

Jamboree-On-The-Air 2011
Scouts and Hams together: Oct 15-16

### President's Message

Hi everybody. I am writing this the night before the beginning of Hamcon. By the time you read this Hamcon will be over. I'm hoping that most of you were able to attend. Your Council and others have been working hard to prepare the W1AW/6 station for the convention. Special thanks to Bill, N6ES, and Nancy, NJ6S, for the use of their trailer to house the station.

We are having another Picnic after the next TRW Swapmeet on September 24th. This will again be at Victor Park. We have reserved the park from 10:00 until 3:00. Food will be provided by the club so please plan to attend and bring your family. We will try operating again and with luck will make a few more QSOs than we did last time.

Plans are also moving forward for an excursion of some sort in November. More on this later as plans are solidified. It seems to be getting a little late in the year to begin another club project so we will be putting this off to next year.

We will be accepting nominations for club officers soon as the election will be in November. So please start thinking about who you would like to have running your club next year. Remember, that to serve, a nominee must be a member in good standing for at least one year and have an active FCC license. Well, that's about it for this time. Have fun, get radio active, and we'll see you at the September meeting. 73's

Alan

## September Meeting Presentation:

Our guest speaker is Arnie, N6HC, back (in one piece) from Central Kiribati. He has put a <u>short PowerPoint presentation together about the T31A DXpedition</u>. There are no pictures about side trips (travelogue) but everything is on point about the DXpedition.

### Background:

The Kanton 2011 DXpedition was comprised of an international team from five countries. They were on the air April 17 thru April 28, 2011 running 6 stations on 160M through 6M (SSB/CW/RTTY).

Kiribati, officially the Republic of Kiribati, is an island nation located in the central tropical Pacific Ocean. It is composed of 32 atolls and one raised coral island, dispersed over 3.5 million square kilometres, (1,351,000 square miles) straddling the equator, and bordering the International Date Line to the east. The name Kiribati is the local pronunciation of "Gilberts", derived from the main island chain, the Gilbert Islands.

### **Central Kiribati:**

Prefix: T31, Entity: C. Kiribati (Brit. Phoenix Is.),

Continent: OC, ITU: 62, CQ: 31.

#### **CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2011:**

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### **World's Largest Scouting Event Coming This Fall**

The Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is an annual Scouting event that uses amateur radio to link Scouts around the world, around the nation, and in your own community. Held on the third full weekend of October each year, this worldwide jamboree requires no travel, other than to a nearby radio amateur's ham shack. Many times the hams will come to you by setting up at a Scout camporee, or perhaps they already have a ham shack at your council's camp. There are many ways to get your Scouts involved in JOTA.

#### Tell Me More

Scouts of any age can participate, from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts and Venturers. Once at the ham radio station, the communication typically requires speaking into a microphone and listening on the station speakers. However, many forms of specialized communication can also take place, such as video communication, digital communication using typed words on the computer screen transmitted by radio, communication through a satellite relay or an earth-based relay (called a repeater), and many others. The exchanges include such information as name, location (called QTH in ham speak), Scout rank, age, and hobbies. The stations you'll be communicating with can be other Scouts across town, across the country, or even around the world! The World Scout Bureau reported that the 2010 JOTA had just over 700,000 Scout participants from nearly 6,000 amateur radio stations! A participant patch is available, as is a certificate/log sheet that can also be used to fulfill a Radio merit badge requirement.

The 54th Jamboree-on-the-Air is October 15–16, 2011. The official hours are from Saturday at 00:00 hours local time (right at midnight Friday) to Sunday 24:00 (midnight Sunday evening). So you've got the whole weekend to make JOTA contacts.

#### How Can I Participate as a Scout?

Contact your local Scout council and see what may already be planned in your area. You can also contact a local ham radio operator or a local amateur radio club. You can find a searchable database of clubs at <a href="https://www.arrl.org/find-a-club">www.arrl.org/find-a-club</a>. This website is operated by the American Radio Relay League, the national association for amateur radio, which is cooperating closely with the BSA on JOTA and many other activities.

Your local club may be able to direct you to its planned JOTA activities. These can include ham stations set up at camporees or other events. Or, if there are no planned activities, you can either work with them to get something set up or arrange to visit a local radio operator's ham shack at a scheduled time to participate in JOTA.

#### How Can I Participate as an Amateur Radio Operator?

Contact your local Scout council and see what may already be planned in your area and how you can help. You can find your council at <a href="http://scouting.org/LocalCouncilLocator.aspx">http://scouting.org/LocalCouncilLocator.aspx</a>.

