

VALLEY HAM NEWS

The Voice of the Yuba Sutter Amateur Radio Club
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More details will follow in later editions of the Valley Ham News and on the Monday night net

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The next Board meeting and Club Breakfast will occur on **SUNDAY**, July 8.

Location is the American Legion Hall in West Linda on Riverside Boulevard. Time is 8:30AM. The Board meeting will follow breakfast.

The Legion puts on a good meal. The price is right, the portions are ample and the fellowship the best in town.

We'll look for you there.

Incidentally, if you're an early bird, they start serving at 8:00AM. Come early and stay late.

REPEATER LICENSE TRUSTEE

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2001

Since there was not a quorum present, there was no Board Meeting.

Those present did set the date and location for the next club breakfast and Board Meeting.

It will be in the same location on July 8, 2001. See the announcement in this issue.

EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

How about this crazy weather?? First, we suffocate in the heat, then we get cool weather and light rain. Never a dull moment.

Your Editor has been in town, but we are getting ready for a jaunt over to the North Coast in a bit. This will be different from the usual W6HBU escape from the valley. It seems that our daughter and son-in-law have a favorite camp ground over North of Eureka, and this year we are going along to take in a bit of the sea shore. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate, and we will not get too wet.

I wonder if anyone worked Field Day? I only heard two people talking of it on the repeater, and neither of them mounted a big effort. Your Editor stayed home or near there for the full weekend. I listened for a few minutes Saturday morning, but I didn't work any stations.

We just had word that Lee, KC6MCI, had open heart surgery this morning, June 26, after many postponements. He is still in recovery as we write this, and if we get any later word we'll try to get it in the newsletter. Lee needs our thoughts and prayers, as he has a tough road ahead of him.

It appears that I will be present to do the newsletter for August, though I will be out of town most of the month of August. Ron, W6KJ, will probably do the issue for September while I am gone. I will be back in time for the VE Session in September. I also plan to be here for the VE Session on July 21.

By the way, if you haven't heard, the CW test will change on July 1. There will be no more multiple choice exams. It will be all "Fill in the blanks." Also, the character speed and the tone frequency will change. These will be minor points, but we will need all new exams and code tapes. These are supposed to be on the way from ARRL, and should arrive in plenty of time for our July 21 session.

In the absence of our president and vice president, Paul, N6XVL, is doing most of the NCS duties on the Monday Night Net. How about giving him a hand in it for a change??? He needs the help.

Sometimes I think we should declare a Summer vacation for the club. It seems everyone is going in different directions, and it gets very difficult to get people to the meetings and activities. I wonder if we should talk about that??

THE PREZ SEZ

Aloha!

Hope all of you are able to enjoy a vacation this summer. My family and I just got back from Hawaii. We enjoy Waikiki and visiting with old friends. Some of them we hadn't seen for six years. Didn't recognize the kids, and of course they were amazed to see Patrick and Michelle so grown.

My daughter, while swimming at Hunama Bay came upon a sea turtle, rare that a sea turtle will be that close. She took some underwater photos of it. The pictures are not back yet, so sorry, no photos to go with this yet. Hopefully, next time.

I took my handheld to Hawaii with me, but didn't hear any traffic on the 2 m band at all. I did catch one 70 cm simplex conversation just as they ended while I was there. Unfortunately, I forgot my repeater book and was unable to locate any repeaters in Hawaii.

I'm off to San Diego in a couple of days to work. Everyone enjoy your summer.

73,

Curt

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Pete has plastic plates, spoons, forks, etc. but you may want to bring your own. There will also be lemonade and possibly ice tea. If you desire sodas, please bring them.

To get there: head for Dobbins, but don't take the first Dobbins turn off from the new road. Just ahead will be a green pedestrian overcrossing. Just after the overcrossing, take a left at the new intersection. Pete is the second place on the left. His name is out front as is the house number, 14390. You can also see his beam from the road. There is plenty of parking, including RV's Don't miss it. Pete has put a lot of work into it.

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