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ARES Northwest Update

Eric J. Christensen K6EJC

Membership in ARES Northwest seems to be gaining slowly. Over the past six months, several people have submitted membership applications on the ARES-LAX website/email address. Let us all do our part to recruit new members into ARES. As our SEC, Jim Porter **N6AJG** suggests, everyone bring a friend to the monthly meetings.

We have also had several great guest speakers at the Northwest District monthly meetings. In May, Allan Gaynor W6IST gave a presentation on Amateur TV. Previous months meetings have included presentations by the US Geological Survey, a Disaster Coordinator at Kaiser Permanente on Hospital Disaster Communications, US Weather Service Weather Spotter Training, and Joy Matlack KD6FJV for the Baker to Vegas Race Communications.

This month's speaker will be **Skip Bolnik KJ6Y**. Skip is an antenna expert and will be speaking about antenna and tower installation.

On the hospital front, several of the ones that we support have made purchases of amateur radio equipment for their EOCs. California Hospital purchased a Kenwood TM-V71A 2m/440 mobile radio with power supply and Anderson Powerpole rig runner to allow arriving amateurs to connect their own equipment to the power supply. They also purchased a Diamond X-6000 2m/440/1.2 GHz vertical base station antenna.

Temple Hospital purchased a power supply, rig runner, Diamond X-200 2m/440 base antenna to install atop their building. Silverlake Medical Center purchased a Kenwood TM-V71A 2m/440 mobile radio, Uniden BCD-996XT digital scanner, Astron power supply and rig runner, plus Diamond X-6000 2m/440/1.2 GHz base station antenna. Huntington Memorial Hospital in the purchased a Yaesu FT-897 Northeast District HF/VHF/UHF radio. Kenwood TM-D710A 2m/440 APRS radio and assorted antennas.

Glendale Memorial Hospital purchased a Kenwood TM-D710A 2m/440 APRS radio, Kenwood TH-F6A 2m/220/440 HT, plus several base station antennas. They are also planning to relocate their EOC. Providence Tarzana Medical Center is planning to equip their EOC soon with amateur radio and commercial radio equipment.

Several hospitals have provided Rig Runner power strips attached to a power supply so that responding ARES members can connect their own equipment via Anderson Power Poles. So, consider keeping Anderson Power pole power cables for your radios in your go bag.

We are again being asked to support the **Angeles Crest AC-100** race in September. The race was cancelled last year due to the devastating Station Fire. Gene Roske AE6GR, who has supervised the Chilao and other stations, will not be able to attend this year. He has invited interested **ARES** members to volunteer. To do this, contact **John Minger** AC6VV for more information.

Thank you to the hard work and enthusiasm of each **ARES** member. Keep up the great work!

New Antenna Defense Fund

Dave Greenhut N6HD, ARRL Section Manager, LAX

At the 61st International DX Convention in Visalia, California last month, Los Angeles Section's ARRL Vice Director *Marty Woll* N6VI announced the creation of the Amateur Radio Antenna Defense Foundation (ARADF), a tax-exempt charity under IRC 501(c)(3). ARADF can accept tax-deductible contributions to support the efforts to resolve and protect individual amateur radio operators from local and state governmental organizations attempting to wrongfully over regulate amateur radio antennas. The board members include well known **HAM** radio leaders: Leonard Shaffer WA6QHD, Art Goddard W6XD, Gayle Olson K6GO and Marty Woll N6VI. organization hopes to have a website soon. For more information please e-mail ARADF@SOCAL.RR.com.

Message to All Radio Clubs Regarding Tax Status

Richard J. Norton N6AA, ARRL Director

Changes made three years ago to the federal tax laws could cause many radio clubs to lose their tax-exempt status this year. To protect themselves, clubs that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code must file the required IRS annual returns or reports before the deadline, which is May 15 for those with calendar years.

Many clubs have, at some time in the past, applied for tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) [charitable organizations], Section 501(c)(4) [civic leagues] or Section 501(c)(7) [recreational clubs].

Years ago, any club with gross receipts averaging less than \$25,000 per year was not required to file annual returns with the IRS. However, after 2006, such clubs had to file a Form 990-N, a simple "electronic postcard" with minimal information, by the fifteenth day of the fifth month after the close of each fiscal year. Some clubs may not have been aware of this new requirement or didn't bother to comply. Even those that filed in a prior year may have neglected to keep up with the required filings as officers changed from year to year.

Section 6033(j) of the Code provides that failure to file Form 990, 990-EZ or 990-N for three consecutive years results in revocation of tax-exempt status as of the filing due date for he third return. That filing date for calendar year 2009 is less than two weeks away. If you are a club officer and are uncertain who is responsible for IRS filings or whether such filings are current, you should determine your fling status as soon as possible and take immediate steps to file the current and any missed priorvear IRS forms. Going forward, your club's board should assign the responsibility for compliance filings with a designated officer and document that responsibility in the written "job description" for the position so that subsequent holders of the office are made aware of the requirements. If you have questions about your club's status, you may wish to consult a CPA or other tax advisor.

So Cal Woman Arrested for Pirate Broadcasts

Excerpted from Dispatch Magazine Online

A team of Riverside County radio technicians and police used radio direction-finding equipment to locate and arrest a woman who is charged with making threats and interrupting radio transmissions on public safety frequencies over a two-day period. Irene Levy, 29, was tracked to her mobile home in Hemet, police say, and then arrested just seconds after her last transmission. Police say she is a licensed **Amateur Radio** operator, and that they seized 11 radios, seven scanners, computer gear and her **FCC** license during the arrest. Levy allegedly transmitted bomb threats, referred to the

deaths of officers and firefighters, and interrupted several major incidents, including a mutual aid vehicle accident and vegetation fire. She transmitted on local CalFire and Hemet PD channels, both in the 154/155 MHz band. Police did not say where she obtained the transmitters or how she broadcast on the public safety frequencies.

For Repeater Enthusiasts and others

Mike Morris WA6ILQ

I help run a website for repeater nuts called The Repeater Builder's Technical Information PageTM. It is an informational help site started by **Kevin Custer W3KKC**.

The purpose of the site is:

- To educate: As an example, "What's a repeater?"
- To supply quality information relating to amateur, and commercial repeater stations.
- To make available technical people who may answer repeater related questions.
- This site deals mainly with various Motorola®, and GE ® Mobile modifications for duplex repeater operation.
- To provide availability to some conversion parts for Motorola®, GE® and Hamtronics® equipment.
- To supply information on construction projects
 & technical information relating to repeaters.
- To furnish links to modifications for Motorola®, GE®, Hamtronics® and other manufacturers equipment.
- To make available email lists for those seeking information about repeaters. Like this one.
- To provide links to Service and Equipment providers.

