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## The Prez Sez – de Chuck, KE5FI

Everyone I talked to had a great time at Field day. This was one of the best in memory and its "hats off" to all who worked so hard to make it come off smoothly. A special thanks to Bob Burns who not only provided the ranch but spent money out of his pocket and worked hard too! "Cousin A.R." went above and beyond the call of duty and he's not even a Ham!

The August meeting will be held at the Post Oak Ranch Bar-B-Q on South Post Oak Road between Loop 610 and South Main. Its easy to get to from any part of town and has great Bar-B-Q. This will be an "eatin' meetin'" without a program, however, NN5O promises several good door prizes.

The contest season is getting dangerously close. There are some smaller contests which are fun to practice in now such as NAQP and All Asia. Antenna projects should be in the final planning stage in August. I plan to have at least a tribander and something for the low bands up by the end of September. If we all get fired up now maybe we can make a good showing in the tests.

See you at the Post Oak Bar-B-Q!

Chuck, KE5FI

## Announcements

**Meeting** – The Texas DX Society meets the second Friday of each month, except when the date is changed by the Board of Directors. The August meeting will be on **Thursday, August 15, 1996 (7:00 P.M.)** at Post Oak Ranch Bar-B-Q, 11201 South Post Oak Road. It is about six blocks south of Loop 610 on the east side of Post Oak Road before (North of) South Main.

## How to Reach Us

On the World Wide Web:

<http://wb5fnd.tech.uh.edu:80/~tdxs/>

On 2 Meters:

147.96/36 MHz

On Packet:

K5WA on 144.950MHz

or

Connect to TDXS95 (144.950MHz) and then connect to K5WA

## DX Gleanings – de Sharp, K5DX

5N, NIGERIA. 5N9N to be active 10/22 thru 11/3 on CW, RTTY and satellites. Qsl via N2AU, direct.

5R8, MADAGASCAR. 5R8EY will be active 8/5 thru 8/13 mostly on 1824 kHz listening 1830-1832 kHz, CW. Also may be on 3502 kHz listening 2 up. 5R8EZ, same dates will be active on SSB 10/15/20 meters.

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. JE5WIM to be active on CW 8/10-8/14.

TK, CORSICA. F2YT will be active 8/18-9/2.

## The TDXS Bullsheat

YK, SYRIA. 20 German operators to be active in the first week in October on CW/SSB. QsIs via DL8HCZ.

3D2, FIJI. 32DHW (I5JHW) to be active 8/8-8/14 CW/SSB 40-10 meters.

ZK, SOUTH COOK ISLAND. ZK1XO (I5JHW) active 8/14-8-20.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. DL1AZZ, DL1AQU, DL3ARK, DL3ASK, DL4AMK AND DG0OGM to be active 8/24-8/31 all bands including VHF signing HB0/Homecall. Qsl via homecalls or DARC.

SV9, CRETE. SV9/HA0HW is active until 8/19, 40-20 meters CW/SSB.

5X, UGANDA. 5X1D (SM5DIC) to be active 2 months CW/SSB 80-6 meters. Qsl via SM0BFJ.

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE ISLANDS. S91DW (LX2DW) will be active 8/29-9/2 CW/SSB 40-10 meters. Qsl homecall.

JD, OGASAWARA. JQ1SUO to be active 8/8-8/11 on 20M.

That's all for now.

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### Top Ten Reasons KB5YVT passed on his WRTC Team Invitation – de Mike, KB5YVT

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10. I puke violently 10 mins. before a contest starts.
9. I don't understand the concept of changing the code speed for the 599 06
8. I would have been flustered by getting to use a 1x1 call after sending mine for so long on CW.
7. K5RC might have been my judge.
6. Getting to use a tribander would be too much for my wires only mind.
5. If I was on a Team who would give out Zone 7?
4. Had to pass since no other TDXS member was invited.
3. It interfered with my "Hooters" invitational golf tournament.
2. I refuse to go near the left coast!
1. I visited with Jeff (KR0Y) in Tucker Eletronics a week before the games and he paid me to stay home.

Congratulations to all the Teams is was great looking for you.

73 Mike KB5YVT aka W5NN

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### The Atomic Keyer – de Bob, N5RP

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KG5U has all kinds of neat little devices that he has assembled for his station, and I have always been amazed at his little keyer which he showed at one of our club meetings. The problem is, in my opinion, that it is just a little pricey for what I wanted. The desire for a small keyer with digital access to memory and control has remained in my mind however, until .....

At Dayton, this past year, KZ8E and I bumped into a fellow selling a small keyer that was packaged into an Altoids Mints box. After explaining to Earl just exactly what a keyer does, I began to look into this little marvel in the funny tin box.

We both thought it was pretty neat, and we each kept information on the device for future reference.

Well, I have since heard some good comments about the keyer from others, so I decided to order this little jewel and see if it was all that I remembered it to be.

The Atomic Keyer is indeed a nifty keyer. It has memories, paddle access to function controls, small size, and is cheap. Rather than go into a diatribe on it's functions and features, I'll just let you know that I received my keyer the other day, have assembled it, and am very happy with it.

