



Bulletin



June 2026

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Our Next Meeting & Speaker

Date & Time: June 18 2026, 7:00pm

Speaker: All-member round table discussion

Topic: Charting the course for a vibrant and successful club

Location: Zoom meeting: <https://www.sedxc.org/sedxc/zoom/index.htm>



From the Prez

(de John Tramontanis, N4TOL)

This is my final bulletin submission and as my three-year term as club president concludes on June 30th, I would like to recognize some of our fellow club members and officers who helped make these last three years most enjoyable and successful for the SEDXC. I encourage you to thank and support these folks.

Nathan Wood, K4NHW - Nathan served as Vice-President for two years sourcing some memorable programs for the club, and will be returning to service as Treasurer for the coming year. I also wish to thank Nathan on a personal level for texting me when my early morning (pre-coffee) FT8 transmissions were a bit errant.

Gregg Marco, W6IZT - Gregg stepped in as Vice President this last year and will be continuing in that role for the coming term. In these last few months, Gregg's programs have been most outstanding, featuring youth DXpedition operators and the story of Bouvet Island.

Jeff Cantor, K1ZN - Jeff is finishing up his twelfth term as SEDXC Treasurer!!! When I first took on the role as President, I found Jeff to be my main sounding board for ideas and advice while I learned the ropes. On a personal note, our club business conversations often turned to current DX activity, where Jeff was an Elmer for my DX chasing efforts.

Verne Fowler, W8BLA - Verne served as Activities Chairman, and also provided input for the nominations of other officers over the last three years. Verne will be serving as SEDXC President for the next term. Verne was one of my first Elmers in ham radio and was actually President when I first joined the club in 1991.

Don Deal, KK4E - Don followed Verne's term as Activities Chairman and was a fixture at hamfests and amateur events showcasing and promoting the SEDXC. Don will continue in his role for the next term.

Neil Foster, N4FN - Neil, although not a club officer, was the ever-present face of the club at hamfests and events. We appreciate Neil's efforts for the club. On a personal level, Neil is likely one of the first amateurs I met in Atlanta, as he was one of the exam coordinators that administered and passed me on my Novice exam.

Joel Levine, WA4HNL - Joel has served as club Secretary for the last four years and has done so with a great attitude. I'm sure he will continue to be an active participant in club endeavors as we move forward. I always enjoy Joel's "northeast" sense of humor that we often share, as we have both escaped to Georgia.

Chaz Cone, W4GKF - Chaz has served as our webmaster for many years. His efforts maintain the club's webpage on the net as well as the online business transactions running. I also must express my additional appreciation to Chaz for keeping a much younger photo of myself in my profile on the website.

Van Herridge, N4VGE - Van was the SEDXC bulletin editor for two years. Impressively, Van was a reliable editor during that period while residing remotely in Charleston, traveling across the country in his RV, or operating as DX in Vanuatu!

Gary McConville, WB4SQ - Gary has stepped in as our latest bulletin editor and has taken a most enthusiastic approach to the task. As an established author of sci-fi novels, he is a natural for the publication.

Andy Goss, AA5JF - Andy has been the point person for the SEDXC in the CQ DX Marathon. The Marathon is the most popular DX activity that our club members par-

ticipate in. Andy's passion and leadership has enabled our club and individual members to place high in this event each year.

To conclude I wish to thank all of those noted above, as well as all those not mentioned who support the club. It has been a pleasure to serve the last three years and I encourage all of you to consider becoming a club officer in the future. I can assure you that I will continue to support the club going forward, as I can attest that I gained more pleasure out of serving than the effort I put in.

73 John N4TOL



VP Corner

Gregg Marco, W6IZT

Veep Corner

As our club year draws to a close, I want to take a moment to recognize and thank our outgoing officers for their dedicated service: John N4TOL (President), Joel WA4HNL (Secretary), and Jeff K1ZN (Treasurer). Your contributions have meant a great deal to this club — thank you!

On the programming front, it's been a real pleasure arranging guest speakers for our monthly meetings. I'd love to hear from you: Who would you like to see at the podium? What topics are you eager to explore? Your input shapes what we do, so please reach out. That said, I'd be remiss not to mention that meeting participation has been hovering around 10% of our membership over the past several months. We can do better — and I know we will. The more voices in the room, the stronger our club becomes.

