



The DX HUNTER

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MDXA CLUB INFO

**MEETINGS: 2nd SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
@ 7:30 AM @ GOLDEN CORRAL ON HWY 49
GULFPORT**

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"More than a Club - We are Friends"

CLUB NEWS

This is the first attempt to start a club newsletter. I will try to have the newsletter placed on the club website for all club members around the first of each month. If there is something that you would like added or removed from the newsletter please contact me and I will do my best. If you would like to write an article please feel free to do so and e-mail it to me. All help will be GREATLY appreciated.

2016 FIELD DAY REPORT

Field Day is coming fast so we need to start our planning now. We will be using the Success Community Center. It is air-conditioned so rain or shine we will be "cool." The club will operate 2A MS again this year. Last year we missed 2nd place by less than 100 points. Let's try to 'up the score' this year. The club really needs a CW Operator this year. PLEASE consider coming out and support us.

Over the next couple of issues of the DX Hunter I will be including TIPS on DXing from AA0MZ. They are a good guide for those starting in DX and us ole timers that think we know it all.

You want to jump in the pileup? Ready to chase that DX? Make sure you have plenty of tickets for the ride. Here are some tips on how to get the DX, operate legally, and not be a Lid. Also some tips on how to get along with fellow operators. If you can remember the first 3 tips you pretty much have everything you need.

1. Be considerate.
2. Listen to the DX station.
3. Follow instructions. If the DX station says he is listening up (or down) then make sure you have your rig set for split operation and transmit in the portion of the band he is listening. He will also give important information such as his callsign, QSL information, etc. If you didn't hear it, listen and he will repeat it again.
4. BEFORE TRANSMITTING ON A FREQUENCY, ASK IF THE FREQUENCY IS IN USE. This includes split operations. Make sure you listen to your transmitting frequency and make sure it is clear before you start operating "split" and listening elsewhere. Give people time to find you and respond to your "QRL?" Sometimes they are nearby and need to tune around to find where the QRM is coming from. Don't just ask once. This leads to the inevitable, "The frequency is in use!" angry remark and the pathetic, "I ASKED if the frequency was in use" reply. Ask a few times and give someone a chance to respond.



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5. Just because everyone else is doing it doesn't make it right. As your parents used to say, "If your friends jumped off a cliff, would you?" Follow the rules your license gives you. There are some really poor and illegal operating practices out there. Don't get caught up in it.

6. Stay in your authorized frequency range. If the DX is operating in the extra class portion of the band and you are not an extra class licensed operator, stay out. If the DX station is operating in a portion you are not allowed to be....DON'T GO THERE!

7. Don't be a [DX cop](#)! As tempting as it may be to tell someone "Split" "Up" "Lid" "Shut up" etc on the DX frequency, don't. It only causes more QRM. The offending station will eventually get a clue and be embarrassed. 99% of it is an honest mistake. The other 1% is intentional QRM from anti-social losers who still live in their parent's basements. They only get their jollies by hearing the above remarks. If no one says anything, they get bored and move on.

8. Don't ask the DX station if he can move to another band if he is working a pileup. You are denying others a contact so that you can have several. This makes you a DX pig and pisses off the 1,000s waiting for their contact!

9. Don't identify your station by using "last two" or any other portion of your callsign, even if the DX station asks for it. (If you have legally identified your station and you want to get on the DX station's list then it is ok to give them whatever ID they request. **AS LONG AS YOU HAVE LEGALLY IDENTIFIED YOURSELF!**) You must legally identify your station according to the rules you agreed to when you got your license. Asking for and using portions of a callsign encourages illegal operating and is poor operating practice. It slows down pileups because the DX station has to ask a station to complete its call rather than catching it in one transmission. Some DX stations refuse to work stations giving out their "last two." Just because there are 100 Lids shouting their "last two" and they have extra class calls...don't join in. They are just extra class Lids.

10. If the DX station asks for certain zones or areas then don't respond unless you are there. If they say "Caribbean only" don't answer if you are in the U.S. If they say "9's only" don't answer if you are in call area 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 0. If the DX station comes back to a portion of a call, ie. "the 3PTX again", and you are not a 3PTX, don't answer. It sounds easy, doesn't it? You'd be amazed....



