



# The ADXA Quarterly

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## ADXA OFFICERS

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## ADXA MEETING MINUTES

**T**he 2010 2nd quarter meeting of the ADXA was held on Saturday, June 19, 2010 at Golden Corral on Warden Road,

in North Little Rock Arkansas.

Those that signed the sign-in sheet included the following members: Glenn Wolf, N5RN, Frank Fahrlander, N7FF, Bill Harper, K9IW, Ollie Gade, W5GO, Lenny Mendel, K5OVC, Dave Jacques, K5DV, Jimmy Ballew, N5ZIV, Paul Wynne, AF5M, Mike Cooper, W5MDC, and Earl Smith, N5ZM. Guests included Paul Daulton, K5WMS.

With the absence of President W5VY, Vice President Paul Wynne, AF5M presided over the meeting. The meeting was called order at 1:06 PM. Paul recognized our guests—Paul Daulton, K5WMS and Mike Cooper, W5MDC.

## Health and Welfare

K5OVC had orthopedic surgery last week. Patty Patterson, the wife of President Pat Patterson, W5VY, continues her battle with cancer.

## Old Business

N5ZM made a motion to have N5RN to read the minutes from the previous meeting as presented in the ADXA newsletter. The motion died for a lack

of a second. K5DV motioned that the minutes be accepted as presented in the ADXA newsletter. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

N5RN gave the treasurer's report. K5DV motioned that they be approved. N5ZM seconded. The motion carried. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

## New Business

DXpedition: Pat asked about support of the XV/3W in April 2010. N7FF made a motion to support; K5OVC seconded and the motion carried.

Bill Harper, K9IW, was recognized for his efforts on collecting the stats on current members and getting them posted on the web page. Bill, thanks for your efforts! And to W5VY for updating the webpage.

The group was reminded that the 3rd quarter meeting will be on September 18, 2010. N5RN to get a head count.

W5MDC was presented as an associated member to those present. N7FF made the motion to accept his application; K5DV seconded and he is now an associate member of ADXA.

## DXPediton support

AF5M asked the club to consider support of VP8/O. Earl to check on if this meets our criteria for support.

N5ZM suggested that we be thinking about a meeting place for the December meeting and for officers for

2010 / 2011 year.

There being no more business. A motion was made to adjourn by W5GO. Seconded by K5OVC and the meeting adjourned at 1:17 PM.

## Mark Your Calendars

These are the dates for future ADXA meetings. Please note the year as well as the date:

- **September— 3rd Saturday (18 September 2010). Location: Spillway Pavilion, Hot Springs**
- **December—1st Saturday (4 December 2010). Location: AECC, Little Rock.**

## AI5P TRAVELS

New Zealand was not a chosen spot for radio but to visit friends and to see some more of the country. It was truly the transit spot for this Pacific trip - 9 trips through the Auckland airport, 8 trips to downtown on the airport bus (about a 45 minute trip), and 5 different layovers at the Auckland hotel! Needless to say, I can make my way around Auckland pretty good!

I stayed a total of 14 days in New Zealand in the various stopovers with a final 7 day stay with my friends near Nelson on the South Island. The two main new tourist activities were a visit to the Bay of Islands (North Island) area and a heart pounding experience on Auckland's Sky Tower. More about that later.

The Bay of Islands is an area about 3 hours north of Auckland. It is rich in both natural beauty and history. The Bay of Islands' cruise takes you through beautiful blue-green waters, past a number of small islands, to the Cape Brett lighthouse (Circa 1910) and Piercy Island (Motukokako) - the

famous "Hole in the Rock." It was a calm day so we actually got to cruise thru the "hole" - amazing! On the return trip were lucky enough to have dolphins accompany the boat for quite a distance.

At Paihia is the site of the Waitangi Treaty Grounds. Here in 1840 Maori chiefs and the British Crown signed New Zealand's most significant document. The Maori ceded sovereignty to Queen Victoria while retaining territorial rights. Needless to say, this Treaty has been very controversial to this day! These magnificent grounds are bordered by sweeping Pacific Ocean views and feature the Treaty House, a fully carved Maori Meeting House, and one of the world's largest ceremonial Waka (canoe). A minimum of 76 paddlers are required to handle the Waka safely on the water!

