



# SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

*THE  
SOUTH'S  
PREMIER  
DX CLUB*

September 2001

**Next meeting: September 18th, 7:30 PM at Radioshack.com just outside I-285 on the Buford Highway.**

## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

**-Mike Greenway, K4PI**

It's almost time for 10 Meters to start waking up from it's summer sleep. According to the data I have seen we should have another good season on the high bands and hopefully 6 M also. We are on the backside of the peak but it has not dropped that much since last fall.

We should be getting a least one new one this year. Ducie Is. is projected to come on the air the week before Thanksgiving. That should generate some nice pile ups. The weather should be starting to break soon so we can get some antenna work done without sweating buckets.

There should be budget located elsewhere in the bulletin. (page 3)

If you know anyone that even has the slightest interest in DX, see if you can bring them with you to a meeting. Maybe we can get a fire lit under them. Let them know there is no obligation for them to join. Also encourage friends to join the club reflector. It is a great place to ask questions and pass out information. If you don't belong already, please join in.

The deadline for getting cards into DXCC is Sept 31 if you want to be listed in the DXCC book for 2002. If you are on the Honor Roll this does not apply.

73 Mike Greenway, K4PI, P49I

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR KS4Q CLUSTER**

**FREQUENCY: 145.01, 2400 baud, 8,1,N**

**c sawnee** (It is important to wait for the alphabet soup menu before typing the next line.)

**c ax1 ks4q**

## **FROM THE VP**

**-Wes Lamboley, W3WL**

(Nothing this month)

## **MINUTES FOR AUGUST**

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

SEDX Club Minutes for 08/21/01

Mike-K4PI, called the meeting to order at 7:54 with approximately 16 members present. (Radio Shack.Com needed the room past the 7:30 start time).

Dues are now due (\$20) for the upcoming year. Dues should be sent to the club Treasurer Jim -W4TE via the Post Office Box.

**Old Business:** K5K cards are being processed by Tom-N4XP with the help of Nancy-NK4U, while Tom is recovering from his surgery.

**New Business:** Ernie-KS4Q gave an explanation of the repeater cluster network. After the explanation, the club voted to donate some funds in support of his packet cluster in order to upgrade his software for the network. The old software only allowed for a max of 10 users at a time on the network.

The W4UCK and K4SB clusters will be interconnected. A motion was made by Nancy -NK4U to donate \$400 and seconded by Harry-W4KJ which will include the purchase of a new 2-meter antenna. The old antenna was destroyed by a lightning strike. The motion passed unanimously.

Jim Kauten-W4TE gave an explanation and availability of Landsend Clothing Merchandise. These items of clothing may be purchased with the SEDXC logo on them. We have supplied a copy of the SEDXC Logo which may be placed on Golf Shirts, T-shirts, Jackets etc. The price for the Golf Shirts would be approx. \$24 + the cost for the sewn logo. Consult the website, [www.landsend.com](http://www.landsend.com), for more information.

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**The program:** This month's program was an explanation of the Packet System by Ernie-KS4Q. How the clusters are interconnected and what repeaters are on the air and other packet technical details. A donation was authorized – see details above.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

-Dale, K4HGG/SM1WRI

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

**-Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Tres.**

As of 9-5-01 the SEDX Club had \$2,252.40 in its general account. A check for \$400.00 was sent to KS4Q from the Packet Cluster fund after the last meeting. The Packet Cluster Fund now has \$560.15. The total amount in our account is \$2812.55.

More dues have slowly been coming in. The roster shows 67 active members including complementary and life members. It would be nice if we could get at least half the membership to the meetings.

I have had responses from six members regarding SEDXC LogoWare. At this point we have interest in 6 T-shirts, 7 Golf shirts, and 3 jackets. I am hopeful we can get enough interest in the jackets, as I believe it will be a very useful and nice piece of clothing with the SEDXC logo. If there is further interest in SEDXC LogoWare please let me know (<mailto:sedxclogoware@kauten.com>). As I mentioned on the reflector we will place one big order and the club will cover shipping. At the Charlotte Hamfest, the Charlotte DX Club sure looked sharp in their golf shirts with their club logos...looked like a real club.

Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE

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## TIME TO RENEW!!!

