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Regular Meeting

September 18th 19:30 local

300 Jay Scutti Boulevard
Gander Mountain
Meeting Room

September Program -
N1MM Logger by Ken N2ZN.

Before we know it, it'll be Contest Season! As it gets closer and closer, you know there's a few things you want to do to "get ready." Remember saying that to yourself last year?! Well, RDXA is here to help you in at least one important area right up front: your contest logging program. See below for more information on Septembers Meeting!

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Social after the Meeting

Scotch & Sirloin
Winton Plaza

September Program

There's a number of ways we can all get around taking care of the logging. There are still many users of the venerable CT and NA programs. They're basic, easy, and just keep on running. And truly, there's nothing wrong with them. They set the base from which all subsequent programs have grown. And that's, in fact, what they've done -- big time.

One of the modern programs, *WriteLog*, is what we use at Field Day. We own a club copy, and a number of members are familiar with it. The thing is there aren't all that many. Part of the reason is that it's commercial, meaning \$\$ for the program and yearly upgrades. It does lots of great things, granted. But if we don't have that many knowledgeable users, it isn't as productive a tool as we'd like.

For the last several years, a *free* logging program written by N1MM has been increasingly pushing the limits and moving beyond *WriteLog*. With an open source approach, it has lots

of contributors that have kept it up to date and refined. It'll run on Window 95 and up, and doesn't require much processing power, so you don't have to have a big-time computer -- your "radio computer" is likely up to the task.

OK, so what? Well, because it seems there's no single program that's predominant among the membership, one that most of us are familiar with, one that we could all help each other with, one that we could provide club support for, the idea was put forward to find one as a club project. And because of its current stature (but *mostly* because it's *free!*) *N1MM Logger* is the first candidate.

And wouldn't you know, it just by chance turns out that the first program for the year will be on that very topic! Who woulda thunk? **Ken N2ZN** has been using *N1MM* for some time, and has graciously volunteered to introduce it to us at the September meeting.

Now, if you are new to contesting (hey, all you long-time members, we have NEW members amongst us!), you might figure this isn't for you. You're not "big-time" or aren't interested in getting the mega-score -- you just want to try it out. Make 100 contacts. Here's the thing: Using a contest logging program vastly, *vastly*, increases your contest enjoyment. Even for the 100 Q's. It's just so slick, so integrated into the entire contact-making process, that once you try it, you'll be hooked forever. It may be one of the reasons that contesting is one of the largest growing aspects of ham radio. So don't pass this by.

And one last point: One of the goals is to have a program that a lot of us are using in order to share our common knowledge and help each other out. We can help each other with setup, configuration, memory programming, country files, etc. Basically, the club itself will be its own support group. Now that's something to buy into. Check it out.

Remember to schedule some time for operating activity to put W2RDX on the air

Upcoming Programs and Activities

Note that *ONLY* the September program is scheduled. Dates are TBD on all the rest

- AWA Tour DVD (**K2MP**)
- Gadget Night (**Everybody**)
- Back to Basics--General rag chew Q&A
- Software Defined Radios (**N2RD**) *perhaps including the New K3*
- Packet + Cluster Update: Basics & Advanced features
- Best of the RSGB (**K6PSP**)
- Project Night--Ultimate Headphone Amp?
- LOTW & QSLing

And besides regular meetings, we have

- Holiday Social (Dec)
- W2RDX/60 AWA Operating Event #2 (Feb)
- Joint Awards + /60 Banquet (Apr)
- RDXA tent & booth at the HamFest (June)
- FIELD DAY (June)

And don't forget the informal after meeting and weekly (almost) get-togethers at the Scotch & Sirloin (the "S&S") (We should expand our mission to be DX, Contest, and *Social!*)

The Podium

By Vic Gauvin -**K1PY**



I'll start like Dave ended: September already-- where did the summer go?! Well, with our huge Field Day effort, we certainly all needed the break. I know I did! So, hoping you're all refreshed and raring to go (that's right, isn't it?), I have the pleasure and honor of welcoming you all to the start of the '07-'08 RDXA "year."

