

W6LIE

Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club Inc. COMMUNICATOR

Nov.-Dec. 2007

*Holiday Dinner
Saturday, Dec 15
at Salvation Army*



It's time for our Holiday Dinner! The dinner will be on Saturday, Dec 15 at the Salvation Army, 4417 Wilson Rd, between Akers and Stine. Parking area is in the back.

The club provides turkey, ham, dinner rolls, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. We also have paper plates and plastic utensils if you need them. Neal N6YGG is also preparing gravy, stuffing, and mashed potatoes. The rest of the meal is potluck so we ask that attending persons bring a side dish (such as salads, vegetables, etc), and/or bring a dessert.

The Salvation Army room will be open as early as 2:00 p.m. for the cooks and anyone who want to help set up. Dinner will start around 6:00 or when the hot foods are ready.

Larry KF6JOQ will be collecting canned foods to donate to the Salvation Army. Two canned items per person will earn you a free regular raffle ticket, with a 4 can limit per person for two tickets.



We have some small purchased holiday decorations for the tables, however, it is always nice to have some homemade treasures. So, if you have the desire to craft and donate some items for the tables, please feel free to do so. Remember, the decorations are raffled off to the ladies at the end of the evening.

The 2008 Officers and Directors will be installed to office at this meeting and the Ham of the Year, if any, will be announced.

There will be a special raffle prize for new hams licensed after Jan 1, 2007: an ADI AT210 portable donated to the club. We will have our regular raffle prizes plus a Yaesu FT7800R 2 meter/440 mobile. Also, a Yaesu FT1802M 2 meter mobile will be raffled as a door prize; you must be there to win!

Please come and join us for this very special evening. Everyone always enjoys it!

Salvation Army, 4417 Wilson Rd.

Officers and Board of Directors for Year 2007

President - Larry Callahan, KF6JOQ ----- (661) 834-3204
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NEXT VE SESSION

Next VE test session

Friday, January 11

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.

2008 KC-CVARC Board Election Results

Winners are in **bold**.

President: Marie Thompson, N6ZFN 48
 Dave Light, KG6YSZ 2
 Larry Callahan, KF6JOQ 1

1st VP: Jon Wilhelm, WA6KLB 29
 Steve Marmolejo, N6GOD 23

2nd VP: Mark Slater, WI6J 48
 Steve KB6WR 2

Treasurer: Diane Ebel, KG6UFB 50

Secretary: Frank Wells, KD6UQZ 28
 Dave Light, KG6YSZ 24

Directors: Jon Armstrong, K6QXG 41
Joe Luque, KI6LPU 37
Tony Mattias, W6TRC 37
 Jerry Grossardt, KD6JSB 19
 Pam Jackson, KD6LBS 15

Road and Weather Net



The Road & Weather Net operated Nov 21-25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday travelers. The Net will also be running for the Christmas and New Year's holidays and volunteers are needed. Please contact Neal N6YGG at neal@janzen.org or 831-6027 to sign up.

Our Club has sponsored the Road & Weather Net for many years. Travelers through our area have come to depend on this service. Our purpose is to offer road conditions and weather information as needed to traveling amateurs, and to keep them company as they travel through the area. We are also there in case of emergency.

Visit the Club web page <www.w6lie.org/> for more information under R&W Net.

2008 Club Dues Due Jan 1, 2008.

A big thank you to Wilma Whisler, KD6MLF, who has already paid her 2008 dues.

Paying annual dues helps support the club's repeaters, and buys supplies and PRIZES for monthly meetings. Please support your Club by paying dues!

Membership forms are available on the Club Web Page <www.w6lie.org/> and enclosed with this newsletter.

You may also get one from the Club Secretary at any of the meetings.

Minutes of KCCVARC Board of Directors November 14, 2007 meeting

Veterans Hall, 1905 Wilson Rd, Bakersfield, CA:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by our President.

