



The Bullsheet

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The Texas DX Society
An ARRL Affiliated Club

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The next TDXS meeting will be held Thursday, October 21st at 7pm at Tracey Gee Community Center!

3599 Westcenter Dr, Houston, TX 77042

The program will be: Show off your Portable Setup

**Before the meeting, join us at 5:30PM
for dinner at Pappas Bar-B-Q**

9797 Westheimer Rd, Houston, TX 77042

Editor's Note by Allen Brier N5XZ

Things continue to be more than hectic in my life, and I had plans to get this Bullsheet out before now, but what can I say. I'm peddling as fast as I can.

I keep saying this, but I doubt you'll be getting tired of hearing it...the bands continue to improve month after month after month! I haven't actually been checking the solar activity numbers, but I don't have to, just turn on the radio! 10 meters is open every day it seems, and I'm just waiting for some more 6 meter activity to complete my DXCC on that band to give me 10 Band DXCC. Not too many to go, and a few more on 60 will give me that band, too. *How are you doing?*

Another issue has crept up at my station...one of the cable on my probably 30+ year old Telex Hy-Gain HG70HD has frayed and now all cables should be replaced. I am looking for someone with some experience doing this. MFJ no longer sells these cables so I will have to have them made and I need some direction and recommendations for that. If any one can help me with this new project, please let me know. I have the manual and some engineering drawings from MFJ.

TDXS will have a real, live, eyeball meeting this coming Thursday. To quote Doug W9LCQ we hope to:

Renew Friendships interrupted by COVID 19 – we haven't met in person in over 18 months. It's about time to look your brother TDXSers in the eye and tell them you've missed them. ZOOM is a poor substitute.

Show Off your portable setup – The sun is waking up and blessing us with steadily improving propagation. Whether it's for a fun day in the park, POTA, EMCPM, or a rare grid square activation, we'd like to see it in the meeting room or in your vehicle. Extra credit for quirky, home or kit built gear. Transceivers, amps, antenna, whatever.

Also, it will be floor nomination night for Elected TDXS Officers for 2022. They are President, VP Membership, VP Programs, Treasurer and Secretary. Please consider volunteering for one of these roles.

It has been a tradition to get together before the meeting at Pappas BBQ on Gessner at Westheimer for a meal or a snack starting at 5:30 p.m. I plan to be there to have my customary sliced turkey sandwich and a suds. I hope you can join us on Thursday!

73, Allen N5XZ

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**We're still looking for a new
president for TDXS. Who?
When? Why not YOU?**

We are now holding my Thursday "EX-ZED SPRED" lunches on Zoom and it is every week! If you would like to be invited, send me at note at n5xz@arrl.net

The Prez Sez by ????????

We are still looking for someone to step of to be TDXS president...how about you?



TDXS Meeting Minutes by Doug Seyler WB5TKI

Date: September 16, 2021

Location: ZOOM Virtual Meeting

The September TDXS Meeting was held, as usual, via ZOOM Video conferencing. There were 13 participants. They were: Doug W9LCQ, Allen N5XZ, Jim N5DTT, Scott K5DD, Rick K5GZR, Jeff W5JEF, John K5EC, Keith NM5G, Chris KG5BBF, Orville K5VWW.

Agenda:

Reminder of the upcoming Texas QSO Party (TXQP). It will be held on September 18-19, 2 days after the meeting. Rules, routes, and resources can be found at TXQP.net.

- Appropriately, the program was on the Texas QSO Party, presented by Keith NM5G. Keith covered the rules, scoring, and log submittal. He also talked about aspects roving in the contest. This involved route planning, equipment, and strategies. This included logging software.

A complete meeting recording is available from the TDXS.net website under News > YouTube Channel.

Submitted October 4, 2021

Doug Seyler W9LCQ TDXS Secretary



DX Chairman's Report by Jim Blanca KE8G

DX Report October 2021 by Jim Blanca – KE8G

Fall has officially begun and old Sol is blessing us with some SFI number above 100. I think the upcoming month will be interesting!

Tonga: JA0RQV as A35JP will be active until October 31 from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) on 80-6m CW, SSB & FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS or JA0RQV via the bureau.

Niger: F4IHM as 5UAIHM will be active on 40-20m, CW with a holiday style operation. QSL via F4IHM direct and bureau.

