



# Bulletin



February 2015

## From the Pres

### Wey K8EAB

#### New Member

Thomas Power-W8RED (Loganville, GA) ... Thomas is a VHF/UHF enthusiast, and can be seen here with one of his antennas ... <http://qrz.com/db/W8RED>



#### Happenings

**Changes to DXCC Program, VHF and above contesting rules.** Details can be found at

<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-okays-changes-to-dxcc-program-vhf-and-above-contesting-rules>

One of the changes made is relating to DXCC credit for remote operating. Our March speaker will bring us up to date on this so stay tuned for more details in next month's Bulletin.

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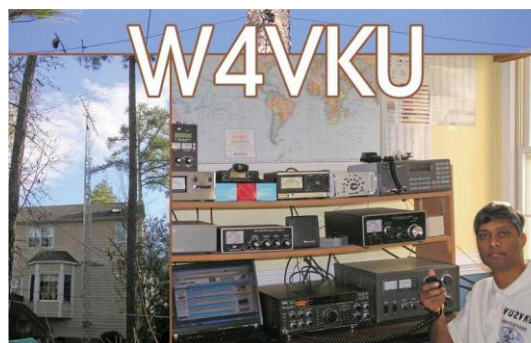
## Veep's Report

### Vaden NN4K

#### Last Month's Meeting

Dan Sullivan, W4DKS was scheduled to give us a webcast about *Why IOTA: The Perfect Companion to DXCC*. Due to a family emergency, Dan had to be rescheduled. Instead, our intrepid fountain of all things DX—Chaz W4GKF—stepped in and gave us an insider's look at the last minute preparations for K1N. It was very informative. Thanks, Chaz!

#### This Month's Meeting



Krish, W4VKU, will give us a webcast presentation of his recent **VU4KV DXpedition** to the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. This entity is not on frequently and we appreciate the efforts made by Krish and his team to activate DX operations for the benefit of DXers. Hope we see a big turn out and fill the auditorium for these hams who go to a lot of work to produce a great program for our members. A Q&A period will be done at the end of Krish's presentation.

#### Future Programs

**March:** Lee Imber, WW2DX will be our featured program speaker. Lee is one of the movers in the Remote Ham Radio (RHR) arena. He will describe the operations that are active and list those that are pending. He will also give us a video tour of one of the Remote Ham Radio sites.

The ARRL released its statement on how it will work with DXCC contacts made using RHR. CQ Magazine also has formulated the rules for some of their awards and it seems they are making room for this kind of activity. Lee will be able to explain to our members how it will work in more detail. For

### From the Pres (cont.)

**FCC "Paperless" Amateur Radio License Policy** goes into effect on February 17. After this date, the FCC no longer will routinely issue paper license documents to Amateur Radio applicants and licensees. Details can be found at

<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-paperless-amateur-radio-license-policy-goes-into-effect-on-february-17>

### Funding Requests

Treasurer Jeff Cantor-K1ZN has received three funding requests for members to consider ... if you want to know what they are, you gotta come to the meeting !

Members are aware that the funds we have in our treasury as of July 1<sup>st</sup> are subject to a By-Law limitation of 50% for use in funding DXpeditions. Please plan now to renew your SEDXC membership **prior to the end** of this Fiscal 'year (June 30, 2015).

### Monthly Meeting

Vaden continues to pull together fascinating speakers. This month we're indeed indebted to his recruiting talent in bringing Krish VU2VKU in a remote meeting format. Details can be found in Vaden's column. I, for one, am really looking forward to hearing from Krish and hope to see you there.

Finally, we need your contribution for the door prize table at the February meeting. If it's in your basement and you don't know what it is, **it's perfect for the door prize table !**

### 73 and Good DX!

Wey K8EAB ❖

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## Activities Chairman

The club is planning to have two indoor tables at the Dalton Hamfest on Saturday, **February 28th** to promote our club and the world of DX. One table will be used for club business and the other will be used for club swap items. We will need volunteers to man the tables from 8:00 AM until 2:00PM. All volunteers will have priority for space at the swap table.

