

N. R. C.
1981 CONVENTION
Rockaway, New Jersey

Greetings ! and welcome to the NRC's 1981 Convention in New Jersey!

As most of you know, the last Convention in Jersey was in 1970, at the Quality Inn in Hasbrouck Heights, about 30 miles or so East of this location, and amidst the great New York transmitter swamp. At that time, NRC HQ was in Boston. In 1973, HQ moved here to New Jersey, and thence in 1977 to Louisville. Your hosts, Russ Edmunds and Rob Stonier are two of the four members of NJPC who yielded the reins 4 years ago.

This location in central Morris County, is the site of several NNJ Thanksgiving Get-togethers in the early 1970's. Although there are efficiency apartments there now, the area of this motel at the West side of the upper building used to be a swimming pool, with a small meeting room overlooking it from the second floor. It was here that these meetings were held, and at one of them, the NJPC formed. This location has been historically quiet in terms of local splatter and electrical noise, which is one reason why we have kept coming back.

Although we had initially hoped to break the all-time NRC convention attendance record, it looks as if the economy and the waning ECB cx over the past two or three years may have prevented that from coming to be.

All of your room payments are to be handled on your own, but in general, we have been able to guarantee late arrivals. The registration and banquet fees are payable in advance upon registration. As I have noted in our advance publicity, we were unable to book the banquet on Saturday night, as, in anticipation of a record crowd, we had to utilize the motel's main dining room, which is open to the public evenings except Sundays. We hope that only a few of you were inconvenienced on this account.

Accordingly, however, we have altered the schedule of events somewhat to try to accommodate as many people as possible for the major events. We have also been hampered by the last-minute cancellation of our planned guest speaker, one of the product managers for Sony's product development department, due to a sudden business commitment. To rectify this, we have a special surprise in keeping with our convention theme of preservation of DX history, records, and memorabilia.

We also have available for your viewing for the first time assembled, the collections of verifications from our late members Norm Maguire and Joe Brauner. Details of the display will be announced at the start of activities Friday or as soon thereafter as Jerry can be ready.

We hope that this year's convention will be a memorable one for all of you, and, with your help, it will be for us also!

ORDER OF EVENTS

FRIDAY - Checkin, registration, informal gatherings, tape-playing, verie-viewing, etc. No formal activities.

SATURDAY AM - To be announced.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON - Session 1 - Preserving the hobby's history :

Group discussion, featuring, among others, Jerry Starr, Tom Farmerie, Russ Edmunds, Rem Murphy.

- Great portable radio competition, part I (4pm kickoff)

SATURDAY EVENING - (after dinner, probably about 7:30 pm,) Business meeting. This has been moved from the original time noted in the DXN publicity to accomodate several members who will have to leave prior to that time.

- (at conclusion of meeting) Great portable radio competition part II and on-site DX session.

*** For those not participating or watching/listening to the competition, the verie exhibit will be open, and informal gatherings are encouraged.

SUNDAY MORNING - Informal gatherings, sleep, church, whatever

SUNDAY AFTERNOON - 2PM - Annual Auction.

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:30 PM - Banquet.

8:30 (approx.) Session 2 - Preserving DX memorabilia:

Group discussion featuring, among others, Jerry Starr, Tom Farmerie, Russ Edmunds.

11PM (approx) On-site DX-pedition.

MONDAY MORNING - Informal & departures.

Slide and tape facilities will be available for station, convention, and get-together slides and DX & convention tapes throughout the session.

NRC HISTORY

Prior conventions

1980 - Los Angeles	1969 - St. Louis
1979 - St. Louis	1968 - Boston
1978 - Atlanta	1967 - Eugene
1977 - Lincoln	1966 - Montreal
1976 - Louisville	1965 - Cedar Rapids
1975 - Hartford	1964 - Buffalo
1974 - Toledo	1963 - Denver
1973 - Boston	1962 - Indianapolis
1972 - Miami	1961 - Amarillo
1971 - Sacramento	1960 - White Plains
1970 - Hasbrouck Hts.	1959 - Omaha

** Did you know that the NRC's First Annual Auction was held at our NJ 1970 Convention ??

Past NRC editors/ publishers:

Publishers	DDXD	IDXD
1977- ? Louisville (Fleischaker, Hartlage; Atkins, Truax)	1980- ? - Schmidt 1978-80 - Arruda	1978- ? - Hutton 1973-78 - Merriman
1973-77 North Jersey (Edmunds, Taylor, Sampson, Stonier, Bohac)	1973-78 - Boyd 1970-73 - Edmunds	
1966-73 Boston (Nelson, Kelley, Kane, Moore, Callarman, Karchevski)	1967-70 - Kane 195?-67 - Brauner	1972-3 - Page Taylor 1968-72 - Foxworth
1964-66, Kittanning (R. Cooper)		1965-68 - Nelson
195?-64, Buffalo (Edge)		195?-65 - Pete Taylor

Let's try to fill in the rest, along with correcting any of my errors in the above during the course of the Convention. Of course, Musings has been edited by the redoubtable Ernie Cooper for all of the above time and more !!