Looking ahead, the incoming board is energized and ready to get to work. Two priorities at the top of our list: attracting the next generation of amateur radio operators and growing our membership overall. More to come on both fronts.

On a lighter note, several of us made the trek to Dayton this year. The weather was kind — just a couple of brief showers — and the show did not disappoint. DARA continues to raise the bar, with another year of record-breaking attendance.

Until next month: get on the bands!

CU in the pile-ups.



Treasurer's Journal *(de Jeff Cantor, K1ZN)*

Greetings, Fellow DXers

TREASURER's Report – June 2026

Checkbook Balance - \$8,219.16

As I transition the books to Nathan, K4NHW, the final balance in the Bank of America checking account is \$8,129.16. A closing check has been given to the incoming officers to open a new checking account.

It has been an honor to serve SEDXC for these past years as your treasurer. I bid all a 73 & GUD DX. Jeff / K1ZN

Remember we are now a 501©3 organizations and can accept donations of cash and/or estate equipment, or be included in your estate planning.

The next activity is Huntsville in August, which related to the activity Jeff and John referenced:

We currently have opportunities approaching at the Dayton Hamvention (May) and the YOTA conference in Huntsville (June). At both events we can promote our club and to recruit members from a significant population of young hams.

Both Gregg, W6IZT, and Max, N4ML will be spearheading these initiatives at these events.

2026 Hamfest Calendar

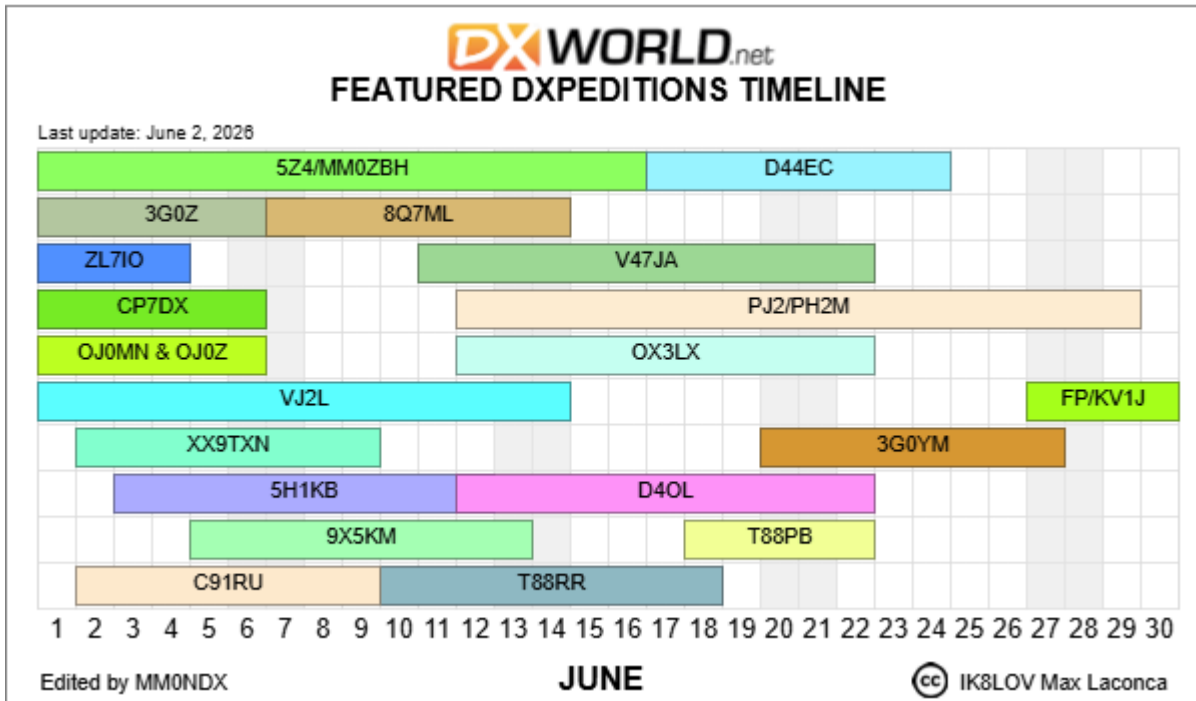
Event	Location	Dates	Notes
Huntsville Hamfest	Huntsville, AL	8/22 - 8/23	2026 ARRL National Convention & YOTA Conference. North Alabama DX Club Banquet
Hamfest Chattanooga †	Ringold, GA	10/15 - 10/17	
Stone Mountain Hamfest †	Lawrenceville, GA	10/30 - 10/31	

