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Alan – KG6ZPL



MERRY CHRISTMAS

President's Message

To all of the members and friends of the South Bay Amateur Radio Club. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!! We have completed another successful year. We began several new activities which I hope will become a permanent part of our yearly schedule including picnics, operating sessions, and a field trip as well as continuing our usual activities. I would like to give special thanks to the other members of your club's Council who worked hard making all of this possible. Please rest assured that the Council has already begun planning our next year's activities. We are definitely planning on having another club project. Speaking of which, if anyone who participated in the digital interface project either still needs help getting it operational or hasn't picked up their kit yet, please see either Ray (WA6OWM) or myself for Elmering.

We are looking forward to seeing you and your families at the Holiday Potluck. The club is providing turkey and ham with side dishes, salads, and deserts provided by the members. Please see elsewhere in this Arcover for the food assignments based on the initial of your last name. You probably are already aware of this but I will repeat it anyway: The party is at the Toyota Automobile Museum, not at the hospital, and is on the Wednesday preceding the third Thursday of December. IT IS NOT ON THURSDAY. I hope to see you all there. That's about all for now. We will begin publishing information about next year's activities in coming Arcovers. My personal thanks to all of you who made my first year as your club president enjoyable (most of the time) and relatively painless. It's been a pleasure!

73's to all,
Alan

DECEMBER 14th, 2011 POTLUCK

The Main Dishes will be Ham and Turkey

If your last name starts with:

A~G ... Side Dish

H~P ... Salad

Q~Z ... Desert



Changes to the 60-Meter band

The FCC has made the following changes to the 60-Meter band.

For more information, check <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-release-new-rules-for-60-meters>

These changes take effect 30-days after they are published in the Federal Register. The modification of current Amateur gear is still up in the air. One manufacture has indicted that they will update the system software. Others have PROM hardware, making the updates a bit more difficult. The current channels are as follows, Chan 1 5332 KHz, Chan 2 5348 KHz, Chan 3 5368 KHz, Chan 4 5373 KHz and Chan 5 5405 KHz.

Changes:

1- Chan 3, 5368 KHz (5366.5KHz) is withdrawn and a new frequency of 5358.5 KHz (5357.0KHz) is authorized.

2- The effective radiated power limit in the 60-Meter band is raised by 3-dB, from 50 Watts PEP to 100 Watts PEP, as related to a half-wave dipole antenna.

3- Three additional emission types are authorized, DATA, RTTY (including PSK31) and CW. For CW, the carrier frequency must be set to the center frequency. For DATA and RTTY the transmission must only on the center frequency. (example: USB Mode and carrier 1.5KHz below the center frequency).

The automatic control of DATA and RTTY transmission is not permitted, a control operator must be in a position to exercise control over the transmitter.

Current rules are still in effect, and no change occurs until 30-days after the notice is published in the Federal Register.

Ray, WA6OWM

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We welcome our new members who have joined us in 2011!

Stephen Barlock	KC6EID	Novice
Teresa Lewis		
Bennie Sandoval	W6ZAC	Gen
Dean Sandoval		
Esmeraldo Sandoval		
Emy Sandoval		
Josie Sandoval		
Benjamin Bowes	KJ6MOJ	Tech
Ray Wolfbrandt	WG6V	Ext
Schuyler Smith	KJ6NAT	Ext
Robert Young	N6QA	Ext
James Rowe	KJ6RER	Tech
Linda Rowe		



Please consider Facebook as an option to connect with your fellow club members. This is a great way to get your questions answered and meet others in the Club. We'll be posting information about upcoming events there also.

The only thing you need to join Facebook is an email address. If you have any reservations about joining, please drop me a line. It is possible to configure Facebook so that your personal information is not given out to those you do not know.

