



The Bullsheet

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There will be no physical or Zoom meeting for TDXS this month. Instead, Field Day 2024 will be considered the TDXS meeting. It will be held at Duhacsek Park in Sugar Land, Texas. Please try to make it so that TDXS has a great showing out there!

Editor's Note by Allen Brier N5XZ

FIELD DAY!! FIELD DAY!! FIELD DAY!! FIELD DAY!!

June 22-23 this year (4th full weekend). Coming up. It will be a great event and it will be even greater if we can get more TDXS members with real contesting experience to attend. Please see the page on Field Day later in this newsletter for the address and sign-up link.

The CQ WPX CW was held last month and TDXS turned out in full force. Did you see Dave, K5GN's great score? Dave is arguably one of the best CW operators on the planet and we are very lucky to have him as a TDXS member. Thanks and congratulations for the great score, Dave! Thanks also to other members of TDXS who entered the contest and others throughout May and the rest of the year. I get the feeling that TDXS is getting a bit more active these days. I hope the trend continues.

I would like to welcome our newest member Brian Bayani KT3X. He is most interested in DXing and portable operation. Welcome Brian!

73/161, Allen N5XZ

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TDXS Meeting Minutes by Doug Seyler W9LCQ

Date: May 18, 2024

Location: Kelley's Country Cookin', Pearland, TX

The May TDXS Meeting was held in person at Kelley's Country Cookin' in Pearland, TX. . It was a social lunch meeting and there were 7 participants: Doug W9LCQ, Orville K5VWW, Jim N5DTT, Robie AJ4F, Scott K5DD, Dale KG5U and John K5IZO.

Submitted June 14, 2024

Doug Seyler W9LCQ

TDXS Secretary/Treasurer



Contest Chairman Report—by Jim Burrough N5DTT

June

- 1 10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest
Kentucky QSO Party
ARRL International Digital Contest
- 8 VK Shires Contest
ARRL June VHF Contest
- 15 All Asia DX Contest, CW
West Virginia QSO Party
- 22 His Majesty King of Spain Contest, SSB
ARRL Field Day

July

- 1 Canada Day
- 6 Marconi Memorial Contest
- 13 IARU HF World Championships
- 20 North America QSO Party-RTTY
CQ Worldwide VHF Contest
YOTA Contest
- 27 Radio Society of Great Britain Islands on the Air Contest

TDXS members participated in several contests in May. Here is their score information as it was found in the 3830scores.com website:

7th Call Area QSO Party 2024 May 4

SOCW HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Dig Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		153	0	0	69	10:47	31,671	TDXS
K5TIA		158	0	0	66		31,284	TDXS

SOMixed HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Dig Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
N5EKO		109	13	0	60		21,180	TDXS



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New England QSO Party 2024 May 4

Single Op HP

Call	Remote	CW-Dig Qs	Ph Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		112	0	39		8,736	TDXS
K5TIA		92	0	41	8	7,544	TDXS
N5EKO		38	6	17		2,132	TDXS

Delaware QSO Party 2024 May 4

Single Op HP

Call	Remote	CW-Dig Qs	Ph Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		11	0	7		1,540	TDXS
N5EKO		1	1	2		60	TDXS

Indiana QSO Party 2024 May 4

Single Op HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	CW Mults	Ph Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
N5EKO		18	4	13	4		680	TDXS
AF5J		22	0	15	0		660	TDXS
K5TIA		23	0	13	0	8	598	TDXS

Canadian Prairies QSO Party 2024 May 11

Single Op HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
K5TIA		4	0	4	1	16	TDXS
AF5J		4	0	4		16	TDXS



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Arkansas QSO Party 2024 May 18

SOCW HP

Call	Remote	CW Qs	Ph Qs	Dig Qs	Mults	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		32		0	0	15	2:25	1,280 TDXS
K5TIA		39		0	0	14	12	1,114 TDXS
N5EKO		4		0	0	4		16 TDXS

CQWW WPX Contest, CW 2024 May 25

SOAB HP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Prefixes	Op Time	Score	Club
NU5A(K5GN)		2BSIQ 3509	1263	36	11,710,536	TDXS
N5XZ		718	449	11:35	745,789	TDXS
W5GCX		338	259		268,583	TDXS
N5EKO		61	60		8,820	TDXS

SOAB Classic HP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Prefixes	Op Time	Score	Club
N5XZ		718	449	11:35	745,789	TDXS
K5TIA		525	361	10	459,553	TDXS

SOAB TB-Wires HP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Prefixes	Op Time	Score	Club
AF5J		361	257	22:03	211,254	TDXS

SOAB Unassisted LP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Prefixes	Op Time	Score	Club
W9LCQ		256	173		135,113	TDXS
AJ4F		226	187		89,760	TDXS

SOSB10 LP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Prefixes	Op Time	Score	Club
N5DTT		31	31	4	2,666	TDXS

SOSB15 TB-Wires LP

Call	Remote	QSOs	Prefixes	Op Time	Score	Club
K5TU		10	10	5	242	TDXS

Have a good month, contesting as much as you have the time for.

