

**TCDXA**  
TWIN CITY DX ASSOCIATION



**Minnesota**

## **TCDXA MEETING MINUTES**

### **Monday, September 20, 2010**

**Sunshine Factory Restaurant**  
**New Hope, MN**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:20pm by President Pat Cain, KØPC

**ATTENDANCE:** 30 members. Visitor: Joe Dolinsky, WØWD (renewed membership)

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- New members VQ9LA and KGØMN were welcomed to the club. WØWD, a member back in the 70s, stopped by and renewed his membership, and KOØQ, joined the club via the website using PayPal and the online application. Cool!
- Thumbs down was given to adding a QRP category to the DXCC Ladder due to lack of interest in the activity.
- The DX Code of Conduct, an effort to improve operating behavior was discussed. A link to the website of the originators of the Code has been placed on the TCDXA website.
- Recognition was paid to Mark, KØKX, for his achievements as a Top Gun DXer, and his most recent award from the MWA as the clubs top contester in 2009-10. You da man Mark!
- The Jarvis Island DXpedition has been re-scheduled to November of 2011. The organizers will not solicit sponsors until the USFWS issues their permits.
- DXCC changes are brewing for the islands in the Netherland Antilles. 10-10-10 is still the date given when 4 new ones and two deletes are expected to change the DXCC count. Watch the DX bulletins for further details.

**HEALTH & WELFARE:**

- Norm, WAØTKF, (non-member) but a good friend too many TCDXA members, stopped by 3758 this morning and reported he is undergoing radiation treatment for lung cancer. He will begin chemotherapy next week. He was in good spirits and optimistic about the future.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Income: \$5732 Expenses: \$3377 Balance: \$2355

**DOOR PRIZE WINNERS:** \$20 each: KEØFJ, KGØDK, KØSQ VK Call Book: KCØRET

***PROGRAM:*** "The ARRL Approach to IARU - A DXer's Must Know Digest"

- Jay Bellows, KØQB, International Vice President for the ARRL explained the role of the ARRL and the IARU, and how they represent the interests of two-way amateur radio communications throughout the US and the World. It is important to remember that when it comes to allocating the frequency spectrum to various services, it's the ARRL that goes to bat for amateur radio.

***MEETING ADJOURNED:*** 7:30pm

**Jim Junkert, KØJUH**  
Secretary-Treasurer