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CONTESTING NEWS

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| 1 | Sun 0700 - 1100 | Portuguese QRP Contest (1) (40 m) - CW |
| 1 | Sun 1000 - 1059 | RCWC 4 Seasons Contest (1) (20 m) - CW |
| 1 | Sun 1100 - 1300 | Portuguese QRP Contest (2) (10/15/20 m) - CW |
| 1 | Sun 1200 - 2159 | Florida QSO Party (2) - CW/Phone |
| 1 | Sun 1300 - 1900 | AGCW QRP/QRP Party - CW |
| 1 | Sun 1400 - 1459 | RCWC 4 Seasons Contest (2) (40 m) - CW |
| 1 | Sun 1700 - 2000 | Portuguese QRP Contest (3) (10/15/20 m) - CW |
| 1 | Sun 1800 - 1859 | RCWC 4 Seasons Contest (3) (80 m) - CW |
| 1 | Sun 2000 - 2300 | Portuguese QRP Contest (4) (80 m) - CW |
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| 2 | Mon 1600 - 1900 | CZ-EPC Activity - PSK31/PSK63/PSK125 |
| 2 | Mon 1630 - 1729 | OK1WC Memorial Activity 1 (80/40 m) - CW/SSB |
| 2 | Mon 1900 - 2030 | RSGB 80 m Club Championship - SSB |
| 3 | Tue 0100 - 0300 | ARS Spartan Sprint - CW |
| 4 | Wed 0230 - 0300 | Phone Fray (1) - SSB |
| 4 | Wed 1300 - 1400 | CWops Mini-CWT Test (1) - CW |
| 4 | Wed 1700 - 1859 | Mini-Contest (1) (40/80 m) - CW |
| 4 | Wed 1900 - 2000 | CWops Mini-CWT Test (2) - CW |
| 4-5 | Wed 2300 - Thu 0300 | All Mie 33 Contest - CW/Phone |
| 5 | Thu 0300 - 0400 | CWops Mini-CWT Test (3) - CW |
| 5 | Thu 1600 - 2200 | QRPCC QRP-MAS (80/40 m) - CW |
| 5 | Thu 1700 - 2100 | 10 meter NAC - CW/SSB/FM/Digital |
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| 7-8 | Sat 0001 - Sun 2359 | 10-10 International Spring QSO Party - Digital |
| 7 | Sat 0600 - 0659 | PGA-TEST (80 m) - CW/SSB |
| 7-8 | Sat 1200 - Sun 1159 | ARI International DX Contest - CW/SSB/RTTY |
| 7-8 | Sat 1200 - Sun 1200 | F9AA Cup Contest - PSK |
| 7-8 | Sat 1200 - Sun 2359 | SKCC Weekend Sprintathon - CW |
| 7-8 | Sat 1300 - Sun 0700 | 7QP - 7th Call Area QSO Party - CW/Digital/Phone |
| 7-8 | Sat 1500 - Sun 0300 | Indiana QSO Party - CW/Phone |
| 7-8 | Sat 1700 - Sun 2359 | Delaware QSO Party - CW/Digital/SSB |
| 7 | Sat 1700 - 2100 | FISTS Slow Speed Sprint - CW |
| 7-8 | Sat 2000 - Sun 0500 | New England QSO Party (1) - CW/Digital/SSB |
| 8 | Sun 1300 - 2400 | New England QSO Party (2) - CW/Digital/SSB |
| 8 | Sun 1400 - 1600 | FISTS Ladder Activity 1 - CW |
| 8 | Sun 1800 - 2000 | FISTS Ladder Activity 2 - CW |
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| 9-13 | Mon 0000 - Fri 2400 | AGCW Activity Week - CW |
| 9 | Mon 1630 - 1729 | OK1WC Memorial Activity 2 (80/40 m) - CW/SSB |
| 11 | Wed 0230 - 0300 | Phone Fray (2) - SSB |



