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Hello fellow TDXSers!

The July TDXS meeting hasn't been planned yet. Please watch the reflector for details.

Editor's Note by Allen Brier N5XZ

FIELD DAY 2025! FIELD DAY 2025! FIELD DAY!

Field Day 2025 was another great success! I don't have numbers yet to report, but as I understand it, we bested Field Day 2024 score by at least 400 QSOs. Dave, K5GN did a great job training and mentoring new hams and operating himself. Dave even set up two stations as SO2R! They were not very close to each other, so he had to stand and walk from radio to radio to get it to work! I was operating the 15m station just watching in awe.

I also want to give big thanks to other TDXS top operators who joined us for the first time (in some cases after years of me bugging them!): Bob K5WA and Kim K5TU. We also had a visitor from CTDXCC: Robert K5PI. Thanks, guys! I hope you'll come back again next year! BTW, for the first time ever, sideband kicked ass and 20 SSB even beat 20 CW in terms of QSO's.

Band conditions continue to be lackluster here at N5XZ, I hope you are having better results where you are. Good news is that (hopefully) the mast is no longer slipping in the new Yaesu G-2800 rotator and it is now pinned, so no more slipping. In the fall, the plan is to bring the SteppIR down for maintenance, replace the sweeps, brushes, check all EHU's and replace the 50+ year old water pipe mast with a true 2" O.D. Chrome Moly mast purchased last year. We'll have an old fashioned antenna party over here. Unfortunately, The Swinging Door is no longer open, so we'll have to come up with different BBQ for the volunteers!

73/161, Allen N5XZ

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I am planning an EX-ZED Eyeball lunch on Thursday, July 24th. All TDXS members are welcome to join. (Location TBD, watch the TDXS Reflector). Please RSVP to n5xz@arrl.net so I know how many to expect.

TDXS Meeting Minutes by Doug Seyler W9LCQ

Field Day counted as the TDXS meeting for June. A detailed Field Day report will come out soon.

73, Allen N5XZ

Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

July

1	Canada Day
5	CQ Worldwide VHF SSB/CW Contest
	Marconi Memorial Contest
12	IARU HF World Championships
19	North America QSO Party-RTTY
	CQ Worldwide VHF Digital Contest
	YOTA Contest
26	Radio Society of Great Britain Islands on the Air Contest

August

3	10-10 International Summer Contest, SSB
	North American QSO Party, CW
10	Worked All Europe DX Contest, CW
	Maryland-District of Columbia QSO Party
17	North American QSO Party, SSB
18	ARRL Rookie Roundup, RTTY
24	World-wide Digi Dx Contest
	W/VE Islands QSO Party
	Ohio QSO Party
	Hawaii QSO Party
	Kansas QSO Party

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TDXS members participated in several contests in June. Here is their score information as it was found on the 3830scores.com website:

ARRL Digital Contest 2025 Jun 7

SO1R-24 LP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Op Time	Score	Club
N5DTT		58	12	506	TDXS

Atlantic Canada QSO Party 2025 Jun 7

Single Op HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
W5GCX		12	20	21		712	TDXS
AF5J		15	0	14	5	235	TDXS

Kentucky QSO Party 2025 Jun 7

SO Fixed HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	RTTY Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		48	0	0	33	4:53	3,468	TDXS
K5TIA		37	0	0	26	5	1,924	TDXS

ARRL June VHF Contest 2025 Jun 14

Single Op-All Modes HP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
W5PR		393	212	19	83,316	TDXS
AJ4F		341	177	17	60,357	TDXS
K5TIA		154	101	12	15,554	TDXS

Single Op-All Modes LP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
WB5TUF	x	388	183		71,004	TDXS
N5EKO		296	178		51,264	TDXS
N5DTT		123	79	12	9,717	TDXS
KT3X		113	71		8,023	TDXS

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West Virginia QSO Party 2025 Jun 21

Single Op HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Dig Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		30	0	0	14	3:23	1,040	TDXS
K5TIA		13	0	0	5	3	130	TDXS

All Asian DX Contest, CW 2025 Jun 21

SOAB HP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
W5GCX		74	62		4,588	TDXS

ARRL Field Day 2025 Jun 28

1B QRP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Dig Qs	Op Time	Score	Club
W5GCX		108	0	0		432	TDXS

1D LP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Dig Qs	Op Time	Score	Club
WB5TUF		0	0	102		458	TDXS

It was another great month for contests. I hope everyone enjoyed them.