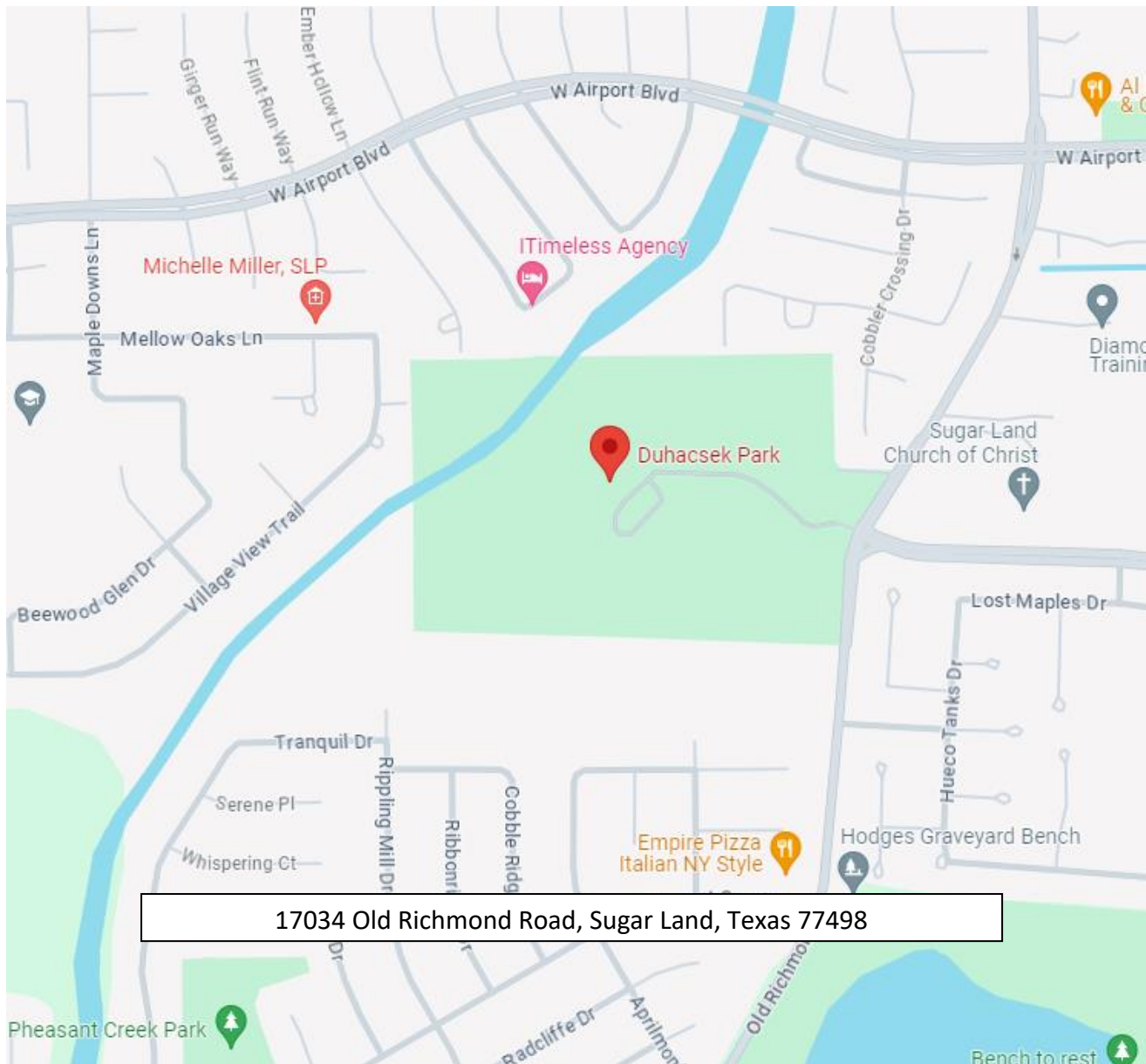
Jim, N5DTT



FIELD DAY 2024 TDXS/BVARC/KARS/Univ. of Houston



Here is a map to the Field Day site this year. It will be held at Duhacsek Park in Sugar Land. Please come to FD this year! We are in great need of good contest operators like TDXS has to offer. To sign up for one or more operating slots, please go to <https://tinyurl.com/5bukx37k>. There are plenty of slots still available. We need experienced CW and Phone operators, so please try to come. In addition to lots of operating opportunities, there will be great food, great radios and antennas. CU There!!



LoTW—Where are you?



Dan K5DTC CN85uo WA Yesterday at 3:14 PM

A reliable source says two more weeks for **LoTW**.

That allegedly came from a board meeting discussion, and should be on record somewhere, if they actually disclose board meeting minutes.

All I can say is that when LoTW does come back on line, I'm gonna wait at least 2 weeks before I try to upload anything! - ed

From the DXLabs group:

Jon Bloom (ex-KE3Z) was the original developer of LoTW; he certainly understands LoTW's internals. Yesterday, he posted this on the ARRL-LoTW online forum:

"Despite ARRL's statements that LoTW and DXCC data are safe, it seems that some users are concerned that this may not be the case due to the time that it is taking to restore service.

Perhaps it will ease some minds if I tell you that I know for certain that these data are safe. I know this because I personally assisted ARRL staff to get these data backed up to locations and systems that are in no way connected to ARRL's HQ or cloud systems. The LoTW data, for example, exists in multiple physical locations and cloud backup services. Such is also the case for the LoTW source code. In addition, I imported the LoTW data backup into a separate, new test database system to verify it. This took several days since the database is about 3 terabytes in size. (It's a LOT of data!)

Getting the systems themselves back on-line is another matter, and I have no information to share about that as I'm not involved in the ongoing process of restoring them. ARRL has apparently made the decision, wisely in my view, not to bring any affected systems back into service until all parts of them can be vetted and secured. But the data itself is safe, and LoTW will definitely be back at some point."

73,

Dave, AA6YQ



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

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

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