December 2023

"Ohio's First DXCC Field Checking Club"



Fireside Chat With KB8NW (written October 10, 2023)

Fellow DXers,

Where did the summer go? It seems that the year is flying by at an unbelievable pace, and winter will be upon us before you know it. The end of the year's major contest season is almost here, as well as a huge amount of DXpeditions that will be taking place (during now and the fall/winter months). NODXA has funded several of these DXpeditions. As I am writing this, the following donations have



been made for the various DXpeditions and the club's logo is on their DXpedition Web pages:

T2C Tuvalu (October 10-30th): DXpedition Tuvalu T2C - 2023 - Our Sponsors (mydx.de) <<u>https://mydx.de/mydx/t2c/cms/?Our_Sponsors</u>>

TO8FH Mayotte Island (October 10-22nd): Sponsors | TO8FH (wordpress.com) <<u>https://to8fh.wordpress.com/sponsors/</u>>

TX5S Clipperton Island (January 18th-February 1st): Clubs & Foundations – TX5S Clipperton Island 2024 DXpedition (pdxg.net) <<u>https://clip.pdxg.net/clubs-foundations/</u>>

TX7L - Marquesas Islands (November 4-19th): Sponsors - TX7L - Marquesas 2023 <<u>https://tx7l.com/sponsors/</u>>

ZD9W Tristan da Cunha & Gough Island (September 24th-October 22nd): ZD9W 2023 - supporters (Iral.lv) <<u>https://Iral.lv/zd9w/supporters.html</u>>

NODXA has received thank yous from all DXpeditions...

There may be other donations made before the end of the year (Thanks for your continued membership.....)

As this is being written, other announced DXpeditions that will take between October-December are: 4W8X, E51JAN, E6AM, H40WA, JD1BQP, T2C, TX6L, V6EU, V6SX, XR0Y, YJ0CA, YJ0TT and ZL7/SP5EAQ. To keep up on future DXpeditions, see the DX Calendar at: <u>http://www.iz5cml.it/dxschedule.pdf</u>

In August NODXA had their annual picnic. We has a great turnout by the way. The membership enjoyed pizza and chicken (paid by the club) with various side dishes and deserts provided by many individuals (thanks). Everyone enjoyed the location and food.

As always, I hope to see you in the coming weeks/months, possibly at a hamfest, or NODXA's general membership meetings every first Monday of the month (unless it is a holiday -- it will be the second Monday).

As a reminder, if you have a topic to discuss about DXing or contesting, bring it up at the meeting. Also, if you would like to put on a program of some interest for the club in the coming months, let us know so we can schedule you in for a meeting. We are always looking for a program.

73 and Good DX, de Tedd KB8NW

Minutes of the June 5th, 2023 NODXA Meeting

Vice-president Dennis, K8LBT, opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Amici's Italian Restaurant and Bar. A total of 15 members were present. After a round of introductions and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States the secretary read the minutes for the meeting of May 1, 2023. Thereafter Gary, NI8Z, moved and Bruce, N8DJX, seconded for the minutes to be approved. The approval was passed by vote.

Treasurer Mary, N8DMM reported a balance of \$Ka-Ching! Dues were due in May. Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Denny, WB8K, seconded that the treasurer's report be approved and that passed

on the vote. Glenn, AF8C, reported the repeater was OK. Our editor Dave, WD8IOU, was absent tonight.



<u>Old/New Business:</u>

Dennis, K8LBT, stated that Tedd, KB8NW, sends his regards while he is on vacation. Dennis reported that no new funding requests have been received during the month. Dennis reported that Tedd is interested in what will be or is the 3YOJ response to the memo he sent out on behalf of the club. One stern reply was received from the group. George, K8KR, referred us to the editorial about the Bouvet operation in QST. Following that comment we had several minutes of discussion about previous expeditions to Bouvet.

