

# Florida Contest Group



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# From the President's Corner

**By Chris Plumblee WF3C** 

appy Holidays from the FCG! I hope all of our members have enjoyed the beginning of the contest season. I'm writing this the week prior to the ARRL 10m contest, but I preemptively hope that you're able to



get on for what is usually our second-biggest effort as a club. I know some of our members are planning serious single-op entries in various categories, and I'm sure there will be some multi-ops in the works as well at stations like AD4ES and W4UH.

The big news on the horizon for the FCG is the Orlando Hamcation on the second weekend in February, including the Orlando Contest Dinner on February 10. Please check the balance of the newsletter for additional information about the contest dinner, and look for an email on the reflector with additional information about purchasing tickets and logistics. Please make plans to attend as many of the FCG events over the weekend as you can. We will sponsor a contest forum on Saturday morning, February 11 and we will have a lunch meeting at the Golden Corral on Saturday as well.

I was very pleased to attend my first Dayton Hamvention in 2016. One of the things that occurred to me as I was circulating through the hospitality suites on Friday and Saturday night was that more FCG members should plan to attend the Hamvention and the associated contester activities at the Crowne Plaza. It also occurred to me that there may be very valid logistical reasons for many of our members to skip Dayton. The difficulty and expense of buying a plane ticket, renting a vehicle, finding and reserving a room at in Dayton or nearby, and making the trip could be keeping some FCG members at home. There is also the multitude of options to consider once you get there. Should you attend the Topband Dinner or the DX Dinner or the ORP Dinner or the CWOps Dinner or the Contest Dinner? Should you attend the DX Forum or the Contest Forum or both? Even answers to the simple logistical questions are not always obvious. It took me an embarrassingly long time in May to discover where the entrance to the Crowne Plaza parking garage was. I had been going outside every hour to feed the meter on the street behind the hotel, terrified I'd have to bail my rental car out of the Dayton PD Impound Lot if I just left it for the evening.



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

So, for 2017 I'm announcing the Dayton Buddy program. Intended primarily but not exclusively for FCG members, the Dayton Buddy program will attempt to pair off club members who are interested in going to Dayton to share some of the expense and facilitate logistics. I envision that a pair of buddies could coordinate flights, even if they're leaving from different airports in Florida, to arrive at similar times, rent a vehicle together, and drive to a common hotel where they might split a room

No previous Hamvention experience is necessary to be a Dayton Buddy. My only agenda is to facilitate more FCG members attending the Dayton Hamvention and the contesing events there. To that end, FCG will be buying a table at the Contest Dinner. Seats will be available to purchase from Blake, so you'll have a place to sit at the Contest Dinner with some familiar faces, and you'll be able to see the dais much better as well. Look for the announcement on the reflector when tickets are available.

If you're interested in the program, please send me an email with some demographic information.

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Let me know which airport you would prefer to fly from, how long you're planning to stay in Dayton, whether you've ever been before, and any special instructions (do you need handicap parking at the hamfest site? Do you only drive during the day? Etc.). If you have someone that you know you'd like to travel with, please let me know that too. I'll try to pair up as many respondents as I can sometime in January or February. You shouldn't feel any obligation to participate if you don't want to, but I'd like to make it possible for more FCGers to attend Dayton and have a good time. Please email me directly at <u>chris.plumblee@gmail.com</u> and I'll try to get everyone who is interested paired up.

Finally, with the Orlando Contest Dinner upcoming, please don't forget about the FCG Hall of Fame. If you would like to nominate anyone for membership in the FCG Hall of Fame, please email me directly with the nominee's name and a brief statement of why they should be considered for induction. The officers will consider all nominations, and we will announce new inductees at the Contest Dinner on February 10. The only requirement is that the nominee must be a current (or, in the case of SKs, former) member of FCG, and have contributed greatly to the growth and success of the FCG or contesting in general. In a given year, we may not induct anyone, or we may induct more than one person depending on the qualifications of the nominees. Nominations are anonymous and there is no charge; please nominate someone that you feel has contributed to our hobby and our club.

Happy holidays to the FCG membership and families, and I'll see you all face-to-face in Orlando in February. 73, Chris WF3C

# FCG dues are due 1 January

Dues at the rate of \$5.00/Yr may be paid to our Treasurer Blake Meinicke N4GI. 1906 Sweet Bay Court, Plant City FL 33566. Multi-year memberships are encouraged,

f you wish to pay by Paypal a minimum of a \$20.00 payment (4 years dues) must be paid. The Paypal address is flacontestgroup@gmail.com.

