

W6GLIE

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.

COMMUNICATOR

April 2008

Annual Spaghetti Dinner Tuesday, April 22

Our annual spaghetti dinner will be on April 22. We will be at a different location: Salvation Army Bldg on Wilson Rd.

The cost is \$5.00 per adult/ children 12 and under \$2.50. Dinner includes spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread, and beverages.

Dinner will be ready around 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to bring a dessert. It's not required but sweets are a nice finish to the meal. This year the proceeds will go to the Repeater Fund.



6:30 pm at Salvation Army Bldg
4417 Wilson Rd. Bakersfield, CA

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

The Fresno Amateur Radio Club, Inc., An ARRL Affiliated Club,
Presents Its 65th Hamfest
"Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Wireless in Fresno"
May 31, 2008

8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Salvation Army, Fresno Citadel, 1854 Fulton in Fresno.

Forums, Swap Tables, Food, Prizes, Eyeball QSOs, Card Checking for WAS, DXCC, and CQ Awards, Displays from Clubs and served agencies.

Anticipated attendance is 200+. Admission \$5, which includes a ticket on a YAESU FT 7800R dual band transceiver.

For Information Contact:

65th Fresno Hamfest, Tom Jarvis, KG6KYU, Chair

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NEXT VE SESSION

Next VE test session

Friday, May 9

6:30 pm

South Bakersfield Veteran's
Hall, 1905 Wilson Road in
room 3.

Bring one form of picture ID,
a copy and original of any
active csce's, and a copy and
original of current Ham
license if applicable.

Cost is \$14.00.

Field Day 2008—June 28 College Park

It's never too early to start making plans for Field Day!
This year the Club will be setting up Field Day
operations at College Park on Mt. Vernon and Church
Avenues. This is next to Control 5 and across Mt.
Vernon from Bakersfield College. It's a good location for
contacts and for public relations.

Volunteers are needed for making contacts, logging
contacts, setting up antennas and stations, and taking
them down.

Tables, chairs, portable shade covers will be needed.
There are trees where we will be setting up, but
protection from the afternoon sun would be good.

Since there are no restrooms at this park, arrangements
will need to be made for portable facilities.

Preparations for food for the volunteers and a dinner for
the June Club meeting to be held at the park on
Saturday, June 28, need to be made.

There's so much to do and only 10 weeks to make all the
plans!!! If you have any ideas for Field Day or would like
to volunteer to help, please share your information with
the Board. When a volunteer for Field Day Chairman
has been selected, we will pass the information along to
you in the newsletter and on the Sunday Night Net.

—Sandi Covey

Congratulations to WO6T

Club member Mickey Hicks WO6T just received his 5
band DXCC award for CW and SSB.
Congratulations to him!

Submitted by,
Mark E Slater WI6J
WAS WAC

The Sunshine Girl



Please contact me at 366-8137 if you know of a member
who needs a card to wish them well, or to offer
condolences.

—Pam Jackson, KD6LBS

*“What lies behind us and what lies before us are
tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”*

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club

09 April 2008



The meeting was called to order @ 1900 by the 1st Vice President Mark WI6J.

Board Members present: Mark WI6J, Frank KD6UQZ, Joe KI6LPU, Jon K6QZG, and Tony W6TRC.

Members present: Richard KD6IMM, Sandi KE6KJA, Bob KD6II, Bill AB6CF, Harry KG6OPR, Mickey WO6T, Randy KC6ZRF and Dan N6RWA.

Minutes: A motion by Joe KI6LPU and a second by Tony W6TRC, the minutes were approved as published.

Treasure's Report: Diane was unable to make the meeting, received email after the meeting.

Beginning Balance 1797.40, Deposit of 67.00, Ending Balance 1864.40.

With Diane not present, there are outstanding disbursement of \$93.98 to Frank KD6UQZ for the web page, \$50 to Frank KD6UQZ for the State of California – Franchise Tax Board, \$20.16 to Frank KD6UQZ for Repeater parts and 119.00 to Tony W6TRC for the Telephone Bill. Sandi KE6KJA needs 156.75 for the Communicator.

Secretary's Report: Bank statements, refund check from AT&T

Committee Reports:

Repeaters: No one from the Repeater Committee was present. The last report the 6 Meter machine on Grape Vine Peak is back up and running. The 145.15 is still sick and waiting on the weather to get to the site. The 443.900 still needs a new home.