- * Throughout the area of the motel, there are numerous restaurants. Although the most immediate (aptly named the Fireplace Diner) one was destroyed by fire some months back, there are still ample. Roy Rogers, Burger King, etc. are all just West on Rt. 46 toward Dover. Just East on Rt. 46 is Denville, where there are several delis, and a Chinese Restaurant, as well as at least two more small and reasonably-priced restaurants.
- * For those who might wish to shop, the Rockaway Townsquare Mall is right off Route 80 at exit 37. Ask one of the locals or at the motel desk for more explicit instructions.
- * For those who will wish to attend religious services, check at the motel desk.
- * Please note that the motel restaurant does not serve either breakfast or lunch.
- * In the center of Denville, there is a reasonably well-stocked electronics outlet - Lashen's. Radio Shack has stores in the Mall and in Parsippany (about 7 miles East on 46. Lafayette has a store another mile further East.
- * WRAN is located about 10 minutes away. At presstime, we don't know if we'll have a tour or not. WMTR is about 20 minutes away, and no tour is planned there. WBIO is silent, those are the towers by the Pine Brook exit on I-80, passed by those coming in from the East. WRNJ is roughly 20-30 minutes west on 46.
- * Local quality ID tapes recorded on location are courtesy of John Bowker & son.

ABOUT THE PORTABLE RX COMPETITION.....

No altered, transmogrified, modified radios are eligible to win, though they may be used in competition for demo/comparison. Tests will consist of nulling, adjacent signal rejection, images, noise pickup, overload, sensitivity/selectivity (measured by # of different frequencies with audible signals. A brief write-up will appear in DXN.

Should any questions, problems, etc. arise in the absence of either of the Convention hosts (neither of us will be staying at the Motel), refer to Truax/ Atkins/ Musco, who are all rooming together.

LOCAL STATIONS - AM - BY DAY & BY NIGHT

540 - semilocals	1080 - WTIC
550 - "	1090 - WBAL
560 - WFIL	1100 - WHLI (day)
570 - WMCA	1110 - WNAR
580 - WHP	1120 - none
590 - WARM	1130 - WNEW
600 - WICC	1140 - none
610 - WIP	1150 - semilocals
620 - WVNJ	1160 - none
630 - WEJL (day) WPRO (nite)	1170 - WERW (day)
640 - none	1180 - WHAM (nite)
650 - none	1190 - WLIB (day) WBAL (nite)
660 - WNBC	1200 - none
670 - none	1210 - WCAU
680 - semilocals	1220 - semilocals
690 - semilocals	1230 - WEEEX
700 - none	1240 - WBAX (WGBB)
710 - WOR	1250 - WMTR (superlocal)
720 - none	1260 - WBUD
730 - WNAK	1270 - WLEB
740 - semilocals	1280 - WADO
750 - none	1290 - semilocals
760 - none	1300 - WFNJ, WGRC
770 - WABC	1310 - silent local WBIO, hi
780 - none	1320 - WKAP
790 - WAEB	1330 - WEVD/WPOW
800 - WIMR (day)	1340 - WALL, WBRE, WNHC
810 - WGY (nite)	1350 - semilocals
820 - none	1360 - WNNJ (day) WDRC (nite)
830 - WNYC (day)	1370 - semilocals
840 - WVPO	1380 - WBNX/WAWZ
850 - WEEU	1390 - WEOK (day)
860 - WTEL	1400 - WICK, WRAK
870 - none	1410 - semilocals
880 - WCBS	1420 - WCOJ
890 - none	1430 - WNJR
900 - WFLN (day)	1440 - semilocals
910 - WSBA/WRCQ	1450 - WCTC
920 - semilocals	1460 - semilocals
930 - WPAT	1470 - WSAN
940 - WINE	1480 - WJIT
950 - WPEN	1490 - WECB
960 - semilocals	1500 - none
970 - WWDJ	1510 - WRAN
980 - WILK	1520 - none
990 - WZZD	1530 - WJDM (day)
1000 - WRNJ	1540 - WRCP (day)
1010 - WINS	1550 - semilocals
1020 - none	1560 - WQXR
1030 - WBZ	1570 - WBUX
1040 - none	1580 - semilocals
1050 - WHN	1590 - WERA
1060 - KYW	1600 - WWRL
1070 - none	