

MAD RIVER RADIO CLUB

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4/80

Dayton Meeting:

The Dayton meeting will be held Saturday, April 26, 1980, at the Hospitality Suite that we have at the Sheraton Hotel. Please be prompt. Order of business will be to elect a new Big Fish and vote on other proposals.

Meetings:

Proposal by K8MR: A number of members have observed the Hamfest meetings leave something to be desired. They tend to be all alike, a mention of recent club scores and a listing of upcoming contests, but lacking in interaction among the members. Many have mentioned a much more interesting time at my Christmastime parties. Therefore, I suggest that meetings (possibly excepting Dayton) be held at various members homes. Hold the meeting at Dayton, one early in the summer, one late in the summer, as a picnic/beer blast, and/or perhaps the evening before a major nearby Hamfest. I am willing to again hold my Christmas Party as a meeting, though if someone else wants to volunteer, fine. What do you think? Let's discuss and vote on it at Dayton. Any volunteers to host a meeting?

Hospitality Suite:

As discussed at the meeting last year, MRRC will hold and host a Hospitality Suite, in cooperation with the Ill-Wind Contestors. A suite at the Dayton Sheraton has been reserved for Friday and Saturday night. As part of our SS bet with Ill-Wind (which we lost, I am sorry to admit) MRRC supplies the first night beverages. A donation bowl will be set out to help recover the cost. For the sake of simplicity, let's keep the beverages to just beer (maybe a few pretzels). I estimate we need 20 to 25 cases of beer. Rather than stick one person with the job of dragging that much, how about 25 volunteers, each to be responsible for one case of brew, brand of your own choosing? You'll be reimbursed from the donations plus club funds if approved. Arrangements will be made for ice and any snack foods.

NCJ:

The National Contest Journal is back in business, with a new editor (K5ZD) and a new staff. New features include tables of sunrise/sunset times for the major DX contests and computer generated great circle maps for various parts of the world. Its well worth the \$5/per year subscription price. Free sample copies are available or just take my word and subscribe to Box 732, Round Rock, Texas.

Contests:

VP2E, a multi-single entry CQWPX (SSB) had 6,137 QSO and 615 multipliers. It was manned by Jeff Maass, K8ND and Jeff Clark, WD8ALG. They had a few equipment problems. They placed first in the Western Hemisphere and

possibly first, second or third in the world. Their main competitors in the world would've been UK9AAN or 9A1ONU.

Scores:

ARRL DX (phone)

AD8I (M/S)	1260/331	1,214,493
A3LR (10M)	1375/106	
WB8VPA	621/225	419,175
K8MR	685/214	434,634
G5CMX (N8ET) (10M)	3100/75	

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