



# SOUTHEASTERN DX CLUB W4NT

*THE  
SOUTH'S  
PREMIER  
DX CLUB*

December 2002

**Next meeting: Sunday, December 8th,  
6:00 PM at Ken, K4TEA, & Trish Byers.  
RSVP: [sedxc\\_christmas@kauten.com](mailto:sedxc_christmas@kauten.com)**

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**-Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Pres.**

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY 2002**

The response to the SEDXC Christmas Party 2002 has been excellent. We, at the present, are expecting a total of 52 participants. This includes members and their guests. We have 2 maybes and 10 no's. 31 members have not yet responded. There is still time to respond and come to the party! Let us know soon whether you are coming or not so we can make plans.

Once again, many thanks to Ken and Trish Byers for hosting the 2002 Christmas party. We look forward to seeing the QTH of K4TEA and enjoying the hospitality.

### **REVIEW: NOVEMBER PROGRAM:**

For those of you who were unable to attend, the program for November was quite fascinating. Even though it was not ham radio related, from a technical viewpoint it was very enlightening. We saw a video on the Raising of the Kirsk. The Kirsk was the Russian nuclear missile submarine that sank, killing all crewmembers. The video covered the tremendous task of raising the sub from 300 meters of water. An engineering feat of mammoth proportions was required to raise the sub from the ocean bottom. Many thanks to Dave Johnson, K4SSU, for giving this presentation.

### **SEDXC LOGOWARE:**

There has been interest in placing another

order for the SEDXC Logoware from Lands' End. We placed an order a year ago and all the items ordered looked excellent and of high quality. We have had limited response and not enough interest to place an order yet. Thus far there is an order for 2 Squall jackets and for 2-3 polo shirts. We need a total of six items in each category. Let me know if you are interested. Hopefully we can get enough interest generated to place another order.

### **NEWSLETTER DETAILS:**

We are still working out the details for direct Email delivery of the newsletter. Last month not many of the Active members received their newsletter the first time sent. It is unclear why we are having such difficulty. We will send this newsletter direct again this month. Sorry for the inconvenience.

We have also had problems accessing our web site. Jim Worthington, AD4J is looking into this. Apparently the server had changed and we are unable to find the right person to talk with to iron out the details. Hopefully we can bring our web site up to date.

### **NEW ITEMS:**

Always looking for new ways to communicate, I ran across a **SHAREWARE** software package made just for hams. The software is called EchoLink. Details regarding the software can be accessed at: [www.echolink.org](http://www.echolink.org). To quote the description on the web page:

"EchoLink is software which allows Amateur Radio stations to communicate with one another over the Internet, using voice-over-IP (VoIP) technology. The program allows worldwide connections to be made between stations, from computer to station, or from computer to computer. There are more than 35,000 registered users worldwide!"

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I realize that this means of communication does not utilize RF. One can link with repeaters and other modalities via a Repeater or Link station. You could conceivably be in a remote location and through an Internet connection access your favorite repeater (provided it is connected as a Link or Repeater station via EchoLink).

I spoke with a ham in Brazil yesterday. Even though the QSO was not over the radio, it was fun to have a random conversation with DX! At the very least it would be a way hams within the club could have a real-time conversation without using the telephone. There is also "IM" functionality available if you do not have a microphone attached to the computer. Take a look.

### **NEXT MEETING DETAILS:**

The January 21, 2003 meeting will be held at the usual QTH, the Heart Center Classroom of the Fuqua Heart Center (Piedmont Hospital) at 1930. There is **free parking**. Check the SEDXC website for directions and instructions. Details for the free parking are outlined there also.

We will meet at Panera Bread just North of the hospital around 1800 for a good dinner with Club members then go to the meeting QTH around 1915.

Remember the December Meeting will be the 2002 SEDXC Christmas Party. Tell your Club buddies and prospective members to attend. We hope to have a big turn out.

Check out the web site. You can find it at: [www.sedxc.org](http://www.sedxc.org). Send any ideas to [sedxc@kauten.com](mailto:sedxc@kauten.com).

Send email to [w4te@arrl.net](mailto:w4te@arrl.net) if you have any new business to present for the January meeting.

GUD DX and see you at the party and then the January 2003 meeting.

73,

Jim Kauten, MD, W4TE, Pres.

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**GET YOUR  
LANDS END  
SEDXC LOGO  
ORDER IN NOW!**

## **FROM THE VP**

**-Wes Lamboley, W3WL, VP**

My job in Huntsville with Boeing has really messed up my retirement! Been spending as much time as I can over there, and I know I missed a great program from Dave on the Kirsk at the last meeting.

