



The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club

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President's QRM

The SFVARC Board of Directors held its monthly meeting on May 10th and we have a lot of news to share with you.

I am excited to announce that the board unanimously approved Randy Comeau, K6BC, as our new club president. Randy has a lot of great ideas to help grow our club and we look forward to working with him. That left Randy's former position as Executive Vice-president vacant.

I am pleased to announce that the Board of Directors also unanimously approved Arild "AJ" Jenson, KM6AKK, to the position of Executive Vice-president. AJ is a new ham and he will bring new ideas as our club tries to attract and serve new hams.

The third change I have to announce is our new W6SD Station Trustee. Bill Stein has been our station trustee as long as I can remember and this year he has decided to step down from that position. We thank Bill for all of his years of service to SFVARC. Our new station trustee is Don Petric, WG7H. Don will be responsible for ensuring that W6SD operates in compliance with all FCC rules and guidelines.

The position of club secretary remains open. Please consider volunteering to fill this vacancy and contact any member of the board if you are interested.

May's guest speaker is our own Bernard Falkin, KG6FBM, teaching his class in "Using Smartphones in Amateur Radio."

Next **SFVARC** **Club Meeting**

Friday, May 19
at 7:30pm

LAPD West
Valley station,
19020 Vanowen
St, Reseda, CA
91335

73,
Ginger Wonderling,
Membership VP

San Fernando Valley
Amateur Radio Club
ARRL Affiliated Club #1684

W6SD

ARRL Special Service Club
P.O. Box 280244
Northridge, CA 91328-0244

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.

Club Officers

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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 Tibbetts 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.

6/3/17, 8/5/17, 10/7/17, 12/2/17, and 2/3/18.

Simplex Net **Reminder**

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

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your QSL cards
and completed
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to the next
meeting.

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to check your
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AHF

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Arigs

ADiscussion on different modes

AAn antenna

AContesting

ADxing

ARag-chewing.

Apublic service activity

Ask an Elmer at our next meeting.

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@arrl.net

These are the some of the Apps and devices that we will discuss in the class "Using Smartphones in Amateur Radio." You can get a head start by going to (Open in new Tab) <http://bit.ly/298z0Xz>

Advanced Task Killer Free_2.2.1B216.apk AndFlmsg - Flmsg with Fldigi Modems on Android - User's Manual V-1.2.0.pdf AndFlmsg - QuickStart Guide - Flmsg with Fldigi Modems on Android - V-1.2.0.pdf AndFlmsg-1.2.0-src.zip AndFlmsg_1.2.0.apk AndroZip File Manager_4.7.4.apk App Cache Cleaner_6.3.0.apk APRSdroid_1.2.3.apk Barcode Generator_3.3.1.apk Barcode Scanner_4.7.6.apk Color Flashlight_3.1.6.apk DroidPSK_3.01.apk DroidRTTY_1.23.apk DroidSSTV_1.29.apk EchoLink_1.4.9.apk FBReader PDF plugin_1.6.3.apk FBReader TTS+ Plugin_3.7.2.apk	FBReader_2.7.10.apk Ham Radio Tools_1.1.15.apk Jota+_2017.02.apk Just GPS_1.7.3.apk Lat Long Calc_2.0.0.apk Microphone_0.6.apk Morse Code Agent_1.3.0.apk NBEMSforms.zip QR Barcode Scanner_2.5.24.apk RepeaterBook_16.01.04. apk Serval Mesh_0.92.apk Super Voice Recorder_1.3.63.apk Text Fairy_3.0.10.apk Type and Speak_1.4.8.apk ViewRanger_7.0.38.apk Wi-Fi Calling_1.0.apk Wi-Fi Talkie FREE_2.5.0.apk WiFi File Transfer_1.0.9.apk WiFi Intercom_1.0.apk Wireless File Transfer_2.0.apk	Optional: WPS Office (Word, Excel. Powerpoint, PDF) Morse Code Agent Optional Hardware: Bluetooth or USB keyboard Bluetooth or USB Mouse OTG cable Chromecast WIFI travel router Memory Card Reader Sources: http://www.kg6fbm.com/tl (Comm App links) Comm. Apps. for Android devices, 104.3mb's "Open in new Tab" http://bit.ly/298z0Xz Contact Information Bernard F. kg6fbm @ bflocks dot com
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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:
San Fernando Valley ARC
P.O. Box 280244
Northridge, CA 91328-0244

Thank you for your interest and participation in the SFVARC.





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P.O. Box 280517-0517
Northridge, CA 91328-0517

2 meter mag mount
mobile antenna \$35.00.

818-360-4778

Thanks,
73,
Johnnie, w6hty

Next Meeting: Friday, May 19, at 7:30pm at LAPD West Valley Station.

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