† SEDXC booth planned for this event

Don Deal

The DX World Calendar/Timeline for June 2026

The *DX World* Calendar features a timeline of all DXpeditions anticipated for the current month and is a great way to plan your chase for the next, All-Time New One (ATNO).



The Calendar is updated regularly; use this link to see the latest version:

https://www.hamradiotimeline.com/timeline/dxw_timeline_1_1.php

Club Log's 20 Most Wanted DX Entities (June 2, 2026):

Rank	Prefix	Entity Name
1.	P5	DPRK (NORTH KOREA)
2.	KH3	JOHNSTON ISLAND
3.	KH7K	KURE ISLAND
4.	CE0X	SAN FELIX ISLANDS
5.	FT5/X	KERGUELEN ISLAND
6.	BS7H	SCARBOROUGH REEF
7.	3Y/P	PETER 1 ISLAND
8.	YV0	AVES ISLAND
9.	BV9P	PRATAS ISLAND
10.	KH4	MIDWAY ISLAND
11.	VK0M	MACQUARIE ISLAND
12.	EZ	TURKMENISTAN
13.	PY0S	SAINT PETER AND PAUL ROCKS
14.	VP0S	SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS
15.	YK	SYRIA
16.	ZL9	NEW ZEALAND SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS
17.	FT/T	TROMELIN ISLAND
18.	VK0H	HEARD ISLAND
19.	KH1	BAKER HOWLAND ISLANDS
20.	FK/C	CHESTERFIELD ISLANDS

SEDXC Officers (thru 6/30)

John Tramontanis, N4TOL – President – iam4rb@gmail.com

Greg Marco, W6IZT – Vice President – gregg.w6izt@gmail.com

Joel Levine, WA4HNL – Secretary – jlevine@bellsouth.net

Jeff Cantor, K1ZN – Treasurer – jacantor9@gmail.com

Don Deal, KK4E – Activities Manager – radio@landru.net

SEDXC Appointed Positions

Chaz Cone, W4GKF – Webmaster – w4gkf@chazcone.com

Jason Kitchens, KV4TE – Webmaster In Training – kv4te@att.net

Gary McConville, WB4SQ – SEDXC Bulletin Editor – wb4sq@yahoo.com

From the incoming president

There will be a proposed amendment to the club constitution and bylaws delivered to the email on file this month and will be voted on during the July meeting. If there are any questions or comments kindly direct them to Jim Altman W4UCK at his QRZ or club email

Gud Dxing!

Verne
W8BLA

Parting shots



Bob – K4UEE & Greg W6IZT, Easter Island 2014



Raising a 6M quad: Tim – WK4U, Gary – WB4SQ, Chaz – W4GKF, unknown, Bill – N4NX, Jim (non-ham)

FYI

As the SEDXC club year comes to an end, instead of having a guest speaker, the incoming Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to host an open round-table discussion about the future direction of the club. This will be an opportunity for members to share ideas, discuss priorities, and help shape the club's goals and activities for the coming year and beyond. One key initiative we are focusing on is growing the club by attracting new members, particularly younger amateur radio operators, and finding ways to make participation more engaging and rewarding for the next generation of hams.

We would also like to hear your thoughts on other important topics, including member engagement, club activities, DXing and contesting programs, mentoring opportunities, technical presentations, and how the club can continue to provide value to both longtime members and newcomers alike.

The strength of SEDXC has always come from the experience, enthusiasm, and ideas of its members. We encourage everyone to participate in this discussion and help us chart a course for a vibrant and successful future for the club.

Gregg W6IZT