The dues paid list on our website will be updated once per Year in April.

## FCG Activities at The Orlando Hamfest

The FCG Annual FCG Contest Dinner is scheduled Friday Evening February 10 at the same location as last year, the American Legion Headquarters at 1912A Lee Road. Tim Duffy K3LR, owner and operator of the K3LR Superstation will be the speaker this year, Treasurer Blake N4GI will be selling banquet tickets, Time and price of the banquet to be announced in an upcoming e-mail. Saturday February 11 will feature an FCG Contest Forum, as

well as the annual FCG Orlando Meeting at the Golden Corral at 4603 West Colonial Drive. Times to be announced in an upcoming e-mail.

# **Events Calendar**

ARRL RTTY Roundup	1800Z Jan 7 to 2400Z Jan 8
North American QSO Party CW	1800 Jan 14 to 0559Z Jan 15
North American QSO Party SSB	1800Z Jan 21 to 0559Z Jan 2
ARRL January VHF Contest	900Z Jan 21 ro 0359Z Jan 23
CQ 160 Meter Contest CW	200Z Jan 27 to 2200Z Jan 29
CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	1000Z Feb 11 to 2400Z Feb 12
ARRL Intrt DX Contest,	000Z Feb 178 to 2400Z Feb 19
NAQP RTTY	1800Z Feb 25 to 0559Z Feb 26
ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB	000Z Mar 4 to 2400Z Mar 5

BARTG HF RTTY Contest 0200Z

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## **Bob Norman K4GRD SK**

Robert Marshall Norman, Sr. (K4GRD), age 73, passed away Sunday, May 1, 2016 with his beloved wife beside him.



His love for Amateur Radio helped to guide his profession and life for over 50 plus years. He belonged to Winter

Haven Amateur Radio Club, American Radio Relay League (Life Member), Lakeland Amateur Radio Club, Florida Contest Group and Orange Park Amateur Radio Club.

He was a devout Christian and belonged to Island View Baptist Church.

He was predeceased by his parents, Oscar Newton Norman and Dorothy Robinson Norman. He is survived by his loving wife, Carolyn M. Jones-Norman of Orange Park; son, Robert Marshall Norman, Jr. (Mickey); daughter, Kimberly Norman Hardy (Bobby); grandchildren, Zachary Norman, Sybella Norman and Gracie Norman, all of Lakeland, FL; mother-inlaw, Mary C. Forbes of Orange Park, FL; brother-in-law, Richard Forbes (Lisa) of Monticello, ; step-son, William Allyn Crooms (Christina); step-grandson, Jesse Crooms of Middleburg, FL and many other loving family members and friends.

## Phil Barnett N4CR SK

Philip Russell Barnet, N4CR (N4CR) age 62, passed away Thursday April 16, 2015



Phil was born on January 17, 1953 to his loving parents, Carl and LaVerna Barnett

in Wichita, Ks. He graduated from Southeast High School in Wichita, Kansas and later attended DeVry College. He lived in Wichita, Denver, Seattle, Las Vegas, the Florida Keys, and then settled for the remainder of his life in Apopka, Florida.

He was a Ham Radio operator, AI4OF was his first call letters, and later N4CR. He made many contacts with other "HAMs" worldwide which he enjoyed. He was a Volunteer Examiner for Testing to help others get their "HAM RA-DIO" Licenses. Phil told me once about restoring some Vintage Collins Radio Equipment that had been in a Fire and he got it working again.

He served as long time president for the Linux Users Group (LEAP); and was an appreciated contributor on the Miata Users Forum.

He recently left Disney World, where he worked in the computer department, after 20 years; and had begun a new career with Matra Systems, Atlanta branch which he was excited about.

He enjoyed life, family, friendships, computers, his Miata, helping people, and his friendships.

# Hank Phillips AA4HP SK

## By Eric Smit K9ES

Robert H. "Hank" Phillips, AA4HP (ex WD4ACD) of Titusville, Florida became a Silent Key October 11<sup>th</sup>. He was 67 and had been battling stomach cancer for about a year. Hank was stationed in Heidelberg, Germany with the US Army between 1978 and 1990 where he operated as DA1TN.



He enjoyed emergency preparedness exercises, rag chewing, and attempting to "catch some DX". AA4HP had Nr.1 Honor Roll confirmed in the ARRL DXCC Mixed standings, making the last country as Heard Island.

