## MINUTES OF LIDXA INC. MEETING —March 19, 2013

Location: Town of Oyster Ice Skating Center, Community Room 1, Bethpage, N.Y.

John, W2GW, the LIDXA President, called to order the meeting of March 19th, 2013 after a brief socializing period and introductions. Members present included John, W2GW, and XYL Louise, K2MAU; Bob, N2DXJ, and XYL Tanis; Woody, K2UU; Steve, N2AJ; Art, N2KA; Karen, W2ABK; Joe, KG2T, Joe, W2BMP, and XYL Cecilia; and Ritchie, KB2ZPB.

The LIDXA Secretary, Ed, K2MFY, was on vacation for this meeting, and Karen offered to take tonight's meeting minutes and forward it to Ed for issue.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Two parallel operations from Pacific Islands have been reported. H44G in Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands has been active (planned from March 8-25) and H40T, running from March 12-23 from Nendo Island in Temoto Province. QSL both operations via DL7DF (also check logs at <a href="http://www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php">http://www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php</a>).
- A DXpedition to Tuvalu, using the callsign T2GM, is currently active. They have two stations operational.

Starting the business portion of tonight's meeting was the approval of the February19 meeting minutes. These minutes were accepted some minor corrections. In addition, the minutes were prepared in advance by the LIDXA Secretary, Ed, K2MFY, and sent out to the membership with the March meeting notice. Thanks to the efforts of KE2LJ, Pat, the minutes appear in the LIDXA web site at: <a href="http://www.qsl.net/lidxa">http://www.qsl.net/lidxa</a>. John also presented the Treasurer's report. The (\$25) dues for the year 2013 are expected now. To date, John had received dues from about 80% of the present membership.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Steve, N2AJ, announced that Larry Arneson, NØQM, better known as VQ9LA, will be arriving in New York on tomorrow, March 20<sup>th</sup>, for a one day visit with Steve. It was thought that other operators might enjoy meeting Larry as well and a dinner was planned at *DJ's International Buffet* in Garden City around 6:30PM. Steve said the cost would be \$18.95 per person plus tax & tip. Let Steve know if you have plans to attend this dinner.

An announcement of the dinner was sent to Jim, W2KFV, the NLI SM, and have him pass this information to the NLI Section members.

Joe, W2BMP, mentioned he has a new QRP transceiver and recently contacted Greece on 17 meters, while running 2 watts.

A DXpedition is planned in October to Wake Island (K9W) in the western Pacific Ocean (IOTA OC-Ø53). Since this is a fairly rare DX entity (#15 on in Club Log's Most Wanted Entities), and one of the team members includes Lou Dietrich, N2TU-a past member of the LIDXA who recently was part of the Swans Island DXpedition (KH8S)—the club voted a donation to the DXpedition of \$100—which would ensure our logo appearing on the Wake Island DXpedition website (<a href="www.wake2013.org">www.wake2013.org</a>). (This donation was approved several weeks ago by the LIDXA Board of Directors, and subsequently our logo currently appears on the Wake Island site.)

With the business portion of this meeting concluded, John presented a video "South Pacific—As It Used to Be."

This meeting concluded at around 9:30PM after all the scheduled business and entertainment had finished. The next scheduled meeting is for April 16, 2013.

Ed Whitman, K2MFY LIDXA Secretary (from notes taken by Karen, W2ABK)