



SDXA - 10 July 25

monthly in person meeting called to order by prez K7TQ, Randy, at 19:00 local

Q secretary's request, when on zoom please enter "call, name" for participants list-- thanks.

- 1) the program, introduced by ac7dc, if you can hold questions to the end, that will help.
 - a) **program: Cy9C-DXpedition to St. Paul Island, presented by Larry Menzel-W0PR**
 - b) In August 2024 I was fortunate to be part of the highly successful DXpedition to St. Paul Island, CY9C. After 44 years in the hobby I was only too happy to join with a highly experienced group of other DXers for this amazing trip. All I can say is that it was the adventure of a lifetime for me.
- 2) new association members in the last monthish, none:
 - a) apr25 KI7NOO Matt Barrett (Spokane)
 - b) mar25 K2JKX George Lafemina (Kalispell, MT)
 - c) feb25 N7JP Jack Prendergast (Freeland, WA (Whidbey Island))
 - d) jan25 N7HCJ Woody Jacobson (Moses Lake)
 - e) dec24 W7SCD Scott Anderson (Spokane)
 - f) 77 members, 6 honorary, 71 voting, 70 licensed; 31 arrl dxcc, 2 non-arrl dx

=====The Activities Part=====

- 3) up coming programs / VP's officer report; also see web page and i/o emails:
 - i) 09aug: (no august monthly meeting) saturday annual picnic @ wa7aqh
 - ii) 04sept (no september monthly meeting) >>saturday 06sep @ ad7xg's - mobile/portable antenna testing with hamburgers and hotdogs
 - iii) 02oct: (no october monthly meeting) annual awards banquet, this year will be back at the Long Horn in Airway Heights like some previous years.
 - 1. comment was made maybe Lance W7GJ could come back for a discussion of his choosing.
 - iv) 06nov - program looking for something on 6meters
 - v) 04dec - tbd
- 4) up coming DX from k7tm:

				Bandfills												
				10	12	15	17	20	30	40	60	80	160			
Rotator																
July 05-13	St Helena	ZD7TIM	85												LoTW	By N0UI; 40-10m, perhaps 6m; CW SSB, perhaps RTTY; QRV in IARU HF Contest (low power, CW); QSL via N0UI
July 05-15	Grenada	J38DX	108												LoTW	By GMSRDX and J38LD fm Calliste (IOTA NA-024, FK92ca); 80-10m; 100w; QSL via Club Log OQRS
July 08-15	Cyprus SBA	ZC4MK	24												G0KOM	By G0KOM; 80 40 20-6m
Jul 8-Aug 6	Benin	TY5FR	64												LoTW	By DL1BUG fm Cotonou (JJ16fi); 80-10m; CW SSB; 100; QRV for IARU HF; QSL via DL1BUG Buro or Club Log OQRS
July 10-14	Belize	V31GT	133												W9HT	By W9HT; HF; SSB CW + digital; QRV for IARU Contest (CW)
July 10-15	Cyprus	5B	24												LoTW	By WJ20 as 5B/WJ20; HF; QRV for IARU Contest; QSL via N2ZN
July 10-15	Mariana Is	KH0	287												LoTW	By WB6Z as KH0/WB6Z fm Saipan I (IOTA OC-086); 160-6; SSB CW FT8 FT4; QSL via Club Log OQRS or JF10CQ
July 11-25	Iceland	TF	34												VE2XB	By VE2XB as TF/VE2XB; 80-10m; CW SSB
July 12-Aug 5	Nicaragua	YN	132												LoTW	By NN3RP fm Granada; 40-10m; CW SSB + digital
July 13-19	Mozambique	C93RRC	57												Club Log OQRS	By OK8AU UA3QLC R7AL fm Chiloane I (IOTA AF-098); HF; CW SSB FT8; 2 stations
July 14-20	Honduras	HQ9HC	133												LoTW	By WASLEE W5BAK WB5HJV W5WK WP4VW fm Roatan I (IOTA NA-057); HF
July 14-23	Svalbard	JW0V	11												I8KHC	By OK2WX; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8
July 16-19	Dodecanese	SV5	27												LoTW	By WJ20 fm Rhodes as SV5/WJ20; HF; QSL via N2ZN
July 17-24	Aland Is	OH0	22												LoTW	By DL4XT as OH/DL4XT; 40 20 15 10m; CW SSB; QSL via Club Log OQRS
July 17-25	Maldives	8Q7YY	347												OH7O	By OH7O fm Rakeedhoo I; HF; mainly SSB, some FT8
July 20-Aug 2	Svalbard	JW	11												LoTW	By SP9HGN as JW/SP9HGN fm SOTAs JW/VS-265, JW/VS-413, JW/MS-154; 40-10m; SSB FT8; EFHW
July 28-Aug 8	Iceland	TF	34												LoTW	By F5TGR as TF/F5TGR; 40 30 20 15 12 10m; CW FT8 SSB; QSL via Club Log OQRS
July 28-Aug 1	Rodrigues I	3B9SP	359												Club Log OQRS	By DK6SP; 40-6m; CW SSB FT8

