



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB

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*THE
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PREMIER
DX CLUB*

May 2002

**Next meeting: May 21st, 7:30 PM at
W4TE's house for BBQ!!! Please let
Jim know. About \$12/person.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

-Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Pres.

We continue to have some good DX on the air. I am glad there are many band-countries that I need. Keeps me looking. We need to work all the DX we need before we are faced with the summer lull.

Remember the meeting in May will not be the usual SEDXC meeting. We are having a Barbecue at my QTH. We will meet on the usual 3rd Tuesday of the month, May 21, 2002 at 1930. Information and directions are available on the SEDXC web site at: www.sedxc.org. Please come. It will be a very informal gathering. We had a great turn out for the Christmas party and surprisingly the wives seemed to have a great time. I will need to know who is coming at least several days prior to the barbecue. So far I have heard from only 7 members.

In June we will be having elections. The officers that will be elected are:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Activities Manager

According to the Bylaws of the SEDXC, members who are Regular Members (i.e. Have DXCC) are eligible to hold office. Think seriously about running for office. The more you put into the Club, the more fun you will have. I have selected a Nominating Committee of "seasoned" SEDX Club members. Contact them if you have any interest in holding office. Better to let them know what you are interested in before they pick you. The Nominating Committee is:

Bill Barr, N4NX n4nx@arrl.net
Dick Bentley, K2UFT k2uft@bellsouth.net
Harry Saunders, W4KJ
hpsaunders@mindspring.com

The Committee will come up with a proposed slate of officers. If you are not on their list you may still run for office. There should be plenty of opportunity for anyone who is interested to hold office at some point in time.

The Dayton Hamfest is quickly approaching. There should be some interesting tales about dxpeditions, contests, etc. Usually there is a fair amount of new equipment that is introduced to the large crowds at Dayton. For those of you unable to go this year, come to the Barbecue and hear all the details.

Remember the June meeting will be held at the usual QTH, the Heart Center Classroom of the Fuqua Heart Center (Piedmont Hospital). There is now **free parking**. Check the SEDXC website for directions and instructions. We will meet at Panera Bread just North of the hospital around 1800 for a good dinner with Club members.

Check out the web site. You can find it at: www.sedxc.org. Send any ideas to sedxc@kauten.com.

Send email to w4te@arrl.net if you have any new business to present for the June meeting.

GUD DX and see you at the barbecue.

73, Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE

NEW CLUSTER COMMANDS DX PACKET FREQ.

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or telnet ks4q.dns2go.com

FROM THE VP

-Wes Lamboley, W3WL

Dayton is upon us, and Bob and I are telling the story of VP8THU/GEO at the DX Forum. Actually, the presentation will be made up mostly of Bob's video and then a few of our favorite slides. The video is quite good; some of you may have seen bits of it at a recent Club meeting.

I now have the "Official" version of the VP8THU video available. James Brooks, 9V1YC, has outdone himself on this one. A stunning and interesting blend of action, history and DXing at South Thule and how we pulled it off as only James can film and produce it. We will be selling the video at Dayton from the Vibroplex booth if you want to pick one up there. Otherwise drop me an email and I will be sure you get one. Price is \$20.00.

We have some great programs lined up in the near future. Joe, KO4RR, has just come back from CEOX and has some tales to tell. That was a terrific expedition and was easy to work. Great operating, Joe!

Also, I have a promise for a presentation from Tony Hancock, a well-know radio ham from England. Some of you may know of him. There is a Grand Review of Visalia, Dayton, and HamCom in the works also, for those of you who cannot get to all of them yourself.

I have not had any visible interest displayed for joining in a Club Field Day thus far; it as only a month away. Please let me know if you are up for a mini-DXpedition and fun-filled weekend June 22/23!

Best, Wes – W3WL & Blamboley@aol.com

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Tres.

SEDXC Club Bank balances as of 5-11-2002 are as follows:

SEDXC	\$ 2411.41
Packet Cluster Account	\$ 580.15
TOTAL	\$ 2991.56

There were no new members this month and no income. Financially the club is sound.

Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE

MINUTES FOR APRIL

-Dale Nordin, K4HGG, Sec.

Jim opened the meeting at 7:32 with 24 people attending the meeting.

After introductions, the minutes published in the last newsletter were approved.

Old Business:

The treasurer's report noted that there was \$580.15 in the Packet Cluster Fund and \$2,422.41 in the SEDXC bank account, with total assets of \$3002.56

The Web Page is in top shape, thanks to Jim AD4J.

Jim –AD4J gave a Packet Cluster report: 1) New TNCs are in service on Saunee Mountain. There was work on improving the connection from ARCDX (W4UCK) and N4XXM. Jim-AD4J also reminded the club that MFJ still makes a 2400 baud TNC by special order. Contact MFJ directly.

Guy-W4GBU announced that all the Russians in the Amateur Radio exchange have found sponsors. He thanked the Amateur Radio community for their support.

New Business:

Jim mentioned that this is the 3rd meeting held at the Fuqua Heart Center at Piedmont Hospital. However this meeting room will not be available for the May meeting. Instead the meeting will be held at Jim-W4TE's QTH – see below.

