



Southeastern DX Club

W4NT

THE SOUTH'S PREMIER DX CLUB

June 2012

President's Report:

Well, summer has arrived complete with a few thunderstorms. Make sure you disconnect your antennas and rotators when you close-down your stations.

Hope all enjoyed the Dayton hamfest. For those of us keeping the camp fires going at home. the showing of the South Sudan STØDX DXpedition video was enjoyed by all attending last months meeting. This month our own Don, N4HH will present his experiences on the Lord Howe VK9HR DXpedition and much more.

We are up for Club elections this month. Be prepared to make nominations and vote on your selection of officers.

As the cover of the current July issue of QST shows our sunspot cycle is approach the mid-span of the cycle get ready for some 10-15-20 meter DXing. Even without the numerous sunspots many of us have worked a lot of DX and contest stations. With the continued number of sunspots this month's Field Day Exercise should see the 10 meter band give us some high contact scores.

Upcoming DXpeditions are the 1AØC Knights of Malta DXpedition and KH8/S Swains Island DXpedition. Again some of our own members are planning to be part of the Swains Island DXpedition.

Try to invite some new hams to this month's club meeting. It has been interesting to hear from new hams and non-hams attending some of our past meetings how they find the programs very interesting. A big thank you to Norm WA4ZXV for arranging some great programs.

See you Thursday, June 21st at 7:30 p.m. Check the club's website SEDXC.org for more information and directions to the club meeting.

73,
Jim C. KT4MM

Vice President's Report:

Where will we be for Field Day? I did a little bit of a poll and here's what I came up with so far. I'm sure there are many others. Maybe we'll get a few minutes at the meeting to talk about other opportunities.

Bill, KM4LS, Morgan County Public Safety Complex EOC, 1F, about 12 hours, km4ls@arri.net

Buzz, K3GWK, Locust Grove UMC Picnic Pavilion, 211 Peeksville Rd., Locust Grove, 2A +GOTA, 18+ hours, k3gwk@arri.net

Joe, AA4NN, near Chester, SC, 24 hrs, w3oa@arri.net

Norm, WA4ZXV, GARS at Sweet Water Park Lawrenceville, 8A, 24 hours, wa4zxv@arri.net

Mike, W5JR (2013), Maui Radio Club!

Dick, K2UFT, ARC, Smoketree Community Center, 843 Arlington Drive, Tucker, 4A, 12+.

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Sid, N4NQ, GARS at Sweet Water Park Lawrenceville, 8A, 24 hours, wa4zxv@arri.net

Ned, WC4X, White County EOC, Gateway Amateur Radio Club, 8 hours

Bill, K4WSW, GOTA Station Captain for NFARL at Waller Park Extension in Roswell, GA.

Mike W, ND4V, GARS at Sweet Water Park Lawrenceville, 8A, 24 hours, wa4zxv@arri.net

June Program: DXing from Both Sides

Presented by:

Don Nesbitt, N4HH, DXCC 356/337 soon to be 357/338



Don's presentation will include the VK9HR Lord Howe Island DXpedition of 2011 as well as a brief look at how Don worked #338 on his indoor wire. Don't miss it!

That's it for now.
73 Norm, WA4ZXV

Secretaries Report:

The SEDXC regular monthly meeting began promptly at 7:30 pm, May 17, 2012 in the Rich Auditorium of the Piedmont Hospital complex. President Jim Cummings KT4MM presided.

The lower than usual turnout of 25 members and no visitors was most likely due to many amateurs attending the Dayton Hamvention. We had a short discussion of current DX after personal introductions.

The program was a video presentation of the recent South Sudan Expedition, STØR. I can't imagine travelling half way around the world with over 400 kg of ham radios, antennas, and the other assorted gear for DX operations, but the effort produced many contacts and appeared to be extremely fun. The Operators using all bands in all modes produced 121,286 contacts making the DXpedition a remarkable success. As you know, the SEDXC was a sponsor of the STØR DXpedition.

We had a short break after the video and when all returned the local ham radio news and announcements were discussed:

Ham jam is scheduled Nov 10, 2012 and will be located at the Georgia Gwinnet College in Lawrenceville. The SEDXC HamJam committee members are Norm WA4ZXV and Mike ND4V. Please contact either one with your ideas and suggestions for speakers this year. Part of the proceeds will help fund our community's deserving youth so be sure and get your tickets early this year.

SEDXC officer elections are just around the corner and Bill N4NX is on the nominating committee. Send Bill your nominations at his bill@n4nx.com. You are allowed to self nominate!

Norm WA4ZXV is collecting all local club info for Field Day - Be sure your club sends all the field day info to Norm and he will compile and share that with the Atlanta Amateur community.

The meeting was adjourned promptly at 8:50 pm.