Tanzania: IK2GZU as 5H3MB will be active on HF, using SSB, CW & FT8 until November 30th. QSL via IK2GZU via bureau or direct and Club Log OQRS.

Madagascar: JH0OXB as 5R8HK will be active on HF, no end date or QSL information is available.

Tajikstan: K4ZW as EY/K4ZW will be active on HF until October 7th. This is a spare time operation.

Market Reef: OJ0WS will be active until October 9th on HF CW. QSL to OH3WS via the bureau.

French Guiana: KC5CW as FY/KC5CW will be active until November 3rd on 160-6m, SSB, PSK & FT8. Some slow speed CW is possible.

Mauritius: G0VJG (call sign not determined yet) will be active on SSB, some digital and possibly CW until Oct 15th.. QSL via Club Log OQRS>

Mozambique: IV3FSG as C92R will be active 80-10m on SSB and digital. This is a spare time operation. QSL via IK2DUW direct. The exact dates of operation are not 100% clear as of this writing.

Sao Tome & Principe: S9OK operated by OK1BOA, OK1CRM, OK1FCJ, OK1GK, OK2ZA, OK2ZC, OK2ZI and OK6DJ will be active on 160-6m with CW, SSB and digital until October 16th. QSL via Club Log OQRS or OK6DJ.

Guinea Bissau: The Italian Team will be operating as J5HKT on 160-10m using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 until October 22nd. QSL via I2YSB direct.

Canary Island: DL4FO as EA8/DL4FO will be active on 40-10m mainly CW, with some SSB possible until October 21st. QSL via bureau or direct.

Surinam: DJ4EL, PF9Z & PZ5LW as PZ6ZS will be active on 80-10m with SSB, CW until October 18th. QSL via DJ4EL.

Sint Maarten: W5JON as PJ7JA will be active on 40-6m with SSB & FT8 until October 23rd. QSL W5JON directly.

eSwatini: R7AL, RA1ZZ, RW9JZ, OK8AU, R5EC and SP6EQZ as 3DA0RU will be active on 160-6m with SSB & FT8 until November 8th. QSL via web page details.

Gambia: F5NVF as C5C will be active on HF using CW & SSB until November 19th. QSL via LoTW.



DX Chairman's Report by Jim Blanca KE8G

St. Eustatius: W5JON as PJ5/W5JON will be active on 40-10m using SSB & FT8 until November 1st. QSL via W5JON directly.

Gambia: F5RAV as CC6C will be active on 40-10m using CW & SSB until November 19th. No QSL information is available at this time.

Bahamas: NN2T as C6AHB will be active on HF using SSB and digital until November 6th. QSL via NN2T or Club Log OQRS.

Galapagos: EA5RM, EA1SA, EA%EL, EA5KA, EA%KM, EA7R, EA7X, F5CWU, F5NKX, F8ATS, HC5VF, HK6F, IK5RUN, & IN3ZNR as HD8R will be active on 160-6m using CW, SSB, FT8 & RTTY until November 7th. QSL via EA5RM.



DX Chairman's Report by Jim Blanca KE8G

(NOAA)

27-day Space Weather Outlook Table

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| # | UTC | Radio Flux | Planetary | Largest |
|------|--------|------------|----------------|----------|
| # | Date | 10.7 cm | <u>A</u> Index | Kp Index |
| 2021 | Sep 27 | 86 | 28 | 6 |
| 2021 | Sep 28 | 86 | 15 | 4 |
| 2021 | Sep 29 | 84 | 12 | 4 |
| 2021 | Sep 30 | 80 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 01 | 80 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 02 | 80 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 03 | 78 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 04 | 78 | 8 | 3 |
| 2021 | Oct 05 | 76 | 12 | 4 |
| 2021 | Oct 06 | 74 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 07 | 74 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 08 | 74 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 09 | 74 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 10 | 78 | 12 | 4 |
| 2021 | Oct 11 | 78 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 12 | 78 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 13 | 80 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 14 | 84 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 15 | 84 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 16 | 86 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 17 | 86 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 18 | 88 | 10 | 3 |
| 2021 | Oct 19 | 88 | 12 | 4 |
| 2021 | Oct 20 | 88 | 10 | 3 |
| 2021 | Oct 21 | 88 | 8 | 3 |
| 2021 | Oct 22 | 88 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 23 | 86 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 22 | 88 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 23 | 86 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 24 | 90 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 25 | 90 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 26 | 90 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 27 | 90 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 28 | 90 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 29 | 88 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Sep 30 | 88 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 01 | 88 | 5 | 2 |
| 2021 | Oct 02 | 88 | 8 | 3 |

If anyone should happen to hear of some upcoming DX or DXpeditions, please contact me, ke8g.jim@gmail.com.