Rockall Island was scaled and operation is occurring. The VU7W group that was looking for rig funding for a second operation got a large donation from a Japanese group. A followon discussion was about Rig-In-A-Box operations on special islands that are wildlife reserves. Finally, after a guestion, there was no interest this year on the club having an ARRL Field Day operation.

<u>Wrapup:</u>

Dennis, K8LBT, stated that the next meeting likely will be on July 10, 2023 at Amici's. Brian, K3USC, moved and Bruce, N8DJX, seconded for the meeting to be closed and the motion was voted approved. The meeting closed at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully, Glenn, AF8C, Secretary

Minutes of the July 10th, 2023 NODXA Meeting

President Tedd, KB8NW, opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Amici's Italian Restaurant and Bar. A total of 14 members were present. After a round of introductions and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States the secretary read the minutes for the meeting of June 5, 2023. Thereafter Gary, NI8Z, moved and Bruce, N8DJX, seconded for the minutes to be approved. The approval was passed by vote.

Treasurer Mary, N8DMM, was absent but emailed her report of a balance of \$Ka-Ching! Dues were due in May. PayPal can be used to send Mary the dues. Glenn, AF8C, reported the repeater was OK. Our editor Dave, WD8IOU, said that the newsletter was in progress.

<u>Old/New Business:</u>

George, K8KR, pointed out that the sunspot numbers for Cycle 25 are way up, challenging the record for the last 50 years. The peak is predicted to be in 2024. At the start tonight no one had any further comment on 3YOJ. But then Dave, WD8IOU, commented on how the Bouvet operation received much favorable press and we were put off as negative feedback. A bit of discussion on that followed.

Tedd asked for comments on the Dayton/Xenia Hamvention. Tedd has a feeling that attendance by the vendors could have been slightly down. George reported that his sales there were slow. Tedd reported that people commented that our hospitality suite was missing. The Radisson is still closed and idle. Tedd attended the forum on FT8WW operation which was a Zoom presentation. Our club logo is on their card. Our club was way up in the list of supporters.

Thierry, F6CUK, is reported interested in going to Kerguelen. Jim, K8MR, said OM2VL got his Ohio QSO Party plaque. Jim wanted the club to fund the 2023 plaque expenses for the August 26 Ohio QSO Party and so he moved for \$100 funding. Dave, WD8IOU, seconded that motion and the funding passed on the vote.

Tedd reported that our logo is on the MMOUKI, Rockall Island, EU-189, card. Operators will be

going back in July for a few QSOs and to retrieve some equipment. We still have a tabled motion to donate to the January 2024 Clipperton Island expedition. Swains Island, W8S, will be up in October and we donated to that.

It is time to consider do we have a picnic in August and the answer was yes. At the August meeting we will vote on how much to spend on food for the picnic. The decision was to have the picnic on a to-be-announced Thursday at 4 p.m.

The 2023 NOARSfest is on July 15, from 9 to 12, at the Lorain County Community College. There was a report that the Mansfield Trunkfest was "OK".

Tedd sent around a copy of the latest DX Calendar. Bruce, N8DJX, asked about a T31 operation where someone got hurt? Jim, K8MR, added a reminder for operating the CQ VHF contest this weekend. He spoke about how people could at least operate 6 meters in the contest. George, K8KR, brought an impromptu Show and Tell of a photograph of famous 300-plus home run baseball players with their autographs. George said that only a few such original photographs exist.

<u>Wrapup:</u>

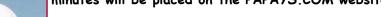
Tedd, KB8NW, stated that the next meeting likely will be on August 7, 2023 at Amici's. Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Brian, K3USC, seconded for the meeting to be closed and the motion was voted approved. The meeting closed at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully, Glenn, AF8C, Secretary

Minutes of the August 7th, 2023 NODXA Meeting

President Tedd, KB8NW, opened the meeting at 6:32 p.m. at Amici's Italian Restaurant and Bar. A total of 10 members were present. After a round of introductions and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States the secretary read the minutes for the meeting of July 10, 2023. Thereafter Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Dennis, K8LBT, seconded for the minutes to be approved. The approval was passed by vote.

