



# The DX HUNTER

MAY 08

## TVDXA CLUB INFO

**MEETINGS: 2<sup>nd</sup> THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
**MAY MEETING: 5/8/08 - 6:30PM @ WALLY's**  
**JUNE MEETING: 6/12/08 - 6:30PM @ WALLY's**  
**TVDXA WEBSITE: TVDXA.com**  
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**“More than a Club – We are Friends”**

## CLUB NEWS

### FIELD DAY 08:

Some decisions have been made for **FD-08**:

- Our FD site will be on the mountain. Maps will be provided shortly both at the meetings and on the club web-site.
- We will make-up and use Wire Antennas for HF and a small 6 meter beam.
- Operator tents will be provided by Charlie C.
- We will have a Saturday evening Family BBQ – everyone needs to bring a “covered dish” for sharing.

Items that are still open to be decided on are:

- Generator (~5 KW)
- We have only May and June meetings to finalize all the details.
- Radio's & tuners will be needed

### **What are you bringing to the table?**

Don't forget the **SSB team** took the Top “Q” Spot last year and conditions are getting better.

## TVDXA PERSONALITY

### Ken Griffith **KS4X**

Ken is an Extra Class operator. He was born on Signal Mountain and is a life-long resident of the Chattanooga area.

He has been a ham for 30 years. His DX totals are about 160 countries with 100 W. He has found the QRP, low power challenge and has worked 125 QRP. He is a dedicated SSB operator.

He went to Kirkman Technical H.S. with Dick Wilson. He was an Instrument Technician most of his working career.

He has been married to Ellen for 34 years.





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## CONTESTING NEWS

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DATE	WEEKDAY - TIME UTC	CONTEST NAME	MODE
28- 2	Mon 0001 - Fri 2359	EUCW/FISTS QRS Party - CW	
1	Thu 1300 - 1900	AGCW QRP/QRP Party - CW	
1	Thu 1700 - 2100	10 meter NAC - CW/SSB/FM/Digi	
3- 4	Sat 0000 - Sun 2400	MARAC CW QSO Party - CW	
3- 4	Sat 0001 - Sun 2359	10-10 Int. Spring QSO Party - CW/Digi	
3- 4	Sat 1300 - Sun 0700	7QP - 7th Call Area QSO Party - CW/SSB	
3	Sat 1400 - 2000	US IPARC Annual Contest - CW	
3- 4	Sat 1500 - Sun 1500	Day of the Portuguese Navy - CW/SSB	
3	Sat 1500 - 2100	Day of the Portuguese Navy - PSK31	
3- 4	Sat 1600 - Sun 0400	Indiana QSO Party - CW/Phone	
3- 4	Sat 2000 - Sun 1959	ARI Int. DX Contest - CW/SSB/RTTY	
3- 4	Sat 2000 - Sun 0500	New England QSO Party (1) - All	
4	Sun 1300 - 2400	New England QSO Party (2) - All	
4	Sun 1400 - 2000	US IPARC Annual Contest - SSB	
6	Tue 0100 - 0300	ARS Spartan Sprint - CW	
10	Sat 0001 - 2359	Nevada Mustang Roundup (NEQP) - CW/SSB/RTTY	
10	Sat 1000 - 1200	EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party - CW	
10-11	Sat 1200 - Sun 1200	A. Volta RTTY DX Contest - RTTY	
<b>10-11</b>	<b>Sat 1200 - Sun 1159</b>	<b>CQ-M Int. DX Contest - CW/SSB</b>	
10	Sat 1200 - 1300	SL Contest - CW	
10	Sat 1315 - 1415	SL Contest - SSB	
10-11	Sat 1600 - Sun 0400	Mid-Atlantic QSO Party - CW/Digi/Phone	
10	Sat 1700 - 2100	FISTS Spring Sprint - CW	
11	Sun 0000 - 2359	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon - CW	
11	Sun 1800 - 2000	EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party - CW	
17-18	Sat 0000 - Sun 2400	MARAC SSB QSO Party - SSB	
17-18	Sat 1200 - Sun 1200	EU PSK DX Contest - PSK31	
17-18	Sat 1200 - Sun 1200	H. M. The King of Spain Contest - CW	
17-18	Sat 1500 - Sun 2359	CWJF Manchester Mineira AA CW Contest - CW	
17	Sat 1500 - 1700	Feld-Hell Club Sprint - Feld-Hell	
17-18	Sat 2100 - Sun 0200	Baltic Contest - CW/SSB	
18	Sun 0700 - 1100	SSA Portabeltest Våromg. - CW/SSB	
18	Sun 1400 - 1500	SSA Månadstest nr 5 - CW	
18	Sun 1515 - 1615	SSA Månadstest nr 5 - SSB	
19	Mon 0100 - 0300	Run For The Bacon QRP Contest - CW	
21	Wed 1800 - 2000	MOON Contest - CW/Digi/SSB	
22	Thu 0030 - 0230	NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint - CW	



