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DX Alert 147.500S
also 147.195R/.795T
DX Ragchew 147.470S,
.540S, .195R/.795T
Meeting Date: June 21, 1983
Time: 7:30 PM (Local)
Place: Lutheran Church at
the corner of Peachtree and
Narmore. (2 blocks North of
Phipps Plaza on the left.)

THE SWAPFEST/AUCTION/PICNIC/MAY MEETING was quite nice. I must admit that attendance was low. Only about 30 people enjoyed the festivities but everyone had an excellent time. Our activities director, Lee Sheridan, W6OKX, might have some pictures for us to look at in June. These would include a picture of the SEDX Club Birthday Cake! Thanks to WB4GNT (coordinator), KC4BX (talk-in) and KC4TJ (park reservations), KN4H (gas grill), Fran Hibbert (special services), K4PHE (cashier), W4MGX (auctioneer), and WD4FEL (special services).

THE JUNE MEETING will be Steve McElroy, K4JPD, with his VHS program of his 1982 CQWW Phone Contest operation as HH2CQ. I understand Steve's program is recommended for mature audiences only. PG is suggested.

CONTESTS - The winner of the March Contest (10 Meters) was KX4R and his plaque will be presented at the June meeting (delay due to picnic). The winner of the April Contest (15 Meters) was WA4VDE and his plaque will also be presented at the June meeting. The June meeting will also be the closing of entries for the May Contest (20 Meters). The next Club contest is in August and will be 30 Meters.

PRESIDENTIAL PONDERING - One of the high-lights of the Club year is coming up, and I wanted to let each of you know about it now so you could plan to attend and participate. I am referring to the Atlanta Hamfest on June 18 and 19 at the Atlanta Civic Center, and specifically the DX activities that have been scheduled in conjunction with the Hamfest. This year's events will be exceptionally good and will warrant full participation from each of you. Here is a run-down on what will be going on.

Saturday morning June 18 at 11:00 AM, the SEDX Club will host its annual DX Forum. This year we are really pleased to have one of the best known and most popular DXers with us, Vince Thompson, K5VT. Vince has some great DXpeditions to his credit, including; S9, TN8, 9U5, 9Q5, and 3V8. You will want to hear this very entertaining speaker. Also on the program is the ever popular Don Search, W3AZD,

who will be present to give us the latest on new countries, DXCC, etc. It should be a GREAT program.

Also during the entire weekend, the Club will sponsor its traditional booth where DXers can meet one another. Don Search will be stationed at the booth and will be checking QSLs for DXCC credit. So, bring your cards and avoid having to send them to Newington. Jim Streible, K4DLI, who is in-charge of this year's booth has a few other surprises in store so be sure and lend him a hand when he asks for some members to help with the booth.

Finally, David Hibbert, KC4TJ, and his cute wife, Fran, have a great hospitality suite arranged for members and friends of the SEDX Club on Saturday from 2:00 PM. It will be a good opportunity for all of us to get together, meet Vince Thompson and other DXers from around the Southeast. Check at the club booth for the room number, but don't miss it.

I hope you will agree this will be a great weekend for DXers. I plan to see you there! 73 Harry Saunders, K4GFH.

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HAMFEST FORUM moderated by SEDXer Carol Shrader, WI4K, will feature general information for ALL Ladies, unlicensed, newly licensed or experienced operators. Panelists will include Rose Ellen Bills, N2RE, Vice President of the YLRL; Martha Henson, WN4FVU, DXpeditioner; Martha King, WD4NKP, Contester, DXer, and Net Control for the "Tangle Net" (20M YLRL net); and Kathy Sewell, KA4UEM, member of 10-10 International. Door prizes will be given and QSL cards will be checked for YLRL awards. Meeting Room U-2 at 2:00 PM.

CORRECTION - KC4TJ's zip code is wrong. Please change it to 30084.

