

# Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



AN ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB

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## August 2017

Welcome to the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club Newsletter

***WHO IS THE MOST DANGEROUS PERSON IN THE WORLD?  
A HAM WITH AN IDEA, SOME WIRE... AND A BOW AND  
ARROW IN HIS HAND!***



### **AUGUST MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT THURSDAY, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup> 7:30 PM BEAR CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH**

QST QST QST ALL Members and Guests are encouraged to attend the August meeting on Thursday August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM

The meeting will be held at the **Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 N Lower Sacramento Rd, north of 8 Mile Rd in North Stockton.**

**After the business meeting, Bob K6DGQ will give a training on HF operating and staying within the limits of your license. This is an excellent lesson for all amateurs both newly licensed and “old timers”.**

A 50/50 raffle will be held at the end of the meeting with tickets for \$1.00. Winners will have several items from which to choose.

Members needing transportation assistance to or from the meeting should contact Paul **N6KZW** or John **NZ6Q** or a club officer. We will arrange assistance for you.



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – The Original Social Network– NZ6Q**

As I looked around the last club meeting I noticed what a really diverse group of people we are all gathered together and united by a single opportunity we call Amateur Radio. We come from all walks of life, all on different paths in our lives. Some young - Kyle KM6EQN age 11 is currently our youngest member. Some old – yeah I'm not going to speculate on that. Whoever wants to claim the “oldest” member can do so at the next club

meeting. Some are doctors, lawyers, business men and women, civil servants, police officers, fire fighters, retail sales and students – yet we sat together, enjoyed a meal together, and learned a fascinating part of Amateur Radio which was a lot of fun, but seldom used in “the main stream” of ham radio.

Bob N6TCE recently posted on Facebook something that reminded me about our uniqueness as a hobby. Bob wrote:

“Facebook just reminded me that I have not updated my profile in two weeks. So what that means Facebook is you are not my highest priority in life. It also means I don't think I have to share the every day's worth of minutia of my life with friends as if they would be interested in me bragging about my latest DX contact or the fact I have conversations daily with friends I have met while traveling in the RV or on the radio. Actually as social media, Facebook you're a newcomer on the scene. Ham Radio, was ahead of you by nearly a century, and still isn't obsolete as too many people are lead to believe. I still like having coffee with friends.

So Facebook, don't pout because I have a life outside your narrow view. To my friends and acquaintances I wish you all a great summer full of life.”

I agree with Bob - We are not obsolete! Just recently I was listening to a podcast discussing a new “digital mode” that can complete a QSO in seconds using extremely low power. In our last newsletter I reprinted an ARRL article about hams getting access to 70 – 80 Ghz spectrum – what can we do with that? I'll bet a lot if we put our collective minds to it.

More “mainstream” the USS Lucid operation and partnering with the N6SJV 6A Field Day operation taught us a lot more about interference rejection and club style multi-op contesting. I hope that next year we will break out of our 2A mold and get on the air on 6M, 2M or 440 as well as have stations set-up for 80/40/20/15/10 Meters. “Experimentation”, “change”, “challenge”, “preparedness” these should be the action words that define our club as they define our hobby. Remember, Amateur Radio is the only hobby that is worldwide in scope, defined and regulated by international law.

I do like Facebook. It helps me keep up with the busy lives of my children and grandchildren and it beats waiting for them to send me pictures for my desk. I do keep in touch with a few ham friends on Facebook. But it's not the same as getting on the air and making a new friend or welcoming a new club member on the repeater. It's not the same as spending an hour chasing DX before the band closes or trying out a new antenna, radio, band or mode. It pales in comparison to getting together with a few hams over coffee, beer and pizza, or helping get someone on the air.

The reason Facebook (I believe) needs to send me reminders that I haven't posted anything in 2 weeks is that it is struggling with being “new” and “fresh” and is worried that people are losing interest. Since Facebook was founded in 2004, over 200,000 new hams became licensed. Not bad for an “obsolete” hobby. And, unlike Facebook, we don't have to struggle with being interesting if we don't want to – there is plenty of “new stuff” here.

73...