As always, the challenge is living up to the standards set by the previous officers. Thanks to **Dave N2CK** and the BOD, **Charlie WB2HJV**, **Irv AF2K**, **Chris K2CS**, **Alan K6PSP**, and **Doug N2BEG** for their great efforts over the past two years. After many years as Secretary/Treasurer, Charlie decided to take a well deserved break. (The people in that position are always the long-term stalwarts!) Thanks Charlie! Everybody else has continued on for another year--thank you! And new to the board, and filling a long-vacant membership chairmanship, is **Carey K2RNY**--welcome! And most certainly, many thanks to **Gayle N2TWI** for stepping up as newsletter editor, a position not for the faint of heart considering the superb standards and quality achieved by **Mike N1OKL**. Many thanks from the entire club to both of you.

Speaking of the past year, see inside for a wrap-up of our record-setting Field Day effort. We can all be quite proud of our continuing achievements and the club enthusiasm and

camaraderie that make it happen. And keeping that going in general is certainly the goal for our new year as well.

As always, we're looking for what you're most interested in, and to provide help and support. That's how we've all grown in the hobby--all of us helping each other. In a particularly creative meeting, the board came up with a number of ideas that promise to make for an interesting year. Check out the list above. If it triggers another idea for a program or project, make sure to pass it on.

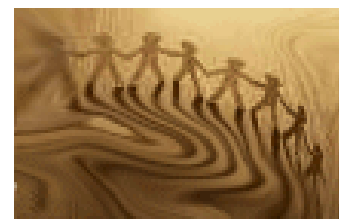
But the BIG thing this year is our 60th anniversary! And we want to continue doing it up right. We kicked off the anniversary year with a great operating event at the AWA, followed by a memorable banquet. All through the upcoming year, led by **Chris K2CS**, we plan to continue with the celebration. Let's all wave the flag on this one! 60 years. Wow.

See you at the meeting!

2008 Membership Reminder

Remember that RDXA Membership Renewal for 2008 is due starting in October. The fee, of \$15.00, remains the same as last

year. If you haven't kept your membership up to date, please consider renewing it. Please see **Carey Magee - K2RNY** or any board member at the meetings they will be happy to help you out.



Our thanks to all who have renewed to date

Membership Biographies - My name is **Carey Magee**

and I am the Membership Chairman for RDXA. This year we are looking to add a member bio piece to the newsletter. This lets the old membership know not only who our new members are, but lets the new members know who the old members are. It also gives you a chance to describe a little bit about yourself (likes, dislikes, modes, equipment, etc). Please submit bios to either me or straight to the newsletter editor.

Paul Scipione (AA2AV) joined the RDXA after meeting some of the guys at the booth at the Rochester Hamfest this year. Paul also holds the club call **NOAI** (American Italian Radio Club) and **3W3AV** in Vietnam. He is a CW op whose QTH was Metuchen NJ for many years. While Paul was in NJ he was President of ETSNJ (Electronic Tech Soc of NJ, better known as the Green Brook 146.94 Repeater) for four years and also active in the Piscataway Amateur Radio Club and Western NJ DX Assn for many years.

At that time he was tenured Full Prof of Marketing in the School of Business at Montclair State Univ. Before that Paul was SVP of Response Analysis Corp (Princeton) and VP/Copy Research Dir (USA offices) of Young & Rubicam Advertising (NYC). He is a consumer psychologist (Ph.D., Rutgers, 1973) and economic geographer (MA, SUNY Buffalo 1971).

His wife Linda, their grandson Chris (age 12) and Paul figured money would go a lot further if they retired back in WNY. Linda grew up in Perry & Lewiston is Paul's hometown. They met as undergrads at SUNY Geneseo. Geneseo brought him back as Alumni Prof Emeritus of Business & Director of the Survey/Research Center. Linda and Paul designed and built a custom log home on 7 acres overlooking the northern end of Conesus Lake. They are atop a hill where he hopes to put up a modest tower & Force 12 yagis for 10-15-20 and the WARC bands.

