



# SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

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HEADQUARTERED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA  
DX Alert 147.500, also 147.795T/.195R  
DX Ragchew 147.470, .540S, .795T/.195R  
Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 19, 1985  
Time: 7:30 PM (Local)  
Place: Lutheran Church at the corner of Peachtree  
and Narmore. (2 blocks North of Phipps Plaza.)

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THE BANQUET MEETING was VERY NICE. A social hour began a 7:00 pm and the caterer started serving at about 8:00. After the meal of Southern fried chicken, we watched a VHS tape of the Laccadives (VU7WCY). There were about 95 DXers and their guests in attendance. Through the efforts of Steve Shrader, WA4GOX, we were able to drive four color TVs and make the program visible to everyone. Door prizes included; subscriptions to RADIOSPORTING magazine, donated by Yuri, VE3BMV, and a DX Edge.

There were 12 No Shows. This lose of revenue (increased catering costs) accounted for almost all of the operating lose at the Banquet. True, we did NOT require a commitment to pay in order to make reservations. However, when you told us that you were going to be there, we consequently ordered food for you and obligated other monies based upon expected attendance. If you were one of the NO-SHOWS, then please send a donation to defray our unrecouped costs to Carol, WI4K. The tickets were \$6.50 each. Thank you.

FEBRUARY MEETING - The program will be on PROPAGATION and will be presented by Dave Fisher, W0MHS. Dave has some interesting ways of looking at things and I believe it will be a very good program. You might recall that Dave is a former Antenna design Engineer for Hy-Gain. In addition to his knowledge and experience, Dave is an excellent and entertaining speaker. We are fortunate to have him as a member of our club.

BUREAU - Lee Weaver, WI4R, finally, after about 7 months, received several envelopes from the Sterling Park Bureau. It made a stack of Qs1 cards approximately 18 inches high! It all started at the Atlanta Hamfest last year, when Lee complained to the Vice Director of the ARRL, that he had received NO cards from the Bureau since receiving that call in 1982. The fact that there have been two multi-op contest efforts since then using Lee's call, as well as the numerous DX contacts fueled the fire that someone was not doing their job.

We must give special credit to Nancy, NK4U, the new Bureau manager. I have suggested that the work load be shared with the Southeastern DX Club on an increasing basis to give some relief to Sterling Park. The objective can be either for us to eventually take over the Bureau, or just help out until another group can be found or just long enough to give Sterling Park a breather. Presently, we are only sorting 3 letters. Nancy wants to limit the amount of "farmed out" letters and is presently holding the line at 3. She may be taking them back or giving us more, only time will tell.

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CONTEST CORNER - Contests and awards this year will be in 7 categories. These will be 3 "yearly" contests (Helping Hand, RTTY, DX countries) and 4 "monthly" contests (ARRL DX Test, 80 Meter, 20 Meter, CQ WW Test).

In an attempt to rejuvenate our Helping Hand Award, this bulletin will be used to publish the prefix of two active countries per member each month that will be (Designated Bulletin Countries) DBCs. Helping Hand will give 6 points to the first member (continued)

contacting (telephone or 2 Meter alert) another member for his or her "DBC". Any other TELEPHONE callers will receive 3 points for the effort of telephoning, even if they were not the first to notify that member. 2 Meter alerts for regular want-list countries (non-DBCs) will count 1 point per one member alerted and needing said country. TELEPHONE calls for regular want-list countries (non-DBCs) count 3 points. LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE calls get a BONUS of 5 additional points. This DOES NOT MEAN that you call Fred when you KNOW Fred has already worked the country. That would be cheating!

Other yearly contests will include the old stand-by, total DX Countries Worked March 1st through December 30th. The NEW contest is for total DX Countries Worked during the same period on RTTY, this should encourage some of us to work DX by this fast growing mode.

The first "MONTHLY" Award will go to the winner of the ARRL DX Contest. SSB and CW will compete head to head with the winner being the highest score considered as a percentage of the average of last year's top 5 published scores in 4-Land on that respective mode. This should assure parity of modes. This same scheme will be used to designate the winner of the last "monthly" contest this fall in the CQ WW Tests on PHONE and CW. Other monthly contests will be as follows: April-80M-DX Countries worked any mode. June-20M-DX Countries worked any mode. In these contests each country counts once regardless of mode. Countries are ARRL DXCC Countries. The Activities Director reserves the right to require logs submitted to back up entries.

