



# SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

*THE  
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PREMIER  
DX CLUB*

February 2001

**Next meeting: February 20th, 7:30 PM  
at Radioshack.com just outside I-285  
on the Buford Highway.**

**MINUTES 1/16/2001**

**-Dale Nordin, K4HGG, Sec.**

## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

**-Mike Greenway, K4PI**

I have to toot my horn a little. This was a banner month for me as I finished up my 5BWAZ with JT1BH on 80 M Zone 23. I have been working on this one since about 1979. Now to get the QSL. Conditions have been okay for the winter but nothing exceptional.

The CQ WW 160 was this past weekend and there was a fair amount of DX to go around there. Conditions were better than I had expected although all I did was cruise around and work the DX and some friends.

We have several good DXpeditions coming up in February. All of them have web sites that list their frequencies and other related info you might need. The ones I am most interested in are YK9A, D68C, CE0ZT(SAN AMBROSIO), AND 3D2 (CONWAY) since I need them all on 160 and they are all promising 160 operation. There have been some rumblings about possible P5 BS7 operations. The ARRL CWDX test is coming up around the 17/18 of this month. Conditions should be good for that one.

We should have a couple of months left before 10 and 12 go to sleep for the summer months. They are predicting that the solar cycle peaked sometime last summer so I guess we are headed down.

At the last meeting I brought up the fact that we had been asked about some donations. We did not have time to discuss it but the fact was brought up that there are supposedly some bylaws regarding how much we can donate and what the qualifications are. We have been unable to find this information. If we are unable to find them we need to discuss adding this to the bylaws.

Mike-K4PI, called the meeting to order at 7:31 with approx. 30 members present, with several members coming from Athens along with several operators from the Kingman Reef (K5K) dexpedition.

After introductions, Mike mentioned the D68 and CE0XT dxpeditons that were soliciting funds (he had also sent out the information on the reflector). It was noted that we have approximately \$410 in the treasury and that only a portion of these funds may be donated to a dxpediton and must be rated according to a priority/need list. This item was tabled until the next meeting after which we went right into the Kingman Reef program.

### **Some brief observations about the program.**

Several members of the dxpediton were at the club meeting and 3 gave a short presentation which included Tom-N4NX, Bob-K4UEE and Ann-WA1S. Since this was a U.S. "Territory", permission had to be obtained from the defense authorities on Hawaii.

The reef was a piece of land 660 feet long and 325 feet wide at the widest point and consisted of mostly crunched shells. Due to the high wind conditions and the sea level elevation which provided a tremendous ground plane, the antennas consisted of mostly verticals for each band. A yagi was put up as a reference antenna and signal strengths were compared and the verticals won out.

The dxpediton operated on the reef for 9+ days and made 80839 QSOs with the majority of the contacts occurring on 15 and 20 meters.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Dale- K4HGG/SM1WRI

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**-Nancy Draheim, NK4U, Tres.**

73 Mike Greenway, K4PI, P49I

There was no report this month. -Nancy NK4U

## DX UPDATES

**CE0** - SAN FELIX ISLAND -The team regrets to report that due to circumstances beyond their control regarding the boat transportation from Valparaiso to San Ambrosia the dxpedition must be canceled. Everyone is safe and well but very disappointed and they are returning home as soon as possible.

-DRBILL K6GNX Pilot for CE0XT

**PY0** - ST. PETER & ST PAUL ARCH. - The weather and seas have been bad and have delayed their landing. They should be delayed no more than 24 hours.

**3Y0C** Update #2 The last word I have seen about Chuck is that the ship is scheduled to pick him up on March 2nd. This could change at any time. Weather has been real bad and has torn up the low band antenna many times. For those of you needing him for a new one, keep checking out 20M. Good frequencies include 14.162, 14.195 and 14.260. Signal strength has been better lately topping off about a weak 53 but workable until the crowd shows up as he works simple. The generator is working but the amp is not doing well. Most of his operating is done at 100W. Time is running out so spend some time if you need him.

