

VALLEY HAM NEWS

THE VOICE OF THE YUBA-SUTTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Next Board of Directors Meeting

The December Board Meeting will be held on December 19, 1990, at Homer Oliver's home. Time is 7:30 PM, and address is 673 Westwood Drive, Yuba City. Note that this is one week early due to the Christmas holiday

Next Club Meeting

The next Club Meeting will be the Christmas party at Ruthy's in Yuba City. Check last month's issue for full details. Be sure to get your money in to Bob, WA6OWH, for your reservation. Time is 6:30 PM and date is December 12, 1990.

We'll look for you there.

The Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club holds a regular net for members and guests each Monday evening at 7:00 PM on WD6AXM/R, 146.085/685. See you there.

NET CONTROL STATIONS

Jullia, KC6OMX, has volunteered to take Net control duties for this month. She needs check-ins, so let's keep her busy. Thanks, Jullia.

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Russ Decker, KB6YAF

Vice Pres: Kristen McClard, KB6RHL

Secretary: Bill Corey, N6VPI

Treasurer: Jack Craig, K6ZMA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Randy Stohlman, N6QMM

Ron Murdock, WB5FIX

Jim Giarde, WA6RZA

Herb Puckett, W6HBU

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

Bob McClard, WA6OWH

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MEETING: YUBA-SUTTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS/OFFICERS
DATE: 19 DECEMBER 1990

PLACE: HOMER'S, KB6EJ

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RUSSEL DECKER AT 1952.
MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: RUSS,KB6YAF; KRISTIN,KB6RHL; BILL,N6VPI; JIM,WA6RZA;
RON,WB5FIX; AND BOB,WA6OWH. GUESTS PRESENT WERE: HOMER,KB6EJ; AND JULLIA,
KC6OMX.

OLD BUSINESS

1. PROPOSAL: RON PROPOSED A NEW TECHNICIAN CLASS TO BE TAUGHT AT YUBA COLLEGE. NO CLUB PARTICIPATION WILL BE NEEDED FOR THIS CLASS.
2. GEN/ADV UPGRADE: RON WILL ALSO BE TEACHING A GEN/ADV UPGRADE CLASS SOMETIME IN THE EARLY PART OF APRIL IF HIS PROPOSAL IS APPROVED BY YUBA COLLEGE.

NEW BUSINESS

THE BOARD DISCUSSED AND PLANNED THE 1991 CALENDAR FOR THE CLUB.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 23 JAN. 1991 AT RUSS DECKER'S. 1930 HRS.
NEXT CLUB MEETING: 8 JAN. 1991 AT 1930 HRS. PLACE UNKNOWN.
MEETING ADJOURNED: 2115 HRS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: BILL COREY, N6VPI.

QRM DE SU PRESIDENTE

Here it is again, a New Year! It seems the older I get, the faster the years pass. However, on a brighter note, the years are definitely more exciting. Our hobby will be definitely experiencing some exciting changes this year. A new 'Codeless Technician' class will become a part of the licensing structure. I know this will benefit our hobby only if we can get the word out (in a positive way) to John Q. Public. But let us not stop there. I see the No-code Tech as a stepping stone for an upgrade. It is up to each one of us to promote this if this new license class is to be a success.

This year's meeting agenda was formulated at the last board meeting. The following is a list of club activities for the year:

- JAN.- Antenna Building Project
- FEB.- Radio Place Presentation
- MAR.- Emergency Communications Presentation
- APR.- Presentation by W6AAQ (T.B.A.)
- MAY.- Club Swap Meet
- JUN.- Field Day Organization
- JUL.- Club Picnic
- AUG.- Club Swim & BBQ
- SEP.- Equipment Check
- OCT.- Show 'n Tell

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NOV.- Elections and Club Videos

DEC.- Christmas Dinner

We hope to add to this list as different events come up.

For those of you that are interested, here is a list of the Christmas Party prize recipients:

Mag mount antenna- Ron Murdock

ARRL Handbook- June McJunkin

Double Decker Pizza- Bill McJunkin

2m J-Pole- Diane Smith

Honey Treat Yogurt Gift Certificate- Jim Ellis

Hobby Needle Files- Denise Decker

Heat Shrink Tubing- Bill Spoto

Copper Antenna Wire- Margaret Martin

Coil Form Insulators- Ken Nudson

Soldering Iron- Paul Melinger

Radio Place Gift Certificate- Shirley Burns

12/24 hour Clock- Bill Corey

2m/440 SWR-PWR meter- Russell Decker

Ok, I guess it's time to talk resolutions. I know it sound cliché-ish, but what the heck, it's tradition. I had thought about HAM-solutions for the new year, but haven't decided whether I would try for some or all.