Interference: There is none reported at this time.

ARES-RACES: The next meeting is 04 May 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd., Wilson Rd Vets Hall, Rm. 3 @ 1900.

Unfinished Business:

Repeater coordination is still in the works.

Ham Radio Hot line was disconnected due to payments being overlooked. Go before the membership to see if it needs to be reinstated.

New Business:

Spaghetti Feed will be the next club meeting held at the Salvation Army building 4417 Wilson Rd. The club will furnish the spaghetti with sauce, drinks, bread and salad. Members are asked to bring a dessert. The cost is still \$5; the proceeds will go the repeater fund this year.

There was a discussion was held on the Club By-Laws, they are incomplete and need to be REVISED.

Discussion was held on the Board Action taken against Larry KF6JOQ; a motion was made by Tony W6TRC with a second by Jon K6QXG to vacate the Board Action of Larry KF6JOQ, the motion failed.

With further discussion, a motion was made by Mark WI6J with a second by Joe KI6LPU to hold an appeal process, the motion passed.

The next Club meeting: 22 April 2008, 4417 Wilson Rd. Salvation Army building @ 1900.

The next Board meeting is 14 May 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd. Wilson Rd. Vets Hall @ 1900 Rm. 3.

The next VE session is 09 MAY 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd. Wilson Rd Vets Hall @ 1900 Rm. 3.

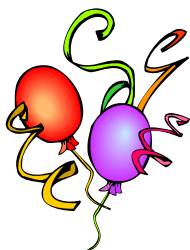
Frank KD6UQZ, Secretary

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

April Birthdays:

6 Mark Estill
 16 Ted Nelson
 22 Richard Gill
 27 Neil McNew

KI6FDU
 KI6BLM
 KQ6EF
 KC6YBZ



May Birthdays:

8 Bob Selbach
 12 Joy Largent
 16 Wayland Louie
 18 Bobby Jackson
 23 J.J. Moore
 28 Jim Maloney
 30 Mark Slater

KN6VI
 WB6VGZ
 KB6UOK
 KA6H
 N6WT
 WA6HZY
 WI6J

Just for Fun! Forgetful Couple

An elderly couple decided that their memory was so bad they would have to start writing things down in order to remember them. One evening, the husband got up from watching TV and said he was going to the kitchen; He asked his wife if she wanted anything.

Wife: "Yes, I would like some ice cream."

As he set off, the wife said, "Write it down."

Husband: "I can remember ice cream."

Wife: "But I also want strawberries on my ice cream. Write it down."

Husband: "I can remember ice cream with strawberries."

Wife: "But I also want whipped cream on the strawberries."

The husband took off without writing it down. He was gone for a while and when he came back, he was carrying bacon and eggs.

Wife: "Now see what you've done? You forgot the toast!?"

from Sandi Covey

TREASURER'S CASH FLOW REPORT

Submitted by Diane Ebel, KG6UFB

March 11—April 10, 2008

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$1,797.40
INCOME	
Raffle, Radio	38.00
Raffle, Regular	<u>29.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	67.00
EXPENSES	
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>0.00</u>
ENDING BALANCE	<u>\$1,864.40</u>



The Repeater Fund \$219.00.

This amount is included in the checking balance. Our goal is to raise \$800.00 for the Repeater Fund to keep it operating.

Scholarship Fund

Balance on 03/10/08 \$1,558.28

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in service to others."

—Mahatma Gandhi

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of March 2008:
SM Charles McConnell, W6DPD- ASMs K6YK and N2NS, ACC W6DPD, SEC N6ZFN, OOC N1VM, STM K6RAU, PIC KE6IGJ, TC W6TE.

Greetings from the ARRL San Joaquin Valley Section.

From the ARRL Letter of March 16, 2008:

* Amateur Radio Exempt from California's New "Hands Free" Law: On July 1, the State of California will have new laws on the books to deal with the use of wireless telephones while driving. There has been some confusion as to whether California amateurs who operate in their car will be affected by the new law. According to the California Department of Motor Vehicle's Web site <http://www.dmv.ca.gov/cellularphonelaws/dl208_03cell_phone.pdf>, "the use of dedicated two-way radios such as walkie-talkies or Citizen Band (CB) radios is not affected by the new law" for drivers 18 or older.

