



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

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*THE
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PREMIER
DX CLUB*

July 2003

**NO MEETING IN JULY!!!
Next meeting in August.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

-Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Pres.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Remember no meeting in July. We will meet again in August.

LAST MEETING:

The last meeting was a great meeting. Joe Owen, KO4RR gave a very interesting report on the S0, Western Sahara, Dxpedition. We obtained an appreciation for the history of the people and the area. The trip was a very long trip for the team and the Dxpedition very fruitful. Hopefully all of you were able to make a QSO or more.

NEXT PROGRAM:

There will be no meeting in July. As you may recall we did not hold a meeting last July. Summer activities and vacations are a high priority and propagation is down during the summer months. Come back in August recharged with some ideas for your Club. All of the Officers look forward to hearing from you.

ELECTIONS:

As announced, the annual SEDXC elections were held at the June meeting. The officers elected were:

President: James R. Kauten, MD, W4TE
·Vice President: Wes R. Lamboley, W3WL

Secretary: Dale P. Nordin, K4HGG
Treasurer: Harry D. Saunders, W4KJ
Activities Manager: John D. Tramontanis, K4TOL

I am ecstatic, once again, that we have a full complement of Officers. For activities, let John know which activities you would like to see. Perhaps you remember some SEDX activities from the old days or some specific to other clubs that would be applicable to our Club. Drop John a message with suggestions. Also if you have an idea about a subject for presentation, let Wes know. He can always use ideas for meetings.

The officers would like to thank the SEDXC members for their support this past year. We have had some interesting meetings, not because of the officers, but because of the participation of the membership. We hope to continue to have good attendance and will strive to improve that. We hope to continue to build the Club. The Club has been growing, but we can improve upon that and build it back to the level it was in the past. Get those old members back to the Club meetings. Our attendance at the meetings is only a fraction of the number of members on our active roster.

Many thanks to Rick Glisson, N4XMX, who has been the Newsletter Editor. Rick spends many hours each month gathering and setting up the Newsletter and preparing it for publication each month. He has to make sure all the officers get in their articles and he often writes an article himself. Even though this is not an Office of the Club, Rick's dedication over the years has helped with communications within the Club. If you have something you would like to have published in the monthly Newsletter send it to Rick. We need all the literary input possible!

The Officers will be meeting soon to discuss the up and coming year. We will discuss meeting content, budget, and recruitment for the next term. Send us ideas regarding your thoughts on the direction of the SEDXC. *(continued p2)*

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Many thanks to the SEDXC Nominating Committee for their hard work in presenting a slate of officers for the 2003-2004 year:

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SOAPBOX

Ham fest season is upon us. This weekend is the Gainesville Hamfest. The SEDXC is giving two talks on DX'ing. One on the basics, the other on more advanced topics, i.e., an actual dxpedition. We have been approached to give a talk to the Kennehoochee Radio Club. Details are being finalized. These activities help get us known in the amateur radio community. Any help giving talks or securing dates for talks would be greatly appreciated. I am sure if we give some very interesting talks we might be able to interest more hams into DX and into the SEDXC! Talk it up as the meetings are much more interesting when the attendance is abundant!

NEXT MEETING DETAILS:

Remember there will be no meeting in July. The August 19, 2003 meeting will be held at the usual QTH, the Heart Center Classroom of the Fuqua Heart Center (Piedmont Hospital). There is **free parking**. Check the SEDXC website for directions and instructions. We will meet at Panera Bread just North of the hospital around 1800 for a good dinner with Club members then go to the meeting QTH around 1915.

Check out the web site. You can find it at: www.sedxc.org. Send any ideas to sedxc@kauten.com.

Send email to w4te@arrl.net if you have any new business to present for the August meeting.

GUD DX and see you at the August meeting.

73, Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Pres.

CORRECTION

Last month we reported that Chris Wynn has joined the club and was shown as N4ZFA. His correct call is N4XFA. We welcome Chris and the others to the club! We apologize for the typo.

FROM THE VP

-Wes Lamboley, W3WL, VP

I am writing this article on a very auspicious occasion – my 65th birthday! My wife, Bev had a surprise party for me tonight, and a lot of old friends were here. It has been a wonderful 65 years, and I have been a ham for 48 of them! I am finally getting around to having a tower with a real beam antenna on it, and I am now down “almost ready to pour the concrete”! The rest of the story is another good birthday surprise.

I figured I ought to learn a little more about the concrete business (how much does it cost – I need 2 yards- how much notice does the concrete company need, how long will the truck stick around before they start charging extra, etc., etc.). I picked a concrete company number at random from our phone book – somebody close – and made the call. I got to talk with a guy who knows what I will need.

