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ADXA MEETING MINUTES

The 2006
2nd quar-
ter meeting of
the ADXA was held

on 17 June 2006 in Little Rock at the facilities of AECC.

Those that signed the sign-in sheet included the following members: Glenn Wolf, N5RN, Earl Smith, N5ZM, John Evans, WB5BHS, Dennis Schaefer, W5RZ, Pat Patterson, W5VY, Martin Hankins, W5HTY, David Norris, K5UZ, Roger Gray, N5QS, Lenny Mendel, K50VC, Paul Wynne, AF5M, Jimmy Ballew, N5ZIV, and Ollie Gade, W5G0. The following guest also signed the sheet: Earnest Wolf, K5YKD, Glenn's father.

There was no Executive Board meeting,

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by President Earl Smith, N5ZM.

N5ZM thanked Pat for the use of the meeting room, the food, and drink.

Earl introduced our guest, K5YKD, N5RN's father.

Earl was thanked for hosting the first quarter meeting at his home near White Hall, Arkansas.

Health and Welfare:

Susan, K5UZ's wife, is doing good and the prognosis is also good. She's begun traveling with K5UZ. The good news is that surgery is not expected.

Dick Freeling, W5TIZ, won't move to the condo that Marie has moved to. Dickie is 83 years old.

It was reported that Frank Kollatt is doing okay. N5ZM saw him at Dallas.

JM Jolly, W5ZX5, has become a SK.

Old Business:

Earl asked that the minutes from the previous meeting be read. A motion from AF5M was made requesting that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. W5VY seconded the motion. The motion carried.

N5RN gave the treasurer's report. A motion was made by AF5M to approve Treasurer's report. K5UZ seconded the motion and the motion carried.

There have been no requests for money since the last meeting.

Next meetings: September meeting will be at Blakely Dam. December meeting (the first Saturday of December) is set for Rod's Pizza but Dave Jacques will be asked to keep looking.

ARRL UPDATE

K5UZ, our Arkansas Section Manager, reported that ARRL membership was up over last year. He encouraged and thanked the efforts of those trying to expose amateur radio to others by participating in state fairs, jamboree on the air, and other activities.

K5UZ then spoke to emergency communications.

- ADEM is to fund a Strike Team. More may be formed after the first one is setup.
- Health department grant for the EOCs to have radios. JM Rowe is playing a key role in this activity.
- There is a class next weekend for the Technician license. Several hospitals are participating via microwave links. For Southeast Arkansas, Drew Memorial Hospital is the location.

K5UZ will be traveling via air mobile for his Field Day travels. 146.52 will be his secondary frequency. The haven't decided on their primary frequency yet.

David also encouraged us to get the youth involved. They are the future of this hobby.

On BPL, David mentioned that Mike Ross worked on the BPL language in the Telecommunication Bill that will soon be voted on. We may need a letter writing campaign to help our cause.

David also mentioned that of the 7000 hams in Arkansas only 1300 are ARRL members. We should encourage more of them to become members.

David also introduced Paul Wynne, AF5M as our Delta Division DXAC representative.

Paul Wynne, AF5M, then spoke to some of the recent DXCC activities.

- Be reminded that it is nothing more than an advisory committee. Emphasis on advisory.
- The Advisory committee provides their input.
- They asked for input of a change to a permanent population and 800 square miles.
- A5FM voted against the proposal.
- There is a feeling that the rules are being changed to support the DXpeditioners not the DXers. K4UEE seems to be the push with 13 others rubber stamping his recommendations.

N5ZM talked about the HamComm program and him being recognized as the W5DXCC DX Hog of the year. All in good fun.

Webpage— N5RN reported that he was able to get the page moved but work is slow in coming. Glenn did get an offer to help and hopes to be able to use this help soon.

A discussion started on how to get more folks involved in amateur radio and the following ideas came out.

- AF5M: Put amateur radio at your church. Use it as part of the “chain saw team” for communication.
- K5UZ: JOTA does generate interest. DX does the trick. Talking to folks around the world is fascinating to kids.
- N5QS: How about setting up a station at a church connected to a PA system and let members talk to missionaries?

AF5M motioned that we adjourn. W5G0 seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Words of Wisdom from the President

Earl Smith, N5ZM

Well here it is time for the 3rd Quarter ADXA Meeting. It does creep up on you fast. I hope everyone has been able to work the ones they needed. I would like to thank everyone that attended the 2nd Quarter meeting in Little Rock. We enjoyed the company of everyone. Be sure to thank Pat for all his hard work in preparing for the meeting. Please invite someone that has an interest in DXing or Contesting to one of our meetings. We would enjoy meeting them.