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- 11 Wed 1300 - 1400 CWops Mini-CWT Test (4) - CW
11 Wed 1700 - 1859 Mini-Contest (2) (40/80 m) - CW
11 Wed 1900 - 2000 CWops Mini-CWT Test (5) - CW
11 Wed 1900 - 2030 RSGB 80 m Club Championship - PSK/RTTY
12 Thu 0300 - 0400 CWops Mini-CWT Test (6) - CW
12 Thu 1700 - 2100 NAC 50 MHz (Aktivitetstest) - All
- 14-15 Sat 0000 - Sun 2400 VERON SWL SLP Contest (4) - SSB
14 Sat 0600 - 0659 PGA-DIGI (80 m) - PSK63/RTTY
14-15 Sat 1200 - Sun 1200 Alessandro Volta RTTY DX Contest - RTTY
14-15 Sat 1200 - Sun 1159 CQ-M International DX Contest - CW/SSB
14-15 Sat 1200 - Sun 1159 HPC World Wide DX Contest - BPSK63
14 Sat 1200 - 1300 SL Contest (80/40 m) - CW
14 Sat 1315 - 1415 SL Contest (80/40 m) - SSB
14-15 Sat 1400 - Sun 0200 Arkansas QSO Party - CW/Digital/SSB
14 Sat 1400 - 2400 MARAC County Hunters Contest (1) - CW
14 Sat 1430 - 1530 SL Contest (80/40 m) - Digital
14-15 Sat 1500 - Sun 1500 Portuguese Navy Day Contest - CW/SSB
14 Sat 1700 - 2100 FISTS Unlimited Sprint - CW
14-15 Sat 2300 - Sun 0300 50 MHz Spring Sprint - CW/Phone/RTTY
15 Sun 1000 - 1400 Worked All Britain Contest (40 m) - Phone
15 Sun 1300 - 1659 UA2 QSO Party (80/40/20 m) - CW/SSB
15 Sun 1400 - 2400 MARAC County Hunters Contest (2) - CW
15 Sun 1400 - 1500 SSA Månadstest nr 5 (40/80 m) - CW
15 Sun 1515 - 1615 SSA Månadstest nr 5 (40/80 m) - SSB
- 16 Mon 0100 - 0300 Run For The Bacon QRP Contest - CW
16 Mon 1630 - 1729 OK1WC Memorial Activity 3 (80/40 m) - CW/SSB
18 Wed 0230 - 0300 Phone Fray (3) - SSB
18 Wed 1300 - 1400 CWops Mini-CWT Test (7) - CW
18 Wed 1700 - 1859 Mini-Contest (3) (40/80 m) - CW
18 Wed 1800 - 2000 MOON Contest (6 m) - CW/Digital/SSB
18 Wed 1900 - 2000 CWops Mini-CWT Test (8) - CW
19 Thu 0030 - 0230 NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint - CW
19 Thu 0300 - 0400 CWops Mini-CWT Test (9) - CW
19 Thu 1900 - 2030 RSGB 80 m Club Championship - CW
20 Fri 1800 - 2159 Slobozhansky Sprint (80/160 m) - CW/SSB
21 Sat 0600 - 2100 UN DX Contest - CW/SSB
21-22 Sat 1200 - Sun 1200 Aegean RTTY Contest - RTTY
21-22 Sat 1200 - Sun 1200 EU PSK DX Contest - BPSK63
21-22 Sat 1200 - Sun 1200 His Majesty The King of Spain Contest - CW
21 Sat 1600 - 1759 Feld-Hell Club Sprint (1) - Feld-Hell
21 Sat 2000 - 2159 Feld-Hell Club Sprint (2) - Feld-Hell
21-22 Sat 2100 - Sun 0200 Baltic Contest (80 m) - CW/SSB