HAMsolution #1 - Try to use simplex more often.

HAMsolution #2: 'Elmer' a new ham(s) into the hobby.

HAMsolution #3: Work more CW.

HAMsolution #4: Work more RTTY.

HAMsolution #5: Upgrade.

HAMsolution #6: Go for a WAS

HAMsolution #7: Donate more time to the club functions.

HAMsolution #8: Use 220MHz more often.

HAMsolution #9: Help another Ham with a project.

HAMsolution#10: Keep the shack a little neater (this one's for the XYL)

Maybe your resolutions are different, but these are a few I'm thinking about.

Whatever you decide on, make them positive and attainable, and above all, make resolutions that will be fun!

Happy New Year es 73's de Russell, KB6YAF

RACHELLE CATHERINE PUCKETT ARRIVES ON THE SCENE

Twice now, we have taken advantage of the fact that the Editor has some control over the content of this fine publication, and we have proclaimed to the world the arrival of two grandsons via this periodical.

Once again, we are a new grand parent. Rachelle Catherine Puckett arrived at 4:53 AM on December 7, 1990. Mother, Dad and Daughter are doing fine. We have been to Merced twice (where Rachelle's dad is employed by P.G. &

E. Company) to see our new Granddaughter. Welcome to the world, Rachelle, we are indeed proud to have you aboard.

EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

Once again, it is the end of the year, and we sit and contemplate the accomplishments of the year past. At the same time, the new year aborning reaches out to us with new challenges and hope that perhaps we will do better.

We will leave the resolutions to our President. If we made any last year, they are long forgotten or ignored. Your Editor is not great for New Year's Resolutions. We're doing well to cope with each day as it arrives, let alone think of things we can do better tomorrow compared to today.

We can, however, wish each of our readers a most happy and prosperous New Year; and we hope your enjoyment of the holiday season was the greatest. May it bring happy memories when you look back upon it in the coming year. Have a good one.

Don't forget the January club meeting is Antenna Building night. See the layout and make up your parts list from the information in this issue. We note that the meeting location is not fixed as we go to press. Check in on the repeater for final information. I guess we'll really have a talk-in this time!

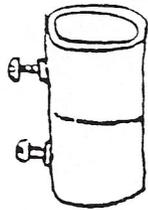
Another thing to keep in mind is that DUES ARE DUE!!! The club's existence depends upon its members and their dues. The cost of the Newsletter alone is a very significant portion of your dues. Add to that the costs of insurance, etc. etc. and it really gets interesting. Remember that you can use the application form that is a part of each issue. Make our treasurer work overtime going to the bank. Or you can bring dollars to the next Club meeting, wherever it might be.

We need material for the Newsletter, and we welcome your contributions. Mail it, carry it, send it on Packet, or whatever.

If you weren't at the Christmas Party, you missed probably the best one yet. The food was superb, and the fellowship was, as usual, excellent. Jim, WA6RZA, did NOT win the big prize this year. Too bad---we think Jim was trying for another win to make it three in a row. Bob, WA6QWH; Kristen, KB6RHL; and company are once again to be complimented on a fine job.

Since this is the beginning of the new club year, it is appropriate to once again advise all the members that the Officers and Board members need your help. Remember that they can't do it alone. They appreciate and welcome your help and advice. Don't let them down. Let's each give a little so no one has to give too much and suffers burnout.

