

# Long Path



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## President's Report

Thanks to Al for running last month's meeting. I was up north supervising the installation of a new roof and siding on our place up there. The job took way longer than I expected. I did manage to work some DX and half of the ARRL RTTY contest.

This month's presentation K1N by Craig K9CT should be a great one. Craig always puts on a very entertaining show so come early to get a good seat.

Stan, Lee, and Jim are on their way or in Montserrat (VP2M) and should be QRV in a day or two. I am the QSL manager for the expedition and the calls are Stan-VP2MAC, Lee-VP2MLJ, and Jim-VP2MXT. I hope you can work the guys. They will be QRV through the 8th.

If you haven't heard, this year's Zuckey Lake lunch will be on Friday December 18th. Mark your calendars. Hope to see you at the next meeting.  
73 Dave K8ESQ

## Meeting Presentation

**Craig K9CT on  
Navassa Island –  
K1N DXpedition**

## Meeting Minutes

18-Sept-2015

The first meeting of the season was called to order by Vice President Al K8SIX. There were 28 members and guests present.

The minutes from the last meeting and the treasures' report were approved by the membership present.

### Old Business:

The Heard Island donation along with "pass the hat" was completed last season. A question was asked if SEMDXA sent a membership list along with the donation should LOTW or QSL timeliness be rewarded. Brad mentioned that with PayPal or Clublog donations, there are no options to add attachments (member lists) to the payment.

A question was raised by a SEMDXA website form that alluded to associate membership. It was reported that a few years ago the by-laws were changed such all that was needed to be a full member is an interest in DXing. Bob K8VFFV has a copy of the latest bylaws and will email them to me and if they are not already on the website, they will be included there.

### New Business:

The transition to the new website is complete. It was reported that some members had issues navigating the site. Larry (K8UT) reported some computers remember the old site and store some data in its cache. So if you have an issue, once you get to the

SEMDXA home page, and before navigating the site, hit F5 to refresh your computers' cache.

SEMDXA club year is from September through June so membership dues are due! They are still at the low price of \$20 per year. Use the new SEMDXA website for PayPal or credit payment. Our treasure can also accept cash. The roster will be updated showing paid members by early November.

Bob K8VFFV will take over members' award tracking. Members should go to the website and input their latest DXCC, IOTA, WAZ etc information.

There are two DXpeditions involving our members, Larry K8UT is heading to Bermuda as VP9I for the September 26/27 CQWW RTTY contest. Stan

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## SEMDXA OFFICERS

*President:* Dave De Rain, **K8ESQ**  
*Vice-president:* Al Bailey, **K8SIX**  
*Treasurer:* Brad Nowak, **N8SNM**  
*Secretary:* Lee Dike, **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:* Marsha Fleming, **N8FE**

### **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**  
*CQ Checker:* Al Bailey, **K8SIX**

## Minutes cont.

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AC8W (VP2MAC), Jim KB8TXZ (VP2MXT) and Lee N8LJ (VP2MLJ) are off to Montserrat for a holiday style expedition October 1-8<sup>th</sup>. Hope the hurricanes stay away.

The presentation of the evening was the activation of Brockway Mountain in Michigan's own Keweenaw Peninsula (EN67) by Tim N8DUY and Dave WJ8R.

Gerry K8GT reports that our October presentation will be K1N by Craig K9CT.

Meeting adjourned 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted  
Lee N8LJ



## Dues are due

Dues are \$20. SEMDXA membership information is available at: [www.semdxa.org](http://www.semdxa.org). See the "Membership" tab for information and application.

DUES payment can be made online for new member and renewals using PayPal or credit card payment.

Also, you may write a check made payable to SEMDXA. Send it to Brad, N8SNM. See [QRZ.com](http://QRZ.com) for his address.

## Odds and Ends

Wes AC8JF saw this in the ARRL Contest Update —

N1MM Logger+ version 12.03.00 and later requires certain ICOM radios (e.g. IC-7600, IC-7700, IC-7800, IC-9100, this list may not be exhaustive) to use more recent versions of the ICOM firmware which include a get-split command. If you recently updated N1MM Logger+ and your radio is no longer recognized, check N1MM Logger+ release notes to see if your radio model has such a requirement, and that your radio is up to date.

Speaking of Wes, if you weren't at the Hazel Park September meeting you missed a great presentation on how to achieve your DXCC in 3 years. His PowerPoint was very informative and included some great tips on QSLing even I had forgotten about.

I happen to look at the bottom of the ICPO (Island Castle Portable Operations) and got a real lesson in what all they do. If you don't already get this email list, you might want to check it out. These special events just might give you the DX contact you need on that band you've been trying to fill. To sign up for the email list go to <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/icpo>

Reminder, last time I checked LOTW does not count for IOTA award So make sure you get that paper QSL.

Happy Fall, New Year and GD DX.

