

President's QRM

Thanks to Marty Woll, N6VI, for the great program on Field Day strategies last meeting. I learned a lot about Field Day and some great tips on HF operations in general. Thanks also to Johnnie Spotts, W6HTY, who is retiring as one of the control operators of the simplex net. Thanks Johnnie for a job well done.

Welcome to Mike, K1MIX, who will join the simplex net as a control operator.

A reminder to any one who has not paid your dues for 2014. Please mail in your check today. The only income the club has is your dues so please send them in.

I am still looking for someone to store the club tables. We found storage for the other club stuff but still need a place for the tables. Finally, a former member of the club, Creston Hood passed away at the age of 91. His wife contacted the club offering two antennas, one a beam, the other unknown to any one who want's to take them down. If anyone is interested let me know.

73,
Don Pettric



Next **SFVARC Club Meeting**

Friday, March 21
at 7:30pm

Northridge Hospital
Penthouse

18300 Roscoe Blvd,
Northridge, CA 91325

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!

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

Club Nets:

- 2 meter simplex: Tuesdays, 8 p.m. on 145.570 MHz.

Net Control: The Net Control Operators are Jim Sullivan WB6TNF, Phil Reiber KJ6ZI, John Campeau AD6KT, and Johnnie Spotts W6HTY.

Net Control: Varies

- 10 meter: Wednesdays, 8 p.m. on 28.310 MHz +/- QRM in the Upper Side Band Mode

- 2 meter repeater: Thursdays, 8 p.m., on the Magic Mountain Repeater (147.735 MHz - PL100) or Duck Mountain (147.24 MHz +PL67.0) 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 is now in Fairfax, CA. The Bureau prefers that you purchase envelopes from them (\$.64 each, including postage) Contact the Bureau at PO Box 970, Fairfax, CA 94978-0970 or visit their web page at <http://www.qslbureau.org/>

You can now follow them on Twitter.com! You will find us at @ARRL_6_Bureau .

Ham Exams: Held at the Northridge Hospital, on the first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October and December. **Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and doors close at 9:00 a.m. Testing begins after registration is complete.** You do not have to be a Club member to take an examination. There is a \$5.00 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 Jim Sullivan (WB6TNF) 818-348-4155. 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 at bflocks dot com](mailto:kg6fbm@bflocks.com) if you have anything for the newsletter.

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Want to order a club badge?
<http://thesignman.com/clubs/sfvarc.html>

The SFVARC badge comes standard with a safety pin fastener and may also be ordered with other fasteners.
<http://thesignman.com/badges/fastener.html>

Simplex Net **Reminder**

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

New to the hobby and stuck?
 Maybe it has been a few too many years since you were active and need to talk to someone for simple advice on:

- HF
- VHF/UHF
- rigs
- Discussion on different modes
- An antenna
- Contesting
- Dxing
- Rag-chewing.
- public service activity

Ask an Elmer at our next meeting.

Scott Isaman, KF6DRF, name was called for the February Member only drawing. The member needs to be present to win so next month's drawing will be \$50.00.

Northridge VE Schedule for 2013/2014

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.

4/5/14, 6/7/14, 8/2/14, 10/4/14, and 12/6/14.

Monthly Luncheon

We are headed to Lulu's for our next lunch. See you on the second Saturday of the month at 11:30am. 16900 Roscoe Bl, Van Nuys, CA 91406. 818-988-0707.

Elaine

WAS & VUCC Award Card Checking

Please bring your QSL cards and completed applicable forms to the next meeting. Awards Manager Arnie, WB6PJC, will be available to check your cards.

AOR Manufacturer Day

HRO Burbank
1525 W Magnolia Blvd
Burbank, CA 91506

Saturday, March 8, 2014
10 am to 5:30 pm



Check out AOR's new ARD-300 Multi-Digital Voice Decoder.
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Palm Spring Pavilion

401 S. Pavilion Way,

Palm Springs, CA 92262

Saturday March 15, 2014

9:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Admission Fee only \$5.00



Please visit our website for all the latest information and details about the upcoming Palm Springs Hamfest.

If you wish to be a vendor or tailgater you must pre-register All the details are on the website.

Contact Info:

QSL Desert RATS Club

P.O. Box 1167

Palm Springs, CA 92260

Website: <http://palmspringshamfest.com>

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<http://w6sd.net/member>

Application For SFVARC Membership/Renewal

Date _____

Name _____ Call _____

License Class _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

ARRL member? _____

New member ? _____ Renewal ? _____

Exclude your info from printed club membership roster? Yes _____ No _____

Dues information:

Full year \$18 or if under age 18 - \$6

Family membership: each additional family member is charged the under 18 age rate

Please make checks payable to SFVARC

If mailing, address to: SanFernandoValleyARC, P.O. Box 280517, Northridge, Ca. 91328-0517

Thank you for your interest and participation in the SFVARC





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