



The DX HUNTER

AUGUST 18

MDXA CLUB INFO

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

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"More than a Club – We are Friends"

CLUB NEWS

MDXA Field Day

Here are the final 2018 FD numbers. The members should take pride in this.

2018	2108 points
2016	1470 points
2015	1464 points

That's a 40% increase. JOB WELL DONE!!

This months program will be on Kit Building by Bill Breeden NA5DX. Come out and learn about Kit Building from someone that's built kits and radios.

DX Stories by Paul M. Dunphy, VE1DX

One of the Local QRPers was up the hill last week and for awhile we sat around and talked about the good things of Spring . . . such as working Clipperton on a number of bands. "Clipperton should not be on anyone's 'most needed list' for a long time," the QRPer said, "maybe twenty or thirty years or so." We had to think about this a bit and, as usual, we got into an endless argument. So we took the question up the hill to the Old Timer who was feeling good now that the longer days and warmer weather was here. He listened to our arguments and finally held up a hand. "Take these", he said, tossing a couple of copies of the West Coast DX Bulletin at us, "and tell me what names or calls you recognize." Those copies were dated back in the 1970's and after a bit we both had to admit that we recognized very little.

For sure, only the name was familiar of whom we had not heard much lately. The QRPer claimed to recognize one 1X3 call who he insisted had since upgraded to a 1X2 call, but the rest eluded him. "DX always is a changing season," the Old Timer said, "and nothing stands still. The DX and DXers of today will be mostly forgotten in five years or so and many will be clamoring for Clipperton." The QRPer thought this over for a bit but was not convinced. "Why do we chase DX if it is not going to mean anything?" he asked. "I thought that if I can make it to the Honor Roll they would remember me forever." This had the Old Timer shaking his head. "You chase posterity and it will elude you. All the marble monuments in the cemeteries should prove that to you. Chase DX for enjoyment and the pleasures of friendship and that will be yours forever."

Later the QRPer told us: "Sometimes I don't understand the Old Timer and what he says. Do you?" We had to admit that often we felt we were on the periphery of understanding when it came to the Old Timer but that did not bother us for there was much in this world we did not understand. But DX we did, for that was a joy! Still, we had to admit that even true blue DXers sometimes have trouble understanding the Old Timer, but more so in understanding the QRPers. That's why DXers have furrowed brows . . .



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ANNOUNCED DX OPERATIONS

August					
2018 Aug05	2018 Aug11	Guernsey	<u>GU</u>	LotW	By SP7VC SQ7OYL as MU/SP7VC; 160-12m, 6m 4m 2m; SSB FT8 MSK144 JT65A
2018 Aug05	2018 Aug12	Albania	<u>ZA</u>	LotW	By SP7IDX as ZA/SP7IDX fm Vlore (JN90rk); 40-10m; SSB + digital; QSL also OK via SP7IDX
2018 Aug06	2018 Aug14	China	B0	LotW	By BI8CKU BI8DJW as B0/BI8CKU fm Lhasa, Tibet; 40 20m; FT8; QSL also OK via BI8CKU
2018 Aug06	2018 Aug14	Sri Lanka	4S7DMG	SP9DLM	By SP9DLM fm Kalkudah (NJ07sw); 40 20 15 10m; 100w; end-fed wire
2018 Aug07	2018 Aug10	Galapagos	HC8	NE8Z	By HC1HC as HC1HC/8; mainly WARC bands, perhaps 6m; FT8 (maybe WSJT-x DX-pedition mode) CW; QRP; Buddipole
2018 Aug11	2018 Aug14	Jersey	<u>GJ</u>	LotW	By SP7VC SQ7OYL as MJ/SP7VC; 160-12m, 6m 4m 2m; SSB FT8 MSK144 JT65A
2018 Aug12	2018 Aug19	Antigua	V26NF	EA4NF	By EA4NF; 40-10m; QSL OK via Buro or direct
2018 Aug15	2018 Aug21	Austral Is	<u>TX5T</u>	M0URX	By W5RF W5MJ VE7KW K5PI W5SJ K4UEE as KH8/W5MJ fm Raivavae I (IOTA OC-114); 40-6m, perhaps 160 80m; CW SSB RTTY FT8; 3 stations
2018 Aug15	2018 Aug29	Tonga	A35RR	ZL1BQD	By ZL1BQD; mainly FT8 and JT65
2018 Aug18	2018 Aug25	St Kitts & Nevis	V47FWX	M0URX	By G0FWX fm St Kitts; holiday style operation
2018 Aug20	2018 Aug26	Kosovo	Z6	LotW	By IZ5YHD as Z6/IZ5YHD; 80-10m; SSB; 100w; inverted vee; QSL also OK via IZ5YHD (Buro or direct w/ 2 Euros) and Club Log
2018 Aug31	2018 Sep03	Palau	T88PB	JA0JHQ Direct	By JA0JHQ fm Koror I (IOTA OC-009); HF; QSL: Nobuaki Hosokawa, 1458-25 Okagami Asao-Ku, Kawasaki, KA, 215-0027, Japan



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CONTESTING NEWS

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North American QSO Party, CW	1800Z, Aug 4 to 0559Z, Aug 5
Maryland-DC QSO Party	1600Z, Aug 11 to 0400Z, Aug 12
North American QSO Party, SSB	1800Z, Aug 18 to 0559Z, Aug 19
ARRL Rookie Roundup, RTTY	1800Z-2359Z, Aug 19
Hawaii QSO Party	0400Z, Aug 25 to 0400Z, Aug 26
W/VE Islands QSO Party	1200Z, Aug 25 to 0300Z, Aug 26
Kansas QSO Party	1400Z, Aug 25 to 0200Z, Aug 26 and 1400Z-2000Z, Aug 26
Ohio QSO Party	1600Z, Aug 25 to 0400Z, Aug 26

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