A quorum was present: President Larry KF6JOQ, 1st VP Randy KC6ZRF, Secretary Dave KG6YSZ, Treasurer Diane KG6UFB, Directors: Bobby KA6H, Steven N6GOD

Members: Sandi KE6KJA, Pam KB6LBS, Jon K6QXG, Bob KD6II, Tony W6TRC, Lee KI6MXL, Joe KI6LPU

Treasurer's Report: Diane reported the account balances: General fund: \$560.57, Scholarship: \$1558.28.

Secretary's Report: Election ballots for 2008 officers were counted Nov. 10; the results are as posted on page 2.

Committee Reports:

Interference: Nothing to report.

Repeater: Jon WA6KLB, Dave KG6YSZ and Pete W6SV "winterized" the 145.150 repeater by replacing the battery, installed a controller and standby antenna. Also changed the controller on the 224.060 repeater to solve a problem.

ARES/RACES: City of Bakersfield conducted a disaster drill today. Marie N6ZFN was net control with Steven N6GOD, Jon WA6KLB, Jon K6QXG and others participating. Kern County will conduct a drill Jan 08.

Old Business:

Christmas dinner: To be held at the Salvation Army, 4417 Wilson Road, Bakersfield on Saturday December 15 for members and their guests. Food preparation at 2 PM, dinner at 6 PM. Parking in the rear through the gate, talk-in on 145.15 repeater. Canned food donations will be given raffle tickets: 2 cans = 1 ticket, 4 cans = 2 tickets. Table decorations to be raffled to YL's/XYL's. Special raffle prize for new hams licensed after Jan 1, 2007: ADI AT210 portable donated to the club. Regular raffle prizes: Yaesu FT7800R 2 meter/440 mobile, Yaesu FT1802M 2 meter mobile.

Road and Weather nets: Sign up soon, listed on www.w6lie.org, click on R&W Net

New Business:

Discussed possibility of selling advertising in newsletter (\$5 per business card size ad)

Discussed incentives to encourage early payment of club membership renewal for 2008.

Motion to adjourn: At 8:31 PM by Steven, seconded by Bobby, unanimous approval.

Dave Light, KG6YSZ
Secretary

Used Components Available

I recently acquired some old metal cased capacitors with a 3000 voltage rating. I also have several heavy metal cased volt and ammeters, one new RCA 866A vacuum tube and two heavy duty power supplies (-7 volt and +30 volt). If any of these items can be of use to your club or individual, the price will be right. The cost will be whatever you would like to donate to the CSUB Nursing Program Cochran Endowment Fund. I can be reached at my cell phone: 661-378-1629.

Thank you,
Barry Potter

Sunshine Girl Report



I will have 5 Christmas cards for people to sign at the Christmas dinner to send to Hams, who are still needing get well wishes.

—Pam Jackson, KD6LBS

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

December Birthdays:

1 Marie Thompson	N6ZFN
4 Dick Turner	KB5AKK
5 Dan Lack	KG6YFJ
6 Bill Costello, Jr.	KI6HOF
7 Donna Higginbotham	WA6FUN
10 Rodger Allen	KG6YFE
11 Jack Agan	WB6MAU
12 Dan McFadzean	N6RWA
15 Jim Thompson	K6RRS
16 David Cooper	KI6FDV
16 Skip Reymann	N6SR



18 Walt Wisniewski	WS6O
20 Carolynne Hart	Associate Member
24 Arly Feil	N6INT
24 Henry Guichard	W6VMB
29 Steven Marmolejo	N6GOD

January Birthdays (to mid month):

3 Neal Janzen	N6YGG
12 Dean Sutton	KK6XR
13 Lorrie McCaman	KD6CQD
15 Antonio Cruz	KR6DK

TREASURER'S CASH FLOW REPORT

Submitted by Diane Ebel, KG6UGB

October 11 through November 14, 2007

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$749.87
INCOME	
Dues	40.00
Raffle, Radio	75.00
Raffle, Regulas	77.00
Coffee	4.92
Bake Sale Auction	<u>179.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	375.92
EXPENSES	
D. Ebel, radios	447.93
AT&T	17.11
Sandi C.: copies	59.18
Postmaster, stamps	<u>41.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>565.22</u>
ENDING BALANCE	<u>\$560.57</u>

Scholarship Fund

Balance on 11/14/07 \$1,558.28



Santa Clause is Coming to a Radio Near You!

