

W6LIE

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.
COMMUNICATOR

April 2007

Annual Spaghetti Dinner
Tuesday, April 24
6:30 PM

April 24 is our annual Spaghetti Dinner. The cost for dinner is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and under. Dinner includes spaghetti sauce and noodles, salad, bread, coffee and tea. Paper plates and plastic utensils will be available, but we suggest you bring a real plate and utensils.



The meal will be ready around 6:30 pm, so bring your appetite! To make the meal complete, members are invited to bring a dessert. It's not required, but sweets are a nice finish to the meal.

All proceeds go to the Mike McCorkle Scholarship Fund.
Thank you for your support of this good cause.

6:30 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!

Officers and Board of Directors for Year 2007

President - Larry Callahan, KF6JOQ ----- (661) 834-3204
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First Vice Pres. - Randy Randall, KC6ZRF ----- 833-1438
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Treasurer - Diane Ebel, KG6UFB ----- 587-3879
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Past Pres Marie Thompson, N6ZFN ----- 831-6235
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NEXT

VE SESSION

There will be a VE test session on Friday, May 11, at 6:30 pm at the 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.

2007 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION Northern California DX Club

APRIL 27, 28, 29, 2007
HOLIDAY INN, VISALIA, CA
Tel. 800-465-4329

www.dxconvention.org



WALK-IN PRICE OF \$90

Our Convention theme this year is "Elmering New DXers is Job One". In this case Elmering means having an experienced DX operator pass on accumulated knowledge to an aspiring new DXer, who may be unsure of how to get into the DX game.

Contact: John Eisenberg, K6YP
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Email: k6yp@arrl.net

Area Repeaters

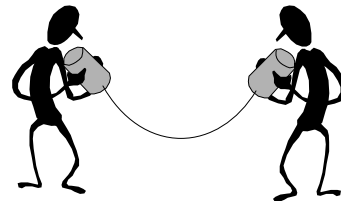
The following repeaters are privately owned, but the owners welcome area hams to use them.

145.210— offset with a PL of 100, owned by KF6JOQ

Hello you all, Mark KG6KKV offers this local linked repeater system:

224.520— offset with a PL of 100,
444.400+ offset with a PL of 100,
147.150+ offset with a PL of 100,
51.880— offset with a PL of 114.8

Enjoy!



Board of Directors Meeting

April 11, 2007



Members in Attendance

President: absent 1st Vice: Randy KC6ZRF 2nd Vice: absent
Secretary: absent Treasurer: Diane KG6UFB Director: Bobby KA6H

Guests / Club Members in Attendance:

David KG6QDS, Harry KD6OYS, Pam KD6LBS, Bob KI6FDX, Richard KD6IMM, Sandi KE6KJA

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by 1st VP Randy KC6ZRF. A quorum was not present therefore any business requiring a vote could not be conducted, only announcements could be made.

Minutes/Reports

The Minutes of the last board meeting were reviewed. No corrections were suggested.

Treasurer Diane KG6UFB submitted her written report which was filed for approval when a quorum is present.

ARES/RACES

No report due to absence of N6GOD.

Interference

No report from Interference Committee (KF6JOQ Absent). Those present said there was none.

Old Business

Randy KC6ZRF relayed a message from Larry KF6JOQ for Sandi KE6KJA to make reservations for Field Day operations at Ben Austin Senior Center, same place as last 2 years. Randy and Bob KI6FDX made arrangements for chickens for the Field Day dinner, which Randy will prepare. Cost of dinner was discussed: \$7.50 per person.

New Business

Randy announced the resignation of Terry Godley W6TG as Secretary of the club. The Board will accept recommendations from members for a new secretary for the remainder of the year.

The club meeting on Tuesday, April 24 is the annual spaghetti dinner. The kitchen will be open for the cooks at 4:30 pm. Randy will bring salad and dressing. Sandi will bring sliced French bread and ice tea. Diane will get the prizes.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Sandi Covey, Secretary Pro Tem

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

April Birthdays:

6 Mark Estill	KI6FDU
6 William Hugener	KF6CHO
14 Michael Sanchez	KI6AME
16 Ted Nelson	KI6BLM
22 Richard Gill	KQ6EF
27 Neil McNew	KC6YBZ



May Birthdays:

6 Terry Godley	W6WTG
8 Bob Selbach	KN6VI
12 Joy Largent	WB6VGZ
14 Maria Cruz	KG6AUP
16 Daniel Burton, Jr.	KI6HOD
16 Wayland Louie	KB6UOK
18 Bobby Jackson	KA6H
23 J.J. Moore	N6WT
28 Jim Maloney	WA6HZY
30 Mark Slater	KG6ZBL

TREASURER'S CASH FLOW REPORT

Submitted by Diane Ebel, KG6UGB

Period Ending 03/13/2007

BALANCE ON 3/14/07	\$2,024.89
INCOME	
4/3 Dues	45.00
4/3 Raffle	126.00
4/3 Coffee	4.60
4/3 VEC Testing	60.00
TOTAL INCOME	235.60
EXPENSES	
AT&T, 4/11/07	52.98
Sandi: nsltr & stamps	147.90
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>200.88</u>
ENDING BALANCE ON 4/11/07	<u>\$2,059.61</u>

Scholarship Fund

Balance on 04/11/07 \$1,555.36



2007 KC-CVARC Membership

The 2007 Membership form was mailed with the Nov/Dec Communicator (page 5). It is also available on the Club's web page at www.w6lie.org/ If you still haven't paid your dues for 2007, and you do not have the Nov/Dec issue and can not access the online form, please contact one of the board members listed above.