- a) also see below for a couple of lists of upcoming DXpeditions.
- b) monthly question: any DXpedition(s) worth gathering member donations for?
 - i) nothing brought up this month from the floor.
- c) some recent history and a good site to follow: <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxoc.html>;
 - 1. apr 2025: €100: ZS8W Marion Island: <https://clublog.org/logsearch.php?log=zs8w>
 - 2. jul 2025: \$100: 3y0k Bouvet Island feb2026

5) up coming contests:

- a) IARU HF Championship's is this weekend, the last of the 10 PAC NW DX Challenge Trophy Cup.
 - i) remember it is only 24 hrs starting at 1200z (0500pt)
 - ii) we are IARU zone 6 (not cq zone 3) in this contest. so send 5NN - 6.
 - iii) also, IARU member-societies will send there abbreviation, e.g. W1AW=ARRL, VE5RAC=RAC, GR2HQ=RSGB, etc. many will have HQ in their callsign.
 - iv) there is a list on the www.iaru.org site.
- b) reminders:
 - i) please log in and use the Contestonline scoreboard using Spokane DX Association club.
 - 1. note - for flounders cup team, we are no longer using it, tu.
 - ii) please use the full "Spokane DX Association" for the club name when turning in scores to ARRL, CQ, etc.
 - iii) also, the ARRL SDXA members <250 miles eligibility list for contests has been updated.
- c) monthly contests coming up: below is some, Does anyone know of other contests coming up in the next month, that others may have an interest in?
 - i) a good contest calendar: <http://www.contestcalendar.com/>
(note the '+' at the beginning of the row has a link for more info)

+ IARU HF World Championship	1200Z, Jul 12 to 1200Z, Jul 13
+ North American QSO Party, RTTY	1800Z, Jul 19 to 0559Z, Jul 20
MARAC US Counties QSO Party	0000Z, Jul 26 to 2400Z, Jul 27
+ North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Aug 2 to 0559Z, Aug 3

- d) internal to SDXA will have the new Work Europe award this contest season of 10 PAC NW DX Trophy Cup contests

(not including the 2 digital contests this year)

 - i) Work Europe - there are ~68 entities
 - 1. an entity counts only once over the 10 Pac NW DX contest season, independent of mode.
 - (a) For Million Points Club: 35 (up'd from original 25) EU countries over the contest season
 - (b) For non-Million Points Club: 30 (up'd from original 20) EU countries over the contest season
 - ii) Five by Six = work 5 DXCC entities in each of the 6 continents
 - 1. All members can use all 10 PNW DX Competition contests

- 6) Field Day, 2025 review of K7SDX/SDXA effort by our prez, k7tq - Randy.
 - a) 11 folks operated, great food, (ribs by Jim, wow)
 - b) used 3 - Endfed antennas and a 40/75 dipole.
 - i) the setup and takedown was super quick, so more time to sit around the fire pit.
 - c) the 2 new IC-7700 radios worked great and much of the time all the 3 radios were up and running.
 - d) comparing the last three years
 - i) 2025 - 463 Qs with 11 ops. - only 20 less Qs of 2023 with a beam. sfi about 120 low & lowest of all
 - ii) 2024 - 706 Qs with similar # of ops with a beam sfi about 190 a peak
 - iii) 2023 - 486 Qs with similar # of ops with a beam sfi about 160 okay to good
 - iv) so all in all we did pretty good with the setup, sfi and all
 - e) an idea for thru the night is a sign up sheet for the night shift. then can take naps before and know when your on. we may have missed a few Qs not operating thru more of the night like last couple of years.
- 7) SDXA Nets (Murf) not discussed tonight, just fyi:
 - a) wed 8:00 local 80m on 3840 kHz LSB, 100w on a wire works well (better than verticals) (year round)
 - b) sun 20:00 local 6m on 50.140 MHz USB, with N7CXI Jim as net control (on pause till fall)
 - c) tues 20:00 local 160m on 1855 kHz LSB, with AD7XG Gary as net control (on pause till fall)

8) hints and ideas:

- a) July – none this month.

