



# SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

## W4NT

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

### Meeting Notice

Thanks to Dave Fisher, WOMHS, who presented a super program on Propagation for the February meeting! The March program will be *How to Reach the Honor Roll (or work that elusive new one!)*. The panel discussion will feature some of the SEDXC's more active and/or successful DX'ers. It's one you don't want to miss!. Also included in the March meeting will be an AUCTION. Come and bring *Big Bucks!* The auction will be a fund raiser to pay for our Hospitality Suite at the Dayton HamVention. Bring an item to donate. Hopefully this item should be something that someone will want to purchase. Leave home that 2,000 pound transformer that the XYL says to get rid of *OR ELSE!* Already on the list of items to be donated are a pair of 4-400's, a BRAND NEW Wilson WR 500 Rotator and original African Art Work from Equitorial Guinea. Be sure and bring any freebie that's available through your business that might be a saleable item (i.e. diskettes, parts, tubes, etc.). But be sure to bring at least one item to donate. It's hard to have an auction without good *Quality Junk!* We will be voting on the 1985 Club Budget at the March meeting. A copy of the proposed Budget is included with this Newsletter.

### Henson's DX-pedition

Welcome home to Carl and Martha Henson from their latest African trip. The 2 week operation as 3C1BC & 3C1YL netted over 10,000 contacts on 15, 20, 80, & 160 meters with over 100 countries worked by each operator. Permission was not received to operate 40 meters. While in Equitorial Guinea, Carl laid the groundwork with the Ministry of Transportation and Communication for a club station to be established. Three prospective hams are all commercial CW operators. The potential club instructor has over 20 years of experience as a CW operator and operates at 45-50 wpm. It sounds good! Carl promises some interesting stories from this trip and a GREAT slide show for DXFO! As usual QSL chores will be handled by N4NX (3C1YL) & K4PHE (3C1BC).

### Dues Time

There are still a number of club members who have not renewed their membership for 1985. Its not too late to mail your \$18.00 check to the Treasurer: Carol Shrader, WI4K; 4065 Ophie Drive; Marietta, Georgia 30066. We need your support!

## Contest Corner

by David Hibbert, KC4TJ

The ARRL DX Contests are now over. I hope you all did well in both. Please bring your scores to this month's club meeting for the club competition. We will be attempting to have CW and phone scores compete based upon the scale set by last year's published scores. This will let us see who really is the better operator around here. Also everyone who would like to submit their logs to the ARRL Committee for scoring under the "SEDXC Name" please bring your logs to the meeting and we will have a group mailing. Please remember to submit your particular want list to Carl for publication in the *Help Column* so that the "on the air" elusive DX can be forwarded to you by phone or 2 meters. These countries will be your DBC's (Designated Bulletin Countries). You can specify band or mode.

Our next contest will be in April on 80 meters - Most DX Countries Worked Any Mode. (Countries only count once.)

If you can't be at the meeting get your logs to me in the mail: David Hibbert, KC4TJ; 4120 Wildflower Lane; Tucker, Georgia 30084. I've heard many of you putting out new countries on 2 meters. Lets let each other know when our notification efforts count for new countries and points on the HELPING HAND AWARD!

## DXPO

Things are shaping up well on the advance planning for DXPO, which will be held on September 27-29, 1985 at the Lanier Plaza. A group of committee members have been given a tour of the renovated facilities and have proclaimed the place PERFECT! You'll never believe that its the same hotel. Stuffers are available to be included in your QSL mailings. Each club member will receive a few included with this mailing. If you are a QSL Manager or mail out a number of cards contact Carol Shrader, WI4K for a larger supply. This is a great FREE publicity tool that we should all remember and use. We also have stickers for your bureau cards. These stickers can be taken to Hamfests to be placed on the lapels (or some other strategic spot) of DX'ers for FREE advertising! Flyers will be printed prior to the Charlotte Hamfest and we urge you to contact WI4K for a supply if you plan to attend any out-of-town Hamfests or DX'er gatherings.

A major publicity effort will be our Hospitality Suite at the Dayton Hamvention (Stouffer's suite # 325). If you are interested in attending the Hamfest and would like to carpool contact Ben Adams, K4EZ, carpool coordinator at (404) 321-6407. If you have not already purchased your special fare \$98.00 Delta tickets then you will pay a higher rate. Only tickets purchased prior to March 1st will receive the low fare.

Contact DXPO Program Chairman K4PI with any input regarding speakers and/or programs. This is VERY important!