"I am not much of a DXer compared to you guys" Paul states. He has 135 confirmed; about 180 worked, he has focused the most time on county hunting. He is USA-CA #770 (1992, mixed) and is now only 5 counties from doing them all again on QRP CW (never been done before). His HF rigs are both Ten-Tec: a Paragon and a coveted Argo II for QRP. He sold his linear amp before moving from NJ. Paul's favorite paddle is a custom G4ZPY, although there are several others he uses regularly. His mikes just gather dust most of the time. He loves to rag chew at 25 to 35 WPM and also operate a few TSTs. He is about 5 away from working all the Italian provinces.

During the 1990s he operated SSB and CW a couple times from Saigon, Vietnam. He was there at the invitation of the Viet Government while longtime Chairman of the New Jersey Agent Orange Commission. He was an NCO in the 101st Airborne Div during the war (1969-70) at Hue/Phu Bai, and also a PT MARS op from AB8AQ at Phu Bai during the war.

You might remember articles his buddy **N6KI** & himself wrote about MARS Nam that were published in QST 15+ years ago. During Operations Desert Shield and Storm I was AAR9PA, National Public Relations Officer of Army MARS. In 1994 his MARS Nam book (Calling Back to 'The World') was published. He is grateful that **K7UGA** (Barry Goldwater) wrote the foreword to his book.

He personally ran 1,000+ phone patches from the MARS station at Ft. Monmouth, using the same Collins gear that our patches had been run from Nam. Hey, it was easy using a thousand-foot Beverage ant!!

Nice to meet you Paul - AA2AV!

Next month Duane Fregoe - KC2PCG

What Happened Over the Summer!

FIELD DAY Submissions by: Alan Masson K6PSP
Vic Gauvin -K1PY

Wanna know what happened at Field Day 2007?

- A new club all-time overall score! (13,242)
- New 80M CW contact record (661)
- New 40M CW contact record (1079) (breaking the one set just last year, 962).
- New all-time CW contact total (2051)
- New 20M Phone contact record (591) Yes, that was Phone--it's *fixed!*

Whew. It was some Field Day.

And the amazing thing is that this occurred in spite of a couple of major downturns: The 20M CW Yagi just was not going to play, and Murphy was the primary op at GOTA! Thanks to all who valiantly tried all kinds of things to resolve the issues. Take heart--these will all be fixed for next year. Major plans are in the works.

There were other high points, likely contributing to the previous successes:

- We got the 2-element 40 Meter Yagi to the TOP of the flagpole
- The Phone KT-34XA rewarded those who sweat to put it up
- The **K2TER** Rover expanded the VHF/UHF operation significantly

We knew we were off to a good start when **Raj N2RD** and the CW crew, who usually equal or better the phone rate, reported they were not able to keep up with **Dave N2CK**, who opened on 20M Phone with a 119 hour! (Phone followed with a 107 hour.) And it's not that CW was sleeping: 40 had 88 and 77 opening hours. They averaged 45/hour for the weekend. Reports were that the 40M CW station was *loud!*

It was certainly nice to have **Redd A12N** back, and he rallied his 80/20 crew to a new 80M record to make up for the disappointment on 20. There'll be no disappointments next year!

Vic K1PY and the Phone crew offer their profuse thanks to **Ed K2MP**, **Lynn W2BSN**, **Lloyd N2PU**, **Karl N2KKB**, **Larry W2LB**, **Paul N2OPW**, and others on the Mil-mast crew who got that monster KT-34XA up on the 50-foot mast. It was a struggle that certainly paid off. After these last couple years of Phone being left in the dust, we wanted to make the all-out effort to redeem ourselves, and together it worked out.

Some of the new things we did weren't so apparent to the non-involved. One was stockpiling the antennas and Mil-masts over the couple of weeks preceding Field Day at **Irv AF2K's** QTH near the FD site. On Friday setup day, we had just a short haul with the **N2CK Transport Company** and lots of helpers to load and unload everything. Many thanks also to the newly formed **W2LB Antenna Haulers & Phantom Packaging Corporation** for bringing a good percentage of the aluminum back and forth, as well as the Mil-masts.

