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NEW BUSINESS

The 2nd quarter meeting of ADXA was held at the home of AF5M and N500I on 17 June 2000. The

meeting was called to order at 1330 Local by President Dave Norris, K5UZ. Those in attendance - Dave Norris, K5UZ, Dave Jacques, K5DV, Paul Wynne, AF5M, Myrtle Wynne, N5OOI, Earl Smith, N5ZM, Louis Dennis, AC5WY, Dave Hammons, Martin Hankins, W5HTY, Ollie W5LR. Gade, W5GO, Dennis Schaeffer, W5RZ, Melissa Schaefer, N5HX, Roger Gray (Arkansas Section Manager), N5QS, Dawn Gray, N5QT, and Glenn Wolf, N5RN. Dave recognized our Section Manager Roger Gray, N5QS. Dave then asked that the minutes of the previous meeting be read. A motion from the floor was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes. There was a second and the minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

The Treasurer's report was given by Glenn, N5RN. The report was accepted as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

Glenn, N5RN reported that the contributions to the CY9 DXpedition had been sent to AI5P. The 3B6 contribution had been Earl, N5ZM, made a motion that we make a \$100 donation to support the Tromelin DXpedition (FR/T). Motion was seconded by Dennis, W5RZ. Motion carried. Another motion was made by Martin to donate \$100 for the Kingman DXpedition in October. Paul, AF5M, seconded and the motion carried.

Card Checking: Earl, N5ZM, has been OK'd by the league. Dave Jacques, K5DV, is still ADXA's recommendation for the Section Manager's recommendation. Dennis, W5RZ, is a backup to Dave.

Roger Gray, N5QS, pointed out that the selection is his and that Dave Jacques would be an excellent choice but wants to appoint someone from another part of the state. There were 4 candidates that Roger is considering—K5DV, W5RZ, Bill Kennamer, and Charles Tillotston. Charles Tillotston has about 300 countries and seems to be willing and ready to be a Card Checker. Roger has found it hard to find a person to check the cards with the credentials. Roger believes the number of checkers should also be based on the number of square miles that a checker has to cover.

Rick Roderick, K5UR, had these recommendations for the club as reported by Paul, AF5M: Checker has to be ADXA member; ADXA is 100% ARRL membership club

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and oldest 100% ARRL affiliated club in the US and ADXA is a DXCC club.

Roger, N5QS, will check with Tillotson and determine his real interest in the appointment. Tillotson is the northwest Arkansas Assistant Section Manager. Roger will ask Charles to take the part of Arkansas north of Little Rock.

Martin, W5HTY, reminded us that December will slip up on us if we aren't careful and it was suggested that we try and get Bernie McClenny as a speaker.

Meeting adjourned at 1430.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

These are the dates for future ADXA meetings. Please note the years as well as the date!

- ♦ September—3rd Saturday (16 Sep 2000)
- ♦ December —1st Saturday (02 Dec 2000)
- $\diamond \quad \text{March} 3^{\text{rd}} \text{ Saturday (17 Mar 2001)}$
- $\diamond \quad \text{June} 3^{\text{rd}} \text{ Saturday (16 Jun } 2001)$

Next ADXA Meeting

The next meeting of ADXA will be at Blakely Dam. Eats will be served starting around 1200 and the Meeting will start around 1300.

A map is provided on a separate page.



Earl Smith, N5ZM, the only card

checker for Arkansas, will be available for card checking beginning at 10:00 at the Blakely Dam meeting location. Bring your cards, paperwork, and proper fees. Current ADXA members will be given priority.

CY9 DXpedition

Rick Harris, AI5P

For those that like to review DX operations, the following stats are provided for your info. Our DXpedition to St. Paul July 6-9 provided us with an opportunity to activate a physically challenging place definitely off the beaten path. While not that rare in recent years, it was a chance to give a "new one" to newer DXers and one of our primary goals was to try to get into JA and Oceania.

This was a very modest effort, in comparison to high profile DXpeditions, in both manpower and equipment. There were four operators and 2 non-amateurs on the island. Without the 2 nonamateurs, the operation might have not taken place at all and they certainly made a difference in the setting up and breaking down.

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For several reasons, we ended up basically with two stations - one concentrating on CW and the other on SSB. Early on, we decided that, with the limited time and time of year, there would be no 160/80 and limited on 40. We were hoping for good condx on the higher bands, particularly 12 and 10 meters. With our limited set-up, this would hopefully give us maximum chances to work a lot of stations. The CW station consisted of my IC-775 (barefoot) and a R-8 Vertical and the SSB station a Kachina 505DSP, Acom amp, and Force 12 yagis.

The first QSO was on 6 July at 2330Z and the last on 9 July at 1900Z. That gave us around 67 1/2 hours of possible operating time. We also spend time exploring the island and enjoying the unique environment and taking a lot of pictures. We had originally planned to stay to the evening of 10 July but a weather alert forced us to leave 24 hrs early.... or spend 4-5 more days on the island. While this would have made (prehaps) the radio operations more favorable, it was a "no-brainer" decision to leave.

