

WG6LIE

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.

COMMUNICATOR

September 2008

Annual Swapmeet/Potluck Picnic Saturday, September 27

The annual swapmeet and potluck picnic is on Saturday, September 27, at Jastro Park on Myrtle Street between Truxtun Ave and 18th Street. The map on page 2 should help you find your way.

Bring your ham related gear for sale or trade to the park starting at 9:00 a.m.

If you have any old ham equipment that needs repair, bring it to the meetings and donate it to the Club. It will be repaired and sold to help raise funds for the Club.

Around 11:00 we will start the potluck. Please bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share with the group. There will be coffee and ice tea available. The Club will provide paper plates and plastic utensils, etc. There is plenty of room to enjoy a casual visit with friends. Bring the whole family!

After lunch we will take nominations for the 2008 Board. Pam Jackson, KD6LBS is working on collecting nominees for each office; please call her at 366-8137 if you would like to be included. Nominations will be finalized at this meeting. If you are nominating someone besides yourself, please make sure they will agree to hold office, and that they are a paid member.

The meeting will conclude the meeting with a 50/50 drawing.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

Officers and Board of Directors for Year 2008

President - Jon Wilhelm, WA6KLB 834-7067
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NEXT VE SESSION

Next VE test session
 Friday, November 14
 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.

Next ARES/RACES Training

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Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at 7:00 pm

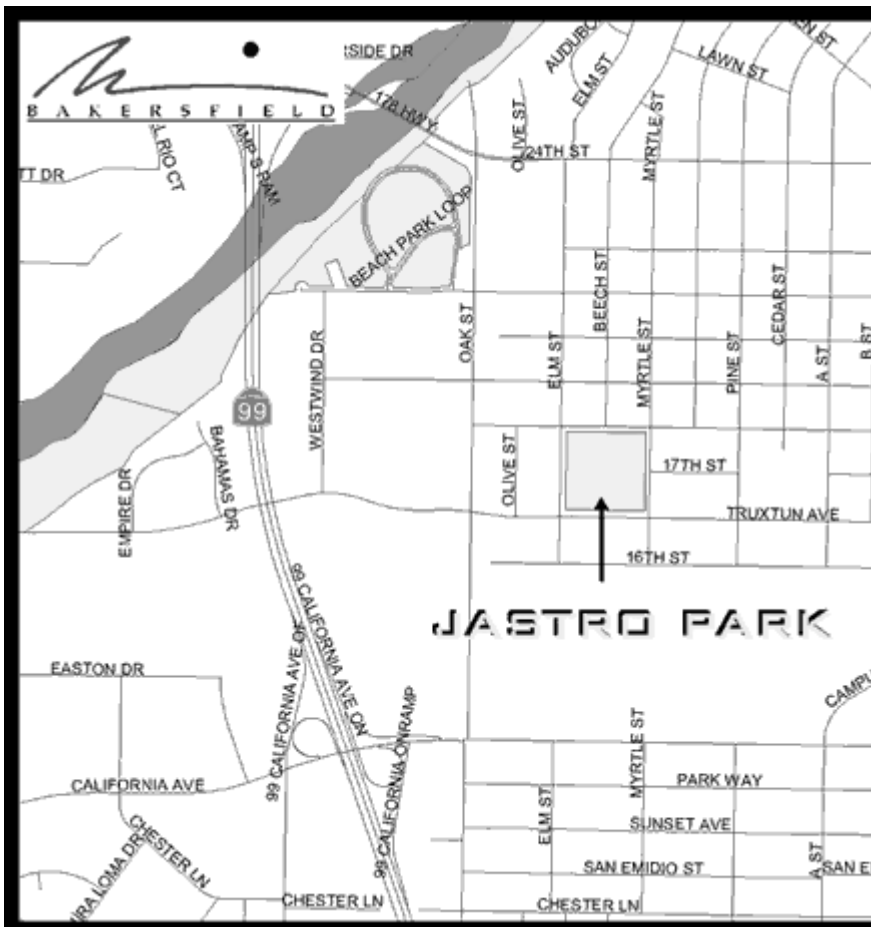
South Bakersfield Veteran's Hall
 1905 Wilson Road in Rm. 3.

