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Alan – KG6ZPL



President's Message

Happy New Year to the members, families, and friends of the South Bay Amateur Radio Club. I am pleased to be starting my second year as your president. We have had our first Council meeting of the year and we are planning a variety of activities for the year that we hope will please you. Our major challenge for the year is our participation in the Centennial Celebration of the City of Torrance. Our 2012 Field Day is one of the official activities of the celebration. We want to take full advantage of this opportunity to showcase amateur radio. Alex has taken the lead in finding a public venue for Field Day that will have a maximum of foot traffic. Besides our normal activities, we want to demonstrate amateur TV, digital techniques, solar power, APRS, and ??? Suggestions for other activities are welcomed. The FCC has granted us the call signs W6T and K6T for Field Day. We are looking into getting T-shirts made for the occasion that show graphics for both the club and the Centennial celebration. We are hoping for a large turnout for Field Day this year so start planning to attend!

Ray is planning a full slate of interesting programs for our meetings. We are planning to continue our picnics once the weather turns warmer. We are looking into having one or more field trips. Suggestions have included a trip to the Griffith Park Observatory and a visit to a commercial radio station. A club project is also being planned for the year. Several projects are being considered. We are looking for a location for project sessions, so, if you have some room, please let a Council member know. If you have any ideas that you would like us to explore, please speak to a Council member.

We want to incorporate operating sessions into our activities as much as is possible. This will also give you an opportunity to familiarize yourselves with the new club radio. Your Council is working hard to make this the best year yet for the club but none of this is possible without your help and participation. Also, please remember that you are all welcome to attend a Council meeting. If you do plan to attend, please call Joe in advance as space at his QTH is limited. I am looking forward to seeing you all at our next meeting. Thanks gang!!!

At the January Meeting

Arnie Shatz



I was first licensed as KN3ANU at the age of 13 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and quickly upgraded to a General Class ticket. I received an Official Relay Station (ORS) appointment from the ARRL and enjoyed handling CW traffic and participating in CD contests. Amateur radio was put on hold while I attended Temple University and earned a B.S. in Biology and a M.D. degree. Post medical school training followed at the University of California, San Francisco and service in the United States Public Health Service, Indian Health Service on the Navajo and Hopi reservations.

I moved to Southern California in 1976 and started a solo private urology practice. In 1977 I upgraded to Extra Class as N6HC. I retired from full time urology practice in 2001 and continue to work as a part-time locum tenens physician and volunteer at the Orange Free clinic. I am a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a long time member of the California and Orange County Medical Associations, a diplomate of the American Board of Urology and a member of the American Urological Association, Western Section of the AUA and the California Urological Association. I was a member of the clinical faculty of Loma Linda University School of Medicine.

I have been an ARRL member for more than 50 years and I am a member of the league's Legacy Circle and Maxim Society. I serve as a field QSL card checker for both ARRL and CQ awards. I am a member of the Southern California DX club (Vice-President-2009), Southern California Contest Club and Orange County Amateur Radio Club. I am also a member of the Chiltern DX Association (UK) and the Medical Amateur Radio Council, Ltd. (MARCO). I was elected to membership in the A-1 operators club and I have earned many operating awards including WAS (6 bands, SSB, CW, RTTY), DXCC Honor Roll, DXCC (8 bands, SSB, CW, RTTY), WAZ (CW & SSB), WAC, WPX (SSB & CW), and VUCC. I am an active contester and have earned numerous awards for participation in both domestic and DX competitions. I have operated from many places around the continental United States as well as Hawaii, Alaska, Mexico, Samoa and Prince Edward Island.

I have been a team member of six major DXpeditions: K7C-Kure atoll (2005), 3B7C- St. Brandon Island (2007), TX5C- Clipperton Island (2008), K4M-Midway Island (2009), T31A- Kanton atoll, Central Kiribati (2011) and T32C- Christmas Island, Eastern Kiribati (2011).

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ENFORCEMENT: POPULAR FT. MYERS FLORIDA UNLICENSED STATION SHUT DOWN

Another crackdown on unlicensed radio operations in Florida.

Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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A Lee County, Florida, man has been arrested for broadcasting gospel and public service announcements over 107.5 MHz without a license. The station called itself Dunbar Community Radio, which catered to the Ft. Myers area. It was shut down on December 9th after its operator, Al Knighten, was arrested for illegally broadcasting shows and music. Fort Myers Police helped with the FCC bust but Captain

Dennis Eads admitted it was a difficult task. He told the local press that the station was providing a service, but the bottom line is that its operation was illegal. For his part, station owner Knighten says he doesn't have any regrets. In an interview with WBBH television news he was quoted as saying he believes it was worth it in letting people know we can create something in this community that we can be proud of.

Jim Davis, W2JKD.

From Amateur Radio News Line Report # 1795 Released Jan 6th,2012

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

January 19, Thursday, 2012

SBARC General Meeting At TMMC, 7:30PM

(More info in this issue)

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.

Submit your ideas for a Club build-it-yourself project to Joe.

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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Editor / Member
Council Member
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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 Launches New DIY Campaign

The ARRL Public Relations Department has released the Do-It-Yourself (DIY) suite of interrelated promotional materials aimed at exposing the growing Do It Yourself/Maker community to Amateur Radio opportunities. The DIY movement is nothing new to Amateur Radio. For more than a century, hams have been working in basements and attics, taking things apart and putting them back together in new ways, just for the fun of it. Meanwhile, there has been a growing population of DIY hobbyists who do not know about the opportunities of Amateur Radio. "Maker Faires" have popped up in several areas of the country, from New York to Los Angeles, and according to ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, look suspiciously like ham radio conventions.

"The DIY crowd is as diverse as hams," Pitts explained. "Many are into computer programming, using new computer chips and open-source electronics prototyping platforms, such as Arduino that are based on flexible, easy-to-use hardware and software. They are artists, designers, hobbyists and anyone interested in creating interactive objects and applications. DIYers work with everything from wood and clothing, to energy and chemistry projects, with many interested in robotics."

To reach this growing group, the ARRL Public Relations Department has created an entirely new set of campaign materials for ARRL Public Information Officers, groups and individual hams to use in reaching out to the DIY/Maker community. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and Dave Bell, W6AQ, were recruited to create the new video. Recruiting volunteers throughout 2011, the duo shot more than 65 hours of high-definition video, and then edited it down to a mere 8 minutes. Titled *The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio*, it shows ham-makers projects from around the country. You can watch it on the ARRL website or on YouTube.

"But a video alone cannot accomplish the goal of linking the viewers with ham radio," Pitts noted. We also crafted an auxiliary flier as a hand-out to go along with the video. A Power-Point presentation and speaker's notes also are available. In addition, 'Ask Why I DIY with Ham Radio' buttons were made as a way to encourage informal conversations about our hobby with the non-hams we encounter. We even held a contest, asking hams to provide a scripted 30 second answer to the question 'What is Amateur Radio?' that 12 year old Chris Tate, KJ4UBL, of Burlington, North Carolina, took top honors."

The video is available on DVD discs, along with the printed handout from the ARRL. Find information about ordering or downloading these materials here. For high-definition MPEG versions of the video, please contact Pitts via e-mail (please be aware that this version is almost 500 megs). ARRL members can get a free 'Ask Why I DIY with Ham Radio' button at the ARRL table at larger hamfests and conventions while supplies last.

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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.**

ONLY \$2

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

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Email us for more info:
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~Check ze Tweets @hamradio @RivCoARES

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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

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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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1. Happy New Year and Thank you: Yes first of all I want to wish you and yours a very blessed, joyful and healthy New Year. 2012 is here and be thankful you have made it again. As to thank you, the holiday party which we celebrated at the Toyota museum on December 14, 2011 was fantastic. While not as many members and family or friends attended as we had hoped for, we still had an absolutely joyous and grateful group enjoying the good food and camaraderie we so much like to see us have. We do really need to thank a number of members for making this possible. We start with Betty-N6VZF having prepared the ham which was so good very little was left over, thank you Betty. We also had turkey which was prepared by Jane, XYL to Ray-WA6OWM which absolutely delicious, thank you Jane. Many others made their contributions with their favorite dish which was enjoyed by everyone, thank you to one and all for making this so successful for us all. Alex-KD6LPA ensured another adequate supply of cider for us all, thank you Alex. Joe-WB6MYD as Secretary made sure we had all the condiments and needed supplies to make it successful including all the soft drinks and coffee. While Joe had picked up the table cloth supply for round tables at TMMC long before he knew about the Toyota location and the rectangular tables being used which was so well handled with the assistance from all the XYL's that we did not even notice the error. Thank you every one for making this so enjoyable. As we also all know we had asked to donate for a collection to buy poinsettias which Ray-WA6OWM and Joe-WB6MYD picked up the next day. Your donations far exceeded our expectations and so we were able to pick up 26 poinsettias which we donated to Torrance Memorial Medical Center which are all very gratefully accepted and distributed to the various patient locations within the hospital. Thank you all for your generous contributions. One member needs to be also thanked (Family) is Emy Sandoval, Bennie-W6ZAC little girl for her gift to each and every one of us which was a nice card and candy cane, thank you Emy. Thank you one and all for making the 2011 holiday party a success.

