





NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DX CLUB

NCDXC Member of the Year: W6YD, George Allan

George Allan, W6YD was named the NCDXC Club Member of the Year. In presenting the award (which was formerly, the DXer of the Year award) Club President, Chuck Patterson, K6RK cited George's service contributions to the Club as the significant criteria on which the selection was based.

George joined the NCDXC in May of 1982 when his call was KA6GJW. He later changed his call to WA6O and again changed it (for the last time) to his current call, W6YD. George has been a tireless worker for the Club. He has served as President, Vice President (twice), Director, Chairman of the 1999 and 2001 International DX Conventions and as Co-Chairman of the 1995 International DX Convention. He has been DXer editor since May of 1999 and will again serve the Club as Co-Chair of the 2003 International DX Convention.



Please, join us in congratulating George Allan, W6YD on being selected the 2001 NCDXC Club Member of the Year.



K6OP, Nancy Rasmussen, W6UDS, N6VAW, KF6VYH

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General Meeting May 9, 2002

Harry's Hof Brau 1909 El Camino Real, Redwood City

Program

Videotaped Presentation of the DXpedition to South Sandwich Islands.

Social Hour .. 6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. Meeting...... 8:00 P.M.

Next Meeting June 13, 2002

Election of Officers





Club Officers:

President: Chuck Patterson, K6RK
Vice Pres: Jerry Griffin, K6MD
Secretary: Ron Panton, W6VG
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Records Manager: Ron Panton, W6VG Publications Mgr: Ron Panton, W6VG

Club Repeater, W6TI/R

Frequency/offset: 147.36 MHz, +

Trustee: Bob Vallio, W6RGG Control Operator: Robert Smithwick, W6CS Club simplex: 147.54 MHz (suggested)

Thurs. Net OTR: 8 pm local time.

Net Manager: Randy Wright, W6CUA
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Swap Shop: Ben Deovlet, W6FDU
QSL Information: Mac McHenry, W6BSY

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W6TI Station Trustee Bob Vallio, W6RGG, transmits DX information at 0200 UT every Monday (Sunday evening local time) on both 7.016 and 14.002 MHz.

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President's Comments





Visalia 2002 has come and gone. It was great as usual, mainly because it was a chance to meet face to face with some of the DX stations we hear and work. It also, gives us a chance to meet and trade lies with our competition here in the states.

Congratulations to George, W6YD, our editor, for being chosen NCDXC Club Member of the Year. George has agreed to co-chair Visalia 2003, along with Jerry, K6MD. Thank you, both!

Now we come to the big problem: who is going to lead NCDXC in 2002/2003? I can't run again. We need a full slate of officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two directors. I will serve as Past President.

I hope some of you will get off your butts, take on the responsibility and do something for YOUR Club. Dick, Ron, Jerry and George can't do it forever!

73, Chuck, K6RK



W6TWO, K6RK & W6WB

NCDXC Dues Information

Full and Associate Members;

Date Dues are PaidMemberFamily Rate1 July thru 30 September\$24.00Plus \$15.001 October and after\$24.00Plus \$15.00

*Members who have not remitted dues by the 30 September deadline are considered dropped from the membership roles. Those desiring to renew membership may do so anytime, but will not be included in the new issue of the NCDXC Roster.

Absentee Member Dues are \$16.00 per year.



General Meeting Minutes

The annual joint meeting of the Northern and Southern California DX Clubs was held in Visalia on the weekend of April 26 - 28 in the form of the International DX Convention. It was the Southern California DX Club's turn to host the convention, so those of us from the NCDXC had a chance to relax and enjoy the convention.

The convention opened on Friday at 13:00 commencing with registration and the opening of vendor exhibits. Several exhibitors were present including Icom, Kenwood and Yaesu. These activities closed at 1700 and at 1750, gave way to an attitude adjustment hour by the pool, which was co-sponsored by DX Magazine, HRO, Radiodan, Worldradio, the SCDXC and individual contributors; Dave Bell, Skip Bolnick and Wayne Spring. Following the cocktail party, several groups (IOTA, Contesters, FOC, and Topbanders) held their own dinners. Those who were not interested in these functions were on their own for dinner.