Treasurer Mary, N8DMM, reported a balance of \$Ka-Ching! Dues were due in May. PayPal can be used to send Mary the dues. Thereafter Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Dave, WD8IOU, seconded for the treasurer's report to be approved. That vote passed. Glenn, AF8C, reported the repeater was OK. Our editor Dave, WD8IOU, said that the newsletter went out with an email notification. The minutes will be placed on the PAPAYS.COM website soon.





Old/New Business:

Dave, WD8IOU, began a discussion about responses about the 3YOJ operation. A person on EHAM.NET commented in a DX forum about that operation. There is information available that another group is planning to go to Bouvet. But they are first going to Tuvulu, T22. Bruce, N8JDX, has seen a report that someone was hurt during an operation on T31, Central Kiribati. But hardly anyone knew about it at our meeting.

Tedd discussed the different types of 3YOJ cards that went out according to contribution level and that our logo is on some of the cards but not on the single

card. We have a funding request pending for the upcoming Clipperton Island operation which might become a RIB ("Radio In a Box") operation. There is high interest on FT8 from there. Tedd asked if should we leave it tabled until the September meeting and so we did.

Tedd reported that the ARRL dues increase survey resulted in the dues going up to \$59 for digital editions of QST with an extra \$25.00 added for print editions. Tedd reported on having trouble getting his CQ magazine. The digital version can be downloaded. Pete, N8TR, discussed printing to PDF as one way to get PDF of QST or CQ. Other publications are available online.

Joe, N8QXC, went to the July NOARSfest. It was OK. But part of the college parking lot was under construction. Scott, N8SY, will be running for Great Lakes Division director. Tedd sent out information on the upcoming W1AW/8 operation. Individual W1AW/8 operations can be applied for, and assignments will be time slotted.

The Club picnic will happen on August 24 at 4 p.m. Pizza, chicken, and water for 24 people will cost more than \$140. People can optionally

cost more than \$140. People can optionally bring a side dish. Pete, N8TR, made a motion for \$200.00 to cover the club's food costs. Bruce, N8DJX, seconded the motion which

"The Mission of the Northern Ohio DX Association is to promote and support Amateur Radio and the DX Community around the world." passed on the vote. Then Pete, N8TR, discussed the RIB operation to be run on North Cook Island with an E51 call. There will be three stations, and they will try for 160m in addition to other bands, with CW, SSB, and FT8.

Wrapup:

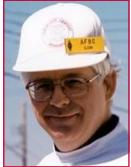
Tedd, KB8NW, stated that the next meeting likely will be on September 11, 2023 at Amici's. Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Dennis, K8LBT, seconded for the meeting to be closed and the motion was voted approved. The meeting closed at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully, Glenn, AF8C, Secretary

Minutes of the September 11th, 2023 NODXA Meeting

President Tedd, KB8NW, opened the meeting at 6:31 p.m. at Amici's Italian Restaurant and Bar. A total of 14 members and three guests were present. After a round of introductions and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States the secretary read the minutes for the meeting of August 7, 2023. One typo was noticed and will be corrected. Thereafter Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Dave, WD8IOU, seconded for the minutes to be approved. The approval was passed by vote.

Treasurer Mary, N8DMM, reported a balance of \$Ka-Ching! Dues were due in May. No new dues payments have recently happened. PayPal can be used to send Mary the dues. Thereafter Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Brian, K3USC, seconded for the treasurer's report to be approved. That vote passed. Glenn, AF8C, reported the repeater was OK. But there is a .36 repeater in PA that is on with a PL of 110.9. So two weeks ago that repeater was confusing the local net that was going on. Our editor Dave, WD8IOU, said that for the next newsletter he needs articles.



Old/New Business:

Tedd received favorable comments on the August 24 picnic. Dave, WD8IOU, reported on getting email from the ARRL about renewing his membership this year. We know that for 2024 we all will see the increase to \$59.00 plus the \$25.00 for QST print editions if you want that. As an ARRL Life member Tedd said he has until December 31 to decide what to do about print editions of QST.

