



The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club

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President's QRM

There are a number of activities that are coming up in the next few months that you should be aware of, the following is a partial list:

AUGUST

August 14th - Saturday luncheon at the Claim Jumper Restaurant (9429 Tampa Avenue, Northridge). Lunch begins at 11:30 am.

August 14 - Santa Barbara Hamfest. Admission is free. See page 4 for additional information.

August 20th - Monthly meeting at the Northridge Hospital at the usual time and place. The speaker will be club member Johnnie Spotts, who will be discussing amateur radio satellite communications.

August 21st - Bulldog Run. The SFVARC was asked to provide nine radio operators for the Bulldog Run, which consists of two races - a 25K Trail Run and a 50K Trail Ultra Run - which are conducted simultaneously. The races begin at a base camp in Malibu Creek State Park and continue throughout the Santa Monica Mountains. Communications will be on 2 meters simplex. See writeup on page three for additional information. If you are interested in participating, contact Ray Solis at one of the telephone numbers listed.

Next **SFVARC Club Meeting**

Friday, August 20
at 7:30pm
Northridge Hospital
Penthouse
18300 Roscoe Blvd,
Northridge, CA 91325

SEPTEMBER

September 17-19 - The 2010 ARRL Southwest Division Convention will be held in at the Four Points Hotel Sheraton, 8110 Aero Dr., San Diego. For additional information, go to website <http://www.sandarc.net/Convention2010/index.html>



OCTOBER

October 21st at 10:21 a.m - simulated emergency earthquake exercise called 2010 Great California ShakeOut. Northridge Hospital will participate in this region wide exercise and has asked the SFVARC to be involved. More information go to: <http://www.shakeout.org/drill/>

NOVEMBER

November 18th - a simulated radiological terrorism/bomb threat. The Northridge Hospital will participate in this region wide exercise and has asked the SFVARC to be involved.

73,
Grant K6KL

San Fernando Valley
Amateur Radio Club
ARRL Affiliated Club #1684

W6SD

ARRL Special Service Club
P.O. Box 280517
Northridge, CA 91328

The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc (SFVARC) is an organization interested in Amateur Radio as a hobby. The SFVARC is affiliated with the American Radio Relay League and the Los Angeles Council of Amateur Radio Clubs, Inc. Members of the Club conduct licensing classes on a continuing basis. Anyone interested in Amateur Radio is invited to attend our monthly meetings.

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POSTINGS AND NOTICES

Monthly Meetings: Third Friday of the month, 7:30 p.m. at Northridge Hospital (18300 Roscoe Blvd, Northridge). Most Club activities take place at the Fifth Floor Penthouse, **but we may be assigned other rooms from time to time.**

Signs will be posted at the Penthouse elevator if there is such a change.

Board Meetings: The 4th Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m., Northridge Hospital, Garden Room. These are open meetings and all members are welcome to attend!
Club Station W6SD: Located at Northridge Hospital. Available to members Wednesdays, 7-10 p.m. Contact Grant Abbott K6KLP (818-709-8218) for details.

World Wide Web Site: <http://www.w6sd.net>

Club Nets:

- 2 meter simplex: Tuesdays, 8 p.m. on 145.570 MHz.
Net Control: Varies
- 10 meter: Wednesdays, 8 p.m. on 28.310 MHz +/- QRM in the Upper Side Band Mode
Net Control: The Net Control Operators are Jim Sullivan WB6TNF, Phil Reiber KJ6ZI, John Campeau AD6KT, and Johnnie Spotts W6HTY.
- 2 meter repeater: Thursdays, 8 p.m., on the Magic Mountain Repeater (147.735 - MHz) or Duck Mountain (147.24 + MHz) if Magic is unavailable.
Net Control: The Net Control Operators are Phil Reiber, KJ6ZI, and Ted Mattock, KE6EIT.

6th District DX QSL Bureau: The 6th District DX QSL Bureau has now moved to Weed, CA. The Bureau prefers that you purchase envelopes from them (\$.60 each, including postage) Contact the Bureau at P.O. Box 530, Weed, CA 96094-0530 or visit their web page at <http://www.kqiz.com/qslbureau6.html>

Beginning Ham Classes: For current class information, contact: Bill Miller at K6NEQ 818-368-4438. A copy of the ARRL book "**The Ham Radio License Manual, Technician**" will be required.