There was lots of other work preceding Field Day this year that, thankfully, were one-time efforts. Thanks to **Lloyd N2PU**, **Irv AF2K**, and **Gene W2LU**, the Webster contingent. The new marine pulley at the top of the flagpole is in place for a long time. But to ensure even fewer problems, **Irv AF2K** and **Paul N2OPW** made sure the pulley line will stay pristine by replacing it with a temporary black Dacron line until next FD.

Doug N2BEG, **Kevin KC2PKO** and the Food Crew had new challenges to face this year and came up with creative and tasty solutions.

Alan K6PSP, **Ben KC2JXP**, **Dave K2DPC**, and **Karl N2KKB** valiantly stayed with the struggling GOTA station and eked out 156 Q's. This is another effort that will be making a big-time turn-around for next year.

We always benefit from our antenna gurus:

Fred W2TZ visited from the Southern Hills of Steuben County and wove his infamous RF Web for 80 and 40 phone, and **Gene W2LU** erected the Pennants he built for the club.

We have a video thanks to **Paul K2FX** and **Cyndie K2SKY**. Tent **Curtis N2HKD**. Fridge **Don W2DSW**. Computers and network **Carey K2RNY**. Logistics and all around support **Ken N2ZN** and **Kevin KC2PKO**. All kinds of stuff thanks to **Dick N2QKL**. Rounding out the cast for setup and/or operating we have **Mark W2FE**, **Al K2ZN**, **Bob W2RLK**, **Chris K2CS**, **Roger KB4VL**, **Jeff W2FU**, **Scott W2LC**, and **Dave WJ2O**. There were lots of others who came by, with thanks.

This was indeed a major event. And we got major results. And it was due to the major league efforts of all who took part -- the RDXA Field Day crew. Some newcomers, many regulars. Some part-time, some full-time. It takes us all, together. And that's what happened at Field Day 2007.



The local Fire Chief is standing under the flagpole. He arranged for the new pulley to be fitted for us.



The entire Field Day group posed in front of the Admar generator. A print of this photo was presented to Admar.



Rover vehicle of **Bill Rogers, K3TER/R**; beams used for VHF/UHF station in FD.

Delivery of Plaque to Admar

Submitted by: **Dave Wright N2CK**



Dave Wright presenting framed photo to **Richard DiMarco**, President of Admar.

On August 2nd, a group consisting of **AF2K**, **N2OPW**, **WB2HJV**, **K6PSP** and myself descended upon Admar Supply Company to present them with the group photograph taken at Field Day as we gathered around their generator. We asked for Rich DiMarco Sr. at the front desk when we arrived – but nobody seemed to know where he was.

It turns out, on a HOT August day (like in the 90's), Rich was out working in the yard rather than enjoying the air-conditioned comfort of his office. Pretty amazing considering he considers himself "retired" – but likes hanging around the business.

When Rich finally breezed through the lobby, the receptionist informed him that we were there to see him. I introduced the group and myself and explained why we were there. I presented him the group photograph, and read the thank you letter from the club. Alan, being ever-present with his camera, snapped a picture of Rich and me. We also explained to Rich what Field Day is all about, and how

Amateur Radio can be called upon to provide communications in a pinch if needed – pointing out that dependable and stable power is a cornerstone of the operation.

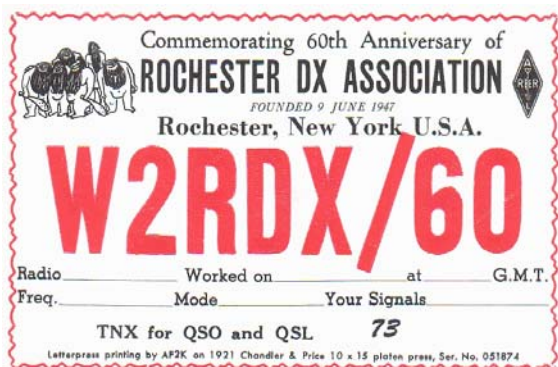
As an additional token of our appreciation, we brought along lunch for the crew in the form of a sheet pizza and some soda. When we finally were able to meet with Rich DiMarco Sr., he seemed genuinely surprised and honored at our presentation. As we left, we toured Rich's office to which he remarked "Your picture will be up on the wall soon!" As it turns out, our date choice was pretty good. Admar was providing a picnic lunch for it's employees that day, so nobody packed a lunch. This way the gang had plenty of options to choose from for lunch.

