

AROUND AND BEHIND THE DIALS

DX NEWS FROM THE FOUR WINDS

TARANAKI

ALTHOUGH conditions have not been the best for DX, several good loggings have been made, but, as usual, the members' reports have dropped. Where are all the newer members? Don't forget a few details each month, fellows, so that our notes will continue to flourish.

Members' Reports.

Miss Cousins (115T.) reports fair conditions with little DX. Has reports away to VK9ML, ZIEWW, W1XAL, TPA4, and OLR4B. Verifies: 22H, PCJ, VK2ME and VLR. Not so good this month, 115T., but at least you are showing the others the way to report.

Wray Smart (114T.) has been hard at it this month and consequently has reports away to 22H, 2KO, 3LK, 5PL, 2HR, 2CH, 7NT, 2GB, 2KY, KNX, W6LTH, VK9MI, W8XK, W2XE, VPD2, W2XAD, KZRM, V3XAL and LU4DJ. Verifies: back include: YDC, VK2ME, VK-3ME, 2UE, 2UW and ZMBJ. Nice work, O.M., keep it up and you will have a mortgage on the trophy.

George Liddington has been busy on examination work, consequently DX has had to have a rest. However he has found time to report to W1LPV, W2BYP, PK1VY, VK3XJ, WK6FL, W4BPD and K6LEJ. Cards are back from W4EQK, W3JIL, W5AHX and VK4KO. Hope the exam. goes O.K., George, and conditions are still good when you start again.

Bill Quayle (72T.) reports the usual Waverley QRM and little DX. I hope to see a report next month, O.M.

No reports from Opunake, Waitara, Stratford, etc., Where are all these members? Surely you can spare a moment to drop me a line?

The Sec. has had a few new loggings and has reported to PK1GL, ZS6CZ, G5ML, VK3WA, VK4KH,

VK4PL, VK4ZL, SV1CA, VE5JF, VQ4KT, G8IT, and SM5SL. Verifies: back include W2XAD, G18UW, PK2DF, PK2AY, GW2IP, VS2AL, making the verified countries now 71. G18UW lived for two years in Inglewood.

VS2AL was using only 4 watts, GW2IP 10 watts, and G18UW 15 watts.—A. Maule (3H.Q.).

WAIKATO

A MEETING of the Waikato Branch was held at Tauranga on Monday, October 10. We regret that we were without the attendance of "Doc" and Alf Cox and his Auckland boys. Our Morrinsville members were also absent, nevertheless the meeting was quite successful.

Business was put through in record time, after which all present adjourned to a social at Mrs. Tubbury's home.

Results of the Waikato Branch competitions are:—

Morris Cup.

C. Taylor, 33 veries.
W. Hill, 22 veries.
L. Smith, 12 veries.
Vic. Goodin, 7 veries.
F. Clark, 1 veri.

Wellwisher Cup.

C. Taylor, 172 points.
W. Hill, 60 points.
L. Smith, 50 points.
Y. Goodin, 34 points.
F. Clark, 4 points.

President's Cup.

L. Hopkin, 150 points.
W. Hill, 60 points.
F. Lorrigan, 18 points.
Vic. Goodin, 16 points.

Tackaberry Cup.

L. Hopkins, 7 veries.
W. Hill, 5 veries.
Vic. Goodin, 1 veri.
F. Lorrigan, 1 veri.

The competitions held by the Tauranga sub-branch resulted as follows:—

Broadcast Cup.

R. Gilbert, with 352 points, 1st. Miniature for best B.C. verification, awarded to F. Lorrigan and R. Gilbert.

Shortwave Cup.

W. Page, with 434 points, 1st. Miniature for best verification, awarded to W. Page.

—W. Norris (620A.).

WELLINGTON

THE November meeting of the branch, held on Monday, the 14th, was quite an historic one, a woman member, Miss Shierlaw, late of the Napier branch, stepping into our midst. Fortunately the Best Veri Cup, the Wellington Cup miniature, and the Shortwave Cup had been presented to the winners the month before, leaving the boys cold sober this month and giving them a chance to put on their best behaviour. Miss Shierlaw appears to be a very enthusiastic member, and in view of the fact that she was leading in all the broadcast competitions of the Napier branch, is likely to give our chaps a surprise at the close of our B.C. competitions in December.

