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Election of Officers Will Take Place at the November Meeting

President's Message

Hi everyone. The year is almost over and it has been a good one. Our most recent activities were the Boy Scout Jamboree-on-the-air (JOTA) which took place on the USS Iowa at San Pedro and the field trip. For JOTA, we arrived at 7:00 AM to begin setting up equipment which went very smoothly. We had two stations, one HF using a G5RV Jr antenna mounted as an inverted V. Our other station was VHF/UHF using our usual antennas. We were ready before the ship opened to the public. Communications with the Boy Scout facility by Diamond Bar worked well and our club members who agreed to act as contacts for the boys were superb. What we didn't have were boys. Whether the event was insufficiently publicized by the Scouts or it held little interest for the boys, we only had about thirty kids show up. Those that did come had a good time as did the club members involved in the project. The Iowa is an amazing ship.

Our next event was the field trip to the Griffith Observatory. Again, the event was not well attended but those who did come had an excellent time. We saw two planetarium shows, a short movie, browsed the exhibits, and had lunch. Arriving at about 10:00 AM, we stayed until after 3:00 PM. It was fun.

We will be having elections at the November meeting. We still have one Council position open so please consider volunteering to help run your club. Contrary to popular opinion, the club doesn't run itself. The events and club meetings we put on take time and effort to plan and present. Also at the November meeting will be the Home Brew Contest. Please bring your projects. Remember that there are \$100 in prizes up for grabs. That ain't chickenfeed!

Our next event is the Holiday party in December. It will probably be at the hospital conference center but we don't know what room yet. As usual, salads, side dishes, and desserts will be assigned by last name initial. Details can be found below. We have gotten volunteers to cook the ham and turkey so food will be available. That's it for this month. I hope to see you all at the November meeting.

73s, Alan

Holiday Party Dish Assignments



A-G = desert

H-P = side dish

Q-Z = salad

October Presentation:

Show and Tell

Your Projects on Parade!

We hope to have 2 divisions, kit built and scratch built if there are at least three entries in each category. If not, there will be one division and prizes will be doubled. Hopefully, we'll get to see some great projects.

ALSO:

Club Officer Elections

It's that time of year again. Elections will be held at our November meeting as always with the installation of the newly elected or reelected officers being installed at the December Holiday party. We do not have a term limit mind you for any office, but we have had basically the same officers for a couple of years. Mike, KI6LJM will be stepping aside as ARCOVer Editor and Councilmember and we would like to get a nominee for the vacancy.

Are you willing to step up to the plate? If you're not sure what the job entails, then talk to the council members that are in office now.

The only restriction to being elected are that you must be a member in good standing for one (1) year or more.

We will be installing the new council at the December Potluck

Upcoming Events:

November 15th, 2012, Thursday: Regular Club Meeting Torrance Memorial, West Tower—Room C.

November 24th, 2012, Saturday: Swap Meet, Northrop Parking Lot - Meet for lunch following the swap meet, Dennys, Aviation and Artesia, Redondo Beach - See Below for More info about this months Swap Meet

December 8th, 2012, Saturday: SBARC Social @ Hof's Hut. Crenshaw at 237th

Swap Meet for November

This month, Joe will be out of town for the Swap Meet. It looks like normal coverage for Joe will be unavailable, too. If the club has someone who would like to step in and cover for Joe, give him a call. They must get the swap meet pass from Joe for our club's spot at the swap meet. This would be a great opportunity for someone to learn the ropes about working the swap meet.

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CLUB SERVICES:

License upgrades and / or new license testing
 VE Sessions are held the 2nd Saturday of every even month
 Need to sell something at the Swap Meet?
 ARRL Membership renewals or new registration
 Club Name Badge / Jackets

Club Operation
 Need something posted on the web site, or newsletter?
 Ideas for Club Speakers, Field Day Planning
 Membership, Health & Welfare
 Upcoming Club Events
 Club Activities

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If you have questions about your ham equipment, please feel free to ask any of our club members for help. Or, if you'd like, please talk to any council member, and we'll do our best to help you.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY - JOE-WB6MYD
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Attendance Drawing: The attendance drawing saw us draw the ticket for Josie Sandoval which due to it being a school night was not present. Sorry Josie you must be present to win in this case the 20 dollar kitty. Our November drawing will be for 25 dollars.