This is the largest repeater information site in the world. We also maintain a Yahoo Group that has over 4,000 members worldwide and is a tremendous resource of technical knowledge on repeaters and repeater-building, be they amateur, commercial, GMRS, public safety, or CAP.

Items that may be of interest to the **HAM** are:

The current USA Spectrum Allocation Chart straight from the US National Telecommunications & Information Administration (NTIA) Office of Spectrum Management (OSM).

Articles, such as "Why tone squelch doesn't fix anything", and "AC Power safety."

Visit the site at www.repeater-builder.com.

Upcoming Communication Events

CQ Field Day... CQ Field Day...

The fourth weekend in June means only one thing: Field Day! Mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, June 26-27, 2010.

What is Field Day? Field Day is an annual Amateur Radio event that combines an emergency preparedness exercise, contest, educational experience and, at the ARES-LAX Field Day, a Barbecue Party!

On **Field Day**, **HAM** radio operators sharpen their skills while learning, mentoring, and showing the public what **Amateur Radio** can do for the community in times of emergency.

Field Day is also an opportunity for non-**HAM**s to try their hand at making radio contacts under the guidance of an experienced control operator.

With the partnership of the Pierce College Electronics Department, Field Day 2010 will be our best Field Day ever!

| Activity | Date | Time |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Preliminary Setup | Fri, June 25 | 11 am |
| Setup Continues | Sat, June 26 | 8 am - 11 am |
| Field Day Begins! | Sat, June 26 | 11 am |
| Barbecue Party by Chef Chris! | Sat, June 26 | 7 pm |
| Field Day Continues through Night | Sat night - Sun morning | All night |
| Field Day Ends, Teardown Begins | Sun, June 27 | 11 am |

Barbecue Party!

The ARES Field Day Barbecue is both a feast and a fundraiser. We ask for a \$25.00 donation. Please click "Donate" at www.arrllax.org or hand old-fashioned cash, or a check payable to ARESLAX, INC. (with "BBQ" written on the check) to Mercedes Prado K6MMP, to get your barbecue wristband at the event.

Location, Location!

Park in Parking Lot 6 East at Pierce College, 6201 Winnetka Ave, Woodland Hills, CA 91371

GPS: 34.18240 -118.57982

For maps, late-breaking details and a task list for volunteers, click the "Events" tab at: www.arrllax.org.

For questions or to volunteer, contact **Dean Cuadra WA6P** at wa6p@arrl.net.

For barbecue questions, contact *Mercedes Prado* **K6MMP** at k6mmp@arrl.net

ARRL Southwestern Division Convention

The 2010 ARRL Southwestern Division Amateur Radio Convention will be held September 17, 18 and 19, 2010 at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in San Diego. See http://www.sandarc.net/Convention201 0.htm for further details.

2011 and 2012 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention

It is always exciting to have our Los Angeles Section host the ARRL Southwest Division Convention. The Los Angeles Area Council of Amateur Radio Clubs has already begun working on this event. The council has asked to remind all Los Angeles Section amateur clubs to renew their council membership and add their valuable input. The more clubs that are involve in the event, the greater the event will turn out. This is a chance to help greater ham community and most of your own club. *David Greenhut* N6HD, Los Angeles Section Manager.

Planning is also already under way for the **2012 ARRL** Southwestern Division convention to be held in Arizona. If you would like to be part of this planning, contact **David Greenhut N6HD**, **ARRL LAX** Section Manager at N6HD@arrl.org.

On December 5, 2009, the **Two Meter Spectrum Management Associations** (**TASMA**) released its new band plan. The band plan covers repeater, simplex, packet, crossband and other coordinated frequencies. **TASMA** is **Amateur Radio**'s sole Southern California's two meters bands frequency coordination body with the stated purpose of repeater coordination and spectrum management.

ARRL Field Organizations:

Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) To become a part of ARES, use this ARES link.

National Traffic System (NTS) For information on training, or to volunteer to be an NTS Net control station, please send an e-mail to *Chester Brown* K6CRB, NTS Net Manager, expressing your interest to K6CRB@arrl.net.

Official Observer Program (OO) To apply to become an Official Observer, use this OO link.

Special Service Clubs. To designate your Amateur Radio club for Special Service status, use this SSC link.

Technical Specialist. To apply to become a Technical Specialist, use this <u>TS link</u>.



NTS' new Yahoo! Group

The Los Angeles Section **NTS** group has also formed a Yahoo! Group. Visit http://arrllax.org for more details. To volunteer to be an **NTS** Net control station, please send me an e-mail expressing your interest 73,

David Greenhut N6HD, Section Manager, ARRL Los Angeles Section. N6HD@arrl.org.

National Traffic System - Schedule

| Name | Time (Local) | Time (UTC) | Day | Mode | Frequency | |
|---|----------------|------------|---------|--------------|----------------------------|--|
| Local - National Traffic Nets - LAX Section | | | | | | |
| Los Angeles Net (LAN/V) | 21:00 PST | 4:00 UTC | T & Th | FM | 445.28 MHz/100.0 | |
| Southern California Net (SCN) | 19:00 PST | 3:00 UTC | T & Th | CW | 3.537 MHz | |
| Southern California Net (SCN/V) | 20:00 PST | 5:00 UTC | M,W & F | FM | 146.385 MHz/+146.2 | |
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| Regional - National Traffic Nets - L | AX Section | | | | | |
| Region Six (RN6/1) | 19:45 PST | 3:45 UTC | Daily | CW | 3.575 MHz | |
| Region Six (RN6/2) | 21:30 PST | 4:30 UTC | Daily | CW | 3.575 MHz | |
| National Traffic Syst. (NTSD) | 24 Hour/7 Days | | | Pactor | | |
| Area - National Traffic Nets - LAX Section | | | | | | |
| PAN | 20:30 PST | 4:30 UTC | Daily | CW | 3.552 MHz * | |
| | | | | *or dependin | g on propagation 7.052 MHz | |
| Other - National Traffic Nets | | | | | | |
| Northern California Net (NCN/1) | 19:00 PST | 3:00 UTC | Daily | CW | 3.533 MHz | |
| Northern California Net (NCN/2) | 21:00 PST | 5:00 UTC | Daily | CW | 3.533 MHz | |

ARES-LAX News and Nets



Northwest District

ARES Northwest District holds monthly meetings the first Saturday of the month from 8:00 A.M.—10:00 A.M. at Valley Presbyterian Medical Center (Education Center) located at 15107 Vanowen Street, Van Nuys, California 91405.

