



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

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PREMIER
DX CLUB*

February 2006

**Next meeting: February 28th 7:30 PM
at the Fuqua Heart Center Classroom
at Piedmont Hospital.**

FROM THE VP

-Al Ludwick, N4ZZK, VP

FROM THE PRESIDENT

--Wes Lamboley, W3WL

There are just no words to fully congratulate the Peter One guys! They brought a new level of excitement and participation to DXing in general to the scene, with their thorough preparedness, brilliant operating, and near real time news, pictures and log updates on the website. This expedition sets the new Gold Standard! The SEDXC can take pride in the members who were involved with the success, especially Bob, K4UEE in the co-leader position, and George, N4GRN in the no-job I cannot do position! We all owe a debt of gratitude to Chaz, W4GKF as webmaster, and Dave, K4SSU as the chief logistics manager. Thanks also to all the club members who pitched in and help out on the special work details at Southern Staircase. Dick, K5AND and owner of Southern Staircase also played a major role in the success, and deserves a BIG hand as well.

The Peter One expedition has many GREAT stories associated with it. One of my favorites revolves around Don, N1DG. Don was the North and South American pilot, and helped get the logs uploaded to the website. He also helped John, W1BIH work Peter One for country **390!** It is a great story and if you have not experienced it check out <http://005d89a.netsolhost.com/videos/w1bih.htm>.

On another note, I will be showing the FT5XO video at this month's meeting. One of the features you will see is Pete the Penguin, who is "the World's Most Traveled Penguin". You can see him on Peter One if you check the website's photos for 13 February. Pete wants to know "Where do I go next?"

CU at the meeting!

Wes – Whiskey 3 Whiskey Lemur

I hope everyone got Peter I in the log. It was quite crazy in the pileups at times. I can't wait for the debrief in April. Bob and George are planning something special for us.

I've been having fun creating my own "Ham Radio" postage stamps and will bring in some samples to pass around. The cost is based on volume but it's about \$17.00 for a sheet of 20. Obviously not for every day mail but pretty cool for that special QSL card. For more information go to: www.stamps.com

February Program / Wes W3WL

Kerguelen – Wes will share the video for this recent expedition. As an introduction for anyone that doesn't know his background, Wes has been a ham for over 50 years. He's feel fortunate to have been involved with DX and DXers in general, with over 100 countries confirmed. He has been on 6 major DXpeditions, four of which have been awarded "DXpedition of the Year" and one that holds the world record for number of QSOs (168,722). Quite an accomplishment!

March program preview / Member show & tell

For the March program, we'll have our perennial favorite, show and tell. In addition to the chance to share an experience or something from the shack, this year we have a new addition.

The QSL Awards

Bring in one of your personal QSL cards. We'll have two awards with club patches as the prize. First, we'll pass them around and award a club patch for the "best in show." We'll have to figure out the voting process but I think Wes has some ideas. Next there will be a QSL raffle with a card drawn from the hat for the second club patch.

Hope to see you at the meeting.

73 es gd dx, Al, N4ZZK

MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2006

-George Nicholson, N4GRN, Sec.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Al Ludwick, N4ZZK, at 7:30 P.M. The meeting attendees introduced themselves. There were no minutes to approve from the prior meeting, as the prior meeting was the club Christmas party.

Officer's reports: Vice-President, Al, N4ZZK announced that Hal Kennedy, N4GG's disc of his presentation would be available to club members. Jim, W4TE, acting as Treasurer in Harry, W4KJ's, absence announced the raffle items for the evening. Activities Manager, John, N4TOL, announced that the club would sponsor both a standard table and a swap table at the Kennehoochee Hamfest in March. Membership Chairman, Bill Barr, N4NX, announced that he was accepting QSL cards from club members for the outgoing bureau.

There was no old business.

Announcements: Bob Allphin, K4UEE, announced dates of the upcoming Peter One DXpedition and provided interesting details of the operation. Bill Barr, N4NX, announced that he was contacted by Tom, N4XP, the QSL manager for the K7C operation, that cards were beginning to go out – over 6000 to date. Also, that QSL info needs to be precise on these cards

Jim, K4LDI, has some gear from the estate of a SK that he will be posting on the reflector.

New Business: Gary, WB4SQ, made a motion to match last year's club donation to the Per One DXpedition. The motion was seconded by Dave, K4SSU. The motion passed.

A break was taken to raffle items.

Bill Barr, N4NX, gave an interesting presentation on operating awards and challenges outside of DXCC.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

73 – John N4TOL
(filling in)

ACTIVITIES

-John Tramontanis, N4TOL

The Kennehoochee Hamfest is on Saturday, March 18th at Jim Miller Park in Marietta. The club is planning to man two tables. One table will be used

for club promotion, and a second table for a club swap shop. The tables will be adjacent to each other to accommodate more participation. A sign up sheet for volunteers will be passed around at the club meeting this month.

I hope everyone had fun chasing 3Y0X the past few weeks. Although it was not a new one for me, it sure was exciting to chase the new band countries with some success. I really needed the 80 meters, but no luck – maybe next time. It was pleasing in the end to know that the club supported such a well run and exciting operation.

73 – John N4TOL, Activities

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Harry Saunders, W4KJ, Tres.

Report for the month of February

SEDXC Treasury	\$ 2708.03
Packet Fund	\$ 360.15
Total Balance	\$ 3068.18

We have all been glued to our rigs trying to work 3Y0X. It has been fun wondering what it is like being there and hearing all the stations popping up on the numerous bands and modes. We sent off the Club's \$1000 donation that was approved at the last meeting. With our total of \$ 2000 contributed over the last 2 years to help make 3Y0X a reality, the SEDXC can stand tall in our effort to support one of the most significant DX'peditions of all time. We really helped make it happen!

I want to thank all of our members who continue to bring in raffle items for our monthly meetings. It has really made a difference over the last couple of years in what we have in our treasury for the Club's operations, which includes donations to prime DX'peditions and other issues important to DX'ers like KP1- KP5, BPL, etc. Let's keep this tradition going strong. Look around your shack and see if there isn't something that will be fun to raffle off to help the SEDXC and bring it with you to the next meeting.

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DX PACKET FREQ. (Corrections, 1/2/04)

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(2400) 145.65 (direct or ATLDX)
KS4Q (2400) 144.97 MHz; 'c saw3'
(2400) 145.63 MHz; 'c saw4'
(1200) 145.69 MHz; 'c saw5'

Once you get a connect on any of the three above frequencies, enter 'c saw1'. Once you get a connect to saw1, enter 'c ks4q' or simply 'dx'.
or telnet dx.ks4q.net

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)
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