Denny, WB8K, reported on the RIB operation recently completed by E51D. If you wanted to work them on SSB you needed to be exactly 5 or 10 up, not in between. Did they not have the capability of tuning? That's something to remember for the next RIB operation.

Dave, WD8IOU, said he needs help on Friday or Monday for taking his Stepper beam down for service. John, K8YSE, reported that the PAPAYS COM five year domain renewal came due for \$115.00. He is donating that benefit to the club. This remark came with applause.

Next, Tedd reported having five funding requests and then listed the details. After a bit of discussion, Bruce, NBDJX, moved for \$150.00 for each one. This motion was seconded by Pete, N8TR. The motion passed on the vote. Bruce said he would offset the funding with his own \$400.00 contribution to the club. The list of those five stations included:

TX55 Clipperton Island (January 18th-February 1st): Cost of \$350.00, with 8 stations, 15 days, expecting 80,000 to 100,000 QSOs. #37 on Club Log.

ZD9W Tristan da Cunha & Gough Island (September 24th-October 22nd): #44 on Club Log. Looking for 4000 or more QSOs. Their leader is Yuris, YL2GM. T2C Tuvalu (October 10-30th): #55 on Club Log. Will have 4 stations.

TO8FH Mayotte Island (October 10-22nd): #110 on Club Log.

TX7L Marguesas Islands (November 4-19th): #58 on Club Log.

Then Tedd handed out some copies of the list of current DX operations. Next he mentioned the Cleveland Hamfest happening on September 24. Glenn, AF8C, reported that both Goose and Joe will be there for card checking. A discussion occurred on VK9L in which people wondered if that is Lord Howe. This was confirmed by a quick Internet search by Glenn.

Wrapup

Tedd, KB8NW, stated that the next meeting will be on October 2, 2023 at Amici's. Bruce, N8DJX, moved and Brian, K3USC, seconded for the meeting to be closed and the motion was voted approved. The meeting closed at 7:00 p.m. even.

Respectfully, Glenn, AF8C, Secretary



Apr 15 - 29, 2023 June 8 - 19, 2023 Lakshadweep Islands

https://lral.lv/vu7w/

Hello friends! This year started with a plan to visit Lakshadweep Islands for one DXpedition from April 15 – April 29, 2023. However, this turned out to be double DXpedition with secondary visit from June 8 – June 19, 2023. Here is a short story summarizing both parts with some pictures and results.

The journey started on 13th of April from hometown Valka located in NE of Latvia. Together with XYL Zigrida we drove to Riga international airport. As usual, the car was packed with antennas and equipment, this time with total weight of 100kg. With 4 connection flights starting from Riga to Istanbul, Delhi and Kochi we reached Agatii Island, from where we continued our trip to Kavaratti Island by passenger ferry.



Yuris YL2GM and XYL Zigrida



Our hotel and QTH on the Kavaratti Island

We reached Kavaratti Island on 15th of April in late afternoon. During twilight time I managed to set up *EFHW* and made first QSOs in FT8. The hotel we stayed at was a three storied building with flat roof divided in to segments with one of them being elevated. There was already placed antenna mast on one of the segments, however, I could not use it for my antennas because it was bent. The other segment was covered with solar panels which made difficult to place *Spiderbeam* there. As well the panels made noise and interference on the bands.

The next day I continued and managed to set up Spiderbeam by fixing it to the center point of the building between both segments. With the hotel staff I arranged to switch off solar panels that significantly reduced the noise levels. However, it was still pretty high because of very densely populated area right next to us where no one seems to care about electricity saving because the lights are turned on 24/7.

On Monday 17th of April we encountered our first electricity shortage for two hours and the staff told us its due to construction works nearby. Later, while turning antenna I found out that two elements were tangled and I had to climb up to fix this. During the day temperatures are +35 °C and working in the sun is quite extreme, so I plan all outside tasks in late afternoons or early mornings and I still manage to get sunburns.