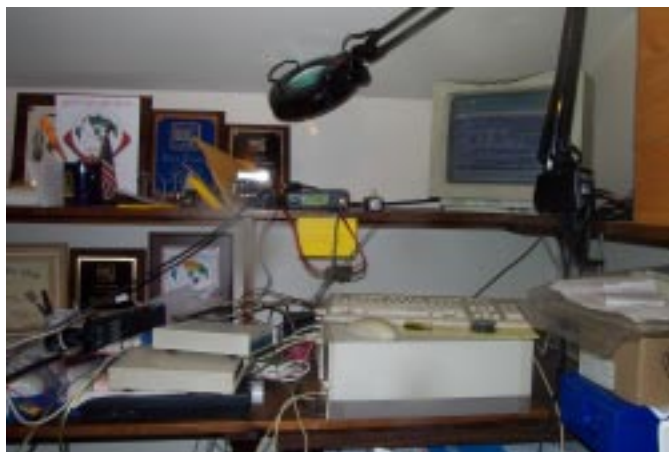
This will be the last bulletin unless you have paid your dues. The application was in the last bulletin. It is also printable from our web site <http://sedxc.org>. It has also has the dues fee schedule. If you have a web address we would prefer to send you the bulletin that way but if not we can send it via paper.

## DX TIDBITS

**-Rick Glisson, N4XXM**

A lot has happened in the last month. I have just been watching the coverage of the terrorist attack on New York and Washington. It just goes to show that we have been fortunate in this country for a long time compared to the usual hot spots. You never know. Our condolences go out to all the people and families involved.

I have now the W4UCK packet system up at my house. I am on 144.91 so that people can use GNTNOD if necessary to connect. I am connected to Ernie, KS4Q who supplies the internet spots. Below is a picture of the system as I was testing.



I have a couple of pictures of my station at the coast. The station is set up while I am there and removed when I leave. It is at the bottom of a stairwell.



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I have a picture of the GAP vertical also, you can see how close it is to the salt marsh!



The base is literally three feet from the salt water marsh! My 80M vertical loop really works great as well!

The cards have been coming in, 3Y0C at last! That completes the Honor Roll, now I have to send in the cards. Normally I would use Bill, N4NX, but I have some 12M cards that are just over 10 years old, therefore have to go to ARRL. Hopefully that will change. That will take care of 12M DXCC so only 30 and 160M to go!

I met many of you at K4KG's estate sale. I wish it would have been a happier occasion, but it was good to see everyone. Hope everyone can come to the meeting.

CU in the pileups...

-73 Rick N4XMX

## PRESIDENT'S BUDGET

**-Mike Greenway, K4PI**

Here is rough draft of a budget that we are required to submit. If anyone has any comments let me know. Otherwise I would like to print it in the upcoming bulletin.

QSL Service	\$200
Mail Service/Postage	\$150
Publishing	\$30
Plaques	\$100
Misc	\$100
DXpedition Donations	\$900
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1750</b>

My last info showed we had at least \$1885 to work with. This would leave us with a \$135 reserve. The donations group may or may not be tapped depending on request and they can only get a max of 30 % for the most rare expedition. We can ammend this budget later as needed.

Does everyone have a copy of the Constitution, By Laws and Standing Rules? Let me know if you need a copy and I will make some up for the next meeting.

Mike K4PI

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## QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

**-Sandy Donahue, W4RU**

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for August were Garry Shapiro, NI6T, and Tom Harrell, N4XP, for their article "Kingman Reef 2000 DXpedition." Congratulations, Garry and Tom! The winner of the QST Cover Plaque award—given to the author of the best article in each issue—is determined by a vote of ARRL members.

Voting takes place each month on the Cover Plaque Poll Web page. As soon as your copy arrives, cast a ballot for your favorite article in the September issue of QST. Voting ends September 15. Congrtas Tom (from the reflector)

- 73 Sandy, W4RU

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## **DX PACKET FREQ.**

W4UCK (2400) 144.91 (can use GNTNOD)  
KS4Q (2400) 145.01 (c sawnee, c ax1 ks4q)  
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+

## **SEDXC WEBPAGE**

[www.sedxc.org](http://www.sedxc.org)

## **SEDXC REFLECTOR**

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