

W6LIE

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc.
COMMUNICATOR

March 2007

*Next Membership Meeting
Tuesday, March 27*

Dave Light KG6YSZ will be doing a program on the
“Care and Feeding of an HT”.

There will be coffee, treats and a raffle as always.
Hope to see you there!



7 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

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
Talk-In: TBD
Individual Pre-Registration: \$80.00

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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Phone: 650-941-7426
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Free BBQ, Tailgate Swap, and a Good Time

That's what you can expect at the M2 Inc open house on March 31. The gates open at 7:30 am

This event is held every year in Fresno at the M2 factory.

You can visit the plant and see how these antennas are made and maybe win a HF beam, 1.2 beam or whatever they have for drawings. Usually around 11:30 it is time for the Ol' Hot Dogs and hamburgers. It's free and they are good. A hand full of grilled onions thrown on top and you got it made.

Stop by and support the local guys and get a hamburger.

M2 Antenna Systems
4402 N Selland
Fresno

See you there
Terry W6WTG

Board of Director Meetings March 14, 2007

Members in Attendance

President: Larry KF6JOQ 1st Vice: Randy KC6ZRF 2nd Vice: Chris KC6WTA
Secretary: Terry W6WTG Director: Richard WA6JJA , Steve N6GOD

Guests / Club Members in Attendance:

Richard KD6IMM, Sandi KE6KJA, Dave KG6QDX

The board was call to order at 7:03 pm, March 14, by Larry KF6JOQ

Minutes/Reports

The Treasure report was approved by Richard and seconded by Randy

Interference

Larry mentioned that there hasn't been any interference lately. Chris also mentioned that there hasn't been any interference during the W6BAR net on Sunday evening.

Old Business

Larry mention about checking out a site for Field Day. If you know of a place that might work, please contact KF6JOQ. Also if anyone would like to step up this year and be the Field Day Chairperson, let Larry know.

The club is still waiting for the renewal on the Special Service Award.

N6GOD mention that club badges are still available if you would like to purchase one.

New Business

Steve, N6GOD, mention that Ares and RACES will be having a meeting on April 14th.
Ares and RACES is also looking for a training officer. Please contact Steve for further information.

Dave mentioned that the Salvation Army will donate chicken for this year field day dinner. **(Thanks Dave)**

The program for this month meeting is "The Caring and Feeding of a HT"
This will be presented by Dave KG6YSZ.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Secretary Terry Godley, W6WTG

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 the Club Secretary, Terry W6WTG. There will be some forms available at the March membership meeting.

The Newsletter Committee will soon be discontinuing mailing paper newsletters to those who have an email address on file with the Club and have not expressed a desire to have the paper version. The purpose is to save on postage! In April or May, however, everyone will receive a paper newsletter along with a paid membership roster. So if you want to be included in the new roster, pay your dues!



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

March Birthdays:

2 Frank Wells	KD6UQZ
9 Dave Hutchison	W7WQR
9 Allynn McNew	KA6RBR
10 Le Rae Elton	KE6VRD
13 Brianna Thompson	KF6SVP
23 Jim McNew	KA6QLQ
30 Harry Thomas	KG6OPR



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

TREASURER'S CASH FLOW REPORT

Submitted by Diane Ebel, KG6UGB

Period Ending 03/13/2007

BALANCE ON 1/31/07	\$1,514.48
INCOME	
3/13 Dues	220.00
3/13 Raffle	65.00
3/13 Radio Raffle	73.00
3/13 Coffee	9.25
3/13 VEC Testing	162.00
TOTAL INCOME	529.25
EXPENSES	
AT&T, 2/1/07	18.84
TOTAL EXPENSES	18.84
ENDING BALANCE ON 3/13/07	<u>\$2,024.89</u>

Scholarship Fund

Balance on 03/13/07 \$1,555.36



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!

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 February 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 above 29.5 and 29.7 MHZ.

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 M2 Inc., open house is March 31, 2007. The gates open for the swap meet at 07:30 AM. Check www.m2inc.com for information. The Turlock ARC Spring Auction will be Saturday April 7, 2007, at 9:00 AM at the Youth Center at 1030 East Avenue in Turlock. 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. 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 clubs 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 W6DKI Mark, W6LIN Paul, W6DUD Howard, WB6KLL Chris, and KC6DVJ Pat, are Silent Keys. They will be missed.

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

The Los Banos ARC is having a transmitter hunt on March 10. Meet at the Police Annex Bldg, 525 I Street in Los Banos at 4 PM. The hunt begins at 4:30 PM.

SJV scores in the ARRL September VHF QSO Party were 1st KR7O, 2nd KE6BZY, and 3rd KF6CNV.

The SJV was well represented at Radiofest in Monterey. Mike, AD6AA, won a prize.

AK6DV Chuck qualified for WAZ.

The Tulare County ARC now meets the third Thursday at the Tulare County Board of Supervisors Bldg at 7:30 PM.

Turlock ARC members provided communication and safety support for the McLane-Pacific-Merco Bike Race.

Traffic for February: K6RAU 19, and W6SX 4. Total 23. PSHR: K6RAU 65 W6SX 18.

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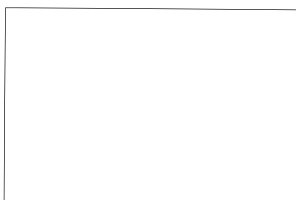


EVENTS: March '07

March 27, Club Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall
April 11, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall
April 24, Spaghetti Dinner, 6:30 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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