



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

W4NT

THE
SOUTH'S
PREMIER
DX CLUB

June 1998

MEETING TIME & LOCATION

Tues., June 16th, 7:00 PM, TECH AMERICA, just north on Buford Hwy north of I-285.

VP THOUGHTS

-Ernie Zingleman, KS4Q, VP

It was good to see everyone that attended the May club meeting. Sid, ET3SID, during his post Dayton visit to Atlanta, gave an entertaining talk on his work in Ethiopia, and his success in getting Ethiopian youngsters interested in ham radio. Many that he has 'elmered' are now pursuing studies abroad with the hopes of securing technically oriented employment back in Ethiopia, once their studies are complete.

June is Atlanta Hamfest month. If you did not already hear, Bill Moore will be attending from the ARRL and will be checking DXCC cards at the SEDXC booth. Bring your cards and completed forms. Contact Mike, K4PI, regarding booth personnel openings. There are probably still some open slots and the club could use some enthusiastic DXers at the booth promoting DXing and promoting the club.

Paul, W6XA, and I took time to get together and review the club surveys that were sent out. We will give a brief report on the what everyone had to say. But in a nutshell, most people just want to come to the meeting for an entertaining program and do not want anything to do with the business portion of club activities.

For this to happen, a radical reorganization of how the club works will be needed. In addition to the annual panel of club officers, there will need to be an executive council or steering committee. This way, all club business can take place away from the regular monthly meetings. All voting and business discussion can be done by the a separate meeting of the club officer and club directors. Really, most people do not want to get involved in club business discussions; admit it. This is what the surveys you returned indicated.

Only by taking club business discussions and vote taking off site can we make time for a mostly entertainment oriented meeting. If this whole idea scares you, remember that you get to vote and nominate people for club officer and board of director positions. Get involved yourself or elect someone you trust; it is just that simple.

On another note, Paul W6XA and I do not plan on pursuing or accepting President or VP positions in the coming year and our terms are up. Step up to the line and volunteer, or 'volunteer' someone you think will do a good job. Otherwise, there may not be a July SEDXC meeting to attend.

As the June meeting program, I will be giving a brief talk on my recent trip to operate as KS4Q/YS9 in El Salvador. I don't have pictures yet, but I promise you that I will tell an entertaining story. The ham radio part of the trip was just plain fun. The fish we caught were tasty too!

73, Ernie KS4Q

BEEPS DE K2UFT

-Dick Bentley, K2UFT, Activities Director

Got to read our esteemed VP's article before publication and it seems that he and W6XA will be leaving us at the end of their terms. Once again its fish or cut bait time folks. The survey results indicate most members just want to get together for dinner and a program, the heck with the other stuff like counting the coins in the treasury, putting out a newsletter, attracting new converts, encouraging participation in DX chasing and 160 meter contesting, sponsoring local QSL checkers for DXCC and other award programs, sponsoring booths at hamfests where you can meet with fellow dxers, etc, etc.

So the bottom line is many want the fun but don't want to invest anything more than their annual dues and perhaps 2 hours a month for meetings. You can get a better deal than that at (continued p2)

(continued from p1) Blockbuster Video without the hassle of sitting in on a Blockbuster Board Meeting. Their membership is free and you can get a first rate 2 hour video for \$4 or so. Ernie suggested adding a steering committee - heck, with the current attitude we don't need any officers or director at all - well, maybe one - a social director to pick out the movies for the members.

SK Dick, K2UFT Activities Chairman

SEDXC MINUTES 5/19/98

-Rick Glisson, N4XXM, Sec.

The meeting started right at 7:105 PM with Paul, W6XA, calling the meeting to order. After he introduced himself, everyone went around the room and introduced themselves.

Nancy gave the report that there was \$2694.20 in the account. Her report for the last two months will be in the next newsletter. A motion was made and seconded and passed to accept the treasurer's report and also the minutes as published.

A few people commented that the Kansas City DX booth was well attended. Ernie, KS4Q, did comment that the attendance overall seems down.

Ernie also commented on the surveys that most favored less club business and more time devoted to the program and getting back to the basics. Another comment mentioned was to have the program announced well in advance. Location comments were mixed as well as raising the dues.

Dick, K2UFT, reminded everyone about the June 20th ARC Hamfest to be held at the International Convention Center, one day only. Bill Moore from ARRL will be there to check cards. There may be a talk on DXCC 2000.

Someone also mentioned the announcement that Zorro would try to activate A5 in 1999.

Rick, N4XXM, brought his copies of the life of Father Moran and DXing on the Edge for anyone to look at.

Rick also announced that his daughter, JoAnne is now officially KF4YOO.

Several people also commented that the Crown Royal at Dayton will not take reservations early but after April 28th.

Randy, K4ODL, said that his renewal only

took ten days when he renewed electronically over the internet.

Sid May, ET3AA, was our program. He gave a very interesting talk about ham radio in ET land and showed slides and a video of the operating location. He also mentioned many of his Caribbean DX'ing before he went to ET. Some of his other locations include V4, V2, 5N, ZB2, and ST2. When you are operating in these places, you have to be resourceful. Sid proved that over and over! Sid also brought two native Ethiopian guests which he was visiting after Dayton. Sid and his guests answered many questions about their operations and related many good stories. A good time was had by all!