73 and hope to hear you on the air,  
Marsha N8FE

## Calendar

### 2015/ 2016 Meeting Dates

All meetings unless otherwise noted are at Jimi's Restaurant , (downtown Royal Oak across from OCC)  
Map with directions at  
<https://www.google.com/maps/@42.4841826,-83.1467062,17z?hl=en>

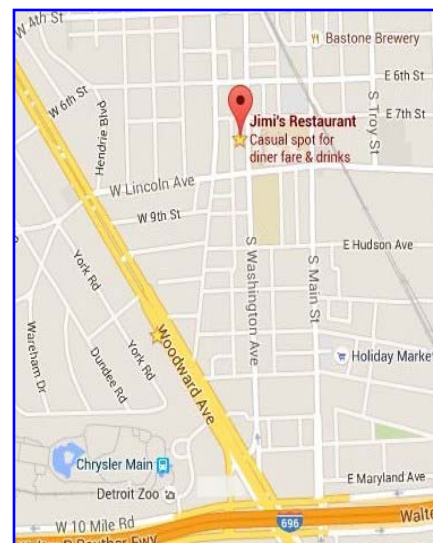
Gathering starts at 5:30 pm (dinner on you) and meeting begins at 7 pm followed by the presentation.

**2015**  
**October 9**  
November 13

**December 18 — Zuckey Lake Tavern Holiday Party**

**2016**  
January 8  
February 12  
March 11  
April 8  
May 13—Elections  
(week before Dayton)

## Map to Meeting



**Oct/Nov - 100 Most Wanted Activity**  
**as of Sept 22 - In *QRV Date Order*—By K8YTO**

QVR	End	Prefix	Call	Entity	QSL Mgr	2015	LP Date
Now	15-Dec-15	JD1/M	JG8NQJ/JD1	MINAMI TORISHIMA	JA8CJY	34	01-Jan-10
Now	14-Oct-15	T2	T2GC	TUVALU	LZ1GC	85	01-May-11
Now	04-Oct-15	V6	V63WJ	MICRONESIA	JS3LSQ	100	
Now	12-Oct-15	E5/N	E51MKW (OC-014)	NORTH COOK	KZ1W	60	
Now	27-Oct-15	E5/N	E51MQT (OC-014)	NORTH COOK		60	
02-Oct-15	12-Oct-15	FK/C	TX3X	CHESTERFIELD IS		26	
03-Oct-15	18-Oct-15	S7	S79SP (AF-024)	SEYCHELLES	SP6FXV	99	
16-Oct-15	28-Oct-15	XX9	XX9 by SP9FIH SP2FUD	MACAU		47	01-Apr-12
18-Oct-15	10-Nov-15	V6	V63AH	MICRONESIA	DL2AH	100	
22-Oct-15	28-Oct-15	S0	S0S	WESTERN SAHARA	EA2JG	65	
22-Oct-15	28-Oct-15	S0	S01AH	WESTERN SAHARA	EA2JG	65	
22-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	FJ	FJ/M5RIC	ST BARTHELEMY	M5RIC	98	01-Feb-08
24-Oct-15	25-Oct-15	FJ	by N0VD GM4AFF and G4XUM	ST BARTHELEMY		98	01-Feb-08
24-Oct-15	25-Oct-15	FJ	T04K	ST BARTHELEMY	G3NKC	98	01-Feb-08
25-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	V6	V6WW	MICRONESIA	JA2NQG	100	
25-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	V6	V6AAA	MICRONESIA	JH2BNL	100	
26-Oct-15	31-Oct-15	3B6	3B7FA	AGAEIGA & ST BRANDON	3B8FA	39	
27-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	A5	A52CVX	BHUTAN	SM6CVX	64	01-Apr-11
12-Nov-15	23-Nov-15	3C	3C7GIA	EQUATORIAL GUINEA	LA7GIA	41	
14-Nov-15	23-Nov-15	VK9/W	VK9WA	WILLIS ISLAND	N7SMI	35	
16-Nov-15	23-Nov-15	S7	S79C (AF-119)	SEYCHELLES	M0OXO	99	
24-Nov-15	02-Dec-15	T2	T2TT	TUVALU	K8NA	85	01-May-11
27-Nov-15	05-Dec-15	V6	V63DX	MICRONESIA	JA7HMZ	100	
28-Nov-15	29-Nov-15	V6	V6A	MICRONESIA	JA7HMZ	100	

LP Date is date of Long Path article about the Country/Entity - Red Means Check Call Sign in Log Prefix Table

