



# Bulletin



October 2016

## From the Pres

**Mike ND4V**

Are you ready for some B-B-Q? Paul, W4KLY and his XYL Eileen (SWMBO) have graciously invited the club and those interested in DXing to a real pit barbecue. We are asking attendees to pay \$10 per person and the club will pick up the balance of the cost. We plan to have pulled pork, beans, slaw, beer, and wine. Guests may bring their favorite appetizer or dessert but that's not required. October 15<sup>th</sup>. 4PM to 8PM. Plan to eat between 5 and 6. The directions to the Kelly's are at <http://sedxc.org/picnic16.htm>. GPS users: Paul says that 3780 Juhan Road will take you to the right spot.

Looking back through the logbook for September, there wasn't much exciting to talk about. Got the D66 on 40 and that was about it. I still need a few AN400 Spaniards to spell out Miguel de Cervantes.

I worked the Peanut Powered Sprint that is sponsored by the North GA QRP "club": 14 Contacts in two hours. All I can say is thank goodness for QRO.

The club was well represented at W4DXCC this year. Jeff, K1ZN was a speaker at the boot camp on Friday. Vaden (aka Mac as the CW Ops know him) had his RUFZ program running for those who cared to test their code copying abilities. He had to make a new category

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## Veep's Report

**Chuck AE4CW**

### Last Month's Meeting

Bob Schmieder, KK6EK organizer and leader of the VKØEK Heard Island DXpedition gave us a front row seat to the challenges, beauty, thrill and agony of DXing in the extreme. Combining ham radio, information technology and scientific exploration, this was certainly a unique adventure to one of the most remote places on earth. Thanks Bob! <http://www.heardisland.org/> P.S. Please consider voting for VKØEK as the October QST Cover Plaque Award winner! <https://vk0ek.org/> (log into arrl.org first).

### This Month's Meeting

**Date/Time:** Thursday October 20th @ 7:30 PM

**Location:** Rich Auditorium, Piedmont Hospital  
Details at [www.sedxc.org](http://www.sedxc.org)

**Program Title:** K5P - The Palmyra 2016 DXpedition

**Speaker:** Lou Dietrich, N2TU – Team Leader



In early January of this year Palmyra and Jarvis Islands stood at #9 on the DXCC Most Wanted List. As a national wildlife refuge, access to Palmyra Atoll is very tightly controlled and difficult to achieve. Working with The Nature Conservancy the K5P team submitted a successful proposal to the US Fish and Wildlife Service resulting in a 14-day January 2016 expedition.

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## From the Pres (cont.)

for the 50 plus WPM guys. W4KLY and I swapped positions for bragging rights. He had held the honor since Huntsville. The speakers were great as were the food and accommodations. Put Pigeon Forge on your to do list for next year!

### REMEMBER NO CLUB MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

November is cranking up to be a busy month! Alford Memorial's Stone Mountain Hamfest is the first weekend. The bone yard is certain to be packed with stuff you really, really want or want to be rid of.

On the heels of Stone Mountain comes HamJam on November 19 @ 0800 to 1300 local time at the Metropolitan Club in Alpharetta. Info at [www.hamjam.info](http://www.hamjam.info) Admission is free. They have three great speakers lined up and a table full of raffle prizes. Last year the prizes at retail would have amounted to about \$8,000. With around 200-300 people in attendance odds of winning something really nice doesn't get much better. Profits from the raffle support youth activities and education. SEDXC is a proud endorser of HamJam, so let's turn out in force for this one.

I'm looking forward to hearing about Palmyra from Lou this month. See you at Panera for soup and salad before the meeting.

73 es gud DX,

Mike ND4V❖

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## Activities Chairman

HF propagation may be challenging these days but October and November are great months for Ham radio and the SEDXC!