DX Tidbits - Y11BGD was heard to say he has schedule every day at 0400Z on 14.220 Mhz. Last week was heard calling CQ with no takers!

A6XJC, John, active on or about 21.311Mhz. at 2200Z. When the idiots aren't making making it impossible for him, John does operate on his own. (Often he requests that someone take a list. This is completely compatible with the proposed Rule 12, in fact, it is a perfect example of an "acceptable" list-operation until one of the unethical ones gets their hooks into him!)

W4SIK/OX, a member of the Winston Recovery Team (trying to salvage 6 WW II P-38s and 2 B-17s), left Atlanta on May 30 for Greenland. Tom has been worked at the base-camp and when the wx clears a station will be established on the glacier. He is operating 15, 20 and 40M phone. While it is JUST Greenland, Tom is a local Ham and I know he would like to work you. Underlying all of this, if those folks should get into trouble up there, it would be nice if some REAL DXer with a whopping antenna and knack for picking out weak signals were on frequency to help! I understand the QSL card will be quite nice as well.

YB5AES is now YB5ASO, effective May 25, 1983. W4BBP is still QSL MGR.

SMOAGD and SM3CXS wrote from Sweden and expressed appreciation for the good time SEDXC members showed them. They traveled 13,000 miles in the U.S.A. during their recent visit. Wow!

EDITORIAL COMMENT - Several folks commented that they enjoyed the 1 page stuffer, "LONG SKIP", the Canad-x bulletin. While sorting some amateur radio memoriabilia (digging thru radio junk) I came across a copy of "LONG SKIP" I had picked up at the 1981 Dayton Hamvention. The Editor back then was Yuri Blanarovich, VE3BMV. Yuri was "canned" for his "controversial" anti-list stand. As a result, LONG SKIP went from 6 pages to one. Here is one of his offending editorial comments. "About the lists: sure there is the place for them. If new DXers is born let's give him a hand, but let's don't keep him in his walker, let's help him to get on his own feet and eventually run. Or do we want to end up as a bunch of handicaped crawlers, being carried over the finish line on the stretcher? It is your choice. You want to do that, fine. There is probably more of the list takers on the ego trip than anything else. Why do the "undertakers" want to push the "operation list"? You have to get on your knees to get on the list, and then work that kid in the walker. This thing is mushrooming. Look at all the nets that are springing around. How much of a challenge is there to work DX? It is served on the platter. Anything to get that QSL card? Well, think about it. Whatever turns you on. As long as you enjoy it. Do you want to grow? If yes, you have to work at it. Nothing comes easy. You can always make up for deficiencies, just use your brain and skills! You will be a lot happier than if they carried you over the finish line on a stretcher!" Amen, Yuri! I guess too many influential Canadians were getting their DX the easy way and did not like being told about it. Actually, I would disagree with Yuri to a certain extent. I don't believe you can teach anyone to walk. All you can do is guide their first unsteady steps and try to keep them from getting hurt when they fall. Above all, we must teach them that there IS a reason to walk!

THIS ARTICLE was submitted by Stew Woodward, K4SMX, and hopefully will help explain why ZA is not a common prefix like YU, UK, YO or OK.

Quoted from: Intelligence Digest, Weekly Review 17 Rodney Road, Cheltenham, Glos. GL50 1HX United Kingdom.

Albania's Defense

Enver Hoxha of Albania did not build his feudal tyranny upon theory alone. He is in fact a very practical man.

Some time ago he started a vast defense program which called for the construction of armed strongpoints, concealed in bunkers, all over the country. The bunkers are built of reinforced concrete. A side-effect was that house-construction had to be halted because all the available cement and concrete were needed for the defense project. Also practically all building and construction workers, architects and

designers were likewise needed.

The program has now been completed and it is reliably claimed that from these bunkers fire can be directed to cover every square meter of the country.

But the soundness of the design and construction of the bunkers had to be tested. Specimens were selected at random and subjected to shellfire and air bombardment. They stood up to the test commendably well. However, this was not enough for Hoxha.