Club member Mickey Hicks (WO6T) has let Santa use his Amateur Radio Station for 36 years this December 2007.

When Santa Claus comes to Bakersfield and uses Mickey's station, he uses the call sign W6S.

Santa is on the air from December 13-24 on 28.335, 21.335, 18.135, and 14.270 throughout the days before Christmas.

All frequencies are + - for QRM and QRN.

Most likely this year will mostly be on 14.270.

Santa gets on the air primarily to talk to children everywhere that permits 3rd party traffic.

QSL Manager for W6S (Santa Claus) is Mark E Slater (WI6J), Please send a S.A.S.E. to,

Mark E Slater WI6J
9416 Spokane Ave
Bakersfield, Ca, 93312

Your QSL Card will be sent back ASAP.

Or if a club member, give your request to Mark at the club meetings.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of October 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.

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: SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 1, 2007. The Pacific Division Directors Meeting will be December 1, 2007, in the City Council Chambers in Livermore. Each affiliated club is permitted to send a maximum of 2 representatives to the meeting. More information will be posted when it is known. Radiofest is February 23-24, 2008 in Monterey. Check www.radiofest.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. 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.

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.

Pacificon for 2007 was a great convention. The attendance was greater than in 2006. The exhibit hall was filled to capacity and all spaces in the hall were occupied too. There were lots of good deals to be had there. The forums were outstanding. If you have not attended a Pacificon, you should plan to attend in October of 2008. The dates are October 17-19, 2008 at the San Ramon Marriott Hotel. The conventions are a great place to meet other hams and learn new things. The San Joaquin Valley was well represented among the attendees this year. If you did not attend this year, you should plan to attend next year's event.

The 2007 ARRL Pacific Division Director's Meeting is December 1, 2007, from 9:30 AM to 3 PM at the City Council Chambers, 3575 Pacific Ave., in Livermore CA. Each affiliated club may send a maximum of 2 representatives to this meeting. Confirm your attendance by sending an email to w6rgg@arrl.org. Lunch will be provided. If you have any items you would like the group to consider, please include the item(s) in your confirmation email. The items presented may be of such significance to be presented to the ARRL Board in January 2008.

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.

Top SJV scores in the 2007 ARRL Field Day were first W6A (Madera ARC), second W6TO (Fresno ARC) and third W6SW (San Andreas Fault Line Survivors).

SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 1, 2007. This annual event has many NOAA Weather Service facilities on the air, manned by Amateurs who participate in the SKYWARN program. The SKYWARN program is very important to help make the weather service personnel aware of severe weather conditions.

The Clovis ARP and Fresno ARC members provided communications support for the American Diabetes Association's Second Annual Step Out to Fight Diabetes Wall/run.

The Mountain ARC and the Amateur Radio Association of Central California provided communications support for the 2007 Double Century Bike Ride.

Congratulations to KF6JOQ on earning DXCC and to WI6J on earning WAC.

Traffic for October: K6RAU 24, W6DPD 0, and W6SX 30. Total 54. PSHR: K6RAU 79 and W6SX 59.

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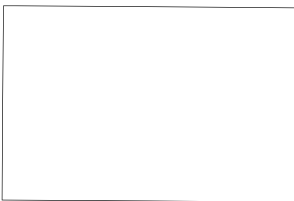
EVENTS: Nov.-Dec. '07

December 15, Holiday Dinner 6 pm, Salvation Army 4417 Wilson Rd between Akers & Stine
January 8, Board Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall
January 22, Club Meeting, 7 pm, Veterans Hall

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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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