3825 khz.

<u>Final Note:</u> I weish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

73'S John, AC8E Big Fish Mad River Radio Club