

Announcing the April 2020 shelter-in-place (stay home!) real time online meeting of REDXA. Details follow on the next pages. You will need a password from Jim, K6JS or check your email.



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Jim Selmi is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Redwood Empire DX Association

Time: Apr 8, 2020 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/654273035?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/654273035?pwd=dC9xQ0prYkErTGNmNHFWVkVsTnA1dz09)
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Meeting ID: 654 273 035

Password: xxxxxxx

Email Jim or check your email for the meeting password



Station de radio amateur à partir de 1924

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Ham radio in France



Who knows when REDXA will again meet at the Boulevard Café. If you can, please log onto our virtual meeting this Wednesday on Zoom. Jim, K6JS, can give you the password and it should also be in your email.

Suggested by Arnie, , N6HC—a You Tube treatment of Ham Radio ca. 1970

<https://youtu.be/v6-ydrdTPhM>



MARCH MEETING MINUTES by Doug, WW6D

President Jim Selmi, K6JS, called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm, March 11, 2020 at the Boulevard Cafe, Petaluma, CA. In attendance were 9 members and guests. Jim started the meeting earlier considering the long drive by our guest speaker, Bob Wilson, N6TV.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the February meeting, as published in Sun-spots, followed by a second and approved. Treasurer Fred N6YEU made his report at the meeting. A motion was made to accept his oral report, seconded and then approved by the membership.

Old Business. None.

New Business. Jim noted that a rule change has been proposed for the California QSO Party club competition in order to encourage more County Expeditions. More details to come as this gets rolled out.

It was noted that the Visalia International DX Convention was cancelled out of concerns for the CoVid-19 virus.

The club raffle was not conducted.

Program: Robert "TV Bob" N6TV presented the program "Everything you need to know about USB and serial interfaces" which he previously presented at the Hamvention Contest University last year. This was an excellent presentation and pertinent topic as many members have been frustrated with flaky hardware and a tedious user interface. For more details, it is highly recommended that you check out Bob's QRZ.com page (scroll down to see all his PowerPoint presentations). In particular, he demonstrated how to see "hidden devices" which then allows one to remove the unused sound cards etc that are no longer enabled and can create problems.

Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

REDXA Calendar of Upcoming Events

by Doug WW6D

*Apr 8 * REDXA Monthly Meeting*

Apr 23-26 Visalia Int'l DX Convention

*May 13 * REDXA Monthly Meeting*

May 30-31 CQ WW WPX CW

*Jun 10 * REDXA Monthly Meeting*

Jun 26-28 ARRL Field Day

*Jul 8 * REDXA Monthly Meeting*

Jul 11-12 IARU HF World Championshi

Refer to <https://www.contestcalendar.com/contestcal.html> for more contest information.

