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ADXA MEETING MINUTES

The 2010 3rd quarter meeting of the ADXA was held on Saturday, September 18, 2010 at the Spillway pavilion in Hot Springs Arkan-

sas.

Those that signed the sign-in sheet included the following members: Glenn Wolf, N5RN, Dave Jacques, K5DV, Libby Jacques, WB6AXD, Ollie Gade, W5G0, Bill Harper, K9IW, Dennis Schaefer, W5RZ, Frank Fahrlander, N7FF, David Norris, K5UZ, and Earl Smith, N5ZM. With the absence of President W5VY and Vice President Paul Wynne AF5M, Earl Smith, N5ZM presided over the meeting. The meeting was called order at 1:06 PM.

Health and Welfare

Patty Patterson, the wife of President Pat Patterson, W5VY, continues her battle with cancer.

Old Business

A motion was made to have the minutes as presented in the newsletter be accepted. 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

N5ZM suggested that we discuss officers for the 2010-2011 calendar year. Bill Harper, K9IW, agreed to be nominated for President. Frank Fahrlander, N7FF, agreed to be nominated for Vice-President. Glenn Wolf, N5RN, agreed to continue as Secretary/Treasurer.

Dave Norris, K5UZ, Delta Division Vice Director talked about the Spectrum Defense fund, national broadband, and the new DXCC countries. He commented to that LOTW is growing by leaps and bounds and that even though there are "glitches" with the new ARRL webpage, over all it is good.

There being no more business. A motion was made to adjourn by W5G0. Seconded by K50VC and the meeting adjourned at 1:36 PM.

Mark Your Calendars

These are the dates for future ADXA meetings.

December-1st Saturday (4 December 2010).

Location: Whole Hog Café, 4332 Central Ave. Hot Springs 501-520-5227. Meeting room from 12:00 to 3:00PM. (actually located in Temperance Hill Mall)



Paul Wynne, AF5M, Silent Key



November 9, 2010 — AF5M (ex WN5YMW), Paul E. Wynne, of Jacksonville, AR passed away "peacefully at his home" on Monday afternoon reports N5RN, Glenn Wolf.

He was 70. Paul was first licensed in 1969 and was an avid CW DXer.

He had 334/352 (current/total) countries confirmed on his mixed DXCC.

Paul was a Charter Member of the Arkansas DX Association and the current Vice President. Our sincere condolences to his XYL N500I, Myrtle and the Wynne family.

AI5P TRAVELS

After departing New Caledonia, I flew to Vanuatu on October 10th via Auckland. It is interesting to note that the international airfield at Port Vila, the capital, is named after USMC Lt Col Harold Bauer, an ace with 11 kills confirmed and awardee of the Congressional Medal of Honor before being killed at Guadalcanal in November, 1942. He had been commander of Marine Fighting Squadron (VMF) 212 in New Hebrides (Vanuatu).

I stayed at the Blue Pango Motel, a small place run by a Korean family on the outskirts of Port Vila. It had been recommended to me by Tony, VK3TZ/YJ8TZ, whom I had worked on one of my Pacific trips. Rod, YJ8RN, the only current resident amateur (but not active) was key to getting the license beforehand. The motel was quite basic but comfortable, clean and well situated.

The first four days were rainy and quite gloomy and overcast. Fortunately, it cleared up and was quite nice the remaining five days. Again conditions weren't too good but I managed to put 2003 contacts in the log—again only on 40, 30, and 20 meters. Interesting stations worked included C06LP, VK4FREQ, 0052BLV, FW8WI, 0A4AI, VQ9JC, CP4BT, F08RZ, LX2A, EA6NB AND R1ANB.

The Y-shaped chain of 83 islands has a history unique to the South Pacific. The people of Vanuatu ("Land Eternal") are largely Melanesian and called Ni-Vanuatu ("of Vanuatu"). They have lived here for centuries and more than 115 distinctly different cultures and languages still thrive. Dances, ceremonies, artistic styles, status and systems of authority can vary from island to island and even district to district.

Captain James Cook originally named the islands the New Hebrides after the Scottish islands when he charted the islands in 1774. Both French and English settlers arrived later in the islands and began establishing towns and trade. In response to German expansionism in the region, the joint Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides was created in 1906. During World War II, the islands supported major Allied naval and air bases. Vanuatu became an independent republic in 1980.

I had a great time wandering around Port Vila taking pictures and enjoying the sights—the City Market (fantastic flowers, vegetables and plants), the National Museum with its outstanding collection of native costumes and demonstrations of sand drawing, and the tourist market for art and crafts. The main street of Port Vila can be walked in about 15 minutes so getting to know the capital city doesn't take long! If you want to catch a ride, you just flag down one of the many licensed minibuses, see if they are headed in your direction, pay the fixed sum of about \$1.50. Great system!

One day I took a guided tour to the magnificent Mele-Maat Cascade waterfalls. About a 20 minute steep walk up the mountain but a wonderful reward of seeing 150 feet of waterfalls cascading down the beautiful hills. I also hired a driver to drive me around the "ring" road of Efate island. Some beautiful scenery, beaches, streams and villages. The most interesting sight was to suddenly come

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upon a small "Havana Harbor WWII Museum" which had been constructed by a local gentleman who collected artifacts from the war. It was filled with mostly USA Coca Cola bottles and other Australian/New Zealand bottles of all types. Also a few very rusted equipment items! I learned all about Coca Cola bottles from him—like how to see on the glass where it was bottled (which I certainly remember seeing as a kid) but also how to find the month and year it was bottled! Of course, I couldn't resist buying a souvenir WWII-era Coca Cola bottle from him!