John, NZ6Q



## MONDAY NIGHT NET CONTROL OPERATOR'S SCHEDULE JULY - AUGUST 2017



The club holds a weekly net every Monday night beginning at 8:00PM on the **W6SF** Repeaters on 147.165Mhz VHF and 444.250Mhz UHF. Club Repeater information is listed at the end of the newsletter.

***If you would like to learn how to be a Net Control Operator, contact one of the club Officers! We will happily mentor you during a Monday night net. This is a great opportunity to improve your operating skill in a "minimal" pressure environment. The Schedule and Net Control Script are available on the club website at....***

<http://www.w6sf.org/netcontrolscript.html>

If you have a conflict, please contact Dave **N6LHL** as soon as possible in order to secure a replacement.

July 3	Dave N6LHL	July 10	Guy W6MSU
July 17	Mike K6AAN	July 24	Paul N6KZW
July 31	Bob N6TCE		
August 7	Scott K6SCT	August 14	John NZ6Q
August 21	Charlie WB6NVB	August 28	Eric W6INP
September 4	Dave N6LHL		





## JULY MEETING REPORT THURSDAY, JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>



Several members arrived early enough to enjoy the pool and water park at this month's meeting site. The club met at the Lincoln Village West Beach Club hosted by Dave N6LHL. We started the meeting at 6:30 instead of the usual 7:30 to enjoy dinner / pot luck and a brief business meeting prior to the evening's program. The club bought hamburgers, hotdogs and grilled chicken along with condiments and several members brought delicious sides and desserts.

During introductions, the club welcomed our newest member Erin KM6LDD.

Mike **K6MDS** gave a great presentation on the history of radar and radio direction finding and then demonstrated several techniques one could use in hunting the "radio rabbit". He also demonstrated different antennas and attenuators that could be built or bought to get into this aspect of the hobby.

Following the presentation, members took off through the park on our "fox hunt" using their handheld radios to help pinpoint the location of the transmitter.

The meeting adjourned at about 8:30PM after successful trapping of "the fox". Thank you to several members stayed behind to help clean up after the potluck.



## Antenna Repair at K6DGQ

The repair and retuning of the MFJ 1798 Vertical Antenna started on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. The first try was not successful and we tried again on Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

After correcting some mistakes from the first attempt and fixing some new problems, the antenna started working fine. The antenna analyzer indicated the antenna was not working as well as it should. When check from the ham shack with power and a SWR meter, there were no problems. We believe RF from local TV broadcast stations were interfering with the antenna analyzer.

I spent a couple of hours Friday on the CQ WW WPX contest to check out the antenna. I made 34 contacts with the

best DX being Japan, Asiatic Russia, New Zealand, Australia and Curacao. The contacts were on 15, 20 and 80 meters. I look forward to checking into the W6SFM 80 meter Tuesday night CW net.



First I want to give a special thank you to Norm Lucus, WB6RVR and Chuck O'Banion, W6COB. They drove all the way to Galt for the second day. Eric Chapa was here on the first day and Tom Daley; WA6OSX joined us on May 26<sup>th</sup>. I could not have completed the repair and retune without their help. This is what Ham Radio is all about, hams helping hams. What a great community we have.

I have included some pictures that are better than words to show the difficulty of the job.... *(Photos and story by Bob K6DGQ – ed.)*



## New Repeater on the Air in the Stockton Area K6KJQ 147.105Mhz

Glen K6KJQ has a new VHF repeater on the air @ 147.105 MHz with an offset of 600kc up. The PL is 94.8 Hz.

Coverage may be considered low level, but field testing will tell. The receiving antenna is at 185 feet and the transmit antenna is at 85 feet on a tower just east of downtown Stockton. Work is in progress to install a preamp to the receiver.



N6LHL was full quieting, using his HT, standing in his front yard about 10 miles from the antenna. Coverage is expected to range over multiple counties. It is recommended to program "Decode" or CTCSS for PL into your radio for this repeater. Like the club repeater, distant repeaters can be heard at times on the same frequency. Using CTCSS "Decode" will help minimize that interference.

Give it a try, and tell Glen your location and how well you hear it.

