



The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club

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President's QRM

Thanks to everyone that came out to our September meeting at the LAPD West Valley station, and enjoyed a very entertaining and informative presentation by Arnie Schwartz, WB6PJC.



The speaker for October will be Diana Feinberg AI6DF, our section manager for the Los Angeles section. She will talk a little about what's been going on in the section, and update us on HAMCON 2017. She has a new presentation "Recent and upcoming developments in the 220 MHz amateur radio band." Since July 2014, Diana has been president of the 220 Spectrum Management Association of Southern California, the recognized repeater and bandplan coordinator for the 1.25-meter amateur band in our region. We will be meeting at the LAPD West Valley station again, 19020 Vanowen St, Reseda, CA 91335. There is plenty of parking west of the station, behind the library. Entrance is off of Vanalden Ave.

Next **SFVARC
Club Meeting**
Friday, October 21
at 7:30pm
LAPD West
Valley station,
19020 Vanowen
St, Reseda, CA
91335

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Jack Eyster KO6V

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

Board Meetings: Usually at Lulu's restaurant. Dates and times "TBD." 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, Michael Farrow K1MIX, John Tibbets W9APX.

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.

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 VE Exams will be at "The Van Nuys Flyaway" located at a NEW location! 7610 Woodley Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406. 2nd Floor in the Conference Room located at the North end of the Building. Parking is free in the parking lot next to Woodley Ave. Park in the row closest to Woodley Ave., Enter the terminal, elevator on the right to the 2nd floor, turn right, end of the hall 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 2016/2017

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 at "The Van Nuys Flyaway" located at a NEW location! 7610 Woodley Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406. 2nd Floor in the Conference Room located at the North end of the Building. Parking is free in the parking lot next to Woodley Ave. Park in the row closest to Woodley Ave., Enter the terminal, elevator on the right to the 2nd floor, turn right, end of the hall. Signs will be posted if the room is changed.

12/3/16, 2/4/17, 4/1/17, 6/3/17 and 8/5/17.

Simplex Net Reminder

Two meter simplex:
Tuesdays, 8 p.m. on
Jim Sullivan
WB6TNF, Phil Reiber
KJ6ZI, Michael
Farrow K1MIX, John
Tibbets W9APX.

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:

AHF
AVHF/UHF
Arigs
ADiscussion on different modes
AAn antenna
AContesting
ADxing
ARag-chewing.
Apublic service activity
Ask an Elmer at our next meeting.

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.

SOTA Talk-1

I am starting a monthly SOTA column in
the the W6SD Carrier. Each month I will
answer your questions regarding SOTA.
Also, please send comments or
personal experiences to be shared in
the W6SD Carrier to RDONNER at
DSLEXTREME dot COM.

To start, I would like to remind everyone
that SOTA stands for Summits On The
Air. Activators climb specially
designated peaks and the rest of us are
Chasers from our home qth. There are
awards for both activities.

As a starter you can begin your quest at
<http://www.sotawatch.org/>

There are three relectors (talk sites) that
you might look at. My favorite is the
local SOICALSOTA site.

1
[https://groups.google.com/forum/#!love
rview](https://groups.google.com/forum/#!love_rview)

and search for socalsota
2. <http://reflector.sota.org.uk/> This is the
reflector tab on the sotawatch.org page

3
[https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/
nasota/info](https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/nasota/info)

73,
Richard wa6kyr

Want to order a club badge?

The SFVARC badge comes standard with a safety pin fastener and may also
be ordered with other fasteners.

Contact ko6v@arrrl.net

Arnie was licensed as a Novice WV6RAD from 1961-1962. He operated with a General License WB6PJC from 1965 to 2012. In 2012 Arnie obtained his Extra Class License.

Arnie likes to operate both CW and SSB on the HF bands. You can find him on 10/15/20/40 meter bands most of the time. 2011 was his 50th year anniversary as a Ham Radio Operator. He has received the following ARRL awards: WAS, DXCC for Mixed, CW, Phone, 10/15/20 meters, the Diamond DXCC Challenge and the Centennial Challenge Award.

Arnie is a former U.S. Navy Communications Technician, U.S. Coast Guard Reserve Radioman and a former member of the U.S. Naval Surface Reserve Force, Merchant Marine Training Unit. Arnie taught Industrial Arts for the Los Angeles Unified School District from 1972 to 2002. Additionally, he sailed as a Civilian Merchant Marine Radio Officer during his summer vacations off from LAUSD and worked on 38 different merchant ships from 1968 to 1998. Arnie gave up all of his jobs in 2002 and is now enjoying his Ham Radio Hobby in retirement.

Arnie holds the following FCC Commercial licenses: 1st class Radiotelegraph, GROL, GMDSS (operator & maintainer). All of his commercial licenses have the Radar Endorsement. Arnie is also a Volunteer Examiner with both W5YI and the Greater Los Angeles Amateur Radio Group. Additionally, Arnie is the appointed ARRL WAS card checker for the San Fernando Valley, CA area. When Arnie is not on the air, he is looking for 1923 Atwater Kent Breadboard radios and parts for them. He enjoys repairing and restoring these early broadcast radios. After 43 years of collecting and restoring these early radios, he has 9 sets in his collection.



The Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair was well attended on Saturday, October 1st at LAFD Fire Station 87, in Granada Hills. **Amateur radio was used in many forms.**

Many Neighborhood Councils, Utility Companies, Law Enforcement Agencies, the Red Cross, ARESLAXNW, LAFD ACS, LACoFire, LAFD (teaching CPR), LAPD with cadets, Boy and Girl Scouts, and other groups attend this well publicized event.



Warty Woll, N6VI, doing CW.



LAFD ACS



LAFD ACS provided communication for the parking lots.



Mitch Englander and Bill Hopkins (Event organizer).



And yes, plenty of free food.



CHP and LAFD CERT attended.

<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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 Contact: Jack Eyster, KO6V
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