- Don't miss the fall SEDXC picnic on October 15th, a real pit Bar-B-Que at Paul and Eileen Kelley's home! Check your email for an invitation or contact one of the SEDXC club officers for more information.
- Stone Mountain Hamfest is November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Please come out BOTH DAYS and help us spread the word about SEDXC. [StoneMountainHamFest.com](http://StoneMountainHamFest.com)
- HamJam is November 19th. This fantastic annual event benefits youth radio and other youth STEM initiatives. Presented by our friends at NFARL and endorsed by SEDXC and many other local radio clubs HamJam is always a "don't

miss" opportunity to meet, greet and possibly win some great raffle prizes! We will see you there!

HamJam proceeds that benefit youth education and opportunity are generated by raffle ticket sales. Tickets will be available at the SEDXC picnic and at the October SEDXC meeting. The more tickets you purchase the larger the youth fund...and you increase your chances of winning!

Visit [HamJam.info](http://HamJam.info) for more information.

73,

Daryl K4RGK❖

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## Treasurer's Journal

Checkbook balance end of September is \$11,410.72. Only payout is for holiday party amortization of \$160.27.

73,

Jeff K1ZN❖

**HamJam 2016**

*It's All About Youth*

November 19<sup>th</sup>

Info: [www.hamjam.info](http://www.hamjam.info)



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SEDXC Chat Room: details on webpage

SEDXC Reflector: details on webpage

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## Veep's Report (cont.)

As often happens, things changed that challenged the ingenuity of the team...from restrictions requiring the use of vertical antennas to an aircraft too small to carry the entire team to the island...and much more to be revealed during Lou's talk!

Lou Dietrich, N2TU has led or operated on four major DXpeditions. He was originally licensed as WN2RNW in the early 60's during his High School years. After time off for "Family, College and Work Life" Lou relicensed as KA2MBC in 1981, upgraded to NN2G and "vanitized" over to N2TU. Lou says: "I chose "TU" because we have a lot to be thankful for! This is a wonderful hobby with fantastic people from all walks of life." <http://palmyra2016.org/index.html>.

## November Meeting

In place of our monthly club meeting, please plan on attending **HamJam 2016** featuring Jay Slough, K4ZLE about "The VP8 DXpedition to the South Sandwich & South Georgia Islands.

Info: <http://hamjam.info/JaySlough.html>

As your new VP and Program Organizer, I welcome your ideas and suggestions on program topics, content and specific presenters. Don't be shy; please let me know what you would like to see and hear in future SEDXC programs!

73 es gud DX,

Chuck AE4CW❖

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## SEDXC DXpedition Funding Request

<b>Entity Name / Call Sign</b>	Ronald Stuy / PA3EWP
<b>Web page</b>	www.pitcairn2017.de
<b>Team leader / number of members:</b>	Hans DL6JGN, 4 members total
<b>Approx. Date and duration of Dxpediton</b>	16/02/2017 – 05/03/2017
<b>QSL manager / QSL route</b>	DK2AMM, Buro/CBA/LOTW/OQRS
<b>Budget estimated for Dxpediton</b>	36.000 \$
<b>Position on most wanted list:</b>	51
<b>Landing permit/operating permission approved.</b>	yes
<b>Last time this entity was activated</b>	September 2016 (SO only SSB)
<b>Typical interval between activations</b>	1 year
<b>Anyone planning to activate this entity before your DXpedition</b>	No
<b>Objective / Strategy</b>	Focusing on low bands
<b>Callsign/Age of youngest Team member</b>	PA3EWP/55 years
<b>SEDXC member initiating request</b>	
<b>SEDXC member(s) participating</b>	
<b>Funding amount requested</b>	
<b>Send Funds to:</b>	Paypal: Pitcairn2017@gmail.com
<b>SEDXC logo on QSL cards?</b>	yes
<b>SEDXC logo on web page?</b>	yes
<b>Additional comments:</b>	
<p><b>Operators:</b>  4 skilled operators with contest and DX-pedition experiences.  DK2AMM - Ernoe (CW) - Treasurer  DL6JGN - Hans (CW) - Team leader  DJ9HX - Uwe (SSB) - Member  PA3EWP - Ronald (All mode) - Public Relations</p> <p><b>Experiences:</b></p> <p><b>Uwe, DJ9HX</b></p> <p>Born 1944, licensed 1963 (as DJ9HX). Other calls used: ZK19HX, ZK2XH, A35HX, VK9XI, VK9CJ, V63CO, 9M6HX, P29VHX, K2HX/KP4, DJ9HX/C6A, 8Q7HX, PJ4/DJ9HX, 3D2ØCR, ZK2C, E51M, 5WØM, T3ØD.</p>	

## **Ernoe, DK2AMM**

Born 1947, licensed 1966 (as HA2MM). Other calls used: C21EU, TX7EU.