I will bring the Atomic Keyer (righteous name, Man) to our next meeting for Show and Tell. For those that can't wait until the next meeting to get a look at this neat little station "must have", information on the Atomic Keyer can be obtained from the Embedded Research Home Page on the World Wide Web.

73, N5RP

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### SIXTH Annual W5 DX BASH de Bryan, W5KFT

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This is an open invitation to all DX'ers, Contesters, and VHF'ers to attend the SIXTH Annual W5 DX BASH on Oct 5-6. The BASH is a GREAT social time, just like Dayton or Visalia, to meet and greet other DX'ers, Contesters, and serious VHF operators.

Details on the BASH are on our web page at <http://www.applink.net/tejas/w5bash.html>

Check our web page for updates and other information including pictures of ops, stations, and other goodies.

Bryan W5KFT

**INTERNET Goodies**

- Top Ten Devices  
<http://www.QTH.com/topten>
- 9K2HN/P DXpedition to Kubbar Is. (AS-118)  
<http://www.kuwait.net/~morpheus/hamad/9k2hn.html>
- Contest files  
<ftp://jzap.com/pub/je1cka/contest/>
- More Contest Files  
<ftp://n6nd.nosc.mil/writelog/>
- CQ Contest Magazine  
<http://www.access.digex.net/~cqmag>
- Contesting Online  
Surf to <http://www.contesting.com>
- Ham Heaven Classified Ads  
<http://www.QTH.com>
- Bavarian Contest Club  
<http://www.rze.uni-erlangen.de/~unrz45/BCC/>
- RF safety proceeding  
<http://www.fcc.gov/oet/>
- 2-Radio WWW page  
<http://www.primenet.com/~ke7gh/>

**Field Day 1996 final Score – de Bob, N5RP**

**11,180 INCLUDING BONUS POINTS**

A copy of the submittal papers will be at the next meeting which will show all contacts, dupes, point tallies, etc.

Basically, we wind up with:

- 1,368 CW QSO's
- 2,006 SB QSO's
- 448 SB QSO's (Novice)

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5,190 X POWER MULTIPLIER = 10,380 + 800  
BONUS POINTS

GOOD JOB, EVERYONE  
N5RP

**Contest Calendar**

**August, 1996**

- European HF Championship 1000-2200Z, Aug 3
- ARRL UHF Contest 1800Z, Aug 3 to 1800Z, Aug 4
- North Amer. QSO Party, CW 1800Z, Aug 3 to 0600Z, Aug 4
- WAE DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Aug 10 to 2400Z, Aug 11
- SARTG WW RTTY Contest 0000Z, Aug 17 to 1600Z, Aug 18
- SEANET WW DX Contest, SSB 0001Z, Aug 17 to 2359Z, Aug 18
- ARRL 10 GHz Cumul. Contest 0800-2000 local time, Aug 17 and Aug 18
- Keyman's Club of Japan Contest 1200Z, Aug 17 to 1200Z, Aug 18

- North Amer. QSO Party, Phone 1800Z, Aug 17 to 0600Z, Aug 18
- WSWSS VHF and Above Sprint 1900-2300 local time, Aug 21
- TOEC WW Grid Contest, CW 1200Z, Aug 24 to 1200Z, Aug 25
- Utah Centennial QSO Party 1500Z, Aug 24 to 2100Z, Aug 25

**September, 1996**

- All Asian DX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Sep 7 to 2400Z, Sep 8
- European Field Day, SSB 1500Z, Sep 7 to 1500Z, Sep 8
- North American Sprint, CW 0000Z-0359Z, Sep 8
- WAE DX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Sep 14 to 2400Z, Sep 15
- Islands Contest 1700Z, Sep 14 to 2300Z, Sep 15
- ARRL September VHF QSO Party 1800Z, Sep 14 to 0300Z, Sep 16
- North American Sprint, Phone 0000Z-0359Z, Sep 15
- ARRL 10 GHz Cumul. Contest 0800-2000 local time, Sep 21 and Sep 22
- Washington State Salmon Run 1200Z, Sep 21 to 0700Z, Sep 22 and 1200-2400Z, Sep 22
- Scandinavian Act. Contest, CW 1500Z, Sep 21 to 1800Z, Sep 22
- CQ Worldwide Contest, RTTY 0000Z, Sep 28 to 2400Z, Sep 29
- Scandinavian Act. Contest, SSB 1500Z, Sep 28 to 1800Z, Sep 29

**NAQP CW 96 Scores**

CALL	SCORE	QSO'S	MULTI
<b>SINGLE OPERATOR</b>			
KM9P	177,310	745	238
WB5VZL	158,108	841	188
<b>NM5M</b>	<b>150,021</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>211</b>
K0RF	149,100	700	213
N4OGW/9	123,004	644	191
<b>K5GA</b>	<b>113,883</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>187</b>
<b>W5ASP</b>	<b>54,496</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>KG5U</b>	<b>39,625</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>125</b>