



# SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

*THE  
SOUTH'S  
PREMIER  
DX CLUB*

January 1994

## NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION

Tuesday Jan. 18th, 7:30 PM, Old Hickory House  
in the Days Inn, Roswell Rd., just inside I-285.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

-John Smith, K14XO, President



## SEDXC #1 WORLD CLUB 160 M CONTEST 1993

## DO IT AGAIN!



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## FROM THE VP

-Delaine McCarthy, KM4FV, VP

Hello fellow DX'ers! We hope all of you had an enjoyable holiday and will have a great new year. I think it will seem nice for things to calm down a little, back to the "normal" pace.

Nancy did a fine job last month on giving us the inside scoop on the inner workings of the QSL bureau. I'm sure all the tips she gave us will help in getting those cards and envelopes to the bureau correctly, which will in turn get our cards back to us.

It seems like a long time since we had a DX club meeting. Well, I guess it was last year, wasn't it? I had a good time passing out our new club pins, and I hope all of you will wear them to the January meeting. I will have more to sell at the meeting (\$4 each, 3 for \$10).

Our program next month will be AN-OTHER good one. Charlie Wooten, WA4IMC, who lives in Panama City, will present a program on his DXpedition to Czechoslovakia. Charlie has worked DX in several countries, has worked all counties mobile to mobile; and has been written up several times in CQ magazine as "Tobacco Chewing Charlie." I'm sure his slide presentation and discussion will be very exciting. Don't miss it. Join us for food, fun, and friendly fellowship!

CUL Delaine, KM4FV

## SEDXC MEETING HELD 10/18/93

-Buddy Harrell, W4OUN, Sec.

INFORMAL MINUTES OF MEETING DEC. 14th:

The December meeting was basically a discussion by Nancy, NK4U, on how the QSL bureau works. Also at the meeting, a number of paddles were displayed and tried out. A good time was had by all! (More formal minutes for December will be available next month -ed)

73's and DX, Buddy/W4OUN

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

-de John Tramontanis, N4TOL

Balance 11/30/93 (Checkbook) \$2,299.86

Deposits:

(Membership and pins) 405.00

Subtotal 2,704.86

Expenses:

Cluster (Buckmaster CD) 50.00

Newsletter (Nov) 99.48

Newsletter (Dec) 85.43

SEDX Pins 482.58

Raffle Prizes 53.39

Bank Charges (Aug-Nov) 40.00

Total Expenses 810.88

Balance Checking 12/31/93 \$1,893.98

73 de N4TOL, John

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# REMEMBER! 160 METER CW CONTEST

## SOME SIMPLE ANTENNA SOLUTIONS

-Al Smarr, W4BTZ

We lived in Garden Hills (Buckhead) for almost 20 years. A pie-shaped lot made it necessary to get everything on one tower. I put up a Rohn 25G tower to 60', using large metal posts as "deadmen" to permit a sharper angle for the two sets of guys and a shorter distance from the tower (to stay within the lot setback lines). A Hygain 402BA at 70', a TH6DXX at 60', a dipole off the tower for 80 meters, and a long wire through a tuner for 160 and 30 made a good compromise antenna system.

At my "2nd QTH" in South Carolina, there is a shed once used for shodding and grooming horses, with a flat roof covered in galvanised sheet metal, about 15-20' high. It is rectangular in shape and about 1600-1800 square feet. By mounting a short piece of pipe in the center, I was able to install a Butternut HF6V, and use it on 80-10 with quite good results. Note: With this antenna, a C-line and L-4B, I managed 127,000 points in 22 hours in the most recent CW Sweepstakes contest.

We are moving to unincorporated Fulton County (Roswell mailing address) near the river, where restrictive covenants prohibit towers (and even outside antennas). It will be interesting to see what can be done about this problem. More on this later.

Best of DX and 73 -Al

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### 160 METER CW CONTEST

**Aux armes!! Zu den Waffen!! To Arms!! Break out the cannon!!**

It's time for the 160 meter CW Test. The club needs your help. Even if you don't like CW or contesting at least try to tune across and work club members who are going all out. Use your club roster to identify them. Even if you have only a small score, please submit it.

If you need log forms or summary sheets, the club has them. Please be sure to put "Southeastern DX Club" in the "club" entry on the summary sheet. This does not affect your class. If you use packet or other assistance you must enter the Multi Single category.

We will have at least 3 DX stations active: KP2A (Ken, K4TEA), ZF (Vern, W8BLA), and P49I (Mike, K4PI). Please try to work these! If you hear any of these and they are not on the packet screen, please put them on.

Let's see if we can make the club #1 in the world 2 years in a row!