So, in closing, I wanted to extend personal thanks for all who patiently gathered around the generator for the group picture on Friday afternoon. Rich really appreciated being able to put faces to the organization.



W2RDX/60

W2RDX is 60 years old. Many of you have been working the call and we operated a special call from the AWA this summer. We also celebrated with a great dinner party. The pictures were in the June newsletter but thought I would pop a few in again. The QSL card below is what is being sent. It was designed and printed by Irv Goodman AF2K. The layout is as close as we could get to the cards used in that era.



The best of the period dressers: W2JTR, N2RD, N2TW1, and K2CS.



The RDXA DX men and women of 2007.

TIPS for New Operators

Here's a "tip" for newer ops from the ARRL Contester's Rate Sheet/American Radio Relay League e-mail newsletter.

Maximize your Search and Pounce catch by learning how to use both VFO A and VFO B while tuning through the band.

Start with both VFOs equal. Tune VFO A until you find a station. Call, if you don't get through, quickly set VFO A = VFO B and keep tuning.

Find another station. Call, if you don't get through, bounce back and forth between VFO A and VFO B until you get through on one of the pileups or give up. As soon as you do get through, jump to the other VFO,

Set VFO A = VFO B, and repeat. When making a pass through a crowded band, you can make a lot of QSOs in a hurry. Even on a "just lost my CQ frequency" sweep, the dual-VFO strategy is more fun!

Propagation AD5Q's notes from Cycle 22
September 1997

Solar Flux Range -----85-119

September is usually a month of dramatic seasonal improvement on the high bands. In addition, this year we are beginning to see substantial improvement in solar activity. As I write this the solar flux is over 100, and has been in the 80's and 90's for the past couple weeks. The sunspot pundits are jumping up and down, as it definitely looks like the new 11-year cycle is underway.

The current levels of activity are not sufficient to open 10 Meters, but we can look forward to an improved season on 15 (and 17). The season will peak during October, and it is time to start watching this band now - maybe even call some optimistic CQs. 15 tends to surprise us at sunspot minimums with unexpectedly good conditions in the CQ World Wide Phone Contest. Even so, conditions last year were very marginal as the cycle was at rock bottom. This fall season, watch for signals from Europe in the morning and initially expect the best openings to the westernmost areas (especially Spain & Portugal). From W5 we should not anticipate pipeline conditions to all of Europe yet, but there are many well equipped stations in Eastern Europe that will easily get through. Significant openings to Russia are not expected from here, but the US east coast will have a different perspective. Stations in western North America will miss much of this action, but can look for improved conditions into Asia.

Conditions on 20 are off from recent months due to a declining nighttime MUF. The improved flux levels will help keep the band open, as it does not take much solar activity to bring dramatic improvement on this band. Flux levels of about 120 are sufficient to provide good nightpath conditions for much of the year, but we are not there yet. We are currently in transition between summer and winter conditions, ie. from nightpath to daypath openings across

northern latitudes. Europeans are workable through much of the day, but conditions are usually marginal. The best window to Asia begins in late afternoon and lasts into the evening. This opening will improve and eventually peak around sunset. Any improvement in solar activity will also help long path propagation, so the morning Antarctic path should be watched.

40 Meters is predictably in great shape, and the higher solar activity will help this band (especially through the winter). For now, we can enjoy a broad opening to Europe and Russia beginning in late afternoon. Signals from the well equipped stations are loud, and the weaker ones are very workable. The Asian opening begins well after midnight (around 0800Z) as sunset approaches Japan. The 80 Meter season is only beginning, but equinox time provides optimum opportunities for contacts into the southern hemisphere because atmospheric static is at moderate levels at both ends of the path. -----<http://www.qth.com/ad5q/>

