

January 30, 2017

## Kansas City DX Club Meeting Minutes

Carmack Community Room, Central Resource Library - Overland Park, KS



The January 2017 meeting of the Kansas City DX Club was called to order by President **Jeff Blaine, AC0C**, at 6:03 pm CDT (0003 January 31, 2017 UTC).

### Agenda -

- Introductions/Greeting
- Special announcements
- DXing and Contesting
- W0AR and N0SS report and awards
- Round-robin discussion by everyone

### Introductions -

As customary, we all introduced ourselves to the group.

**Tom Doherty, K0CIA** (nice call), was introduced as a visitor. He came all the way from Warrensburg. Returning visitor **Mansoor, AP2IA**, was also introduced. Welcome gentlemen.

### Announcements

- Dues are due. (\$20 to AB0X). Sixty per cent of our dues go to supporting DXpeditions. It was announced that we are contributing \$500 to the upcoming Bouvet activation.
- If you need or you know of someone who needs a ride to our meetings let Jeff know. We would like to make sure everyone who wishes to attend can do so.

## **DXing and Contesting**

- **DXing for February –**

<b>TL8TT</b>	<b>Central African Republic</b>
<b>9X2AW</b>	<b>Rawanda fairly rare</b>
<b>3X</b>	<b>Guinea more rare</b>
<b>E51AMF</b>	<b>South Cook</b>
<b>XX9D</b>	<b>Macao</b>
<b>TX5T</b>	<b>Austral</b>
<b>VP6EU</b>	<b>Pitcairn</b>

- **Contesting for February**

**Lots of QSO Parties**

**NAQP RTTY**

**ARRL DX CW**

**CQ 160 SSB**

**AWA AM QSO Party**

## **W0AR and N0SS report and awards Tom, N0AG**

### W0AR DX Contest

Hi power	Drew K3PA	Low Power	Mike AB0X
QRP	Mike AB0X	Wires	Charlie K0THN

### N0SS Combined Contests

Hi Power	Russ K0VXU	Low Power	Bill K0VBU
QRP	Dave W7FB		

Nice vacuum tube traveling trophies were presented to Drew and Russ for their respective wins in the hi power class in these contests. Photos will be placed on the web site.

Jeff encouraged more participation in these contests. Activity in these may help us to attract more members. A suggestion was made to reward those who bettered a previous best score.

Thanks to Drew K3PA for assisting in gathering data for the N0SS contest.

Random notes from Round Table discussion:

- Quite a lot of 160 meter activity and antennas are being tried.
- Use the club call, W0CW, more (get permission from the trustee Dragan, K0AP first).
- Gary, W0MNA, and Martha, W0ERI are 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in US Summit-On-The-Air standings. Gary showed a 40 meter CW transceiver and a modern version of the WWII clandestine Paraset radio called the Bayou Jumper from the 4 State QRP Group mounted in small wooden boxes available at Hobby Lobby. Nice work Gary.
- February 18<sup>th</sup> is the date for the Freeze Your Keys operation at Weston Bend MO State park from 8am to 4pm.
- Don, K0IFO, is building a computing VSWR meter using the 8703 logarithmic detector devices. Hope he does a report on it for us when he is done.

As usual Jeff solicited for speakers and ideas for future meetings. Also newsletter content and suggestions are wanted. Send to **Mike, AB0X**.

The February 2017 club meeting is tentatively scheduled for **Monday February 27 at 6:00pm** at the Johnson County Central Library. Check later information to confirm.

**Charles Hett, K0THN, KCDX Club Secretary**