

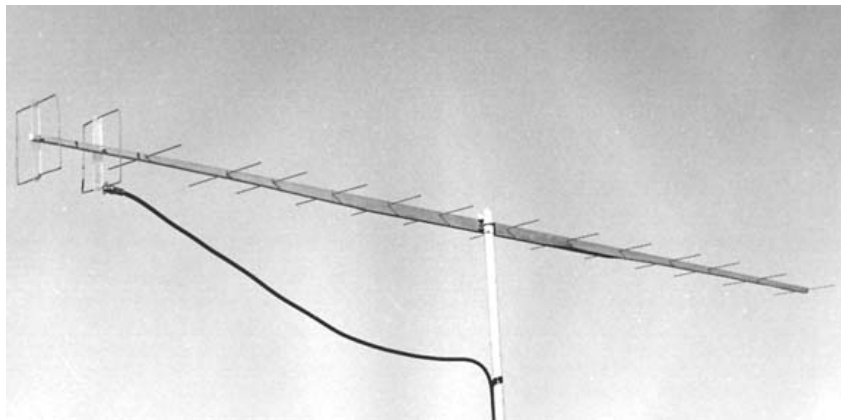
W6LIE

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.

COMMUNICATOR

August 2008

Next Club Meeting Tuesday, August 26



Dr. Wayne Overbeck N6NB, creator of the quagi antenna, will give a slide show presentation of the antenna and an overview of his antenna farm and beacon QTH in Tehachapi.

Refreshments available

50/50 Drawing

See you there!

7:00 pm at the Veteran's Hall
1905 Wilson Rd. Bakersfield, CA
One Block West of South "H" St.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

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NEXT VE SESSION

Next VE test session

Friday, September 12

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.



PACIFICON 2008, the great west coast ham radio convention, will take place Friday, October 17th through Sunday, October 19th, 2008 at the San Ramon Marriott Hotel at 2600 Bishop Drive in San Ramon, California. Events and schedules listed here are in the planning stages. Please check back for updates.

If you need hotel accommodations, make your hotel reservations by October 1st and ask for the special **PACIFICON 2008** room rate of \$90 per night. Call the Marriott reservations desk at 1-800-228-9290 for reservations. To insure availability reserve early. Special arrangements have been made with the hotel to make sure that parking in the hotel parking lot will be free for all Pacificon attendees.

A General Admission ticket entitles you to the following, with no additional cost: A full slate of outstanding Forum Presentations about a wide range of amateur radio related topics, a large Exhibit Hall filled with exciting product exhibits, a series of Amateur Television demonstrations, great QRP and HF Pack activities, an outdoor Swap Meet, a One Day Technician Class, fun and informative T-Hunts, a chance to hear about and discuss important national amateur radio issues with top ARRL leaders, the Boy Scout Jamboree-On-The-Air (scouts in uniform admitted free), a chance for winning great radios and other prizes throughout the convention, and perhaps the best part - a chance to interact and share information with lots of other amateur radio enthusiasts to further (or begin) your own knowledge and to advance the hobby.

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Next ARES/RACES Training

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Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at 7:00 pm

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

ARES-RACES needs a new Emergency Coordinator and Training Officer, notify Marie N6ZFN if interested in either position.

Nominations for 2009

At the September picnic nominations will be taken for 2009 officers and board members. This year Pam Jackson KD6LBS volunteered to be our Nominating Committee. If you would like to run for a club office for 2009 please contact Pam at 366-8137.

Pam is also our Sunshine Girl. Please call her if you know of someone who needs a get well card from the club.

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club

Board Meeting

13 AUG 2008



The meeting was called to order @ 1900 by the President Jon WA6KLB.

Board Members present: Jon WA6KLB, Mark WI6J, Joe KI6LPU, Frank KD6UQZ, Jon K6QXG, Stephen N6GOD, Pam KD6LBS.

Members present: Richard KD6IMM, Sandi KE6KJA, Dave KG6YSZ, Bob KD6II, Bobby KA6H, and Larry KF6JOQ.

