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ADXA MEETING MINUTES

The 2003
4th quarter meeting of the

Rick was noticing some of the SKs in QST and it got him to thinking about ADXA and how it was. In 1976 when he was President, ADXA was big! 120 members would attend the December festivities. We had members from 35 states and we had the best net in the USA with 50 to 60 check-ins. Sid Philips would publish his "needs" list. People would publish beam heading programs/listings.

Everyone would know what everyone else needed and would make phone calls whenever a "new one" was heard.

DXCC has changed over the years. Now there are 25 or 26 DXCC awards.

We now have realtime logs; DXCC rules are clarified and improved. We have the DXCC challenge. Logbook of the world now has 20 million QSOs. The day of paperless amateur radio are getting closer. Soon you will get instant credit for DXCC entries and zones.

Rick indicated that he believes that SSB to go away with digital modes and computers taking over. These will allow conversations at the noise level. He thinks it will be here in 5 years.

He's concerned that the core group he

ADXA was held at Brown's Restaurant on December 6, 2003 in Benton, Arkansas.

Those that signed the Sign In sheet included the following members: Glenn Wolf, N5RN, Dave Jacques, K5DV, Jimmy Ballew, N5ZIV, Pat Patterson, WA5KAK, Dennis Schaefer, W5RZ, David Norris, K5UZ, Martin Hankins, W5HTY, Dick Freeling, W5TIZ, Skip Kendel, WA5KQU, Bill Harper, K9IW, Lenny Mendel, K5OVC, Ken Blevins, K5ALQ, Stewart Long, KE5PO, Earl Smith, N5ZM, John Evans, WB5BHS, and Rick Roderick, K5UR. Guests included Paul Wolf, Melissa Schaefer, N5HX, Charlotte, Peterson, Janet Kendel, KD5RKY, and Pat Blevins.

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Jacques at 1322.

Since Rick Roderick had a parade to attend, we deferred taking care of the normal activities until after Rick's presentation.

keeps seeing will shrink considerably in the next 5 years.

Martin Hankins mentioned that one reason that our club has shrunk is that we only deal with ARRL. We may need to look for other members.

Dave Jacques indicated that the reason that Paul and Myrtle were absent was due to Myrtle's mother death

New Business:

A motion was made by Martin Hankins and seconded by Dave Jacques that the published minutes include dollar amounts in the Treasurer's report. The motion passed. Beginning with the June edition of the newsletter, the treasurer's report from the previous quarter's meeting will be included in the newsletter with dollars amounts.

Everyone was reminded that dues are due.

Support of DXpeditions:

There was a lengthy discussion on how to support DXpeditions. It was mentioned that we send money to DXpeditions that are NOT rare enough. Martin suggested that we assess the needs from within the club before sending a contribution.

Lenny Mendel ask if we should put our meeting in the N4AA publication and the consensus was that we would NOT.

Dennis Schaefer, W5RZ, asked for support from ADXA for the Colony contest club in the 2006-2008 timeframe. This would be for both CW/SSB. Martin seconded the motion and it passed.

Bill Harper mentioned that website is out of date. Shows statistics from January 2000. Lou Dennis is still official webmaster. (N5RN comment—we are having problems getting access to the website. We are unable to upload and not getting much help).

N5ZM made a motion to adjourn; W5GO seconded and the meeting adjourned at 1350.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

- ◇ Mar—3rd Saturday (19 March **2004**) - Location: N5ZM's home
- ◇ June—2nd Saturday (12 June **2004**) - Location: Avery Pavillion, Blakely Dam
- ◇ September—3rd Saturday (18 September **2004**) - Location: To Be Determined
- ◇ Dec—1st Saturday (4 December **2004**) - Location: To Be Determined

NEXT MEETING

AT N5ZM'S.. SEE MAPS FOR DETAILS

WORDS OF WISDOM

DAVE JACQUES, K5DV, PRESIDENT

First of all I'd like to take the time to thank Paul and Myrtle for the great job they did getting everything set up for our 4th quarter meeting at Brown's Restaurant. We had a great turnout and the food was pretty good too. While circumstances prevented our originally scheduled half time show, the presentation by Rick Roderick was definitely better than the not so titillating half time show in Houston.

From the bands, the 1st quarter has really been good. The XYL, Libby, and I both got a new band on South Orkney Is. W3UR, Bernie, and his daughter Christa, KB3JIU joined KU9C, Steve, in a one-day operation from 4U1UN, the United Nations Headquarters in New York City. I hope you all had a chance to work them; another new YL country for Libby and I. 10 meters is still cooking even though we're on the down leg side of the sunspot cycle. Afghanistan is still eluding me, as usual, and I still haven't seen anything showing anything happening at Yemen.

Word has it the March meeting will be at Earl's new digs so check the map later in the NL for directions. Knowing Earl and Sharon, the food will be great, the conversation titillating (there's that word again, hi), and there will be lots to discuss during the meeting. Hope to see you all there.

73, Dave

AD-HOC THINKING GROUP

RICK, AI5P

For those that might be interested.... I would

like to put together a group to brain storm (via e-mail) the best set up for a transportable DXpedition station.