**Oct/Nov Other DX**  
**In *QRV Date Order*—By K8YTO**

QRV	End	Prefix	Call	ENTITY	QSL Manager
NOW	30-Sep-15	5H	5H3DX	Tanzania	NK8O
NOW	30-Sep-15	E6	E6GG	Niue (ZK2)	G3TXF
NOW	30-Sep-15	Z2	Z21MG	Zimbabwe	OK6DJ
NOW	30-Sep-15	T8	T88ON	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JA3JND
NOW	30-Sep-15	3W	XV2VTC	Vietnam (XV)	VK6LC
NOW	01-Oct-15	CE9	KC4AAC (AN-012)	Antarctica (KC4)	K1IED
NOW	01-Oct-15	FO/F	FO/DF1YP (OC-046)	French Poly (FO)	DF1YP
NOW	03-Oct-15	E5/S	E51DLD (OC-013)	S. Cook Is.	W6HB
NOW	04-Oct-15	KH8	WS5K/KH8	American Samoa	M0URX
NOW	31-Oct-15	FO/F	TX7A (OC-046)	French Poly (FO)	JA1GZV
NOW	27-Nov-15	4U1/I	4U0ITU	ITU HQ	4U1ITU
NOW	31-Dec-15	9J	9J2JOCV	Zambia	JR2KDN
NOW	31-Dec-15	CE9	RI1ANZ	Antarctica (KC4)	RN1ON
NOW	31-Dec-15	JW	JW2US (EU-063)	Svalbard	LA2US
NOW	01-Jul-16	RI1FJ	RI1FJ	Franz Josef Land	UA2FM
30-Sep-15	16-Oct-15	KH0	NH0/DL2AH	Mariana Is.	DL2AH
01-Oct-15	31-Jan-16	9M6	9M6/W8AY	East Malaysia	R2AD
05-Oct-15	30-Oct-15	3B8	3B8/DJ7RJ	Mauritius	DJ7RJ
06-Oct-15	09-Oct-15	T8	T88MZ	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JH0CKF
09-Oct-15	16-Oct-15	CE9	KG4DY	Antarctica (KC4)	KE4KDY
09-Oct-15	16-Oct-15	CE9	KG4AW	Antarctica (KC4)	KG9LB
09-Oct-15	23-Oct-15	CE9	KG4WV	Antarctica (KC4)	W4WV
12-Oct-15	16-Oct-15	YB	YB16IARU	Indonesia	
13-Oct-15	18-Oct-15	T8	T88KS	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JA7CL
13-Oct-15	28-Oct-15	V7	V73D	Marshall Is.	DL4SVA
15-Oct-15	01-Nov-15	ZD7	ZD7N	St. Helena	W6NV
16-Oct-15	18-Oct-15	9M2	9M10CSB	West Malaysia	
16-Oct-15	23-Oct-15	3W	3W2HCM	Vietnam (XV)	VK6LC
17-Oct-15	24-Oct-15	D4	D4D (AF-086)	Cape Verde	EB7DX
17-Oct-15	27-Oct-15	HK0/S	5J0B (NA-033)	San Andres & Providencia	LU1FM
18-Oct-15	04-Nov-15	E5/S	E51EAQ	S. Cook Is.	SP7DQR
19-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	PY0/F	PY0F/WA4DAN	Fernando de Noronha	WA4DAN
19-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	PY0/F	PY0F/AA4VK	Fernando de Noronha	WA4DAN
19-Oct-15	29-Oct-15	PY0/F	PY0F/AA4NC	Fernando de Noronha	WA4DAN
20-Oct-15	27-Oct-15	C5	C5LT	The Gambia	F5RAV
20-Oct-15	27-Oct-15	C5	C5C	The Gambia	F5RAV
21-Oct-15	27-Oct-15	T8	T88ZO	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JA1IST
24-Oct-15	25-Oct-15	FR/R	TO90R	Reunion (90 Years)	FR4QT

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QRV	End	Prefix	Call	ENTITY	QSL Manager
24-Oct-15	25-Oct-15	9M2	9M2M	West Malaysia	
24-Oct-15	25-Oct-15	9K	9K2K	Kuwait	
27-Oct-15	03-Nov-15	T32	T32DX	E. Kiribati (Line Is.)	KH6OO
30-Oct-15	05-Nov-15	T8	T88KK	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JA4BDY
30-Oct-15	05-Nov-15	T8	T88SH	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JA4BVU
30-Oct-15	05-Nov-15	T8	T88ZE	Palau (W. Caroline Is.)	JA4BXL
31-Oct-15	10-Nov-15	3W	3W3MD	Vietnam (XV)	IK2VUC
01-Nov-15	30-Nov-15	3B9	3B9/DF6LO	Rodriguez I.	DF6LO
01-Nov-15	12-Dec-15	5R	5R8IC (AF-090)	Madagascar	F6ICX
02-Nov-15	16-Nov-15	YJ	YJ0BJ	Vanuatu	VK2BJ
05-Nov-15	02-Dec-15	ZD8	ZD8W	Ascension I.	W6NV
07-Nov-15	13-Nov-15	Z3	Z38CE	Macedonia	F5LGF
09-Nov-15	15-Nov-15	E5/S	E51KIK (OC-013)	S. Cook Is.	G0KIK
24-Nov-15	02-Dec-15	CE0/E	CE0Y/R4WAA	Easter Is.	R4WAA
24-Nov-15	02-Dec-15	CE0/E	CE0Y/RZ3FW	Easter Is.	RZ3FW
25-Nov-15	03-Dec-15	5W	5W0IF (OC-097)	Western Samoa	ZL1IF
28-Nov-15	29-Nov-15	3B9	3B9HA	Rodriguez I.	
28-Nov-15	29-Nov-15	ZD8	ZD8X	Ascension I.	OH2KI