

VALLEY HAM NEWS

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A California Non-profit Organization

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NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next Club meeting will be the annual Club Potluck Dinner at Lindhurst High School. Date is February 9. Arrive at 6:00 PM and we eat at 6:30. See the Board Meeting minutes for more information.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will occur on February 23 at 7:00PM at the Yuba City Police facility on Poole Boulevard.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend the Board meetings.

Be sure to let your new officers and Board Members know your wishes and ideas..

Everyone is invited.

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Paul Johnson, N6XVL
Vice President: Nate Walls, KD6HNR
Secretary: Hugh MacDonald, N7OKM
Treasurer: Clara Ansley, KC6JPP

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

KB6YAF, Russ Decker
W6HBU, Herb Puckett
KB6WID, Tom Galbreath
KM6AM, Jerry Haley
N6XOP, Bob Anderson

REPEATER LICENSE TRUSTEE

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

MINUTES OF THE YUBA SUTTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BOARD MEETING January 26, 1994

The meeting was called to order at 1905 in the training room of the Yuba City Police Dept. by President Paul Johnson, N6XVL. Present were:

President: Paul, N6XVL
Vice-Pres: Nate, KD6HNR
Treasurer: Clara, KC6JPP
Secretary: Hugh, N7OKM
Board Members:
Herb W6HBU, Russ KB6YAF

Visitors: Randy, KC6MUS; Wade KN6WX

Treasurers report: \$1,388.90, 59 members have paid their dues so far. Those who haven't paid will receive their last news letter this month and will find their call sign marked in RED.

Secretary:

The secretary will be sending thank you cards/ letters to Dave, KD6VNQ for his two donations to the repeater fund and also to Pete & Jo Anne Dow, WA6ZGM and WD6GTO respectively for their donation. The Dow's were thanking the club for the work on the repeater Sunday evening, the 16th of January, during an emergency involving their son and daughter in law.

Old Business:

Events:

February meeting Potluck:
Russ advised that we have received the OK to use the cafeteria in the Lindhurst High School for the February meeting on 8th at 1830. The meeting will be our annual February Pot Luck. Members are advised to bring what ever they want, INCLUDING TABLE SERVICE AND PAPER PLATES. The club will provide the beverage. Members are also asked to bring the copy of the recipe for the dish they bring to the meeting as there is a recipe exchange

anticipated. Kathy Mac Donald, N7OKM's XYL, will bring one cake and will raffle off another to help raise money for the club.

March:

Meeting will be on Packet operation / YCBBS

Bok Kai 12 March.

A point of contact is needed to work with Larry, WA6ISR. An NCS must also be found to help Larry out in the command trailer. 25 Volunteers are needed for this event.

Antenna Saturday will be the last Saturday in March with the following Saturday the rain date.

April:

Fox Hunting
POC Tom, KB6YAD

April 16th, Bike Around the Buttes.
Volunteers are needed for this event.
POC Herb, W6HBU

May:

First Saturday in May is scheduled for the VE Session at the Yuba City PD from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Walk-ins will be accepted and all Team members will be needed.

POC; KB6EJ, Homer, WA6OWH Bob

Club Meeting:

The May club meeting will be held Saturday, May 21 at Colgate in Dobbins and will be a potluck/bbq. Ernie, KB6VHW, has been able to reserve the area for May 20, 21, and 22; so in addition to our annual potluck meeting members will be able to camp there if they so desire. The board is considering making this our annual picnic also as too many members have been on vacation and not attended the picnic in July for the past several years.

June:

Field Day

The meeting will be to discuss field day planning. Field day this year will be on June 25 and 26. There will be two club sites.

Low site POC Ed, N6VRH.

Suggestions are needed on where to set up this year. It has been decided that the Barry School site will not be used due to problems there the last several years.

QRP Site POC Wade KN6WX.

Wade is once again keeping this site secret for QRP operators only and has said the club Secretary can not bring a large generator and the AL80A to this site.

Hats/Wind Breakers/ Sweat Shirts

The Board is continuing to investigate the prices for items. We need some input on what the club members want, what sizes, and what price is considered reasonable. Input is needed from the members. Russ, KB6YAF, and Randy, KC6MUS, are looking for the least expensive sources for the items. Item Open

Repeater Operation Violations:

Due to recently observed operating violations and QRM'ing, a warning sheet is actively being drawn up. The document will be presented to the trustee, WD6AXM, for his approval and copies will be generated as soon as the wording is approved. Due to recent events, including the blocking of emergency traffic on the repeater, all members are asked to attempt to get an idea of the general area from which these transmissions are originating. If observed the members are asked to check the input

for signal strength or bearing, and note the time and date and pass the information to a Board member. The board is aware that some of the noise is coming from the repeater site and that problem is being addressed, but the primary interest is the whistling, tone generation, and intentional QRM that is occurring. It was noted that several repeaters have been taken off the air due to this problem, most recently the 147.195 machine, which now QRT's at 10pm.

WHILE ATTEMPTING TO CHECK THE INPUT DO NOT SAY ANYTHING ON THE REPEATER REGARDING THE QRM TAKING PLACE. ONLY NOTE THE INFORMATION AND PASS TO THE BOARD.

