

## MINUTES OF THE LONG ISLAND DX ASSOCIATION

### MEETING – MARCH 15, 2020

The decision to run the meetings of the LIDXA using the ZOOM format continued due to the COVID virus and to the preference of members for doing so as expressed during a prior meeting. This format sometimes leads to meetings which are very informal. Meetings such as these can best be described as conversations between friends and fellow DXers, many of whom have been members of the Club for many years.

Those present were: John, W2GW, President of the LIDXA; Louise, K2MAU; Jack, NU2Q; Steve, N2AJ; Dave, KA2HTV; Karen, W2ABK; Richie, K2KNB, President of LIMARC; Tom, KA2D; Art, N2KA; Bob, W2OSR; Rick, K2RB; Adrian, KO8SCA; Gerry, K1NY; Richie, KB2ZPV.

The meeting began at 8 PM with a general discussion about the WRTC stations on the air. There was also a discussion over the controversy surrounding the propriety of working Russian stations.

Rick, K2RB talked about ‘fox hunting’ in Connecticut. John, W2GW, then told of his experiences with ‘fox hunting’ during a LIMARC sponsored event in Belmont Park,

John, W2GW, and Dave, KA2HTV, told of a medical student in Grenada who was a ham operator. This person described the advances made by the US military during the Grenada action. Dave said that the radio operator is still a ham who is now a medical doctor living in New Jersey.

Bob, W2OSR and Jack, NU2Q, worked EX0GR. Bob, Jack and Steve, N2AJ worked 9N7AA.

Rick, K2RB, said that Adrian, KO8SCA, gave a very good presentation at the QSO event.

Steve, N2AJ, read a description written by Ken, LA7GIA, for the position of operator for the team of 3Y0J, the DXpedition to Bouvet. The description of the duties and challenges are not for the faint of heart.

Steve, N2AJ, told of his efforts to track down a source of noise he was experiencing. He worked with Lou, a PSEG employee, assigned to trace noise sources. The noise traced back to a solar panel located several hundred feet from Steve’s QTH. It is possible that telephone lines were actually carrying the interference.

John, W2GW, asked if anyone was experiencing noise on 30 meters. No one said that they experienced this.

Art, N2KA, spoke of operating on 60 meters and he liked this band very much.

Adrian, KO8SCA, spoke of operating 4U1UN.

John, W2GW, reminded the members that the next meeting will be held on April, 19<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM using the ZOOM format. The meeting then ended at 9:08 PM.

The entertainment portion of the evening consisted of a video describing the 5 Star DXers Association DXpedition to Kiritimati (Christmas Island), T32C, during September-October, 2011. This operation worked out of the Captain Cook Hotel and netted approximately 213,000 contacts.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary