



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

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DX CLUB*

December 1997

NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION

Tuesday, Dec. 16th, 7:30 PM, Old Hickory House in the Days Inn, Roswell Rd., just inside I-285.

VP THOUGHTS

-Ernie Zingleman, KS4Q, VP

(President Paul's, W6XA, computer broke)

Thanks to Tom, K8XP, for putting on an great program on AL7EL/KH9 Wake Island. I personally missed the meeting due to the flu bug circulating in my home, but I heard that it was an excellent show. In the near future Tom, we hope to hear about your more recent ZK1XXP North Cook Island trip!

I hope that all had fun in the CQ WW contests. I sat out for the SSB contest, but put in a stint operating at NQ4I, Rick's QTH for the CW 'test. My primary band was 10 meters which as you know is still marginal. At around 11:00 AM local time things really came alive. I began running Europeans at about four per minute. This lasted for about 30 minutes then the propagation shifted. In times like these, I remember why I like CW contesting so much. When I tuned the bands the next week from home, I thought "why is everyone going so slow?" Truly, an easy way to hone the CW skills is to do a little contesting. K2UFT and K4OGG were also part of the crew at Rick's.

Following this, I played around the past weekend in the ARRL 160 Meter CW contest. I did not hear many Europeans but did hear a few locals slugging it out. In general, though the main focus of the club is DXing, I think we should all do more to encourage participation in contesting activity. It is a great way to hone our operating skills.

For this month's program we will have an auction of gear to benefit the club. Here is how it works: The seller places a minimum value on the item to be sold. If this minimum is not met, the seller may take his gear back with no strings attached. If sold, the club receives 5% of the proceeds. I might also mention that the club is taking

donations, in which case the club receives all of the proceeds. I think this is a fun way to make money for the club while transferring your junk to someone else! Remember, your junk is someone else's treasure. Please pass the word, and phone members YOU haven't seen in a while that you miss seeing.

Lastly, this is advance notice that the January meeting will be held at a new trial location at the new Tech America store. It is located on Buford Hwy. on the left as you pass outside of I-285. This January meeting will start at the regular time of 7:30 PM.

Our esteemed President and broken computer owner, Paul W6XA, sends his regards to all. I hope to see all of you at the December meeting at the regular location.

Remember, bring your junk!

73, Ernie KS4Q

BEEPS DE K2UFT

-Dick Bentley, K2UFT, Activities Director

OK. will give it my best. Have two basic news items - the ARRL took umbrage to my filing 10 W4S applications at once. They allowed the first two 15 day periods (K4WA then me) so I'll advise others to file independently if they so desire.

Second item will be a change in meeting site to the Tech America meeting room, Buford Highway just outside 285. Its free and there's plenty of places to eat nearby. I may suggest we meet first and eat later. This will be for January forward until we grow tired of it or they throw us out!

73 Dick, K2UFT

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TREASURER'S REPORT

-Nancy Draheim, NK4U

No report this month since I have the flu, will make up for it next month.

See ya at the December meeting.

73, Nancy NK4U, Treasurer

SEDXC MINUTES 11/18/97

-Rick Glisson, N4XXM, Sec.

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 PM. 22 people were present. Paul had everyone introduce themselves.

K2UFT moved that the minutes be accepted as printed in the newsletter. This was seconded and passed.

Activities report: Dick, K2UFT, repeated that if anyone was interested in the W4S special call to contact him. Nancy, NK4U volunteered to handle the QSL'ing. A certificate was also discussed. A motion was made by Rick, N4XXM, to do this. Phil, W4GTS, seconded the motion and it passed.

Paul, W6XA, said he would give a report on the survey next month.

Since the membership chairman, Paul, K4UJ, was not present, no report was given. The survey had not been mailed and Paul, W6XA, would send out mail and email.

W6XA also said he would make a case of not issuing 1X1 calls to DXCC locations. Dick, K2UFT made a motion to this effect and John, N4TOL, seconded. The motion passed.

W6XA also asked if the absence of dinner or a bar would be a problem for a meeting site. There were no objections. An alternate site would be looked into.

Sunny, KE4LDJ, said he would get information on how to attract new members.

An excellent program on Wake Island, AL7EL/KH9, was given by Tom K8X. Tom hopes to return soon for more low band activity.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

-Rick, N4XXM, Sec.