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| 22 | Sun 0700 - 1100 | SSA Portabeltest Våromg. - CW/SSB |
| 22 | Sun 1400 - 1600 | FISTS Ladder Activity 3 - CW |
| 22 | Sun 1800 - 2000 | FISTS Ladder Activity 4 - CW |
| 23 | Mon 1630 - 1729 | OK1WC Memorial Activity 4 (80/40 m) - CW/SSB |
| 24 | Tue 1700 - 2100 | 50 MHz Open Cumulative Contest - CW/SSB |
| 24 | Tue 1900 - 2130 | RSGB 50 MHz UKAC - CW/SSB |
| 25 | Wed 0000 - 0200 | SKCC Straight Key Sprint - CW |
| 25 | Wed 0230 - 0300 | Phone Fray (4) - SSB |
| 25 | Wed 1300 - 1400 | CWops Mini-CWT Test (10) - CW |
| 25 | Wed 1700 - 1859 | Mini-Contest (4) (40/80 m) - CW |
| 25 | Wed 1900 - 2000 | CWops Mini-CWT Test (11) - CW |
| 26 | Thu 0300 - 0400 | CWops Mini-CWT Test (12) - CW |
| 28-29 | Sat 0000 - Sun 2359 | CQ WW WPX Contest - CW |
| 28 | Sat 0800 - 2359 | Portuguese Navy Day Contest - PSK/RTTY |
| 30 | Mon 1630 - 1729 | OK1WC Memorial Activity 5 (80/40 m) - CW/SSB |
| 30 | Mon 1800 - 1859 | SCAG Sprint (80 m) - CW |



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ANNOUNCED DX OPERATIONS

2016 May01	2016 May05	Palau	T88RF	LotW	By JJ2RCJ; mainly RTTY; call sign requested
2016 May01	2016 May08	Sint Maarten	PJ7BH	FM5BH Diret	By FM5BH; 40-10m; mainly CW; also fm St Martin using FS/FM5BH; QSL aslo OK via Club Log
2016 May01	2016 May22	Dem Rep Congo	9Q0HQ	IK3GES	By IV3FSG; 80-10m; SSB RTTY PSK31
2016 May01	2016 May27	Vanuatu	YJ0CS	HB9LCA	By HB9LCA fm various islands; mainly CW, some SSB; dipole, vertical, loop; holiday style operation
2016 May06	2016 May11	Martinique	FM	Club Log	By DL7VOG as FM/DL7VOG; CW RTTY, SSB on request
2016 May08	2016 May15	Palestine	E44QX	LotW	By DL7JAN DL5YWM DF8DX fm Jericho (KM71ru); 80-10m; mainly CW, some SSB RTTY; 100w; Spiderbeam + verticals; 2 stations, one 24/24; QSL also OK via DF8DX, DARC Buro or direct
2016 May11	2016 May22	St Lucia	J68GU	DL7VOG	By DL7VOG; 80-10m; CW RTTY PSK
2016 May12	2016 May22	St Lucia	J68GU	Club Log	By DL7VOG; CW RTTY, SSB on request
2016 May13	2016 May19	Malta	9H3SQ	SQ3RX	By SQ3RX; 40-10m, perhaps 80m; CW SSB; 100w; inverted vees; QSL OK via SP Buro or direct, also Club Log
2016 May13	2016 May23	Fernando de Noronha	PY0NY	LotW	By PY4NY; 80-10m, perhaps 160m; CW SSB PSK; QSL also OK via PY4NY direct: Rua Bom Jesus da Penha, 659, Bl 47, Apto. 1.103, Bairro Santa Terezinha Belo Horizonte - Minas Gerais, 31365190, Brazil
2016 May15	2016 Jun01	Indonesia	YB9	PA1AW	By PB5X fm Bali I; focus on 20 17 15m; 15z-18z; holiday style operation
2016 May16	2016 Jun06	Curacao	PJ2	LotW	By PB0AEX as PJ2/PB0AEX; 20 15 10m; SSB; QSL also OK via eQSL
2016 May20	2016 May31	Norfolk I	VK9NT	LotW	By VK3QB VK3YB VK3HJ VK3GK VK2CA; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY; dipoles + 160m sloper; QSL also OK via VK2CA



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2016 May23	2016 May28	South Cook Is	E51XYZ	LotW	By AI6Y fm Rarotonga; 40-10m; all modes; QSL also OK via eQSL
2016 May23	2016 Jun03	Martinique	FM	Club Log	By DL7VOG as FM/DL7VOG; CW RTTY, SSB on request; QRV for WPX CW
2016 May23	2016 Jun05	St Helena	<u>ZD7VDE</u>	Club Log	By G0VDE; G0VDE; 40-10m; mainly SSB, some RTTY PSK31, perhaps CW; verticals, wires