The repeater consists of a Motorola MSF-5000, Andrew commercial antennas, 1/2" Heliax feedline and N connectors.

## USS Lucid – Help Wanted and Needed

Hey folks.... Did you know that during the summer while school is out, you can volunteer and work on the Lucid during the day? That's right. Grab your teenager before school starts or just decide to do something different and come out to the USS Lucid to volunteer a few hours or a few days.



The USS Lucid work schedule is:

Mondays	6:30am - 2:00pm
Tuesdays	6:30am – 12:00pm
Wednesdays	6:30am – 2:00pm
Thursdays	6:30am – 12:00pm
Fridays	6:30am – 12:00pm

The USS Lucid is the site for Museum Ships Weekend each June. While the ship is being restored and radio is an important part of Naval history, we operate as a guest onboard the ship. As such, it's important that we take the time and "give back" to the restoration project throughout the year as a thank you for allow us to operate.

They are glad to get the help... many tasks to do...

Paul N6KZW



To Post your items for sale in the newsletter and on the website, please email the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month with a picture of the item(s), brief description of your item, asking price and contact information. The Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio club makes no warrantee on items posted for sale or trade in the newsletter or website. The editor reserves the exclusive right to post or not post an item and all items must be CLEARLY related to amateur radio.



Paul N6KZW saw this item for sale on eBay. I don't think you could make this for the price offered. Anyone designing a go box take a look. Click on the description to go to the item on Amazon \$24.99



[Nagoya GPK-01 \(21" Radials\) NMO Ground Plane Kit for Base or Field Use, SO-239 Connector, Mounts to 2" Pole, Mast, Pipe](#)



## Welcome New Members!!

***KM6LDD – Erin in Stockton***

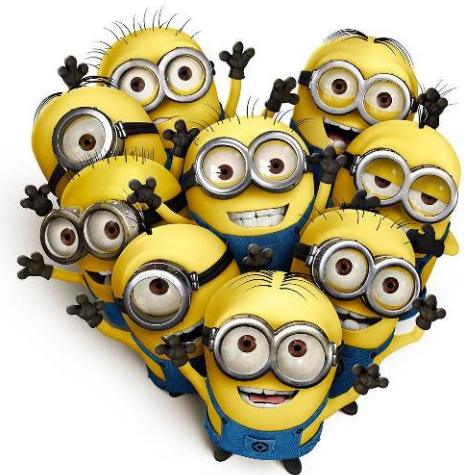
***KM6LOL – Rev. Tom in Stockton***

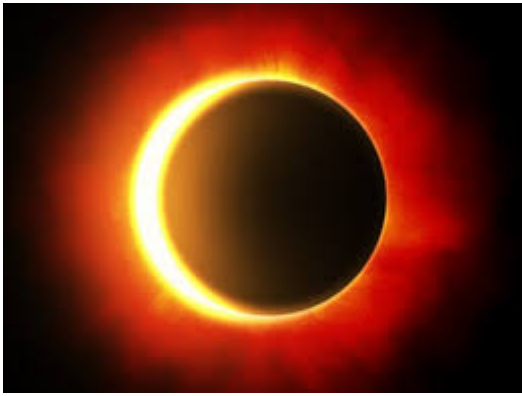
***KG7OR – Ron in Lodi***

***N6ZDH – Dan in Tracy***

*Membership in your local radio club helps you learn more quickly about the hobby while sharing your experiences with others helps them learn as well. Get on the air as quickly as possible! Need a radio? Ask somebody for a loaner... Don't know how? Ask somebody who will gladly show you...*

*Let's make sure we welcome these new members on the repeater, on our nets and in our club activities.*