Jim, N5DTT

J62K Contest Station Welcomes Two Youth Operators—By Bill K9HZ

This year we welcomed two youth operators to the J62K team in St. Lucia – Violetta KN2P and Leon DL3ON The following are their comments on the experience. First we would like to thank the station owners and operators for this incredible opportunity to work along with and learn from this outstanding team. The knowledge and skills that were shared with us were highly valuable. The memories that we made this week we will for sure remember for the rest of our lifetime. Thank you for welcoming us into the J62K family! Of course the propagation was not only incredibly good but also nothing like either of us have experienced ever before. We were fortunate enough to witness an unexpected opening on 10m to VK/ZL in the middle of the night. And although we barely made any 80m and 160m QSOs we could make that up by the astonishing high band pileups. The station setup was ideal, with the pool only a few steps away from the operator's chair. Contest, swim, sleep, repeat :) The operation ran quite smoothly, with only a slight hiccup from an amp issue in the middle of the night that was able to be fixed without losing much operator time. We are incredibly thankful and honored that we were chosen for this great opportunity and hope that future youth coming down here will share the same great experiences!

The contest club at J62K is always looking for 1-2 youth operators (youth 15-30 will be considered… 15-17 accompanied by guardian) to operate next year's CQ WPX contest with the team in 2026 and out years. This is a wonderful opportunity for young people to get experience operating a contest superstation along side some of the best guest contest ops in the world. If you know someone who would be perfect for this opportunity, please send them the attached application! We can provide some monetary assistance in some cases (and are always looking for donations to help out!).

Violetta KN2P at Station 2

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Leon DL3ON

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Dr. Bill Schmidt, J68HZ and his lovely wife Loretta Koster open the doors to their lovely home called, "Villa Grand Piton". With incredible views of the Pitons and the ocean from high above in the mountains. The station is located near the town of Soufriere on the beautiful Caribbean island of St. Lucia. We are looking for young ham operators for a first time experience operating a contest in multi-operator environment. You must be a team player between the ages of 18-30 eager to experience the thrill of endless pile ups. First timers are encouraged to apply but we ask you have some contest experience. You must hold a valid amateur radio license and passport. Your willingness to work as a team will be required always. Duties include installing antennas, rolling out feed lines, configuring the station and so on. And after all is say and done we must dismantle everything to store before going home. In between all of that fun each person will help with the chores like cooking, cleaning, setting the table, and that happens 2 or 3 times each day. Sorry it's not a family vacation but you'll have a great time, eat lots of food, laugh, jokes, big pileups, and make new friends. Travel dates are the Tuesday before the contest until the Tuesday after. We ask that you be here during those dates to help setup, support testing, and prepare for the contest. Submit your application ASAP, members from Team J62K will review each and begin our selection. During this process you may be asked to join us on one or more conference calls using ZOOM video conferencing. At maximum 2 applicants will be selected to operate with J62K in the 2026 CQWW WPX SSB contest. Thank you everyone for applying. It's difficult selecting just 1 or 2 people for a ham radio adventure of a life time. We hope anyone not selected will understand by applying again for the 2027 contest season. With the cost of travel nowadays we're hoping to find sponsorship. You can help by asking your club to contribute towards this adventure for young hams. Thank You!! TeamJ62K@gmail.com

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Youth Application for Team J62K

Call: _____ Class of License: _____

Name: _____ City: _____

State/Country: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Age: _____ School: _____

Grade level: _____

Local Club: _____

Hobbies: _____

Valid Passport? _____

Travel Experience: _____

Contest experience: _____

Are you familiar with N1MM logging software? _____

In your words tell us your ham radio story and why should we pick you as a youth Team member? What do you have to contribute to the Team? Use as many pages as necessary.

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TDXS says "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" to these members with birthdays in July:

Please notify the Editor if I have missed anyone or of any updates:

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