



Bulletin



May 2016

From the Pres

Wey K8EAB

DX Is

Equatorial Guinea, Heard Island, and Juan de Nova Island expeditions are now history. No really rare ones are on the horizon for the next few months.

It's time to get those 6-Meter antennas back up or ready to go for the expected summer activity.

Administrivia

Elections for new SEDXC officers will be held at the June SEDXC meeting. The proposed slate of Officers for the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year is:

President: Mike Weathers, ND4V
Vice President: Chuck Catledge, AE4CW
Treasurer: Jeff Cantor, K1ZN (incumbent)
Secretary: Paul Kelley, W4KLY
Activities Manager: Daryl Young, K4RGK

Appointees for the coming Fiscal Year are:

Bulletin Editor: Clark Macaulay, WU4B
Membership Chairman: Bill Barr, N4NX
Webmaster & Database Manager: Chaz Cone, W4GKF

If you have an interest in presenting your name for

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Veep's Report

Vaden NN4K

This Month's Meeting

There is NO meeting for May due to the large number of our members attending Hamvention in Dayton.

Last Month's Meeting



The April meeting/program was held at the Super Contest Station owned and operated by Rick Daugherty, NQ4I. The location was on his approximately ten acres of land North of the city of Griffin. There were nine SEDXC members in attendance and we were all very impressed. After a great lunch at Southern Pit BBQ we arrived at Rick's QTH and we could see several very tall towers loaded with stacked yagi antennas. Each set of the antennas was aimed at specific areas of the world. There were also many wire antennas high in the air and a steerable four square array which provides directional receiving around the compass. Rick said he is very impressed with its performance.

Rick's home is relatively new and built to house his multi-multi station on the lower level. He refers to it a Contesting Southern Style. To start, Rick had an excellent PowerPoint presentation set up describing the history of NQ4I's progressive development into the current Super Station. The walls of his lounge room are

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consideration, **contact me off-line at:**
weymouth01@comcast.net

Annual Dues Renewal

The new Fiscal Year begins on July 1st, so it's time once again to remind everyone to renew **prior** to the end of the current year (June 30th).

Dayton DX Dinner

If you are planning to attend, please let us know AHEAD of time so we can give The Amber Rose restaurant a head count. Go here to let Chaz know you're planning to attend: dayton@chazcone.com.

Shack Photos

Have you remodeled your shack (or just given it that once-every-10-years-clean-up)??? Why not send Web-Meister Chaz a high-resolution "Shack Selfie" or show us that same photo you've posted on QRZ.COM **to**
w4gkf@chazcone.com

73, and good DX!

Wey K8EAB❖

Activities Chairman

Well, the Georgia QSO Party is in the books. It was great to hear and work many SEDXC club members during the GQP, and it would not be surprising that a handful of them are taking home some hardware for their efforts. Remember to get your logs submitted by the May 15th deadline (that would be before you leave for Dayton).

Speaking of Dayton, the Hamvention is on May 20-22.
Info: <http://hamvention.org/>

The Atlanta Hamfest will be held on June 4th at Jim Miller Park. We will be posting notices on the reflector soon to recruit folks to help staff our booth at the hamfest. If you are available to help, please e-mail me directly at n4tol@arrl.net.
Info: <http://atlantahamfest.org/>

73,

John N4TOL❖

Treasurer's Journal

One payment this past month was made to Chaz Cone for \$160.27 for Amortization of Party Expense.

Balance 5/1/16: \$7982.24

73,

Jeff K1ZN❖

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Veep's Report (cont.)

filled with plaques highlighting the first place awards his station has produced over the years. Very impressive. A lot of DX is worked during contests and is a great way to gain contacts toward awards by any of us.

After the presentation we were shown the current operating positions configurations. The Ten-Ten Orion I and II transceivers were mainstays in all but one or two positions. The reasons for that were based on performance and experience in a multi-multi configuration where adjacent stations can create interference problems. He also has one K3 Elecraft station that is set up to be remotely operated when he connects to his station via the Internet from where he happens to be when flying clients around the world.

The antenna farm exceeds in quantity and performance contests. Towers were previously mentioned along with their arrangement of yagi antennas. However, one wire antenna was unique and, it's the 80 meter LPGA (Log Periodic Gain Antenna). It has a fixed orientation so rotation is out of the question. Performance wise it sports a 1.0:1 SWR from 3.5 to 4.0 Mhz. with a 22 db gain. Wow.

Coax and control wiring run every direction from the station connecting to the antennas. Rick discussed and demonstrated the extensive lightning protection system in place at the station. He has a great solution for that risk.

A few of the pictures are on page 4 of this Bulletin.

See you in the pileups,

Vaden NN4K ❖

NQ4I Contest Station