So get ready for ARRL DX weekend with CW coming up Feb. 16-17, send reports as well as suggestions to me, David Hibbert, KC4TJ, 4120 Wildflower Lane, Tucker, Ga. 30084. 73

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DEADLINE FEBRUARY MEETING \* DEADLINE FEBRUARY MEETING \* DEADLINE FEBRUARY MEETING

DUES AND WANT LISTS. Wow! Time flies when you're having fun! Another (club) year has come and gone. You have already received your countries needed list. PLEASE DRAW A SINGLE LINE THROUGH EACH COUNTRY WHICH YOU HAVE WORKED. DO NOT MARK IT SO IT IS UNREADABLE. IF you are a new member, you received a larger list. YOU MUST FILL OUT THIS FORM TO BE LISTED IN OUR CLUB BOOK. PLEASE MARK OUT THE COUNTRIES WHICH YOU DO NOT NEED or if more appropriate ENCIRCLE THOSE WHICH YOU DO NEED. Send your want-list and your CHECK (WITH YOUR CALLSIGN ON THE CHECK) for \$18 (for 1985 dues) to Carol Shrader (Treasurer), 4065 Ophte Drive, Marietta, GA, 30066. Please check your listing in the CURRENT BOOK and note any corrections on your print-out. Also, if your call appears below in the LICENSE RENEWAL section, then please include your expiration date.

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DXPO PLANNING - The Southeastern DX Club is sponsoring a Hospitality Suite at the DAYTON HAMVENTION this year. Thanks goes to Arch, K8CFU, for his efforts. The idea is to promote both the club and DXPO '85. The suite is located at Stouffer's and it is room 325. Delta Airlines has a \$98 round-trip fare from Atlanta to Dayton. The restrictions are that; 1. You must pay for it 30 days in advance, 2. You must stay over a Saturday, and 3. any changes will result in a 25% penalty. A Limousine service has been contacted about a possible DXPRESS to Dayton. We don't have a price yet, nor the seating capacity of the bus. It does have a built-in bar and would be a traveling party. If you might be interested in a bus trip or if you would like to car pool with another DXer, call our car pool coordinator who is Ben Adams, K4EZ, (404) 321-6407. This is a good chance to meet many of the positive (and negative) forces in DXing as well as see the WORLD'S LARGEST HAMFEST, not to mention adding support to your club and the DXPO effort!

Mike, K4PI, chairman for the DXPO programs, would like input from anyone regarding speakers or programs and especially if you have some area of expertise which you could present or assist with a program.

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LICENSE RENEWAL REMINDER - FEBRUARY, W4BTZ; MARCH, NONE; APRIL, N4BNK and W4OWY.

I still need NEW renewal dates for K4AHJ, KØALL, K4BAI, N4BNK, K4BYK, W4BTZ, WB4EDD, W4GBU, KN4H, KT4M, W4OWY, K4STK, KO5G and K8CFU; plus I have never received expiration dates for the following:  
WA4BEC, K4FWR, W4GKF, K4IHP, KC4OH, N4OL, WA4PBW, N4PN, WA4REF, W4RNZ, K4ROZ, KD4UH, and W4PME.

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VOLUNTEER EXAMINERS NEEDED and MONTHLY EXAMS GIVEN

Bob Poulnot, WI4E, is the Atlanta Area Chief Volunteer Examiner for the Central Alabama Volunteer Examining Coordinator. Bob wants to recruit Extra Class volunteers to become VEs and assist with the administration of exams that will be given MONTHLY on a WALK-IN basis in Stone Mountain. Contact Bob if you are interested in helping at 972-6272.

If you are interested in up-grading your license then this group will give the exams every SECOND SATURDAY of the month, starting with February 9th at 8:00 am. The location is the Stone Mountain First United Methodist Church at 5312 West Mountain St. The fee is \$4.

Additionally, a group from Rome, Ga. are giving exams at 10:30 am, on February 23, at the East Marietta Library all amateur exams will be given. Walk-in is o.k. Bring \$4.00.

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CLUB HATS, GOLF SHIRTS and JACKETS

The Club finally has hats, shirts and jackets embossed with the Club logo. This is a DXPO fund raising project so there is a small profit involved for the club, but it is too small for the club to absorb mailing costs. The price is; hats, \$5.00; golf shirts, \$17.00; jackets, \$26.00. Postage will be; \$1.00 for hats; \$1.50 for golf shirts; and \$2.00 for jackets. If you can't pick them up at the club meeting, send your check to Carol, WI4K.

