Dxers Past and Present

- Fiction and fact from George's Almanac
- Presented by George Key, W5YZ

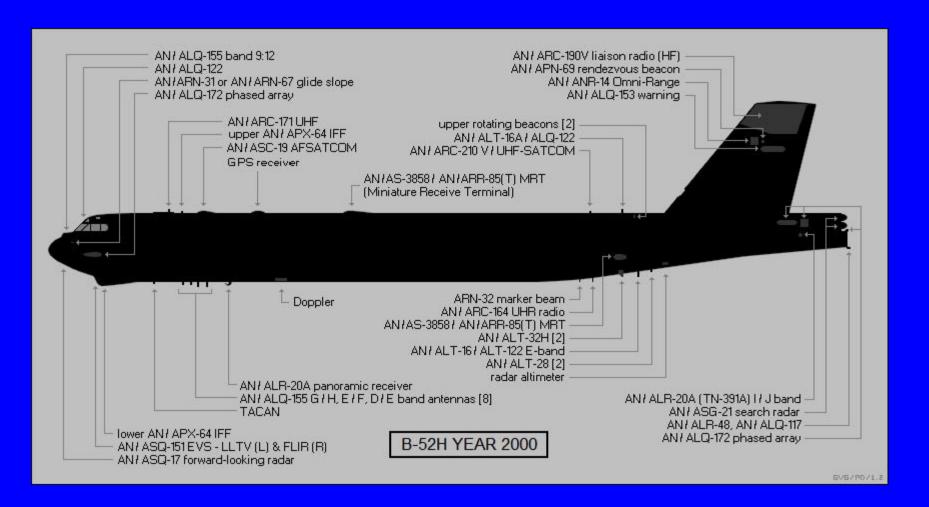


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I own one!



Where's the antenna?



How did the term DX start??

DX is an early telephone term for distant exchange. "This is correct. In the 1960s I worked in many telephone exchanges around the United Kingdom. On the old-fashioned switchboards with plugs and cords, circuits coming in from distant exchanges had a label marked "DX" above the jack socket. The operator would plug into the circuit and announce the name of her exchange, as confirmation to the

distant operator that she was through to the correct destination. 73 de G3NYY" (from "Origins of Hamspeak", www:ac6v.com)

MAYBE, but to the rest of us it means someone far away. Far away can be different things on different bands. On HF 10,000 miles is far away but on 2 meters 100 miles (w/o repeater) is DX.

Where is this aircraft from?



ICAO Tail Numbers

V2 Antigua and Barbuda
V3Belize
V4 Saint Kitts and Nevis
V5Namibia
V6 Micronesia (Federated States of)
V7 Marshall Islands
V8 Brunei Darussalam
XA, XB, XC plus national emblem Mexico
XT Burkina Faso
XUCambodia
XVViet Nam
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8RGuyana
9A Croatia
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9HMalta
9JZambia
9KKuwait
9L Sierra Leone
9M Malaysia
9N
9QDemocratic Republic of the Congo
9UBurundi
9V Singapore
9XR
9YTrinidad and Tobago

Some ancient Dxers

- Adam
- Alexander the Great
- Hercules
- Pigeons
- Native Americans

Adam makes first contact!



Alexander the Great



Alexander's Telegraph Circa 320 BC





Hercules



Or FT8?

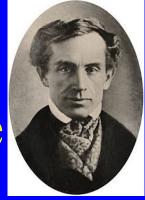
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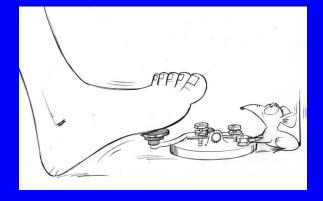
599 in New Mexico, QSL?



Samuel F.B. Morse



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- QLF?





Test Question

- I had a QSO on SSB! With a guy named Tom Christian.
- Q: Where was he? (Larry and Jerry shut up)
- This country has a current population of 47. The least populated country in the world.

Pitcairn Island



Marconi



- Born in Italy
- "Send to the insane asylum"
- "A real genius"
- First Transatlantic transmission 2100 miles Broadcast band in the middle of the day??
- Line of sight
- First study of propagation

Edwin Howard Armstrong



- Inventor of the Regenerative radio circuit
- Inventor of the SuperHeterodyne circuit
- Invented FM
- Brilliant and tragic life
- Daredevil on RCA tower (450')



More modern DXers

- Don Miller, W9WNV
- Gus Browning, W4BPD
- Danny Weil, VP2VB
- Lloyd and Iris Colvin W6KG and W6QL
- Marti Laine, OH2BH

Don Miller, W9WNV

- "Operated" many DX locations
- Feud With ARRL
- Set foundation for the DXCC countries list criteria.

Gus Browning, W4BPD

- Made over 100 Dxpeditions between 1959 thru 1980
- Every one was his "old Buddy"
- Could write with one hand and send with the other

FR7ZC/G. 1963 on Glorioso Isla

Great pileup manager

Danny Weil, VP2VB

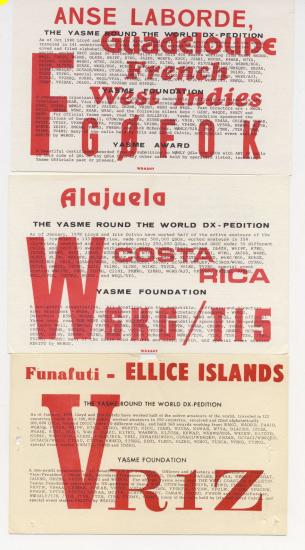
- Clockmaker, Round the world sailor and Dxer
- With Dick, KV4AA started the Yasme Foundation
- Dxpedition concept started by Dick and Danny



Lloyd and Iris Colvin W6KG and W6QL

- Dxpedioners extraordinaire'
- Almost didn't happen December 1939
- Funded by Yasme Foundation
- Operated from 142 countries
- Garnered 56 DXCC's from different QTH's
- Received overe 350,000 QSL cards
- WHEW!!!

Lloyd and Iris Colvin





Interesting Dxpeditions





Interesting DXers

















Martti Laine, OH2BH



- Operated for many countries
- Activated "new ones"
- Most recently Z81X (which I missed)
- Brought attention to humanitarian causes

The most infamous DX station of all time





Is This DX????

- 919 contacts
- 51 countries
- Mostly on 12 meters





Happy DXing

- Remember the words of the "OLD Timer"
- "WFWL"