Perhaps you remember James A. Michener wrote his first book (Tales of the South Pacific—1948) based on his experiences as a Naval Officer stationed in the New Hebrides on the island of Espiritu Santo. The musical South Pacific (Navy nurse Nellie Forbush from Little Rock) was based on his book. You learn something every day on these trips.

Vanuatu—country of a great variety of sights and stories!

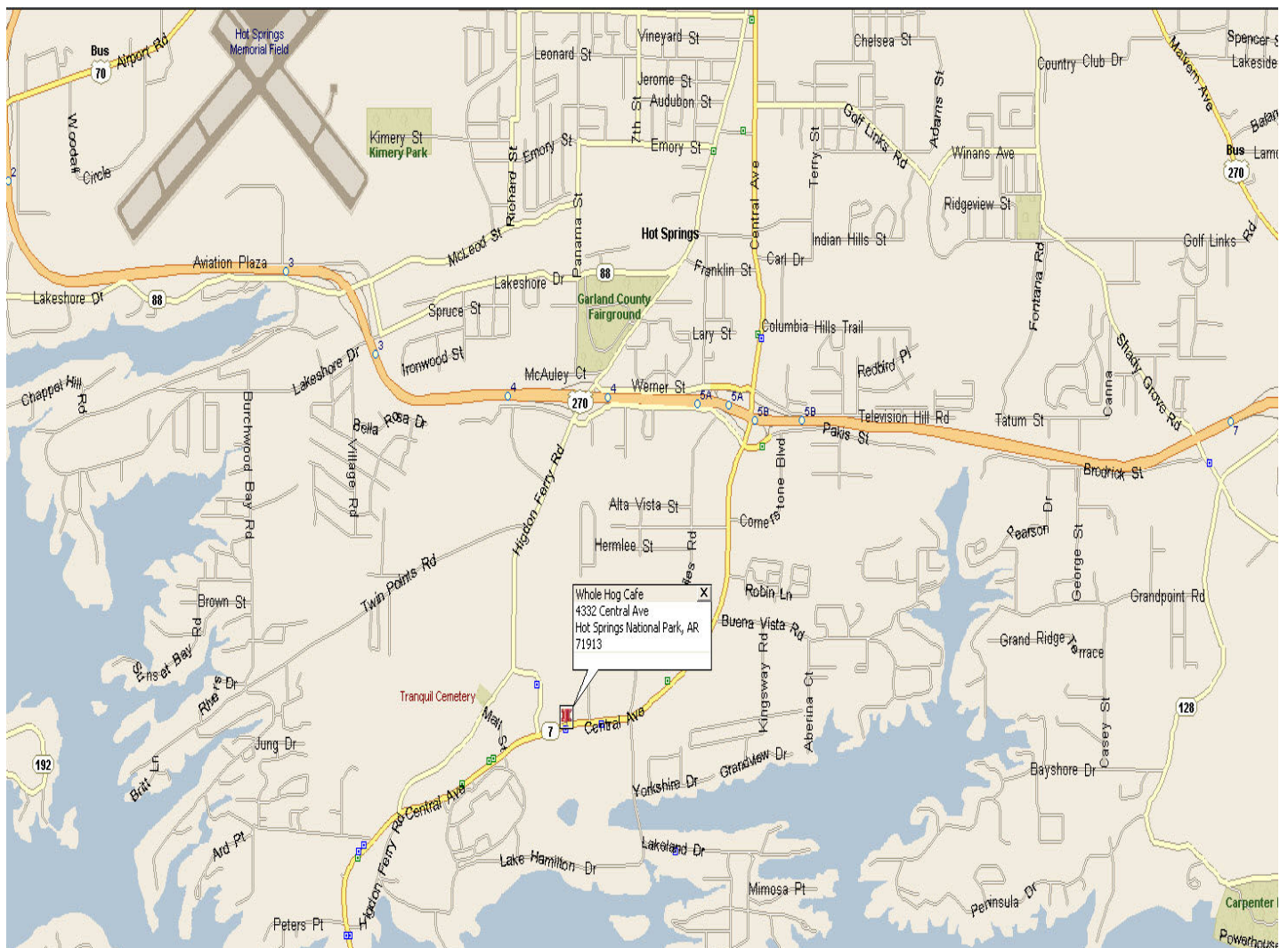


Card Checking

Earl, N5ZM, will be available to check cards as usual before the meeting. If you want to have your cards checked please arrive at 12:00. Also, let Earl know that you are going to be bringing cards.



Map to ADXA Meeting
Whole Hog Cafe
4332 Central Avenue (Temperance Hill Mall)
Hot Springs, Arkansas





ARKANSAS DX ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION

CALL: _____

LICENSE CLASS: _____

APPLICATION: ☐ NEW ☐ RENEWAL

NAME: _____

PHONE: () _____.

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____

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**

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