The June speaker will be **Skip Bolnik KJ6Y**. Skip is an antenna expert and will be speaking about antenna and tower installation.

ARES also conducts Weekly Nets on the **DARN** system:

Northwest District Weekly Net
Southwest District Weekly Net
Northeast District Weekly Net
Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.
Thursday 7:00 P.M.

DARN Repeater Network Frequencies:

| Palos Verdes | 446.740 | PL 100.0 |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Mt. Disappointment | 446.240 | PL 100.0 |
| Mt Wilson | 446.940 | PL 100.0 |
| Verdugo Peak | 445.280 | PL 100.0 |
| Mt. Disappointment | 1283.25 | PL 114.8 |
| Mt Disappointment, Mt Wilson, and Verdugo | 147.36+ | PL 103.5 |
| Echolink | Node 8722 | (K6VGP-R) |

Northeast District

The **ARES** Northeast District holds monthly meetings the second Saturday of the month from 9:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M. at Huntington Memorial Hospital (Wingate Building/East Conference Room), 100 W. California Boulevard, Pasadena, CA. Parking in the East lot is free for the meeting. There is usually somewhere there by 8:15 A.M. setting up, if want to arrive early. This is a good time to get questions answered, get assistance with your radio, or just get coffee!. Coffee, donuts and bagels are served.

The meetings run about 90 minutes, but many hang out for a while afterwards for refreshments, socializing, planning the next event, answering questions, etc. We have members from many of the surrounding area radio clubs, so in addition to hearing some very interesting guest speakers, it is a great opportunity to meet with other **HAMs**. Remember to bring a Friend...or two, or even your whole radio club! Guests are always welcome at the meetings. Share the excitement.

If you have any photos of our meetings or activities, feel free to post these on the Yahoo groups page for NortheastARESLAX.

If you want to help out as a net control station, AEC or backup at any of the hospitals, or anything else, contact **Dennis Oszuscik KI6UNC**, Net manager and EC at doszuscik@ki6unc.com.

In addition to our established hospitals **Huntington Memorial** and **Pomona Valley**, and our recently added hospitals **USC** and **Alhambra**, we have a new request to support **Garfield Medical Center**. We also expect to have requests from several other area hospitals in the near future. If anyone is interested in getting involved with the initial set up at **Garfield**, please contact me or **Dennis Oszuscik KI6UNC** as soon as possible.

Also, if you want to be on the list to help out at the other existing hospitals or future hospitals, let us know. Just send a quick email indicating your interest. We would like to have several team members at each hospital.

The Northeast District conducts a Net every Thursday at 7:00 P.M. on the **DARN** repeater system. **Dennis Oszuscik KI6UNC** acts as Net control. **ARES** members and visitors are invited to check-in.

ARES Northeast will join with **ARES** Northwest and Southwest for **Field Day 2010**! This is a great opportunity to practice your skills, try new modes and antennas, make a lot of contacts, socialize with fellow **HAM**s, educate the public (think P.R.) and have fun! It is also an opportunity to introduce new **HAM**s or potential **HAM**s to the hobby as well as learn from experienced **HAM**s. I strongly encourage everyone to participate and enjoy.

I know a lot of you have a tradition of doing **Field Day** with your home radio clubs and this message is in no way meant to draw you away from your home club and friends. However, if you do not have a home club or traditional **Field Day** group, please consider joining our **ARES Field Day** at **Pierce College**, 6201 Winnetka Avenue, Woodland Hills, CA 91371.

It is a great hilltop location. I believe we will be setting up a 50' tower for antennas, operating on generator and battery power, have 2 contest stations plus **GOTA** station for new **HAM**s, have CW, voice, digital modes, and satellite. There will be great food. News media and VIPs will likely be there. We will have endless cups of coffee for those operating through the night and plenty of shade during the day.

Even if you will primarily be doing **Field Day** elsewhere or with your home radio club, please consider coming to the Saturday night BBQ. It is a great social event and also a way to help support **ARES**. I am told the food is awesome and the camaraderie is even better. The fee for the meal is \$25.00, the views of the city lights are free and the friendship is priceless. If you are planning on attending the BBQ, please contact me by email to make a reservation so that we have enough food for everyone attending and send your meal fee to me as soon as possible before the event. I will forward the meal fee to **Mercedes Prado K6MMP** and confirm your BBQ reservation.

Even if you can't make the BBQ, don't feel left out. Please feel free to come by anytime during **Field Day** and visit or participate. If you will be at the **ARES Field Day** event, please let **Dean Cuadra W6AP** know and also let him know what you are interested in helping with. **Dean** is the Northwest **District Emergency Coordinator** and **Field Day Coordinator**, and will be working to make the best use of all of our resources and skills.

Hope to see you there!

Russ Keating KI6WIR, DEC-Northeast District, ARES-LAX ki6wir@arrl.net.

Southwest District

The **ARES** Southwest District holds monthly meetings the third Saturday of the month at from 9:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M. at Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center in San Pedro, 1300 W. 7th Street, San Pedro, CA. The meetings are held in the DeMucci Education Center on the first floor, inside the hospital. Call (310) 832-3311 for additional information and directions.

Southeast District

The Southeast District conducts FCC license testing by the Associated Radio Amateurs of Long Beach W6RO (ARALB), every third Saturday of the month at 9:00 A.M. at the California State University Long Beach Police Station. All license elements are offered for a fee of \$4.00 for each test.

Directions: Go to the South side of the campus, to Parking Lot 11, off of Palo Verde Avenue at Atherton Street, South of the 405 Freeway. Free parking on testing mornings is in Lot #9, at Palo Verde Avenue and Anaheim Road. Enter Lot 9 off Palo Verde Avenue, and it is a short walk to Lot #11. Free handicap parking is available in Lot #11.

Talk-in from 0800 to 0900 hours is available using the 449.780/MHz **K6CHE** Repeater. PL tone is 131.8/Hz.

To pre-register, contact Louise Chapman N6ELK at (562) 429-1355.

High Desert

The **ARES** High Desert conducts Weekly Nets on Wednesday evening at 7:00 P.M. The Net is structured to be informative as well as a venue to experiment with equipment and/or location(s) where the ARES High Desert group could possibly be involved in service.

