



# The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club

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## President's QRM

If you missed last month's membership meeting you missed a very unique program. Arnie, WB6PJC, gave a talk about the 1923 Atwater Kent broadcast receiver from the prospective of a salesman in 1923. Arnie talked about the average income in 1923, the cost of the radio and accessories and the payment plan that was available at the time. Thanks' Arnie for a great program.

Next **SFVARC Club Meeting**

Friday, March 20  
at 7:30pm

Northridge Hospital  
Penthouse

18300 Roscoe Blvd,  
Northridge, CA 91325

I got conformation from John AD6KT that we will be having our picnic at the VFW, in Canoga Park, Saturday, June 16th. All the information as to time and directions will be in upcoming newsletters.

Baker to Vegas is coming up the 28 & 29 of this month. Several members of the club are participating. If anyone else wants to go contact Steve KN6Y.

This months meeting speaker will be Roozy Moabery. More information on the program can be found in this newsletter on page four.

The club is looking for speakers and programs for upcoming meetings. If there is a topic you would like to see at our monthly meeting let me know.

Don't for get to pay your dues.

73,  
Don

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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 4<sup>th</sup> 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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## 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.

**4/4/15, 6/6/15, 8/1/15, 10/3/15 and 12/5/15.**

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.

## Simplex Net

### Reminder

Two meter  
simplex:

Tuesdays, 8 p.m.  
on

**145.570 MHz,  
Jim, WB6TNF**

## **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.



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>

## Building an EmComm Trailer

Our next meeting will be on March 20th. Our speaker will be Roozy Moabery W1EH. Roozy is the District Emergency Coordinator for Amateur Radio Emergency Service Los Angeles Section (ARES/LAX) Rapid Response Team, a United States NWS Skywarn Spotter, and is FEMA ICS/NIMS Certified. The program is entitled Building an EmComm Trailer.



He will present the planning and building of an Emergency Communications Trailer that was built to provide communications support to the community during disasters and for use in other community events. The program will provide information on what is important for an individual or organization that decides to build an Emergency Communications trailer. It will show how to plan the layout, the workspaces, weight distribution, equipment, lighting, A/C and heating, plus cable wiring, antennas and mast safety.

## Ham looking for help

Was in HRO the other day and someone handed me the phone, I was now speaking to Tom, KG6POX, 818-763-3252, a blind ham looking for help.

Tom said his HF station was up and running but he was now looking for help with his linear.

Went thru handi ham back in 2003. I guess Mark, N6MGM was helping him then Mark had his accident. I told him "no promises, I would ask around."

If anyone knows someone who can help, please forward.

73  
Steve, KN6Y

<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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