## Many Special Events Will Be on the Air to Mark the Total Solar Eclipse in August

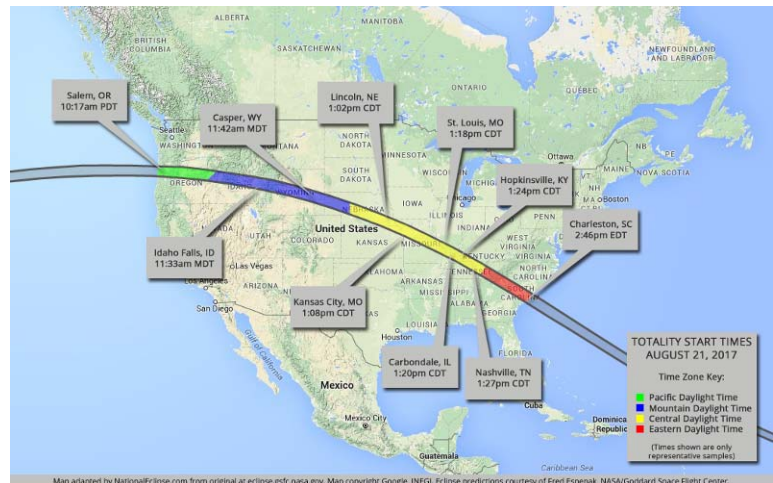
(from ARRL website – ed.) Radio amateurs from several states will gather in southern Illinois on August 17-21 to operate special event station [W9E](#), leading up to and during the 2017 solar eclipse on August 21. W9E will operate from Marion, Illinois.

“This will be the first total eclipse on American soil since 1991, the first on the mainland United States since 1979 and the first to sweep across the entire country since 1918. It will be an event you do not want to miss!” the W9E announcement said. “The far southern tip of the state of Illinois is the only place viewers can see the totality of the eclipse.”

Our local Northern California area will see about 80% of the sun darkened by the eclipse. Points north of Redding to about Eugene, Oregon will see 90% or more of the sun blocked by the moon. Ham operators around the country are encouraged to get on the air for the Solar Eclipse QSO party. (see QST article at end of newsletter). As the article suggests, it might be a good day to take off work for science and GOTA!

### Solar Eclipse QSO Party

The Solar Eclipse QSO Party ([SEQP](#)), sponsored by [HamSCI](#), will take place on August 21, 1400 to 2200 UTC. As the QST article [“The Solar Eclipse QSO Party — Are You Ready?”](#) explains, “The objective... is to flood the airwaves with contacts, all measured by the automated receiver networks of the Reverse Beacon Network, PSKReporter, and WSPRNet. When those observations are combined with the logs from individual stations, the result will be one of the largest ionospheric experiments ever performed.”



### Other Total Eclipse Special Events

The South Dakota’s Black Hills Amateur Radio Club in South Dakota plans to operate [special event KOE](#) on the day of the eclipse, August 21, 1500-1930 UTC, from Harrison, Nebraska. Operation will be on 20 meters (14.260-14.280 MHz) and on VHF and UHF. [Contact](#) Bob Ewing, W0RE, for more information.

The Near Zero Sunlite, Great American Eclipse N0S special event will take place August 20-22, 1400-2200 UTC, in Crystal City, Missouri, sponsored by the [Jefferson County Amateur Radio Club](#). Operation will be on or about 3.850, 7.250, and 14.300 MHz. QSL with SASE to Jim Berger, WA0FQK, 131 Ozark Dr, Crystal City, MO 63019.

K7E will be on the air for the Great American Total Solar Eclipse 2017 special event, August 21-22, 1500-0300 UTC, from Laramie, Wyoming, near the path of totality, on or about 7.183 and 14.256 MHz. QSL [Perry Lehman](#), N7FST, 19828 N. 78th Ln, Glendale, AZ 85308.

The North East Wyoming Amateur Radio Association ([NEWARA](#)) will field special event W7S from historic downtown Gillette, Wyoming, August 19-21, 1200-0600 UTC, on or about 3.945, 7.265, and 14.265 MHz as well as on 147.360 MHz. QSL to [Garth Crowe](#), WY7GC, PO Box 2208, Gillette, WY 82717.

The Lincoln County Amateur Radio Club ([LCARC](#)) will operate special event N7E, August 20-22, 1600-1900 UTC, from Newport, Oregon, on or about 3.820, 7.200, 14.245, and 28.350 MHz. Contact [Michael Eastman](#), N7ONP.



