



Long Path



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President's Report

Well Dayton is over for another year. I saw many of our members down there and it seems that everyone had a good time. Hope that everyone came back with some good bargains. Now that Dayton is over we can start thinking about field day. We will again set up at my place in Kalkaska, but the large black bear that was hanging around last fall gives me some worries about spending the night in the woods operating. Maybe the RTTY will scare him off.

Do not forget that Club Elections are this month. Being a club officer is not a hard job, so think hard about filling one of the positions for a year or two. Also remember that the June meeting is the last meeting for the summer. Our next meeting will be in September.

Hope to see you at the next meeting
73 Dave K8ESQ

Meeting Presentation

Friday June 12, 2015
The K4UEE produced
FT5ZM, Amsterdam Island,
video

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm. There were 33 members and guests present.

The April meeting minutes as published in the Long Path were approved. The treasure's report was approved and seconded.

New Business:

The Long Path will need a new editor for next season. Linda KC8PKY and her husband Dave KC8OBH are moving out of state. Her last Long Path will be the June issue.

June is election of officer's month. Two positions must be filled, President and Long Path Editor

K8GT Gerry and K8QKY

Steve agreed to another term as program directors

N8LJ Lee agreed to another term as Secretary

K8SIX Al agreed to another term as Vice President

N8SNM Brad agreed to another term as Treasurer

K8ESQ Dave our beloved President may be term limited and expressed a desire to retire from his position.

KC8PKY Linda is moving out of state and no longer will be our editor. Thank You Linda for your service.

Semdx, just like any other organization, can only flourish if its membership is willing to take on the responsibilities to continue our traditions. Please step up and volunteer for the positions of President and Editor.

Dxpedition's requesting support this month are Jarvis KH5 and Chesterfield FK/C. These entities were not in our top 25. A motion was made by WB8VCU Mike, to donate \$50 to each. After some discussion, the motion was seconded and approved by the members present.

K8UT Larry expressed the need to reevaluate our current website host because of some technical issues. Of the web hosts surveyed, the yearly cost will double to about \$130 per year. After some discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the extra cost and move our site to another host. This will occur during the summer months. K8ESQ Dave will contact

SEMDXA OFFICERS

President: Dave De Rain, **K8ESQ**

Vice-president: Al Bailey, **K8SIX**

Treasurer: Brad Nowak, **N8SNM**

Secretary: Lee Dziekan, **N8LJ**

Program Director: Gerry Treas, **K8GT**

Steve Culp, **K8QKY**

Directors: Ted, **K8NA**, Bob, **K8VFFV**, and Lee, **N8LJ**

Club Appointees:

Web Site Editor: Larry Gauthier, **K8UT**

LP Publisher: Linda Metz, **KC8PKY**

ARRL and CQ Appointees:

DXCC Checker: Stan Arnett, **AC8W**

DXCC Checker: Bill Jones, **N8KF**

VUCC Checker: Al Bailey, **K8SIX**

VUCC Checker: Jim Sanford, **K8ZZU**

CQ Checker: Mike Rudzki, **N8MR**

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Bob K8VfV who is the current host liaison.

Old Business:

E30FP needs a copy of our club logo to include on their QSL card.

At the June meeting will determine when to pass the hat for the Bouvet Dxpedition.

Presentation of the evening was by Semdxa's own K8UT Larry. It was an excellent primer describing different methodologies of RTTY encoding and decoding. He also included advanced techniques both hardware and software to maximize the effectiveness of RTTY contesting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Lee
N8LJ

