



Spokane DX Association

K7SDX - Spokane, Washington
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SDXA - 04 june 26

monthly 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, World Team Radio Championship by Pat Barkey N9RV
 - a) Pat Barkey N9RV, is a Contest Hall of Famer and one of the world's most respected amateur radio contesters. He is the past editor of the National Contest Journal and is a frequent speaker at Contest University. He is also an active member of CWops and President of the Big Sky Contesters. This upcoming WTRC will be his fifth (1996, 2002, 2006, 2018 and 2026).
 - b) Pat works as a research director at the University of Montana in Missoula.
- 2) new association members in the last year-ish, none:
 - a) apr26 W7MSK Mike Kirsch (Spokane Valley)
 - b) apr26 N7CRD Kaleb Allen (Spokane Valley)
 - c) nov25 AG7CC Cliff Clark (Clarkston)
 - d) nov25 W70SG Mike Cooper (Boise)
 - e) nov25 W7KEV Kevin O'Hare (Spokane)
 - f) nov25 N7TM Tom Taylor (Greenacres)
 - g) apr25 KI7NOO Matt Barrett (Spokane)
 - h) feb25 N7JP Jack Prendergast (Freeiland, WA (Whidbey Island))
 - i) jan25 N7HCJ Woody Jacobson (Moses Lake)
 - j) 76 members, 6 honorary, 70 voting, 32 arrl dxcc, 2 non-arrl dx

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

- 3) up coming programs; also see web page and i/o emails, by Brandon w7bks
 - i) 27jun: ARRL Field Day
 - ii) 02jul: 80/160 Inverted L with Folded Counterpoise by Bill Eisinger AA7X
 - iii) 08aug (sat): summer picnic (@ NZ2S's)
 - iv) 12sep (sat): 2nd SDXA Antenna Shootout (@ AD&XG's)
 - v) 01oct: awards banquet. Longhorn BBQ in Airway Heights

4) up coming DX from k7tm:

Apr19- Jun16	Kenya	Z4/MM0ZBH	34	HF; CW SSB FT8
May20 - Jun07	Juan Fernandez Is	3G0Z	149	160-6m, focus on low bands; FT8 CW SSB; 800w
May20 - Jun19	Namibia	V5/N7X0B	71	7.165 and 14.265 MHz; SSB
May27 - Jun08	Bonaire	PJ4CB	115	20-10m; SSB CW; 1/4 wave telescoping vertical
Jun01-07	Mozambique	C91RU	57	80-10m; ft8,cw
Jun01 - 14	Lord Howe I	VJ2L	244	7 ops; 40-10m, perhaps 80m; CW FT8 SSB
Jun02- 09	Macao	XX9TXN	314	160-6m; SSB CW FT8
Jun03 - 12	Tanzania	5H1KB	33	80-6m, focus on 6m; CW SSB FT8
Jun04 - 13	Rwanda	9X5KM	42	80-10m; CW SSB + FT8; 100w; hexbeam, dipoles, verticals; holiday style operation
Jun08 - Jul07	Tanzania	5H3DX	33	40-6m; CW FT8 FT4; 100w; dipole, vertical,

				longwire
Jun10 - 18	Palau	T88RR	289	160-6m; FT8 FT4 SSB FM (on 10m
Jun10 - 24	St Martin	FS/K9EL	105	80-6m, focus on 6m; CW FT8
Jun11 - 22	St Kitts & Nevis	V47JA	105	160-6m, incl 60m; SSB FT8; yagi, verticals
Jun12 -22	Cape Verde Is	D40L	77	HF; FT8 FT4
Jun12 - 29	Curacao	PJ2/PH2M	115	80-6m, including 60m; mainly FT8 FT4, some SSB
Jun17 - 24	Cape Verde Is	D44EC	77	40-6m;
Jun19 - 22	Palau	T88TB	289	HF; QRV for All Asian DX CW Contest
Jun20 - 22	Armenia	EK/DL2JRM	14	CW SSB
Jun20 - 27	Easter Island	3G0YM	173	40 30 6m, perhaps 60 20 10m; FT8 SSB
Jun27 - Jul14	St Pierre & Miquelon	FP/KV1J	67	80-6m; SSB CW 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. jan 2026: \$200: _____ Tokelan Island Dxpediton with Rob/Robin etc. nov2026.
2. july 2025: \$100: 3y0k Bouvet Island <https://3y0k.com/> feb2026:
3. apr 2025: €100: ZS8W Marion Island: <https://clublog.org/logsearch.php?log=zs8w>