Minutes: Mike W6WE's call was in error, reported as W2WE and the date of the next VE session was reported in error, 05 SEP, should have read 12 SEP. A motion by Joe KI6LPU and a second by Mark WI6J, the July minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasure's Report: Mike was unable to make the meeting and sent a report with Jon WA6KLB, a Beginning Balance \$1,367.70, Deposit of \$101.88, Ending Balance \$1,314.29. A motion by Mark WI6J and a second by Stephen N6GOD, the Treasures' Report was approved as reported. Disbursements – none made due to Mike's absence; will be handled at the club meeting

Secretary's Report: Membership from Martin Meltz KI6QII and a QSL card to W6LIE from AA4SC.

Committee Reports:

Repeaters: The 443.900 is on the air at its temporary location; PL = 100, with a plus offset. Another warning, do not quick-key on the 146.91, because it can cause the repeater to time out. Different options are being investigated for linking the repeaters. Dave KG6YSZ was finally able to meet with the Ranch personnel about access to the repeater site at McKittrick.

Interference: There is none reported at this time.

ARES-RACES: The next sponsored meeting is 01 OCT 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd., Wilson Rd Vets Hall, Rm. 3 @ 1900. ARES-RACES is in need of a new Emergency Coordinator and a Training Officer, notify Marie N6ZFN if interested in either position, n6zfn@bak.rr.com.

Unfinished Business: Repeater coordination is still in the works – Matt WA6ALB and Dave KG6YSZ. Jon WA6KLB will draft a letter to the Ranch personnel concerning the restricted access to repeater site on McKittrick Peak.

New Business:

A discussion was held about the upcoming speaker, Dr Wayne Overbeck N6NB, developer of the quagi antenna. Pam KD6LBS will take on the duties of an election chairman; find candidates for the upcoming election. If anyone would like to run for a Club Officer, please contact Pam KD6LBS – 336.8137.

The next Club meeting: 26 AUG 2008; guest speaker, Dr Wayne Overbeck N6NB – developer of the Quagi Antenna

The next Board meeting is 10 SEP 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd. Wilson Rd. Vets Hall @ 1900 Rm. 3.

The next VE session is 12 SEP 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd. Wilson Rd Vets Hall @ 1900 Rm. 3.

Frank KD6UQZ Secretary

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

August Birthdays:

6 Wilma Whisler	KC6MLF
9 Larry Callahan	KF6JOQ
13 Lorraine Wimer	KC6RZS
15 Dave Light	KG6YSZ
20 Don Williams	K6PPJ
22 Lorraine Wells	KE6UYL
24 Dan Hart	KE6UHG
27 Richard Russell	WA6JJA
28 Dave Ebel	KG6QDS

September Birthdays:

4 Jon Wilhelm	WA6KLB
7 Dick McCoy	K6SAM
9 Richard Russell	KG6YSY
13 Daniel Turk	WA6JRP
19 Connie Turk	KD6KMR
20 Dar Reisinger	K6KNK
20 Susan Wisniewski	N6EKE



July 50/50

And the winner of the July 50/50 drawing was . . . Randy KC6ZRF. He won \$42.00.

Repeater News

The crackle noise heard on the 145.150 repeater is not a problem with the machine. All the repeaters on Breckenridge are experiencing the same problem.

The 443.900 is on the air at its temporary location. This repeater has a PL of 100 and a plus offset.

Please do not quick-key on the 146.91, because it can cause the repeater to time out.

Different options are being investigated for linking the repeaters.

The Repeater Committee is working to get the 146.910 repeater back up on McKittrick Peak. Dave KG6YSZ met with the Ranch personnel about access to the repeater site at McKittrick. We'll keep you informed on the status of this site.

TREASURER'S CASH FLOW REPORT

Submitted by Mike Goshay, W6WE
July 2, 2008 through August 1, 2008

CARRY OVER BALANCE	\$1,367.70
Raffle 50/50	41.00
HF Drawing	14.00
Refreshments	26.88
Dues	<u>20.00</u>
JULY INCOME	<u>101.88</u>
AVAILABLE FUNDS	1,469.58
EXPENSES	
S. Covey: nsltr copies	33.78
S. Covey: ice cream	14.96
S. Covey: root beer	15.02
F. Wells: PO Box rent	38.00
R. Randall: FD food	155.29
ENDING BALANCE	<u>\$1,314.29</u>



Repeater Fund	549.00
Balance without Repeater fund	\$765.29

Our goal is to raise \$800.00 for the Repeater Fund to keep it operating.