2. SBARC 2011 Appreciation and Awards: We thank Ray-WA6OWM for preparing all the 2011 Appreciation and Awards for everyone. If you are unable to find yourself on it, please let us know. The New Membership Certificates for 2011 made up by Mike-KI6LJM were also fantastic, thank you Mike. If you as new member did not attend, please see Joe at the next meeting. Special Certificates of Appreciation were made up by Joe-WB6MYD, thank you Joe, for members going above and beyond for the club. Thank you recipient members for all your contributions and hard work to make the SBARC what it is today. We look forward to your continued participation and support thank you.

3. Door Prize winners: The club awarded one cash prize of \$ 100.00 and 2 each of \$ 50.00 to 3 lucky winners. I am sorry for not remembering their names but I assure you we all remember your happy faces upon being announced winner. All one has to do attend this holiday dinner and you automatically entered into the drawing, member or family member alike. Congratulations to you all.

4. Dues: Remember your club dues are due and payable at this time. Regular membership is 20 dollars, Associate and Family membership is \$ 30.00. You may mail your check payable to the SBARC to the PO Box 536, Torrance, CA 90508.

5. VE Team members for 2011: Ray-WA6OWM and Joe-WB6MYD attended 5 sessions, Hal-KO6M and Matthew-N6MDC attended 4 sessions, Betty-N6VZF and Gary-KE6KG attended 3 sessions, Nancy-NJ6S, Chuck-KN6H, John-AC6MG and Schuyler-KJ6NAT attended 2 sessions each, Arthur-WS6U, Alan-K6MU, Joe-NZ6L and Richard-W6HYI attended 1 each session each. Thank you very much for hard and dedicated support to the SBARC VE Team.

6. Thursday night net check-ins, top 10: Joe-WB6MYD, 39; Paul-KK6BY, 37; Chuck-KN6H, 32; Ray-WA6OWM, 28; James-KI6UPL, 27; Hal-KO6M, 24; Alex-KD6LPA, 18; Mike-KI6LJM, 17; Ray-KG6V, 14 check ins. Thank you one and all. We encourage everyone to check in as often as possible.

New Officers for 2012: Yes I know we all say it was another SBARC "Railroad Job" which is not really so. We are very grateful for everyone stepping up to the plate and perhaps continue the job they started or whatever reason. All I can say to you is that (I speak for every one of us) we are grateful for your vote of confidence. Your newly (re) elected officers do want to continue some of the projects started and we all hope that with your continued support we hope to complete these. You may by now start thinking about you to stepping up to the plate and do your part for the SBARC.

CALENDAR

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

Club Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the month
January 19, 2012 - 7:30 p.m.
Torrance Memorial Medical Center
West Tower, 2nd Floor, Room "A"

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, **January 28, 2012**, 7-11 a.m.

VE Session - Contact: Joe WB6MYD
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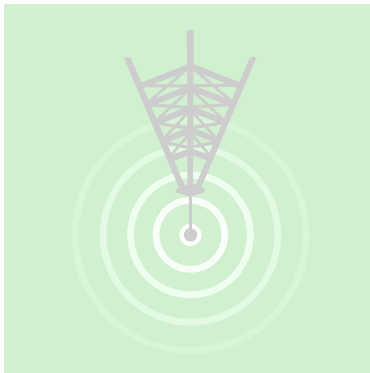
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