The Net begins on the Hauser repeater frequency of 146.730/MHz with a minus offset and PL tone of 100. (Those listening using a scanner need only be concerned with the frequency.). After initial check-ins and announcements or net business the frequency is changed to simplex of 147.555/MHz, where participants check in a second time, and give a report on the signal strength of the Net control station. In addition, Net control makes note of their signal strength and records this data each week. The Net then returns to the Hauser repeater to conclude.

FCC Licensing and Upgrades

Associated Radio Amateurs Of Long Beach W6RO

The Associated Radio Amateurs Of Long Beach (ARALB) will conduct a 6-week General Licensing Course session from July 10, 2010 to August 21, 2010.

Sessions will be held on Saturdays, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at the Long Beach Emergency Communications and Operations Center, 2990 Redondo Avenue, Long Beach.

The **FCC** Licensing Exam will be held on August 28, 2010 at the Emergency Communications and Operations Center.

Participants must already hold a Technician license. The cost of the course is \$45.00 which includes materials, book and testing fee. For **ARALB** members, the fee is \$40.00.

Space is limited. The registration deadline is July 5, 2010.

For more information, contact *Bill Bradley WD6FON* by telephone at (562) 531-0534 or email at Training@aralb.org.

ARES-LAX/Southeast District

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Directions: Go to the South side of the campus, to Parking Lot 11, off of Palo Verde Avenue at Atherton Street, South of the 405 Freeway. Free parking on testing mornings is in Lot #9, at Palo Verde Avenue and Anaheim Road. Enter Lot 9 off Palo Verde Avenue, and it is a short walk to Lot #11. Free handicap parking is available in Lot #11.

Talk-in from 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. hours is available using the 449.780/MHz **K6CHE** Repeater. PL tone is 131.8/Hz.

To pre-register, contact Louise Chapman N6ELK at (562) 429-1355.

Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club (AVARC)

AVARC conducts monthly **ARRL** VE testing sessions. For March sessions, check out the **AVARC** website at **www.avarc.av.org**.

The examinations are held at the **First Christian Church of the Antelope Valley**, 1702 East Ave. J., Lancaster, CA (Across the street from the Eastside Wall Mart).

Please enter parking lot off the end of the cul-de-sac 17th Street East, enter the classroom annex, and look for the "FCC Exams" sign outside the correct classroom. Monday Nights: Please do not disturb the A.A. group or other groups that may be using the facilities.

Dates/times may be subject to change.

*** PLEASE CHECK THE AVARC WEBSITE (www.avarc.av.org) THE DAY OF THE TEST, OR CALL ADRIENNE SHERWOOD WA6YEO PRIOR TO DRIVING ANY DISTANCE TO TAKE AN EXAM ***

Prices are \$15.00 for the **ARRL**, and \$4.00 for the **GLAARG** session. Administrative submission, (no test), fee is \$2.00 for **GLAARG** sessions only.

Independent Radio Club (IRC)

The Independent Radio Club (IRC) will host a General License Course and FCC Examination session on Saturday July 24, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and Sunday July 25, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Eagle Rock City Hall, 2035 Colorado Boulevard, Eagle Rock, CA.

The Licensing exam will be conducted after the class session on Sunday July 25.

The course fee is \$50.00 and includes a the course book and the testing fees. Should you fail the examination, a second examination can be taken for an additional fee of \$15.

Early sign up is encouraged, as prestudy will increase your chances of success.

To sign up for the class, go to the **IRC** website: www.ircradio.org and fill out the form attached to the course announcement.

If you have any questions, contact *Ken Chafin* W6CPA at w6cpa@arrl.net or at (818) 957-1699.

K6YH Crescent Bay VE Club

K6YH Crescent Bay VE Club conducts licensing exams at the **W6TRW Amateur Radio Association SWAPMEET** from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. on the last Saturday of every month, for all Amateur elements. Testing is conducted at One Space Park Drive, Redondo Beach, CA, in the Building S-Cafeteria at the Northrop Grumman campus. Enter the Cafeteria on the north side, proceed down the stairs and enter the building.

Bring a Photo ID, original and photocopy of Amateur license and/or CSCE, if any. Test fee is \$14.00 CASH ONLY.

Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club (PVARC)

PVARC holds licensing classes at **Hesse Park**, 29301 Hawthorne Boulevard in Rancho Palos Verdes, CA.

Two Amateur Radio Courses will be offered in July for Technician and General. Each course is two sessions on July 24, 2010 and July 31, 2010.

The Technician class will be held from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. The General class will be held from 2:15 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

The FCC Licensing exam will be held from 10 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. on Aug 7, 2010.

No pre-registration required and there is no fee for either course. The cost for the Licensing Exam is \$15.00.

Gordon West book's with FCC test questions is the recommended text. The cost is \$21.00 for Technician and \$23.00 for General. *Walt Orday* K1DFO also has a set of Power PowerPoint charts with test prep questions for \$15.00.

Students of High School age and below who successfully complete the Technician Course and obtain a Technician Class Radio License will be reimbursed by the **PVARC** for the cost of their license fee and study materials.

For more information contact *Walt Ordway* K1DFO at (310) 541-4007 or walt.ordway@yahoo.com.

PAPA System

PAPA combines its license testing with breakfast! All test sessions are at 7:00 A.M., except where noted, and precede the 8:00 A.M. breakfast meetings. All elements are offered, except as noted.

This month's breakfast will be held on **Saturday**, **June 12**, **2010** at Carrows, 18355 Ventura Boulevard, Tarzana, CA.

Pre-registration is required, due to limited space and the possibility of changes.

Visit the **PAPA** website <u>www.papasys.net</u>, for registration information and directions to the restaurant.

San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club (SFVARC)

The **SFVARC** holds licensing exams at the **Northridge Hospital**, on the first Saturday of February, April, June,

August, October and December. Registration starts at 8:00 A.M., and testing starts at 9:00 A.M.

There is a \$4.00 examination fee. You do not have to be a club member to take an examination. Also, if you are upgrading your license, please bring your original license, a copy of your license, and originals and copies of any "Certificates of Completion."

For more information, access the **SFVARC** website www.w6sd.net. In all other months, exams are conducted by the **Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club** (see below).

Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club (SCARC)

SCARC conducts licensing exams on the third Saturday of every odd month of the year (January, March, May, July, September, and November) at 8:00 A.M., at the **Santa Clarita City Hall** in the Council Chambers.

If you wish to take a test, please contact *Ron Klein* **K6VPV**, at rbklein@earthlink.net or at 661-259-0948, at least five days before the testing session. This is so that we can have the necessary forms and testing materials ready for you and so that you can be informed on what you need to bring with you.

