

October 29, 2018

Kansas City DX Club Meeting Minutes

Carmack Community Room, Central Resource Library

Overland Park, KS



The October meeting of the Kansas City DX Club was called to order by President **Russ Woirhaye, K0VXU** at 6:12 pm CDT (October 29, 2018 – 2312 UTC).

Agenda -

- Greeting and Introduction of Guests
- DXing and Contesting
- Grounding and Bonding **Ward Silver, N0AX** (first introduced as **L1AR** and explained by Russ)
- Closing

Introductions -

We introduced ourselves. Guests noted were

1. Ward Silver, N0AX
2. Jim Swaters, WB0IXI
3. Jack DiPalo, WZ1Y

DXing and Contesting

DXing for November

Based on NG3K website: <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html>

Highlights were VK9XQ, Christmas Is., VK9CH, Cocos Keeling, EP6RRC, Iran and 4W??, East Timor

Contesting for November

Based on WA7BNM website: <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/>

Highlights reported were ARRL Sweepstakes CW, CQWDX CW and ARRL 160 Meter

Program

Russ, K0VXU, introduced our speaker and first played a short video of his performance with the Spurious Emissions Band that plays at Dayton. He was doing the vocal solo on "Don't Call Twice". You can watch this and other videos by the band at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r6dSak-gkNM>.

Ward Silver, N0AX

Ward titled his presentation as Grounding and Bonding for the Little Pistol & Medium Gun which he first presented at Contest University at Dayton.

Ward has written a book for ARRL titled Grounding and Bonding for the Radio Amateur which covers much of the material in the presentation.

Ward will provide a copy of his presentation for posting on the KC DX Club website.

The main points Ward hoped to communicate to us were:

- Understand "ground" and "bond"
- Appreciate the different requirements for ac safety, lightning protection, RF and audio
- Illustrate some techniques
- Show how a system approach works
- Point you at more comprehensive resources

The presentation is intended for the small to medium station builder. It is not for the Big Guns.

Because the presentation is to be posted, no further comments will be made here.

Announcements

Drew, K3PA, is scheduled to talk at the November 26th meeting. The subject will be locating and eliminating power line noise.

The Christmas party is to be at RC's in Martin City on December 15th. Time is TBA. Russ will be asking shortly for a head count of those who expect to attend.

If you need a ride or you know of someone who needs a ride to our meetings let Russ know. We would like to make sure everyone who wishes to attend can do so.

The meeting was adjourned.

Charles Hett **KØTHN** KCDX Club Secretary