

Minutes of HCARC Meeting – 5 January 2017

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

- Pledge of allegiance was led by Dale Gaudier
- NEW MEMBER AND GUEST RECOGNITION
 - Johanna Bruns KG5PBS
 - Rick and Barbara Harris
 - Scott Hopkins KB4BKR
 - Warren Setnan KG5NPV
 - Bill Stegemueller K5NOW
 - Lisa Murphy
 - James Jinright AF5UX
 - Clayson Lambert W5CHL
- Birthdays and anniversaries this month
 - Gale Heise KM4DR married for 49 years
 - John Huecksteadt AC4CA HAM Licensed for 61 years
- Note with sadness the passing of longtime club member Bob Lawrence, W0BVK, passed away Sunday December 11, 2016.
- Public service/emergency service and membership assistance/elmering recognitions (50/50 tickets)
 - John Huecksteadt AC4CA for DX Lab
 - Don Murrery W4WJ tower work
 - Mort McKenzie WB2GEU computer assist
 - Mike Conner K5MJC for Lawrence Gullie exam prep
- November minutes were posted and/or read and approved
- November Treasurers report was posted and/or read and approved
 - Reminder that club dues are payable this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

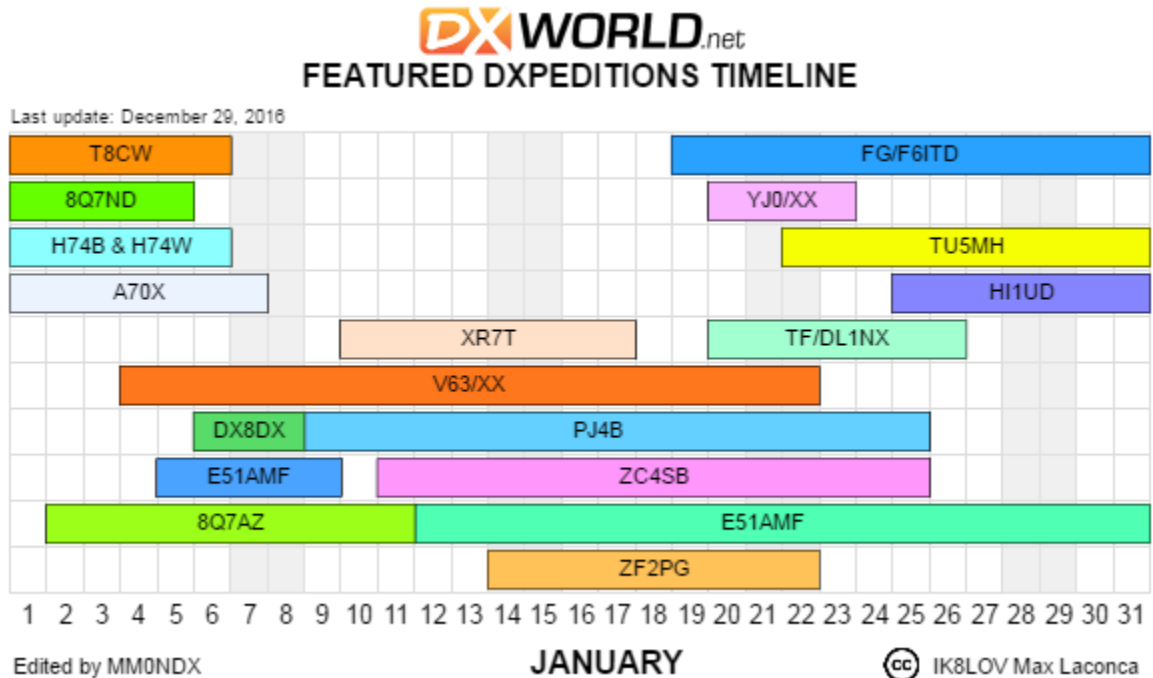
- Repeater (Curtis AD5UZ)
 - Curtis Eastwood AD5UZ reports repeater working well
- VE Testing (Fred WØLPD)
 - No test sessions to report
 - General and Extra license classes planned for future dates as interest warrants
- Red Cross Liaison (Terry WØHIP)
 - Nothing to report except response to one local house fire
- ARES – Terry Hipskind (WØHIP)
 - Nothing to report
- SKYWARN – Larry Altman (N5QED)
 - SKYWARN training being planned for Wednesday, April 5th at 6PM at The Youth Exhibition Center (Ag Barn)
- Field Day - Looking for someone to head up Field Day preparations

OLD BUSINESS

- TXDot I-10 sign - Robert KF5AIE
 - Nothing to report – still waiting on TxDot to allocate funds for project

NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming Events
 - Public Service Events
 - Tejas Trails Ultramarathon 100K – weekend of Jan. 7-8 at Hill Country State Natural Area in Bandera County. See the San Antonio Hams website for more details.
 - DXing news



More info at Dx-World.net

- Contests
 - January 2017**
 - Kid's Day Contest 1800Z-2359Z, Jan 7
 - ARRL RTTY Roundup 1800Z, Jan 7 to 2400Z, Jan 8
 - CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW 2200Z, Jan 27 to 2200Z, Jan 29
 - February 2017**
 - CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest 0000Z, Feb 11 to 2359Z, Feb 12
- Announcements
 - Legislative news - the so-called Ham Radio Parity Act failed for lack of a floor vote in the Senate. Sen. Bill Johnson (D-FL) blocked the bill from being read on grounds unrelated to the ham radio aspects of the proposed act. It is unclear at this time if and when the act will be reintroduced in to the new congress.
- Other
 - Motion carried to re-imburse Gary Johnson N5BAA for ceramic party meal plates amount of \$130

BREAK FOR REFRESHMENT

Presentation: "DXing from the End of the World: the Heard Is. VKØIR DXpedition", presented by Don Murray, W4WJ

50/50 drawing and awards.

- 50/50 won by Larry Altman N5QGD \$32 (donated to HCARC treasury)

Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting will be February 02, 2017

Total members and guests in attendance: 29

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Russell KF5AIE, Secretary