GMDXA Meeting Minutes 24, October 2011

The meeting, hosted by Dean Jeutter K3GGN, was called to order at 7:40 PM by vice president Jerry N9AW. Minutes and treasurers report for the September meeting were read and approved.

Committee reports:

Packet:

• Dean, K3GGN, reports everything is working "SMOOOOTH". He also said the radio connect will be removed in a year or two. Nobody has connected that way in about a year.

Card checking:

• Nothing.

DX Committee:

Gary, K9GS, read a thank you from the HK0 expedition for our \$150.00 donation.

GMDXA Web:

• Jerry, N9AW, was not able to post the September minutes to the web, but will get both for October.

DX Reports:

The following activity was reported:

- Rick, NK9G, has been working RTTY and had made about 125 qso's in the last month. He said 10 had been wide open into Africa with great signals.
- Gary, W9XT, has worked BD4CQ, BA4DW/7, 3D2R, C21UF, for a new one on 10. 3D2R and OD5NJ on 12, OJ0X, VU2NXM, and V85TL on 15. These are just a few of the 26 supplied via print out.
- Jerry, N9AW, also worked lots of RTTY and is up to 130 countries for that mode. He said 10 and 12 are great and 17 has nothing. He tried for 1 and half hours for the TX7M on RTTY.
- Ken, W9GA, worked the T32C on 40 thru 10 with a vertical and 100w. He also got the TX7M on 6 meter EME.
- Valerie, NV9L, worked the California QSO party and was in 1st place for the YL single OP low power. She had 56 of the 58 counties and had 40,320 points in 17 hours on 20-15-10 SSB. She also has worked South Korea and many others adding to her DXCC total.
- Wayne, K9YNF, now has 94 worked on PSK and has a goal of 100 by the end of the year.
- Bob, W9FFC, has worked 40 all time new countries this year and finally worked the JT1RF on 10 after lots of work.

Old Business:

- Rick, NK9G, didn't get to check anymore locations for club meetings. Jerry, N9AW, had a nice QSO with K9JF one of the founding GMDXA members.
- Wayne, K9YNF, reported that he and his wife drove to Portland, ME, and then took the ferry ride to Peaks, Island. The island has about 1100 residents and about 6000 during the summer. He worked 20 meters only, SSB and PSK modes, and made about 750 SSB and 450 PSK contacts. The QSL's are being printed in Sicily and will be out soon. It was an expensive trip but lots of fun and worth the effort. Thanks, Wayne.

New Business:

- Valerie, NV9L, has attended her third meeting and would like to become a member of the club. A unanimous YES vote was taken of the members and she is now a GMDXA member. Welcome to the club Valerie.
- Wayne, K9YNF reported that the ST0R cards will be accepted by the ARRL for a 5 dollar fee if you had submitted cards at least once during the year. This will get Wayne on the honor roll. He also said the ST0R cards will uploaded to the LOTW this year with a donation to the expedition, otherwise you'll have to wait till next year for that submission.
- Gary, K9GS, said to check out the N3GK website, to see a list of stations that will be working the CQWW SSB contest this month.

http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2011.html

10 members and 1 guest, now a member, Valerie Hotzfeld, were in attendance. Gary K9GS motioned to adjourn, Bob W9FFC second. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