Hank and Stephanie had a "world class" amateur radio station, with 2 towers and a multitude of wire antennas. His main tower, a 105 foot Rohn 55G had a stacked pair of C31Xrs, and 10 feet above the top C31XR is a 3 element 40M Force 12 Yagi. A second 70 foot tower was added, holding a Log Periodic and a 3 element Force 12 30 meter yagi. The Log Periodic was to be replaced with a 4 element SteppIR, purchased and partially built and hanging in their garage. Hank also had several long beverages placed through the woods and used a K9AY to assist his 160M reception performance. Hank used dipoles and inverted vee's for 80 amd 160 and was contemplating putting up a 3<sup>rd</sup> tower to hold a 3 element 80M yagi.

Hank loved chasing DX. His DXing program would actually wake him up if a "new one" came on the air and was spotted. He earned Number 1 Honor Roll and was way up in the totals with the DX Challenge.

His station was always the best he could get. When I first met Hank, he had a Yaesu MP1000 and an Alpha 77SX with a pair of 8877s. He also had a Henry console KW with a pair of 3-500s. He bought an Alpha 9500 auto-tune amplifier, a Tentec Titan 425, and another Alpha linear. He recently added an Expert 2KFA to the station and a pair of Yaesu FT-5000 transceivers . He also kept a Tentec Orion, IC-756 Pro-2 and the Drake TR-7 / DR-7 combo.

When I first met Hank and Stephanie, I converted a DXer to a contester. I convinced him of the need for a low 10-15 beam, and Hank and I installed a DB1015 on his `105 foot tower at 30 feet, pointing to the Caribbean. We set up a Multi-2 in the ARRL DX Phone Contest, and we won the Division, Hank never forgot the added beam with the coax run over the lawn into the shack. Every other piece of coax was underground, but this was above ground. Before we could move the antenna, it took a lightning hit and took out radios, linears and computers in his shack.

In his professional life, Hank was the VP of Information Technology at the Community Educators Credit Union.

His wife Stephanie K4MVO survives him.

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# Dana Cobb K1RQ SK

Ellenton, Fla - Dana G Cobb, born May 28 1945, in Portland, passed away Friday, Nov18, 2016, at Manatee Memorial Hospital in Ellenton,



Fla. He was the son of Harvey B. Cobb and Winona G. Smith. Dana grew up in Portland, in what is now the Deering area. He attended and graduated from Deering High School in 1963. He was a post graduate of Portland High School in 1964, where he met his wife, Theresa Jane Sawyer.

Dana joined the Maine Air National Guard in 1965 in South Portland. He went to Biloxi, Miss., for basic training, then to Lakeland Air Force Base, Texas, for schooling in communications. Dana, a ham radio operator (his call sign was K1RQE) since his early teens, fit right in. He earned his extra class license and was able to change his call sign to K1RQ.

While serving in the reserves, Dana worked for Theresa's dad at Hanson Plymouth. He met Theresa in 1964 at Portland High School. They were married Jan. 21, 1967, in Portland. Just before their marriage, Dana had the opportunity to go to work for "Old Ma Bell," aka American Telephone and Telegraph Company in a radio relay communication station in Peru, Mass. Theresa and Dana moved to Hinsdale and Peru, Mass., area where he spent 17 years inside plant. They had two children, Susan and Stephanie. They stayed in that area until he transferred to outside plant in Chesterfield, Mass.

In 1987, the opportunity arose for him to move back to Maine after 21 years of outside plant. Dana transferred to Manchester, N.H., and lived in East Raymond, Maine.

There he was in charge of the new fiber optic cable from Manchester to Portland, which he patrolled until his retirement from "Ma Bell" in 1999. He drove one million miles, accident free, while driving for the phone company and never had his fiber optic cable dug up. He covered five states in his travels, always on call, never knowing if he would be home at night or sitting at a job site for days, out in all kinds of weather going where ever they needed him on the job. Total time with "Ma Bell" was 34 years. He retired in 1999 after his first heart attack and moved to Florida.

Dana's hobbies were many. Ham radio was his first as a contester for several radio groups, working contest phone and CW all around the world. He helped found North East Contest Club, which became the YCCC, Yankee Clipper Contest Club, in Worcester, Mass. He also enjoyed hunting, boating, camping, and Civil War reenactment.

He and his wife Theresa joined the Civil War reenactment group, the 3rd Maine Company, out of Bath, and have been members for 30 years. After moving to Florida, they transferred to F Company, Third Maine infantry history group in the Orlando area. His father-in-law always joked that Dana was born 150 years too late, for his love and knowledge of the Civil War history.