Ham Exams: Held at the Northridge Hospital, on the first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October and December. **Registration starts at 8 a.m., and testing starts at 9 a.m. Absolutely no one admitted to the testing room after 9 a.m!** You do not have to be a Club member to take an examination. There is a \$4 examination fee. Also, if you are upgrading your license, please bring your original license, a copy of your license, and originals and copies of any "Certificates of Completion". For more information, call Bill Miller, K6NEQ at 818-368-4438. In all other months, exams are conducted by the Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club; contact Ron Klein, K6VPV at 661-259-0948

Newsletter Contributions: Please contact Bernard Falkin, KG6FBM [kg6fbm @ bflocks.com](mailto:kg6fbm@bflocks.com) if you have anything for the newsletter.

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Monthly Luncheon

Well, we had a great turn out at Brent's. Even had to use a booth for overflow! Our next luncheon will be at Claim Jumpers' Restaurant, August 14 at 11:30am. 9429 Tampa Ave, Northridge (Northeast end of the Mall). 818/718-2882. See you there! Last time we ate at Claim Jumpers' we had big group, so don't be late!!

Elaine

Simplex Net Reminder

Two meter simplex:
Tuesdays, 8 p.m. on
145.570 MHz, Jim, WB6TNF

Northridge VE Schedule for 2010

The test session registration is from 8:00 am until 9:00 am. Anyone arriving after 9:00 will be turned away. Time limit to take a test is 90 minutes. Exams will be held in the fifth floor Penthouse of the north building (Carol Pump building) of the Northridge Hospital. Signs will be posted if the room is changed.

8/7/10

10/2/10, 12/4/10

Operators for the BULLDOG

The Bulldog 50k & 25k trail race, Aug 21st, Malibu State Park
1925 Las Virgenes Road Calabasas, CA 91302. Web site: bulldog 50k & 25K. #1 Race Starts 6:30am for 50k
/ 7:30am 25K

#2 Entering Malibu State Park, tell the Gate Volunteers that you are Ham operators for the Race.

#3 Simplex Frequency 146.580. Bernard's cross band repeater at base camp input 446.000/ output 146.580
T Sq PL 100

4 Three aid stations plus base camp.

#5 Show Time for Base Camp personal 6 to 6:30am

#6 Aid Station #1 (Bulldog Lateral) KI6QME will be riding with Mr Ranger at 5:30am, Ray will follow the sweepers till the finish line, Breakdown time is when the sweepers come through, aid station #1 will closed at 11:45am.

#7 Aid Station #2 (Corral Canyon) Show Time 7 to 7:30 approx 30minute drive from base camp, 2100 feet in elevation you are in line of sight of base camp & aid stations. Aid station closes at 1:00

Directions from Malibu state park, turn right onto Las Virgenes Rd & drive to pacific coast Hwy. turn right on PCH turn right on Corral Canyon Rd (AT THE UNION STATION 76 GAS) Follow the corral canyon rd to the top of the Mountain Aid station is at the end of Corral Canyon Rd.

#8 Aid station #3 (Tapia West) Show Time 8 to 8: 30am Closes at 2:45. Directions to aid station #3. Turn right onto Las Virgenes Rd. drive 1.5miles passing Tapia park entrance on your right. Go past the service road and turn right into the second driveway of the parking lot.

BRING SUN SCREEN, CHAIR, LUNCH, SHADE, EXTRA BATTERIES, AND THANK YOU ALL FOR HELPING.

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KI6QME/Ray

The Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club

Presents the 2010 ARRL Santa Barbara Section Convention & Hamfest/Family Reunion, Saturday, August 14 at
Earl Warren Showgrounds, go to www.earlwarren.com for map and information

Exhibits open at 0800 – Speakers begin at 0900 – Live band closes the show at 1700

8,000 sq. feet of indoor exhibits featuring major communications suppliers

Huge outdoor static display of emergency communications & response vehicles

Speakers & panel discussions on subjects of interest to hams and the public in general

Elmering & Special Interest Group centers to answer questions from new hams & share expertise on favorite
topics such as trouble-shooting, ATV, DX, QRP & many more

Alternative-power demonstration – latest solar, wind & other “off-the-grid” technologies

Spouse-approved – adjacent to Santa Barbara Home Show with FREE entry privileges

ARRL Forum – meet & question your elected leaders

Grand raffle prize – new Elecraft K-3! Spouse prizes – valuable restaurant gift certificates!

