

## MINUTES OF LIDXA INC. MEETING —May 21, 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 May 21, 2013 at 8:20PM after a brief socializing period and introductions. Members present included John, W2GW, and XYL Louise, K2MAU; Bob, N2DXJ, and XYL Tanis; Ed, K2MFY; Art, N2KA; Karen, W2ABK; Tom, KA2D; Ritchie, KB2ZPB; Warren, W2WGK; and Aaron, WC2C.

### OLD BUSINESS

Quite a number of comments were made about the poor conditions during the past month. There were quite a number of solar flares and the SFI was down. However the following DX was reported:

- Pierre, HB9AMO is active from Niger as 5U9AMO. He will be in Nigere until May 30. QSL to MØURX.
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- An operation to Tongatapu Island, Tonga, as A35JP was reported. Activity is expected until May 22. QSL to the operator, Masa, JAØRQV.
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- Quite a number of stations signing “FOC,” are active until the end of this month to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the of the “First Class Operators” club.
- It was mentioned that the “Intrepid-DX Group” announced that they will be traveling to China shortly and then try to get permission to operate from North Korea.

The worldly traveler, Vlad, UA4WHX, was contacted in the past month operating from different areas of Bolivia and Chile.

- Several members reported working HD8A, the DXpedition to San Cristobal in the Galapagos Islands. They should be active until the end of May. QSL to HC2AQ.
- RW3AH, Sparky, has been very active from Cairo, Egypt as SU9AH. QSL to UA3DX.

Starting the business portion of tonight’s meeting was the approval of the April 16 meeting minutes. These minutes were accepted as presented. In addition the minutes were prepared in advance by the LIDXA Secretary, Ed, K2MFY and sent out to the membership with the May meeting notice. Thanks to the efforts of KE2LJ, Pat, the minutes appear in the LIDXA web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/lidxa>. John also presented the Treasurer’s report. The (\$25) dues for the year 2013 are overdue. To date, John had received dues from all but three members from the present membership list.

## NEW BUSINESS

John mentioned that he had filed the 501(c) forms with the bank indicating that the LIDXA was a 501(c) or a nonprofit organization.

A number of members mentioned the versatile uses of the VE7CC cluster and how this site can integrate a number of ham-related links into one site. For more information go to: <http://ve7cc.net/>.

The membership was reminded that the period of June 22–23 is the annual ARRL Field Day. Further details will be provided at next month's meeting.

With the business portion of this meeting concluded, John presented a DVD on the late September-early October 2012 DXpedition to Conway Reef, 3D2C, headed by YT1AD and supported by an international group of DXers. (See [www.yt1ad.info/3d2c](http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c) for more information.)

This meeting concluded at around 9:30PM after all the scheduled business and entertainment had finished. The next scheduled meeting is on June 18, which will be the last LIDXA meeting before the summer hiatus.

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Ed Whitman, K2MFY  
LIDXA Secretary