

# MINUTES OF THE LONG ISLAND DX ASSOCIATION

**APRIL 18, 2023**

The meeting was held via ZOOM which the members continue to prefer. Our meetings in this format are informal and conversational.

All those who share our interest in the Amateur Radio specialty of DXing are invited. New members should contact a member if they would like to have the ZOOM link.

Present at the meeting were: John, W2GW, President of the LIDXA; Louise, K2MAU; Karen, W2ABK; Jack, NU2Q; Bob, W2OSR; Adrian, KO8SCA; Gerry, K1NY; Art, N2KA; Walt, W2TE; Aaron, WC2C; Rick, K2RB; Tom, KA2D; Richie, KB2ZPB; Steve, N2AJ; Jerry, WB2ZEX; Richie, K2KNB; President of LIMARC; Dr. Dave, KA2HTV; Allen, N2KW.

As the meeting started at 8 PM, Gerry, K1NY, was speaking about having worked the station on Minami Torishima on 17 meters.

There was a question addressed to Adrian about how bad he was seasick during the Bouvet DXpedition. Adrian replied that he was seasick most of the time on the sailboat but that it lessened when he did his chores of being a lookout and driving the boat. He also passed the time working as 4U1UN during the ARRL CW contest.

Dr. Dave reported that he worked the 4W1A operation several times despite activity from European stations..

Tom, KA2D, has been working DX despite troubles with his antenna rotator. He has a new rotator which seems to have problems also.

Walt, W2TE, spoke of the upcoming Marconi Day Event sponsored by GSBARC which will use the call W2M. Two stations will operate. One from Babylon village and the other from the Marconi shack.

Jerry, WB2ZEX, has been attempting to work WAS on FT8. He is a few states short. However, he does continue to work DX using FT8.

Richie, K2KNB has been working on FT8 mostly. He is close to working DXCC on 80 meters which will give him DXCC on 8 bands. Richie also mentioned that Bob Heil will speak at the next LIMARC meeting.

Jack, NU2Q, reported that he recently made contacts with Taiwan and Minami Torishima as well as other DX. He has been using FT8. Recently, however, he has been operating more using cw.

Steve, N2AJ, is working on a new form which will enable him to track his contacts with DXpeditions on various bands and modes. He offered congratulations to Adrian who will speak at Vasalia.

Adrian then commented that the 3Y0J team will return some of the donations that were made to their DXpedition.

Art, N2KA, has been working 10 meter FT8 and attempting to work the T30 and VU7 DXpeditions.

John, W2GW, just completed the RF exposure form. The members wished him well after his recent medical procedure.

There was a general discussion about using FT8 on 6 meters. Bob, W2OSR, said that he has been having problems decoding on 160.

John, W2GW, called the meeting to a close at 9 PM. The next meeting will be held on May 16th at 8 PM using ZOOM.

For the entertainment part of the evening, John, W2GW, showed a video of the 1997 DXpedition to Heard Island, VK0IR. The operators made over 80,000 QSOs during harsh weather conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