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<b>24-25</b>	<b>Sat 0000 - Sun 2359</b>	<b>CQ WW WPX Contest - CW</b>
25	Sun 2000 - 2400	(Your LOCAL time) ARCI Hoot Owl Sprint - CW
26-27	Mon 2300 - Tue 0300	MI-QRP Club Mem. Day CW Sprint - CW
28	Wed 0000 - 0200	SKCC Sprint - CW
30	Fri 1800 - 2200	Digital Pentathlon (1) - PSK
31	Sat 0600 - 1600	UBA-OSA WLC-contest - SSB
<b>31- 1</b>	<b>Sat 1400 - Sun 2200</b>	<b>Kids Roundup - Phone</b>

## Island Hoppers are heading for NA- 067 – Hatteras Island, NC

Barbarra has found another location for the **TVDXA Island Expeditioners** to lounge in the sun, play on the beach and swim in the Atlantic. It is part of North Carolina's Outer Banks. The island is one of the longest in the contiguous United States, measuring 42 miles. Hatteras Island is known for world-class sport fishing, surfing, windsurfing and kiteboarding, and is known as "The blue marlin capital of the world". They are scheduled to be there from 9/27 to 10/4.



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## ANNOUNCED DX OPERATIONS

### MAY 2008

DATES		LOCATION/CALL	QSL VIA	INFO	
2008 May01	2008 May06	<b>Cyprus</b>	<b>5B</b>	Home Call	By DL2SWW DF9TM as 5B/homecall fm AS-004; 80-10m; CW SSB; QSL OK via DARC Buro or direct
2008 May01	2009 May07	<b>French Guiana</b>	<b>TO3EME</b>		By F1BCS F1HDI fm Ile Royale (SA-020); 144mHz EME, but also HF SSB + PSK31
2008 May01	2008 May08	<b>Iceland</b>	<b>TF7</b>	LA9SN	By LA9SN as TBD fm EU-071; IOTA frequencies; CW SSB; fm automobile w/ vertical + high power; QSL OK via Buro or direct
2008 May01	2009 May01	<b>Marion Island</b>	<b>ZS8</b>	LZ3HI	By ZS6GCM as TBD; exact begin and end dates uncertain
2008 May02	2008 May13	<b>Ascension Island</b>	<b>ZD8N</b>	G3ZVW	By G3ZVW fm AF-003; SSB CW RTTY; mainly evenings and weekends; QSL OK via Buro or direct
2008 May03	2008 May10	<b>Corsica</b>	<b>TK7C</b>	F9IE	By F4TTR F5AGB F9IE F8BJI F6BIV (F6KOP team) fm EU-014; 80-10m; CW SSB + digital; QSL OK via REF Buro or direct (w/ SAE + postage cost)
2008 May03	2008 May30	<b>Bhutan</b>	<b>A52TL</b>	LotW	By OZ1TL; most bands w/ focus on 160 80 40m; CW, almost exclusively; QSL also OK via home call
2008 May05	2008 May10	<b>Panama</b>	<b>HP4</b>	W4JKC	By W4JKC as HP4/W4JKC fm Colon Is (NA-088); 40-10m; CW SSB; QSL OK via Buro or direct
2008 May05	2008 May12	<b>Liechtenstein</b>	<b>HB0</b>	Home Call	By DL2SBY DF1SR as HB0/homecall; 80-6m; CW SSB RTTY; EME on 1296mHz; QRV for EU EME Contest; QSL OK via DARC Buro or direct
2008 May06	2008 May16	<b>Aruba</b>	<b>P40ZB</b>	K9WZB Direct	By K9WZB K7WZB; 40 20 17 15 10 6m; CW SSB RTTY
2008 May07	2008 May18	<b>Mongolia</b>	<b>JT</b>	I0SNY	By I0SNY as either JT1Y or JT8Y
2008 May09	2008 May11	<b>Guam</b>	<b>KH2</b>	JA7LU	By JA7LU JH1AWN as JA7LU/KH2 fm OC-026; HF + 6m; SSB; QSL OK via JARL Buro or direct (see qrz.com)
2008 May10	2008 May11	<b>Chatham Island</b>	<b>ZL7M</b>	VK2CZ Direct	By VK2CZ