Dana and his wife also loved to travel, and went to 48 of 50 states with their travel trailer, always going back to Maine as much as possible

Dana and Theresa have two children. Mrs. Susan D. Szewczyk, of Saratoga Springs, New York, and husband Brian James; and Stephanie Jean Christman, of Athol, Idaho, and husband, Raymond Arthur; two grandchildren, Brooke T. Rushton, in college in Moscow, Idaho; and Katherine M. Szewczyk, in college in Fairfield, Conn. Both are to graduate in May 2017. Dana leaves behind his wife of 49 years and 10 months, high school sweethearts. Through all their travels. Maine always has been home to them. Calling hours are Friday, Nov. 25, 2016, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Hall Funeral Home, 165 Quaker Ridge Rd., Casco, followed by a 1 p.m. funeral service. Dana will be laid to rest at Riverside Cemetery in Raymond, with his parents. Online condolences may be left for the family at: hallfuneralhome.net

In Lieu of flowers donations in his memory can be made the the Yankee Clipper Contest Club's Youth Scholarship Fund.

# Ellen W1YL arranges Sep 17 meet and greet for Rusty W6OAT

When Ellen W1YL heard that her old friend Rusty Epps W6OAT would he in town for a few days, she decided to invite some FCGers to her apartment for pizza and a chance to meet Rusty on September 17.

Attendees included K1KNQ, K1MM, K4LQ and Sheila, N4GI, W4LT and Linda, W6OAT and WF3C,

For those of you not familiar with W6OAT here is a couple paragraph excerpt from his NCDXF biography:

"Rusty has always considered himself to be both a DXer and a contester. He created the Georgia QSO Party and did all the initial log checking while still in high school. After moving to California, he became a founding member of the Northern California Contest Club and has served variously as its President, Secretary and as a Director. NCCC has named him its "Contester of the Year". Rusty was the primary instigator persuading NCCC to assume administration of the very popular California OSO Party and personally performed all the log checking in the early years of CQP. He was a co-creator of the North American Sprint contest and also served as administrator of that contest for fourteen years. Rusty drafted the rules for the first World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) held in Seattle in 1990 and was Chief Judge for that competition. He has been involved with every subsequent WRTC and serves on the committee which sanctions future WRTC events. "

"On the DX side, Rusty joined the Northern California DX Club in 1968 and has served as both the President and as a Director of NCDXC. He authored the NCDXC's petition which added North Korea as a new entity to the DXCC list, and has been honored by being named NCDXC's "DXer of the Year". Rusty's first DXpedition was in 1974 when he and three other NCDXC members were selected to operate from Palmyra Island and then proceed to Kingman Reef where he made the first-ever QSO from that new DXCC entity. Additionally, Rusty has helped organize and participated in major DXpeditions to Nepal, Clipperton Island, and Syria."



Left: Rusty W6OAT



L-Jack K1KNQ, R-Bill K1MM



L - Linda, R - Lu W4LT



L - Ellen W1YL, R - Sheila, XYL of Fred K4LQ

## Melbourne Hamfest FCG Meeting Report

The Luncheon Meeting was held at the home of Eric K9ES and Sylvia, as it has been for the past several years. Attendees included AB4GO, AD4ES, AJ4XM, K0VIF, K1KNQ, K1MM, K4LQ, K4XS, K5KG, KE1F, KX4TT, W4EE, W4ZGR and WF3C.

Members made short work of the burgers, hotdogs will all the fixins' as well as dessert prior to the meeting.

Before the meeting began a raffle was conducted by George K5KG raffling off FCG shirts from Stichin' Waves in Sarasota and callsign accessories from Orlando Contest Dinner sponsor KB3IFH. Winners included Sylvia (for K9ES), Peter W4ZGR and Greg AB4GO.

FCG President Chris WF3C opened the meeting by thanking Eric and Sylvia for their hospitality,

Chris called for members to introduce themselves and review their contest plans. FCGers operating overseas for the upcoming CQWW Phone include Dan K1TO at V47T with N2NT and K1DG and Bill K1MM and Charlie K1XX in Cuba along with a group of Cuban operators signing T48K. There will be at least one single-op DXPedition for FCG this year as well, as K2DM travels to his home in Montserrat and will sign VP2MDG. Stateside highlights include a number of dabblers and part-time operations from those present, a near-full time SOABHP effort from K1KNQ, and a M/S from AD4ES featuring K9ES and other locals.

Fred K4LQ reported for Blake N4GI that the FCG treasury now contains \$3784.72. Membership now stands at 296.