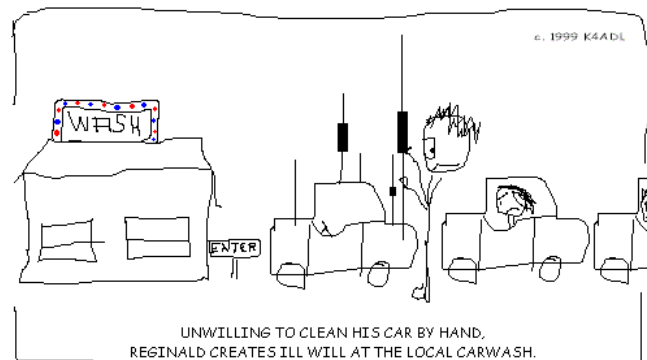
REMINDER: It's time to update your CTY files because Bosnia and Herzegovina have just been granted the prefix block E7A-E7Z by the ITU. This replaces the T9A-T9Z block in current use. (Thanks, **Jim AD1C**)

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity NOAA
22 August — 17 September 2007

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels. No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels during 28 August - 10 September.

Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected during 22 - 24 August. A recurrent high-speed stream is expected to disturb the field during 25 - 28 August with unsettled to active conditions expected. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled levels during 29 August - 02 September. Activity is expected to increase to unsettled to minor storm levels on 03 September due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled levels during 04 - 05 September. Unsettled to active conditions are expected during 06 - 07 September as another recurrent high-speed stream disturbs the field. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled levels for the rest of the period.

More at: <http://www.sec.noaa.gov/radio/>



Courtesy of K4ADL - <http://www.qsl.net/k4ad/>

Twenty-seven Day Space Weather Outlook Table

Issued 2007 Aug 21

US Dept. of Commerce NOAA

| UT Date | 10.7cm Radio Flux | Planetary A Index | Largest Kp Index |
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| 2007 Aug 22 | 70 | 10 | 3 |
| 2007 Aug 23 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Aug 24 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Aug 25 | 70 | 15 | 4 |
| 2007 Aug 26 | 70 | 10 | 3 |
| 2007 Aug 27 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Aug 28 | 70 | 15 | 4 |
| 2007 Aug 29 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Aug 30 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Aug 31 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 01 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 02 | 70 | 10 | 3 |
| 2007 Sep 03 | 70 | 20 | 5 |
| 2007 Sep 04 | 70 | 8 | 3 |
| 2007 Sep 05 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 06 | 70 | 15 | 4 |
| 2007 Sep 07 | 70 | 15 | 4 |
| 2007 Sep 08 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 09 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 10 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 11 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 12 | 65 | 10 | 3 |
| 2007 Sep 13 | 65 | 8 | 3 |
| 2007 Sep 14 | 65 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 15 | 65 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 16 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Sep 17 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
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| 2007 Aug 23 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2007 Aug 24 | 70 | 5 | 2 |

For more see: <http://www.sec.noaa.gov/Data/index.html#reports>

DX Information

Submitted by: K2CS

Welcome to another year of fun and excitement on the HF (and sometimes, VHF) bands. It's been seemingly 70 here all summer... not the temperature but the SFI!

As I currently look at a whopping 67, it's a wonder we've been able to work anything all summer.

6 meters had its moments, some nice openings in mid June with several DX stations worked (EA8, V26, PJ7, HH4, HI9, 8P, KP4) and several double hop runs from FN23 but other than that, not too much excitement around here.

The W2CCC gang participated in the 2007 IARU HF Championships with new "fist" **N2ZN**. Anchor members **AF2K** and **N1OKL** were also present as well as our bulletin editor, **N2TWI**. The "Mystery" antenna survived the winter and the 160m dipole and **W2OMV** Butternut vertical were also used. 100 watts and the obligatory TS-50 were once again pressed into service with "success" in our eyes.

Yet another "no noise and real high up" produced UA's on 160m.... IN JULY! Overall, an almost 50% increase was realized this year with no lack of beverage consumption, a bit of sleep and good old "cookout" type meals. I know we have a picture or two, we'll get those in sometime later in the

year.