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM as Tech America tried to close.

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Nancy Draheim, NK4U

Balance 4/30/98 (Checkbook)	\$2694.20
Receipts	\$120.00
Expenses:	
QSL outgoing	\$12.00
April newsletter	\$20.40
May newsletter	\$21.84
Balance Checking 5/31/98	\$2759.96

Sounds like the Atlanta Hamfest will be THE PLACE TO BE. Help Mike make the SEDXC booth THE PLACE TO BE SEEN. The bands are improving and now is the time to excite new (or old) DX'ers to join us.

Remember also that dues are due by June 30th. A membership application should be included with this mailing or e-mail and I urge you to join us for another year.

See you at the meeting and Atlanta Hamfest.

73, Nancy NK4U Treasurer

COME AND VOTE! IT IS YOUR CLUB!

DX TIDBITS

-Rick Glisson, N4XMX, editor

It's official! JoAnne, my ten year old harmonic, is now KF4YOQ. Dick, K2UFT, was kind enough to stand by and be her first contact on 15M, CW of course! Dick then QSY'ed to 10M SSB QSO on phone. Now we have to make up a QSL card, send envelopes to her buro, etc. Forgot how much there is to do!

I am now teaching her to throw that call out with authority, practising for CQWW! Worked a fellow in southern Missouri on 10M in a pileup. Good practice.

While down in Darien, GA with a TS-440 and a R-5, I heard Ernie, KS4Q, and Steve, K4JPD, operating portable YS9. Worked Ernie one night on 20M phone and then worked Steve the next morning, same freq. Threw my call in at Steve and he commented, "Now there's some rare DX, N4XMX!" I thanked him as 4's are rarely sought after.

The WPX had some goodies in it. I worked a 3DA on 40M which is a new one for me on 40. I am trying to get the cards on 40M and need more countries on 80M. I listened during WPX CW but really didn't hear the number of stations I was hoping for. Maybe next time! 5BDXCC is not a walk in the park.

I was hoping something would surface from 70 but haven't heard anything yet. Monk Apollo has been on the air more recently. Ever since the DXAC talked about deleting him, he's been alot more active. Steve, K4WA, called me one night this week to tell me he was on 20M. Thanks, Steve! I never mind a call like that! Now that I finally have his card, I can relax. Now I still need 70, YK, EP, and ST, anybody, feel free to CALL!

CU in the pileups... -Rick, N4XMX

FROM THE INTERNET

QST to all radio amateurs:

Beginning July 10, 1998, I will be operating 9N1UD, looking for stateside contacts especially, on the following freqs and times:

Nepal's sunrise and sunset times daily (can not predict which days). Will first try 14.195, then 14.023, and then 21.295 and 21.023. I have a daily sked with southeast Asians on 14.215 at 0100 Z. Via either my call or 9N1AA or if we get it,

9N1MM, I will also try the lower bands (and ten and six). I intend to email this reflector any specific skeds when and if I can make things specific. I have plans for 80 and 160, too, but no skeds can be made now due to the variability of my filming activities. I will try also for S. America, another difficult path. Please remember that I will be very weak and am NOT N1UD, but am 9N1UD. Hope to work lots of use-guys and gals!

73, K4VUD

ARRL BULLETIN:

Senator Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, SK

Former US Senator, onetime presidential candidate, and noted radio amateur Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, died May 29. He was 89. Goldwater had suffered a stroke in 1986 and had been in failing health. A staunch conservative, Goldwater was the 1964 Republican presidential nominee and served five terms in the US Senate.

He also authored the book *Conscience of a Conservative*. Goldwater retired from politics in 1986. His home was in Scottsdale, Arizona. As a Senator, Goldwater's legacy included several pieces of Amateur Radio-related legislation. In 1964, Goldwater's bill to allow reciprocal operating agreements between the US and other countries was signed into law. It was his work on the bill that prompted the Arizona Senator to renew his interest in ham radio after a long absence. In 1983, Amateur Radio paid homage to Goldwater as "its governmental protector and advocate" by establishing the \$5000 ARRL Scholarship to Honor Barry Goldwater, K7UGA. In announcing the scholarship, then-ARRL Washington Area Coordinator Perry Williams, W1UED, said that Goldwater's Amateur Radio involvement had "brought joy to thousands of members of the armed services stationed overseas, and through his professional career, he has exemplified the principles of commitment and service to one's country and fellow citizens."

The Goldwater scholarship, administered by the ARRL Foundation, is awarded each year to a deserving radio amateur to encourage a spirit of achievement and dedication in the field of communication. ARRL Executive Director David Sumner, K1ZZ, said that of amateurs in the public sector, Goldwater was "without peer." Southwestern Division Director Fried Heyn called Goldwater "a super ham" who was "concerned about the future of Amateur Radio."

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K4KG (2400) 144.91
W4UCK (24 & 96) 145.65, 144.97 (ARCDX)
NI4X (9600) 144.93, 145.71, 440.75
K4UJ (2400) 145.67 (SE Megacluster)
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