Register by mail using form on back or go to www.sbarc.org & click Online Registration!

Woody's Barbecue

Tri-tip & Chicken Lunch!

Major Raffle Prizes Every Hour!

On 90 years of service to Santa Barbara

2010 Hamfest, Family Reunion

& ARRL Santa Barbara Section Meeting

Admission is FREE - check off the packages below for meals and raffle tickets:

Every order also includes FREE admission to the Santa Barbara Home Show!

Single BBQ Lunch* \$15

Two BBQ Lunches* \$30

Package A1 - Single lunch* + 25 ham raffle tickets \$35

Package A2 - 2 Lunches* + 20 ham & 10 spouse raffle tickets \$50

Package B1 - Single Lunch* + 50 ham raffle tickets \$60

Package B2 - 2 Lunches* + 40 ham & 20 spouse raffle tickets \$75

Package C1 - Single Lunch* + 100 ham raffle tickets \$95

Package C2 - 2 Lunches* + 80 ham & 40 spouse raffle tickets \$110

Raffle 25 Pack \$20

Raffle 50 Pack \$40

Raffle 100 Pack \$80

Winners must be present to claim all prizes except the Grand Prize!

*SBARC members will receive 10 EXTRA ham raffle tickets per single lunch order in all packages (a \$10 value), and 10 EXTRA ham raffle tickets + 20 EXTRA spouse raffle tickets per two lunch order in all packages (a \$20 value). Bonus raffle tickets given only for early registration - Pick up ticket packages at show entrance. Additional ham and spouse raffle tickets can be bought at registration on August 14.

Name _____ Total \$ _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Call _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Send this form + checks made out to SBARC to SBARC, PO Box 3907, Santa Barbara, CA 93130

To see the PDF version of this enter: <http://www.sbarc.org/HamFest2010.pdf>

It was an unofficial club event on July 31,2010

Marv and I thought it would be fun to go to the Treepeople Park, Saturday morning, and set up radios for an emergency communications test. Somehow we invited the whole club to the park. Eight people showed up. Dennis showed up with his beam, battery and mobile and worked into the Pomona area 146.52 simplex on 2 meters. I set up an hf rig, battery, solar panel, and low slung dipole.

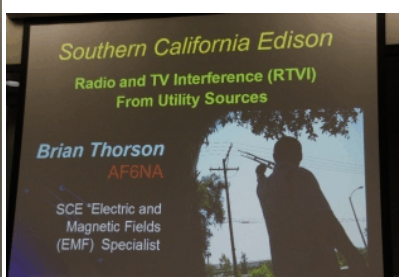
For emergency use, I would be content if we could just get into Arizona and Northern California. Well, we were hearing UK, Hungary, Korea etc. Unfortunately, we could only work Hawaii, Colorado and several other states, both CW and USB. So we failed the DX challenge but we had a terrific time and I thought we succeeded magnificently.

73 Richard

July's Guest speaker was:



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APPLICATION FOR SFVARC MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL

Please Note: In order to receive your newsletter, we must have a **valid email address**.

If you prefer to receive your newsletter through United States mail, please provide a correct zip code with the 4-digit extension.

Name _____ Call _____ Class _____

Street _____ Tel#() _____ - _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ (+4 digit Extension) _____

<input type="checkbox"/> New Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if ARRL member	<input type="checkbox"/> Exclude from Member Roster
	Full Year (January 1 - December 31)	April-July	August-December
Regular Member	\$18.00	\$12.00	\$6.00
Family or Junior Members (Under 18 years of age)	\$6.00	\$4.00	\$2.00

Please print clearly or type, then mail this form with your check to:

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Next Meeting: Friday, August 20, at 7:30pm at Penthouse, Northridge Hospital

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