



The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club

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President's QRM

The Club recently sent out an E-Mail asking for volunteers for an emergency drill at Northridge Hospital at the end of this month. An exact date has not been set yet. I did receive several replies from people expressing interests and I will be contacting them shortly. If anyone else wants to join us please contact me by E-Mail wg6h@arrl.net or at the meeting on September 19.

Next **SFVARC Club
Meeting**

Friday, September 19
at 7:30pm
Northridge Hospital
Penthouse
18300 Roscoe Blvd,
Northridge, CA 91325

Speaking of the meeting, Bill Holliday, WB6EDE, will be presetting a recording from KMPC radio on a rescue using ham radio. The people involved are Bill and the president of our Club at the time, Adrienne Sherwood. This happened a while back but shows how we can get amateur radio out to the public by providing public services.

The Board is contemplating a new logo for the Club. Anyone that has an idea please let the Board know. No art work necessary, just some ideas.

Finally, don't forget tickets will be available for the Holiday Party at the meeting.

73,
Don, WG6H

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>

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.

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.

Northridge VE Schedule for 2014/ 2015

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.

10/4/14, 12/6/14, 2/7/15, 4/4/15 and 6/6/15.

Bill Holliday, WB6EDE, September Guest Speaker

Lenore's (Jensen, W6NAZ, sk) book, Inside Amateur Radio was finished before she left us in 1993.

On his motorcycle rides with a friend through the Angeles National Forrest, north of LA, John Sherwood, WA6YQT would check in via ham radio to his fiancé Eva Olip, WA6YQT. After not checking in for a long time, John radioed that he and his friend were in heavy snow and fog in an area with 200ft. drops. Bill Holliday, WB6EDE, a friend of theirs from SFVARC phone patched the Montrose Search and Rescue Squad. Ed Khoury, WB6NHO, a friend of theirs from the LAPD Van Nuys Division Hamwatch, drove Eva up to meet the search team. Ed stayed at the base camp providing a communications link to the outside world while Eva went with the rescue squad. John radioed that he was feeling ill from the cold and Bill, WB6EDE, patched him to a Red Cross Disaster Nurse who gave him survival instructions until he was rescued. KMPC Talk Show Host Bill Pearl, ex-WB6UYW, had been monitoring the rescue on 2 meters. Lenore helped arrange for her club mates to go on Bill's show. This rescue later became a story in her book called "Lost in the Fog" (pp. 17).

Courtesy of:

http://www.ki6cm.bappy.com/catalog_1.html (Currently AC6C)

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House Bill Would Require FCC to
Extend PRB-1 Coverage to
Restrictive Covenants

A bill with bipartisan support has been introduced in the US House of Representatives that calls on the FCC to apply the "reasonable accommodation" three-part test of the PRB-1 federal pre-emption policy to private land-use restrictions. HR.4969, the "Amateur Radio Parity Act of 2014" was introduced on June 25 at the request of the ARRL, which worked with House staffers to draft the proposed legislation.

The bill's sponsor is Rep Adam Kinzinger (R-IL). It has initial co-sponsorship from Rep Joe Courtney (D-CT). If the measure passes the 113th Congress, it would require the FCC, within 120 days of the Bill's passage, to amend the Part 97 Amateur Service rules to apply PRB-1 coverage to include homeowners' association regulations and deed restrictions, often referred to as "covenants, conditions, and restrictions" (CC&Rs). Presently, PRB-1 only applies to state and local zoning laws and ordinances.

"There is a strong federal interest in the effective performance of Amateur Radio stations established at the residences of licensees," the bill states. "Such stations have been shown to be frequently and increasingly precluded by unreasonable private land-use restrictions, including restrictive covenants."

The 11-page PRB-1 FCC
Memorandum Opinion and Order

is codified at Part 97.15(b) in the FCC Amateur Service rules, giving the regulation the same effect as a federal statute. In short, PRB-1 states that local governments cannot preclude Amateur Radio communications; they must "reasonably accommodate" amateur operations, and the state and local regulations must be the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish a legitimate governmental interest. Subject to those guidelines, municipalities may still establish regulations with respect to height, safety, and aesthetic concerns.

Read more at:

<http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive/ARLB015/2014>



Annual Electronic Treasure Auction

Hey, treasure buffs! Before you know it, our November meeting will be here – and along with it will be the election of our club officers for 2015 – and (of course) our annual electronic treasures auction. For those of you new to this fall madness, here is the general idea: First, you clean out those wonderful ham treasures that have been gathering dust in your ham shack over the months or years, dust them off, and bring them to our November meeting (November 15th, 2014). You will “check them in” with one of our club volunteers, by giving him an auction form that you have already completed, and the fabulous junkie you brought to the meeting - - which on that night will be (mostly) the club electronic treasures auction. Your auctioneer (me) will auction them off, for not less than your minimum asking price, and in return, you will pay the club treasury 10% (or more if you wish) of the winning bid price. Of course, you will also find ham related junkie that you MUST have, and exercise your right to offer the winning bid price for those items. No stuff to bring to the auction? - - Come and acquire some for you to enjoy, and possibly offer for sale next year at the auction!

This is a fun event - - bargain prices always, with a little bit of gain for the club treasury – which helps pay for some of the club member activity events. The amount of fun depends entirely on the attendance and participation – so PLEASE plan to come and enjoy the events. The Carrier will have auction forms in subsequent editions. Also, remember that the fun is proportional to the quantity of junkie up for auction, so please bring yours and encourage others to participate as well.

I have had the honor of being your auctioneer for the past many years – and along with all of you, have always enjoyed the good spirited fun. This will be my last stint as your auctioneer (we have an auction star lined up for next year's event), so how about helping to make this year's auction a memorable one for all of us? More news in upcoming editions of The Carrier.

73 – Bill, KC6T

Thank you to Mark Weiss, K6FG, for his fantastic demonstration of how he operates from his home base station remotely.



<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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