Jim W4EE mentioned that PVRC offered a 5 Million Award that proved very effective in increasing participation in contests by their members. The award collects claimed score numbers and offers endorsable certificates at the one, two, three and 4 million point level, and an endorsable plaque at the 5 million point level. (Rules for that award can be downloaded from

http://www.pvrc.org/5M/5milrules.pdf). Jim suggested that FCG might want to initiate a similar award program. Jim was named a committee of one to investigate further and make some specific recommendations.

The hat was passed to collect donations to our hosts.

In addition to the meeting at Eric's, FCG sponsored a contest forum at the hamfest that was standing-room only for at least part of our 90 minute slot. Presenters WF3C and K5KG kept the crowd on the edge of their seats for the duration of their presentations. George presented a brief overview of his job as chairman of the Contest Advisory Committee for the ARRL, and provided some information about how the CAC does its job. WF3C, pulling double duty MCing and presenting, gave a brief presentation marred somewhat by the miniature screen about operating CQWPX CW from N4WW from 2013 to 2016, and winning the USA in their category three of those four years. In between the presentations, attendees made short work of pizza and drinks.

The FCG swap table was a mixed bag. Overall traffic was down somewhat at the hamfest due to it being rescheduled by Hurricane Matthew, and attendees who did show up were not looking for big ticket items. FCG members had at least three amplifiers on the table at times, along with transceivers and other accessories. We did a brisk trade from the "Make an Offer" box, and other small items sold fairly well.

FCG Members spotted at the hamfest either Friday or Saturday (bear with me as I don't have K1TO's photographic memory): AB4HO, AD4ES, AF4Z, AJ4XM, K0VIF, K1KNQ, K1MM, K1XX, K2TE, K3VN, K3AC, K4JC, K4LM, K4LQ, K4QD, K4XS, K5KG, K8ES, KA4JRY, KB4T, KC4C, KC4HW, KE1F, KE4YGT, KS3K, KW1K, KX4WW, N3EA, N4BP, N4GI, N4KS, N4TB, N8PR, W2TX, W4ABC, W4DAS, W4DKB, W4EE, W4GJ, W4QG, W4QN, W4STB, WB4OMM, WB6ZGA, WF3C, and WO4D

Many thanks to Chris WF3C for his FB editing of this report.

73/Fred K4LQ Secretary, FCG



Above L-R Fred K4LQ and Chris WF3C at the FCG Swap Table.



Above: FCG Swap Table with Jack K1KNQ on duty.

Below: Two of the more senior folks displaying equipment on the swaptable L-R Lou KE1F, Fred K4LQ



Below: George K5KG presenting at the Contest Forum. Alco presenting was Chris WF3C.



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# **Contest Forum Pictures**







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## **Pictures from the Luncheon at K9ES**



Above: Eric K9ES cooking up those burgers and hotdogs.



Above - Chatting in Eric's living room before the meeting. Below - Eric's goats L-R Maverick and Pippy. Maverick has since been banished to a goat farm because of his penchant for attacking visiting FCGers.



## Notes from ARRL Contest Updates

#### Solar Mimimum

Carl, K9LA, talks about how a solar minimum can be too deep, even for 160 meters, in a recent <u>message to the Top-Band reflector</u>. "With a weak solar magnetic field, more galactic cosmic rays will be able to get into the Earth's atmosphere... Since galactic cosmic rays are mostly **very energetic** protons, they can get down to low atmospheric altitudes, causing collisional ionization in the D region (and lower E region). A cursory estimate using cosmic ray ionization rates confirms more ionization in the lower atmosphere. 160 meters is not very tolerant of more absorption, so we may see an adverse effect of the weakened solar magnetic field."

#### NCDXF Beacon Network Renovations

The Northern California DX Foundation is renewing the design of its well-utilized beacon network. As detailed in the <u>Winter 2016 NCDXF Newsletter</u>, if everything goes to plan, most users will not notice any difference. One popular way to use the network is <u>in conjunction with the Reverse Beacon Network</u>. By checking the historical data of reception reports from a monitoring station near you, it can help to identify the right time and frequency to be on a particular band to maximize your chances of working a particular multiplier. It pays to check the "<u>Using the RBN</u>" web page.