Saturday's events began with the opening of the exhibits followed by welcome and introduction of ARRL representatives and DX visitors, followed by a photo session. The program itself, got underway with a vendor showcase, where several vendors introduced new products. The program also included DX and Contest Forums, "The DXpedition to XR0X", "Propagation of Cycle 23", "DX Trivia" (Where are they now?), a status report on Project Logbook (Computerized QSL Confirmation), Log Analysis with a Spreadsheet and Antenna Design.

Another attitude adjustment (again, co-sponsored by the group as Saturday) preceded the Convention Banquet. Following the banquet, several awards were given by both the SCDXC and NCDXC. Chuck Patterson, K6RK presented the NCDXC Club Member of the Year Award to W6YD, George Allan. The featured banquet program was the Ducie Island, VP6DI, which was presented by Vince Thompson, K5VT, Kan Mizoguchi, JA1BK and other members of the team. It was a well received program of a very successful DXpedition.

The Sunday breakfast program featured Pete Hoover, W6ZH with "Thirty Years of QRP" and Trey Garlough, N5KO who presented the "2002 VP8 DXpedition to South Sandwich and South Georgia". The convention was closed following the awarding of many prizes and the Grand prize.

Next year is the NCDXC's turn to host the convention. It takes a lot work, so be thinking about the part you want to play in putting on the convention.

Respectfully submitted. George Allan, W6YD



W6RGG, W6SZN, NG6X, K6OP

PNW DX Convention

The Willamette Valley DX Club Announces the:

2002 Pacific Northwest DX Convention

August 2-4, 2002

at the

Monarch Hotel 12566 SE 93rd Ave. Clackamas, OR 97015

For reservations call: 800-492-8700 or 503-652-1515 Ask for Northwest DX Convention rate (Rate valid until July 12) Or go to their web site at: http://monarchhotel.citysearch.com

Scheduled presentations include:

Ward, N0AX - speaking about WRTC-2002

Lew, W7EW - speaking about VP8GEO/THU DXpeditions

Rudy, N6LF - speaking about design of 160 M Antennas

Dick, N6FF - speaking about the PW0T expedition

DX Forum

Plus: DXCC Card Checking (with no restrictions)

For more information, contact;

Al Rovner, K7AR 360-256-7437 k7ar@arrl.net

- OR -

Check the Convention web site at:

http://www.wvdxc.org/convention.htm

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Visalia DX Convention Photos by W6KM



K6MD, W6TWO,NW6P & K6RK





ARRL President, Jim Haynie, W6JBP Speaks to the "Deserving"



K6ANP, K6LRN, N6XI & Carolyn Wilson



N7CQQ & N7NG



Sylvia & George Allan, W6YD Proudly Display the NCDXC Member of the Year Plaque

Walt, W6MZQ

Map and Directions to Meeting

Harry's Hof Brau is fairly easy to find. It's on El Camino Real, just north of Woodside Road (Highway 84).

From Highway 101, take the Woodside Road (Highway 84) West exit to the El Camino North exit. Follow that exit (a short distance) toward El Camino to the stop sign at Main Street. You will practically be in Harry's parking lot! It will be right across the street on your left.

From Highway 280, take the Woodside Road East exit and follow it to the El Camino North exit. Harry's will be on your right just past the underpass.

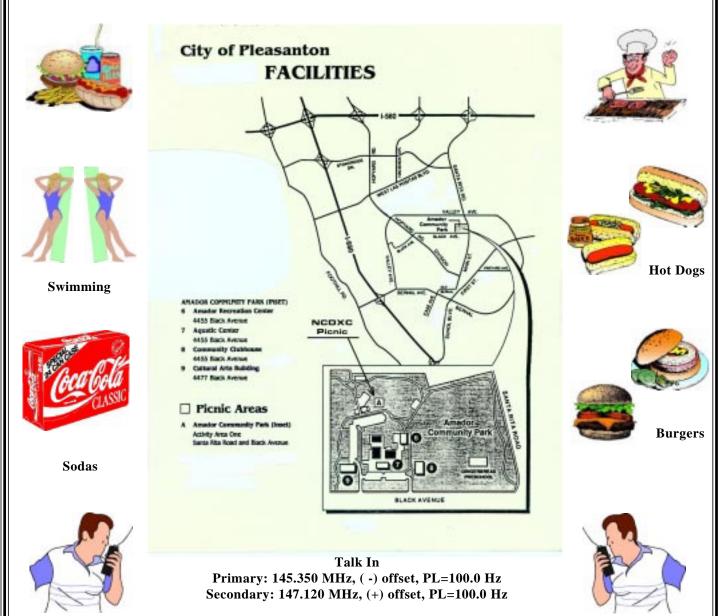
There are parking lots on both sides of the building. So, if one lot is full, just try the other one.





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Saturday, July 13th 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Amador Valley Community Park** 4455 Black Avenue, Pleasanton, California





DX Digest by W6YD

The following was "gleeped" from NG3K's web site at http://cpcug.org/user/wfeidt/ Misc/adxo.html and the Ohio Penn DX web site at http://www.papays.com/opdx.html. Please, refer to those sites for more complete information. -Ed.

Now to May 15	Chagos VQ9GB By K7GB fm Diego Garcia (AF-006); all bands; CW SSB (Don't try to work him twice on the same band. You'll get chewed out, royally if you do!)				
Now to Aug 31	VQ9, Chagos Jesse, AB5RY, continues to be active as VQ9J. He is there on duty for the U.S. Air Forces for about another 4 months. His activity will be on all bands CW/SSB. QSL with a SASE to K5QM.				
Now to Nov 30	Macquarie Island VK0MQI By VK0MQI; JAs QSL to JE1LET, all others to JA1ELY; begin and end dates uncertain				
Now to May 10	Laos XW3ZNR By IN3ZNR fm Vientiane				
Now to May 10	Baker & Howland Island KH1 By YT1AD and others; QSL SSB via RZ3AA; all other modes QSL via YT1AD				
Now to May 11	Syria YK1BA By N5FF fm Damascus; 20m, possibly other bands; G5RV; NA check 0200-0300z; 14195/14045 kHz, up 5 kHz				
May 17-27	Congo TN3 By EA3BT EA3WL as TN3B and TN3W; 80-6m; SSB RTTY, some CW				
May 23-24	Iceland TF7 By DL2RTK DL2VFR as TF7/homecall fm Vestmanneyjar Is (EU-071); 160-6m; CW SSB, possibly RTTY PSK				
CQ WPX CW Contest (May 25-26, 2002)					
May 25-30	Iceland TF1 By DL2RTK DL2VFR as TF1/homecall fm main				

Editor's Choice

Well, Visalia 2002 is now history and a very eventful convention it was, at that. I would like to thank the Club for having selected yours truly to be the 2001 NCDXC Club Member of the Year. It's an honor that I will always cherish - one which I will remember for the rest of my life. Thank you, so very, very much.

One does what on can to serve his Club. And while I have taken on a number of responsibilities for the Club, it seems a bit unfair to the Club that I should do that. For one thing, it doesn't offer an opportunity for others to become involved in leadership functions, if those functions are all centralized in a single individual. It impedes the opportunity for others to "get their feet wet" and test the leadership waters. It's also unfair to you for another important reason.

As you know, we're none of us getting any younger. In fact, just the opposite is true. If I should suddenly become disabled or involved in an auto accident, the Club would be left with some pretty big vacancies to fill. Therefore, it behooves us to spread out the work in order to minimize that potential problem.

