



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

*THE
SOUTH'S
PREMIER
DX CLUB*

February 1996

NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION

Tuesday, Feb 20th, 7:30 PM, Old Hickory House in the Days Inn, Roswell Rd., just inside I-285.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

-Steve Schmidt, KR4DL, President

Well, the CQWW 160 CW is history now. Those of you who tried working it on Friday night/ Saturday morning know how difficult the conditions were. Even with a beverage, I found the static crashes from lightning just wore me down. I managed to hang in and even worked a couple EU's the first night. If you didn't try again on Saturday night, you missed it! Conditions improved substantially. I even heard some loud EU's without the beverage. I think I worked more PA's than GA's, so I suspect we're behind the curve again. On the flip side, I heard PA's calling CQ right on top of a European station that they, apparently, couldn't hear, so perhaps we did better with the multipliers. I used high power and more than doubled last year's low power score. I'm looking forward to hearing how you did. Don't forget to turn in those logs with our club name in the appropriate spot!

The CQWW 160 Phone contest is coming up next. Let's give it our best shot and see if we can make up any ground we lost due to thunderstorms. If you don't feel that you can compete with some of the bigger guns, just see how much you can improve on last year's score. Every little bit helps. If you haven't tried the 160 contest yet, all your points will be an improvement for the club score. If you don't have a suitable antenna, yell for help and perhaps we can get you on the air.

There's been some discussion lately about whether we are a contest club or strictly a DX club. I like to think we have something for everyone. I'm personally more interested in chasing DX than contesting but I've found that contests are a good place to find DX. When you're nearing the honor

roll and DX is tougher to find, contesting keeps your skills honed and gives you a chance to work 'em all over again! I hope we don't ever feel the need to define our participation in the Southeastern DX Club in narrow terms. I think these two areas coexist very peacefully and perhaps even create synergy.

Hope to see you on Tuesday.

73, Steve, KR4DL

FROM THE VP

by Sonny Marsh, KE4LDJ, VP

Several of you dropped by the Atlanta Hamfest booth and mentioned that you wanted programs at our meetings to be of a technical, "how-to," nature. If any of you would like any subject to be covered, please let me know the topic and I'll try to find someone to discuss it.

I'm sure all of you, at some time or another, have experienced line noise. At our next meeting, Mike Greenway, K4PI, will show us how to identify, track down, and possibly eliminate line noise.

Mike would welcome questions from the floor, so please try to think of some by meeting time. Hope to see all of you there.

-73, Sonny, KE4LDJ

DX-PEDITION to VK9C & VK9X

1. QRV From COCOS KEELING Callsign: VK9CA Date: March 19 - March 23, 1996
2. QRV from CHRISTMAS Is. Callsign: VK9HX Date: March 23 - March 24 or 25, 1996
3. Both QRV: Band: 160 ~10m, All Band, Mostly WARC Band. Mode: CW/SSB RIG: 100W Only(Legal Power under regulation of VK) Op. Ken, AD4WF & JAICMD QSL info next month. Out of space. 73? Kiyoshi Endo. AE4EA & JAOBSL FAX: (770) 502-9827 INTERNET: 103222:760@compuserve.com

MINUTES, SEDXC MEETING 1/16/96

-Buddy Harrell, W4OUN, Sec.

(No minutes this month, Buddy was out of town. -ed)

BEEPS DE K2UFT

-Dick Bentley, K2UFT, Activities Director

Last meeting the membership heartily approved a on-going award program for working members of the SEDX Club. Now we need to design an appropriate certificate, get them printed and advertised. Your ideas for the design of the certificate would be appreciated. In fact, if any members or acquaintances of members have talent in graphic design, I could use some help in this area. See me at next meeting, call me on 770-913-3624 or leave a note on the cluster.

Don't forget to participate in the CQWW 160 Phone test at the end of the month and send your scores in - we need your help, whether 10 QSOs or 1,000 Qs.

-73 Dick, K2UFT - Activities Manager

MR. LOW BAND SEZ...(INTERNET)

-Mike Greenway, K4PI

This is for you guys that like details. My ts930 quit the first day i was at P49I. Depression sets in. I called Carl, AI6V/P49V at his home in California and he graciously agreed to loan me a TS930 he had in storage at P49V. Thanks Carl!!

I got it on Wed afternoon and it worked fine except for one problem. The tuning dial did not always cause the radio to change frequency. You would be tuning and no freq change and then all of a sudden it would jump, so this kept me from doing any mult hunting.

This is my 4th year at P4 for the 160m test. I operate from the QTH of P43AS, which is at Savanetta on the south side of Aruba. It is available for rental. If interested contact me for details. The ant used for xmit is a 60 ft tower with a beam on top. It is shunt fed with 75 radials varying in length from 60-120 ft long. There were 9 elevated radials. It usually takes 3 days or more to

get everything set up just right. Many of the radials have to be laid in a cactus field. Ouch!! I still have cactus spines in my feet. They have to be removed when I leave. There are 4 rx ant apoximately 400 ft long. There is not enough property available at this time for more length. Maybe later. I had to use mainly the NE bev as John, P40WA was near by and rf hash covered the band due to our close-ness. This is another reason I didn't tune for mults.. The rig was TS930 and amp Alpha 76ca.

