

**Rochester  
DX  
Association**



**2014 New York State QSO Party  
Saturday, October 18, 10AM – 10PM**



**October Meeting Presentation  
HK0NA Dxpediton**

**Tuesday, October 21, 7:30pm  
Monroe County EOC  
1190 Scottsville Road**

Ed Gable K2MP will finally present the long-overdue presentation he was to make back in January. That was the night "I wrecked my car on the way to the meeting." Thankfully Ed was OK.

The presentation was to be and now will be the Malpelo Island HK0NA DXpedition – 2012 Dxpediton of the Year. See details at <http://hk0na.com/> . Ed says "the video is awesome and really makes you appreciate the difficulty of the venture."

And as we all know and love, Ed can always provide additional insight and comment on anything radio. So you don't want to miss this!



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**Dean NW2K - Ken N2ZN  
Coordinators**

Invite you to participate in the 2014

**New York QSO Party**  
**Saturday, October 18**  
1400 UTC (10:00 AM EDT) - 12 hours

**Phone – CW – RTTY/Digital**

**[www.NYQP.org](http://www.NYQP.org)**

*Rules*

*Available Plaque Sponsorships*

*FAQ's*

*County Maps*

*Cabrillo Templates*

*Awards*

**Rookie or experienced?  
Five contacts or hundreds?  
Get on the air. Don't miss the fun!**

## President's Letter

First, I guess a "hello" is in order for anyone who may not recognize my call or who I may not have met yet.

Chris Shalvoy here, K2CS. I've accepted the office of "President" for the 2014-15 term.

I've been a club member for about 23 years and served as president for several years during that time. Most recently, I've been DX and/or contest chairman. In the ARRL, I'm the Atlantic Division DX Advisory Committee Representative. An avid DXer and contester, I enjoy VHF as well. My wife is also a ham, N2TWI, licensed almost as long as I.

Thank you, I appreciate the opportunity to serve the club in this capacity once again. Just a few words on the club overall. Gayle and I have attended Dayton for 21 straight years. We've formed some long lasting friendships and get the opportunity to "rub elbows" with many hams from all over the world. Many clubs are in tough shape, either folding or just barely holding on. RDXA continues to be a solvent organization with a very healthy and active membership. From continually placing highly in Field Day to resurrecting NYQP, RDXA is in no way "dormant". When the (currently running) W1AW/x committee was looking for appropriate representation from /2, guess who was called? Submitted contest "club" scores are consistently in the top 20 (in the world)! This, (outside of a few) from rather meager stations. These scores are due to a group of "world class"

operators whose skills have been fostered by those in the organization.

Technically, we have some of the best and brightest in the hobby. Many of our programs are at the leading edge of technology. Several members have developed software, hardware and digital modes that are well known and used around the world. On the other hand, our group of experienced DXpeditioners is exceptional! As a percentage to the overall membership, I'd dare say we'd have one of the highest ratios in the radio community. We support the Antique Wireless Museum, a world recognized resource and demonstrate our hobby at the yearly Rochester Museum and Science Center. Even though our name is "Rochester DX Association", we're arguably the most well rounded and active club in the area. In closing, just a reminder – wear your "cavemen" with pride and continue to represent this club with the respect and enthusiasm so many before us did.

Looking forward to another exceptional year, now get on the bands and work somebody!!!

Best DX es 73,  
Chris, K2CS

### Morse Code Jack O' Lantern

Halloween visitors to the home of James Kern, KB2FCV, may be perplexed by this jack-o'-lantern creation — unless they are CW ops!



## October is DX month!

Doug, N2BEG

I trust everyone has had a least a chance to get on the air and work some DX with the good conditions we have been experiencing as fickle cycle 24 continues to surprise us. According to the “experts” the predicted double peak is expected later this year. That would be a nice bonus as we enter contest season. Current conditions have still allowed plenty of good DX to be had. Several DXpeditions to Oceania this month have been easy pickings. C21GC (Nauru), TX5D (Austral Is.) T30D (West Kiribati), A35 (Tonga), YJ0X (Vanuatu) and ZK3 (Tokelau) among the choice offerings. This week the long awaited Lord Howe Island operation will commence and with 10 stations planned, it should be able to be in everyone’s log.

Also of note this month was an article in QST by Bob Allphin, K4UEE on the “Future of DX and DXpeditioning” Bob touched on several topics about DXing and his perspective on them. (He has more than a few DXpeditions under his belt so he knows both sides) I think all of his comments are spot on. He touched on all the usual sore topics surrounding the issues we all hear in almost every pileup. He also suggested a great website for those new enough to DXing that may benefit from a beginners online guide. He specifically promoted [www.dxuniversity.com](http://www.dxuniversity.com), published by the Utah DX Association. That site has a wealth of information for new and old DXers and DXpeditioners alike. (Personally I think it should be published in some languages other than English!) It’s worth a read if you haven’t already. I also promote the DX Code of conduct, [www.dx-code.org](http://www.dx-code.org). This site is a one page guide to what we would all like to hear in pile ups, though sadly my experience tells me conditions will most likely continue to go the opposite direction, possibly for some of the reasons Bob cites in his article. It’s up to all of us to practice what we preach, and help mentor those new comers in the best practices. First and foremost, listen, listen, listen...

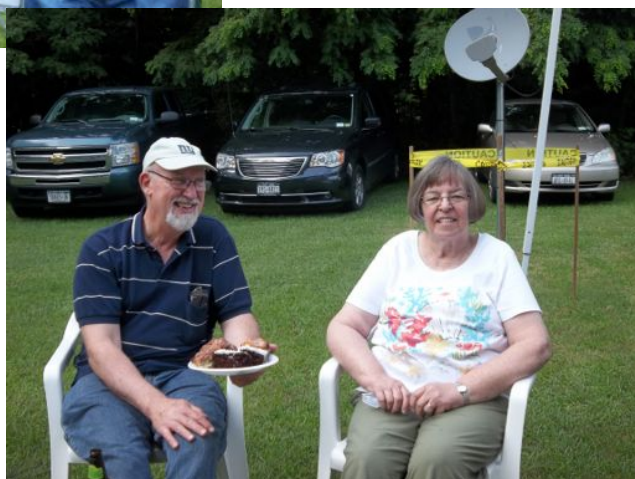
Lastly, October is also NYQP! Next Saturday is the big day! I hope to work as many of you as I can. Currently, I’m planning on operating portable from Chemung County with my copilot Ben and maybe the XYL. Good luck to all of you and safe driving to the mobiles.





# Pictures from Irv Fest 2014

August 6



Photos by Gloria Butterworth, K2GAB

## ROC City Net

The premier HF net from  
Upstate New York

Every Wednesday at  
8:00 PM (0000 UTC)  
@ 3826KHz +/-

And Now on 145.11 Bristol  
Repeater,  
Sunday @ 7:30 PM  
Join Us!



**Happy Halloween!**



## Rochester DX Association

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This Bulletin is the official publication of the Rochester DX Association and is published monthly, September through June. Email your articles, tips, ham ads, etc. to Andrew, W2FG at [andrew.lesny@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.lesny@gmail.com) by the second Tuesday of the month for inclusion in that month's issue.

All those with an interest in amateur radio and DXing and contesting are cordially invited to any meeting and to join RDXA. Meetings are held at 19:30 Local time on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, September through June.

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Join us for our pre-meeting get-together, starting at 6PM

