



SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

*THE
SOUTH'S
PREMIER
DX CLUB*

August 2001

**Next meeting: August 21st, 7:30 PM
at Radioshack.com just outside I-285
on the Buford Highway.**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

-Mike Greenway, K4PI

I am sure most of you have heard by now about the passing of two of our long time members. Bill Jay, K4KG and Phil Latta, W4GTS. I have had the pleasure of having these gentlemen as friends for many years.

I met Bill around 1973 after I moved to Powder Springs. He lived in Douglasville. I was just a struggling DXer at that time. He told me he would give me a Henry 2K that had been hit by lightning if I thought I could fix it. I jumped at that deal. It took me a while to get it going but I still have that amp here in the shack. It helped me put a lot of new ones in the log.

Bill's main radio interest was DXing and everything in his shack was geared for that function. He told me about missing a new country because some of his equipment was broken so after that he always had spares for everything. In the late 80's he started up a packet node that ran solid up to his passing. He spent countless hours and his own money keeping the system running. He was always willing to help you in any way he could. I don't think a lot of people met Bill as he didn't come to the meetings due to his hearing problems. He wore hearing aids in both ears and had trouble hearing in crowds. His hearing was bad due to flying in WWII and then with Eastern Airlines.

I met Phil at one of the DX club meeting in the 70's and he never missed a meeting. He was always looking for a new one and DX was his primary interest. He enjoyed traveling and he visited many countries. He went with Wayne, W4AX, and myself to Dutch St. Martin in the late 80's. One thing he wanted to do when he got there was jump on a high speed boat to run over to Anguilla for add another country to his list. He told me about how he had talked the customs agent down on the price of entry/exit. He said he told the guy he was not staying he just wanted to step off the boat

and then leave. He was on the trip to Navassa in the 70's with Chaz Cone, W4GKF. He always had a funny story for you. Both of these DXers will be greatly missed. K4KG W4GTS SK

73 Mike Greenway, K4PI, P49I

FROM THE VP

-Wes Lamboley, W3WL

Program for next meeting is a revealing video from D68C. We will also be discussing activities for the upcoming DX season this winter.

Best, Wes, W3WL

MINUTES FOR JULY

-Dale Nordin, K4HGG, Sec.

There was no meeting.

-Dale, K4HGG/SM1WRI

BILL JAY, K4KG, SK

PHIL LATTA, W4GTS, SK

The Southeastern DX Club would like to express our sorrow for losing these two outstanding DX'ers. Our sympathies go out to their families and friends.

TREASURER'S REPORT

-Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Tres.

I am in the process of familiarizing myself with the books and finances of the SEDXC. The balance in checking as of 6-30-01 was \$3843.97. No checks have been written and a deposit consisting of membership dues will be made in the next week.

Dues are coming in. There are still some members with outstanding dues. Please get these in as soon as you can so we can keep your membership active.

I have been working on a project to allow SEDXC members to order logo items from Lands End (www.landsend.com). The embroidered logo sample is 2.5 by 2.5 inches and looks very sharp. We should be able to order any clothing item—shirts, jackets, and etc. with the SEDXC logo. A nice golf shirt runs from \$20.00 to \$23.00 depending on the size. There will be an additional \$8.00 logo charge per item and a minimum of 6 items per order. We can also have call letters embroidered on the clothing. I do not know if these 6 items need to be the same or not. I will provide more on that later. I will be sure the logo is available for all to see at the next meeting.

I look forward to serving the club as treasure in the future.

Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE

TIME TO RENEW!!!

This will be the last bulletin unless you have paid your dues. The application was in the last bulletin (and this one) if you need it and it is also printable from our web site <http://sedxc.org>. It has also has the dues fee schedule. If you have a web address we would prefer to send you the bulletin that way but if not we can send it via paper.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR KS4Q CLUSTER

FREQUENCY: 145.01, 2400 baud, 8,1,N

c sawnee (It is important to wait for the alphabet soup menu before typing the next line.)

c ax1 ks4q

DX TIDBITS

-Rick Glisson, N4XXM

A lot has gone on in the last month! I am very sorry to hear of the loss of Bill Jay, K4KG and Phil Latta, W4GTS. Both will be missed.

Bill worked behind the scenes, always working to keep the K4KG packet node up and going. I remember when I had first gotten into DX'ing and was setting up my 2M packet. I was having problems getting into anybody. He noticed all the extra connect failures and offered me a home built 2M 4 element yagi free. I drove out there very late one night and he was just as helpful as possible.

I knew Phil better not only because he would come to the meetings but I used to drive him over when he lived in Marietta. We would talk about many things, especially his frustration trying to work Pratas. He had a couple of "not in log" experiences but he never gave up. I confirmed that he did work the last Pratas operation and the card was mailed to him in July. Rest easy, OM!

Ham radio needs more people to help others like these two gentlemen. Thank about that the next time something needs to be done.

On a lighter note, I am very grateful that Tom, N4XP, has been fixed up and sent home from the hospital! In spite of all of his problems, Tom with Nancy's, NK4U, help, has continued to pump out the K5K cards. Amazing! Glad you're back Tom!

Because the K4KG node has been shut down, Ernie, KS4Q, Ed, KS4B and myself are going to get a 2M network back up. Many details have not been worked out but be patient. I am talking with Jim, W4UCK about obtaining the equipment and running W4UCK from my location. We will tie in ARCDX and GNTNOD and be one network again. Ernie will be talking about more details at the next meeting. He will also be asking for some of the packet cluster funds for software purchase. Be attend and help out.

ARRL did finish checking the list that our own DXCC card checker, Bill Barr, N4NX, sent in for me. That took care of 5BDXCC and 17M DXCC. Now, Bill doesn't know it, but if 3Y0C comes in soon, he will get another 120 cards to check for Honor Roll and 12M DXCC. It never stops!

CU in the pileups...

-73 Rick N4XXM

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!! PLEASE RENEW!!

SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
P.O. Box 19871 Atlanta, Georgia 30325

Membership type (self or family - see below): _____ Date _____

Name: _____ Callsign: _____ Class: _____
Callsign Expiration date: _____

Spouse: _____ Callsign: _____ Class: _____
Callsign Expiration date: _____

Address: _____
_____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
Ext: _____

E-Mail: _____ Fax: _____

ARRL Member (Y/N): _____ ARRL Life Member (Y/N): _____

Previous Callsigns: _____

Awards:

DXCC (Y/N): _____ Mixed: _____ CW: _____ Phone: _____ RTTY: _____ WAS: _____
5BDXCC: _____ 5BWAS: _____ 5BWAC: _____ HONOR ROLL: _____
OTHER: _____

Interests: DX: _____ Phone: _____ CW: _____ VHF/UHF: _____ RTTY: _____
AWARDS: _____ CONTESTING: _____ DXPEDITIONS: _____
OTHER: _____

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DX PACKET FREQ.

K4KG (2400) 144.91
KS4Q (2400) 145.01 (c sawnee, c ax1 ks4q)
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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