During the contest the EU were the strongest I have ever heard, but apparently they didnt hear me as they were always calling cq on top of me. I5NSR was the main culprit. He was all over me both nights. Some other F5IN, PA6A and PA0CLN. None of these ever called me during the test.

If you didn't call me exactly on my frequency I didn't answer as station were so close one either side you can not tell often if a station is coming back to you are someone next to you. The timing would correct. I found it better to ignore to avoid false qso. I have seen this every year. Normally you must be within .1 hz for me to respond.

Later in the morning when stations cleared out some i could tell statios were calling out to .2 hz +/- . I worked about 135 eu. Some breakdowns DL-33, SM-14, OH-18, OZ-4, G-17, ON-5. I worked 47 states, where's ID?? 8 VE prov, VY2OX was the prize. I worked bunches of AL7/KL7 but only 1 was real mc coy. Same goes for AH6/KH6 but only KH6CC real thing. I know CT had field day putting in mults such as AH8A who was really in Cal. From SA XQ8ABF, 2 PY's, 9Y4, YV, HK, and PY0. Had about 930 q before dupes and 112 mults.

This is all tentative as all work i done by paper. This was the best i could do as i never left the operating desk once i sat down at 22 gmt i did not get up til 12 GMT. No food — no nature breaks. I called for long times with no callers. Hi. It's starting to loose some of it's charm or maybe I'm getting too old.

73 Mike K4PI/P49I

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CONTEST CORNER

-Ron, AB4RU

Well as most of you know the first part of the CQ160 test was extremely noisy with the storms moving into the Southeast part of the United States. Conditions were great, otherwise and a lot of new dx was worked by everyone. Lets all hope the 160 phone contest in February will be better.

In my previous article, last month, I mentioned some suggestions, on how we could regenerate the club into a better contesting effort. I am still asking the membership the same question? I have received little response.

Those of you that got on in the noise and worked as many as you could, please send Dave, K4JRB, your score. You can post your scores by sending them to 3830@akorn.net You do not have to be subscribed.

73's Ron AB4RU

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Some CQ160 CW scores:

CALL	HRS	SCORE	Q'S	PTS	ST/VE	DX
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Single/OP/QRP

K0GU		42,222	278	681	52	10
KA1CZF		34,272	300	46	5	
VE7CQK		680	20	85	7	1

Single/OP/HP

ON4UN 79		1,133,370		1275	8995	47
VP9AD		1,220,880		1630	58	62
VE3EJ		743,971	1287	6953	59	48
G0IVZ		542,016	863	5646	41	55
VE9AA		443,515	678	4145	56	51
WB9Z		430,008	1123	59	55	
KC8MK		416,193	1084	58	54	
AA5BL		411,000	1165	57	50	
W3GH (W9XR)		353,052	1057	58	50	
W4MYA,16		331,886	925	3286	54	44
WZ3Q		309,309	963	54	47	
K1IU 10		250,357	570	2581	51	46
K8FC		195,608	703	57	41	
K1KI 5		180,928	412	50	38	
K2WK 8		177,570	503	51	39	
K3JT		173,512	808	56	26	
WR30		172,172	746	2002	56	30
NW6N		162,488	669	55	21	

C31LJ 12		157,006	512	14	44	
N6ZZ		148,068	675	55	26	
NCOP		144,780	770		76	
OZ1AXG		143,496	350	1993	17	55
W8CAR		140,778	687	1782	52	27
K0EJ 13		131,978	637	1714	52	25
NI8L 12		131,824	638	1712	52	25
OI6YF (OH6YF)		129,584	439	2314	6	50
N3RR 10		122,122	498	47	30	
AI7B		120,085	634	1645	56	17
KR4DL		103,842	461	1282	52	29
VE6KRR		95,703	350	1679	52	5
KF3P 6		91,500	432	1220	51	24
WB9HRO13		91,242	506	58	16	
WV5S		89,836	480	55	19	
VE6JY		81,114	245	53	13	
AB5YG		81,114	518	1229	51	15
K9JF/7 15		75,768	451	1114	56	12
K9MA 5		62,510	333	54	16	
K8MR 4		51,035	370	49	10	
N4BP		48,768	302	762	64	
KC0EI		47,100	347	52	7	
N8ATR		44,840	180	590	47	29
W5ASP 6		41,667	321		57	
N4OGW/93		32,480	215	46	12	
WE9V (KS9K)3		25,596	180	474	43	11
N8RR 2		17,360	84	34	18	

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Nancy Draheim, NK4U

Balance 12/31/95 (Checkbook) \$2261.16

Income: \$276.00

Expenses:

Jan. Newsletter 83.38

QSL Outgoing Buro 15.40

Bank Charges 10.07

PO Box rental 58.00

Door Prizes 54.44

Total Expenses 428.10

Balance Checking 1/31/96 \$2315.87

* In this balance is \$1012.10 designated for the Packet Cluster and \$550 which was donated for the Paul Wolfe, AD4NQ, fund (this amount also includes an extra \$10% which was donated by the club). Hope everyone and their antennas survived the ice storm. Come on Spring!!!! See everyone on the 20th.

-73, Nancy NK4U