New Business:

Wade, KN6WX/AE expressed his thanks to those operators, KC6MUS and N7OKM, for taking net control so far this year. More net controllers are needed. Contact Wade to take a Monday night slot.

The meeting was adjourned at 2005.

Respectfully Submitted,
N7OKM, Hugh

WE HAVE A BREAKFAST HONCHO

Paul, N6XVL asked for a volunteer at the January club meeting to be the Club's Breakfast Coordinator. Jay, KE6CTU has answered the call, and has planned the next breakfast at the PEACH TREE RESTAURANT for 9:00 AM on February 12.

Lets get out there and support Jay in his calling and give him our views on when and where we want the breakfasts held. They aren't any good if they don't meet our needs and no one shows up.

Remember Saturday, February 12, PEACH TREE RESTAURANT on North Beale Road.

Jay says "Thanks. I need and can use your input and ideas."

WE NEED A BOK KAI HONCHO

As noted in the Board minutes, we need a person to act as POC for the upcoming Bok Kai parade.

Duties consist of working with Larry, WA6ISR, in setting up the communications network and NCS. It isn't really as tough as it sounds. If you have never done something like this, now is a good time to learn. It would be valuable experience. Also, if you're new to the game, there are people to give you a hand.

Contact Paul, N6XVL, for more information.

ROSTER CHANGES AND SUCH

Please ADD:

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Barry Barnes, KE6LW
1480 Mirada Circle
Yuba City, Ca 95993
Phone 673-3282

Hugh MacDonald, N7OKM
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Gridley, Ca 95948
Phone 846-6702

Clara advises that we have 122 people listed on the roster, of whom 59 have paid 1994 dues.

Please check this Newsletter. If you find a red line through your call sign, Clara has no record of your 1994 club dues, and this will be your last issue.

EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

Things have been somewhat slow at W6HBU lately. The flu and colds seem to have left the scene, and the sun has been seen recently; so maybe the worst of winter is behind us.

Speaking of sun, a few days of sunshine and thoughts of the outdoors cross our mind. The Board is already planning for Field Day, and we have a date in May for a possible campout at the P. G. & E.

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facility at Colgate. Keep this in mind, as this is a nice place for a get-together such as this. Let the Board know if you're interested in staying overnight. For sure don't forget the Saturday night potluck. More information later.

We have heard a couple of new calls on the machine lately. Ken, KC6JZX, is now KN6WZ; and Wade, KC6DFZ, is now KN6WX. Also, Wade is sporting a new EXTRA privilege. Not sure about Ken. There are also others we don't have information on. Congratulations to all who have upgraded or made the grade for a new license.

NOTICE!!

TO MAKE THINGS EASIER FOR ALL OF US, PLEASE NOTICE THIS IMPORTANT NOTICE. YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED THE INCREASING AMOUNT OF NOTICES FOR YOU TO NOTICE. WE NOTICE THAT SOME OF OUR NOTICES HAVE NOT BEEN NOTICED. THIS IS VERY NOTICE-ABLE! IT IS NOTICED THAT THE RESPONSES TO THE NOTICES HAVE BEEN NOTICEABLY UNNOTICEABLE. THIS NOTICE IS TO REMIND YOU TO NOTICE THE NOTICES AND RESPOND TO THE NOTICES BECAUSE WE DO NOT WANT THE NOTICES TO GO UNNOTICED.

Editor's note: Thanks to Russ, KB6YAF. He got it from a school publication.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all the YSARC members. Not much to say this month, so here we go.

The February meeting is the pot luck dinner at the Lindhurst High School. Bring your best dish. See the minutes for details.

Plan on coming to the March meeting, also. Barry, KE6LW, will talk about the new BBS on his system.

Please check into the Monday night nets at 7:00 PM. I'd like to hear from you.

So long for now and 73,
 Paul, N6XVL

FOR SALE

Your Editor has a tower and a couple of vertical antennas for sale.

We have about 65 feet of Rohn 25G tower (six 10-foot sections and a 5-foot piece that can be used for the base section.) One of the 10-foot sections is a tapered top section. There is also a steel plate that can be used for a base if you want to guy the thing instead of plant it. This is PICK UP ONLY. We have no way to haul that much steel.

\$400.00 would make us very happy, and we might negotiate for something slightly lower.

We also have a Battenut HF6V with a 10.0 MHz. coil assembly.

We'd like to get around \$100.00 out of this one.

There is also a Hustler 5-band vertical that needs one aluminum tubing section. All the resonators are there, however.

\$40.00 would take this out the door.

Call 674-3648 for more information and such.

SODD'S FIRST LAW:

When a person attempts a task, he or she will be thwarted in that task by the unconscious intervention of some other presence (animate or inanimate). Nevertheless, some tasks are completed, since the intervening presence is itself attempting a task and is, of course, subject to interference.

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) _____

Callsign: _____ License Class: _____

Associate Family Member (Living in Same Household Only)

Name: _____ Callsign: _____ License Class: _____

Dues: \$ _____ (18.00 per year)

Associate dues: \$ _____ (4.00 per year)

Total:

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

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