DX TIDBITS

-Rick Glisson, N4XXM, editor

I don't know if the ARRL 160M contest qualifies as a DX TIDBIT subject but it does for me! I actually get excited trying to work the west coast (for a change, usually I'm trying to get through them for something tasty in the Pacific!). I did hear from Dick, K2UFT, that he worked some JA's on 160 during the contest. Now that is really cookin'!

The contest started at 5:00 PM Friday night but it took me until 6:00 to get in front of the radio. Started at the low end (I know all you guys say start at top) and worked my way up. You forget how long that takes to travel that far up the band very slowly when you're listening carefully! The usual powerhouses such as W4WA, AA4S, and W3LPL were usually found between 1820 to 1830 with a few riding on the high side between 1835 to 1840. I will say that the DX window was pretty much left to the DX. Of course, once a DX station showed up, that frequency was torn to shreds with people who thought they could hear as well as the people that could actually hear! If I can't hear VE3EJ, my antenna is broke...

Speaking of the DX window, I did managed to work the P40P without too much trouble. Everyone else seemed to have worked him too so propagation wasn't too bad.

Worked a VE2 in Quebec and when I entered the section QC using CT, the computer coughed. After the contest, I would that while I had updated all my .CTY files, my DAT files were way out of date. Got on the internet at the excellent www.contesting.com site and dl'ed the CT DAT files I needed. Found a W4 sending SK for his section but figured he was probably in VA...

The west coast is always a challenge for me. Managed to snage a WWA for the "pick of the litter" contact. Got AZ the second night after spending way too much time the first night. Got all the EMA, CT, EPA, VT stations I wanted but what happened to those guys up in ME? I didn't hear them.

One thing that was great, no thunderstorms during the contests. Static crashes are bad enough on the high bands, 160 is impossible!

CU in the pileups...

-Rick, N4XXM

ARLD051: DX news

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This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by Tedd, KB8NW, the OPDX Bulletin, The Daily DX, Tim, N4GN, The DXNL, The 599Rpt, the Daily DX and Contest Corral from QST. Thanks to all.

TUNISIA, 3V. Albert, F2KN, will guest operate 3V8BB from December 9 to 15. He is here on business, but will try to operate as time allows. QSL to home call.

SINGAPORE, 9V. Sam, 9V1ZB, will be QRV weekends on 160 meters. QSL via JL3WHL.

ISLE OF MAN, GD. Steve, GD4UOL, will be QRV in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest and will otherwise be active until December 6. QSL via the bureau.

GUERNSEY, GU. Jay, K4LZE, will be QRV as MU0BKA until December 9. He will be using mostly CW on 160 to 10 meters. He may try some SSB. QSL to home call.

ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP. Rick, N1RL, with W8MV and WZ8A plan to be QRV as FP/W8MV during the ARRL 160 meter contest December 5 to 7. They will also operate FP/homecalls as conditions permit. QSL contest call via W8MV. QSL the others to their homecalls.

THAILAND, HS. Ralf will be QRV as HS0/DL2FDK on 40 to 10 meters using SSB and RTTY until January 19, 1998. QSL to home call.

ARUBA, P4. Martin, VE3MR, will be QRV using SSB as P40MR until late April 1998. QSL to home call.

ST. MAARTEN, PJ7. Isao, PJ7/KG8XV, will be QRV on 160 to 10 meters from December 10 to 17. QSL via JH1ROJ.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, T9. Cedric, F1PSR, is QRV as T98PSR until March 1998. Activity is on 160 to 2 meters, with some satellite and packet activity as well. QSL via F5WN.

CENTRAL AFRICA, TL. Pascal, TL8PL, is QRV until the end of December. QSL via F5LNA.

SOUTHERN COOK ISLANDS, ZK1. Guenther, ZK1DI, is QRV from Rarotonga using CW on 80, 40 and 30 meters. QSL via DK1RV.

QSL MANAGER CORRECTION. The correct QSL route for the Icelandic IARU society club call TF3IRA is via the callbook address. N4GN is not the QSL Manager for this station.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The ARRL 160 Meter contest, QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint and TOPS Activity 3.5 MHz CW contest are all on tap for this weekend. Please see December QST, page 98 for details. NNNN /EX

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NI4X (9600) 144.93, 145.71, 440.75
K4UJ (2400) 145.67
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Simplex 147.54
Melvin 147.51

K4JPD Repeater (tone 7)
147.795-

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www.peachmall.com/sedx/dxhome.htm

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