

GMDXA Meeting Minutes, September 24, 2012

The meeting was hosted by Valerie, NV9L, and was called to order at 7:35 PM by president Ron, N9AU. Minutes for the June meeting were read. Rick, NK9G moved to accept, seconded by John, W9VG. Treasurer's report was read and a motion was made to accept by Gary, K9GS and seconded by Rudy, NF9V. Both passed.

Guest(s): John, KC9WBU and Jack, W9MU.

Committee reports:

Packet:

Gary, K9GS, reports that the PacketCluster is working well, now, but was down for a while on Labor Day weekend and was reset by Dean. Ron, N9AU mentioned to check out the TALK mode for cluster. You can converse with other people who are also connected.

Card checking:

Ron, N9AU, checked a WAC submission. He was also one of the people checking at W9DXCC and there were 56 applications and around 4000 cards. Both were very good numbers.

DX Committee:

Rick nominated Rudy to head the DX committee for this calendar year, seconded by Valerie, NV9L, motion passed. Gary, K9GS will also help out on the committee.

GMDXA Web:

Jerry, N9AW, will be updating the web page this month and asked for member updates on their DXCC numbers. He would also like members to send pictures of their shack and antennas.

DX Reports:

The following activity was reported:

Valerie, NV9L – worked Swains, NH8S on 5 bands and Comoros Island and 2 bands. She worked 11 new all-time countries and now is up to 174. She has also signed up for a CW class.

Gary, K9GS – said RI1ANF has been very active on lots of bands, Z60K, Kosovo was on trying to become a new entity. RI1FJ has also been very active.

John, W9VG worked a JX9 on 12-15-17, 9M4 on 15-17, D64 on 17-20-40, H44 on 12-15, C31 on 40SSB and NH8S on 7 bands

Rick, NK9G – worked a T8XX.

Jack, W9MU worked a VK9 on PSK and now is on the Honor Roll for Digital mode.

Noll, W9RN – said he worked the T8XX and a RU9 for a new IOTA

Rudy, NF9V – worked 7 VU stations, a 9M4, YB, 9V1 and T30TT at the end of August.

Ron, N9AU worked the NH8 on 10, 12 and 160.

Ken, W9GA said to look for FO4BM on 6 meters. He has a very good station on the air.

Jerry, N9AW said the CQWW RTTY contest is this weekend. Band conditions should be excellent. He had worked a British RTTY contest on 10 meters and had 215 contacts in about 2 hours. This should be a good contest.

Old Business:

Brian, K9ORN read a thank you letter from the NH8S group. They were very appreciative and put our club logo on the website within a few days of receiving the money.

New Business:

- Noll will be going to VP5 on October 23rd thru October 30th.
- Gary, K9GS said the Kosovo has been given the Z6 prefix, but will not count for DXCC. South Sudan has been given the Z8 prefix and Niue has been given the E6 prefix.

Adjournment:

Gary, W9GS made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Noll, W9rN. Meeting ended at 8:25pm.