I will be happy to include the information in this report.



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

Hello again. As usual, we will start with a summary of major contests coming up in the next two months.

October

- 2 Oceania DX Contest, Phone
TRC DX Contest
Russian WW Digital Contest
California QSO Party
SKCC QSO Party
RSGB DX Contest
- 9 Nevada QSO Party
Oceania DX Contest, CW
Arizona QSO Party
Pennsylvania QSO Party
South Dakota QSO Party
- 10 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint
- 16 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW
New York QSO Party
Worked All Germany Contest
- 17 Illinois QSO Party
- 23 UK/EI DX Contest, SSB
- 30 CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB

November

- 6 ARRL Sweepstakes, CW
- 13 10-10 International Fall Digital Contest
JIDX Phone Contest
- 20 ARRL Sweepstakes, Phone
- 27 CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

TDXS members participated in a number of contests in September. Here is their score information as reported in the 3830scores.com website.

CWops CW Open 2021 0000Z-0359Z, [Sep 4](#)

Single Op HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| K5TU | | | 404 | 281 | 4 | 113,524 | TDXS |
| K5GQ | | | 167 | 130 | 3 | 21,710 | TDXS |
| NM5G | | | 106 | 87 | 3 | 9,222 | TDXS |
| AF5J | | | 76 | 68 | 4.0 | 5,168 | TDXS |

Single Op LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| KG5U | | | 304 | 212 | 4 | 64,448 | TDXS |
| AJ4F | | | 26 | 26 | 0:45 | 676 | TDXS |

CWops CW Open 2021 1200Z-1559Z , Sep 4

Single Op HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| K5TU | | | 413 | 284 | 4 | 117,292 | TDXS |
| NM5G(@N5G) | | | 102 | 78 | 3 | 7,956 | TDXS |
| AF5J | | | 52 | 46 | 3.75 | 2,392 | TDXS |

Single Op LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| KG5U | | | 244 | 173 | 4 | 42,212 | TDXS |
| AJ4F | | | 52 | 52 | 1 | 2,548 | TDXS |



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

CWops CW Open 2021 2000Z-2359Z , Sep 4

Single Op HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| K5TU | | | 348 | 301 | 4 | 104,748 | TDXS |
| NM5G | | | 123 | 107 | 3 | 13,161 | TDXS |
| AF5J | | | 45 | 44 | 1.75 | 1,980 | TDXS |

Single Op LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| KG5U | | | 221 | 178 | 4 | 39,338 | TDXS |
| AJ4F | | | 49 | 49 | 1 | 2,401 | TDXS |

Colorado QSO Party 2021 Sep 4

SOCW HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | Qs | Ph | Qs | Dig | Qs | CW | Mults | Ph | Mults | Dig | Mults | Op Time |
|-------|-------|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-------|----|-------|-----|-------|---------|
| | Score | Club | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| K5TIA | | 25 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 500 | TDXS | | | | | |
| K5GQ | | 4 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | .5 | 32 | TDXS | | | | | |

SOPh LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | Qs | Ph | Qs | Dig | Qs | CW | Mults | Ph | Mults | Dig | Mults | Op Time |
|-------|-------|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-------|----|-------|-----|-------|---------|
| | Score | Club | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N5DTT | | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 128 | TDXS | | | | | |

Tennessee QSO Party 2021 Sep 5

SO FixedCW HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | Qs | Ph | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|--------|---------|-------|------|
| K5TIA | | | | 70 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 6 | 11,340 | TDXS | | |

SO FixedSSB LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | Qs | Ph | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| N5DTT | | | | 0 | 19 | 0 | 18 | 2 | 1,126 | TDXS | | |



