Northeast Wisconsin DX Association (NEWDXA) Minutes January 23, 2016

Call to order The January meeting of NEWDXA was called to order by President Tom Harke AA9A at 10:30 a.m. at Golden Corral in Green Bay with 23 members present. Additions to the agenda were approved.

Minutes/Financials

The minutes of the November meeting were approved as read. Copies of the treasurer's report were distributed and approved. The only expense for January was for the printing of member certificates. (If you're not a life member, don't forget to pay your dues! Note: members are considered inactive if they are 2 years in arrears)

DX Report Skip KE9L reported that ZL9A (Antipodes) and Marquesas (TX7EU March 3-15) were scheduled, but donations were not recommended due to the operations being too small.

Upcoming DXpeditions include:

P5/3Z9DX North Korea – Dom may be active by month's end 3XY1T – Guinea – Feb 18 – March 4
S9BK – Sao Tome – Feb 25 – March 25
3C7GIA – Equatorial Guinea – March 4-13
5J0P – San Andres – March 6-21
VK9CK – Cocos Keeling – March 15-26
VK0EK – Heard Island – March 20 – Apr 10
FT4JA – Juan de Nova – March 31- April 14
A91HI Bahrain – April 28 – May 1
E44QX – Palestine – May 8-15
CY9C – St. Paul – Aug 19-28
3Y0F - Bouvet – operation has been delayed

Check the NEWDXA website – NG3K link - for latest announced DX info.

Notice of Kirkland activation should be coming, perhaps to be announced at the Visalia Convention in April.

Members voted to donate \$100 to the VK9CK Cocos Keeling DXpedition.

Old Business None

New Business The proposed bylaw changes were discussed and approved with the at-large members being added to the alternate year election schedule. The bylaws will be updated and be made available to the membership.

The following were elected as officers of NEWDXA for 2016:

President Tom Harke – AA9A

Vice President Mike Lawrence N9UA

Secretary – Anne Dirkman KC9UHH/KC9YL

Treasurer – Jim Callow K8IR Member at Large - Mark Michel W9OP Member at Large - Bob Gedemer KA9JAC

George Croy W9MDP – continues his board position as most recent president

It was agreed that names of members and their call signs be posted on the website.

John NZ9Z was recognized for his 25 years of service to the club as Membership Coordinator.

Gerry WA9GON and Mike N9UA were thanked for their time spent working on the club website.

Members were asked if they would like to assist with the website or serve as Program Director - contact Tom Harke if interested.

Anyone interested in attending Dayton or Visalia – contact Mark W9OP.

Jack W9MU agreed to do a future presentation on interpreting propagation charts.

New Members None

Contest Report None

Open Forum Phil W3TOS spoke to the group, representing the local Michigan Chapter #219 of QCWA. Phil shared information on the local chapter, now in its 8th year. The club is active in the community, helping with the picnic of the DAR Boys & Girls club on Marinette/Menominee, publishing a monthly newsletter and operating a monthly net. National QCWA sponsors educational scholarships and promotes chapter membership for hams who have been licensed for 25+ years, who wish to participate in local activities for the good of amateur radio and the public interest. You can join/renew online at qcwa.org. Contact Phil for more information. Their next meeting is at Golden Corral in Green Bay – February 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Skip has a TS940S for sale that's all set up for CW. Contact him if interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 followed by a video of the FT5ZM Amsterdam DXpedition.

Next meeting – Saturday, May 7 – Holidays (Fox Valley) - 1395 West American Drive -Neenah - General Membership meeting begins at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted, Anne Dirkman KC9UHH January 31, 2016