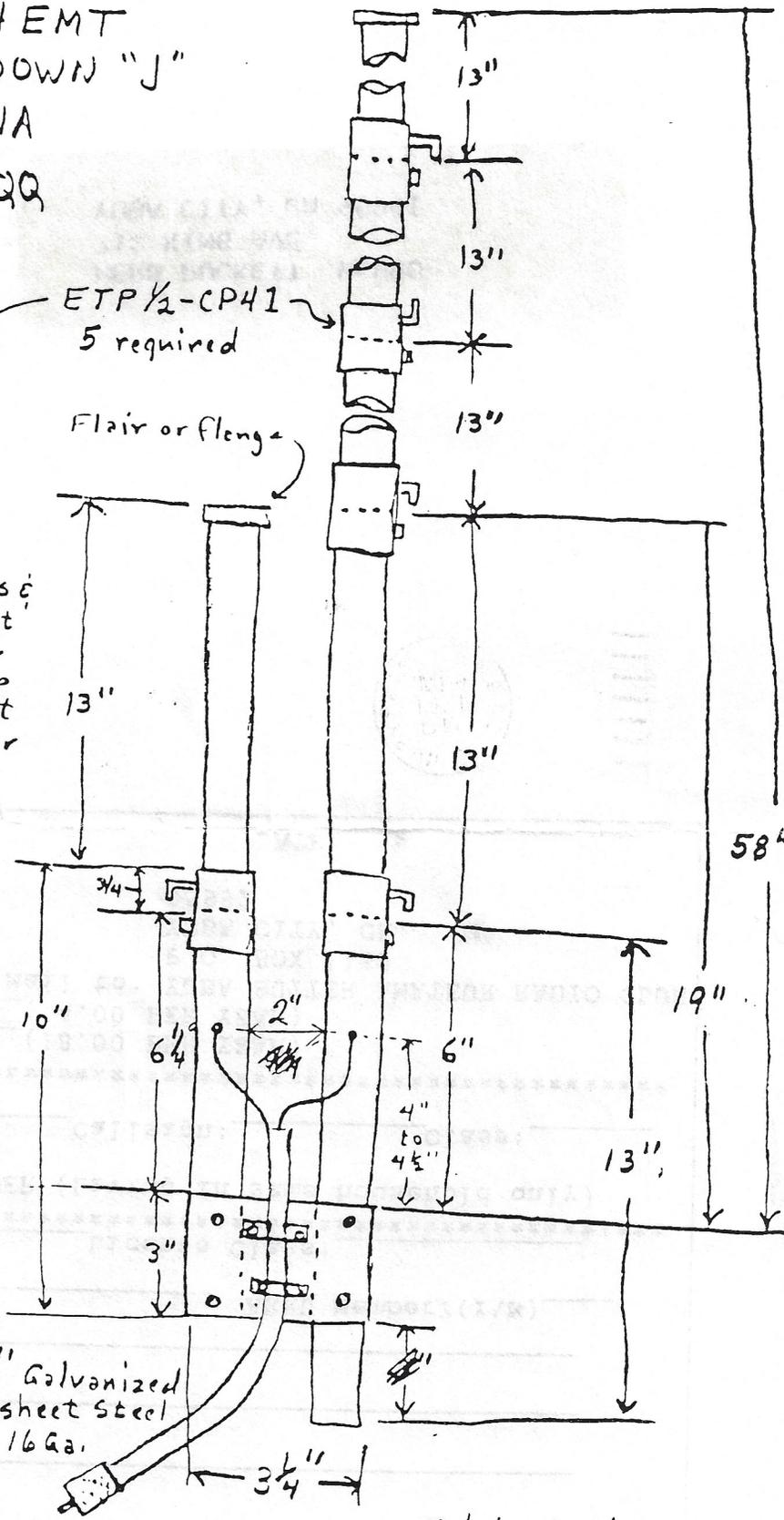
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ANTENNA
WA6EQQ



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Remove screws &
install Allen Set
Screw in lower
hole. Make-up
"L" handled set
Screw for upper
hole.



Color code
Joints and/or
mark with
numbers.

2 - 3" x 3 1/4" Galvanized
sheet steel
16 Ga.

Not to Scale

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: YUBA SUTTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

TYPE: NEW () RENEWAL ()

MEMBER INFORMATION: (Full voting rights and privileges)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: () _____
ARRL Member? (Y\N) _____

Call sign: _____ License Class: _____

ASSOCIATE FAMILY MEMBER (Living in same household only)

Name: _____
Class: _____

DUES: \$ (18.00 PER YEAR)

ASSOCIATE DUES (4.00 PER YEAR)

TOTAL: _____
Mail to: YUBA SUTTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

P.O. BOX 1169
YUBA CITY, CA.

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SIGNATURE: _____

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