I also visited Russell. This town has an unique past - as the Maori settlement of Kororareka, the "Hell Hole of the Pacific" when the whaling fleets of the world called, and the sword-fishing "capital" made famous by American author Zane Grey.

On one of the stopovers in Auckland, I had the opportunity to again visit the Sky Tower, the tallest tower in the Southern Hemisphere - 328 meters (1076 feet) high with a 360 degree view of Auckland. This time I talked myself into doing the Skywalk - walking around the tower on a 1.2 meter (4 foot) wide ring, no handrails, 192 meters (630 feet) above the ground! Even with a full body harness and overhead safety lines to keep you safe, it is quite an experience! Cost about \$ 70 (on a half-price special) - but what an unique experience - and I have a photo to prove it! And, yes, it takes a bit of talking too by the guide to trust yourself to try this (see photo) off the side of the walkway!!

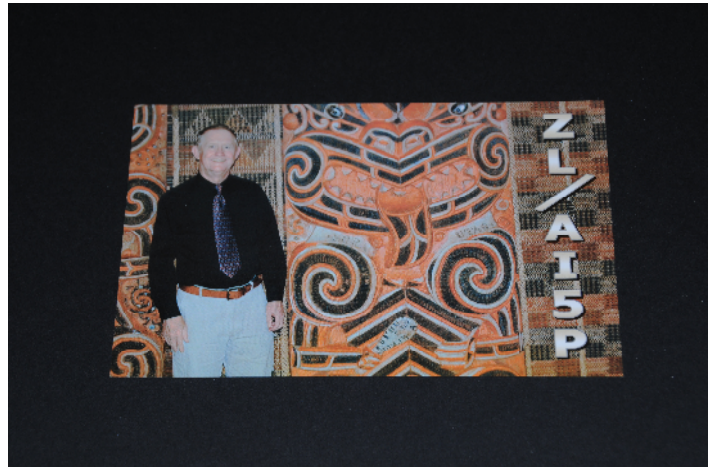
I spent most of my time in New Zealand visiting my friend Harry, ZL2SQ ex-EP2BQ, near Nelson on the South Island. It was the busy season for him as it was getting to springtime and lots of work in the orchards. I did get on the air a few times but Harry's antenna system had some problems. I did manage to work 375 contacts with 272 (67%) on 40 meters and 123 (33%)

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on 30 meters. Some interesting stations worked included: IS0GQX, R1ANB, MD0CCE, XR0Y, Z31CK, P29NI, KP4TF and LX30AK.

Returning to the States on November 6th after a 40 day trip, I reflected on what a wonderful trip this one was! It really exceeded my expectations. Too bad the radio conditions weren't the best but, hey, it was a great travel experience!

73, Rick AI5P



## Card Checking

Earl will be available to check cards as usual before the meeting. If you want to have your cards checked cards please arrive at 11:00. Also, let Earl know that you are going to be bringing cards.

### CY0 NEWS RELEASE - August, 2010

Unfortunately, Murray, WA4DAN has had to withdraw from the dxpedition, due to business conflicts. He was the original organizer and has been involved with all of the planning, since early in 2009. His previous experience at CY0 in 1996 has been invaluable in the planning of this operation. This dxpedition was to have been a reunion of sorts with Murray, Ron, and Randy in memory of our operations together at KP1 and KP5. This dxpedition will not be the same without Murray.

With the loss of Murray, the addition of Gary Bartlett - VE1RGB to the Sable Island Dxpediton team, as the 4th operator, will be critical in helping to accomplish our objectives. We are very fortunate to have successfully recruited Gary; a skilled CW operator, active competitor in contests, experienced in handling pileups, a great technical background, an active member of the Halifax Amateur Radio Club (HARC) and all round nice guy. In addition, a plus is that Gary has previously operated from Sable Island. Gary makes his home in Wellington, Nova Scotia. He will be an asset in assuring that the Dxpediton team meets it's objectives. Call signs are: CY0/AA4VK, CY0/AI5P, CY0/N0TG, CY0/VE1RGB. The preferred QSL route is VIA the ONLINE QSL REQUEST Service. QSL instructions and options are listed on our website: [www.CY0dxpedition.com](http://www.CY0dxpedition.com)