“What will the concrete be used for?” I told him it was for a radio tower. “Commercial tower? He asked. “No” I said, “I am an amateur radio operator and this is my first tower”. “Really” he says, “I am a ham too”. We traded some stories about our interests in ham radio, and then got back on the subject of concrete. He said, “Give me as much notice as you can on the concrete, and I will deliver it”. I asked, “What will 2 yards cost”? He said it would be free. Not only that, but the truck will stay “As long as you need it!” I went on to tell him that it was my 65th birthday, and this would be a great present!

We are going to meet up at the hamfest this weekend in Gainesville, and he promised to sit in on my presentation on South Sandwich, even though he is not a DXer. I would rather be lucky than good any day – and have been for about 65 years now.

CU at the August meeting!

Best,

Wes - Whiskey Three Whiskey Lemur

ACTIVITIES

No report this month.

73 – John N4TOL, Activities

MINUTES FOR June 17th

-Dale Nordin, K4HGG, Sec.

The meeting was called to order by Jim-W4TE, at 7:34 p.m. After introductions, the minutes of last months meeting were accepted as published.

Treasurer, Harry W4KJ, reported that several new members had signed-up at the Atlanta Hamfest SEDX Club table. Harry had the Club store open for the sale of pins and patches. The club patches cost \$2.50 ea. and pins, \$4.00 each. Activities Manager, John N4TOL, thanked everyone who helped at the Atlanta Hamfest.

The Gainesville Hamfest will be held on July 12th. & 13th. The Club will be giving two programs. The first presentation will be an overview of DX-ing. The second presentation will be a more heavy weight program showing DX-ing. Wes-W3WL will be the principle spokesman for the presentations. The time for each presentation is undetermined. Two tables have been reserved by the Club. One table is for Club activities, the second table is for club members to bring and sell their items with 10 percent of the proceeds donated back to the Club treasury.

Outgoing QSL's: Bill, N4NX stated that prior to his trip overseas he processed and mailed all of the QSL cards that he received. Bill will hold the QSL cards received this evening until the Gainesville hamfest.

Announcements:

Sandy, W4RU, announced that the QCWA meeting was Saturday, June 21, 2003 and the program was the video on the WITU contest.

Old Business: None

New Business: Election of Offices. There were no nominations from the floor. The Nominating Committee put the current slate of Office in as this year's Offices. Bill-N4NX made a motion to accept the Nominating Committee's slate of offices and all present concurred by a voice vote. See the back page of the SEDX Club newsletter for the current slate of officers.

There will be no July meeting.

Program:

Joe-KO4RR presented an excellent program on his April 2003 S05X Dxpedition to Western Sahara.

When there was a cancellation by one of the

Dxpeditors, Joe was invited to fill the vacancy. The problem was that he was given very short notice. Joe was invited on Friday and the plane for the first part the journey would depart on Sunday.

After the trip to Spain, the Dxpeditors had a 2-hour flight from Spain to Algeria and finally a 9-hour motor vehicle trip from the Algeria airport to Tiferinie, Western Sahara. The operating site was an Army outpost. The accommodations were not five star.

Joe showed everyone the method of wearing a turban and explained some of the uses for the turban. The most useful purpose of the turban is to keep the ever-blowing sand from getting to one's ears, mouth, nose and eyes. Artifacts from the trip included several specimens of fossil rocks found on their returning journey through the desert.

The Dxpedition amassed 31,000 QSOs in four days. The four days included the setup and take down of the Dxpedition equipment. They made 400 plus QSOs on 6 meters.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to Jim-KT4MM for covering for me during my absence.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Dale-K4HGG/SM1WRI Secretary; Minutes taken by Jim-KT4MM

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Harry Saunders, W4KJ, Tres.

Here is the Treasurer's report for the month of July:

SEDXC Treasury	\$3122.28
Packet Fund	\$ 610.15
Total Balance	\$3732.43

Dues continue to be due for 2003/2004. If you have not already paid your dues, please send your check to the Club's mailing address at P.O. Box 19871 Atlanta, GA. 30325, see me at the SEDXC Booth this Saturday at the Gainesville Hamfest or best of all, bring it to the SEDXC meeting next Tuesday. Renewal dues are \$20 for individuals and \$25 for families. First time new member dues are \$12.

Hope to see many of our members this weekend at the Gainesville Hamfest. Remember, this is a good chance to introduce another DX'er to our Club.

Harry Saunders, W4KJ Treasurer

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August
Fuqua Heart Center Classroom at
Piedmont Hospital.

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