If nothing is currently planned, or if current plans aren't reaching your area, you can work with the council or a local unit (pack, troop, crew) to set up a JOTA station or arrange for visits to your ham shack. You can also participate just by making QSOs with the many JOTA stations that will be on the air.

### **UP AND COMING EVENTS**

Sept 15, 2011

General Meeting, 7:30PM TMMC West Tower

Sept 24, 2011 'TRW' Swap Meet 8-11AM, NGC

Sept 24th - After TRW Swap Meet SBARC Fall Picnic - Location TBD

- Go to: http://www.W6SBA.org for more information.

Oct 1st and 2nd, 2011

California QSO Party, CQP

See the article in this issue

Oct 15th and 16th, 2011

Jamboree On The Air

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

CLUB SERVICES:	<b>CONTACT:</b>	<b>POSITION:</b>
License upgrades and / or new license testing	Joe, WB6MYD	Secretary / Treasurer
VE Sessions are held the 2nd Saturday of every even month	Joe, WB6MYD	Secretary / Treasurer
Need to sell something at the Swap Meet?	Joe, WB6MYD	Secretary / Treasurer
ARRL Membership renewals or new registration	Joe, WB6MYD	Secretary / Treasurer
Club Name Badge / Jackets	Joe, WB6MYD	Secretary / Treasurer
Club Operation	Alan, KG6ZPL	President
Need something posted on the web site, or newsletter?	Alex, KD6LPA	Webmaster
Ideas for Club Speakers, Field Day Planning	Ray, WA6OWM	Vice President
Membership, Health & Welfare	Mike, KI6LJM	Editor / Member
Upcoming Club Events	Paul, KK6BY	Council Member
Club Activities	James, KI6UPL	Council Member

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.

### Two Amateur Radio Courses

FCC <u>"Technician"</u> course (entry level) FCC <u>"General"</u> course (2<sup>nd</sup> level)

Each course is <u>2 sessions</u>

The <u>2 sessions</u> are on September 24 & October 1

**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 October 8

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 \$22 for the General Copy of my Power Point charts,
 \$18 for the Technician and \$18 for the General -

Students (thru grade 12) who take this course and get their license will be reimbursed up to \$50 by the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club

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

# California QSO Party

### **CQP & improving your operating skills**

From an operating point of view, what do Public Service, chasing DX or working contests have in common?

They all require accurate copy of information under stress – whether the stress of the moment, the adrenaline rush of rare DX or contest pile up, you have to accurately copy and relay information.

Entering a contest either casually to give some points or as a serious effort, Contesting provides a great learning experience for information copy "under fire".

The first weekend of October (October  $1^{st}$  &  $2^{nd}$  this year) sees the annual running of the California QSO Party – a great opportunity for stations in California because everyone else HAS TO WORK US!

We are the DX!

Whether you are a "big gun" with stacked yagis and 1500 watts, or a "little pistol" with 100 watts to a vertical or a wire antenna, everyone else in the world wants to work YOU to pick up one of the 58 counties in our state.

It's a lot of fun being on the receiving end of a pile up or searching & pouncing for other states and countries.

For California stations the object of the contest is to work as many stations as possible on SSB and CW. You can work the same station on each band and each mode for score credit. Every US state and Canadian province you work counts as a multiplier – 58 total for us just like the number of counties in California.

Want to be really on the end of a pile up? Plan a "CApedition" to one of the rarer counties in California and the rest of the world will beat a path to your front end!

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Low Power, High Power? CW or SSB? CQP is a fun contest for all.

CQP is sponsored by the Northern California Contest Club led by the NCCC "Green" team chaired by Rick "The Rhino" N6RNO as CQP Contest Chairman. A group of NCCC volunteers help with PR, planning county expeditions and processing all the logs to score the contest. The last 10 years has seen a great increase in the number of logs submitted from the US, the DX world and (of course!) from California.

Last year we received just over 900 logs and with 2011 being the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of CQP, we are making a big drive to get well over 1000 logs submitted.

Every station that submits a log is eligible for an achievement certificate and there are several operating categories where the leader receives a wooden CQP plaque for proud display on the shack wall.

Three categories are designed to encourage operation in contests:

- ♦ YL award
- ♦ Youth (< 18) award

and starting this year, a New California Contester's Award. This category is open to any operator that submits a log with at least 100 QSOs, made using either TriBander, Wire or Vertical antennas AND who have never submitted a log in any contest with more than 100 QSOs.