Tri-County Amateur Radio Association K6AGF

TCARA offers testing for Technician through Extra Class, and it is held on the last Saturday of every month (except December) at 1:00 P.M. in the Pilot's Lounge at Brackett Field Airport. The location is the same place where TCARA has their Club meetings (see below). The fee is \$15.00.

Contact *Frank Westphal*, K6FW at (909) 628-8661 for reservations. Leave on the answering machine the class of the test you want to take, your name, address, and telephone number. Bring your current original license and a copy; any CSCEs with copies of same, and a picture ID.

United Radio Amateur Club (URAC)

URAC conducts licensing exams for both Amateur and Commercial licenses on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, at 1:30 P.M. Reservations are required. Contact Bill Carter W6AJ at w6aj@arrl.net, Doug Dowds W6HB at w6hb@arrl.net or the Club email at k6aa@arrl.net. W6AJ is the VE in charge of exams.

See the website www.k6aa.org for more details.



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220 MHZ Spectrum Management Association

The **220SMA** is a NOT FOR PROFIT Association of Amateur Radio operators dedicated to education about, and technical and operational management of, the Amateur Radio 220 MHz. Bands. The Association represents all modes of operation and develops Band Plans intended to facilitate the maximum practicable use of the spectrum. Membership in the Association is open to individual Amateur Radio Operators in an effort to allow for maximum representation from all interest segments, and minimize the influence of any one special interest area. A Coordination Board operates within the Association to perform the formal coordination activities associated with the 219 MHz. Digital Linking and 222 MHz. Repeater Coordination activities.

General meetings are held quarterly, on the third Saturday of each month. See the website for the date and location of the next meeting.

Website: www.220sma.org.

Nets: See website for details.

Education: See website for details.

HAM Exams: None listed.

Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club K60X

The Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club (AVARC) is part of the High Desert District. AVARC holds monthly meetings on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30 P.M., at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Lancaster City Hall, 44933 N. Fern Avenue, Lancaster, CA.

AVARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2010.

Website: www.avarc.av.org.

Nets: AVARC conducts a weekly Net on Wednesdays

at 8:00 P.M. on 146.73MHz (-) PL 100.0.

Education: See website for details. **HAM Exams:** See website for details.

Arcadia Red Cross Amateur Radio Public Safety Corps KI6UJB

The Arcadia Red Cross Amateur Radio Public Safety Corps (ARCARPSC) is part of the Northeast District. They exist to support the community in emergency

preparedness, and support the Amateur community with licensing classes and mentoring.

For more information, email scfm440@aol.com.

Websites: None listed.

Nets: None listed.

Education: Email for details.

HAM Exams: Email for details.

Associated Radio Amateurs Of Long Beach W6RO

The Associated Radio Amateurs Of Long Beach (ARALB) is part of the Southeast District. ARALB meets the first Friday of every month at 7:00 P.M. At this time, their meeting location has been changed from one in the prior year. Be sure to visit their website: www.aralb.org for up-to-date details on meeting locations and times.

ARALB's next meeting will be held on **Friday**, **June 4**, **2010** at The Signal Hill Community Center. 1780 Hill Street, Signal Hill, CA. The speaker will be **Charles H.** "Chip" Margelli K7JA.

ARALB also manages the **W6RO Club Station** aboard the **Ocean Liner Queen Mary** in the Wireless room, located on the Sport Deck, Queensway Bay, Long Beach Harbor, Long Beach, California.

The Wireless Room features a Ten Position Radio Station. Volunteers operate **W6RO** during three 4 hour "shifts "daily and establish communication all around the world

We try to be there from: 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., and 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

ARALB hosts a weekly Club Breakfast at 8:00 A.M. every Wednesday at Spires Restaurant, 1935 E. Del Amo Boulevard in Long Beach, at the corner of Cherry Avenue and Del Amo Boulevard.

In preparation for **Field Day 2010**, **ARALB** will be hosting a number of training courses:

Field Day Seminar

The no-fee seminar will be held on Saturday, June 12 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at the Long Beach Emergency Communications and Operations Center, 2990 Redondo Avenue, Long Beach.

Learn About...

- The history of Field Day
- Field Day Operational Practices
- Operating Logging Software
- Techniques to Setup a Field Day Station
- 2010 Field Day Update and Information
- Q&A Session

Introduction to Emergency Communications Seminar

This seminar will be held on Saturday, June 19, 2010 from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Long Beach Emergency Communications and Operations Center, 2990 Redondo Avenue, Long Beach. *Sibyl Keirns* **KA6RXX** will be the instructor.

This course is specifically for **HAM** radio operators to learn basic operating procedures for emergency communications. This training is necessary for Amateurs deployed in the field for emergency services work.

Seminar fee is \$15.00 and includes all class materials. Space is limited. The last day to register is June 12, 2010, no exceptions.

You can register for both of these courses on the website. For more detail, contact: *Bill Bradley* **WD6FON** at <u>Training@aralb.org</u> or by telephone at (562) 531-0534.

And **ARALB** will hold its **Field Day 2010** exercises in a new location:

Recreation Park, 795 Federation Drive (E 7th St and Federation Drive), Long Beach, CA.

For details and to participate, contact: **Bob Grubic NC6Q** at nc6q@arrl.net.

Website: www.aralb.org.

Nets: ARALB conducts a weekly Net on Fridays (except meeting nights) at 7:00 P.M. on 146.145 + PL 156.7.

ARALB conducts a weekly Slow CW Net on Fridays (except meeting nights) at 7:30 P.M. at 28.130 MHz.

Education: ARALB will conduct a 6-week General Licensing Course session from July 10, 2010 to August 21, 2010.

Sessions will be held on Saturdays, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at the Long Beach Emergency Communications and Operations Center, 2990 Redondo Avenue, Long Beach.

The **FCC** Licensing Exam will be held on August 28, 2010 at the Emergency Communications and Operations Center.

Participants must already hold a Technician license. The cost of the course is \$45.00 which includes materials, book and testing fee. For **ARALB** members, the fee is \$40.00.

Space is limited. The registration deadline is July 5, 2010.

See website for details or contact: *Bill Bradley* **WD6FON** at <u>Training@aralb.org</u> or by telephone at (562) 531-0534.

HAM Exams: See website for details.

Baldwin Hills Amateur Radio Club N6EW

Baldwin Hills Amateur Radio Club (BARC) is part of the Southwest District. BARC meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at Round Table Pizza, 4330 Redondo Beach Boulevard, Torrance CA.

BARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 2, 2010.

BARC members meet informally for dinner on Saturday evenings around 6:00 P.M. Currently, members are meeting at various locations throughout Los Angeles. To attend the informal dinners, please contact *Ed Walker* WA6MDJ at (323) 295-4817.

BARC holds monthly Club dinners on the **second Saturday of every month** at **The Grinder** in Westchester or at alternate locations. Listen to the Tuesday night Nets for further information.

Southern California Monitoring Association (SCMA) meets the second Wednesday of every month for dinner at The Grinder in Westchester, CA.

BARC has a table at the TRW SwapMeet held on the last Saturday of every month. The Club tables are located in row J-12, J-14 & J-16.

Website: www.barc.us.

Nets: BARC hosts a Net on Tuesdays at 7:30 P.M. on the BARC 2 meter repeater (146.925- & 224.68-).

Education: See website for details.

HAM Exams: BARC holds amateur radio license testing every other meeting.

Crescenta Valley Radio Club WB6ZTY

The Crescenta Valley Amateur Radio Club (CVARC) is part of the Northeast District. CVARC meets the second Thursday of the month (excluding August) at 7:30 P.M. at Verdugo Hills Hospital, Council Room D 1812 Verdugo Boulevard, Glendale, CA.

CVARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 10, 2010.

CVARC holds a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of each month. This month's breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 5, 2010 at 7:30 A.M. at Conrad's Restaurant in La Canada.

Website: www.qsl.net/cvrc.

Nets: CVARC conducts a weekly 2-Meter repeater "Transponder Net" between club members and members of the Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society of Surrey, England at 9:15 A.M.

CVARC conducts a weekly Net on Sundays at 8:00 P.M. on 146.025, PL +136.5

CVARC conducts G.E.A.R.S. check-ins on Mondays (except DCS Holidays) at 7:00 P.M. on the K6CCC Repeater 445.380 PL Minus 100.

CVARC conducts P.E.R.C.S. Simplex check-ins on Thursdays at 8:00 P.M. on 144.465.

Education: See website for details.

HAM Exams: See website for details.

Downey Amateur Radio Club, Inc. W6TOI

The Downey Amateur Radio Club (DARC) is part of the Southeast District. DARC meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 P.M. at the First Baptist Church of Downey, Room 120, 8348 E Third Street (meeting location is on the 2nd street side of the church).

DARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 3, 2010.

Website: www.downeyarc.org.

Nets: DARC conducts a weekly 440-Net on Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. on the Club 440 repeater at 445.640 (-) PL 156.7 Hz for the repeater located in Altadena. Use a PL of 88.5 for our Palos Verde repeater.

DARC conducts a weekly 2-meter simplex Net on Thursdays at 7:30 P.M. on 145.595.

Education: See website for details.

HAM Exams: See website for details.

Hollywood Hills QRP Contest Club

For information on this Club, contact *Robert E. Griffin* **K6YRE** at <u>k6yr@arrl.org</u>.

Hughes Amateur Radio Club W6HA

The **Hughes Amateur Radio Club** (**HARC**) is part of the Southwest District. **HARC** meets the third Tuesday of every month at 12:00 P.M. at the Hacienda Hotel Coffee Shop, 525 N. Sepulveda Boulevard, El Segundo, CA. Guests are always welcome.

Contact *Barry Colston* KG6NWJ at bmcolston@raytheon.com for further details.

Independent Radio Club (the Mountain Repeater Association) WA6IRC

The Independent Radio Club (IRC) joined forces with the Mountain Repeater Association K6VE in 2006, bringing 440 MHz and 902 MHz repeaters to the existing wide area 220 MHz repeater system.

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Now known as **The Independent Radio Club**, our repeater system provides access on three amateur bands, 222 MHz, 440 MHz and 902 MHz. Voter receivers and links between sites provide wide area coverage to Southern California, Arizona and Nevada. Internet Radio Linking Project (IRLP) and EchoLink nodes further extend system coverage literally worldwide.

IRC and the **MRA** hold combined club meetings on the last Friday of the month (except November and December) at 7:00 P.M., at the **Lamplighter Restaurant**, 5043 Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys, CA.

Due to **Field Day 2010**, **IRC**'s next monthly meeting will be held on Friday, June 18, 2010.

Websites: <u>www.mraradio.org</u> and <u>http://www.ircradio.org</u>.

Nets: IRC conducts weekly Nets on Tuesdays at 6:00 P.M. and Thursdays at 8:00 P.M., and all are welcome! The frequencies are listed below:

| Los Angeles (Contractor's Point) | 445.3400 103.5 PL & 927.425 82.5 PL | 1282.850 minus split PL 123.0. |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| Los Angeles & Las Vegas | 224.4800 110.9 PL | |
| Blueridge | 224.020 PL 110.9 & 446.860 82.5 PL | (Blue Ridge Link Code 747* for 446.860) |
| City Terrace | 224.720 PL 110.9 | 927.9625 100.0 PL |
| D-STAR- Contractor's Point, WA6IRC | 145.605, 447.040, 1282.650, 1299.700 | |
| D-STAR- Blue Ridge, WB6IRC | 145.585 & 446.880 | |
| IRLP Contractor's Point | 445.340 & 224.480 Node: 3030 | |
| IRLP Pasadena (Simplex) | 927.600 Node: 3040 | |
| IRLP Palm Springs | 224.480 Node: 3053 | |
| EchoLink Las Vegas | 224.480 Node: 187724 | |

Education: The **IRC** will host a General License Course and FCC Examination session on Saturday July 24, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and Sunday July 25, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Eagle Rock City Hall, 2035 Colorado Boulevard, Eagle Rock, CA.

The Licensing exam will be conducted after the class session on Sunday July 25.

The course fee is \$50.00 and includes a the course book and the testing fees. Should you fail the examination, a second examination can be taken for an additional fee of \$15.

Early sign up is encouraged, as prestudy will increase your chances of success.

To sign up for the class, go to the **IRC** website: www.ircradio.org and fill out the form attached to the course announcement.

If you have any questions, contact *Ken Chafin* W6CPA at w6cpa@arrl.net or at (818) 957-1699.

Website: www.ircradio.org.

HAM Exams: See Education.

If you have any questions, contact *Ken Chafin* W6CPA at w6cpa@arrl.net or at (818) 957-1699.