Mike - KI6LJM

UP AND COMING EVENTS

December 10, Saturday 2011

VE Session - Sat Morning, Location TBD, contact Joe for more info

December 10, Saturday 2011

Lunch Social - Hof's Hut in Torrance, 12Noon

December 14, Wednesday, 2011

Holiday Pot Luck Party, 7:00PM at the TOYOTA MUSEUM

- LOCATION: 19600 Van Ness in Torrance. Between Del Amo and 190th Street

January 28, Saturday, 2012

ARRL Hamfest, Palm Springs, 9:30AM to 4:30PM

(see flier in this issue)

February 4 and 11th both Saturdays, 2012

Tech and General Class, Hesse Park, Rancho Palos Verdes

(see flier in this issue)

Reminder - Tell your friends that we are on Facebook! You can find us by searching for W6SBA.

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

CONTACT:

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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.

ARRL 10-Meter Contest

Open to all Radio Amateurs - Worldwide, Object is to work as many USA (W/K), Canadians (VE/VO), Mexican (XE) DX Stations during the contest period.

Date: Saturday December 12 and Sunday December 13, 2011.

Time: 0000UTC to 2359UTC (PST: 1600 PST Friday - 1559 PST Sunday)

Class: QRP (5 Watts or less), 150 Watts or less, 1500 Watts or less

Modes: CW Only (28.0-28.3MHz), Phone Only (28.3-29.7MHz), Mixed Mode (CW and Phone)

Exchange: W/K/VE/XE send RS(T) State/Province DX send RS(T) Serial Number (starting with 001)

US States: All 50-states, VE/VO NB, NS, QC, ON, MB, SK, AB, BC, NWT, NF, LB, YT, PEI, NU

Mexican States: see List and Map: <http://www.dxxe.org/concurso/xe-mults.pdf>

The 2011 ARRL 10-Meter Contest provides us with a great example of how propagation has improved the last few months compared to the last several years. Think back to Field Day and the near lack of contacts on 10-Meter, a band every member of our club can use. In 2010 the Solar Flux averaged an 88, during 2009 it averaged 75, which is about the minimum number for solar flux. This year, the predictions call for a value of 130 for December 2011. It is always more fun to operate when the band is open. Along with 50-US States, 14 Canadian Provinces and the 32-Mexican States count as multipliers. Phone contacts count for 2-points, CW contacts count for 4-points. Total score is Points * Multipliers. are counted once for CW and once for Phone. 10-Meters has been open daily to Europe and Africa in the mornings, North and South America and Oceanic during the day, and Asia after lunch. During the past month I have worked all continents with 5-watts and a vertical antenna several times. Many of the stations were running between 20-40 watts and averaging SO-5 to S-9 signal strengths. Here is your chance to work for WAS, WAC and DXCC and improve your operating skills. This years ARRL 10-Meter Contest looks like it will be the best in a long time. ARRL contest rules are posted on the ARRL web. Check <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>. Join in the fun.

If you have any questions, need a hand with antennas for 10-meters or assistance with radios, call me.

Ray - WA6OWM

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The Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society

invite you to attend the 3rd annual * * * Palm Springs HAMFEST!

Special event station on 14.251 and 7.251 from 0300z to 1200z

**Saturday, January 28
9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.**

Talk-in frequency:
146.940- PL 107.2
WD6RAT Desert RATpeater
Daily Nets Thursday thru Sat.
8 A.M. - Noon - 6 P.M.

ONLY \$2

Bring your ham gear to sell, no fee charged for selling if you bring own table and chairs. Or bring it to the club table (small commission to the club) ...we'll handle the sale.

Email us for more info:
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Check the website for directions and vendor updates!

<http://www.desertrats.am>

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Jan 28, 2012. follow the rat @desertrats.am

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Raffle tickets only \$1

**Ham Radio talks by
Clint Bradford and Gordon West**

**Old Military Radio collection on display by
Michael Brennan KA6PGN**

Vendors

Alinco YAESU DX Store
Ham Radio Outlet

Buds Engraving Alpine Antennas
Byonics ARRL W5YI RF Stuff
EDS Emergency Pack Impulse Electronics
Rouend Comm with ABR Industries Coax
CQ Magazine Quake Safe Kits
And a great SWAP MEET!



Event Coordinators Gary Boskovich KD6QLT and Susie Boskovich KD6QVO 760-328-9662 sboskovich@dc.rr.com

RSVP: RV Dry Camping reservations for vendors: sboskovich@dc.rr.com Vendor Set-up time 7:00-9:00 AM

Hotel Nearby: Quality Inn of Palm Springs 760-323-2775 check early to get reservations!