#### Checking Beverage Performance

Think your Beverage antenna not performing like it should? You can use a time domain reflectometer (TDR), or the TDR feature of your antenna analyzer, to locate anomalies in your antenna. In a <u>message to the Topband</u> reflector, Eddie, LU2DKT, describes how he used an Array Solutions <u>AIM 4170 analyzer</u> to "look down" his antenna, and the device found a number of areas to inspect. The problems included water in his coax, vegetation touching the antenna, and a support post failure. They were easier to locate as the TDR indicates distance to the fault. His reflector post links to "broken" and "fixed" TDR scans, where you can see the line condition. This technique could be really useful if you need to check your antenna in the middle of the night, an don't want to walk hundreds of feet in the dark to inspect it.

#### Low Power Solid State Amps

DX Engineering now carries a number of <u>RM Italy</u>'s solidstate HF and VHF amplifiers. For low-power HF radios, the <u>HLA-305V</u> is a wideband compact amplifier for the 160-10 meter bands. When driven with up to 10 watts, it develops a maximum output power of 250 watts. An LCD screen displays amplifier status and a series of switches allow users to control amplifier output. The HLA-305V has six built-in band filters, selected by a front-panel rotary knob. The HLA-305V amplifier boasts dual cooling fans for safe, reliable operation. (Tim, K3LR)

# CQ WPX CW Claimed Scores

## FLORIDA STATIONS:

Call	Score	QSOs	Pfx	Class	Sec	Ops	HRs
====	=====	====	===	=====	===	===	===
AD4TR	4,490,136	2,181	826	SOABHP	NFL	N4UU	36.0
AD4Z	4,290,650	1,956	805	SOABLP	SFL	@W4UH	36.0
AF4RK	667,368	673	1,612	SOABHPa	SFL		31.0
K2TE	310,786	364	281	SOABLP	NFL		
K3SEN	64,635	188	155	SOABLP	NFL		14.0
K4LM	117,670	225	205	SOABLPa	SFL		7.5
K4SXT	467,680	412	316	SOABLP	SFL		21.0
К9НХО	81,012	218	172	SOABLP	WCF		6.5
KM4HI	254,702	359	322	SB20LPTS	SFL		
KN4Y	7,564	73	61	SB10LP	NFL		20.0
N1TO	2,177,022	1,331	642	SB20HPTSa	SFL		24.0
N2BB	36,270	113	96	SOABLP	SFL	MD0CCE	6.0
N3GD	259,854	382	312	SB20LP	WCF		
N4KS		1,061	310	SOABLP	NFL		
N4TB		460	327	SOABHPa	WCF		
N4WO	402,384	512	332	SOABLPa	NFL		14.0
N4WW	15,045,472	4,312	1,226	M2HP	NFL	+K0LUZ,WF3C	46.5
N4WW						N7RH,K2PS,N 4KM	
N6AR	2,176,632	1,212	648	SOABHPa	NFL		16.0
NE4AA	6,410,868	2,332	974	SOABHPa	WCF	K5KG	36.0
NF4A	507,472	564	368	SOABHPa	NFL		9.2
NX4N	13,725	79	75	SB20LP	WCF		0.5
W1MD	523,370	500	399	SOABLPa	SFL		11.5
W4CU	410,400	450	342	SOABHPa	NFL		
W4EE	235,690	323	245	SOABLPa	SFL		
WB4TDH	351,016	485	356	SB15LP	WCF		24.0
WC3W	631,294	631	449	SOABHPa	SFL		27.7
W2TX	19,368	79	72	SOABLP	SFL		
	Did not report						
WB3D	score			SB20LPa	?		
	Did not report						
WC4CC	score			SOABLP	?		
WCAFOO	Did not report				?		
WG4FOC	score	1 000	644	SB160QRPa			
WN1GIV	1,237,275	1,000	611	SB15HPa	SFL		

## NON-FLORIDA STATIONS:

Call	Score	QSOs	Mults	Class	Sec	Ops	HRs
====	=====	====	===	=====	===	===	===
C6AKV	1,131,526	717	418	SB40LP	C6a	WA0USA	
HP1XT	1,767,300	1,031	548	SOABHPa	hp	K6CT	31.0
K9OM	2,005,434	1,197	774	SB20HPTSa	WI		
NC8C	154,077	295	231	SOABHPTS	OH	K8MR	
NP3CW	51,816	160	136	SB15LP	PR		6.0

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# IARU Claimed Scores

FLORIDA STATIONS:

Station	Score	QSOs	Zns				-	
Call	Score	QSOs	Zns	HQ	Class	SEC	Ops	HRs
====	=====	====	===	=====	=====	===	===	===
AD4ES	597,662	1,206	81	100	MSHP	SFL	+W4EE	24.0
AD4ES							K9ES,	
AD4Z	690,093	1,194	77	106	SOABLPMix	SFL	@W4UH	
AF4RK	34,456	5 232	26	33	SOABHPaMix	SFL		12.0
K1KNQ	130,075	451	44	77	SOABHPPH	WCF		12.8
K3SEN	16,920	177	0	25	SOABLPCW	NFL		9.4
K4ADR	55,022	340	32	50	SOABHPPH	SFL		
K4LM	160,245	330	59	76	SOABHPaMix	SFL		9.8
K4MM	70,730	233	0	58	SOABHPaCW	SFL		
K9HXO	23,688	173	32	24	SOABLPCW	WCF		7.0
KE1F	42,924	246	36	37	SOABHPaCW	NFL		
KK4LGC	40,743	197	33	48	SOABHPaPH	SFL		
KM4HI	234,366	460	59	100	SOABHPaMix	SFL		15.0
KN4Y		200			SOABLPCW	NFL		
N2ESP		181	181	50	SOABLPPH	WCF		
N3GD	12,792	2 100	19	22	SOSB20LPCW	WCF		
N4BP	906,246	1,747	78	120	SOABHPaCW	SFL		19.7
N4KM	80,066	313	41	57	SOABLPaCW	NFL		
N4KS	123,448	495	0	42	SOABHPCW	NFL		14.0
N4KW	139,152	428	45	59	SOABHPCW	NFL		
N4LZ	3,576	67	15	9	SOABHPCW	NFL		
N4TB	107,920	512	48	47	SOABLPCW	WCF		8.4
N4WW	787,710	1,508	0	82	SOABHPCW	NFL	WF3C	22.5
N6BM	20,332	130	18	28	SOABLPCW	#N/A		6.0
W4CU	209,748	500	62	92	SOABHPaCW	NFL		
W4DAS	13,833	103	17	36	SOABLPaMix	SFL		
WC4H	49,379	247	77	40	SOABHPMix	SFL		
WX4G	605,400	1,015	82	118	SOABHPaCW	WCF		20.0

# NON-FLORIDA STATIONS:

Call	Score	QSOs	Mults		Class	Sec	Ops	HRs
====	=====	====	===		=====	===	===	===
J77HQ	2,996,851	3260	101	146	M2HQHP	J7		24.0
K4RUM	132,720	484	63	50	SOABHPMix	NY		

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# CQ WW SSB Claimed Scores

FLORIDA STATIONS:									
Call	Score	QSOs	Zones	Cty	Class	Sec	Ops	HRs	
AA4GT	Did not submit score		===	===	SOABHPc	=== SFL			
AD4Z	1,468,757	1,286	111	326	SOABLP	SFL	@W4UH	41.5	
AF4RK	58,653	173	40	93	SOABHPa	SFL		17	
K1KNQ	646,932	689	95	293	SOABHP	WCF		24	
K2PS	50,400	164	37	83	SOABLP	NFL		8	
K2TE	7,308	52	22	41	SOABLPa	NFL		3	
K3SEN	143,206	290	60	133	SOABHP	NFL		20	
K3SV	94,062	200	62	121	SOABHPa	WCF			
K3TW	Did not submit score				SB80QRPa	NFL			
K4LM	404,496	460	83	235	SOABHPa	SFL		14.5	
K4SBZ	226,005	316	80		SOABHPa	NFL		17	
K4SXT	158,130	238	74	177	SOABLPc	SFL		24	
K4UTE	Did not submit score				SOABLPa	NFL			
K5KG	1,365,210	1,114	118	344	SOABHPa	WCF		22	
K9ES	1,612,944	1,315	119	368	MSABHPa	SFL	+AD4ES,K4FIT	48	
K9ES							NB4C,WB5ZGA NK4DX		
K9OM	57,267	210	24	77	SB20HPa	NFL			
KE1F	Did not submit score				SOABHPa	NFL			
KK4LGC		187	43	80	SOABHP	SFL			
KX4TT		250	69	174	SOABHPa	WCF			
N0SMX	Did not submit score				SOABLPa	NFL			
N4DXI	24,708	109	50	121	SOABHPa	NFL			
N4KM	111,321	250	50	121	SOABLPa	NFL			
N4KW	51,660	153	37	89	SOABHP	NFL			
N4LZ	16,680	107	17	43	SB15HPc	NFL		5	
N4TB	99,900	210	59	126	SOABHPa	WCF			
N4WW	1,021,896	765	123		SOABHPa	NFL		4	
N6AR	1,468,265	1,070	126		SOABHPa	NFL		33.5	
NA4CW	60,759	154	56		SOABLP	SFL		5.5	
NJ2F	310,365	416	81	204	SOABHPa	SFL			
NT4TS	Did not submit score				SOABHP	SFL	_		
W4CU	34,650	121	34		SOABHPac	NFL			
W4LT	195,201	365	57		SOABHPa	WCF			
W4QN	19,220 Diductor hurit	133	19	43	SO10HPa	SFL		6.3	
W4QN	Did not submit score				SO10HPa	SFL			
WA4MSU	127,985	259	52	127	SOABHPa	SFL			
WB3D	Did not submit score				SB40HPa	WCF			
WB4OMM	5,150	45	16		SB20QRPa	NFL		4	
WC3W	151,116	243	78	179	SOABHPa	SFL		24	
WC4H	49,504	174	37		SOABHP	SFL			
WV4R	347,520	430	89	231	SOABHPa	NFL		8	
	DA STATIONS:								
Call	Score	QSOs	Zones	Cty	Class	Sec	Ops	HRs	

