



# The San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club

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## President's QRM

Our next meeting will be on March 17th, and Dick Norton N6AA, our ARRL Southwestern Director. Dick will be discussing the ARRL, and what's going on in the Southwestern division. We will be meeting at the LAPD West Valley station, 19020 Vanowen St, Reseda, CA 91335. Please park behind the Library, west of the station, and not in the parking lot in front of the station.

Baker 2 Vegas is coming up March 25 & 26, and we still can use a few hams for B2V, and if interested, please contact Margie Hoffman, KG6TBR, at admin2 @radiobaker2vegas.org.

I would like to remind you that it's time for your 2017 renewals.

73',  
Jack Eyster KO6V

Next **SFVARC**  
**Club Meeting**  
Friday, March 17  
at 7:30pm  
LAPD West  
Valley station,  
19020 Vanowen  
St, Reseda, CA  
91335

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.

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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.

**4/1/17, 6/3/17, 8/5/17, 10/7/17 and 12/2/17.**

### Simplex Net Reminder

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

### **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.

### **There is still time to volunteer for the Baker to Vegas Run!!!**



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.

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)



The Yuma Hamfest was a huge success. From watching Gordon West's lecture to the 400+ barbeque.





**QCWA 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
CHARITY Cruise  
October 18 – 29, 2017**

*Join us aboard **Holland America's**  
new ship, ms **KONIGSDAM***

*Don't miss this exciting opportunity.  
Sail the seas with your family & QCWA  
friends to promote Amateur Radio World Wide*



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<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:  
San Fernando Valley ARC  
P.O. Box 280244  
Northridge, CA 91328-0244

Thank you for your interest and participation in the SFVARC.





San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club  
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, March 17, at 7:30pm at LAPD West Valley Station.**

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