

LONG ISLAND DX ASSOCIATION MEETING

APRIL 16, 2024

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. Interested parties 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; Jack, NU2Q; Rick, K2RB; Steve, N2AJ; Richie, KB2ZPB; Art, N2KA; Steve, KD2BS; Jerry, K1NY; Bob, W2OSR.

John, W2GW, called the meeting to order at 8 PM.

Jack, NU2Q, responded to comments about his screensaver which was a picture he took of the recent solar eclipse of the sun. Jack said that his prior plans to travel to Arkansas were scrapped due to forecasts of poor seeing conditions for the times of the eclipse. Instead, he and the family stayed in Lake Placid, NY. However, due to changing forecasts for clouds to be present during totality, they drove to a new location and viewed the eclipse from a location in the northeast portion of Vermont about 2 miles from the Canadian border.

Steve, N2AJ, spoke of the following:

He has paused his efforts to climb the Clublog leaderboards for DXpeditions competitively;

Later this evening he will meet with Larry, DU3LA/N0QM who has a layover flight at Kennedy airport;

He offered that the current Liberia DXpedition is being handled by excellent ops who have made over 100K contacts, so far;

He noted that Ken, LA7GIA, has ceased seeking funding for his planned trip to Bouvet, which presumably has been cancelled;

The 3D2AJT operation has ended. Plans are in the works to operate from Conway Reef;

Next month, Steve will be traveling to the Dayton Hamvention with Chris, VK3FY and his son, Nik, VK3FE.

John, W2GW, then raised new business.

He proposed a vote to authorize LIDXA's support of the following upcoming DXpeditions:

Jarvis Island, N5J, is planned for August 5th to 17th. Jarvis was last activated in 1990, and is number 18 on the Clublog Most Wanted List. Former LIDXA member Don Greenbaum, N1DG, is the leader of this project. Our own Adrian, KO8SCA, will also be a participant.

St. Paul Island, CY9C, is planned for August 26th to September 5th. LIDXA Member at Large, Lou Dietrich, N2TU, is a key member of the team. St. Paul is number 52 in Clublog.

Glorioso Island, FT4GL, is a single op, Marek, FH4VVK, setup which will be active from May 24th to June 19th. Glorioso is number 7 in the Clublog Most Wanted List. The modes will be SSB and Digi.

After reporting on several other financial matters, John suggested that the Club could probably afford a \$200 donation for each of these important operations. The members present unanimously voted in agreement.

Steve, KD2BS, has been actively working DX. He has recently worked the Liberia DXpedition on six band/modes. Steve will travel to the Dayton Hamvention for his first time in May.

Rick, K2RB, is also planning to go to Dayton. He will meet up with members of the Connecticut POTA Club of which he is a member.

Tom, KA2D, said that the Great South Bay ARC will commemorate Marconi Day by operating on April 27th at the Babylon Village Historical Parking Lot.

Richie, KB2ZPB, said that Radio Central will celebrate Marconi Day from the Marconi Shack in Rocky Point.

There being no further discussion, John, W2GW, announced that the next LIDXA meeting will be on May 21st at 8 PM, via ZOOM.

This evening's meeting ended at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Phelan, NU2Q
Secretary