Dedicated to Amateur Radio Since 1970

President - ED - KN6JN

August 2007

August 16 Meeting

!ATTENTION!

THIS MEETING TO BE HELD AT **First Church of Christ Science** 1750 Manuel Ave., Torrance, CA The corner of 218 and Manuel

(across the street from the Torrance High School parking lot.) see map \rightarrow

We were in need of a meeting place for one meeting and they graciously provided a room. Alex - KD6LPA.

Don - W6KAT "The role of frequency coordinators in Southern California."

Don will give details on how the 220 Spectrum Management

Association (220 SMA) operates. Don has been an amateur radio operator and ARRL member since 1957, A member of the 220 SMA since the mid 80s, 6 years on the Coordination Board in the 90s, and Vice President of the 220 SMA the past several years. Please join us at the church meeting room on Thursday, August 16.



Website: http://www.w6sba.org

From the PREZ - Ed - KN6JN

I really enjoyed our July meeting. We had one of the big ones for the year. HRO Burbank was "in the house" demonstrating all the new features of the new radios from Kenwood, Yaesu, and ICOM. The new radios have many more features than the crystal controlled sets that are sometimes for sale at the Swap Meet. In addition, D-Star radio was another big part of this meeting. D-Star radio systems were discussed and demonstrated. ICOM is taking the lead on this and all of their radios were passed around and discussed. A D-Star repeater owner discussed his system and the tie-ins to the national D-Star system and how that works. Emergency features were also discussed. Both LA County DCS and ARES are looking into D-Star applications. To sum up the meeting, it was great. You missed a good one if you were not there.

The Southwest Division Convention is coming up soon. At our last meeting, a show of hands of who had signed up for the convention showed we were very involved. We are responsible for the W1AW/6 and for talk-in. We will also be staffing an information table near the reservation area. We need your assistance. So see John Crocker or me for further information.

It is summer vacation time and time for camping. This is a good time to exercise your emergency equipment. Take a radio with you camping and try an emergency set up. You can also see if a California call sign will get any action on an out of state repeater. I found more QSOs at the rest stop with my ham plates than on the repeater. I am collecting any gourmet reports about MREs, camping food or dutch oven dishes.

Reminder: Place the Convention and the LA County Fair on your calendar.

That is it from 230th Street. 73 Ed - KN6JN

Website of the month: Yahoo Tech

For a newbee tech guy, me, I enjoy Yahoo Tech on the web at http://tech.yahoo.comblogs. I especially enjoy Christopher Null. He is the tech guy for work. There is a gadget guy, a mom blog, a video lady, a techie diva, and a few others. They all have columns or blogs. I used the columns to make purchase choices about my laptop. I will use it for any cameras I might purchase. You will find something on these blogs to help you have a better understanding of your computer or tech items.

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NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY JOE-WB6MYD e-mail address - jlanphen@ca.rr.com· 310-328-0817



- ♦ MEETING LOCATION: The August meeting must be relocated due to the hospital hosting a large event that requires all of the rooms. The address is 1750 Manual Ave, Torrance, CA. See the front page for a map.
- ♦ JACKETS, POLO, SHIRTS, CAPS, AND CUPS: I plan to place the order by the end of this month so they may be available by the August meeting. If you haven't placed your order yet, locate the order form in the July ARCOVER and call me ASAP.
- ♦ ARRL SOUTH WEST CONVENTION: It is very important that you sign up ASAP for our Convention in September. Perhaps due to a late start or maybe so close to home, we have a way to go to meet the convention requirements and be successful. Rooms and Banquet reservations are coming due and a specific number are required to make this a successful event. So, why don't you spoil your wife for a night's stay at the Marriott, Mention HAMCON for a discounted room rate. Since this is in our area, a good showing of our members at the banquet would be nice. If you want more details, give John AC6FB a call at 310-675-0732. John is our club delegate to the convention and knows all the details. We really would like your support for this event.
- ♦ ATTENDANCE DRAWING: Arthur WS6U was the lucky winner of our attendance drawing in July. Arthur was not at the meeting so the kitty will be \$25 in August. If you are a member in good standing,, you may have a crack at this. Please join us at the new meeting place.