### Volunteer Exams

Volunteer Exams will be given at the Kennehoochee Hamfest which will be held at the Cobb County Fairgrounds Park on Saturday, April 13th at 9:00 am. The fee for the walk-in exam will be \$4.00.

Exams will be held at 8:00 am on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the First United Methodist Church which is located at 5312 West Mountain Street; Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083. Advance registration is NOT required and the fee will be \$4.00.

The ARRL is publishing a weekly listing of all ARRL/VEC test sessions. To obtain a copy send a business size SASE to League Headquarters. Ed Sleight, K4SB, is attempting to form a group of Southeastern DX Club members affiliated with the ARRL VEC to administer exams prior to SEDXC meetings. Contact Ed if you would like to become a Volunteer Examiner.

### 160 Meter Band Allocation

Contact your Congressman or the FCC if you value Amateur Use of the 160 Meter Band. There appear to be a number of questions with respect to the Commission's statements concerning proposed changes to the 1900 - 2000 kHz section of the band. The FCC states that at WARC the Amateur use of this segment of the band was downgraded to Secondary Status whereas copies from the Geneva Radio Regulations show Amateur Radio retaining Co-Primary usage status.

Art Kay, W5APX, proposes granting shared usage of the 450 MHz band to the Offshore Navigation & Decca-Racal stations giving them their desired range of 120 miles rather than the 1200 miles or so which the 160 meter band would give. In addition it would allow directionalized signals to the area of interest. This would minimize interference to Amateur Stations which the continuous tone-pulse signals would cause. Art states that if this shared usage existed on the 160 meter band that "The interference delivered to users in Mexico, Central America, and the Carribean area will be such to prevent duplication by any other service to re-use for any purpose. Amateur radio is listed as "co-primary" in this area also; but will experience severe night time skip interference." If you care about 160 meters then COMPLAIN!!!!

### Strays

Help! Help! Help! Help! Help Help! Help! Help! Help!

K4DLI: VK9X, OY, 9M6.  
KN4KWD: XX9, JT, VS6.  
N4IA: BV, S2, XU.  
W4OWY: A6, BV, FW.

WI4K: VK9X, HS, XU.  
N4RJ: BY(CW).  
N4NX: VKO MacQ(CW).  
KC4TJ: BV, VK9X.

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.

Chip Marchelli advises that all QSL cards received have been mailed for his March 1984 BY1PK operation with VE7BC. If you haven't yet received your card it appears that you should resubmit to VE7BC.....The Clipperton DXpedition appears to be GO with last year's vessel problems overcome. Look for the multinational group to be on the air around April 3rd. The callsign will be FO0XX with QSL cards handled via the YASME foundation.....Dust is being scattered into the air in many hamshacks as club members begin a mad search for long hidden ZC4 cards. It appears that one club member may even have to make a trip to the West Coast to search for that old *NEW ONE*. Cards may not be submitted until June 1, 1985 but all cards from August 16, 1960 will count as long as they clearly indicate that the operation was from the Sovereign Base Area. ZC4MR is presently on the air but can only be found with the W7PHO bunch!!!.....A22ME has completed his tour of duty in Botswana and has returned to the states after making many of us very happy with contacts on 40 & 80 meters. Mel is expected to make an appearance at the Charlotte Hamfest in mid-March.

Southeastern DX Club members are active in many facets of organized Amateur Radio activities. We count among our members: KC4MJ: Atlanta Radio Club President; KF4CQ: 1985 Atlanta Hamfest Chairman & Atlanta Radio Club Secretary; KC4UC: Lanierland Hamfest Chairman; WA4PNY: ARRL Georgia Section PIO & Alford Memorial ARC VP; WI4K: YLRL 4th District Chairman & Kennehoochee ARC Secretary; N4HOH: Douglasville ARC President; N4XY: Georgia Radio Amateur Packet Enthusiastic Society (can that be for real?????) Corresponding Secretary; WI4R: Dixie DX'ers VP; N4NX: WE Dixie ARC President; KOJRG: Gwinnett ARC VP; WD4IKI: Dixie DX'ers Secretary/Treasurer; K4CXY: Memphis DX Society President; WI4E: Metro Atlanta CAVEC Coordinator; WB4ZNH: candidate for ARRL Southeastern Division Director. Have we missed anyone? Let us know and we'll list you next month.

