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## NOTICE

The next meeting will be **Saturday, August 29, 2009**, at Apple Annie's in Tulare CA. The time is 11:30 A.M. The program will be a video on the KL7DX IOTA operation.

### The president says:

Hello to all Central California DX Club members. This month our club meeting on 8/29/09 will be at our regular lunch meeting place in Tulare. The meeting will start at around 12:00 Noon, all are welcome to arrive earlier to have lunch or breakfast and rag chew. We will be talking about our new web site, if you have not seen it yet... please go to [www.CCDXC.org](http://www.CCDXC.org) you will be very impressed with the great job that Jim Clymer has done for the club's web site.

We will be using the site more and more as John Norback, W6KFV, has stated that he will no longer be doing any of the club's U.S mailed version of the QUA DX newsletter. Charles is working very hard on keeping the letter going, and the club is looking for someone to continue doing an e-version of this letter. Please let the club know if you would be willing to help with this newsletter for the club. You can contact Charles or myself, for any question or comments that you may have. Telephone numbers are on the first page of the club's QUA DX letter and on the web site. See page 3.

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**Minutes from the January 2009 Meeting**

Central California DX Club, Inc.  
Annual Business Meeting  
January 31, 2009

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 11:31 AM by president Mike Bavoso, W6YDE, at Apple Annie's in Tulare CA.

There were 24 members and guests present. Present were W6YDE, W6DPD, W6GR, WA5VGI, N6AWD, WS6X, K6XJ, N2NS, W6UC, W6UA, W6AE, W6RFL, AA6LY, W6YEP, AD6W, N6JQL, AB6CF, W6YWH, W7MH, NA6G and Vicki, WA6SZE and guest, and K6UMO.

Charles, W6DPD, checked a DXCC endorsement for Fred, N6AWD.

**DX ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Bill, WA5VGI, worked 244 DXCC entities and 40 Zones in the 2008 CQ DX Marathon. Way to go Bill. Jim, WS6X, reported super conditions during the CQ WW 160 Meter CW contest. Many European stations were worked from the West Coast. Charles, W6DPD reported that the February Desecheo operation will take place in February. They ask Amateurs not to work the station on bands they have KP5 firmed. The banquet speaker at the DX convention will be Vice Admiral John Scott Redd, USN Retired, K0DQ. The club was contacted by Luis, XE1L, an honorary member, thanking us for including him in the membership. He sent his regards to the club membership,

**MINUTES AND TREASURY**

The minutes of the November 22, 2008 meeting were approved as printed in *QUA DX*. The treasury on November 17, 2008, had \$2101.07. There was a deposit of \$607 for dues and ticket sales. Expenses were \$89.77 (for a badge, \$11.36, printing and labels \$41.11, NARCC Dues \$20.00, and ARRL/VEC (W6YK license renewal \$17.30). The balance on January 27, 2009 was \$2618.30. Paid membership for 2009 is 47. The report of the treasurer was approved. Three members renewed the meeting so the total now is 50.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

DX Convention Breakfast. Mike, W6YDE, confirmed our reservation for the breakfast at the DX convention on Saturday April 18, 2009. There was some discussion about finding another place in future years.

**NEW BUSINESS**

DX'ER of the Year Committee. Mike, W6YDE, appointed Charles, W6DPD, chair of the DX'er of the Year committee for 2009. He will select 2 other members of the committee. Please send any nominations to W6DPD. There was a prize drawing.

**PROGRAM**

The program was a video on the 2008 5T5DC Mauritania operation courtesy of the NCDXF.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The February edition of Worldradio is now on line on the CQ Magazine web page for download.

The next meeting is Saturday, April 18, 2009, at Ryan's Place in Visalia. The next meeting after Visalia will be August 29, 2009, at Apple Annie's.

Meeting adjourned at 12:42 PM.

/s/ Charles McConnell W6DPD  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Charles, W6DPD, tells me that he has been busy again shopping for fantastic deals for our raffle prizes. When you see Charles at the meeting, please tell him "thank you" for all his hard work. The club could not operate without Charles, he does a tremendous amount of work to keep everything going and well oiled.

Our Summer Sprint will be ending soon and I hope that many of you have gotten your logs full and ready to be turned in.

I hope to see all of you at the meeting.

73 for now,  
Mike, W6YDE

A great big THANK YOU goes to Jim Clymer, WS6X, for developing the CCDXC web page.

Welcome back to Jeff, NG2T. His former call sign was KN6YD. He lives in Western New York. His email is [ng2t.nny@gmail.com](mailto:ng2t.nny@gmail.com). Jeff has 300 worked, all on CW.

A great big THANK YOU goes to John Norback, W6KFV, for editing QUA DX for these many years. Great job John.

The W6MEL repeater on 147.08 MHZ no longer exists. According to Terry, W6RU, the building where it was located blew off the mountain during a winter storm. The frequency has been relinquished and reassigned to a ham in Bakersfield.

Congrats to N6YEU on winning the Pacific Division Low Power CW Plaque in the 2009 ARRL International CW DX Contest. Our Club sponsors this plaque.

Congratulations to Bob Smith, W6GR, on being named DX'er of the Year for 2008. Bob is the consummate DX'er.

The long awaited Glorioso, FT/G, operation may happen by the end of August 2009. The deserving are patiently awaiting this one.

Midway Island, K4M, will be on in October. Check out <http://www.midway2009.com> for more information and instructions for making donations to help with expenses.

Conway Reef, 3D2/C, will be on from October 1 to October 10, 2009. Check out <http://www.conwayreef2009.de> for more information.

CHESTERFIELD ISLANDS, FK/C: George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY will be active as TX3A from the Chesterfield Islands (OC-176) between 23 November and 6 December (actual operating dates are subject to change due to weather and other variables). The call sign TX3A is licensed for only 14 days of operation. Should they arrive earlier or leave later than the dates licensed, they will operate as FK/AA7JV or FK/HA7RY. Although George and Tomi intend to be active also on the higher bands, this will be "another simple low-band DXpedition" with a strong focus on 160, 80 and 40 meters (in that order). QSL via HA7RY, direct or bureau. The use of the Online QSL Request Service (to be launched on the website once the expedition is over) is encouraged. The log will be uploaded to LOTW and eQSL. Further information and updates can be found at <http://www.tx3a.com/>.

The Super Sprint ends on August 31, 2009. Send your log info to Bill McFarlen, WA5VGI by email, or U.S. Mail by September 15, 2009.

October 10, 2010, (10.10.10) is a projected date for some new entities to evolve from the Netherland Antilles as some become independent. Keep the date in mind.

K0DQ, Scott Redd, has first place wins in the 6 major DX Contests, both ARRL DX and CQ WW DX and CQ WW Prefix Contests. He has won both the CW and the Phone contests.

Matti Laine, OH2BH, is recovering from a Staph infection. It was very serious, nearly fatal.