

## **RDXA May Presentation**

Moxon... The Buzz

The Moxon Rectangle antenna, designed by Les Moxon, G6XN, is a two-element Yagi with a smaller footprint than a traditional Yagi, yet it provides good gain and outstanding front to back ratio, greater than 30 dB! Plus it has a broad beam width. So what's "the Buzz?" The buzz will be at RDXA's May meeting on Tuesday, May 19th at 7:30, where we investigate this antenna as a potential Field Day antenna. It's an intriguing prospect – come see for yourself!

Tuesday, May 19, 7:30pm Monroe County EOC 1190 Scottsville Road

### President's Letter

I hope you're all enjoying the (very recent) upturn in our weather. It's been a long time coming, nice to see a bit of lawn here and there.

Listening to the bands recently, it seems we're heading into "summer conditions" maybe a little faster than normal as 20m has been the place to be of late.

The last few evenings, the SFI has been hanging around 100 and 20m has been open well into the early morning hours.

At W2CCC last weekend, I was able to work stuff after midnight, even on 17m and unrelated, 6m was open at the same time.

Going to get at a few lingering projects this weekend as the "trusted" G5RV is down and I found out the reason my 6m beam has performed so poorly (in the recent AU opening). Last I knew, water oozing from the PL259 isn't really the way to go. I'm sure the several "feet" of ice throughout the last several months had nothing to do with that.

Perfect timing as the band (6m) should be opening soon for the "all to short" season.

As many of us have been playing with various rigs and antennas of late, I've been having fun with my Omni VI, a rig that has prominently residing on the floor of my shack for years. Another one of those "projects"....

Not that it needed any work mind you, it ONLY had to be hooked up, that's all.

Well, maybe not that easy as the space in the cockpit desk was always questionable and everything else that goes along with a "new" rig. Trust me, plenty still to do but at least it's up and on the air (at 100w).

I can say one thing, it hears REAL well and I don't think I've missed anything with only 100w.

My hope is to get the amp working, RTTY, etc before too long. With Dayton, Rochester and Field Day on the horizon, don't know how far I'll get anytime soon. I did get a mike hooked up to it for those all to infrequent SSB contacts.

The 2014-15 season is winding down with only a few (major) HF contests remaining (WPX CW on 30-31 May and IARU 11-12 July). Remember to update scores on the grid and submit your scores for RDXA.

A few of us will once again be heading to Dayton so if you plan to attend, be sure to stop by for "Happy Hour West" on Friday or any other time you're in the neighborhood of FW2173 & FW2174. I'm sure someone will be around and snacks and beverages will be available.

A few weeks later, RDXA and RVHFG will set up shop at the Rochester Hamfest. Given the location, we should be easy to find so stop by there as well. I'm looking forward to seeing some of the local gang I may not have connected with in the last few years.

One more thing, please remember to assist Vic, Ken and the Field Day Team as RDXA once again partakes in it's yearly (championship) effort.

Best DX es 73, Chris, K2CS President, RDXA



Third annual Irv Fest will take place Wednesday, August 5th, 2015
Details will follow in about 10 weeks

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## RDXA Banquet/NYQP Awards



Presenters - Carey, K2RNY, Doug, N2BEG, Vic K1PY



W1TY - NY Phone QRP



Fred, W2TZ (as W2T)
Hi Score Single OP Low
Power CW
NY CW Low Power
RDXA High Score CW Low
Power



Bob WA2QAU - RDXA High Score, Low Power Phone

### RDXA Banquet/NYQP Awards (Cont'd)



Jarred KF2MR - NY VHF and above High Score



Gayle, N2TWI (for W2CCC) NY Multi One RDXA Worked Most States



Bill, K2TER - 2015 KE2WK Award Winner



John, W3OAB/M - High Score NY Mobile Phone



Congratulations to Lynn Bisha, W2BSN, for his ARRL W1AW Clean Sweep!



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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 gettogether, starting at 6PM