LIVE EXPERIMENTS

How would the defenders inside the bunkers fare when the onslaught came? So Hoxha ordered another experiment. A variety of live animals were placed inside the bunkers, which were then again subjected to shellfire and bombardment. And then the awful thing happened. One donkey was injured.

Less practical men would have gone back to the drawing boards. Not Enver Hoxha. He always has the most effective answer to any problem. His answer was both practical and simple-and effective.

He ordered that the live animals should in future tests be replaced by the designers and builders themselves. Being a humane man, Hoxha gave them an opportunity to check their work again and to remedy any defects before the testing was resumed.

Now, once more, bunkers were selected at random, the designers and builders ordered in, the doors slammed, and the shelling and bombardment commences. No casualty figures have been published, but Hoxha has at last declared himself satisfied that a really effective network exists throughout the country.

It is rumored that Albania is suffering from a temporary shortage of designers and construction workers, but this cannot be confirmed.

The Southeastern DX Club offers FREE license renewal reminder service to members. Only a few members have provided their expiration dates and already we have notified about 6 members of 'time to renew.' The database does NOT contain the expiration dates for the following list of people. Send the month and year of expiration to WB4ZNH.

- AA4GA, AB4Q, AE4Z, K3KG, K4AHJ, K4BAM, K4BYK, K4EZ, K4JRB, K4MQG,
- K4RIG, K4ROZ, K4RPK, K4SE, K4YXJ, KA4S, KB4I, KB4IT, KB4TS, KC4IR,
- KC4IT, KC4M, KC4MJ, KC4OH, KC4UC, KD4UH, KN4KWD, KX4R, N4BFA,
- N4BNK, N4DVW, N4HU, N4NX, N4OE, N4OL, N4OM, N4PN, N4RJ, N4VZ,
- N4WQ, NF4A, NN4K, NT4W, NZ4Z, W4BBP, W4CEB, W4DXI, W4GBU, W4GIW,
- W4GKF, W4HR, W4JD, W4MGN, W4MWT, W4NET, W4NL, W4OOZ, W4UYC, W8QFR,
- WA4AHD, WA4BCY, WA4PVT, WA4HNL, WA4NIB, WA4OMI, WA4OPV, WA4OQL,
- WA4PBW, WA4QMQ, WA4REF, WA4SSU, WA4WLZ, WA4YED, WB4CSW, WB4JRL,
- WB4NDX, WB4RUA, WD4FWE, WD4LRB, WG4S.

MEET THE DXERS

It is a real pleasure to highlight another YL DXer. When Rosie Lamb, along with her OM, joined the Southeastern DX Club only about 4 years ago, she was no stranger to DXing. Rosie, KA4S, had already worked many countries and had been Secretary of the National Capitol DX Association and the second YL member ever of the Potomac Valley Radio

Club. Rosie hates CW except when it is absolutely nessecary to work a new country. She and the OM, Lynn also enjoy carefree get-aways with their Avion trailer (no doubt to recover from a hard weekend of contesting or chasing rare ones!).

Rosie was first licensed in 1969 as WN3NGS and started DXing in 1973 as WA3NGS. She also held the secondary call about the same time of K6DXG. Rosie got the Extra class in 1978. The Heard Island card will put her on the Honor Roll leaving only CE0X, both VU7s, XZ, YA, ZA, 3Y, 5A, and 70.

As well as chasing DX, Rosie has been QSL manager for several stations, the only active one at this time is A92NH but she still has logs and cards for these; A9XDO, CE3XV, CN8EU, EL2FT (also 5L2FT), K4BEO/CE3, and VU2BEO. Rosie's contest activity seems to be limited to participation in Multi-operator efforts with the OM and others from their very well equiped station. They vow this year's effort will be a major undertaking and beating their team will be NO easy task!