Total Solar Eclipse special event N9E will be on the air on August 21, 1400-2000 UTC, from Hopkinsville, Kentucky, 7.180-7.190 MHz. Contact [Peter Herman](#), KD9VV.



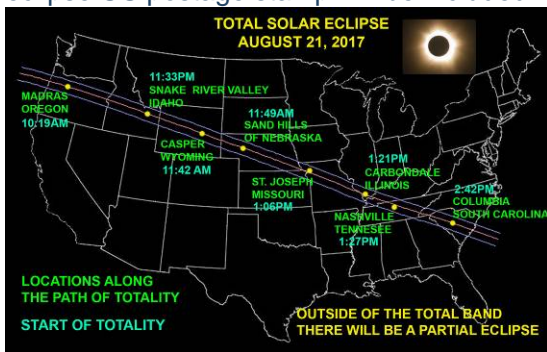
The Lewis and Clark Radio Club ([LCRC](#)) will operate special event K9HAM from Godfrey, Illinois, on August 21, 0900-1700 UTC, on or about 7.225 and 14.280 MHz. [Contact](#) the LCRC for more information.

In North Carolina, the Greater Gaston Amateur Radio Society ([GGARS](#)), will be on the air as N4S from Lexington, South Carolina, on August 21, 0000-1900 UTC, on or about 7.180 and 3.895 MHz. QSL to [Robert Wells](#), W7CSA, QSL. Robert Wells, 409 Elizabeth St, Gastonia, NC 28054.

The Southern Illinois University Amateur Radio Club ([SIUARC](#)) will sponsor W9S, August 18-22, 0000-2359 UTC, from Carbondale, Illinois, CW on 160 meters and all modes on 80 through 10, with a focus on the lower bands. Satellites and 6 meters are also possible. QSL to Martin A Schuette, N9EAT, PO Box 29, Fulton, IL 61252.

Ole Virginia Hams Amateur Radio Club ([OVHARC](#)) will sponsor W4E from Lexington, South Carolina, on August 21, 1500-2015 UTC, on or about 3.810, 7.230, and 14.263 MHz and 146.52 MHz FM simplex. QSL to [Terry Erlacher](#), KC4DV, 10855 Felicia Ct, Manassas, VA 20110.

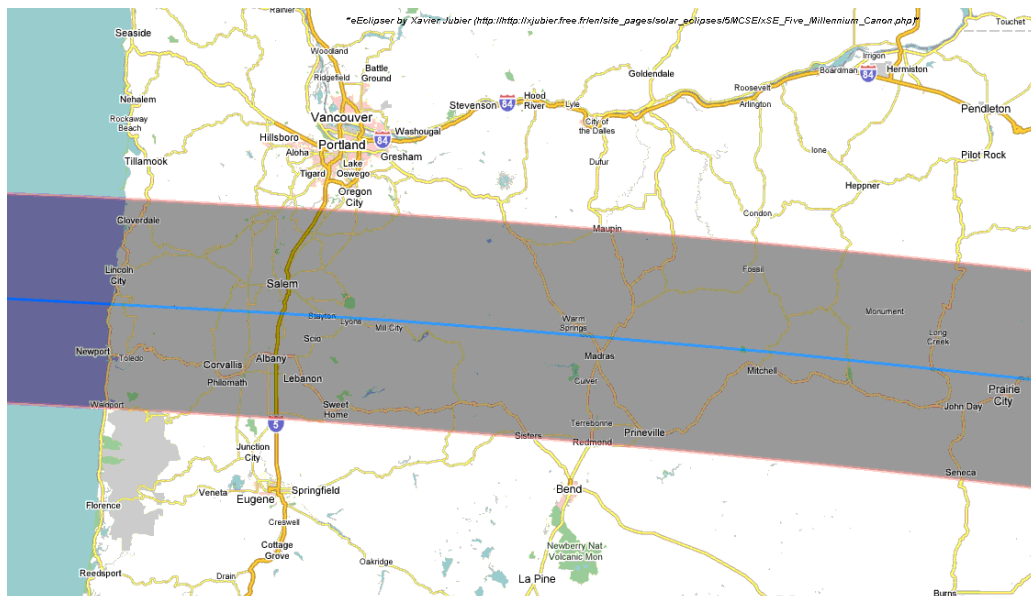
N4C will be on the air from Franklin, North Carolina, August 13-26, 0401-0359 UTC, with members of the Franklin Amateur Radio Club ([K2BHQ](#)) operating on or about 7.076, 7.180, 14.076, and 14.230 MHz. A certificate and QSL is available. Franklin ARC, 505 North Sugar Creek Dr, Franklin, NC 28734. The special eclipse US postage stamp will be included.