## **Hans, DL6JGN**

Born 1947, licensed 1968 (as DM5XBN). Other calls used: DM2FGN, Y26GN, TX9, 5H1GHW, 3D20CR, E51M, ZK3N, XR0ZR, KH8/DL6JGN, T30D, C21EU, V73D, TX7EU.

## **Ron, PA3EWP**

Born 1961, licensed 1982 (as PD0NAL). Other calls used: HB0/PA3ERC, VP5/PA3EWP, VP5C, FG/PA3EWP, TO5C, J77C, J79WP, FM/PA3EWP, J6/PA3EWP, 9Y4/PA3EWP, 6Y5/PA3EWP, ZF2WP/ZF9, PJ7/PA3EWP, FS/PA3EWP, V47WP, VP2EWP, 8Q7WP, V26WP, 8P9JU, J3/PA3EWP, J38PA, J8/PA3EWP, J8PA, TI9M, TI9/PA3EWP, GM/PA3EWP, J75WP, J75PA, VP2MWP, VP2MPA, OY7WP, OY8PA, 3D2WP, T30RR, T33C, T33WP, ZB2/PA3EWP, PZ5C, PZ5WP, TY5WP, VU3SXR, VU7RG, V8FWP, 5Z4/PA3EWP, DL/PA3EWP, OE/PA3EWP, 3D20CR, MD/PA3EWP, 6W/PA3EWP, MJ/PA3EWP, F/PA3EWP, KH6BB, TN2T, T32C, E51M, E51EWP, ON/PA3EWP, 9Q50ON, LX/PA3EWP, 9U4U, XR0ZR, KH8/PA3EWP, C21EU, S79C, TX7EU.

### **DX Code of Conduct:**

We will support the DX Code of Conduct.

### **Equipment:**

We will use 2\* Elecraft K3 transceivers with home-made amplifier 600 watts and an Expert 1.3K-FA amplifier 1 Kw. (1\* Elecraft K2 for spare).

The antennas will be a Hexbeam 6-20 meter by SP7IDX @ 7meter, a multiband vertical 10/15/20 meter a multiband vertical for 12/17/30 meter and a vertical for 40 meter, and a combined vertical for 80/160 meter. For the lowbands we will use RX antennas. All antennas are on the Hill TOP of the Island 360 degrees' clear view.

### **Information:**

Our website for more information is available: <http://www.pitcairn2017.de/>

### **QSO's:**

Looking to our experiences from the last years we expect to make >30.000 QSO's. (Of course it depends also on the propagation on the higher bands).

### **Online log:**

We will use Clublog for online logging (if internet is available) and OQRS (QSL requests). VP6EU Pitcairn OC-044 Page | 2

### **QSL cards:**

A short time after the DX-pedition the logs will be uploaded by our QSL manager to LOTW.

All QSL via OQRS, bureau and direct will be answered as usually.

Ernö Ogonovszky, DK2AMM Am Steinbruch 4 09123 Chemnitz Germany

### **Sponsoring:**

With this email we ask you for sponsoring our DX-pedition.

We can offer you:

- Logo & publicity on our QSL card and website.
- A story of our DX-pedition for your club magazine.
- A power-point presentation can be provided to your club.
- QSL card services for the club-members can be arranged.
- Group photo with your club banner and/or flag.

**Budget:**

Our budget for the DX-pedition will be approx. 32.000 Euro. (Only the boat trip is +/- 13.000 Euro)

This includes: travel + overweight, housing, renting generator, purchase some additional equipment.

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