

Minutes of February 2021 GMDXA Meeting

The Zoom meeting, facilitated by Bill W9MXQ and Gary W9XT, was called to order by President N9AW at 1904.

Minutes of the January meeting and a current treasurers report were accepted without dissent.

Committee Reports:

- Packet cluster: Noll, W9RN reports all to be working.
- GMDXA Web: Nothing new to report. An updated meeting host rotation will be posted once we resume in-person gatherings.
- Card checking: Ron, N9AU reported processing a DXCC application for N9TF from northern Illinois.
- DX Committee: One possibility surfaced with VK9CE (Cocos-Keeling) in March of this year. This operation is found to be self-funded and not in need of GMDXA support.

Old Business: There was none.

DX Reports:

N9AU DX Report

Ron reported receiving his JD1BMH QSL card for a January 80m CW Q.

WB9TFF DX Report

Donna reported working:

February 2021

ZB2FK Gibraltar 20m CW ATNO

AARL RTTY/CQ WPX RTTY

HP3SS Panama 40m RTTY NB NMC

HI3T Dominican Republic 15m and 40m RTTY NBC

F5OAM France 40m RTTY NB NMC

PQ2M Brazil 40m RTTY NBC

VK3VT Australia 40m RTTY NMC

UR5WCQ Ukraine 20m RTTY NB NMC
YO9HP Romania 20m RTTY NB NMC
YL2UI Latvia 20m RTTY NB NMC
TF1AM Iceland 20m RTTY NB NMC
XE1YD Mexico 15m RTTY NBC
V51WH Namibia 15m RTTY NB NMC
3G1B Chile 15m RTTY NBC
KP2DX Virgin Isl 15m RTTY NBC
TI2OY Costa Rica 15m RTTY NBC
ZP5FIA Paraguay 15m RTTY NB NMC
ZF2WF Cayman Isl 20m RTTY NBC
V31MA Belize 20m RTTY NBC
ZL3P New Zealand 15m RTTY NBC
EM0I Ukraine 40m RTTY NBC
OM2VL Slovak Republic 40m RTTY NBC
CO2XK Cuba 80m RTTY NBC
CR6K Portugal 80m RTTY NBC
LU5NV Argentina 40m RTTY NBC

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VK3JT Australia 80m RTTY NBC
Z35T Macedonia 20m RTTY NB NMC
MC2I Wales 20m RTTY NB NMC
OG0R Aland Isl 20m RTTY NB NMC
LB2TG Norway 20m RTTY NB NMC
EC7MA Spain 15m RTTY NBC
YY5RAB Venezuela 15m RTTY NBC

ARRL INTNL DX

G6XX England 80m CW NBC 30 watts
NP3X Puerto Rico 80m CW NBC
EA5RS Spain 80m CW NBC
HH2AA Haiti 80m CW NBC
FY5KE French Guiana 80m CW NBC
CO2AN Cuba 80m CW NBC

9G5FI Ghana 80m CW NBC
CR6K Portugal 40m CW NBC
D4Z Cape Verde 40m CW NBC

WE9R DX Report:

ARRL DX CW

Call: WE9R
Operator(s): WE9R
Station: WE9R

Class: SO Unlimited LP
QTH: Wisconsin
Operating Time (hrs): 24.5

Summary:

Band	QSOs	Mults
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160:	7	5
80:	45	33
40:	147	59
20:	426	80
15:	79	30
10:	6	4

Total: 710 211 Total Score = 448,797

Club: Society of Midwest Contesters

W9RN DX Report:

ARRL CW TEST – SOHP(A) - 332 Q – 156 C - 155K All S&P - 16 hr op time

Friday terrible condx with high QSN ... turned radio off after 30 Q's and entertained myself watching Ancient Aliens segment on History Channel.

W9XT DX Report:

4K1AZI 40M for NBC. Special events station from Azerbaijan

ARRL DX CW. Single op, low power unlimited: 861 QSOS, 245 countries,
Score: 632,100

Bad conditions starting Saturday afternoon when A index jumped to 20.
Only part time effort last day.

WB9TFH DX Report:

ATNO

JD1BMH Ogaswara island Volcano group, 1/8/2021 20m cw 2214z. Sent SAE and \$\$ for QSL.

ARRL DX CW CONTEST HIGH POWER with our Alpha 99.

Much needed 15m cw fills, entered as SOHP 15M, part time activity.

2/20/2021

TI2OY Costa Rica 15m cw 1926z

FY5KE French Guiana 15m cw 2038z

VP5M Turks & Caicos island 15m cw 2042z

OA4SS Peru 15m cw 2145z

FK8IK New Caledonia 15m cw 2153z, QSB, multiple repeats, don't think we'd QSO w/o amp.

VK1FOC Australia 15m cw 2232z

2/21/2021

HP3SS Panama 15m cw 0328z, and 80m cw 2228z

LY5AL Lithuania 20m cw 1506z

9A5W Croatia 40m cw 2337z

ZF5T Cayman islands 40m cw 2337z

FM5BH Martinique 40m cw 2338z

KP22B Virgin islands 40m cw 2341z

END OF CONTEST

2/23/2021

9Y4DG Trinidad & Tobago 80m FT8 NM 0541z Confirmed

E52WL North Cook island 80m FT8 NBNC 0512z

These last 2 were after the GMDXA meeting

N9AW DX Report:

Jerry reported working 5 NBC's on 160. His total, thus far, is 92 worked.

K9DJT DX Report:

Gary has been working meteor scatter on 6m using MSK144.

N9ATD DX Report:

Dan reported working ZD8 for a new one. He also reports receiving DXCC certs for 15, 17, 20, 30 and 40m!!! For 5BWAS he needs only a KL7 on 10m.

W9XY DX Report

Bob is planning a return trip to Etheopia (ET3AA) in May. He also reported the **possibility** of another university being licensed. Long licensing process.

KJ9I DX Report:

Sunday night just after the contest TZ4AM CQ on 7.025 CW with few/no takers.. he stayed about 10 mins then QRT

New Business

- Jerry N9AW brought up the topic of in-person meetings. After member discussion, it was the consensus that covid herd immunity is needed before we resume in-person gatherings .
- Jerry also reported on software (WSJT-Z) from SQ9FVE that allows automating one's station using FT-8. Many filter options are available including the ability to list only DX in the activity screen. Bill, W9LR mentioned that JTDX also allows many filter options.

Following the formal meeting (adjourned at 2015), members were encouraged to report on current happenings at their stations.

The next Zoom meeting will be held Monday, March 22, 2021 at 1900.

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