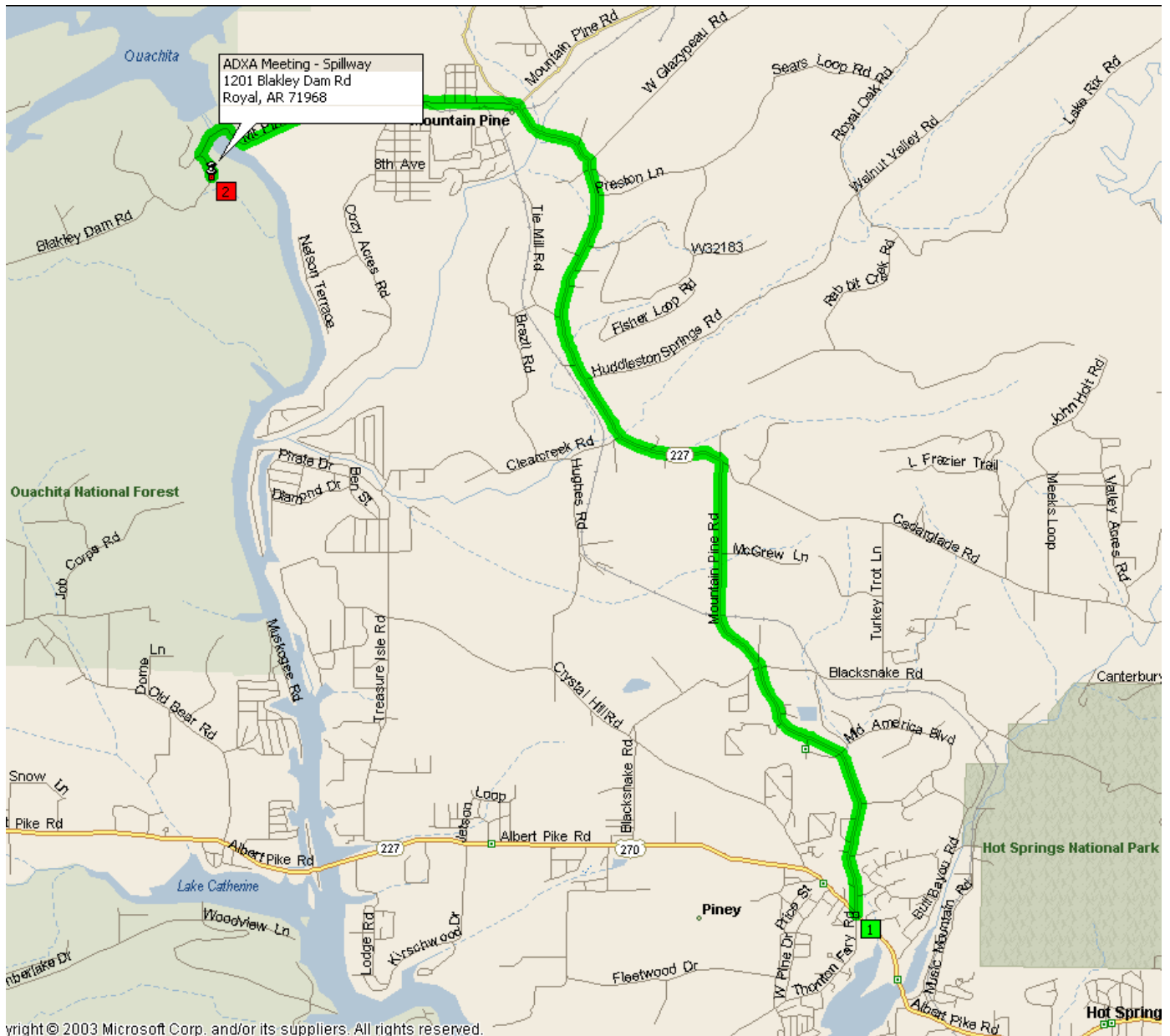


## Map to ADXA Meeting

1201 Blakely Dam Road

Royal, AR

Proceed to the Spillway Pavilion (not the Avery)





## ARKANSAS DX ASSOCIATION

### MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION

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LICENSE CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION: ☐ NEW ☐ RENEWAL

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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 **\$25.00**, Family membership **\$35.00**

### **MAIL APPLICATION TO:**

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