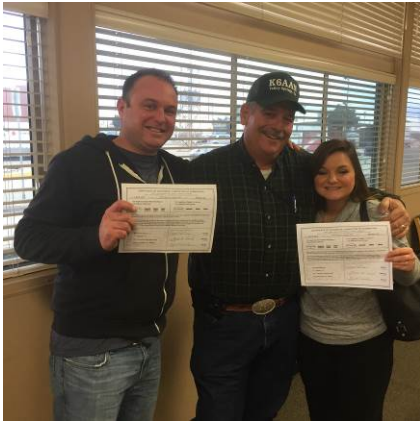


The AA0RC Solar Eclipse Party will take place August 20-21, 1200-1600 UTC, from Mexico, Missouri, sponsored by Audrain Emergency Communications Inc ([AECIMO](#)). Operation will be on 3.970, 3.980, 7.265, and 14.240 MHz. A certificate is available. Mike Wood, WB0IXS, 22374 Audrain Rd 320, Mexico, MO 65265.

The W9J “Historic Route 66 and Solar Eclipse Special Event” will take place from August 20 until August 24, sponsored by Jim Georgias, W9JUG, and Marie Getty Stan, KD9CAE. The event will operate from a state park on US Route 66 near Eureka, Missouri, on the day of the eclipse. Operation will be on or about 7.240 and 14.250 MHz. Operation will be portable and mobile. QSL via eqsl.cc and LoTW. [Contact](#) W9JUG to request a certificate.

This is not a comprehensive list. Search the [ARRL Special Events Calendar](#) for additional total eclipse special event operations. Oregon path map shown here.





## **AUGUST HAM CRAM STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2 110 W SONORA ST, STOCKTON**

**SATURDAY AUGUST 12, 2017  
DOORS OPEN 8:00 AM**

“Get Your License in a Saturday” is the perfect solution to getting your ham radio license in today’s busy world. No tedious preliminary home study. No long, boring once-a-week classes.

You attend for just one day, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM, and you’re done.

Thousands of men and women, aged 16 to 90, have succeeded in getting their Amateur Radio license this way. HamCram is not a class. It is guided study — six 45-minute reading sessions with 10-minute breaks and a 50-minute break for lunch. The FCC exam is given at the end of the day.

### **Testing-Only Also Available**



The FCC exam session at 3 PM is open to the public. We administer all levels of amateur radio exams: Technician, General, and Extra class. You do not need to attend the HamCram just to take an exam. If you’ve paid to attend the HamCram, the exam fee is included.

**Sign up for the next HamCram clicking the link [here](#).**

## **AA6K TRIBUTE SATURDAY JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> RESIDENCE INN – STOCKTON**



Shirl AA6K’s family gathered with ham operators from Stockton, Lodi and the Mother Lode to share memories and stories of the life of Shirl AA6K who passed away earlier this year. From “the early days” of his marriage and raising a family, accomplishments and his Amateur Radio career it was a great tribute to a great man who will be missed.



Rose’s Wedding Picture 1971



Field Day 2016



Ave of the Vines Run 2016

# The Solar Eclipse QSO Party — Are You Ready?

**From 1400 – 2200 UTC on August 21, 2017, hams will have the Sun's shadow in their sights.**

## Ward Silver, NØAX

The objective of the Solar Eclipse QSO Party (SEQP) is to flood the airwaves with contacts, all measured by the automated receiver networks of the Reverse Beacon Network, PSKReporter, and WSPRNet. When those observations are combined with the logs from individual stations, the result will be one of the largest ionospheric experiments ever performed. Here's how hams can have a starring role.