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STRAYS

HELP! K4DLI - VK9X, OY, and 9M6. WI4K - HS, TA, and VK9W. KN4KWD - CR9(XX9), JT, and VS6 N4IA - BV, S2, and XU. N4NX - VKØ MacQ(CW). W4OWY - A6, BV, and FW.  
The "HELP" column is for you. If you are chasing a particularly elusive DX station(s), let your editor know and you will be listed in the "HELP" column for up to three prefixes.

Should we change our "YEAR"? Presently our DX want-list is up-dated in the winter when propagation, is best. If we were to amend the By-laws and change the election to May, we could have our banquet to coincide with the Atlanta Hamfest and possibly draw more of our out-of-town members, not to mention the decreased threat of inclement weather. This would have us doing administrative things at a time of decreased DXing activity plus capitalize on the increased concentration of DXers attending the Atlanta Hamfest (which incidentally will host the ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION in July of 1987). Are there any contrary reasons?

RADIOSPORTING is improving. They still have some kinks to work out (the typesetter is obviously not a Ham!) but it has reached the point where I would definitely recommend subscribing. I really enjoyed the fishing cartoon and I might add that it was totally surprising and pleasing to me that I was a subject in it. If you have not seen it yet, write to RADIOSPORTING, Box 65, Don Mills, Ontario, M3C 2R6, and I am sure that Yuri would be happy to send you a sample issue.  
(Strays continued on next page)

The following is a letter we received some time back from Chitra Vidyaprakash, VU2CVP, on the subject of our Laccadive donation and the certificates we sent to the operators.

"I've received your Certificate of Achievement for both my OM and myself. I would like to take this opportunity to thank ... the members of the Southeastern DX Club for honouring us with this certificate.

My OM, Vidi (VU2DVP) and I have been licensed only since Sept. of '83 and we need all the support and encouragement from other Hams. All our achievements have been possible only with the encouragement and patience from hams like ...(your club members)...and others all over the world. Once again I would like to thank you and the others in the club and also wish you and your family all the best from Coimbatore, S. India.

73's signed Chitra Vidyaprakash (VU2CVP)  
(Chitra and Vidi's address is P.B. No. 6318, Coimbatore - 17, INDIA. Nice folks.-ed.)

MEET THE DXER - I have received several inquiries as to why this feature was dropped from our newsletter. This was a particularly interesting article for me to do, but I have just absolutely run out of time. Perhaps I can start it back up next year when I am no longer an officer in the club. There are other activities brewing for next year, however.

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#### THE TRADER

FOR SALE: Yaesu FT-207R with NC-3 AC powersupply/charger and speaker mic. Vocom 25 wt. 2 meter amp. with charger plug. Dentron Clipperton-L Linear Amplifier. Call K4DLI at 955-1775 during the day or 993-1767 at night.

FOR SALE: HY-Gain TH6DXX Tri-bander, \$150; and a Mosley TA-33 Tri-bander, \$125; Harry, K4GFH; at Home: (404) 352-2946; Office: 581-2322.

FOR SALE: Heath SB-220 Linear (with 10M!) and 4-element Cubex Tri-band Quad (30-foot boom model). Call Bob, W4OWY, (404) 973-4021 evenings and weekends.

FOR SALE or TRADE: Brand NEW Azden PCS-300 HT Mini-handie talkie with charger, stand, and belt clip. Want Azden PCS-4000 also want Drake MN-2700 Antenna tuner. N4JF, Jerry (205) 823-3863, 2352 Hackberry Lane, Birmingham, Alabama 35226 or on 3.787 Mhz. nightly.

FOR SALE: Heath SB-220 Linear 80M thru 10M, \$425. Call Bob, K4UEE, (404) 953-3828.

FOR SALE: A collection of PC Magazine, which is complete except for the very first two issues, will be sacrificed. Carl, WB4ZNH, (404) 478-3255

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BULLETIN COPYING - Our thanks to Russ Blair, WA4BSN, for copying this month's bulletin. Please help! We have been very fortunate so far. If you can copy the bulletin one month, please call our Secretary, Bob, KD4RR, at 355-6761.

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