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

NA Sprint CW Contest 2021 September 11

Single Op HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Team |
|-------------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| K5GN(@W5KU) | | x | 326 | 55 | 4:00 | 17,930 | TDXS |
| KØNM | | x | 116 | 37 | 2:47 4 | ,292 | TDXS |

Single Op LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Team |
|------|------|--------|------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| KG5U | | | 230 | 47 | 4 | 10,810 | TDXS |

Alabama QSO Party 2021 Sep 11

SOCW HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW Qs | Ph Qs | CW Mults | Ph Mults | Op Time | Score |
|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| K5TIA | | | 11 | 0 | 6 | 0 | | 132 |

SOSSB LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW Qs | Ph Qs | CW Mults | Ph Mults | Op Time | Score |
|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| N5DTT | | | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 12 |

Texas QSO Party 2021 Sep 18

Multi-Op HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW Qs | Ph Qs | Dig Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|---------|--------|------|
| K5IZO | | | 0 | 305 | 0 | 112 | 14 | 68,320 | TDXS |

SO CW HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW Qs | Ph Qs | Dig Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| K5TIA | | | 360 | 0 | 0 | 110 | 24 | 118,800 | TDXS |
| AF5J | | | 325 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 10:55 | 69,012 | TDXS |

SO CW LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW Qs | Ph Qs | Dig Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| N5XZ | | | 458 | 0 | 0 | 119 | 7:30 | 163,506 | TDXS |
| AJ4F | | | 267 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 3:56 | 59,274 | TDXS |



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

Texas QSO Party 2021 Sep 18 (cont.)

SO Mixed HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-------|---------|---------|------|
| W5MF | | | 323 | 136 | 0 | | 120 | 12 | | 148,920 | TDXS |

SO Mixed LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-------|---------|---------|------|
| KG5U | | | 462 | 12 | 0 | | 154 | 17.25 | | 217,140 | TDXS |
| W5GCX | | | 19 | 12 | 0 | | 24 | | | 1,944 | TDXS |

SO Mobile HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|------|------|--------|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-------|---------|---------|------|
| K5EC | | | 383 | 815 | 0 | | 131 | 15 | | 364,049 | TDXS |

SO SSB LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|------|----|-----|-----|-------|---------|--------|------|
| N5DTT | | | 0 | 228 | 0 | | 102 | 15.5 | | 47,012 | TDXS |

New Jersey QSO Party 2021 Sep 18

Single Op HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|------|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| K5TIA | | | 11 | 0 | 0 | | 7 | 6 | | 154 | TDXS |

Single Op LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|------|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| N5DTT | | | 0 | 9 | 0 | | 6 | 2 | | 54 | TDXS |

Iowa QSO Party 2021 Sep 18

Out of State HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|------|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| K5TIA | | | 21 | 0 | 0 | | 17 | 6 | | 714 | TDXS |

SO Fixed LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | QsPh | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|------|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| N5DTT | | | 0 | 12 | 0 | | 11 | 2 | | 132 | TDXS |



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

Washington State Salmon Run 2021 Sep 18

SOCW HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | Qs | Ph | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| K5TIA | | | 34 | 0 | | 0 | | 14 | 8 | | 1,428 | TDXS |

SOSSB LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | CW | Qs | Ph | Qs | Dig | Qs | Mults | Op Time | Score | Club |
|-------|------|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-------|---------|-------|------|
| N5DTT | | | 0 | 13 | | 0 | | 11 | 4 | | 286 | TDXS |

CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY 2021 Sep 25

SOAB LP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | State/Prov | DX | Zones | Op Time | Score |
|------|------|--------|------|------------|----|-------|---------|---------|
| KG5U | | | 410 | 106 | 96 | 52 | 20.05 | 179,832 |
| AJ4F | | | 213 | 76 | 50 | 30 | 11 | 53,820 |

SOSB10 HP

| Call | SO2R | Remote | QSOs | State/Prov | DX | Zones | Op Time | Score |
|------|------|--------|------|------------|----|-------|---------|--------|
| W5PR | | | 97 | 16 | 20 | 15 | | 10,965 |

September was a busy contesting month. October and November will likely be just as busy. There is much to look forward to.

Jim, N5DTT



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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TexasDXSociety/> (new)

TDXS says "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" to these members with birthdays in October:

**Please notify the Editor if I have missed any-
one or of any updates:**

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