Start by taking the day off on Monday, August 21. The SEQP starts well before the eclipse begins on the western coast of Oregon. Begin making contacts right away to establish what the bands are like before the shadow starts digging a trench through the ionization "up there." As the penumbra starts cutting into the solar disc, operate on lots of bands (multioperator, anyone?) or focus on a favorite. Even if the higher bands aren't too lively, be sure to cast some CQs there, because the network receivers will be looking for signals, and you can get bonus points for being spotted. That's certainly a first!

Be sure you have the latest version of



your logging software and that it can accept the signal report and grid locator. Hopefully, your software will support the SEQP — check before the big day. In a pinch, you may be able to use software that supports the ARRL VHF+ contests.

## Bonus Points

The SEQP features a long list of bonuses similar to Field Day.

- Operate during totality at your location: 100 points
- Operate outdoors: 100 points
- Operate in a public place: 100 points
- Provide detailed station information: 50 points each for antenna information, HFTA terrain profile, ground conductivity, and station ERPD on each band
- Operate a wide-band automated receiver at your station: 50 points
- One point for being spotted in a grid outside your own during each hour, and on each band and mode — CQ SEQP!

## How to Participate

The Solar Eclipse QSO Party runs from 1400 – 2200 UTC on August 21. Exchange a signal report and your six-character grid locator on 160 – 6 meters (not on 60, 30, 17, and 12 meters, please). You can work stations again after 10 minutes to make as many "observations" (contacts) as possible. CW, RTTY, and PSK31 are preferred because automated receiving networks will record the contacts, but contacts on any digital mode and phone are fine too. See [www.hamsci.org/seqp](http://www.hamsci.org/seqp) for scoring information, bonus points, operating guidelines, and complete rules.

## What Happens Next

After we finish creating data, be sure to submit your log as described in the SEQP rules at [www.hamsci.org/seqp](http://www.hamsci.org/seqp). A group of researchers at Virginia Tech will process the data from each log and from all of the automated receiving networks. This will create the largest set of measurements from any amateur event ever.

The work begins in earnest once the data is in. The research community will go to work to validate their existing propagation models while looking for unexplained behaviors. As Isaac Asimov is reputed to have said, "The most exciting phrase to hear in science, the one that heralds new discoveries, is not 'Eureka' but 'That's funny...'"

Hams have been supporting scientific efforts since the earliest days of radio by doing things like keeping in touch with expeditions and making on-the-air measurements. The coming solar eclipse is the latest opportunity to participate in advancing our understanding of the world in which we live, and make a few contacts, too.

## Eclipse Mob

The eclipse won't just affect the MF and HF bands, but the VLF bands, too. The Eclipse Mob group ([www.hamsci.org/article/eclipsemob-low-frequency-effort](http://www.hamsci.org/article/eclipsemob-low-frequency-effort)) has a low-cost, easy-to-build receiver and smartphone app, so anyone can participate. No license is required, and observing can take place all year long.

## "You'll Put Your Eye Out!"

Sure, it's amazing, but don't look at the Sun directly, or through any kind of magnifying device — whether during an eclipse or not. You can find out how to watch safely at [www.skyandtelescope.com/astronomy-news/observing-news/view-the-sun-safely](http://www.skyandtelescope.com/astronomy-news/observing-news/view-the-sun-safely). Solar observing is great at any time — why not try to spot a sunspot?

## Learn more!

[www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio](http://www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio)

# AMATEUR RADIO

## A HAM'S CALENDAR

**Aug 5 - 6, 2017** – North American QSO Party - CW, 1800Z to 0559Z – See Rules at:  
<http://www.ncjweb.com/NAQP-Rules.pdf>

**August 10, 2017** – Stockton-Delta ARC Club Meeting – Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Rd, Stockton. Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM – Program by Bob K6DGQ on HF operating – A 50/50 raffle will follow the regular meeting.

