



# *The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club*

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## President's QRM

Greetings to all, and I hope your Independence Day was filled with family, friends, fireworks, and good BBQ. I want to thank everyone that came out to the clubs picnic June 4th, and a good time was had by all. A special thanks to Tom K6TGP and Louis K6WXX's son, Ken Radosevich for manning the grill, and for all that helped setup. Thanks to Bill KC6T for running the chipping contest, and to the 2016 winner Louis K6WXX. A special thanks to the vet's over at the VFW Post 2805 for allowing use to hold our picnic at their wonderful facility.

Field day was a great success and I thank everyone that participated this year. See my report inside this month's Carrier.

Our July meeting we will discuss Field Day, and then our speaker will be our own Richard Donner WA6KY, who has an updated presentation Summits on the Air.

Please join us for dinner before the meeting, at Lulu's around 5:15-5:30 pm, 16900 Roscoe Blvd, Van Nuys, CA.

A quick reminder that our September meeting will NOT be in the Penthouse. We should know in the next couple of weeks where we will be meeting, and watch the carrier, website, and our Facebook page for updates.

73'  
Jack Eyster, KO6V

Next **SFVARC Club Meeting**  
Friday, July 15  
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  
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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, 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 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?

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

Contact [ko6v@arrl.net](mailto:ko6v@arrl.net)

### **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  
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.

### **Northridge VE Schedule for 2015/2016**

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.

**8/6/16, 10/1/16, 12/3/16, 2/4/17, and 4/1/17 (No fooling).**

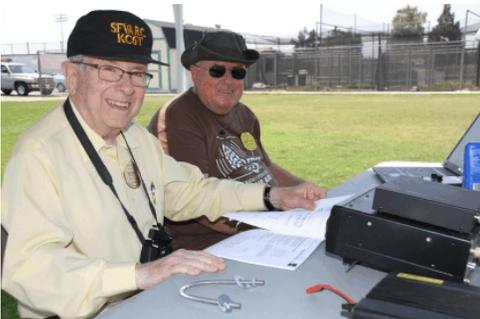
Field Day was a big success this year, in spite of the heat. The club has simplified our setup with the use of 2, 40-10m end fed dipoles, and our 80-10m folded dipole. The new fiberglass pushups worked very well, and helped make setup much easier. Even with the bands being difficult, we were making contacts, even if we had to work a little harder to break through those pileups.

We had a nice stream of visitors throughout the day and evening, and it was a pleasure seeing old friends and meeting new ones. A number of them discovered us through the ARRL Field Day locator and the club's new Facebook page.

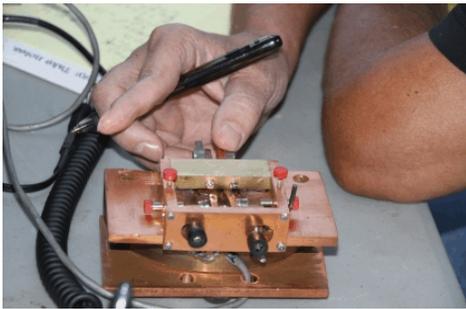
Many commented on how nice they thought our location was, with being out in the open, and grass under our feet. I would like to acknowledge the following members that helped with setup and teardown, Gurbux W6BUX, Tom K6TGP, Louis K6WXX, Ken Radosevich, John W9APX, Fred KF6GCJ, Bill KC6T, Lynn KK6ZYO, Lynn KG6DNY, Joe W6TYL, and Yoshio KE6ACH. It's the participation of a club's membership that determines how successful these events will be, and I couldn't be more pleased with all of our members and visitors that came out, whether it was setting up, operating one of the stations, or even just stopping by to visit.

With this being my first time as Field Day chairman, it's your participation that made Field Day 2016 a success, and I thank you all for your hard work and participation.

Jack Eyster KO6V



# More Field Day Pictures



<http://w6sd.net/member>

Application For SFVARC Membership/Renewal

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

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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

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Thank you for your interest and participation in the SFVARC





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