Elections: There is still time to for you to place yourself on the ballot if you will or be nominated from the floor. You can select any position you feel you would like to fill and be comfortable with. Please let us know.

Show and Tell: I hear a lot of rumors about all the projects which will be shown and demonstrated. As you know we will have the 2 different categories. A: Strictly homebrew on your own and all that good stuff and B: something from a kit. You can't miss and we've made sure you can easily walk away with the 50 dollar prize as a winner in either category. Be sure to join us and help us be grateful for being a member in a club wishing to recognize our own talent and reward you for it. We have never done this before and it really is time to recognize our own members for all their talent and expertise.

Meeting Location for November: The November meeting will be in **Room "C"** of the West Tower. This is still on the 2nd floor of the West Tower and is actually right next door, or down the hall from where we've been meeting.

Thanks: Alan made the updates on the JOTA project. A lot of details that had been handled to make all our efforts at the USS Iowa so much easier, thanks Alan. This was followed by a demonstration on NBEMS by Joe and Alex. They actually transmitted a message from one computer to another via radio. This was really neat to see and is supposed to prove that these digital modes we now see coming up are actually doable with a whole myriad of applications. Thanks guys for a job well done.

JOTA and the Iowa: This is a brief recap of this very successful event on the Iowa. We set up early and by the time operational time came around we hit the air with our 2 stations and started to make contacts right away. No, we did not get as many scouts as we had hoped for, but we had a lot of fun. This was the first time we had been involved with anything like that and it is safe to say that all of us enjoyed the day on the USS Iowa. It is something we needed to do and we look forward to doing this again next year. Mike was able to handle the Merit Badge program for which we thank him and Ray was really challenged with a problem with his gear. Luckily it was solved and was merely an operator problem. We even got to tour the ship itself as well, so this was all good. A lot of people worked hard to make this possible for which we thank you all. This was nice and a good event.

Reimbursement: Those of us attending the USS Iowa had to pay for parking and a few even had to pay to work with us. Please see me with your receipts and I will reimburse your expense. No one really knows how well this USS Iowa as an attraction will work here in our area but we hope it will stick round for a long time for the enjoyment of many. After all, the historical significance of this old lady is worthy of this location..

Holiday party: Our annual installation and social for the last meeting of the year is the highlight of another good year for the SBARC. Please be sure and plan to join us on December 20, 2012.

HURRICANE SANDY UPDATE



As most of know, Hurricane Sandy was one of the most devastating storms to impact the United States in quite some time. Most hurricanes are roughly 200 miles wide. Sandy was more than four times the average size (900 miles long) and did considerable damage. Experts say the storm caused \$30+ billion in damage, left millions of people without electricity and gas, and tragically claimed the lives of many people.

This is where ham radio can help. The ability and willingness to provide critical communications when normal channels fail, and to help others who are in distress. While Southern California rarely experiences these types of events, we should continue to prepare ourselves and improve our skills so we can contribute when we're called upon.

Ham Radio TV has some interesting videos that talks about the Ham Radio response for Hurricane Sandy, what we did and what we learned. Check out Episode 31 on the web site below:

http://arvideonews.com/hrn/HRN_Episode_0031.html

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CALENDAR

Council Meeting - 1st Wednesday of the month
Call Joe - WB6MYD (310) 328-0817

Club Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the month
November 15th, 2012 - 7:30 p.m.
Torrance Memorial Med Center
West Tower Room 'C'

Club Nets - **W6SBA WEEKLY NET**
Every Thursday @7:30pm
(except the night of club meetings)
PVUSD EMERGENCY NET
1st Tuesday of the month
09:30 Hours on the W6SBA repeater

TRW Swap Meet Saturday,
November 24th, 2012, 7-11 a.m.

VE Session - Contact: Joe WB6MYD
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