This would involve some mental work... like reading equipment reviews, dxpedition articles, etc. to find out what's interesting. So if you just want to submit an opinion.... this is not it!

This is for a one-man operation. It's not a problem to come up with equipment for six guys and unlimited time and funds to take equipment. This is to travel with a limited budget and be able to operate using limited weight/size equipment.

So.... the areas of interest would be:

1. Transceiver
2. Amp ? - 2-400 watts
3. Power supply
4. Coax
5. Antenna
6. Key

Hopefully, some of you would like to be involved in this project.

I am starting from scratch with a view of finding the best equipment - possibly buying the same and testing it. Someone with test equipment would also be nice.

Bottom line - Size/weight/transportability/cost What can we come up with????

Drop me a note if you're interested - will try to put the group together before the 19 March ADXA meeting.

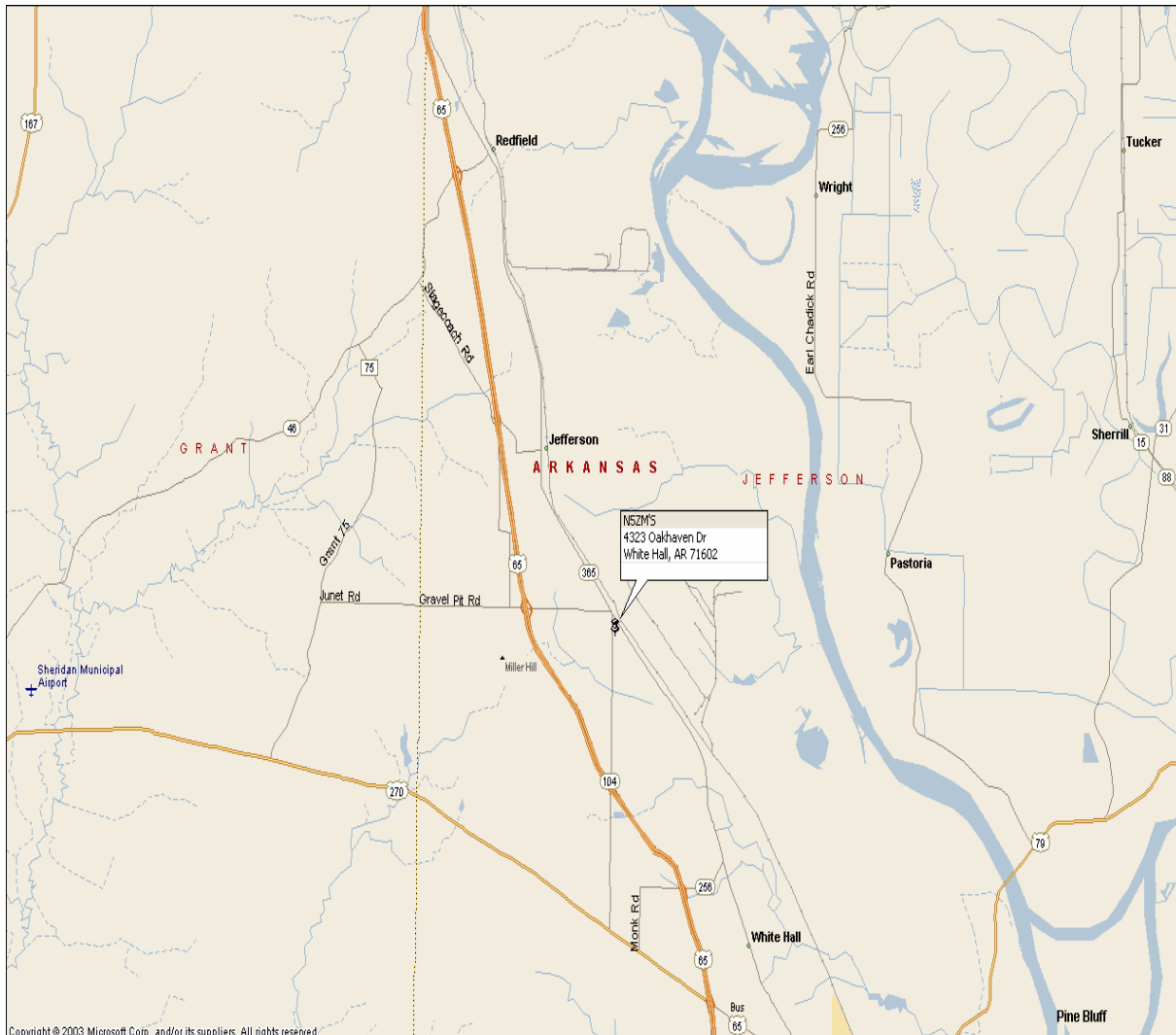
For use in future travels.... Good question ?????

73, Rick AI5P

Directions to N5ZM's
4323 Oakhaven, White Hall, AR
(870) 247-3113

From Hot Springs—Take Highway 270 to Highway 104. Make left on to Highway 104 (you are now traveling north to US365). Travel approximately 4 miles to Wagon Trace (exits right off of 104). Second intersection on Wagon Trace is Oakhaven.