Here are the stats:

40CW	-	AI5P	34,	WV2B	18	-	Total 52
40SSB	-	WA4RX	88,	WV2B	2	-	Total 90
30CW	-	AI5P	355,	WV2B	34	4	- Total 699

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20CW
        - AI5P 164, WV2B 8 - Total 172
20SSB - AI5P 171, KT1J 477, WA4RX 827,
                        WV2B 496
                                       Total
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17CW - AI5P 602 - Total 602
17SSB - AI5P 476, WA4RX 203, WV2B 139
                Total 818
15CW - AI5P 67, WV2B 65 - Total 132
15SSTV - KT1J 1 - Total 1
15SSB - AI5P 6, KT1J 879, WA4RX 140, WV2B 517 -
Total 1542
12CW - AI5P 98 - Total 98
12SSB - AI5P 66, WA4RX 11 - Total 77
10CW - AI5P 18, WA4RX 1 - Total 19
10SSB - AI5P 66, WA4RX 5 - Total 71
2 FM - WV2B 4 - Total 4
Totals: AI5P 2123, KT1J 1357, WA4RX 1275, WV2B 1593
Total: 6348
Totals by mode: FM 4, SSTV 1, CW 1774 (28%), SSB 4569 (72%)
Total:
6348
Band QSOs: 40 - 142 (2%)
          30 - 699 (11%)
          20 - 2143 (34%)
          17 - 1420 (22%)
          15 - 1675 (26%)
          12 - 175 (3%)
          10 - 90(1\%)
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2 - 4 (--%)

Totals: 6348 (99% plus fractions or 100%)

DXCC Countries Worked: 107

Did we reach our goal of Q's? -Yes and no. Quantity wise, no. But we did manage to work a number of JA and Oceania stations. You can see from the stats

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that propagation did not help us on 10 and 12 meters like we hoped. Frequent checks of the higher bands were made. I was very disappointed not to get more action on 40CW. 17 meters was a very pleasant surprise!

Murphy did strike a few times to include one power supply and my Morse-Machine. I ended up making all my CW contacts with my Bencher only.... try sending the slash symbol (/) a few thousand times and you might appreciate my lousy CW.

For you Monday morning quarterbacks who just might be out there... Hindsight is always perfect. Lessons were learned. However, you weren't there and we were and we tried our best to work as many as possible.

Congrats if you made it and we're sorry if you didn't....

QSLs have been ordered from Europe so it will probably be a couple of months before the cards are returned. Have patience, please.

QSL Info:

AI5P/CY9 via AI5P

KT1J/CY9 via K1WY DX Association

WA4RX/CY9 via N2AU

WV2B/CY9 via N2AU

The support from the Arkansas DX Association was greatly appreciated and was noted on both the web site for the Dxpedition:

(http://www.geocities.com/ Heartland/Pines/7651/ DXpedition.html)

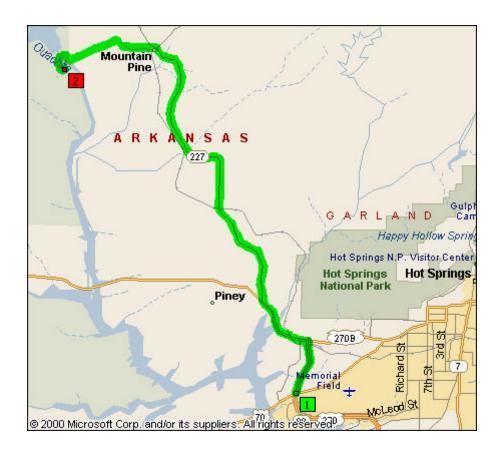
and will be on the QSLs also. It appears that KT1J/WV2B/A4RX will use a common QSL card while I, naturally, want to look my best in my black shirt and tie on my QSL card!

I worked a number of the ADXA gang but haven't had the chance to tally up "points" for bands/ modes for a special prize I will present sometime in the future.

From CY9 I proceeded to FP with KT1J and another operator, N1JEZ. But that's another story.....

73, Rick AI5P





Directions for Getting to Avery Pavilion (once you arrive at the US-70 and US-270 Junction)

Mile	Instruction	For
<u>0.0</u>	<u>US-270 US-70 Exit on US-270 [Martin Luther King Expy] (North)</u>	<u>2.4 mi</u>
<u>2.4</u>	Bear RIGHT (North) onto SR-227 [Mountain Pine Rd]	<u>3.1 mi</u>
<u>5.5</u>	Bear LEFT (North) onto SR-227	<u>3.0 mi</u>
<u>8.5</u>	Bear LEFT (West) onto Mt Pine Hwy [Blakely Dam Rd]	<u>0.6 mi</u>
<u>9.2</u>	Bear RIGHT (North-West) onto Blakely Dam Rd	<u>1.7 mi</u>
<u>10.8</u>	Bear LEFT (East) onto Local road(s)	<u>153 yds</u>
<u>10.9</u>	Arrive Avery Pavilion	

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ARKANSAS DX ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION						
CALL:	LICENSE CLASS: APPLICATION: NEW RENEWAL					
NAME:	PHONE: (<u>)</u>					
ADDRESS:	EMAIL:					
CITY:	STATE:ZIP:					
DXCC MEMBER?	ARRL MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES:					
SPONSOR'S CALL:	<u>.</u>					
ARRL MEMBERSHIP	REQUIRED (ADXA IS A 100% ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB)					
VOTING MEMBERS M	IUST HOLD DXCC					
VALID INTEREST IN D	DX REQUIRED FOR ASSOCIATE (NON-VOTING) MEMBERSHIP					
YEARLY DUES \$20.00)					
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