Survey Results - Summary

In which amateur radio-related activities do we participate?

DXing and attending hamfests were the two most frequently mentioned items with contesting, nets, digital modes and field/portable operations being only slightly less frequently mentioned.

A review of all responses to all items reveals that there is a need for "Elmering," including the following.

- Setting up a radio shack;
- Antenna theory, construction, and installation;
- Feed lines;
- The use of test equipment;
- Station on-air operation;
- Circuit design and all aspects of amateur radio electronics;
- Awards programs and submitting documentation;
- Digital modes;
- SSTV;
- Net operation(s).

A review of all responses to all items reveals that activities related to "Elmering" were suggested, including the following.

- A photo session relating to shack set-up;
- Visiting individual member's shacks;
- Basic theory discussions;
- PSK operation;
- VOIP operation;
- Building rigs.

It is apparent that members would like to see more club-wide activities, including the following.

- Participation in additional walks, runs, etc.
- Assistance in time of need, e.g., weather-related instances;
- Fox hunts;
- A 2-meter weekly/monthly net with rotating net control;
- A special event for "All Athenes;"
- Additional informal dinner/lunch meetings.

A review of "What should we do at meetings" yielded the following types of responses.

- Sticking to topics and agenda;
- Setting a time limit to the business portion of the meeting, and the discussion of topics;
- Continuing the demonstration of old rigs and club member projects;
- Discussing how amateurs have participated in activities that have benefited the public;
- Inviting local groups who might use our services;
- Inviting officials to explain their programs, e.g., ARES, official observers, repeater coordinators, OSSBN, etc.

Members' general comments included the following types of responses.

- Bringing non-participating members back to participation;
- Recruiting non-affiliated hams into our club;
- Limiting the discussion of 2-meter repeaters and computers.