Setting up antennas

On Thursday 20th of April I set up *FT-710* transceiver on FT8 as secondary position. The main position is with *Sun SDR* + *SPE Expert* intended for CW and SSB. Unfortunately, SSB had very low activity only ~ 80 QSOs with EU, 4X, BY and JA6. All attempts to reach JA3 were unsuccessful.

Later that day we were visited by Mr. Aboobacker VU3EBX who is the only radio amateur on the islands. He invited us to join excursion and visit islands lighthouse and water desalination plant. At the end of expedition, I gifted 6m antenna to Mr. Aboobacker so he would be possible to make QSOs from the island in future. Couple days before the end of the expedition I set up LBS vertical and that resulted in new QSOs on 60 and 160m.

At the

end part 1, our hotel administrator Jaffer told us that next week he was going to Minicoy Island and he invited us there. As these dates aligned with our future plans that we did not know at that point, this came true and we met again later in 2nd part of this same DXpedition.

While being on the way to home I received Japanese amateur radio group proposal to visit Island again. They supported this financially and with 6m antenna from JA1BK. As I decided to do this, I left all my equipment in hotel storage in Kochi city and we continued our way home.

On 3rd of June we started our 2nd trip from Riga international airport to Kochi with two



Yuris YL2GM and Mr.Aboobacker VU3EBX



Yuris YL2GM with expedition flag next to ferry from Kochi to Minicoy Island

just 6 guests. After 3 days me and Zigrida were the last 2 guests left in the whole resort and because of this the personal called us king and queen. Catering was organized 3 times daily and the meals were fantastic.

The living apartment was situated on the first floor and on the second floor I set up my DX station. The first days went by as a routine with setting up antennas and regularly checking the 6m band for Japan. The first successful day was on 10th of June when I managed to work 85 Japanese stations. Propagation window was very short for just about 30 minutes. There were no EU stations on this band. In total the propagation on 6m



Celebrational dinner

connection flights through Dubai and Muscat. Until ferry departure on 6th of June to Minicoy Island we had two days to spend in Kochi. Later, travel agency informed us that the ferry is being delayed for one more day till the morning of 7th of June. We passed all security checks and moved in to our cabin. Ferry was being delayed once more and we left the port only after midnight.

To Minicoy Island we arrived in late afternoon the next day. Transfer from ferry to Island was carried out with small boats and boarding them was extreme because of high waves. From there we drove to Minicoy Island resort where in total we were staying



Shack

was for days where I managed to ~200 Japanese stations.

On 16th of June XYL Zigrida had birthday. With the help of hotel staff, we organized a surprise cake and a celebrational dinner in an outside tent on the beach. Staff was wearing colorful ceremonial dresses and greeted Zigrida. The next day we went for a swim in a lagoon to see the underwater world. Beautiful coral riffs with lots of colorful fishes were a fantastic sight.

When the DXpedition time came to end, staff informed us that ferry departure from the island is postponed for 2 days. Because of this I had to cancel flight reservations and my plans to visit *Hamfest* in Friedrichshafen. Later these delays were cancelled so there still was some hope for Hamfest.

On 20th of June we were brought to port and the ferry left on time. We were warmly welcomed by the staff and they organized a small excursion for us to visit the captains bridge. This was new for me as I never visited captains' deck before. The next day around noon we arrived to Kochi port from where we took taxi to the airport. We were lucky to get on the next flight to Dubai and from there to Riga. From airport Zigrida continued back home and I flew to Friedrichshafen. DXpedition was over and we were tired from the flights. As this all was a success it brought new energy for me.

Thanks to everyone who supported us and followed us on this journey. Thanks to everyone who worked VU7W. Altogether in both parts 60k QSOs were made.





