



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

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DX CLUB*

January 2000

**NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 18th at
7:30 PM at Radioshack.com located
just north of I-285 on the Buford Hwy.**

SEDXC MINUTES 11/16/99

-Dale Nordin, K4HGG, Sec.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

-Mike Greenway, K4PI

Well, 2000 finally arrived and I still have water and electricity. I guess the nay-sayers can relax for a while. I can't say too much for DX. Conditions in December were not very good. I was expecting big things this time of year but just not happening. When I was writing this letter the flux is down to 130 and the A/K are 25/2. Pretty poor.

Did everyone see the new DXCC Awards in the December issue? I got my cards off for the new single band 20 M award which is in preparation for DXCC 2000. It certainly wasn't cheap by the time I paid registered postage to and from for 314 cards. Then came the ARRL fees. This was too much of a burden for the field checkers.

Tom N4XP is headed for KH9 so won't get the program from Spratley this month. I have some video's from the NCDXF ordered which looked interesting.

I hope everyone got that new rig they had been wanting for Christmas. Let me know if you have a preference for a eating place this month. I am ready for a Baldino sandwich. Happy New Year.....

73 Mike Greenway, K4PI, P491

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Nancy Draheim, NK4U, Tres.

December 31, 1999 balance \$3294.55

No changes to the treasury since last month. Happy Holidays to all.

73, Nancy NK4U

There was no December meeting.

DX TIDBITS

-Rick Glisson, N4XMX, editor

This is a short issue since there was no meeting last month. Our regular feature articles should return next month.

Haven't worked a lot the past month but have had a few cards trickle in. Have tried to work the VK0LD but just not in the cards so far. The EP card that showed up last month is a good one after trying to find and work one for ten years. The 80M cards are coming through also. The ZB2X during the last CQWW CW contest has already responded. 89 worked and 74 confirmed on 80M. WPX and ARRL DX will get a strong effort on 80M this year.

However, the big news is FCC licence restructuring. There will only be three classes, Tech, General and Extra. The FCC has gotten rid of all but the 5 WPM code test for General and Extra. Existing Novice and Advanced will be able to keep and renew their class and operating privileges but no new tickets will be issued. Advanced can take the Extra written element before April 15th and then turn in the certificate with a fee and application after that date for the upgrade. New question pools will be used after April 15th. The new regulations take effect April 15th. Full details can be found on the ARRL website at www.arrl.org. Needless to say, the discussion on the internet has been lively. However, as one person said, "The pileups at the low end of 20M will still be at 25-30 WPM." I'll be there.

CU in the pileups...

-Rick, N4XMX

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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
K4UJ (2400) 145.67 (SE Megacluster)
(telnet 216.1.128.11)
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+ (Not up right now)

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