-Mike, K4PI

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1B, NORTHERN CYPRUS. The DX Advisory Committee was advised by Cliff Watson, KR4M, to table his petition for Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. No definite reason was given, but there are negotiations going on between both Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot to resolve intercommunal differences and to create a new federal system of government.

3Y, PETER I ISLANDS (ALMOST CALLED OFF!). The entire DXpedition was almost aborted when it was discovered the icebreaker that was scheduled to pick up the DXpedition team from the island for the return trip, would not be able to schedule a stop for the pickup. The team has been working feverishly behind the scenes for weeks to change this situation. It has involved lots of liaison work, telephone calls and visits into Russia in order to solve the problem. They now have a Russian ship that will make the pickup. There are very few ships in the world that can make such a pickup and are equipped to have helicopters to bring the gear off the island. Thanks to a lot of perseverance by the entire team, and within just a few days of the drop-dead date for aborting the DXpedition, the Russians magically came through with an offer of help. So the DXpedition is now back on track again. However, the team had to spend over \$2000 in telephone calls, plus plane tickets for some of the Scandinavian team to fly into the Russia to solve the problem. This is a very expensive DXpedition and if you would like to help contribute to this operation, send contributions to KA6V. The team will be departing in mid-January for Port Stanley in the Falkland Islands. The landing date for Peter I is February 1st. The DX-team is made up of the following: Ralph/K0IR (Team Leader), Tony/WA4JQS, Terry/W6MKB, Bob/N4GCK, Peter/ON6TT, Bob/KK6EK, Luis/XE1L, Willy/HB9AHL and Mr. Martin Tossey/Researcher. Also read VP8 below. Special Note: Tony, WA4JQS, has stated he has been working the past few months on plans for a DXpedition to Heard Island with an operation to Kerguelen Island afterwards.

4U1ITU, ITU HQ (on RTTY). Wolfgang, DK7UY, will be active from January 3rd to 7th, in Geneva to test some DXpedition equipment from the ITU-Headquarter station 4U1ITU. He will operate mainly on RTTY on 15, 17 and 20 meters, but also some CW and SSB operations will take place on all the other bands. QSL's for this activity ONLY via bureau to DK7UY.

4Z85TA, ISRAEL (SPECIAL EVENT STATION). From January 1st through April 30th this station will be on all bands and modes (RTTY, PACKET,

SSTV, AMTOR, PACTOR, CW and SSB) to celebrate the 85th anniversary of the founding of the city of Tel-Aviv. A special QSL will be sent to everyone contacting the station. Also, a special award certificate signed by the mayor of Tel-Aviv will be available (listen for details). Award and QSL manager for 4Z85TA goes to 4X6LM, Shlomo Mussali, P.O. Box 8225, Tel Aviv 61081 Israel.

9K, KUWAIT. Bob, N6BFM, has signed up for another year in Kuwait as 9K2ZZ. Currently he is home in Atlanta, but will be active from Kuwait in another week. He is taking back a 40 meter beam with him which was donated by some W8's in Michigan. Bob's QSL manager is Ray, W8CNL. It has also been announced that Ray's son, Derek, KC4ELO, has now become the QSL manager for Tom, 9K2ZC, and his XYL, Donna, 9K2YY. Address for both W8CNL and KC4ELO is 674 Crestlyn Dr., North Augusta, SC 29841.

BV0ARL/BV9P, PRATAS ISLAND. There was a glimmer of hope for this operation to take place the day after Christmas, but a FAX sent by Martti Laine, OH2BH/VR2BH, and received by Ron, K6OZL, states it was called off at the last minute to allocate space for officers heading to Pratas and for more valuable cargo. The next tentative scheduled try is for late February or early March. FROM THE RUMOR MILL (Just before going to print!): From a conversation that was overheard on 75 meters Sunday morning. The rumor now circulating states that two phone calls from a BV operator to some K7 stations informed them that there may be a short operation from BV9P on Jan 5, 1994 for 4.5 hours only (from 0300-0730 UTC). Frequencies to watch are reported to be 14020, 14260, 21020, 21260 and two frequencies on 17 meters which were missed in copying the info. Antennas that will be used are a sloper and dipoles. The rumor says that the operators will be several BV ops and Martti. There is supposed to be a follow up operation which will be a much bigger effort in March. All of this is band-chatter at this point, but may be good dope. WFWL. This information from AC4CS.

HK0, MALPELO & GORGOLA ISLANDS. Rumors have been circulating that IT2RAO/HK0 will be operational from Malpelo January 4-7, and from Gorgola Island (in the Valle/Cauca Division group) January 12-15. Very little information is available on either of these operations, but the operator has mentioned that the IOTA numbers are: SA-007 for Malpelo and SA-017 for Gorgola. So you might keep an eye on the IOTA freqs. This is a surprising operation. Malpelo has been a restricted area and authorities only authorize DXpeditions about once every 7 years.