Juris /Yuris /YL2GM

Expedition website: https://lral.lv/vu7w/



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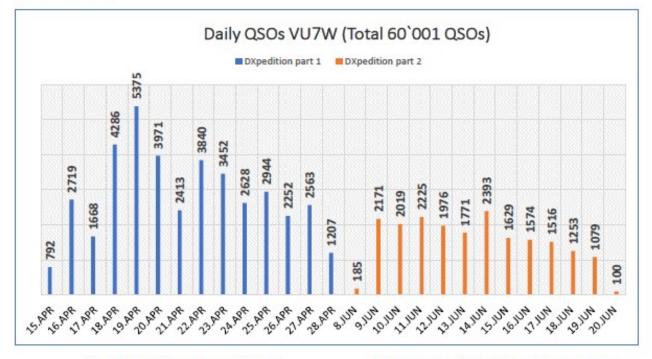




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STATISTICS



Band/Mode breakdown VU7W

Band	CW	FT8	SSB	Total	Total %
160	0	170	0	170	0.3%
80	102	2251	0	2353	3.9%
60	5	164	0	169	0.3%
40	173	3997	0	4170	6.9%
30	192	6475	0	6667	11.1%
20	927	7356	342	8625	14.4%
17	1199	8275	286	9760	16.3%
15	1211	9778	160	11149	18.6%
12	759	6269	0	7028	11.7%
10	1610	7899	0	9509	15.8%
6	0	401	0	401	0.7%
Totals	6178	53035	788	60001	

DXCC by Band/Mode breakdown VU7W

Band	CW	FT8	SSB	Total
160	0	33	0	33
80	31	74	0	74
60	5	30	0	30
40	30	101	0	102
30	46	110	0	110
20	72	116	50	122
17	70	120	50	129
15	65	131	22	138
12	62	112	0	115
10	74	123	0	127
6	0	26	0	26
Totals	102	158	77	165

Continent by Mode VU7W

Band	CW	FT8	SSB	Total	Total %
AF	26	267	5	298	0.5%
AN	0	0	0	0	0.0%
AS	1098	16826	95	18019	30.0%
EU	4273	28190	552	33015	55.8%
NA	687	5051	114	5852	9.8%
OC	77	1978	14	2069	3.4%
SA	17	723	8	748	1.2%
Totals	6178	53035	788	60001	

Band	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	6	Total	Total %
AF	0	10	1	24	24	38	50	41	53	57	0	298	0.5%
AN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
AS	12	330	1	1060	1862	2206	3036	3910	1837	3392	373	18019	30.0%
EU	157	1913	167	2246	3754	4852	5270	5101	4365	5165	25	33015	55.0%
NA	0	44	0	516	832	1193	1116	1353	521	277	0	5852	9.8%
OC	0	50	0	195	101	251	191	647	156	475	3	2069	3.4%
SA	1	6	0	129	94	85	97	97	96	143	0	748	1.2%
Totals	170	2353	169	4170	6667	8625	9760	11149	7028	9509	401	60001	100%

Continent by Band VU7W

The Man Buried In A Vacuum Tube Submitted by Allen Tucholski, KB8MTZ

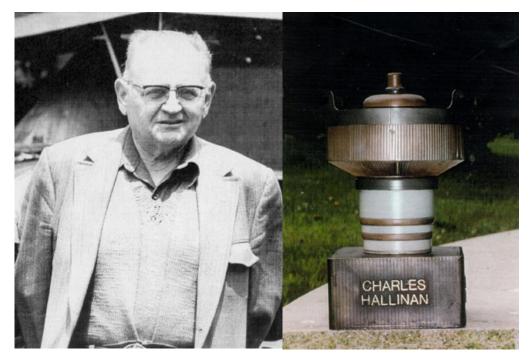
Charles Hallinan is the man buried in a vacuum tube.

Charlie grew up outside of New York City. After high school, he attended the RCA Institute in New York City. He enlisted during WWII and was assigned as a radio inspector at General Electric in Schenectady New York. After the war, Charlie was involved with several Southern Tier stations but he settled in at WKOP. An engineer's duties of the day were not just maintenance of the equipment. He actually had a hand in physically constructing the transmitter building on the hill. This facility at one time was both the transmitter and studios of the station. Charlie stayed at WKOP until his retirement in the 1980s.