Insurance Reserve \$400.00 (next year I recommend \$35/mo into this fund).

ACTUAL AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$365.29
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Scholarship Fund

Balance on 07/01/08	\$1,556.28
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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of July 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.

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.

An ARES Emergency Coordinator is needed in Western Kern County. Contact Marie, N6ZFN (n6zfn@bak.rr.com) or W6DPD (w6dpd@arrl.org) if you are interested and can serve in this important position.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS. September is National Preparedness Month. Check www.ready.gov for information. Amateur Radio Awareness Day is September 20, 2008. The 2008 California QSO party begins at 1600 UTC on October 4 and ends at 2200 UTC on October 5, 2008. Put your county on the air for this contest. Check www.cqp.org for information. The California Historical Radio Society Central Valley Chapter swap meet begins at 9:00 AM October 4, 2008, at the Modesto Radio Museum, 1192 Norwegian Ave in Modesto. Pacificon 2008 is October 17-19, 2008 at the Marriott Hotel in San Ramon CA. Check www.pacificon.org for information. The 60th International DX Convention is April 17-19, 2009 at Visalia. Check <http://www.dxconvention.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. The Golden Bear Amateur Radio Net meets nightly at 7:00 PM local time on 3.975 MHZ. The Mission Trail Net meets nightly on 3.856 MHZ at 8:00 PM local time.

September is National Preparedness Month. Check www.ready.gov for information.

Thanks to the hams who helped the firefighters with communications support and information service in the recent fires in Mariposa County. You did a great job.

N6OPY Edward is a Silent Key. He will be missed.

The California QSO Party begins at 1600 UTC on October 4 and ends at 2200UTC on October 5, 2008. Put your county on the air for this contest. Others are looking for California stations on both phone and CW/Digital. This is a good time to contact that state you need for your Worked All States Award. Information can be found at www.cqp.org.

Pacificon is the ARRL Pacific Division Convention, which is held October 17-19, 2008 at the San Ramon Marriott Hotel in San Ramon CA. There will be an antenna seminar on Friday October 17. On Saturday, October 18, the exhibit room will be open. You might find good deals there. There will be a number of sessions covering a variety of subjects. Saturday night will see the banquet, and the Wouff Hong initiation will be at midnight. Sunday has the swap meet, more sessions, and the ARRL Forum followed by the prize drawing. You can check out the event schedule on the Pacificon web page at www.pacificon.org.

N7RR, Bruce, is hiking the Pacific Crest Trail. He will hike from the Mexican Border to Manning Park, British Columbia by end of September or early October. He will check into the CW traffic nets in the evenings as time permits. Check www.n7rr.com for information.

ARACC members provided communications support for the "Climb to Kaiser" Bicycle race.

P40V operated by Carl, AI6V, won the World Wide 14 MHZ high score plaque for the 2008 ARRL International DX Contest (Phone). The award is named the Don Wallace, W6AM, Memorial Award and is sponsored by the Central California DX Club, Inc.

Top SJV Scores for the 2008 International DX Contest (CW) were 1st N2NS, 2nd K6YK, and 3rd K6AAB.

Top SJV Scores for the 2008 International DX Contest (Phone) were 1st N6YMM, 2nd N2NS, and 3rd K6YV.

N2NS made the DXCC Honor Roll. Congratulations Bob.

Traffic for JULY: K6RAU 35, W6DPD 0, and W6SX 44. Total 79. PSHR: K6RAU 99 and W6SX 77.

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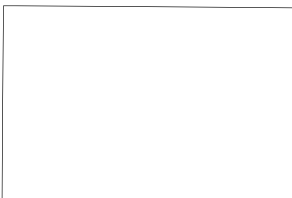


EVENTS: August '08

August 26, Club Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall
September 10, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall
September 27, Swap Picnic, Jastro Park, Saturday
9 am



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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