Attendance Drawing

The winner of the members drawing was Arthur - WS6U, but he was not present The kitty for the August meeting will be

\$25.00

Remember you must be a member in good standing and be present at the meeting to win!

WILL YOU BE THERE?

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Congratulations! The winner is Harlen

The winner of one night (Saturday, Banquet night) at the Torrance Marriott Hotel was Harlen - KC6YBJ. He bought the last ticket—just before the drawing at the July meeting. Just to show you it is never too late.

ARRL Southern Division HAMCON 2007 Convention

September 7, 8, and 9, 2007 Torrance Marriott Hotel

Registration forms are available on the website: www//hamcon.org

- **♦ The hotel Code HAMCON**
- ♦ Pre-registration \$18.00
- ♦ At the door \$20.00
- ♦ Breakfast Tickets \$20.00
- ♦ Luncheon Tickets \$25.00
- ♦ Banquet Tickets \$40.00

Short Ribs, Salmon, Chicken, or Vegetarian

See John - AC6FB at the meeting.

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ARRL Certification and Continuing Education course registration:

Registration remains open through Sunday, August 19 for these on-line courses beginning on Friday, September 7:

- ◆ Technician License Course (EC-010)
- ◆ Amateur Radio Emergency Communications, Level 1 (EC-001)
- ◆ Radio Frequency Interference (EC-006)
- ♦ Antenna Design and Construction (EC-009)
- ♦ Analog Electronics (EC-012)
- ◆ Digital Electronics (EC-013).

To learn more, visit the CCE Course Listing page http://www.arrl.org/cce/courses.html or contact the Continuing Education Program Coordinator cce@arrl.org.

Garlic Bread on the Grill



Ingredients:

1 loaf French Bread, split down the middle 2/3 stick of butter, softened, room temperature

2 teaspoons Garlic powder

Combine:

Butter and garlic smear mixture on the bread.

Place sides of bread back together

Wrap with double heavy duty foil. Place on BBQ for 8 to 12 minutes, turn once.

Unwrap and place butter side down on the grill for just a minute or less. (Watch carefully or it will burn) Slice and serve while hot.

Some Field Day Facts

First contact at 18:07UTC and the last at 17;52UTC. CW accounted for 37% of the contacts and 54% of the score.

2007 RAW DATA	2006 RAW DATA
2A + VHF/UHF	5A + GOTA
CW = 217	
PH = 369	
Total = 586	Total 646 613 + 33(Gota) =

Field Day	CW CONTAC T	PHONE CONTACTS	Claimed Score
2006	176	470	1644
2005	161	709	2062
2004	560	992	4224
2003	297	637	2462
2002	317	611	2490
2001	527	426	2960
2000	376	397	2298

CW contacts are doubled, phone contacts remain the same but power multipliers bring you up to those numbers Bonus points are added by ARRL and do not show in the chart.

W6TRW SWAP MEET

July 28, 2006 7:00 a.m. through 11:30 a.m.

I would like to thank Harlen - KC66YBJ for handling the sales and all of the other members that came along to help.

It was sunny and hot with a lot of people looking for bargains but not buying much. Many of our members came by and stopped to visit.

If you have items to sell, please call John - AC6FB at 310-675-0732 or e-mail at jcrochaw@pacbell.net.

I will have the registration forms for the 2007 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention "HAMCON" available at the space or at the ARRL Space.



John - AC6FB

CALENDAR

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

Club Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the month August 16, 2007 7:30 p.m.

Torrance Memorial Medical Center BACK IN THE HEALTH CONFERENCE CENTER

Palos Verdes School District

EMERGENCY NET

1st Tuesday of the month 09:30 Hours on the W6SBA repeater

QSL Card Sorting - Call Ray—WA60WM (310) 370-1913

<u>TRW Swap Meet</u> - Saturday, August 25, 2007 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

VE Session - October 13, 2007

2007 HAMCON SW DIVISION CONVENTION

September 7, 8, and 9, 2007 at the Torrance Marriott

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