**August 12, 2017** – Stockton Ham Cram – 0800 – Ham Cram will be held at Fire Station #2, 110 W Sonora St, Stockton at the Division of Training Classroom. Register for new tests or upgrades here:  
<http://www.w6sf.org/hamcram.html>

**August 19, 2017** – Modesto Ham Cram – 0800 – HamCram in Modesto sponsored by Stanislaus Amateur Radio Association and Stan ARES. Stanislaus 9-1-1 Center, 3705 Oakdale Rd, Modesto. Register here: <http://www.stanares.org/hamcram>

**August 21, 2017** – Solar Eclipse QSO Party – 1400Z – 2200Z – Get in on a VERY SPECIAL EVENT – QSO Party on the day of the Solar Eclipse. See Rules at: <http://hamsci.org/seqp>

**August 19 – 20, 2017** – North American QSO Party, SSB – 1800Z – 0559Z Rules are at:  
<http://www.ncjweb.com/NAQP-Rules.pdf>

**September 9 – 11, 2017** – September ARRL VHF Contest 1800Z – 0300Z Sept 11 – Get more information at: <http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>

**September 14, 2017** – Stockton-Delta ARC Club Meeting – Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Rd, Stockton. Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM – Program TBD – A prize raffle will follow the regular meeting.

**September 23 - 24, 2017** – CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY – 0000Z – 2359Z Rules are at:  
<http://www.cqwwrtty.com>

**October 7 - 8, 2017** – CQP "California QSO Party" 1600Z – 2200Z Rules are at:  
<http://www.cqp.org>

**October 12, 2017** – Stockton-Delta ARC Club Meeting – Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Rd, Stockton. Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM – Nominations for 2018 Club Officers - Program TBD – A 50/50 raffle will follow the regular meeting.

**State QSO Parties in August:**

State/Province	Start Date ▼	End Date	Sponsor Website	Notes
Maryland-DC	08/12/2017	08/13/2017	<a href="#">Anne Arundel Radio Club</a>	
Hawaii	08/26/2017	08/28/2017	<a href="#">Hawaii QSO Party</a>	
Kansas	08/26/2017	08/27/2017	<a href="#">Kansas QSO Party</a>	
Ohio	08/26/2017	08/27/2017	<a href="#">Ohio QSO Party</a>	
Colorado	09/02/2017	09/03/2017	<a href="#">Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association</a>	



Do you have any suggestions, comments or concerns? We want to hear from you.

Do you have an idea that we, as a club can all benefit from? Let us hear about it.

Do you have any topic for discussion that YOU could and would contribute to the club?

We want to hear from YOU! To submit articles for the monthly newsletter, email the editor at [john@litz.com](mailto:john@litz.com)

## W6SF CLUB INFORMATION

**MEETINGS:** Regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month **at the Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Road, just north of Eight Mile Road.** Members, guests, and people having an interest in Amateur Radio are invited to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday August 10, 2017 STARTING AT 7:30 PM at the Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 N Lower Sacramento Rd in Stockton.** Members and guests are welcome.

**WEEKLY NETS:** Held each Monday evening at 2000hrs on **147.165+ PL 107.2 Hz and 442.250 + PL 107.2** Members and visitors are invited to check in. There is also an unofficial get together on Thursday evenings (except meeting night) at 7:30pm **on 28.457MHz.** Amateurs with the proper license are encouraged to participate.

**CLUB REPEATERS:** Located in the Sierra at 2500 feet, the club repeater covers the southern Sacramento and Northern San Joaquin Valleys. The call sign is W6SF, and can be heard on **147.165+Mhz** with a PL tone of 107.2 Hz. From the same site, the club also operates a 440MHZ repeater at **442.250 +** with a PL of 107.2 Hz.

The club also operates a UHF repeater located in downtown Stockton **444.575MHz +** with a PL 107.2Hz. Coverage includes the Stockton area as well as parts of Lodi, Manteca, Tracy and Ripon.

**CLUB SIMPLEX FX: 147.51 MHz.**

**CLUB WEBSITE:** <http://www.w6sf.org>

### 2017 CLUB OFFICERS & LEADERSHIP:

President:	<b>NZ6Q</b> , John Litz	<a href="mailto:john@litz.com">john@litz.com</a>
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