It has been an exciting quar-

ter with two new countries coming on the scene. The Montenegro groups were well organized and easy to work just about anywhere. The Swain's Island bunch played a little different game. To me they seem to lack any organization or planning (even though “it has been in the works for 3 years”). It did make for an exciting time on the bands during July.

As far as what has been going on here at N5ZM, I have added to my DXCC totals with confirmation of YU6 on CW, RTTY and SSB. In February I entered the CQWW RTTY WPX Contest as Single Operator/Single Band 7 Mhz. I was the winner for the USA and received a real nice Plaque and Certificate. Also set a new all time record for that entry class. Six meter activity has had some good openings. Along with Central American, Caribbean, South American, African stations, I also worked into Europe (F, G, ON, EA and CT). This past two weeks I have been reworking the Shack. Disassembled everything to put new carpet in, and during the process I have remodeled the desktop shelf in order to move the computer monitor to the center to help me with contesting. That's about it from here.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone for the 3rd Quarter meeting at Blakely Dam in Hot Springs on the 16th. Hope all of you can make it. Dave, Ollie and Lenny (of course we know the XYL's do all the work) will be in charge so I am sure we will have a great time.

Earl N5ZM..

Mark Your Calendars

These are the dates for future ADXA meetings. Please note the year as well as the date:

- September—3rd Saturday (16 September 2006) - Location: Blakely Dam area—Avery Pavilion.
- December—1st Saturday—(2 December 2006)—Rod's Pizza on Central in Hot Springs.



Here is the travel info for AI5P's upcoming Pacific trip:

E51APX: 25 Sept. - 4 Oct. Rarotonga

ZK2xx: (CALL on arrival) 6-20 Oct. Nuie

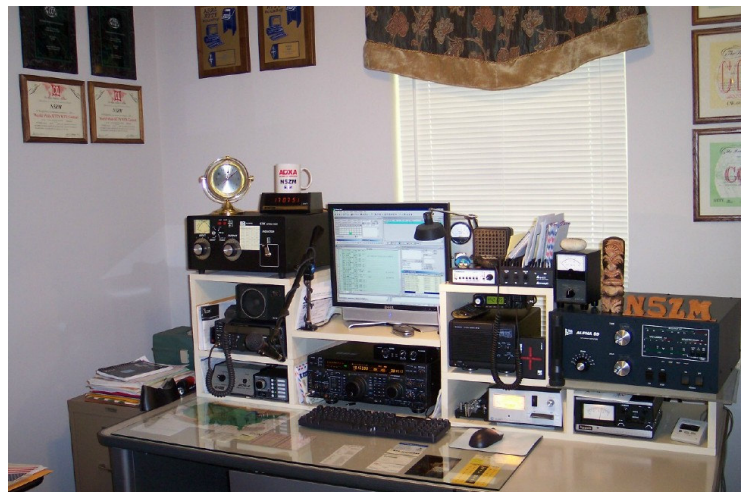
ZL/AI5P: 25 Oct. - 2 Nov.

FOR ADXA Members.... USUAL contest - 1 pt per mode/per band....

However, contest for all 3 locations combined, not 3 separate contests...

Looks like a major hassle with weight limits etc.. I should have access to the Internet at all 3 places. See you on the Bands.

