



## Eastern Iowa DX Association

*An ARRL affiliated club - Established 1975*



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...from the  
President's  
Pen

### On the Air and In the Know

Our past April 25th club meeting was informative and instructive for the Eastern Iowa DX

Association. Glenn Johnson (WØGJ), shared a captivating story and photos from his recent CY9C DXpedition to St Paul Island. The expedition's unique challenges and successful contacts sparked plenty of questions and admiration from members.

In addition to catching up over the airwaves, the club turned its attention to some important organizational matters. Under our policy and planning section, the group discussed and approved revisions to our bylaws, a necessary step to keep things aligned with our activity. Also of note: we began a review and planning session for collecting membership dues and

Secretary:

Bill Caldwell, NØLNO

increasing member involvement.

These efforts aim to ensure long term sustainability and active participation.

Treasurer:

Mike Nowack NA9Q

Solar Cycle 25 has offered nice HF including 6 meters improved propagation. This past weekend had a very active 6 meter contest full of FT8 stations. I printed a few DX, mostly all stateside grids however.

Repeater Committee:

Jason Joens NRØX

Membership Committee:

Jim Spencer WØSR

Nelson Moyer KUØA

Repeater: NØDX/R

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I happen to dig out some old EIDXa newsletters when I was President in 1991. We were getting our 701AA cards back and getting them into the league for credit. Jim Smith was getting his license for S2. Several of the members were working with or SWLing with Bob W4NIM/MM and Carol down in the Caribbean.

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Looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting with K3LR showing us his station via Zoom.

Cheers and 73 ,  
Glen KØJGH pres.



*...from the Editor*

Bob WØGXA

Just like when you start to exercise, it's best to start slow... so I didn't go too wild with the refresh of the newsletter.

The next edition of the newsletter, I'll have some tidbits from the newsletters from the early years of the club.

Keep those cards and letters coming.



July 11, 2025

Tim K3LR gives a virtual tour of the K3LR contest station.

Social Hour 6:30 PM

Meeting & Program 7:00 PM

Meeting and location information [here](#)



We have club members who can check your QSL cards

- Glenn, WØGJ
- Mike, NA9Q

Contact info can be found here:

<http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-card-checker-search>

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## DXCC Challenge

*You may have already received this via the email reflector... Ed.*

Fellow EIDXA members,

We are preparing for the quarterly update for the Club Member DXCC and Challenge standings on our website, and we are seeking inputs from our club members.

We will use the data from the ARRL DXCC Standings website (<http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-standings>), as of 01 July as our basis. If your DXCC status is up-to-date on this league website, no additional action is warranted.

If you have other data such as DXCC totals that have not been submitted to the league, totals for 60m (not tracked by league), or DXCC totals less than the threshold for league publication, you may submit them to us for inclusion in the club website.

*(Watch the email reflector for an excel template - Ed.)* The preferred method of submitting your data to us, is by using the Excel template on the club website [www.eidxa.org](http://www.eidxa.org). Please select "\_\_\_\_\_ ...", and follow instructions for downloading the Excel template. Then fill in the blanks, save, and E-mail the completed template to me (Gary at my QRZ email).

But other methods of submittal such as simple text E-mails, screen captures from LoTW, or from your own logging software are acceptable.

You may also provide paper copies of your inputs at the July club meeting.

Please respond by the club meeting on 11 July 2025 to be

included in this update.

When compiled, the club members' DXCC standings will be published on the club website.

Gary Hill AAØCL



## Dayton Hamvention 2025

Bob WØGXA

I went to Dayton this year after decades of not attending. My prior trip was 1984 when a friend drove over from Iowa City and met me in Indy where I was living at the time.

On the way, my wife and I stopped overnight in Indy to kick around where we used to live.





The site of my first job out of college with the US Navy. In 1983 this was the Naval Avionics Center in Indianapolis. Mostly they did work for the "Air" Navy. My project was an odd duck... missile test equipment for boomers. Site was turned over to defense contractors in '96.



This was the line to get in about 30 minutes from the opening bell. My back is to the gate. The wait wasn't bad. I had a nice chat with WØSR and KØGT. They opened a second gate and told all of us in our line to turn around and walk in.



Reminds me of the Iowa State fair... I tried the chocolate dipped cheese cake on a stick



Everyone needs one of these. I left it for someone else to buy.





KØDAS trying to unload an HF80 system.



Shortly after I took this picture (a random shot of the flea market), I overheard a conversation with a guy on his phone to his lawyer. Apparently he was offered a plea deal to a serious misdemeanor and he enthusiastically took the deal. The conversation then moved to when he could expect sentencing. I never figured out what crime was committed.

In the end, I bought one used Astron 35A power supply. Tom,



NYØV did a good job helping me spot candidate products once I told him "all" of the requirements (Astron, 35 A, fixed voltage). Thanks Tom!

Bob WØGXA

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## Field Day 2025

Another joint WØGQ and WØCXX event

Bob WØGXA



Pat KFØNQX helping install the beverage antennas for the CW station



An NG7A creation - vertical for the high bands. Not shown are the loops for 40/80





...and here's NG7A standing next to his creation



Looking towards the phone station antenna farm





Nice weather to be outside

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## All Asian DX CW Contest

Jeff Woods WØODS/KHØ

Forty-two QSOs on 15 and 20 meters using a balcony mounted whip antenna.

It was fun and the first contest I've done in many years.

Rules on what exactly counts as Asia were confusing to me at the outset - Fortunately JARL posted a comprehensive list. YB Indonesia is NOT Asia, apparently. Neither is Saipan. Live and learn.



Operating desk - Rig is a Flex at 100W. Paddles are Begali Travelers



15/20m whip. Facing North America



An action shot



From Rich:

Now chasing band slots. I'm getting close, LOTW says 1996 slots covered, I have about 6 more confirmed by QSL card or Club Log.

New 6 meter solid state amplifier from Linear amps UK, is working well. I have the Gemini Model 64-1.2K which provides up to 1200 watts driving it with only 10 watts from my K3/10. Awesome ! See it at <https://linamp.co.uk/gemini64-1200.html>

Rich W3ACO

I haven't been on the bands much but I enjoyed the NAQP and ARRL DX CW contests this year. I spent all my time on 10m handing out QSOs. It's a fun band when it's open.



Bob WØGXA

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THIS NEW SUNSPOT CLUSTER HAS RAISED  
CONCERN AMONG ASTRONOMERS

# FOR SALE: 100 FUSES



I have individually tested each of them and they all worked.



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