If you desire your club information and events to be listed in Section News, please send the information to w6dpd@arrl.org. I get very little information. If your club has a newsletter, please send it to me, email to w6dpd@arrl.org or via U.S Mail.

Mark your calendars. M2INC open house in April 12, 2008. Doors open at 8:00 AM with lunch at 11:30 AM. Check www.m2inc.com for information. The Clovis Amateur Radio Pioneers Swap meet will be April 12, 2008, at the New Hope Community Church in Clovis. Check www.k6arp.org for information. The International DX Convention is April 25-28, 2008 at Visalia. Check <http://www.dxconvention.org/> for information. EMCOMM West is May 2-4, 2008 at the Circus Circus in Reno NV. Check www.emcommwest.org for information. The 65th Fresno Hamfest is May 31, 2008, at the Salvation Army in Fresno. Check www.w6to.com for information. Pacificon 2008 is October 17-19, 2008 at the Marriott Hotel in San Ramon CA. Check www.pacificon.org for information.

When your affiliated club elects officers for the next year, be sure to update your club's information on the affiliated club area of the ARRL web page so you club will get any information sent from the ARRL Club department. If you fail to update your clubs information for 2 years, your club will be placed in the inactive file. Your club will be notified if the 2-year period is about to take place.

Need to take an Amateur exam? Check the ARRL web page, www.arrl.org for exam information. You can also search for Amateur Radio Classes in your area.

The Northern California Net (NCN), the Section Traffic Net, meets nightly on 3.533 MHZ at 7 PM Pacific Time. The slow speed training session of the net meets nightly on 3.533 MHZ at 9 PM Pacific Time. Handling traffic on CW is a good way to improve your CW skills. The Daytime Region 6 Traffic Net meets daily at 3:30 pacific time on or near 7.275 MHZ. The California Traffic Net meets daily on 3.906 MHZ and 6:30 PM local time. The noon time net meets on 7.268.5 MHz. This net handles a lot of messages.

EMCOMM West for 2008 has moved to the Circus Circus in Reno. The dates are May 2 to 4, 2008. This is an ARRL specialty convention devoted entirely to emergency communications. Information can soon be found at www.emcommwest.org. If you are involved in emergency communications, this is an event you should plan to attend. Dennis Dura, K2DCD of ARRL, and Gordon West, WB6NOA, are the featured speakers.

W6QON, Steve, WB6GIT, Clark, and K6KLV, Fido are Silent Keys. They will be missed.

TCARES members provided communications support for the annual Jamestown Run.

K2VCO made a clean sweep in the 2007 ARRL November CW Sweepstakes.

N2NS and K2VCO made 500 plus QSOs in the CW and SSB 2007 ARRL Sweepstakes.

Traffic for February: K6RAU 27, W6DPD 1, and W6SX 6. Total 34. PSHR: K6RAU 88 and W6SX 32.

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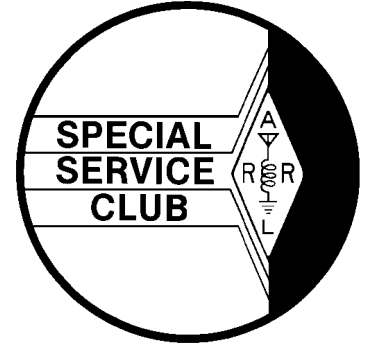
EVENTS: April '08

April 22, Spaghetti Dinner, 6:30 pm, Salvation Army, 4417 Wilson Rd

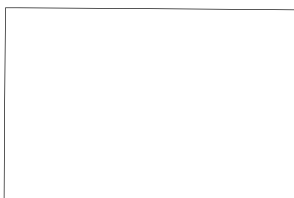
May 14, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall

May 27, Club Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall

Amateur Radio Information currently off line



REMEMBER TO JOIN IN ON OUR LOCAL NETS
SUNDAY EVE. 8:00 P.M. - CLUB NET
MONDAY EVE. 7:00 P.M. - ARES-RACES NET
(These Nets Are On 145.150- PL 100)
Other club frequencies:
146.910 -PL 100, 443.900 PL 100
KC-CVARC's Web Page <http://www.w6lie.org>



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