N4HOH needs the QSL route for 9K2YA. Can anyone help?..... Deadline for Honor Roll submissions is the end of March..... Paul, WB4LFM, who sorts I & F suffix callsigns for the one letter W-4 QSL bureau, will bring your cards to the Charlotte Hamfest if you plan to be there. Contact WA4VDE or WI4K if you qualify.....Speaking of QSL bureaus there has been a postal increase effective February 17, 1985. Have you updated the postage on your envelopes at the QSL bureau? New rates in effect include: 22 cents first class domestic; 14 cents postcard domestic; 44 cents overseas airmail; & 39 cents Caribbean & Central America airmail.....The FCC is considering increasing the Cable TV Leakage Limit!!! Comments on this NPRM are due by March 29th.....FO8JP has purchased an Apple IIc computer and is interested in contacting other DX'ers who use the Apple. Pierre is presently in France but will be returning to Bora Bora. Contact WI4K for details.

Hamfest & Convention Calendar

Charlotte (NC)/ARRL Roanoke Div. Conv.: March 16 & 17  
Columbus Hamfest: March 30 & 31  
Kennehoochee Hamfest: April 13  
Dayton Hamvention: April 26 - 28  
Albany Hamfest: May 4 & 5  
BirminghamHamfest: May 18 & 19  
Hartwell/Toccoa Hamfest: May 18 & 19  
Atlanta HamFestival/ARRL GA State Convention: July 6 & 7  
Gainesville Hamfest: September 22  
DXPO Atlanta: September 27 - 29  
Rome Hamfest: October 6  
Central Georgia Hamfest (Warner Robins): October 12 & 13  
Hamfest Chattanooga/ARRL Delta Div. Convention: October 26 & 27

The Trader

For Sale: Drake C-Line: AC4, MS4, extra set new finals, solid state tubes in R4-C, CW filter, 10 & 30 meter crystals. \$450. Contact Don, K4KKJ, at (404) 939-8478.

For Sale: Tokyo Hi-Power Labs HL-20U 450 Mhz Mobile Amplifier. Brand New. Still in Box. \$100. Call Steve, WA4G0X, at (404) 973-1450.

For Sale: Vocom 25 watt 2 meter amplifier with charger plug. Dentron Clipperton-L Linear Amplifier. Call K4DLI at 955-1775 (office) or 993-1767 (home).

For Sale: Hy-Gain TH6DXX Tri-bander, \$150. Mosley TA-33 Tri-bander, \$125. Call Harry, K4GFH, at (404) 352-2946 (home) or 581-2322 (office).

For Sale or Trade: Brand NEW Azden PCS-300 HT 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 nightly.

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

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

*Thanks* to Jim Steible, K4DLI, for copying this month's newsletter. If you can help by copying the newsletter one month contact the SEDXC Secretary Bob Coley, KD4RR.

Southeastern DX Club  
Financial Statement

	<u>1984 Actual</u>	<u>Proposed 1985 Budget</u>
<b>Collections:</b>		
Dues	2748.50	2750.00
Banquet	538.50	526.50
DXPO	115.00	150.00
Miscellaneous	424.00	425.00
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>3826.00</b>	<b>3851.50</b>

<b>Expenses:</b>		
Banquet	563.25	649.13
Postage	509.14	600.00
Name Badges	44.94	50.00
Plaques	296.63	150.00
Refreshments & Door Prizes	221.02	250.00
Meeting Room	200.00	180.00
Hamfest	184.47	200.00
Contr to DX-peditions	160.00	400.00
Contr to QSL Cards	0.00	50.00
Programs	4.97	25.00
Picnic	66.88	100.00
Printing & Photocopying	147.77	350.00
Office Supplies	8.54	50.00
Yearbook	150.00	150.00
DXPO*	15.31	522.37
Bureau	16.21	0.00
Hats, Shirts, & Jackets	292.44	100.00
Miscellaneous	2.99	25.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2884.56</b>	<b>3851.50</b>

On-Hand 941.44 0.00

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Balance Sheet  
12/31/84

Checking Account	2065.38
Cash	24.33
Deposits	50.00
Other Assets	282.20
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>2421.91</b>

Liabilities	18.00
Club Members Equity	2403.91
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>2421.91</b>

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**ANALYSIS OF CLUB EQUITY**

Year-to-Date On-Hand	941.44
Prior Years' On-Hand	1462.47
<b>Total Club Members Equity</b>	<b>2403.91*</b>

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\*We propose using prior years' funds on hand as advance money to be spent on DXPO. Funds will be repaid as Registration fees are collected.