Please e-mail me at [n4tol@arrl.net](mailto:n4tol@arrl.net) with the times you would be willing to help at the tables. I will post updates to the reflector as we get closer to the hamfest.

This is the first Georgia hamfest of the year of the year, and fine weather is predicted, so I hope to see you there. So be sure to come by the table to check in, share info about our club with others, and exchange DX tales.

Hamfest info can be found at:  
<http://w4drc.webstarts.com/about.html>

John N4TOL ❖

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## Treasurer's Journal

Checkbook balance: \$7534. Paid \$55 to CQ-60 Worldwide for DX SSB Multi-Op 2015 Award Plaque sponsorship.

Jeff K1ZN ❖

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## How's DX

There's so much activity it's hard to know where to start. At the time of this Bulletin, Navassa Is. K1N was still going strong. The pile-ups were frustrating for those of us without big signals and big antennas ... hope you got this one in your log. We will discuss **DQRM** at the February SEDXC meeting ... if you don't know about efforts to help identify **Deliberate QRMers**, please read about this subject on the K1N web-site ... <http://navassadx.com/news.htm>

**The Cocos Island DXpedition** is coming up right after K1N ... the team has four members now and this effort looks encouraging. More info can be found at <http://www.nielsen.net/ti9a/>.

**Democratic Republic of the Congo** is set for mid-March. Sylvano-I2YSB always runs a good DXpedition ... more info here ... <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>.

Kenya and Nepal is targeted for mid-March.

**Lots of DXpedition activity** on the boards this year ... we all need band-fills along with those ATNO's ... lots of info here ... <http://www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html>

### Logging Program Survey

Thirty four members responded to the poll. It was conducted to, perhaps, help me to find a replacement logging program. WinEQF is once again on the support chopping block.

The most popular program appears to N3FJP's ACLOG. 24% of those responding, eight SEDXC members, use that program as their everyday logging software. Ham Radio Deluxe ran a close second with seven users, 21%. In third place was DXLab with 5 users, 15%. It appears that someone else in the group is also using WinEQF. The remaining entries were: DXBase, Logger32, XMLog (a free program) and ProLog2K. There were also a few Mac users: MacLogger DX and RUMLog for Macs.

Thanks for participating.

Buzz/K3GWK

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**SEDXC Chat Room:** details on webpage

**SEDXC Reflector:** details on webpage

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## Veep's Report (cont.)

more information visit [www.remotehamradio.com](http://www.remotehamradio.com). The presentation is NOT a solicitation by the SEDXC for anyone to purchase or make any agreements with RHR. The aim of inviting Lee to make the presentation is to better inform our DX community with current activities and directly from an organization that is providing a service. It is noted from recent news that K8JI's station will be among the list of RHR facilities.

**April Meeting:** Jeff Cantor, K1ZN, SEDXC Treasurer, lead us to contact Jeffery Briggs, K1ZM, who will give us a webcast program on the thrill of 160 meters. This program promises something for the pro as well as the neophyte. Jeff, K1ZN, described our speaker as Mr. 160 Meters (See <http://www.k1zm.com>).

**May Meeting:** We will have a member of the K1N team give a presentation on the activation of Navassa Island. Our meeting will be after the Dayton Hamvention.

**June** is open and **July** we hope to have the club picnic. I'm working on some fantastic speakers for the rest the year.

The members should know that Wey, K8EAB, President of SEDXC, has the knowledge and skills to take a program that has been identified and really make it happen on the big screen in the auditorium. He is greatly appreciated.

If you haven't attended a SEDXC meeting in a while, put it on your calendar. Come and enjoy some of these speakers/programs and help fill up Rich Auditorium to show appreciation of the work the speakers do for us.