As with most DXers, Rosie is no stranger to work on the tower. She regularly climbs the family's 4 (yes, FOUR) towers. Lynn tries to insists that she stay below 60 feet. Rosie has pulled every antenna and tower section up herself. Granted she used the tractor on the heavy stuff, but Lynn says that every time she has to call more than three times in a pile-up, Rosie wants to tear it down and put up a bigger one! That is really saying something since their station's antennas include (not a complete list!); 2 elements on 40M at 125', 4 elements on 40M at 110', 5 elements on 20M at 112', 4 element 80M (!) Delta Quad at 100' pointed at Europe, 2 element 80M Delta Quad at 100' pointed at the Pacific, 8 elements on 15M at 100', 8 elements on 10M at 100', 5 over 5 on 10M at 74' and 34' fixed on the Pacific, 3 elements on 20M at 58' pointed South, 3 elements on 15M at 39' pointed South, 4 elements on 10M at 29' also fixed South, 5 elements on 15M at 50', 4 elements on 15M at 61', 4 elements on 10M at 58', a TA-36 tri-bander at 61', and various slopers on 160M!!!!!!! WOW!!!!

In the May 1983 issue of QST, in the YL NEWS and VIEWS, is a nice photo and short write-up on Rosie. She and Lynn have been married for 26 years and they have two sons, Steve, 22 yrs., and Mark, 18 yrs. Since Lynn sent QST the picture, Rosie has worked those two countries!

STRAYS - Lynn Lamb, W4NL, joins the ranks of the SEDX Club members who has "worked them all!" Congradulations, Lynn. (Does that make him a "stray Lamb?" That brings the total to four; K4EZ, W4BFR, K4RPK and W4NL. It looks like this will all change with Peter I Island. Darn!

MEMBERS are OFFICERS - WA4QMQ, President of the Western Kentucky DX Club; WA4PNY, President of the Atlanta Radio Club and ARRL S.E. Division and Section Public Information Officer; WI4K, President of MALARC (Metro Atlanta Ladies Amateur Radio Club) and Board member of the Kennehoochie A.R.C.; KC4MJ, Treasurer of Atlanta R.C.; KC4TJ, Publicity Chairman Atlanta R.C.; and KD4RR, Station Manager of W4DOC (Atlanta R.C.).

NOTES FROM THE OLD DXER
(author unknown)

I happened to be browsing through some old ham magazines the other day and it struck me how advanced our radios have become over the years. I'm not talking simply about receiving and transmitting now, but the "bells and whistles" that have become standard equipment. Think about it. The average radio today has RIT, VBT or PBT or VPBT, woodpecker mufflers and a host of other goodies. In fact, you would think that these new radios have just about every convenience that you could possibly want or use. But let's face it, with the QRM we have to deal with today, the array of devices for the elimination of interference, good as they are, are simply not enough.

Well, never fear. The OLD DXER has come up with some answers for those of you who have been unable to beat the infidels from your door.

First, there is the Microprocessor Based Language Activated Filter (MBLAF). This filter senses the presence of an undesired foreign language and filters it out before it reaches the final audio stage of your receiver. Think of it! No more Miami phone patches! No more interference from Italians and Yugoslavians in the pileups.

The ultimate filter, however, is the SCRAM, short for Stellar Collecting Reflective Audio Mute. This device may be Available only to those with unlimited funds and a natural bent for intergalactic warfare. Basically the SCRAM consists of a high-power laser which is connected to your radio through a computer. Whenever any objectionable signal appears within a defined passband, the computer will determine the precise geographical coordinates of the signal source. The laser is then aimed at a suitable reflector (any man-made satellite or the moon will suffice) and a short, but massively powerful burst is emitted from the laser. The beam travels into space and returns from the computer-selected reflector at the precise angle necessary to reach earth at the previously computed coordinates. The signal source is then fried to a crisp along with the operator thereof and everything else within about 500 feet. The exact level of filtering (i.e. burn-feet) is measured in kilodecibels. For example, the elimination of the signal and temporary paralysis of the operator can be described as 100kDB down.