5) up coming contests:

- a) not many folks on the CQ WW WPX CW, just 3 folks for 3% of last year. Ron, W7GTF did get 105,644 points.
- b) the next Pac NW DX Trophy Challenge cup is not till mid july:

+ IARU HF World Championship	#10	1200Z, Jul 11 to 1200Z, Jul 12
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1. a few rule highlights:
(a) Single Operator stations may operate 36 of the 48 hours - **off times must be a minimum of 60 minutes during which no QSO is logged.**
(b) EXCHANGE: RS(T) report plus a progressive contact serial number
(c) Contacts between stations on different continents are worth three (3) points on 28, 21, and 14 MHz and **six (6) points on 7, 3.5, and 1.8 MHz.**
(d) Contacts between stations on the same continent, but different countries, are worth one (1) point on 28, 21, and 14 MHz and two (2) points on 7, 3.5, and 1.8 MHz. Exception: For North American stations only—contacts between stations within the North American boundaries (both stations must be located in North America) are worth two (2) points on 28, 21, and 14 MHz and **four (4) points on 7, 3.5, and 1.8 MHz.**
(e) Contacts between stations in the same country are worth 1 point regardless of band.
- 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)

+ ARRL Inter. Digital Contest	1800Z, Jun 6 to 2400Z, Jun 7
+ ARRL June VHF Contest	1800Z, Jun 13 to 0259Z, Jun 15
+ Stew Perry Topband Challenge	1500Z, Jun 20 to 1500Z, Jun 21
+ ARRL Field Day	1800Z, Jun 27 to 2100Z, Jun 28

- d) 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) remember for the ARRL and CQ contests, only SDXA members <250 miles are eligibility

e) **updated initiatives:**

i) **Oceania & Caribbean Award & 10 JA Districts Award - How To Find 'Em**

1. As a reminder, this season's SDXA Contesting Awards are the Oceania & Caribbean and the 10 JA Districts. The season began last week with the CQWW RTTY contest. Next up is the CQWW SSB the last full weekend in October.
2. For the Oceania & Caribbean Award you need to work 10 countries in Oceania plus 10 countries in the Caribbean. After the contest both N1MM and N3FJP will do the hard work of counting the Qs for you.
3. In N1MM choose Window, then Multipliers, then Countries. In the window that comes up choose only the OC box. The ones you worked will be colored in. Coun 'em. For the Caribbean count, check the NA box and uncheck the OC box. Count all but KL, K, VE, and XE. That will be your Caribbean countries count. (For our purposes we'll say Central America is the Caribbean. Most of those countries have a coastline to the Caribbean.)
4. N3FJP is not as straightforward. Mel and I are working on it and we'll have it before the SSB contest at the end of October.
5. For the 10 JA Districts, open your Cabrillo file with Notepad then search for "599 25" which will stop on all the JAs, DSs, and HLs (zone 25). Go down the log with the search box and keep track of the JAs 0 to 9.

f) To accompany the new DXing incentive, I'm pleased to announce a Contesting Incentive. Like its big brother, this one is to encourage SDXA members to take part in PNW DX Competition.

i) **For this incentive you need to operate in three of the SSB contests OR three of the RTTY contests OR three of the CW contests.** Just for an extra bit of fun, in the IARU, which is a mixed mode contest, you can use it as a Wild Card to fill in either your needed SSB or CW contest.

ii) The only requirement is that to have a contest qualify you've got to make at least 10 Qs that count in that contest. Easy-peasy in the CQWW or CQWPX ones where you can get credit for three USA ones then add in KL7, KH6, up to 10 VE provinces, plus PJ2T and you are there. The ARRL DX CW and SSB will require a bit more work because US stations do not count.

iii) No minimum score. No ranking by score. Just work 10 in each of three contests using the mode of your choice.