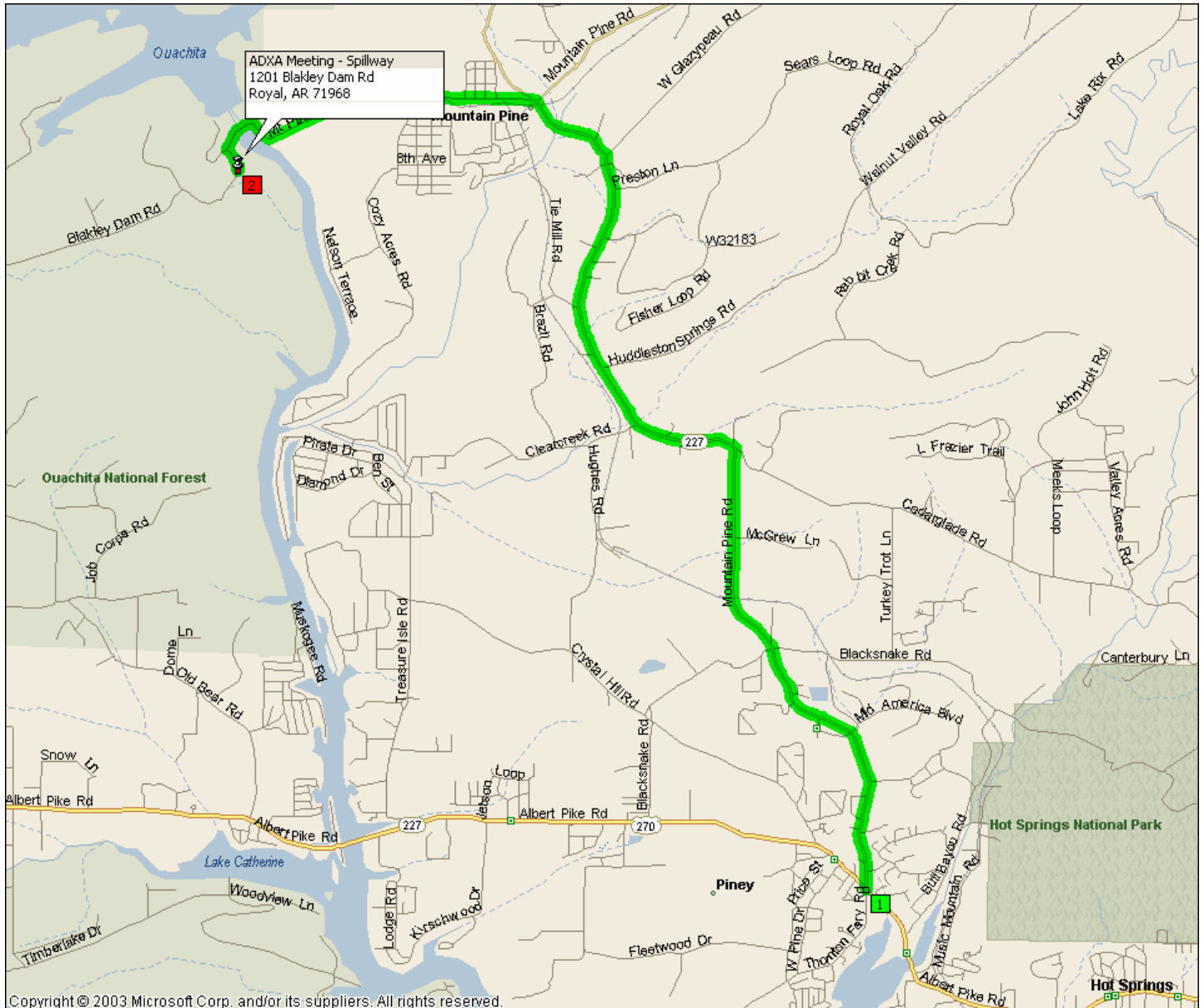
73, Rick



Map to ADXA Meeting

1201 Blakely Dam Road

Royal, AR



DXCC Awards Fees

Effective July 1, 2006

Application Fees

Category	ARRL Members	Non-ARRL, Non-US Members
First-Ever DXCC (Includes 1 Certificate and Pin)	\$12.00	\$22.00
Basic Application Fee (1 st in a Calendar Year)	\$12.00	\$22.00
Second and Subsequent Applications (Each Year)	\$22.00	\$32.00
New Certificates	\$12.00	\$12.00
Convention Fee (Additional)	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00
In Person Fee -- "While You Wait" at ARRL HQ (Additional)	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00

Note: Limit of 120 credits. Each additional credit - \$0.15

Fees do not include postage

Plaques

Category	Fee
#1 Honor Roll	\$55.00 plus postage
Honor Roll	\$40.00 plus postage
5 Band DXCC	\$40.00 plus postage
DXCC Challenge	\$79.00 plus postage

Additional Items

Category	Fee
Lapel Pins	\$ 6.00 (includes shipping)
5 Band DXCC Endorsement Plates	\$ 8.50 plus shipping
Replacement Certificates	\$12.00 plus shipping
DXCC Challenge Pins	\$ 9.50 plus shipping
DXCC Challenge Medallions	\$ 9.50 plus shipping
DXCC Challenge 3000 Level Medallion	\$15.00 plus shipping

Except for the first-ever DXCC submissions, lapel pins are not included with plaques and certificates



ARKANSAS DX ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION

CALL: _____

LICENSE CLASS: _____

APPLICATION: NEW RENEWAL

NAME: _____

PHONE: () _____.

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP:

EMAIL: _____

DXCC MEMBER? _____

ARRL MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES: _____.

SPONSOR'S CALL: _____

ARRL MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

(ADXA IS A 100% ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB)

VOTING MEMBERS MUST HOLD DXCC

VALID INTEREST IN DX REQUIRED FOR ASSOCIATE (NON-VOTING) MEMBERSHIP

YEARLY DUES **\$25.00**

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