Call	Score	QSOs	Zones	Cty	Class	Sec	Ops	HRs
						===		===
V47T	16,531,018	9,499	156	58	6 MSABHPa	V4	K1TO,K1DG,N2NT	46
VE3EJ	7,801,232	4,829	156	53	2 MSABHPa	VE3	K9VV + VE3s	48
VP2MDG	2,189,239	2,577	104	27	3 SOABHP	VP2M	K2DM	25

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Call	Score	QSOs	Sections	Class	Sec	Ops ===	HRS
	450 500	967	82	MSHP	SFL		===
AD4ES AF4RK	158,588 80,264	508	79	SOHP	SFL	+K9ES,N1ZZ,W4SO	24
AF4KK AJ4XM	,	508	17	SOLP	SFL		9
	1,768		83				-
KOLUZ	157,202	947	-	SOHPa	NFL		21
K2PS	17,400	150	58	SOLP	NFL		3
K3SEN	49,500	330	75	SOHP	NFL		14.3
K3SV	1,768	52	17	SOLP	WCF		9
K5KG	170,814	1029	83	SOHPa	WCF		19
K8MR	27,192	206	66	SOQRP	WCF		3.5
K9OM	74,700	450	83	SOHPa	NFL		8
KN4Y	27,528	186	74	SOLP	NFL		
N4BP	199,200	1200	83	SOHPa	SFL		22.7
N4EEB	108,404	661	82	SOHP	NFL		16.5
N4KM	156,206	941	83	SOLP	NFL	@N4WW	
N4KS	101,278	641	79	SOLP	NFL		17.5
N4KW	43,452	306	71	SOLP	WCF		
N4LF	33,228	234	71	SOLPa	SFL		9.5
N4TB	74,866	451	83	SOLP	WCF		9
N6AR		268	82	SOHPa	NFL		5.5
NX4N		1205	83	SOHP	WCF		24
W4EE	32,660	230	71	SOLPa	SFL		
W4FCG	42,884	302	71	SOLP	WCF	K8MR	8.5
W4LT	111,386	671	83	SOHPa	WCF		13.2
W4ZGR	18,000	150	60	SOHP	SFL		
WB40MM	14,260	115	62	SOQRP	NFL		6.5
WF3C	5,092	67	38	SOLP	NFL		3.2
WN4R	98	7	7	SOLP	NFL		

#### NON-FLORIDA STATIONS:

Call	Score	QSOs	Sections	Class	Sec	Ops	HRS
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K9VV	23,004	162	71	SOQRP	VI		10

## **Musings from your Editor**

While researching some information this week I had occasion to look back at the first electronic newsletter that we uploaded to our website in January 2001. Found it interesting to compare what was going on then with FCG with our activities today.

In that issue Dan K1TO noted our unprecedented growth in the year 2000 to a new high of 73 members! That was attributed in part to the dissolution of our rival group in Florida, the Florida Contest Club and the movement of most of their members to FCG. Other sources of growth were the folks who heard about us through the Florida QSO Party, and a surge in hams moving to Florida.

In 2000 we had meetings at the hamfests in Miami, Orlando, Melbourne and Fort Walton Beach, plus meetings at the homes of NA4CW, K1TO and K4XS, plus the annual BBQ meeting at N4TO and a January Holiday Party planned for 2001. We could be a bit more nimble with 73 members than we can with the current membership around 300.

Perhaps we will have more on some of the earlier FCG history next issue. 73/Fred K4LQ