Finally, it's unfair to you, since any member, so involved could simply "burn out" and chuck it all. I've seen that happen in other organizations and when it did, the organization was left with some difficult jobs to fill. I couldn't help but look with envy at the numbers of people from the SCDXC, SDXC and CADXC who were involved in running the convention. When asked to stand, there must have been forty or more people, who were actively involved in one way or another with running the convention.

The NCDXC and REDXA could do the same. We have more members than the SCDXC. We just need for them to participate.

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Grimsey Is (EU-168); 160-6m; CW SSB, possibly RTTY PSK;

Iceland TF5 By DL2RTK DL2VFR as TF5/homecall fm

island (EU-021); 160-6m; CW SSB, possibly RTTY PSK

QRV one or two days

Jun 05 - Jul 05 Tromelin FR5ZU/T By FR5ZU; initially QRV 0200-0400,

0900-1000, 1300-1500 UTC; QSL: Jacques Quillet, 1 cite Meteorologique, Le Chaudron, 97490 Sainte Clotilde, Reunion

Island

May 27-30



9 Band Award Standings by John Brand, K6WC

The following was sent to us in time to be published in the March DXer. However, it was overlooked by your DXer editor. And, since it was published late, I took the liberty of changing John's closing statement from future to past tense. In the future, we'll try to do a better job. -Ed.

Below are the Award standings I promised earlier this year. Actually, I was mistaken in what I had told some of you! I did, at one time, publish this list so it was not too difficult to come up with a new one. You may wish to verify its correctness and let me know if I have missed you or have published an incorrect standing. [k6wc@earthlink.net or John D. Brand, 9655 Tanglewood Circle, Orangevale, CA 95662]

Please note, that this is not an opportunity to request more endorsement tags or a new plaque. We will work together on that when you see this listing again and a notice in the DXer near the end of the year.

73, DX es Hope you enjoyed Visalia, John – K6WC

9 Band DXCC Award

Callsign	<i>160</i>	80	40	<i>30</i>	20	<i>17</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>12</i>	10
K6CBL				200	150	200	150	150	150
K6DY					100				100
N6EK			200		280		250		200
WD6EKR					250		200		150
K1ER		100	150	100	250	100	200	100	200
AA6G			250	200	280	250	280	200	280
N6HR/7		100	200	150	300	100	200	100	150
KG6I	150	200	250	200	300	200	200	250	200
KA6ING									250
W6ISQ				150		200		150	100
W6JD			200	150	300	150	250	100	200
N6JV	100	150	200	200	300	260	290	200	260
W6KQK			100		260	100	260		200
AI6L		200	300	270	300	280	290	250	270
K6MA		100	250	150	300	200	300	150	270
N6OM					150		150		100
K6RK	150	100	250	100	250	150	200	100	200
DJ6RX	200	280	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
K6SIK					150		150		150
W6TEX			100		250		200		100
KI6T		100	200	200	290	250	280	200	250
K6TMB					150		100		100
K6UM		100	150		300	200	280	200	260
K6UT		150	280	100	300	280	200	200	100
K4UVT					200		200		150
K6VX	150		300	250		300	300	270	290
K6WC			100		100				
KI6WF		150	150		300	100	300		270
W6YHM			200		250	100	260		200

Editor's Choice (Cont'd)

At the June meeting, the Club will be selecting new officers for the 2002/ 2003 Club year. The major challenges that would face an incoming board have already been met. The Club is solvent. We have an editor for the DXer and we have co-chairs for the 2003 Convention. Chuck Patterson, K6RK has served as President for the past two years and Dick Letrich, W6KM served as President for the two years prior to that. I'm absolutely certain that someone out there has ideas about how the Club should be run. Now is the time for YOU to initiate changes. Now is the time to step up and take on the mantle of leadership. It can be very rewarding.

And remember, you have no right to complain about the Club, unless you have tried to change it.



Kudos 'n Kredits

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NG3K, Bill Feidt's Web Site Ohio Penn DX Bulletin W6KM, Dick Letrich K6RK, Chuck Patterson W6WC, John Brand

Thank you, one and all!

George, W6YD

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