6) **Field Day**

- i) same place as last 3 years, fire station at Motkins Bay on east side of Hayden Lake
- ii) will start setup, noon friday 26 jun, come and enjoy.

7) **SDXA Nets (Murf) not discussed tonight, just fyi:**

- a) wed 8:00pt 80m on 3840 kHz LSB, 100w on a wire works well (better than verticals) (year round)
- b) now on wed - 20:00pt 160m on 1855 kHz LSB, with AD7XG Gary is on summer recess, back in sept.

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

8) **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.
- c) **expenses:** \$49.73 for 2026 7qp plaque (W7YAQ)
- d) **income:** \$400 for sell of SK rotor and \$258.23 from Paypal (dues, etc.)

old business:

9) remember the IEVHF tailgate swapfest is this saturday 06june, again at Plante's Ferry like the past years.

- a) Sale of the rest of Mel's radio gear will be there.
- b) there will be other SK estates also.

new business:

10) none

11) **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).
 1. June 2026, the plan will change November from in-person to zoom.

b) **2026 field day** - 27-28 june 26;

c) **2026 summer picnic** - 08Aug26 at Jeff Banke's, NZ2S, home in Greenbluff (Thanks to Susan&Jeff)

d) **Trustee** for K7SDX license is now Mike 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).

12) **next monthly meeting & adjourn**

- a) 02july25: see above for program info.
- b) respectfully submitted by wa0www, jayw, secretary.

13) **committees:**

- a. awards: open and k7tq
- b. card checker: ad7xg
- c. club log: n7uvh
- d. contests: k7tq and wa0www(pac NW DX 10 contests)
- e. ~~convention: n7ge0 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)
- k. health and welfare of members: k7gs
- l. historian: k7awb
- m. hybrid meetings: open
- n. k7sdx trustee: k7sto
- o. library: sdx secretary (wa0www)
- p. media: open
- q. membership: k7kb
- r. million point club: k7tq
- s. new to hf mentoring: open
- t. pre-meeting zoom hosts: varies
- u. photographers: nz2s and k7tm
- v. programs: w7bks
- w. Spokane hamfest: wa0www
- x. SDXA youtube channel: open
 - i) the YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMF5QzqCJ65iJupGW64>
- y. technical: k7gs and nz2s
- z. web page ongoing maint:k7kb (& open for news, .(&wa0www, minutes & contest/award history))
- aa. zoom: open (k7tq)
- bb. ~~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
- cc. **officers:**
 - i) President: K7TQ Randy Foltz, Moscow, ID 83843
 - ii) Vice President: W7BKS Brandon Childs, Spokane, WA 992018
 - 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: AC7DC Jay Lopes, Lacrosse, WA 99143

14) **DX coming up**

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

**** see above for full list this month.**

15) **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, 2025-2026:**

+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY	#1 done	0000Z, Sep 27 to 2400Z, Sep 28
+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	#2 done	0000Z, Oct 25 to 2359Z, Oct 26
+ CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW	#3 done	0000Z, Nov 29 to 2400Z, Nov 30
+ ARRL RTTY Roundup	#4 done	1800Z, Jan 3 to 2400Z, Jan 4
+ CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest	#5 done	0000Z, Feb 14 to 2400Z, Feb 15
+ ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW	#6 done	0000Z, Feb 21 to 2400Z, Feb 22
+ ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB	#7 done	0000Z, Mar 7 to 2400Z, Mar 8

