



Bulletin



November 2016

From the Pres

Mike ND4V

Congratulations to the Alford Memorial Radio Club for the 2016 Stone Mountain Hamfest. It was the best yet. Thanks to our activities manager Daryl, K4RGK for organizing our booth and to all of the SEDXC members who manned our booth and promoted dxing.



I spent my time at the hamfest liquidating two fellow dxer's estates. To date we have sold about \$18,000 of one guy's equipment and \$2500 of the other. I think it

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Veep's Report

Chuck AE4CW

Last Month's Meeting

Lou Dietrich, N2TU, co-leader of the K5P Palmyra DXpedition delivered an excellent presentation on the team's activation of DXCC Most Wanted #9. Logistical challenges coupled with a very limited antenna allowance (verticals only!) made for an exciting and often difficult operation from a strikingly beautiful Pacific island. The team came through with 75K+ QSOs including nearly 35K Qs to North America while providing an ATNO for many SEDXC members, including yours truly. For more info on K5P: palmyra2016.org.

This Month's Meeting

The November meeting will NOT be at Rich Auditorium on Thursday evening.

Subject: **HamJam 2016**

Date/Time: **Saturday, November 19th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Location: Metropolitan Club, 5895 Windward Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia

Google Maps: <https://goo.gl/maps/sCaUmbmDxy92>
Details at <http://hamjam.info>

Three outstanding speakers guarantee an exciting morning. And, **over \$7,000 in raffle prizes** will only add to the excitement! Raffle tickets are available at http://nfarl.org/mart/HamJam_2016_Raffle_Tickets or at the door. ALL proceeds of HamJam are used to directly support youth activities including DX!

Jay Slough, K4ZLE (a SEDXC member) will present the VP8 DXpedition to South Sandwich and South Georgia. Jay has operated from about 50 different DXCC entities. He wrote a column for The DX Magazine, DXegesis, to help new DXers short circuit the learning curve in becoming a proficient DX operator. He and Jim, K8IKE, have made several technical presentations at the QRP ARCI Four Days in

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From the Pres (cont.)

could have been a lot more had we known about the filters installed, the condition of the final tubes, did the spare rotor work, etc. Do your family a favor; make an inventory of those boat anchors and gems. Make a note their condition – working, needs work, like new, etc. You might even note what you'd realistically expect it to sell for at a hamfest. Print out the list and put it with your important papers. Your family will thank you – someday.

HamJam is just around the corner. Our own Ruth Willett KM4LAO will be speaking about her Youth DX adventure to Saba Island as PJ6Y. Please come out and support HamJam, the support of youth activities and education is vital to keeping this hobby going. It is FREE admission. You can purchase a raffle ticket for some great prizes. Info: www.hamjam.info.

Thanksgiving weekend is the CQWW DX CW contest – always a chance for some band fills.

Speaking of being thankful, I am. This great hobby has been responsible for many of my deepest friendships over the years. Through the hobby I have met a Nobel Prize winner, an astronaut, a rock and roll hall of famer, book authors, TV personalities, DXers extraordinaire, and ordinary Joes, like me! Whether it was improving our antennas, a new rig, or the dx that got away, we had something in common to talk about. Be sure to also look outside the hobby this Thanksgiving and say thanks to the non-ham family and friends who have supported you along the way.

Remember, no regular club meeting in December!

Instead, we have the holiday party at 6PM on December 17 at the Parish Hall of St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church. The church is located at 6780 James B. Rivers Drive (formerly Memorial Drive), Stone Mountain, GA 30083. More details and a map are on the website at www.sedxc.org I look forward to seeing you there.

73 es gud DX,

Mike ND4V ❖

Activities Chairman

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

The Stone Mountain hamfest was a great success! Thanks for everyone who did booth duty.

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. The more tickets you purchase the larger the youth fund...and you increase your chances of winning!

Visit HamJam.info for more information.

73,

Daryl K4RGK ❖

Treasurer's Journal

Checkbook balance end of September is \$11,577.19. Only payout is for holiday party amortization of \$160.27.

73,

Jeff K1ZN ❖

HamJam 2016

It's All About Youth

November 19th

Info: www.hamjam.info



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Veep's Report (cont.)

May conference. Jay has been the long-term moderator for the DX forum at Hamvention® and Emcee for the DX Dinner held on Hamvention® weekend.

Paul Newberry, N4PN worked an amazing 73 counties as a rover in the GQP this year. Paul is a legendary raconteur, and we look forward to hearing him weave insights from this year's GQP and other ham events into lessons we can all use. Paul operates most contests including most state QSO parties. He is a member of the DXCC/CQ Honor Roll (383 countries) and DXCC #1 Honor Roll. He is currently President of the GEORGIA CONTEST GROUP.

Ruth Willet, KM4LAO will speak on what attracted her to ham radio, her adventures with ham radio, and what she has learned along the way. Ruth passed earned her Technician license in June 2015, General in January 2016, and Extra in May 2016. She says that she loves having a new and different experience every time she gets on the air! She mainly operates SSB and CW. You will often find her chasing parks for National Parks on the Air. She has completed CW Academy Level 1 and is working to improve her code speed. She takes advantage of every chance to use CW and treats every contact, whatever mode, as a learning experience that can teach her more about becoming a better ham radio operator.

See you at HamJam 2016, and GUD DX,

CHUCK AE4CW ❖

SEDXC DXpedition Funding Request

None at this time -- *Editor*