On the **W2CCC** subject, the landscape up there was drastically changed a week or so ago with a 130 mph microburst which felled several very large and old trees on the property. Labor Day weekend was spent cutting and splitting at least 4 cord with twice as much to go. It took the town almost 7 hours to clear our 3-mile, dead end road. From a neighbor, they were without power for 3 days. The "Mystery" antenna came down but everything else is fine. No structural damage, just a bit of wood to deal with. Well, so much for firewood needs for the next cycle...

3B7C is currently up and operational, strong in the morning, a bit weaker at nite, at least from here. 40m and 80m CW are in the log with nothing heard on other bands (well, work has something to do with that I guess).

Remember, **W2RDX/60** continues with several other events being planned to end our 60th year. **AF2K** has done an outstanding job of faithfully reproducing a truly collectable QSL card while **Ed Gable, K2MP** has assisted us in operating from the Antique Wireless "Annex".

We hope to operate the call once again, in hopefully better conditions, in February 2008. The low bands will be there and maybe we'll be coming "out of the hole".

As I see it, considering the contest calendar, I'd like to see us TENTATIVELY plan to operate on Saturday, February 9th, 2008 A few arrangements need to be made but if all works out, that would be ideal.

We'll also be laying out plans for all club members to operate <YOURCALL>/60 whenever you wish. Several other clubs have operated with those special calls and created quite a stir.z

All the best to a close friend, (through 2 different clubs and almost 30 years of friendship) our newly elected President K1PY on the addition of some "portable equipment".

IN THE LOG (non contest)

FS/NF9V (60m SSB)
 9X0VB (30m CW 20m SSB)
 3B7SP (80m, 40m, 30m CW – 20m SSB)
 EA8YB (6m SSB)
 V26HS (6m SSB)
 PJ7TM (6m SSB)
 HH4/W3CMP (6m SSB)
 HI9/N6XQ (6m SSB)
 8P6SH (6m SSB)
 PJ4/PA3CNX (6m SSB)
 1A0KM (40m, 30m, 20m CW – 20m SSB)
 ER1QQ (40m CW)
 OJ0B (80m CW)
 9K2HN (30m CW)
 UN7QX (20m CW)
 UN7QF (20m SSB)
 3B7C (80m, 40m CW)

See you in the pileups.

Best DX es 73,

Chris, **K2CS** : Atlantic Division DXAC

RDXA Club Contests 2007-2008

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| CQWW RTTY | 29-30 September |
| CQWW SSB | 27-28 October |
| ARRL SS CW | 3-4 November |
| ARRL SS CW | 17-18 November |
| CQWW CW | 24-25 November |
| ARRL 160m | 30 November -2 December |
| ARRL 10m | 8-9 December |
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| ARRL RTTY | 5-6 January |
| CQWW 160m CW | 25-27 January |
| WPX RTTY | 9-10 February |
| ARRL DX CW | 16-17 February |
| CQWW 160m SSB | 22-24 February |
| ARRL DX SSB | 1-2 March |
| CQWW WPX SSB | 29-30 March |
| CQWW WPX CW | 24-25 May |
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| (note : IARU | 12-13 July) |



Julia Forrest, wife of RDXA member **Roy Forrest, WA2JLW**, died in her sleep after a brave battle with cancer this

summer. Roy was a former board member. We wish you peace in your heart Roy.

Barbara Koontz, the wife of **Floyd WA2WV** passed away at their Florida home on August 29, 2007 at the age of 68. Although not licensed, she was certainly "ham friendly". The multi tower station that Floyd (past RDXA member) constructed while living in the Rochester area attests to that. Many of us have been touched by the generosity of Floyd thru the years. Our thoughts of peace are with you.

URL of the Month

Pat N0HR from the ARRL Contester's Rate Sheet/American Radio Relay League e-mail newsletter has written a very useful piece of software called HamLinks.

It's a browser toolbar focused on ham radio that works with both popular 'net browsers running in the Windows environment. It's downloadable for free at http://www.n0hr.com/Ham_Radio_Toolbar.htm, installs and uninstalls easily, and gives hams quick access to ham content on the Web, such as product reviews and for sale sites. It also links to RSS blog feeds, a UTC clock, WWV propagation info, ham radio podcasts and more.

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