



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

W4NT

HEADQUARTERED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA
DX Alert 147.500, also 147.795T/.195R
DX Ragchew 147.470, .540S, .795T/.195R
Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 16, 1984
Time: 7:30 PM (Local)
Place: Lutheran Church at the corner of Peachtree
and Narmore. (2 blocks North of Phipps Plaza.)

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING was a program on 160 Meter DXing. It was presented by K4PI, Mike. It was pointed out to the membership that while construction of really competitive antennas might require considerable real estate, a lot of fun and DX can be had with a very moderate installation. Some operating expectations were also discussed.

THE OCTOBER MEETING will be essentially a preparation for the CQ WW Phone contest later in the month. The meeting will be conducted by N4OL, Bob Harrell. Bob will have some slides and awards with him to emphasize contesting enjoyment and accomplishment without killing yourself! PLEASE MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO ATTEND THIS MEETING!

* * SPECIAL NOVEMBER PROGRAM * * Brook Byers, K4TKM, will be attending the November meeting for his first time in years! Brook's home is in California. He and his brother Ken, K4TEA, were members of the SEDXC about 20 years ago. Brook will be showing us slides and telling us about operating from HS0A, 9N1MM, and 4S7BBG. DON'T MISS THIS ONE!!!!!!

BUSINESS - Bill, N4NX, brought jacket, shirt and cap samples to the club meeting. The price of the nice golf shirts was \$17. Because the price was higher than originally expected, we are ordering a limited number and disregarding the shirt column on the first order sheet that was circulated.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - KC4BX and WA4HNL were appointed as the nominating committee to come up with a recommended slate of officers for 1985. If you would like to serve your club as an officer, please contact Grover or Joel.

BUREAU - Through the investigating of Bill, WA4VDE, it was learned that the Sterling Park Radio Club, which operates the 4th Call District, Two-letter prefix Qs1 Bureau, did not have the minimum number of sorters for the entire alphabet. The letters V, K, H and N had no one to sort them at all! Your President, WB4ZNH, worked out the details on the phone, flew to Washington, D.C., and met with the new bureau manager, KI4NX, and picked up the back-log and supplies for the letters V, K, and H. Three volunteers took over each of the letters, WA4VDE, WI4K and WA4HNL. Several other club members have also volunteered to help if needed. (Between phone calls, Ken, KI4NX, found a local volunteer for the letter N.) Perhaps a breather is all the Sterling Park Club needs. We will provide additional assistance as necessary.

IMPORTANT: UN-VOLUNTEERING IS ACCEPTABLE! FAILING TO DO THE JOB VOLUNTEERED FOR IS UNACCEPTABLE! NO ONE WILL CRITICIZE IF YOU DISCOVER THAT YOU REALLY DON'T HAVE THE NECESSARY TIME, ENERGY, OR WHAT-EVER. LET SOMEONE KNOW IMMEDIATELY IF YOU NEED RELIEF OR HELP. REMEMBER, YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO: (1) SORT AND MAIL QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY; (2) TURN THE JOB OVER TO SOMEONE ELSE IMMEDIATELY IF FOR ANY REASON YOU CANNOT KEEP UP.

CONTEST CORNER - Looking over the scores coming in for the September contest, it looks like it will be a close race to see who wins. They are all very good and I will run a list of all entrants next month. Next to the ARRL DX Phone Contest, it looks like this will be the largest number of entries so far.

This month will the CQ WW Phone Contest and I am hoping there will be a lot of new calls on the tally sheet for this one. I had hoped we would have more members enter the contests, but it looks as though it is always the same ones. One reason I planned some month-long contests was so we would not be tied to one weekend. If you had to miss that weekend you would not have a chance. By going the whole month, everyone should have a shot at winning.

Time is getting short on the year-long contest, so keep looking for those new countries and see if you can be the one to work the most by December 20th. Remember there is a special plaque for this one. 73 and Good DX! Jim, K4DLI

LICENSE RENEWAL REMINDER - OCTOBER, 1984: WB4JRL. NOVEMBER, 1984: NONE. I still need new renewal dates for K4AHJ, KØALL, WB4EDD, W4GBU, KN4H, WB4JRL, K4PHE, K4STK, and K05G; plus I have never received renewal dates for the following:
WA4BEC, K4FWR, W4GKF, K4IHP, WB4LJP, KC40H, N40L, W400Z, WA4PBW, N4PN, WA4REF, W4RNZ, K4ROZ, KD4UH, W4PME, and W5VUX.

STRAYS

HELP! K4DLI - VK9X, OY, and 9M6. N4NX - VKØ MacQ(CW). N4IA - BV, S2, and XU.
WD4FWE - JT, A35, and T2. W4OWY - A6, BV, and FW. WI4K - HS, TA, and VK9W.
The "HELP" column is for you. If you are chasing a particularly elusive DX station(s), let your editor know and you will be listed in the "HELP" column for up to three prefixes.