From Little Rock—Take 530 (US65 as shown on map) to highway 104 exit (Exit 30). At intersection of 530 and 104, make a left on to 104. You are now headed north towards US365. Approximately two miles look for Wagon Trace on right. Second intersection on Wagon Ttrace is Oakhaven.

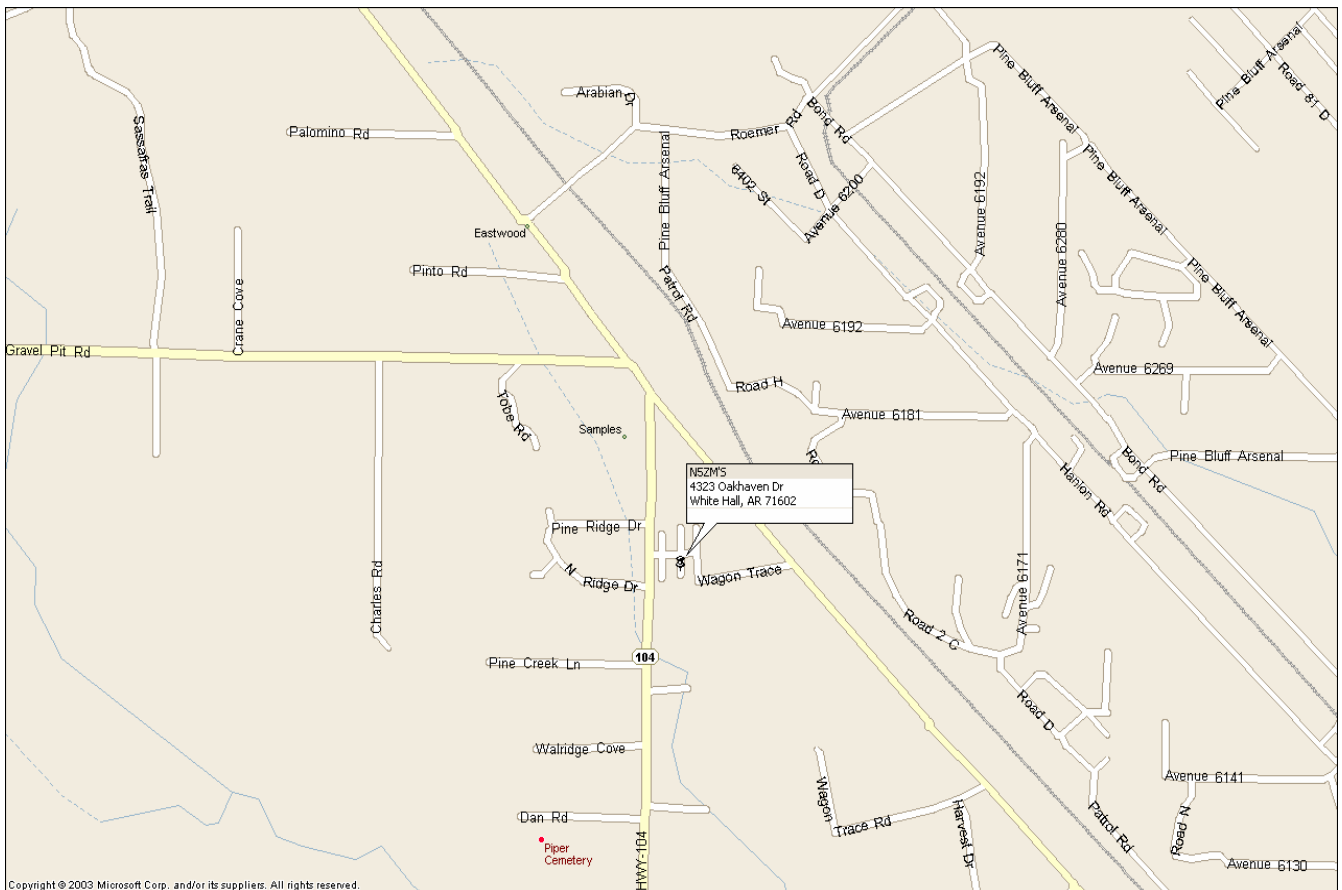


DETAILS TO N5ZM's

4323 Oakhaven, White Hall, AR 71602

870 247-3113

PLEASE NOTE THAT WAGON TRACE IS NOT BETWEEN N RIDGE AND PINE RIDGE. Every mapping program I've seen erroneously shows it between these two streets.. If you see N Ridge (on your left as you are heading towards US 365), you have gone too far.



ARKANSAS DX ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION

CALL: _____ LICENSE CLASS: _____ APPLICATION: NEW RENEWAL

NAME: _____ PHONE: () _____.

ADDRESS: _____ EMAIL: _____.

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____.

DXCC MEMBER? ARRL MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES: _____.

SPONSOR'S CALL: _____.

ARRL MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED (ADXA IS A 100% ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB)

VOTING MEMBERS MUST HOLD DXCC

VALID INTEREST IN DX REQUIRED FOR ASSOCIATE (NON-VOTING) MEMBERSHIP

YEARLY DUES \$20.00

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