Two Amateur Radio Courses

FCC “Technician” course (entry level)

FCC “General” course (2nd level)

Each course is 2 sessions

The 2 sessions are on 4 & 11 February 2012

Technician 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM both Saturdays

General 2:15 PM to 5:00 PM both Saturdays

FCC tests will be 10 AM to noon on 18 February 2012

The location is Hesse Park

29301 Hawthorne Blvd.

Rancho Palos Verdes

- No pre-registration required -

- No fee for either course -



Taking the FCC Test is \$15 -



Optional Material

- Gordon West book with all the FCC test questions,

\$22 for the Technician and \$26 for the General -

- Copy of my Power Point charts,

\$18 for the Technician and \$18 for the General -

For courses sponsored by the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club, students thru grade 12 who pass their examination at a PVARC VE session will, upon application to the Club, be eligible for reimbursement up to a maximum of \$50 to cover the cost of materials and the examination fee.

For more information contact Walt, K1DFO, at walt.ordway@yahoo.com

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY - JOE-WB6MYD
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Attendance Drawing: Yes we had a winner at our November meeting; Joe-WB6MYD had his ticket drawn. Being present he collected the 50 dollar kitty, congratulations Joe. Please remember there will be no Attendance drawing at our December meeting. Our Jan 2012 meeting will start with the 20 dollar kitty.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year: It is once again my privilege to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year. May we all be blessed with another healthy, happy and prosperous new year in 2012 and hopefully many more to come? Yes we all are getting older which is all the more reason for each and every one of us to enjoy our camaraderie in the one other thing we have in common. Your continued support and participation in this New Year will benefit all of us in our club the SBARC and you and yours; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Thank you and Congratulations: Yes thank you to our officers for serving so faithfully and diligently in making 2011 the best year ever, thank you Alan, Ray, Joe, Paul, Mike, James and Alex. With that goes along of course at this time the fact that you all stepped up to the plate again for which we are very grateful. The SBARC membership has spoken, you are duly elected (railroaded) so thank you and keep up the good work. I do want to add a note to this by asking everyone for their continued support and participation, speak up if you see something your officers should be doing, this is your club.

Dues: Yes it is that time again folks, dues are due and payable for 2012. As you know single membership is \$ 20.00, Associate membership (husband and wife, or harmonic) is \$ 30.00, Family membership (husband, wife and several harmonics) is also \$ 30.00 (only one voting privilege). Each and every member in good standing will have a ticket assigned for the Attendance Drawings throughout the year. Please make your check payable to SBARC and mail to the PO Box 536, Torrance, CA 90508-0536, the new year starts January 1, 2012.

Holiday Party: Yes, as has been the custom for many years in which we celebrate this season with our annual Social Holiday party in which we again wish to invite you and yours. Some important reminders; first of all, the **date is Wednesday December 14, 2011.** Location is, **Toyota Museum on Van Ness**, address: 19600 Van Ness, between Del Amo and 190th Street . **The Time is 6:30-7:00PM set up, dinner starts promptly at 7:30PM.** This a **Pot Luck** affair and you are asked to support this with a side dish, salad or desert (as is shown in this Arc Over elsewhere according to the first letter of your last name) for at least 5 people. Your club is providing the ham and I think Turkey for your delight, drinks as well as all the condiments and things to make this such a pleasure. As an added bonus everyone will be given an ticket for an chance at 3 cash prizes, 2 ea \$ 50.00 prizes and 1 ea \$ 100.00 prize and I mean everyone will get a ticket joining us.

New Members: We have 2 new members. Linda Rowe, no call, and Husband James-KJ6RER, Tech class. Thank you for joining us and welcome to the SBARC.

CALENDAR

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

Club Meeting - 3rd Wednesday of the month
December 14, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.
Toyota Automotive Museum
19600 Van Ness Ave., Torrance

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, **December 31, 2011**, 7-11 a.m.

VE Session - Contact: Joe WB6MYD
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