The months ahead through this spring will produce some great DX opportunities. Another rare DX entity pending is the South Sandwich Island DXpedition. Keep your radios tuned and ready to pounce on some of these great opportunities.

See you in the pileups!

Vaden NN4K ❖

# DXpedition Funding Request



## SEDXC DXpedition Funding Request

Entity Name / Call Sign	VP8 South Sandwich & South Georgia Islands.
Web page	http://www.intrepid-DX.com/VP8
Team leader / number of members:	Leaders are Paul-N6PSE David-K3IP 14 members
Approx. Date and duration of Expedition	Mid January to early February 2016.
QSL manager / QSL route	N200
Budget estimated for DXpedition	\$425,000
Position on most wanted list:	Currently #4 and #9, will be #5 and #7 at activation
Landing permit/operating permission approved.	Yes
Last time this entity was activated	2002
Typical interval between activations	12-15 years
Anyone planning to activate this entity before your DXpedition	No
Objective / Strategy	To use good antennas and high power to work everyone.
Call sign/Age of youngest Team member	We are all in our 50's and 60's.
SEDXC member initiating request	
SEDXC member(s) participating	I don't know if any of our team members are members of SEDXC.
Funding amount requested	What ever you can do to help defray our costs.
Send Funds to:	<p>Via PayPal to <a href="mailto:intrepiddxgroup@gmail.com">intrepiddxgroup@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Or via check payable to:</p> <p><b>Intrepid-DX Group</b></p> <p>c/o David A Jorgensen CFO/Treasurer</p>

*Received  
\$1,000*

05/29/2011



## SEDXC DXpedition Funding Request

	<b>18645 Cortez Road SE</b> <b>Deming, NM 88030</b> <b>USA</b>
SEDXC logo on QSL cards?	
SEDXC logo on web page?	Yes.
<b>Additional comments:</b> <b>This is two ten day DXpeditions to two top ten entities. Our costs are enormous.</b>	

<b>Internal Use</b>	
Date published in the newsletter	
Results of member review at the meeting: (approved / disapproved)	
Funds disbursed on date:	
Funds disbursed by:	

05/29/2011



**Chesterfield Islands to be Activated By A Team of 12, October, 2015;**  
**Call sign TX3X** (requested)

[chesterfield2015.pdxg.net](http://chesterfield2015.pdxg.net)

Chesterfield Islands are uninhabited reefs located in the Coral Sea, ~900 km from Noumea, New Caledonia. Chesterfield is currently #24 on the ClubLog's Most Wanted List. This highly-ranked status reflects the challenges involved in activating remote entities.

Preparations for the DX-pedition are progressing well. The ARR. has confirmed a landing permit is not required, and the call sign TX3X was requested from the licensing authority in France. The expedition yacht Evohe will provide transportation and logistics; this cost effective vessel has a proven track record of expedition support in remote environments. To further control costs, we are using equipment supplied by the team members, hand-carrying high-value items (avoiding high shipping fees), and will buy (and later sell) locally (in New Zealand) consumables and heavy items i.e. generators.

As you know, DX peditions to rare entities are expensive. Each team member commits substantial personal funds, up-front, with the hope their financial outlay will be offset by donations or additional income through online QSL services. Although we have chosen the most inexpensive suitable vessel, the expedition budget is still ~\$150,000(USD) (not including individual operator's travel / living to New Caledonia). Clearly, we are seeking the DX community's sponsorship to partially-offset the project cost.

We will practice full financial transparency by providing all Foundations and Clubs that sponsored the project a financial recap. At the conclusion of the project any surplus funds will be evenly divided amongst the on-island team members. Each team member will initially fund the project with a \$12,000(USD) payment.

We appreciate any help your organization can provide.

Donations in US funds can be made by check or money order to:

Chesterfield Islands 2015 DX-pedition, LLC

Gene Spinelli, Treasurer

P.O. Box 189,

Divide, CO 80814

USA

PayPal to: [Chesterfield@pdxg.net](mailto:Chesterfield@pdxg.net)

Outside of US may use PayPal or please contact [k5gs@arrl.net](mailto:k5gs@arrl.net) for wire transfer information



Thanks in advance for your consideration.