Announcements

Jim-W4TE has graciously invited the club to a bar-b-que at his house in lieu of a regular meeting. Jim estimated the cost/person to be around \$12.00. More information will be sent out via the Internet, also directions to his QTH may be found at "www.peachtreecardio.net/directions.htm."

Bob Alphin made an appeal for funds for the WRTC (World Radio Transmitter Championships) to be held in Helsinki Finland. Chances will be sold for \$10 ea. The date of the drawing TBD. Make your check out to the NCDXF and send an e-mail to Bob at K4UEE@arrl.net for further information.

A Baker Island DXpedition was announced to occur from April 30th to May 9th. (W4TE noted May 16). If you wish to make a donation, refer to www.kragujevac.co.yu/kh1. If you feel that the club should donate, submit a motion to this effect at the next meeting. (continued next page)

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Jim reminded the club that the postage rate will increase to \$.37 / oz. on June 30th, so remember to increase the postage on your SASE to various U.S. QSL managers and/or Bureaus.

Program:

Bob Allphin-K4UEE and Wes Lamboley-W3WL gave a very good presentation on their "microlite, bare-bones" DXpedition to VP8, South Sandwich (VP8THU) and South Georgia Islands (VP8GEO). On both islands they used TS-50s and vertical antennas. They reported that S. Georgia was greener and more hospitable. Bob also reported that on S. Georgia there were 15 people permanent population and also that many cruise ships stop there.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Dale - K4HGG / SM1WRI

DX TIDBITS

-Rick Glisson, N4XMX

This month has been mostly sitting back and waiting for cards to come in. I did pretty well catching up on sending out the good ones like the VP6, VP8's, and some San Felix cards. I have been getting a bundle ready for Bill, N4NX to check. Would wait for the ARC Hamfest (June 1st at Jim Miller park) but I have a few that will kick over the 10 year limit by then. I will have to make a big submission to ARRL later this year once the VP6DI cards come out. Then I will send ALL the old cards in. Should be around 200.

Bands have been good lately below 10M. Been spending some time on 30M trying to build up the numbers. Have worked about 60 countries so have a ways to go. I have been using my 80M horizontal loop with moderate success. Anyone have a better idea, let me know. Wire is cheap.

I hope you get to work the P5. I have yet to hear him well enough to try. There is a mention of some 70's in the 425 DX Report in this issue. Let's hope one of them is good. I have quite a collection of 70's that haven't counted. Oh well...

Sorry I haven't been to the meetings. Boy Scouts has their meeting on the same night. Trying to work something out.

CU in the pileups... -73 Rick, N4XMX

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3V - Thierry, F5MSE and Steph, F5NZY are active as 3V8SM from Djerba Island (AF-083) until 15 May. QSL via DL1BDF. [TNX F5NQL]

5W - David, K8AA and Ted, K8AQM plan to be active (on 40-10 metres mainly CW and digital modes, with some SSB) from Samoa (OC-097) on 2-12 July. Likely calls will be 5W0TR (K8AQM) and 5W0AA or 5W0DL (K8AA). QSL both calls via K8AA. [TNX NG3K]

6Y - Team Vertical is heading back to Jamaica (NA-097) for the WPX CW Contest. N6BT, KE7X, WA6O, N6XG, W0YK, N6XI, and K2KW will operate on 160-6 metres as homecall/6Y5 on 18-28 May. They will participate in the contest (25-26 May) as 6Y2A (QSL via WA4WTG) with six 1-KW stations. For more information, please visit <http://www.k2kw.com> [TNX K2KW]

7O - Pekka Ahlqvist, OH2YY has been in Sanaa, Yemen since 7 May. He applied for permission to operate amateur radio during his visit and he received a written confirmation, dated 23 April 2002, to import and operate his radio equipment. He has been active (SSB only) as 7O/OH2YY during his free time. Pekka will be in Yemen till late night on 11 May. QSL via OH2YY (Pekka Ahlqvist, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland). [TNX NG3K]

7O - Chris Lorek, G4HCL was scheduled to return to Sanaa, Yemen, on 11 May [425DXN 574], but his visit has been postponed by a few days. He will be working in Yemen and plans activity in his own time on Saturday and Sunday only. This may be 18 and 19 May, but is more likely to be 25 and 26 May. He will be operating using equipment at Yemenia (Yemen Arab Airways) at Sanaa International Airport, using 1kW to a professional antenna system. He has applied for the callsign 7O1YA (Yemen Airways) or 7O1CL. Chris will be active primarily on 10, 15 and 20 metres SSB, but with some activity on the other bands and possibly also on PSK31. There will be no CW activity. Look for Chris on the following frequencies: 3790, 7045, 14145, 18125, 21275, 24975 and 28475 kHz SSB and around 14080 or 21080 kHz on PSK31. QSL via G4HCL (P.O. Box 400, Eastleigh SO53 4ZF, England). [TNX G4JVG]

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NI4X (9600) 144.93, 145.71, 440.75
K4UGA (Athens)(2400) 145.67 (SE Megaclst)
(telnet 128.192.52.40 599, must put in port 599)

DX COMMUNICATION FREQ.

Simplex 147.54

K4JPD Repeater (tone 85.4 Hz)
147.195+

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