Over the period of the last five months I have received the immense total of four reports, not an average of one a month from members. Is this a fair go to the branch? Is it because you don't like

the secretary? Let us have your views or reasons. We realise every Wellington member cannot get along to our meetings, but they can at least write to the branch and let us know their latest loggings, etc. If we cannot get any support from members with notes, the Wellington notes will have to cease. It is up to you, chaps!

The one report received is from Mr. Hamling, who reports broadcast loggings as follows:—6AM, 6IX, 4WK, 2CO, 4AY, 5AN. S.W.: VLR (25.26), CB117S, PCJ2, YDC. Veries:—E.C.: 3HA, 2LF, 3LK, 7LA, 2ZA, 3AK, 3SH, 3BA and CJRC (630 k.c.). S.W.: DZH, DJQ, 2ZB (6.36), PLP, TGWA, ZHP and JVH after 10 months.

Thanks, Harry, you are our tower of strength.

I have sat up and listened to midnight Yanks, which are coming in here about R4-5, QSA3, but have heard nothing new. Veries include WAIM, VUD, 7HO and 5AD.

N.Z. DX Club Meetings

HAWKE'S BAY.

In the Club Room, above Wood's Tearooms, Waipukurau, at 7.45 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14.

V. L. KING (119H.B.), Branch Secretary.

NORTHLAND.

At 21 Anzac Road, Whangarei, at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, December 5.

R. A. ROYCROFT (2H.Q.), Branch Secretary.

AUCKLAND.

In the Society of Arts Hall, Kitchener Street, at 8 p.m., on Wednesday, December 14.

F. NEWING (316A.), Branch Secretary.

WELLINGTON.

In the Club Rooms of the 1st Wellington City Rover Crew, 3rd floor "Times" Building, Kelburn Avenue, at 8 p.m. on Monday, December 12.

H. WICKENS (503W.), Branch Secretary.

WAIKATO.

In Hamilton on Saturday, January 14, 1939.

W. NORRIS (620A.), Branch Secretary.

SOUTHLAND.

At 166 Mary Street, Invercargill, at 8 p.m. on Saturday, December 3.

C. F. LUDLOW (87S.), Branch Secretary.

The Best Verie of the Month Competition for November, resulted as follows:

H. Wickens, WAIM, 26 points, 1.
R. Kelly, TGW, 23 points, 2.
H. Hamling, CJRC, 22 points, 3.
Progress Result of Tasman Cup. (One month to go.)

R. Boocock 66, 1.
H. Hamling 28, 2.
L. Bardsley, 3.

Well, chaps, please let us know before our next meeting on December 12, whether you want our local notes to continue, so that we can decide then whether we turn over a new leaf for the beginning of 1939 or become silent outside of our meeting.—H. Wickens (503W.).

NELSON

THE American stations are commencing to appear round the broadcast dial early in the evening on this part of the West Coast, giving weak, but clear signals. As for Australian stations there is such a

jumble that it is impossible to log low-powered stations.

A reminder is given to dxers in the Nelson branch that the short-wave and broadcast competitions close on December 31, 1938. All verifications must be forwarded to secretary of the branch. The winners will hold the trophies for twelve months.

I hope to meet a few of the Nelson boys early in December to discuss future competitions and DX in general.

One report to hand comes from 41N. Here are his main loggings and verifications. Reports out: HP5G, G5ML, F3GR, ON4DL, TI2AV, G6WX, PK2AY and SUWIM. Verifies: OLR4B, OLR4A, HCJB, CSW, TI4, RNE, OAR4A, XU8ET and HC1JW.

That's all for this month.—M. G. Neighbours (39N.).

SOUTHLAND

A VERY enjoyable meeting was held at Winton on November 5. Eight members journeyed from town and three from Nightcaps. One of our country members had forgotten about the meeting and so was left behind. He told me after-

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Members Loggings.

Bob has back WLAC, KPQ, KPMC, 2XL and VUM on B.C.; on S.W., LA1G.

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