So if you've never entered a contest or have only dabbled in the past, this award category is for you!

If you work all 58 counties, you qualify for the "Worked All California Counties Award" sponsored by NCCC.

You can find the full rules and award details on the CQP web site at <a href="http://www.cqp.org">http://www.cqp.org</a>.

Part time or full, home operator or an expedition to a new county, CQP is a blast!

We hope you will join us this year and have a lot of Fun! **Stu Phillips – K6TU** 

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



- 1. Attendance drawing: The tension is growing folks, Meredith-K6QEC name was drawn at our Aug. 18 meeting. The kitty was \$35.00 dollars and now will be \$40.00 for our Sept. 15 meeting since Meredith was not present. Remember only members in good standing and present at the drawing are eligible to collect the kitty.
- 2. Convention: By the time you get to read this the "ARRL SW Division Convention" will be history. At this time it promises to be a very energetic, productive and enjoyable convention for one and all. All booth spaces have been spoken for, Tech topics are scheduled and the Social events are lined up to entertain and amuse everyone. This thing comes around every 4 years in our area and we wish to thank all those involved with its numerous aspects before hand for a job well done (we can always complain later). Remember part of this is to show case our good side to the public and all other interested parties. So thank you all, including those attending, for a job well done.
- 3. September BBQ and Post Convention outing: Yes that is the plan we have or are making. Please mark your calendar for this once again enjoyable Barbeque/Activity on September 24<sup>th</sup>. A lot of the details are still being worked out such as Park Location and all those other details needed to make this as successful as or even better than the first one. Join us at the meeting on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> with your suggestions and or input. Remember this is to be an social and radio activity event for one and all to enjoy. Summer is over, kids are hopefully off to school and everybody needs a break from this hectic 2011 summer months. We will keep you posted as things fall into place.
- 4. Elections: Yes it is that time of year again, the election of officers for the SBARC 2012 year is being thought about if you will. All positions are open and you're encouraged to let any of the officers know if you wish to have yourself nominated for a position or wish to nominate someone for any position. The Council will select a Nominating Committee at the September Council meeting and it is hoped for each and everyone to have some suggestions so a slate of Nominee's may be made and be presented to us all at our October meeting. A nominee must be a member in good standing and have been a member for one year or more. Duties are for any officer to attend monthly Council meetings in addition to be at the General meetings. Certain aspects of the position need follow up of course and throughout the year with the greatest requirement being to be involved.

Suggestions: It has been suggested in order for us to get more members to check in on our Thursday night net to let everyone know the ones that did or do check in. For your information I keep a running log of all of those checking in.

Starting with the Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> net we had 10 check-ins and 2 additional ones via email (they are on the road). Some other details are being worked out and it is hoped that this will encourage you to join us on those Thursday nights with our SBARC Thursday night net on W6SBA repeater. Along with this we will start also with listing those of you stopping by at the swap meet. So please look at our new columns in the Arc Over. We hope to encourage more participation in your clubs activities and wish to thank everyone for their participation.

Thursday night Check ins on August 25<sup>th</sup>.

NC Joe-WB6MYD Arthur-WS6U Chuck-KN6H Paul-KK6BY

Schuyler-KJ6NAT Gary-WD9DUI Ray-WA6OWM DaveKE6OJN Bill-KQ6Z

Bennie-W6ZAC (congrats upgrade and new call)

NJ6S and N6ES, Nancy and Bill checked in via e mail.

Saturday TRW Swap meet Visits on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

Op Joe-WB6MYD Bill-KQ6Z Burt-K6KYM Kostek-K6MNA Rob-WB6KMX Alex-

KD6LPA James-KI6UPL Paul-KK6BY

Dick-W1MII Gary-WD9DUI Ray-WA6OWM joined Kostek and myself at Denny's for breakfast or lunch.

Please forgive me if I forgot someone.

- Joe

### **CALENDAR**

Council Meeting - 1st Wednesday of the month

Call Joe - WB6MYD (310) 328-0817

**Club Meeting** - 3rd Thursday of the month

September 15, 2011 - 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, September 24, 2011, 7-11 a.m.

**VE Session** - Contact: Joe WB6MYD

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#### **CLUB SERVICES**

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### South Bay Amateur Radio Club Repeater

224.38 MHz ·PL - 192.8 Hz Offset -1.6 MHz (See Calendar for Weekly Net Times)

#### **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION**

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