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May Meeting Thursday May 11, 7:00 PM @ Tracey Gee Center “CDMA and Spread Spectrum Communications “ by Wayne Rogers W5KDJ

Amateur radio spread spectrum starts at 420-430mhz, and includes the 902/1240/2300/2390mhz bands and up. The presentation involves GPS, Cellular Telephone system operation with show and tell items used in PCS. This is a basic informative presentation with limited electronics.

Hope to see everyone there.

Pre meeting dinner will be at Luther's BBQ at Westheimer and S. Gessner starting at approximately 6:00PM. As always, visitors and guests are welcome. Come join us.

Field Day - 2006

Plans are progressing for our joint effort with NARS. Current plans include two HF stations, one SSB and one CW, a VHF/UHF station, a satellite set up and a Get on the Air (GOTA) station. The response to my request regarding planned participation by TDXSers was not enough to warrant a third HF station. Dave, W5BXX, is planning on coming with his motor home and trailer and we will probably use some TDXS antennas.

Operating positions will be in a 20X30ft tent as has been the norm at NARS Field Day. This allows for easy access by all participants and will encourage any newcomers or visitors to observe and hopefully get involved. NARS makes up a schedule of operators in two hour shifts. The CW Station Captain is Mark, K5GQ. The SSB Captain's job is currently open, if anyone is interested please let me know. The captains make up the schedules and will be asking for operators soon. I will post these on the TDXS reflector so that any interested TDXS members can get involved.

The Field Day site is on Spring Branch ISD property at Beltway 8 and Hammerly. Set up will be on Friday at the allowed starting time of 1:00PM. There will be a pre set up lunch at a restaurant near the site, details will be announced. Please let me know if you can help or have any suggestions or questions.

Paul W5PF, Field Day Chairman

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<http://moonbounce.n5iq.org/mailman/listinfo/tdxx-list>

TDXS Strays... tnx to W9DX

Erma Sharp, xyl of Clarence Sharp, K5DX (SK) is convalescing at the Vista Continuing Care Center, 4300 Vista Rd, Pasadena, TX 77504. If you have time, please send her a card to Room 58. It would sure lift her spirits.

Former TDXS member **John Stewart's** (SK) callsign of W5LLU now belongs to his daughter, Lela Behee in Amarillo, Texas.

TDXS Shirts:

A number of people have asked about TDXS shirts. I can order shirts again, but we need a minimum order of 12 shirts. I need a head count of those who want to order a shirt. They can be ordered with or without a pocket, and with or without a name & callsign. Personalization is extra. I'll have to recheck prices and delivery times, but there's no way to get these till June or July. Meanwhile, let me know if you want one or two. It's always a good idea to order 2 so you have a clean one for those long hamfest weekends.

TDXS May Birthdays:

Leon Pringle, Jr. - W5NA	John Guida - K1ZA	Henry Schneider - W5HNS
Jan Carman - K5MA	Mike Mauldin - K5NU	John Whitney - AD5W
Kenny Manchester - NZ5I	Gregg Erlenbusch - W5IDX	Joey Clements - W5BAK

Happy Birthday!! Come see us at the meeting or Field Day.

The CQ WPX CW Contest is coming up May 27 & 28.

It starts Friday at 7:00 pm local time and runs through Sunday 7:00 pm.

All stations, anyplace anywhere, count for contacts. Multipliers are Prefixes, or the letter/number combination which forms the first part of the callsign. The exchange is signal report plus 3 digit serial number. [like 59-001] Complete rules are at <http://home.woh.rr.com/wpx/> or <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/infoc.html>

At the end of the contest please

- 1) Post you claimed score at <http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>
- 2) Send your claimed score and summary sheet to the TDXS reflector.
- 3) Send your Cabrillo log to cw@cqwpx.com

Now is a good time to prepare for this contest by

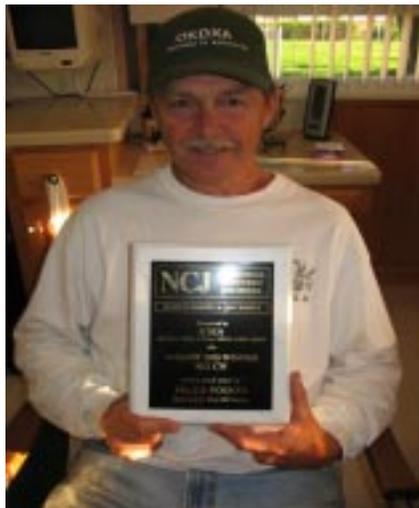
- 1) Making sure that your logging software is talking to, and keying, your rig properly.
- 2) Downloading, and installing, the latest country files.
- 3) Making sure that when your logging software generates the Cabrillo file it lists “**Texas DX Society**” as your club affiliation.

Work as many stations as you can and have a fun time!

73,

Don, N5DD

Thanks From K5KA

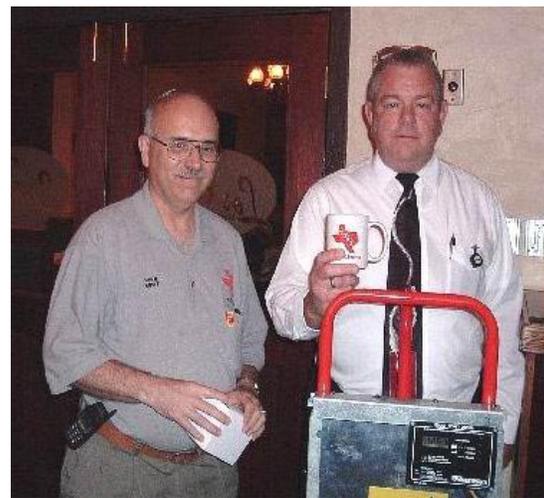


Gents,

Please pass along my thanks to your organization for sponsoring a plaque for the NAQP M/2 CW contest. I recently received the plaque for the August 2005 event and it is very professional. Thanks again for your support of the contesting community.

73, Ken K5KA

Thanks to AD5VQ



President Mike Davidson N5MT and on the right, the April meeting speaker Charles Birkhead AD5VQ with a TDXS coffee mug.