The Atlanta Radio Club Hamfest is now history. Bring that item or those items that you just had to get to the next SEDXC meeting - we need door prizes!

On a personal note, I have two more countries in my log towards DXCC - Israel on 5 watts and Japan at 100 watts. I'm getting there slowly but surely.

Respectfully submitted,

Newt
N4EWT - SEDXC Secretary

Wey Walker/K8EAB
SEDXC Activities Manager

Treasurer's Report:

SEDXC Financial position as of March 31,
2012

The balance on hand in the operating
account at the end of May was \$5158.07

Beginning balance \$5,203.57
Activity last month (March):

Receipts – deposits in checking: \$266.50

Disbursements were as follows:
Chaz - Flags, domain registration \$312.00

Ending Balance 5/31/2012 \$5,158.07

The bad news, we didn't sell but 8 of the 20 SW Ohio DX Dinner tickets. The good news, I was able to return one full table to SWODXA and they sold them for us. Seems like a lot of folk made their purchases directly from SWODXA. We may need to re-think this next year.

73 es dx
Mike, ND4V

Activities Manager's Report:

The SEDXC manned a table at the Atlanta Radio Club's recent Hamfest on June 2nd. Lots of folks stopped by our table to chat about Dayton and DX. We had three membership renewals, three individual membership sign-ups, and one new Family membership sign-up. Please join me in welcoming Mike Anderson/KF4FMF, Bob Mabery/W4YBB, John Adams/KI4LMA, and the McCarthy Family (Brian/NX9O, his XYL Anna/N9KHC, and daughter Claire/newly licensed as KK4JJT). Welcome to the Southeastern DX Club!

The next big local Hamfest will be the *Stone Mountain Hamfest 2012* in November. Here is some information if you plan to be a vendor there.

Dear Hamfest Vendor:

The *Stone Mountain Hamfest 2012* will be held Saturday and Sunday, Nov 3-4. Since this is the *largest and best* Hamfest in the Atlanta area, and the last one for the year, our tables are always in great demand. We are now accepting registrations and deposits for this show.

HOURS: Saturday the gates open at 8 AM, and close at 4. Sunday we also open at 8 AM, and the Hamfest closes at 2 PM. Friday setup remains from 12 Noon until 9 PM. This is one of the last TWO DAY Hamfests, at the request of our major vendors.

You may register by mail with the attached form. If you would like to see a table layout diagram, see our website at www.stonemountainhamfest.com Returning for 2012! We will be accepting registration by credit card this year: our website will have all the information on it soon.

If you wish to contact us, you may:

1. Send a fax to 678.228.1885.
2. Send us e-mail at:

Hamfest@stonemountainhamfest.com

or

3. Leave us a voice message toll free at 1-855-ST MTN HF (855.786.8643) (this number will be active in a few days).

Since we are all volunteers, do not expect to talk to a live human when you call. We check these messages and respond after hours or generally by the next day. However, we WILL respond as soon as possible to whatever method you use to contact us.

When you are registered, you will receive a confirmation in late Sept. - early Oct. giving your table assignments, and asking you for the rest of the registration fee. We'd like to have everything squared away BEFORE the Hamfest to cut down on the confusion at the

show. Also for your convenience, we have camping spaces available on site, and have arranged special rates at the Hampton Inn located at 6010 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville, GA at \$69 per night. Call the hotel directly (678.407.0018) and ask for the Hamfest Group rate.

Remember, we are not only the largest Hamfest in the Atlanta area, we are also the friendliest! Your registration includes admission for all your booth workers, lunch both days, coffee, cold drinks and snacks during setup on Friday and all day long Saturday and Sunday, all served to you at your booth. We'll even watch your booth while you take a break.

We look forward to seeing you there. Please register early, and let us know if you have any questions.

Chris KJ4NAX Hamfest Chairman and the whole Alford Memorial Radio Club

Chris Balch
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NOTICE:

**CLUB DUES ARE DUE JUNE 30, 2012:
\$20.00 - PayPal or snail mail to 207 Longview
Drive, Norcross GA 30071.**

The club has had a request for funding from the 1AØC Knights of Malta DXpedition. They are #79 on the US most wanted list. Their stated goal is to work NA and AS with this activation. This will be discussed at the June meeting.

We hope everyone who attended the big event in Dayton this year happily. Despite the big landslide in Tennessee North of Knoxville, TN everyone seemed to make it there and back, even if it did take some longer then normal.

In case you did not make it this year here are a few photos courtesy of Bob, W2WG, and your editor.



Thursday night at the Stockyards Inn



Need a tower? This is it !!!!



And of course there's the food!



Goodies in the bone yard.

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Simplex 147.54

SPECIAL NOTE:

The club is now using the Repeater on 145.410, down 600, for chatting and real time DX announcements.

Join the group there. No tone required

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