



Dear Potential Sponsor,

Plans are being made for a DXpedition to Sable Island, CY0 to take place in the Fall of 2009. Such an expedition will need support from the DX community to achieve success.

Why Sable?

Sable Island is always in demand in the tougher propagation areas like Japan, other areas of Asia, Australia, and New Zealand. In these areas Sable remains high on the most wanted lists, and even many accomplished DXers still need a contact.

Although many DXers in North America and Europe have a Sable contact to their credit, many will still need contacts on particular bands or modes. Being a remote island with no amateur residents {there are only four year around residents- the Station Manager, a handyman, a weatherman, and a scientist who researchers the effect of oil pollution on the environment} DXers always welcome another chance to fill in their needs for CY0.

In addition, since the elimination of the Morse requirement in many countries, there are many new DXers who would welcome their first contact with Sable Island. The timing of the DXpedition may also allow contacts on higher frequency bands. An activation of Sable will be a DX event.

Why is sponsorship needed?

A DXpedition to Sable Island faces a number of obstacles, not the least of which is cost. The initial budget projection for our Sable activation is roughly \$16,000 USD. Some of the major expenses are:

- Air transport charter to and from the island- \$10,000
- Accommodation on the island- \$150 per person, per day
- Electricity usage- \$1.48 per KWH

- Equipment shipping and storage charges
- Equipment and antennas

Only with the help of the DX community can a Sable activation take place and achieve success. Each operator will be donating a significant amount, as well as covering his own transport and expenses to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Who will make up the team?

The final team will be comprised of four operators. The team leader is Duane Traver, WV2B who has organized four DXpeditions to St. Paul Island, CY9, and one to St. Pierre et Miquelon, FP. Duane will primarily operate SSB.

The primary CW operator will be Richard Harris, AI5P. Rick has operated from many DX locations including C6, CY9, FP, FS, ZL7, A35, and VP9. Rick and Duane worked together on the 2000 CY9 DXpedition. The other ops are yet to be determined.

How many stations?

We plan to have three active stations, one SSB, one CW, and one RTTY/auxiliary. More stations or operators are not practical considering the limitations of the Sable Island station.

Antennas will include directional arrays for 30-10 Meters, and verticals for any lower bands. At least one amplifier is planned.

How can I help?

Help is needed and can be provided by all segments of the DX community. Individual, club, and corporate sponsorship is encouraged. Three levels of sponsorship will be acknowledged on the DXpedition web page:

- Grey Seal Sponsors- donations up to \$149.00
- Sable Pony Sponsors- donations of \$150.00 {"an op for a day" sponsors}
- Sable Stallion Sponsors- donations over \$150.00 and other major sponsorship

DX clubs are asked to consider becoming Sable Pony Sponsors. The charge to stay on Sable is \$150 per person per day. Sable Pony Sponsors can take pride in sponsoring "an op for a day".

All sponsorship will be acknowledged on the DXpedition web page. Major

sponsorship will also be acknowledged with logos on our qsl card, mention in after Dxpedition articles, news releases, and any way we can possibly help to generate interest and attention to the sponsoring organizations.

Monetary donations may be made by PayPal to E-mail address wv2b@juno.com referencing Sable 2009. Any donations may also be sent via Postal Mail to:

Duane Traver
P.O. Box 59
Marathon, NY 13803-0059
USA

Interested organizations or corporations should contact Duane Traver, WV2B regarding donations, loans, or discounts on the purchase of equipment.

Of course, any donations or sponsorship will be returned in the event the DXpedition cannot take place as planned.

Thank you for your consideration and 73,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Duane Traver', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Duane Traver, WV2B