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.



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Board Meeting

10 SEP 2008



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

Board Members present: Jon WA6KLB, Mark WI6J, Joe KI6LPU, Frank KD6UQZ, Mike W6WE and Stephen N6GOD.

Members present: Richard KD6IMM, Sandi KE6KJA, Bob KD6II, and Randy KC6ZRF.

Minutes: A motion by Stephen N6GOD and a second by Joe KI6LP, the August minutes were approved as reported.

Treasure's Report: Mike reported last months activity as \$187.50 income, 24.13 expenditures, with an Ending Balance of approximately \$1,410.33; still having a problem receiving the Bank Statements. A motion by Mark WI6J and a second by Stephen N6GOD, the Treasures' Report was approved as reported.

Secretary's Report: Memberships from Daryl Phillips W6DGP and Debbie Phillips KI6KHN from the August Club Meeting. The statement for the Club's insurance in the amount of \$475. We also received a QSL card in the mail from W7JY for a June contact on 6 meters.

Committee Reports:

Repeaters: Dave KG6YSZ working on the 145.15 replacement repeater. Jon WA6KLB is still working on permission to move the 146.91 repeater to the West Side..

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.

New Business:

A discussion was held about on an Interference Committee; Stephen N6GOD volunteered to head up the committee. Mike W6WE opened a discussion on one way the club might make some extra money; repair old donated radio equipment and then sell it. If anyone would like to run for a Club Officer, please contact Pam KD6LBS – 336.8137.

The next Club meeting: 27 SEP 2008; Club picnic at Jastro Park 0930 – 1330, swap starts about 0730.

The next Board meeting is 08 OCT 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd. Wilson Rd. Vets Hall @ 1900 Rm. 3.

The next VE session is 14 NOV 2008, 1905 Wilson Rd. Wilson Rd Vets Hall @ 1900 Rm. 3.

Frank KD6UQZ Secretary

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

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



October Birthdays:

12 Zachary Allen	KG6YFF
13 George Sweeney	KE6FHF
18 Amber Marmolejo	KG6VCN

August 50/50

And the winner of the August 50/50 drawing was . . .
Frank Wells, KD6UQZ. He won \$40.

3TREASURER'S CASH FLOW REPORT

Submitted by Mike Goshay, W6WE
August 1, 2008 through September 3, 2008

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.

AUGUST INCOME

Raffle 50/50	39.00
Dues	45.00
Refreshments	3.50
Repeater donation	<u>100.00</u> (Al Cohen)

TOTAL INCOME 187.50

EXPENSES

S. Covey: nsltr copies 24.13

ENDING BALANCE \$1,400.33



Repeater Fund 649.00

(We're getting closer!)

Balance without Repeater fund \$751.33

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 \$351.33

Scholarship Fund

Balance on 09/03/08 \$1,562.17

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

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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.

WA6RAK, Floyd 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.

The annual Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is October 18-19, 2008. This is a time to open your station to the Scouts so they can talk to other scouts.

W6MSU completed the "VHF/UHF Life Beyond the Repeater" course.

KI6PG has applied for 5BDXCC.

AA6K has 102 DXCC entities on 40 meters.

Traffic for August: K6RAU 27, W6DPD 0, and W6SX 22. Total 49 PSHR: K6RAU 89 and W6SX 54.

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EVENTS: September '08

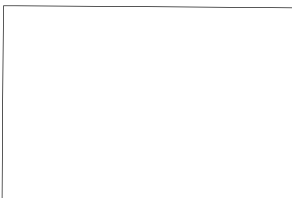
September 27, Swap/ Potluck Picnic, Jastro Park,
Saturday 9 am

October 8, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall

October 28, Club Meeting. 7 pm, Veterans Hall



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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