Among Charlie's many accomplishments was founding The Society of Broadcast Engineers in 1964. Charles Hallinan was elected national chairman, and to this day Binghamton NY is home to SBE Chapter 1.

Everyone who knew Charlie knew he was a tube man. So after Charlie passed away on April 22, 1998, fellow engineer Tom Siglin contacted Econco Tubes asking for a dud that was large enough for his ashes. It only took minutes for Econco to call back wanting to know where to send the tube. A relative made the base with Charlie's name and a few details of Charlie's life. Charlie was placed into the tube; it was epoxied shut and mounted on the base.

Charlie's final resting place is next to his wife Mary at Floral Park Cemetery in Johnson City, New York. <u>https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/24717616/charles-hallinan</u>



Ham Realizes He'll Never Read Those Mags Again by HamHijinks.com

By <u>K5PO</u>, on the scene

TARTAN BLACKRIDGE, Pa. - "It's the collection of a lifetime," says Mel Sallute. He solemnly glances at the room in his eastern Tartan Blackridge home dedicated to the orderly storage of QST Magazines. It seems like thousands of them, though he assures it's "not quite 2,000."

Sallute was born in Tartan Blackridge in 1932 and became interested in amateur radio at a young age. "My Dad was a radio operator and shared the passion of the hobby with me. I was a General Class by my 17th birthday in 1949," he says. He joined the American Radio Relay League in the same year and began to receive their QST Magazine monthly.

"708 of the QSTs are mine from my personal subscription. I also have a few hundred from my uncle, also a ham for many years, and a dozen or so from my Dad. I also bought a large collection off another ham at a hamfest in 1973 for some reason. Mostly duplicates," Sallute said.

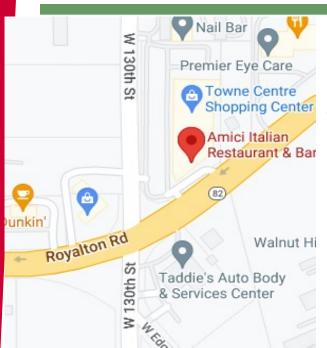
"Dad was famous as the 'Great Steady Carrier of the East' because he sorta became an SK and yet not at the same time... he passed away and his head fell on his straight key, sending a carrier for three weeks before they found him," he said.

Focusing back on the magazines, Sallute continued, "I guess I felt they would be a great resource, but I never read one after filing them away at the end of the month. I kept an orderly collection, assuming they'd have some value someday. In 1988, I started to get worried the weight of the magazines would put my house's foundation at risk so I decided to sell them. I had my nephew bring his pickup truck over and we loaded boxes upon boxes into the back and took them down to the Waltville Hamfest. My initial asking price of \$7,500 for the collection was mostly getting sneers and laughs, so I dropped the price to free and still no takers. One ham did grab an issue and rip out pages to wrap some 3-500z tubes he'd bought and needed to transport home."

"I thought the turning point would be when my great-granddaughter got her ham ticket last year. I figured her eyes would light up when I showed her my QST collection that could be hers, but it just wasn't so. She said, 'Grandpa, I can get all those on the ARRL website now in digital form!"" "I dang near cried," he said. "At that point, I realized neither I nor anyone would ever read one of these again!"

At press time, Sallute was planning a large backyard bonfire fueled by QST Magazines, but he did have his great-granddaughter post an ad on QRZ.com for \$7500, just in case.





Meeting Information

NODXA Meetings are held the first Monday of each month at the Amici Italian Restaurant & Bar at 13000 Royalton Road east of Interstate 71 on the northeast corner of Route 82 and West 130th. in North Royalton at 6:30 PM. Come early and have dinner and meet your fellow DXers and enter the 50/50 raffle.

NODXA Information

HI NO8DX: W8DXA: Special Event Callsign NODXA Repeater 147.360

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