MELLISH REEF - we have received a letter from The Down Under DXers Contest Club's President, Les, VK2WU. The Down Under group is planning a DXpedition to Mellish Reef this month. No specific dates were given but, being a contest club, I would bet that they will be there during the CQ WW Phone. If so, make an effort to help their score!

CEØAA QSL CARDS - bring your San Felix cards to the October meeting for group mailing. The operation will not be quite over but most should have gotten those important contacts. Even those who insist on working the station on their own should have all they need by then. Several local DXers have them on 4 and 5 bands without the aid of the list.

LETTERS AND PHONE CALLS have been coming in from happy recipients of bureau envelopes. It isn't important exactly what they are saying, but it is very positive about the SEDXC. I remember very well, back in the mid-seventies, when many of us were saying wonderful positive things about Sterling Park! -ed.

KENWOOD TS-930S/TL-922 COMBINATION, Malcolm, KN4KWD, would like to talk to any local member who might be using this combination. Please call Malcolm at (work) 231-0084, or (home) 255-1776.

DXPO 1985 - work is continuing on the mailing list. A separate mailing list of Ham Radio related businesses has been compiled for the purpose of soliciting prizes. This stage of the DXPO effort will actually begin very soon. The direct mailing effort must take place much closer to the actual event-- the current plan is immediately after the big PR push at the DAYTON HAMVENTION. We will have a HOSPITALITY SUITE at DAYTON. Through the efforts of Arch, K8CFU, we are going to share the suite with the 160 Meter gang. (Cont.)

Start making plans to attend Dayton (wearing your SEDXC jacket or shirt and DXPO ribbon-cut off the old date with pinking shears!).

BONA FIDE QSO? Usually we know who we are calling. Sometimes we know because other people are giving the DX station's call. Usually we really do copy our report. Sometimes we QSL the same report everyone else is Qsling, when the station is giving everyone a 59 or 33, for instance. Example: On 80 Meters, Joe DXer hears everyone calling ZA2AA. Joe calls also, without actually hearing ZA2AA. However, Joe has heard 3 stations in a row QSL 3x3. Someone in the pile-up says, "He's answering you, Joe!" Joe calls and gives a report, but cannot hear the ZA. Here Joe merely answers, "Qsl the 3x3, Slovac. 73 and thanks fer the new one!" The pile-up begins again. Not much different than some of the exchanges on some lists, is it? Couldn't we make it just a little bit more interesting? (And close up some of the holes in DXCC achievement?-ed)

If the DX station gave each DXer a different 3-digit ALPHA/NUMERIC code, which he/she kept in his/her log, just like a signal report, and if the DXer gave a similar 3-digit code, we would surely know those QSLs were the result of a real, BONA FIDE QSO!

Currently, it is not always possible for BOTH parties to know they actually had a valid two-way contact. Log books could be printed with a column of randomized 3-digit codes. If the stations gave up trying to complete the QSO, the DX station could merely skip a line. The ARRL QSO requirements for DXCC are very lenient; wouldn't a system like this make things a lot more interesting? Mike, K4PI.

THE TRADER

FOR SALE: TRI-BAND LINEAR, \$3000.00. A friend of club member Ron, KØALL, has this homebrew Amp for sale. The specifications are: 80M, 40M, and 20M coverage; 4CX10,000 tube, and 8KV B+. Call Ron at (701) 237-9026 for further information.

FOR SALE: Yaesu FT-207R with NC-3 AC powersupply/charger and speaker mic. Vocom 25 wt. 2 meter amp. with charger plug. Dentron Clipperton-L Linear Amplifier. Call K4DLI at 955-1775 during the day or 993-1767 at night.

FOR SALE: HY-Gain TH6DXX Tri-bander, \$150; Mosley TA-33 Tri-bander, \$125; and old but nice National NC-3 receiver, \$60. Harry, K4GFH; at Home: (404) 352-2946; Office: 581-2322.

FOR SALE: 2 each, TEAC Slim line 80 track, double-sided, double-density disk drives, \$200 each. DATEC MODEM (Bell 212 compatible), with built-in Automatic Calling Unit, \$175. Safety Belt, \$50. Call Bob Smith, K4PHE, at (404) 921-6713.

FOR SALE: Heath SB-220 Linear (with 10M!) and 4-element Cubex Tri-band Quad (30-foot boom model). Call Bob, W4OWY, (404) 973-4021 evenings and weekends.

IT IS ILLEGAL to re-use uncanceled stamps. If your bulletin was received with the stamp uncanceled, then bring the envelope to the club meeting and our Secretary will be happy to make sure that they are destroyed and NOT re-used!

BULLETIN COPYING - Our thanks to Jim Stieble, K4DLI, for copying this month's bulletin. Please help! We will have to start paying soon if we can't get additional help. If you can copy the bulletin one month, please call our Secretary, Joel, WA4HNL, at 394-5466.

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