Kennedy High School KF6KIJ

The Kennedy High School Amateur Radio Club is part of the Northwest District. This club is for John F. Kennedy High School Students and interested faculty.

Contact: **Robert C Hazard N6NBF** at (818) 271-2900 ext. 253 or at rhazard@lausd.net.

Ladies ARA of Orange County

For information on this Club, contact *Edna A. Toll* **KC6TXB** at apolyglot@mindspring.com.

Los Angeles Area Council of Amateur Radio Club (Club Council)

The Los Angeles Area Council of Amateur Radio Clubs (LAACARC), is composed of delegates from its more than 30 member clubs and a set of officers elected by and from the delegates. LAACARC holds meetings on the first Tuesday of every other month at 7:30 P.M. If the meeting date falls on a Holiday, it is moved up one week.

See the website for additional meeting information.

Website: www.gsl.net/laacarc.

Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club K6PV

The Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club (PVARC) is part of the Southwest District. PVARC meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 P.M., at the Hesse

Park Community Room, 29301 Hawthorne Boulevard, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA.

PVARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2010.

See the **PVARC** website for more details.

Website: www.palosverdes.com/pvarc.

Nets: PVARC conducts a weekly Net on Tuesdays at 7:30 P.M. on the K6PV repeater 447.120 (-) PL 100.0.

Education: Two Amateur Radio Courses will be offered in July for Technician and General. Each course is two sessions on July 24, 2010 and July 31, 2010.

The Technician class will be held from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. The General class will be held from 2:15 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

The FCC Licensing exam will be held from 10 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. on Aug 7, 2010.

No pre-registration required and there is no fee for either course. The cost for the Licensing Exam is \$15.00.

Gordon West book's with FCC test questions is the recommended text. The cost is \$21.00 for Technician and \$23.00 for General. *Walt Orday* K1DFO also has a set of Power PowerPoint charts with test prep questions for \$15.00.

Students of High School age and below who successfully complete the Technician Course and obtain a Technician Class Radio License will be reimbursed by the **PVARC** for the cost of their license fee and study materials.

For more information contact *Walt Ordway* K1DFO at (310) 541-4007 or walt.ordway@yahoo.com.

HAM Exams: . See the **PVARC** website for more details.

Pasadena Radio Club W6KA

The Pasadena Radio Club (**PRC**) is part of the Northeast District. The **PRC** meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month, except in December, at 7:00 P.M. at Kaiser Permanente, Walnut Center, 393 E. Walnut Street.

PRC's next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2010.

Website: www.gsl.net/w6ka

Nets: The **PRC** conducts a weekly Net on Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. Except on the fourth Tuesday of January through November (Club meeting night)

The 2-meter Net is conducted on the Telephone Company repeater. We use the following repeaters with the kind permission of their respective owners:

| Telephone Company ARC | W6MPH | 145.180 (-) | PL 156.7 |
|----------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| JPL ARC | WR6JPL | 147.150 (+) | PL 103.5 |
| JPL ARC | WR6JPL | 224.080 (-) | PL 156.7 |
| JPL ARC | WR6JPL | 445.20 (-) | PL 103.5 |
| Mountain Repeater Assn. | K6VE | 224.480 (-) | PL 110.9 |
| Club Packet mailbox | W6KA-10 | 145.630 | Node=MIRDOR |
| w/crosslink to 2M | W6KA-10 | 223.600 | |

On February 21, 2010 the **PRC** started a new slow-speed CW practice net, which will meet on 28.130 MHz on Sundays at 8:00 P.M.. On this frequency, even Techs can participate!

The Net Control Station's script will be uploaded to the PRC-club@yahoogroups.com files section, so you will know what to expect to hear. We will also upload an short list of Q-signals and abbreviations that you are likely to hear or want to use. We plan this to be a low-pressure net, where anyone with a minimal CW skill can learn and progress.

Education: Classes are offered once yearly. For dates and times, contact *Mark Seigel W6MES* at (818) 951-6369 or email him at ad6kp@arrl.net.

HAM Exams: Examination sessions are held at the end of each class sequence, and at other times during the year as needed.

Radio Baker Vegas Club (Regional/National) W7RBV

The Radio Baker Vegas Club is part of the Southeast District, and provides all of the official coordination for the annual Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay. This is a communications site, and the annual meeting is the actual Relay race.

See the website for more details.

Website: www.b2v.org.

Rio Hondo Amateur Radio Club W6GNS

Rio Hondo Amateur Radio Club (RHARC) is part of the Southeast District. RHARC meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at the Community Center at Parnell Park, 15390 Lambert Road, Whittier, CA.

RHARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, June 14, 2010.

Website: www.rharc.org.

Nets: RHARC conducts a weekly 2-meter Net on Wednesdays at 8:00 P.M. on 146.175 MHz (+) PL 156.7 Hz or on 440 repeater at 445.560 MHz (-) PL 100 Hz.

Education: See website for details. **HAM Exams:** See website for details.

The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club W6SD

The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club (SFVARC) is part of the Northwest District. SFVARC meets the third Friday of every month (excluding December) at 7:30 P.M., at Northridge Hospital, 18300 Roscoe Boulevard, on the Fifth Floor Penthouse. However, the club may be assigned to other rooms from time to time. Signs are generally posted at the Penthouse elevator if there is such a change.

SFVARC's next monthly meeting will be on Friday, June 18, 2010.

SFVARC's monthly luncheon will be held on Saturday, June 12, 11:30 A.M. at Denny's, 16575 Sherman Way, Van Nuys. See their website for further details.

Several members of **SFVARC** gather for lunch on Thursdays at 11:00 A.M. at Denny's, 16575 Sherman Way (Sherman Way and Van Nuys Boulevard), Van Nuys. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Website: http://www.w6sd.net

Nets: SFVARC conducts a weekly 2-meter simplex Net on Tuesdays at 8:00 P.M. on 145.570 MHz.

SFVARC conducts a weekly 10-meter Net on Wednesdays at 8:00 P.M. on 28.310 MHz +/- QRM in the Upper Side Band Mode.

SFVARC conducts a weekly 2-meter repeater Net on Thursdays at 8:00 P.M. on the Magic Mountain Repeater 147.735 - MHz or Duck Mountain, 147.24 - MHz, if Magic is unavailable.

Education:. For more information, access the **SFVARC** website.

HAM Exams: Are held at the Northridge Hospital, on the first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October and December. Registration starts at 8:00 A.M., and testing starts at 9:00 A.M.

There is a \$4.00 examination fee. You do not have to be a club member to take an examination. Also, if you are upgrading your license, please bring your original license, a copy of your license, and originals and copies of any "Certificates of Completion."