=====The Business Part=====

9) **officer reports:**

- a) **secretary's report** from wa0www; the last monthly minutes: <http://www.sdxa.org/?cat=10>;
- b) **treasurer's report** – from k7kb John.
- i) expenses: 0
 - ii) income: hamfest \$542.26 (for our \$350 seed money)

old business:

- 10) An update on the PCNWDX convention, looking last year for Portland.
- a) maybe a combined site for the 3 NW dx clubs in Yakima, a central location for the 3. the BC club may come, not sure their thoughts.
 - b) how often is tbd, 1/year, every 2 years or every 4 years. each club chips in some \$s. maybe \$700. Jay-DC will cont in discussions on this.
- 11) received a reminder for funds for 3y0k – feb 2026. helicopter with 24 ops, \$1.65M, 3 weeks on the island.
- a) Jim-N7ESU moves to fund \$100 to 3y0k (Bouvet feb2026), Bob-K7TM 2nded. no discussion on the motion. 12 yah, no nays, no abstains == motion passes.

new business:

- 12) none tonight

13) **history/other/future:**

- a) **SDXA meetings starting in 2023, just a reminder:**
- i) will have 8 Zoom meetings (January, February, March, May, June, August, September, December) and two in-person meeting with limited Hybrid (April and November) and in person social meetings (Summer picnic in July or August & October Awards Dinner & Field Day).
- b) **2025 field day** – 28-29 june 25; Mokins Bay Fire Station (like the last 2 years)
- c) **2025 summer picnic** – 09aug25 @ wa7aqh's (thanks to Del's wife and son)
- d) **Trustee** for K7SDX license is now K7ST0 (expires: 10dec32)
- i) rules for using K7SDX
 - 1. if the trustee gets any requests, he will run it past the current club officers.
 - 2. Listen to any fore or against objections and then make an assessment as to whether to approve or disapprove (and document accordingly).

14) **next monthly meeting & adjourn**

- a) **06nov25: in person. see above for program info.**
- i) **note: programs/activities taking over for aug, sep and oct meetings.**
- b) respectfully submitted by wa0www, jayw, secretary.

15) **committees:**

- a. awards: n7gco and k7tq
- b. card checker: ad7xg
- c. club log: n7uvh
- d. contests: k7tq and wa0www(pac NW DX 10 contests)
- e. ~~convention: n7gco and k7tq was for 2022~~
- f. Dxing coming up: k7tm
- g. DX awards: 100 Country Club & Challenge: k7sto
- h. DX nets: n7uvh:
- i. finance: k7kb with k7gs and n711
- j. groups.io: k7tq, (k7kb, n7gco)
- k. health and welfare of members: k7gs
- l. historian: k7awb
- m. **hybrid meetings: __open__**
- n. k7sdx trustee: k7sto
- o. library: sdx secretary (wa0www)
- p. local remote station/mentor: wa7aqh
- q. **media: __open__**
- r. membership: k7kb
- s. million point club: k7tq
- t. new to hf mentoring: tbd
- u. pre-meeting zoom hosts: varies
- v. photographers: nz2s and k7tm

- w. programs: ac7dc
- x. qsl card checking: ad7xg
- y. Spokane hamfest: wa0www
- z. SDXA youtube channel: n7gco
 - i) the YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMF5QzqCJ65iJupGW64>
- aa. technical: k7gs and nz2s
- bb. web page ongoing maintenance: w7bks (w/k7kb (&wa0www, minutes and contest/award history))
- cc. new updated web page: w7bks
- dd. zoom: n7gco (k7tq)
- ee. SDXA cluster:(could investigate, could add to our go-daddy for www.cluster.sdx.org)
= though thanks to ws7i, Jay, for his local cluster many of us use, ws7i.ewarg.org
- ff. officers:
 - i) President: K7TQ Randy Foltz, Moscow, ID 83843
 - ii) Vice President: AC7DC Jay Lopes, Lacrosse, WA 99143
 - iii) Treasurer: K7KB John Gager, Colbert, WA 99005
 - iv) Secretary: WA0WWW Jayw Holcomb, Newman Lake, WA 99025
 - v) Past President: AD7XG Gary Bytnar, Davenport, WA 99122
 - vi) Past Vice President: N7GCO Mel Ming, Cheney, WA 99004