-Rick N4XMX

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## DX TIDBITS

**-Rick Glisson, N4XMX**

Please read the DX Update column above because sometimes things change rapidly. The 3Y0C is a good example. When he first came on, people said, "Well, he'll be there for three months, no hurry." If you have been following the 3Y0C story, you know what problems have occurred. Damaged antennas, faulty generator, storms, and Chuck's work schedual have all contributed to making this one a real challedge. I will also point out that quite a few times, Chuck has been operating around 14.162 (where I worked him) in the Extra portion of 20 meters. Any of you General and Advanced Class DX'ers who haven't upgraded no longer have the 20 WPM code to blame. Many of my latest 40 and 80 meter new countries have been at the bottom of the band. Both the YK9A and D68C 40 M contacts I have were at 7002. The 80 M D68C QSO was at 3502.

The YK9A operation has not been very loud. I know they are missing 3 ops, one amp and I'm not sure what else. I did manage to catch them on 20M phone and 40M cw. They were not working on bands that favored the East Coast. Looking at the spots, it would be 2 or 3 in the afternoon and the spots said 80 meters. At night, the one time they came on 20M, they were really 59 and easily worked. I hope everyone got a chance t fill out a few band/modes.

In contrast, the D68C bunch came on and in a half of a day, about blew all the other DXpeditions off the air! They were on 4 bands at once with very loud signals. In three days, I have worked them on 10 different bamd/modes incuding 40 and 80 and they have two more weeks to go! So far they have logged over 35K QSO's in those three days. This is a definate contender to break the 100K QSO barrier! Online logs are available for both D68C and YK9A.

Have recieved a few more 80M cards bring the total up to 93. Have about 15 still out so it will be a race for the ARC Hamfest. If that doesn't work out, then Bill, N4NX will get to look at a few cards! This will complete 5BDXCC and I get to order the neat plaque.

Speaking of cards, the FR/T cards are out and very nice looking. VK0MM has announced his QSL route. Check out his website if you don't get the bulletins: [www.geocities.com/vk0ld/1.html](http://www.geocities.com/vk0ld/1.html). His and 3Y0C are the only outstanding new ones I am waiting for. I need one more for honor roll though. Somebody call me the next time a ST or real 7O shows up! BTW: ST2SH has announced that Sudan should hopefully be on the air soon with more hams. Let's hope so!

It was a lot of fun helping out at the K5K envelope party. I arrived a little late but in time for the pizza! It is amazing what people send. There were railpasses, certificates, and a lot of \$2 bills. Nancy and I took turns buying them up. I though I had the most interesting QSL card from Brazil but Gary topped me out with a pair of those Japanese cards you only hear about... It is also sad to see the number of people who don't send in any postage, IRC's, or even an envelope yet expect a card. I hope they are not in a hurry. I believe we went through around 9 or 10 of those Post Office plastic crates stuffed full. I admit I have a vested interest in helping Tom, N4XP get the cards out, I have an 80M contact in there I need! :)

Good luck and I'll CU in the pileups...

-73 Rick N4XMX

## 4 2 5 D X N E W S

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**3W** - Hans, WA1LWS expects to be active again as 3W2LWS from Vietnam between 17 February and 6 March, including an entry in both the ARRL DX contests. [TNX The Daily DX]

**CE0\_sfe**- Marco, CE6TBN reports the Chilean authorities have once again authorized the use of CE0XT for the upcoming operation from San Ambrosio (previously announced as CE0XT, some three weeks ago the call was changed into CE0ZT). US QSL via N6MZ (Michael A. Mraz, 15526 Se 50th St, Bellevue, WA 98006-3611, USA); others via CE6TBN (Marco A. Quijada, P.O. Box 1234, Temuco, Chile).

**DU** - Frank, VE7DP reports 4I2P is the call sign requested for the IOTA expedition to Batan Island (OC-093) [425DXN 509]. Frank will arrive on 23 February and will be joined by the main group on the 25th. They will be active until 27 February and be back to Manila on the 28th. [TNX VE7DP and VE3JV]

**KH0** - Look for KH0/JQ1NGT and KH0/JI1EFP to be active (on 6-160 metres CW and SSB) from Saipan (OC-086) on 16-19 February. They plan to participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest as either single operators or multi-single. QSL via JQ1NGT (Kenji Sekine, 3-4-7 Honcyo, Fukiage, 369-0115, Japan). [TNX The Daily DX]

**PJ2** - Larry, K6RO and Charlie, W6KK will operate (on all bands CW and SSB) as PJ2/home call from Curacao (SA-006) from 27 February to 5 March. Larry will be a SOAB HP entrant in the ARRL SSB DX Contest as PJ2K (not PJ2R as reported in 425DXN 509, as this call has been issued to someone else). QSL PJ2K via K6RO and PJ2/ via home calls. [TNX K6RO]

**PY0\_spp**- The PW0S group (Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY and Eli/PT7BZ, plus Epaminondas/PY7CV, captain of the "Old Smuggler") left Recife, Brazil at 20 UTC on 3 February. They stopped at Fernando de Noronha, where Andre/PY0FF (and his equipment for 6 metres and SSTV) have joined the team, and left for St. Peter and St. Paul's Rocks in the early morning UTC of 7 February. They were expected to start operating from the rocks on the 9th, but rough seas are preventing them from landing. Suggested frequencies are 3790, 7050, 14170, 18125, 21270, 24960, 28470, 50115 kHz (SSB); 1832, 3504, 7025, 10108, 14025, 18090, 21025, 24915, 28025, 50095 kHz (CW); 14080, 21080, 28080 kHz (RTTY); 14233, 21363, 28683 kHz (SSTV). QSL via KU9C. Pictures at <http://www.soutomaior.eti.br/mario/S2> - Carl, SM6CPY plans to operate as S21YD from Bangladesh on 12-19 February. [TNX The Daily DX]

**T8** - Look for JA6EGL and JM6VOV to operate (on 10-160 metres) as T88SM (mainly CW) and

T88VO (mainly SSB) from Palau (OC-009) on 16-20 February. QSL T88SM via JA6EGL (Shoji Miyake, Box 252, Fukuoka, 810-8694, Japan); QSL T88VO via JM6VOV (Masaru Yokoi, 1-30-13 Sakuragaoka, Shime, 811-2201, Japan). Cards can also be sent through the JARL QSL bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

**TZ** - Fred, ON6QR will try to operate (on 20 and 15 metres SSB) from TZ6VY or TZ6YH from around 19 UTC to 24 UTC on 14 February. He might be active on 15 and 16 February as well. QSL via ON6QR through the bureau. [TNX ON9CLV]

**UA** - A group of operators is expected to sign (SSB and CW) UE1RCV/1 from Sengeyskiy Island (Pechorskoye Sea Coast West group, EU-???) on 9-14 February. QSL via UA1RJ. [TNX RZ3EC]

**V4** - Joe/VE3BW, Bob/K0CCX, Markus/DK5AX, Bruce/W4OV, Julio/WD4JR and Norm/VE3VFR will be active from St. Kitts Island (NA-104) on 14-22 February (callsigns to be issued upon arrival). They will operate on 6-160 metres CW and SSB and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest. The QSL route for QSOs made during the contest is via VE3VFR (Norm Sanger, 2626 Guyatt Rd East Binbrook, Ontario L0R1C0, Canada). [TNX DJ5AV]

**VK** - Bill, VK4FW reports his planned activity from Cumberland Island (OC-160) [425DXN 509] has been postponed has been postponed due to transport problems associated with equipment not arriving from Sydney. The new dates are from 11 to 16 February. QSL direct only to VK4FW (Bill Horner, P.O. Box 929, Gympie, 4570, Australia).

**XX9** - Ulf, SM0GNU reports will be operating as XX9TDX from Macau between 12 and 20 February. He plans to be active on all bands CW/SSB, possibly with some RTTY. There will also be a SOAB effort in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via SM0GNU.

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**ARRL DX CW 2/17-18  
CQ 160 SSB 2/24-25  
coming up.  
Get those antennas  
ready and  
LISTEN, LISTEN,  
LISTEN!!!**

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## **DX PACKET FREQ.**

W8ZF (2400) 145.63  
K4KG (2400) 144.91  
W4UCK(24&96) & ARCDX (2400) 145.65  
NI4X (9600) 144.93, 145.71, 440.75  
K4UGA (Athens)(2400) 145.67 (SE Megaclst)  
(telnet 128.192.52.40 599, must put in port 599)

## **DX COMMUNICATION FREQ.**

Simplex 147.54

K4JPD Repeater (tone 85.4 Hz)  
147.195+

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