For more information, access the **SFVARC** website. In all other months, exams are conducted by the **Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club** (see below).

Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club W6JW

The Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club (SCARC) is part of the High Desert District. SCARC holds its meetings every third Wednesday of the month at the Santa Clarita City Hall Senior Center, 22900 Market Street, Santa Clarita, CA.

SCARC's next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at 7:00 P.M., where they will be planning for Field Day 2010. Note the change of start time from 7:30 P.M to 7:00 P.M

Website: www.w6jw.org.

Nets: The Santa Clarita Emergency Communications Team conducts a weekly Net on Mondays at 7:30 P.M.

SCARC conducts a weekly Net on Mondays at 8:00 P.M. Designated repeaters are listed below:

| 146.790 | - 600 KHz | 123.0 | W6JW | Mad Mountain | Linked |
|---------|-----------|-------|------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 51.860 | - 500 KHz | 82.5 | N6KNW | Mad Mountain | Linked |
| 445.300 | - 5 MHz | 100.0 | KC6WG R | Mad Mountain | Linked |
| 146.970 | - 600 KHz | 123.0 | W6JW | Castaic Lake Water District HQ | Alternate Club Repeater |

HAM Exams: SCARC conducts licensing exams on the third Saturday of every odd month of the year (January, March, May, July, September, and November) at 8:00 A.M., at the **Santa Clarita City Hall** in the Council Chambers.

If you wish to take a test, please contact *Ron Klein* **K6VPV**, at rbklein@earthlink.net or at 661-259-0948, at least five days before the testing session. This is so that we can have the necessary forms and testing materials ready for you and so that you can be informed on what you need to bring with you.

Southern California Contest Club

See the website for details: http://sccc.contesting.com.

South Bay Amateur Radio Club W6SBA

The South Bay Amateur Radio Club (SBARC) is part of the Southwest District. SBARC meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Torrance Memorial Medical Center (TMMC), 3330 Lomita Boulevard, Torrance, CA.

SBARC's next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 17, 2010.

SBARC will host its second Saturday Social Event on June 12, 2010, at 12:00 P.M. at **New York Deli**, 2424 Sepulveda Boulevard, Torrance CA.

Website: www.w6sba.org.

Nets: SBARC conducts a weekly Net on Thursdays at 7:30 P.M. (except club meetings nights) on 224.38 MHz ·PL - 192.8 Hz Offset -1.6 MHz.

The Palos Verdes Unified School District conducts an Emergency Net the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 A.M. 224.38 MHz ·PL - 192.8 Hz Offset -1.6 MHz.

HAM Exams: See website for details.

Southern California Amateur Transmitting Society WB6LRU

Southern California Amateur Transmitting Society (SCATS) is part of the Southeast District. SCATS meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at the VFW Post 8620, 2328 W Merced Avenue, West Covina, CA.

SCATS next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, June 16, 2010. Come join us for a fun evening making contacts to other **HAM**s both near and far!. Come early and enjoy a nice dinner for only \$6.00!

SCATS will host its monthly Ham 'N Eggz Breakfast on, Saturday, June 26, 2010 at 10:00 A.M. at Hometown Buffet, 1318 N. Azusa Avenue, Covina, CA 91723.

Website: www.SCATS.org.

Nets: SCATS conducts a weekly Net on Sundays at 7:00 P.M. on 147.765 minus PL Tone: 131.8.

Education: See the **SCATS** website for details.

HAM Exams: See above.

SS Lane Victory Amateur Radio Club W6LV

See website for details: www.lanevictory.org.

Tri-County Amateur Radio Association K6AGF

The **Tri-County Amateur Radio Association** (**TCARA**) is part of the **Northeast District**. **TCARA** meets the second Wednesday of every month at Brackett Field Airport in the Administration building-Pilots Lounge, 1615 McKinley Avenue, La Verne, CA.

TCARA's next meeting is on Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 7:30 P.M.

Website: www.tcara.org.

Nets: **TCARA** conducts a weekly 2-meter Net on Sundays at 7:00 P.M. on 145.440 MHz FM, PL 136.5 Hz.

Education: See website for details.

HAM Exams: Testing for Technician through Extra Class is held on the last Saturday of every month (except December) at 1:00 P.M. in the Pilot's Lounge at Brackett Field Airport. The location is the same place where **TCARA** has their Club meetings.

The fee is \$15.00.

Contact *Frank Westphal* K6FW at (909) 628-8661 for reservations. Leave on the answering machine the class of the test you want to take, your name, address, and telephone number. Bring your current original license and a copy; any CSCEs with copies of same, and a picture ID.

Valley Good Guys K6VGG

The Valley Good Guys (K6VGG) is part of the Northwest District. K6VGG holds its monthly meetings on the second Friday of every Month from 6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M., at the Round Table Pizza on Saticoy and Louise in the San Fernando Valley.

K6VGG's next monthly meeting will be held on Friday, June 11, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

Website: www.geocities.com/vggarc.

United Radio Amateur Club K6AA

The United Radio Amateur Club (URAC) is part of the Southeast District. The URAC meets the third Friday of every month (excluding August and December) at 7:00 P.M. at the Los Angeles Maritime Museum, 600 Sampson Way, San Pedro, CA.

URAC's next monthly meeting will be held on June 18, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

URAC holds a No-host Breakfast on the first Saturday of every month at 8:00 A.M. at the **Think Café**, 302 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA. The next Club breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2010.

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Website: www.k6aa.org.

Nets: URAC conducts a weekly Net on Thursdays at 8:00 P.M. on 145.380; –600; PL 100. If the repeater is unavailable, our Net will automatically be convened on 145.52 MHz simplex.

Education: See link under Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club.

HAM Exams: URAC conducts licensing exams for both Amateur and Commercial licenses on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, at 1:30 P.M. Reservations are required. Contact *Bill Carter* W6AJ at w6aj@arrl.net, *Doug Dowds* W6HB at w6hb@arrl.net or the Club email at k6aa@arrl.net. W6AJ is the VE in charge of exams.

Other Upcoming Events

Visit the **ARRL-LAX** Section website <u>www.arrllax.org</u> for up-to-the minute events for the month of June.

The **ARRL** Los Angeles Section-Wide Newsletter is published monthly by **ARRL** Los Angeles Section. The deadline for submission of articles, events and district information is the 20th of the month prior to publication in the following month's newsletter. Deadline for submissions for the **July 2010** issue will be June 20.

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