16) DX coming up

- a) <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxoc.html>
- b) for most wanted: <http://www.clublog.org/mostwanted.php>

rank	StartDate	End Date	DXCC Entity	Call	QSL via	bearing	Info
81	Oct29	Nov12	Madagascar	5R8TT	LoTW	30	By IK2RZP I2PJA IV3ZXQ I2YSB IK2CKR IK2HKT I1FQH I1HJT; 160-6m, incl 60m; CW SSB RTTY FT8; QSL via online OQRS/log checker (see Web)

c) other DXpeditions

Start Date	End Date	DXCC Entity	Call	QSL via	bearing	Info
May10	Jul12	Falkland Is	VP8DPD	EA5GL	146	By G3WIP; 20-10m; FT8 SSB; spare time operation
Jun28	Jul14	St Pierre & Miquelon	FP	LoTW	67	By KV1J as FP/KV1J fm Miquelon I; HF + 6m; mainly SSB FT4 FT8, some CW; QSL via KV1J (B/d) or Club Log OQRS
Jun26	Jul10	Kosovo	Z6	LoTW	30	By I1FQH I1HJT I2PJA I2YSB IK2CKR IK2HKT; 80-6m; SSB CW RTTY FT8
Jul05	Jul15	Grenada	J38DX	LoTW	108	By GMSRDX and J38LD fm Calliste (IOTA NA-024, FK92ca); 80-10m; 100w; QSL via Club Log OQRS
Jul14	Jul23	Svalbard	JW0V	I8KHC	11	By OK2WX; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8
Jul11	Jul25	Iceland	TF	VE2XB	34	By VE2XB as TF/VE2XB; 160-6m
Sep15	Sep19	Aland Is	OH0	LoTW	22	By DL4APJ DL2AQI as OH0/DL4APJ fm IOTA EU-002 (KP00ad); 80-10m; CW SSB + digital; QSL via Club Log OQRS or DL4APJ (B/d)
Sep12	Sep22	Svalbard	JW6VDA	LoTW	11	By LA6VDA fm Spitsbergen (IOTA EU-026); HF; FT8 FT4; SSB; holiday style operation; QSL via Club Log OQRS
Sep24	Sep28	Svalbard	JW0B	LoTW	11	By F5FRM fm Longyearbyen; focus on high bands, perhaps 6m; CW RTTY, perhaps SSB; QRV for CQ WW DX RTTY
Sep22	Oct06	Micronesia	V6	TBA	271	By DG2RON D37TO D39KH DK5WL DL1KWK DL2RNS DL4SVA DL7JOM DL7VE as TBA; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8 RTTY
Oct08	Oct13	Svalbard	JW	Home Call	11	By LA7XK as JW7XK, LA6VM as JW6VM, LA9DL as JW9DL; HF; CW SSB + digital; QRV for Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest using JW5X
Oct17	Oct29	Saba & St Eustatius	PJ6Y	LoTW	105	By W6IZT W2FQ NM1Y and YOTA team fm Saba I; 160-6m, incl 60m; CW SSB FT8; QRV for CQWW DX SSB; see Web for QSL details
Oct20	Nov07	Wallis & Futuna Is	FW5K	TBA	238	By NC7M NG7E N7JI K6VHF KA6BIM W7HER fm IOTA OC-054; 160-6m; CW SSB RTTY FT8 FT4; QRV for CQWW DX SSB Contest

17) contests coming up: calendar has moved: <http://www.contestcalendar.com/>

- a) see above for other contest this coming month.
- b) Pacific NW Challenge Trophy contests, 2024-2025:

+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY	#1 done	0000Z, Sep 28 to 2400Z, Sep 29
+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	#2 done	0000Z, Oct 26 to 2400Z, Oct 27
+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW	#3 done	0000Z, Nov 23 to 2400Z, Nov 24
+ ARRL RTTY Roundup	#4 done	1800Z, Jan 4 to 2400Z, Jan 5
+ CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	#5 done	0000Z, Feb 8 to 2400Z, Feb 9
+ ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW	#6 done	0000Z, Feb 15 to 2400Z, Feb 16
+ ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB	#7 done	0000Z, Mar 1 to 2400Z, Mar 2
+ CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB	#8 done	0000Z, Mar 29 to 2400Z, Mar 30
+ CQ WW WPX Contest, CW	#9 done	0000Z, May 24 to 2400Z, May 25
+ IARU HF World Championship #10 now		1200Z, Jul 12 to 1200Z, Jul 13

PACNWDX challenge trophy cup contests, above:

