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# Why Join the YCCC?

- Connection with a group of like-minded individuals across all levels
- Structured training
  - Contest Universities
  - Newsletter articles
  - In-person and on-line meeting presentations
- Email reflector a live resource for informal answers to every question
- Email reflector archive a searchable history of answers to every question ever asked!
- People with expertise, willing to actually help on projects
- People with tools, willing to share them to make any job easier
- People at the same level you are at in contesting
  - Peer groups for competition
  - Building multi-op teams
  - Sharing experiences
  - A membership with a strong technical background that likes to innovate

# **YCCC Purpose**

The Yankee Clipper Contest Club is a special-purpose amateur radio club devoted to the pursuit of operating and technical excellence. Our goals are simple:

- To promote the fun, satisfaction and competitive thrill of radio contesting
- To assist our members in the development of their operating and technical skills
- To win the club competition of the major amateur radio contests

All persons interested in amateur radio contesting shall be eligible for membership.

The club shall submit a club score in <u>all major</u> contests for which there is a club competition. Club members shall be encouraged to participate in all amateur radio contests, with particular emphasis given to:

- ARRL DX contests
- CQ WW DX & WPX contests

### Have Fun! – Kick Butt! – Keep Going!

# **YCCC** History

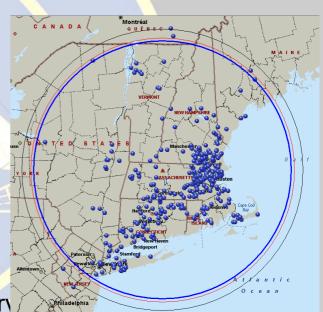
- Incorporated 1977 as a super regional club
- Formed by a merger:
  - North East Contest Club (NECC) and Murphy's Marauders Club (MM)
- Principals / Original Officers
  - President: Jeff Briggs K1ZM
  - Vice President: Roger Burt N4ZC
  - Secretary: John Kenney W1RR
  - Treasurer: Bob Cjazkowski N1TZ
  - Activities Manager: Charlie Carroll K1XX
- Website: www.yccc.org
- 11 Past and/or Current Contest/DX/Amateur Hall of Fame Members
- Dozens of Major Contest Wins

# **YCCC History**

CQ Contest Hall of	Fame	
Member	Callsign Year Inducted	
Ken Wolff	K1EA	1995
John Door	K1AR	1997
Jeff Briggs	K1ZM	2005
Randy Thompson	K5ZD	2008
Doug Grant	K1DG	2015
David Rob <mark>bi</mark> ns	К1ТТТ	2017
Tom Wagner	N1MM	2018
Bill Meyers	K1GQ	2020
CQ DX Hall of Fame		
Don Greenbaum	N1DG	2006
Joe Reisert	W1JR	2014
CQ Amateur Hall of Far	ne	
Dave Sumner	K1ZZ	2001

# **YCCC Today**

- Approximately 250 Members
- Club "Territory" defined roughly by a 175 mi circle centered on Erving, Ma.
  - Covers all NE States
  - A small amount of Southern Quebec
  - Extends into New York, New Jersey and PA
- Club Officers
  - President: Ken Caruso WO1N
  - Vice President: Paul Young K1XM
  - Secretary: Brian Szewczyk NJ1F
  - Treasurer: Chet Slabinski N8RA
  - Activities Manager: \*\* OPEN \*\*
  - We compete in the "Unlimited" Club Competition Category
    - Our prime competitors are FRC and PVRC
  - Our success depends on the Contest Score contributions of all members
    - Large, Medium and Small Pistol stations



### Who is the YCCC?



## YCCC A Technical Powerhouse

SO2R Box, MOAS, OTRSP

K1XM et al

SO2R Mini

NN1C et al

YCCC Receiving ArrayW1FV

N1MM+ Contest LoggerN1MM et al

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### YCCC in the Community Sponsored Plaque Winners

The YCCC sponsors around a dozen contest plaques each year. These are some recent examples.

#### 2023 WPX SO USA 7 MHz



K1LZ - Krassy

#### 2020 ARRL RTTY RU DX SO HP



P49X (WØYK, op)

### YCCC in the Community 2022 NEQP Sponsored Plaques



New England Single Op Tom – K1KI

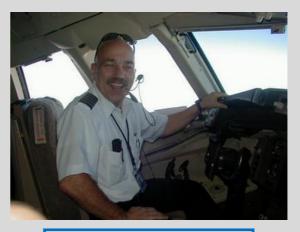


Connecticut Rhode Island Contest Group A Haven For Gentlemen Contesters

#### New England Club CT/RI Contest Group



DX Single Op OM2VL



USA Single Op K4QS

## YCCC in the Community Scholarship

- YCCC has awarded a Scholarship since 2010
- Managed by the ARRL Foundation
- Typically \$1500
- Past Recipients include:
  - 2021 Marty Sullaway, NN1C
  - 2019 Anthony L. Comanzo, KD2HJH
  - 2018 Cameron Kofalt, KC1BMI
  - 2017 Christian Miller, KC1CFR
  - 2016 Julie Knappick, KB1YTT
  - 2015 Matthew Williams, W1MAT
  - 2014 Marian Deacutis, KB1YLJ
  - 2013 Sam Lapides, KB1TZJ
  - 2012 Matthew Williams, W1MAT
  - 2011 Forrest Gasdia, AB1LG
  - 2010 Robert Giuliani, K1RJG

## YCCC in the Community Supporting the WRTC

- Supply the Competitors!
  - K1AR, K1DG, K1KI, K1ZM, K5ZD and more
- Supplied the manpower to run WRTC 2014
- Contributed Financially
  - Significant contributions to WRTC 2014

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- WRTC 2018
- WRTC 2023 (Bologna, Italy) soon!

# **YCCC** in the Community

- Supports the World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (WWROF)
  - Regular and significant financial support



Dedicated to improving the skills of amateur radio operators around the world, utilizing education, competition, advancement of technology and scientific research, promoting international friendship and goodwill, and preparing them to better serve society in times of communication need.

# YCCC Wrap Up

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We would love to have you join us!

- The process
  - Fill out an online membership application
  - Coordinate with club officers to attend a Regular or approved Area meeting
  - Give a quick pitch about yourself and your goals in joining the club
  - Membership Vote
  - Then pay your dues  $\rightarrow$  \$15/yr

## **Questions?**

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