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2008 May15	2008 May26	<b>Tunisia</b>	<b>3V8SS</b>	IZ8FVN	By Z33F Z31MM fm Sousse; HF + 2m; RTTY PSK CW SSB SSTV; QRV for CQ WPX CW + EU PSK
2008 May17	2008 May31	<b>Fiji</b>	<b>3D2A</b>	LotW	By VK4AN VK4FRAJ fm Malolo Lailai (OC-121); 160-6m; CW PSK31 RTTY SSB; focus on digital + WARC; QSL also OK via VK4AN, Buro or direct
2008 May19	2008 May24	<b>Micronesia</b>	<b>V63DX</b>	JA7HMZ	By JA7HMZ fm Pohnpei; all bands, incl 6m; all modes
2008 May21	2008 Jun01	<b>Barbados</b>	<b>8P9TS</b>	G0TSM	By G0TSM fm NA-021; HF, but focus on 6m (w/ 5 ele yagi)
2008 May24	2008 Jun06	<b>Aland Island</b>	<b>OH0</b>	PA0VHA Direct	By PA2A PA2AM PA0VHA PA3BAG PA3ALK PB5A as OH0/homecall fm EU-002, LH-1317; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY PSK31; 3 stns; QSL: H. Vernhout, Ph. de Goedestraat 54, 3132 XR Vlaardingen, The Netherlands
2008 May27	2008 May29	<b>Macao</b>	<b>XX9</b>	TBA	By LY1F as TBD; mainly CW; holiday style operation
2008 May29	2008 Jun01	<b>Gibraltar</b>	<b>ZB2</b>		By DH7FB DF2ZC as ZB2/homecall
2008 May27	2008 Jun03	<b>East Kiribati</b>	<b>T32XG</b>	JA1XGI	By JA1XGI; 40-15m, incl WARC; mainly CW, some SSB + digital; QSL OK via JARL Buro or direct
2008 May31	2008 Jun07	<b>Dodecanese</b>	<b>SV5</b>	OZ6B	By OZ6B as SV5/OZ6B fm Lalyssos Is (EU-001); 20m; SSB

Here are a couple of interesting DX-pedition Sites that a friend of Tony's put on the air: Extreme DX'ing

Marco Neutral Zone - 1N2A

<http://hamgallery.com/qs1/country/Colombia/1n2a.htm>

Malpelo Island - HK0TU

[http://hamgallery.com/qs1/country/Malpelo\\_Island/hk0tu3.htm](http://hamgallery.com/qs1/country/Malpelo_Island/hk0tu3.htm)

Cocos Island

[http://hamgallery.com/qs1/country/Cocos\\_Island/ti9cf4.htm](http://hamgallery.com/qs1/country/Cocos_Island/ti9cf4.htm)

Here is the W9FIU/KS4 page - SERRANA BANK

<http://hamgallery.com/qs1/deleted/SerranaBank/w9fiu.htm>