Yesterday I got a notification that Boeing will be the target for "Antiwarmongering" activists all next week. Should I go back to Huntsville? The answer is a definite "YES". I despise the thought of war, but I firmly believe we must be ready for war if there is ever any hope for peace. The new missile I am working on will have radar, laser and imaging Infrared guidance capabilities all packed into a very small package. There is really nowhere to hide anymore. Problem is – it cannot detect terrorists, but it WILL be able to make their lives miserable when we figure out who they are – in every kind of climate, weather and time of day!

All this in a DX newsletter. I just wish everyone could get along on the international scene as well as us hams do.

Don't forget Kids Day!

Best Wishes to all for a great New Year and Holiday Season!

Best

Wes – W3WL

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## **ACTIVITIES**

**-John Tramontanis, N4TOL**

Results are being tabulated for CQ WW SEDXC challenge. The deadline for phone scores has passed, but the CW scores are due on December 15th. If there is enough interest we may continue the DX wars over the CQ 160 meter contests in 2003. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas party.

73 - John N4TOL

## MINUTES FOR November 19th

-Dale Nordin, K4HGG, Sec.

Jim opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. with 14 members present. After member introductions, Jim called for announcements.

### Announcements:

Jim checked to see if all the members present had received their newsletter. Only a couple of members indicated that they had received their newsletter, however the majority had not including your secretary. Apparently there are still problems with the website after it was hacked. If you haven't received your newsletter via e-mail, please notify Jim-W4TE.

Although not present at the meeting, John-N4TOL via Jim, thanked all those who had manned both SEDXC tables at the Stone Mountain Hamfest. He also requested that the CQWW scores both phone and c.w. be sent to him as soon as possible.

John-N4TOL (via Jim) announced that the club contest will be conducted in conjunction with the CQWW PHONE and CW. See John's article in last month's (October 2002) newsletter for the details

Ken Byers-K4TEA mentioned at the meeting that over 40 members have signed up for the Christmas Party at his QTH on Sunday Dec 8<sup>th</sup>. The time is from 6 p.m. to 9. p.m. (and possible later).

Bill Barr-N4NX announced that he was available for card checking and that he would also be willing to meet the person at another location. . A reminder: the club charges 4 cents handling charge per card for outgoing cards.

There was no treasurer's report.

Secretary's note: If you wish to order any items from Lands End , for Christmas or otherwise, (jackets, golf shirts etc with the SEDXC logo on them), please contact Jim-W4TE as soon as possible. See the Website at "www.peachtreecardio.net/sedxc.htm" to view the clothing.

A couple of items were donated by Jim-KT4MM and were auctioned to the membership.

### Program: The raising of the Kursk

The program detailed the problems and finally the success of the raising of the submarine that sank in the Arctic Ocean. The program was presented by Dave-K4SSU

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Dale - K4HGG / SM1WRI

## TREASURER'S REPORT

-Harry Saunders, W4KJ, Tres.

Here is the Treasurer's Report for the month of December.

SEDXC Treasury	\$2466.61
Packet Fund	\$590.15
Total Balance	\$3056.76

Again we want to remind members who have not renewed their membership that you can still do so. Renewal dues are \$ 20. Also, we have Club patches and pins for sale at the meetings.

On occasion in the past, members have brought items to the meetings to raffle off for the benefit of the Club. If you are cleaning out your shack and have some ham related item you think the other members might like, no matter how modest, bring it and we will have some fun raffling it off. It is a nice way to help the club.

Harry Saunders, W4KJ Treasurer

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# SEDXC CHRISTMAS PARTY

COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

TO THE

## 2002 HOLIDAY BASH

GRACIOUSLY HOSTED BY

KEN & TRISH BYERS, K4TEA

5800 WINTERTHUR DRIVE

ATLANTA, GA 30328

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## DX PACKET FREQ.

N4XMX (2400) 144.91 (direct or GNTNOD),  
(2400) 145.65 (direct or ARCDX)  
KS4Q (2400) 145.01 MHz; 'c saw3'  
(2400) 144.97 MHz; 'c saw4'  
(1200) 145.63 MHz; 'c saw5'

Once you get a connect on any of the three above frequencies, enter 'c saw1'. Once you get a connect to saw1, enter 'c ks4q' or simply 'dx'.  
or telnet 64.192.112.225

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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