Sunshine Chairperson!

Pam Jackson, KD6LBS is our Sunshine Chairperson. She will send out cards to our members when they are ill or in the hospital, and to family members in the case of a Silent Key. The only thing she needs from the rest of us to help her do this task is information about any member who is in need of a card. Contact her at bjacks@sbcglobal.net or by phone 366-8137. She will send the appropriate card from the Club.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of March 2007:

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.

Your club has received a petition to get the governor to declare June 17 to 23, 2007, Amateur Radio week in California. This is a statewide effort. Please keep collecting signatures and return the petitions to the address in the email by April 25, 2007.

With the change in Part 97 of the FCC Rules eliminating the code exam as a requirement for upgrading, many Amateurs have upgraded to General and Extra Class. Congratulations to those getting upgraded licenses. Enjoy your new privileges. Technician Class Amateurs now enjoy limited HF privileges on 80, 40 and 15 CW and 10 meter SSB and CW. As the year progresses, more Amateurs will upgrade to General and Extra.

Just a reminder, the sidebands of your signal must be within the band edges. As a rule of thumb, on SSB you should operate no closer than 3 KHZ to the band edge to ensure that your sidebands remain within the band. On CW you can get closer to the band edge as the CW signal are not as wide as SSB signals, but your signals must remain within the band. Technicians may NOT operate FM on 10 meters. They may only operate SSB on 28.300 to 28.500 MHZ. FM on 10 meters can only be used between 29.5 and 29.7 MHZ.

New General Class Amateurs should get a frequency chart so they will know where their bands end. You can get a new frequency chart from the March 2007 QST or download it from the ARRL web page. Some new generals are operating outside the General Class bands. General Class Amateurs need to know where the General Class bands end and stay within them. You don't want to receive an OO notice or an FCC Citation for out of band operation.

Courtesy dictates that you should listen, and then ask if a frequency is in use before calling CQ. You need to call CQ when soliciting a contact on HF. Just giving your call sign on HF is not enough to usually get a contact.

If you desire your club information and events to be listed in Section News, please send the information to w6dpd@arrl.org.

Mark your calendars The International DX Convention is April 27-29, 2007 at Visalia. Check <http://www.dxconvention.org/> for information. EMCOMM West is May 4-6, 2007 at the Atlantis Resort and Casino in Reno NV. Check www.emcommwest.org for information. Los Banos ARC special event station is May 12. Tuolumne Swap Meet June 2, 2007, 8 AM to 3 PM at the Sonora East Shopping Center in Sonora. Contact Jerry WA6AVR, jerrytanhhauser@us.army.mil for information. Field Day 2007 is the fourth full weekend of June. The 65th Fresno Hamfest is August 4, 2007 at the Holiday Inn at the Airport in Fresno. Check www.w6to.com for information. The California QSO Party is October 6-7, 2007. Check www.cqp.org for information. Pacificon 2007 is October 19-21, 2007 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. If you fail to update your club's information for 2 years, your club will be placed in the inactive file.

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.

It is my sad duty to report that KA6RCP Ernie and AD6RP Jack are Silent Keys. They will be missed.

Stanislaus County ARES was activated to help search for a missing person. An ARES member found the missing person who was in fine health.

Manteca ARC and San Joaquin County ARES will hold a one-day "Ham Cram". Study session, followed by FCC testing, on Saturday, April 14, 2007 from 8:30am until 5 pm in Manteca. Fee for the training session is \$16 plus \$14 for testing (\$30 total). All license classes offered. No walk-ins. Limited retesting available. Location: TBA, Manteca, CA (95336) Space limited, pre-registration required. Contact: David Coursey, Emergency Coordinator, SJ ARES, (209) 835-6893, N5FDL@ARRL.NET W5YI-VEC

Congrats to NG6NG and W6NBK on completing the ARECC Level One course.

W6MSU, Guy, participated in the 2006 ARRL Frequency Measuring Test with an entry of 1 HZ or less. Congrats Guy.

TCARES provided communications support for the Jamestown Run.

Stanislaus ARA 2007 officers are pres W6UHF, vp KF6NPG, sec KD6YWO, and treas KC6TVE. Check www.saraclub.net for information.

Calaveras ARS 2007 officers are pres AE6LA, vp KO6HV, sec WB6QVU and treas AC6CY. Check www.calaverasars.org for information.

SJV Scores in the 2006 CW Sweepstakes were: High Power WC6H first, and W6SX second; Low Power K2VCO first, K6CSL second, and WA6IQZ; Unlimited N6EE first, N6NZ second and WK6I third. Congratulations!!

W6WTG earned DXCC. N2NS earned DXCC on 80m and 5BDXCC. W6XK qualified for WAZ on RTTY. AB6CF qualified for WAS on 10 M. Traffic for March: K6RAU 14, Total 14. PSHR: K6RAU 44.

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EVENTS: April '07

April 24, Spaghetti Dinner, 6:30 pm, Veterans Hall

May 9, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall

May 22, Club Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall

Amateur Radio Information (661) 872-1557



REMEMBER TO JOIN IN ON OUR LOCAL NETS

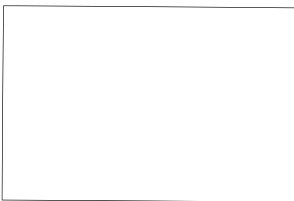
SUNDAY EVE. 8:00 P.M. - CLUB NET

MONDAY EVE. 7:00 P.M. - ARES-RACES NET

(These Nets Are On 145.150 -PL 100)

Other club frequencies:

443.900 PL 100 & 144.910 packet W6LIE-1



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