Naturally, the SCRAM can be operated in both manual and automatic modes. (Power Supply not included. Contact the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.)

Rumor has it that a SCRAM is already operational. When is the last time you heard anybody on the air from Willacoochee?

As soon as I have an MBLAF and a SCRAM operational at my QTH, I will re-write those famous words of Hugh Cassidy.

"DX WAS!"

73, The Old DXer.

FOR SALE - Demonstrator, like new, Large Linear Amplifier. Flame-thrower II (Godzilla Products, Box 69A, Tonganoxie, Kansas) Guaranteed to be at least 20 db better than the Flamethrower I. Requires 600W Drive (min.) and can take up to 1500W Drive. Must have 440V three phase available and room for 10'x12' storage building (for Power Supply). Contact ABOX, 7871 Webster, K.C., Kansas 66109

NO CODE Ham license - Mike, K4PI, reminds us that if you have not expressed your displeasure and anxiety at the Code Free (or just Free) license, you still have time. The original deadline for comments has been extended. (I understand the FCC actually called League headquarters and asked them to ask for an extention! The "heat" from our Congressmen and Senators is responsible for this! Don't quit now! They may be cringing a little, but we are not even close to being out of the woods on this one!)

I think there are a number of different sets of circumstances that if any one of which were in effect, there would be little or no cause for alarm about a code-free license. An example that comes readily to mind is the requirement for VERY distinctive callsigns, no voice communications (only computer generated data), and restriction to a band not presently heavily populated. Another would be a lot more lenient, but would require a much more effective written exam!

FIELD DAY - June 28 and 29, for those that would like to participate, Lee, W6OKX, is putting together a group for this old favorite contest. If you would care to get involved, either with operating or just supplying equipment, and you have not already been in touch with Lee, please contact him soon. Lee Sheridan, W6OKX, (404) 394-4348.

DXPO '83 - Labor Day Weekend. Privately financed thereby removing any financial liability to the SEDX Club. However, YOU are STILL needed. Your participation both in support and as a volunteer are very much an important part. Plan to come out and enjoy yourself. DXPO is for you to enjoy. More information to be announced soon. Save Labor Day Weekend for DXPO, you will be glad you did!

BULLETIN COPYING - costs have been limited to the price of paper, but our good fortune CANNOT go on forever! If you can "host" the bulletin copying one month, please call WB4ZNH or KC4BX with information. This savings will be quite noticable when the revised budget is worked out, and should give us more of what we need for our good works!

***** 73 de wb4znh

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MALPELO - 83

50th L.C.R.A. ANNIVERSARY

DX'PESSION: MALPELO

PLACE: MALPELO ISLAND - COLOMBIA

CALL: HKØTU

LOCATION: 3°59'07"N
81°34'27"W

SPONSOR: LIGA COLOMBIANA DE RADIOAFICIONADOS (L.C.R.A.)
IN COORDINATION WITH THE COLOMBIAN NAVY.

OPERATION FREQUENCIES: (+ 5KHz)

CODE	PHONE
28.025 KHz	28.595 KHz
21.025 KHz	21.295 KHz
14.025 KHz	14.185 KHz
7.005 KHz	7.085 KHz
3.505 KHz	3.795 KHz
1.825 KHz	1.825 KHz

EXPERIMENTS WILL BE CONDUCTED ON 146,460 KHz.
ALSO SATELLITE OPERATION. NOTWITHSTANDING
THE ABOVE, OTHER FREQUENCIES WILL BE USED IF
CONDITIONS SO REQUIRE.

OPERATORS: L.C.R.A. MEMBERS. ONLY - HK's ONLY

DATE: OCTOBER 1983

DURATION: FIVE DAY OPERATION

QSL MANAGER: HK3DDD

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