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## General Information

- Dates: Oct. 1 – 12, 2015
- Estimated logistics and boat cost: \$150,000(USD)
  - Costs exclude individual operators' flights to New Caledonia, internal transport, accommodation, meals
  - Up-front cost to each operator - \$12,000, plus travel
- 12 Operators:
  - HASAU, K5GS, W2LK, K6MM, AA4NN, K6GFJ, K6TD, WA6O, ND2T, W1SRD, K6TU, open
  - All with significant DX-pedition experience
- Number of Stations: 6
- QSO Target: 80,000 - 100,000
- Bands/Modes/Duration of Operation: 160 - 10 m, CW/SSB/RTTY, 10 days operating
- Equipment: Six K3/KPAS00: antennas verticals / yagis, 160 1BD
- Chief Pilot and NA: Ralph W4HK, Chris HA5XA EU, Luke VK3HJ OC, Luciano PT7WA SA, Andre V51B AF, Al 4\_5A AS (except JA), JA JA1WSX
- Confirmations: Will be handled by the project team and mailed from the UK
  - Log Search free
  - QORS and Direct options for a fee
  - Express (Premium) LoTW for a fee
  - Burol cards free
- Uploads:
  - Premium LoTW upload for all individual donors
  - Log uploads from the island to our on-line Log
  - No Leader Board will be used
  - ClubLog will not be used
- Commitment to Sponsors:
  - Sponsor logos will be displayed on the DX-pedition website and QSLs
  - Financial summary will be sent to Club and Foundation sponsors
- Webpage: [chesterfield2015.pdxg.net](http://chesterfield2015.pdxg.net)

Please address any questions to: [chesterfield@pdxg.net](mailto:chesterfield@pdxg.net) or to Gene [k5gs@arrl.net](mailto:k5gs@arrl.net)

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Chesterfield Island 2015 DXpedition Request for Support(4)
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- Availability Jan 23  
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Chesterfield Island 2015 DXpedition Request for Support(4)

Jeffrey Cantor This request for support just arrived -- Chesterfield

Weymouth Walker Chesterfield Island is Number 24 on Club Log's

vadennae@aol.com Hard to believe it's more rare than the ZS. N

Jeffrey Cantor Today at 3:45 PM

To: me

Dr. Jeffrey A. Cantor

Hide message history

On Thursday, January 22, 2015 2:11 AM, 'vadennae@aol.com' <vadennae@aol.com>

Hard to believe it's more rare than the ZS. Marion Island. It's a ce size group and

Chesterfield doesn't show up all that often. I'm open to a donation up to \$500.

Marken Mink

From: Weymouth Walker

Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 8:54 PM

The subject of this is Chesterfield Island. Club Log entry: 1. http://www.clublog.com

Subject: Re: For Chesterfield Island 2015 DXpedition Request for Support

Chesterfield Island is Number 24 on Club Log's Most Wanted list ...

- 16. ZS6B
- 17. ZS6C
- 18. ZS6D
- 19. ZS6E
- 20. ZS6F
- 21. ZS6G
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- 26. ZS6L
- 27. ZS6M
- 28. ZS6N
- 29. ZS6O
- 30. ZS6P

Wed ...

On 1/22/2015 1:05 PM, Jeffrey Cantor wrote:

This request for support just arrived -- Chesterfield Island -- Oct

2015 1: PM

Dr. Jeffrey A. Cantor

On Wednesday, January 21, 2015 10:11 PM, Ross Parrot

mailto:rossp@ccomcast.net wrote:

Chesterfield Island will be activated by a team of 12 operators in

October, 2015.

Preparations for the DX-pedition are progressing very well. We have

a team of highly qualified operators who will be on the air 24 hours a