

# Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club

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# W6SF FLYSHEET



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## *December 2021*

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Welcome to the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



**DECEMBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT  
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER / YEAR-END  
CELEBRATION!**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00 PM**

**SHIPYARD RESTAURANT  
AT THE PORT OF STOCKTON**

**2305 W WASHINGTON ST  
STOCKTON, CA**

QST QST QST... The December meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club will be held at the Shipyard Portside Restaurant, 2305 W Washington St, Stockton. This is our annual Christmas Dinner and Year-End Celebration! Several outstanding prizes will be offered in our year-end raffle. Raffle prizes include a complete Anytone UV-878 plus Analog / DMR package (radio, carrying case, programming software and cable, speaker microphone, super code plug and 3-year warrantee from Bridgecom), 2021 Radio Amateurs Handbook, MFJ Antenna Analyzer and more.

There is still time to sign-up for the dinner! Go to [www.w6sf.org](http://www.w6sf.org) and follow the link to the sign-up page. You can pay for your reservation in advance using PayPal for just a \$1.00 fee – bringing your dinner costs to just \$21

Dinner includes Chicken and Tri-Tip, roasted potatoes and vegetables, salad bar, dessert and coffee or tea beverage.

NO-HOST COCKTAIL HOUR / MEET N GREET: Starts at 6:00 PM

DINNER starts at 7:00 PM

RAFFLE starts at 8:00 PM

So... grab your spouse, significant other or just that friend that wants to “see what the ham radio club is all about” and join us for good food and good fun as we celebrate not just last year, but really TWO YEARS of amateur radio fun! It’s been two years since we’ve had an opportunity to get together like this!



PS – if you’re having trouble with PayPal just contact Annie N6ACL to make other arrangements for paying your reservations.



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

- Bob, N6TCE



December 2021

Hello All.

I wished I could say good morning, but it isn't for me. Last night I and Amateur Radio lost a good friend. Jim, WB6BET, went Silent Key.

The news stunned me.

I sit here and ponder so many things. In the last few years, I have made so many good friends and lost a few of them. I think back to all the conversations Jim and I had over the radio and in person. Jim was always willing to spend a minute or two talking to the new Ham on the radio and was a great mentor and coach. He encouraged and guided people into this hobby like no other.

As we move into the holiday season let us all deliberately be thankful for the people around us. Let's make it a daily task to speak pleasantly with everyone. Smile and be warmhearted. The best gift we can give each other is our friendship.

Now onward.

This is my 24 President's Corner and my last. I know that Mark, W6SXA, will carry on in my place and I can't wait to read his words in this column going forward.

We will have had the Run Against Hunger, I know it will have been a great success. So many good friends both in and out of the club come together to make it such. Our Christmas Party is just days away and Annie N6ACL is hard at work planning and getting everything ready.

We are getting sign-ups at a fairly constant flow. Make sure you get your reservations in so we make our 40-person attendance mark. You can sign-up on the website or let Annie N6ACL, Peter K6PH or I know you'll be there. We are counting on a big party since we haven't had this opportunity since 2019.

One of the things I did over the course of being Club President was starting a VHF simplex contest. On December 4<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating the second annual Reindeer Round-Up QSO contest. It is a chance to encourage new and old amateur radio operator to practice and sharpen our skills. I also want to encourage everyone to participate in the upcoming ARRL VHF contest which takes place January 15-17, 2022.

The Club's Christmas Dinner and end of year festivities are almost upon us. Please sign up asap. I looked at the last few years. In 2018 we asked \$20 per person for dinner at Chucks on Pacific. In the next year, 2019 at the Shipyard the cost was \$18 per person. This year the cost is \$21 per person to help cover the cost of pre-registering payment through PayPal. I felt that is a reasonable cost.

Come out and enjoy your amateur radio friends – we have much to be thankful for and many things to remember.

Best Holiday Wishes to You and Yours,  
May your New Year Be Blessed,

73,

Bob Officer, N6TCE





## IN MEMORY Jim Seiferling, WB6BET

This picture is from WB6BET's QRZ.COM page showing him at his "novice station" in 1962. Sadly Jim became a Silent Key just before Thanksgiving in November 2021. Bob N6TCE mentioned it in his President's Message. Jim was and always will be a "hams ham". Seemingly never too busy to share his vast knowledge of this great hobby with the newcomer, active in the Lodi Amateur Radio Club as far back as I can remember. Jim organized the first "mobile round-ups" in Lodi as well as participated in nearly every operating event.

Ron, N6GKJ in the Lodi Club newsletter wrote:

Jim Seiferling was a good friend and mentor to all. I met Jim during one of the ARRL VHF Contests. As I got to know Jim, I learned he was from Lodi. I told Jim about our fledgling club. He showed up at the net meeting and has been here ever since. Jim was a strong supporter of our club. His knowledge and experience were a great resource and benefit to all. I became good friends with Jim, and in time came to love him as a brother. Jim's reputation and kindness was one of the reasons our club has flourished and grown. I will miss him and his wisdom... REST in Peace old friend...

Jim always had a great story to tell and a warm smile on his face... In his QRZ.COM page he wrote about his ham radio story....

I was first licensed in September 1962, as novice, WN6BET. My first contact was with Orrie Grefsheim, WA6UYD (SK) three blocks away! He became an Elmer for a number of future hams, in Lodi, California. I obtained the technician class, the next year, as WB6BET and was very active on 6, 2, & 423. I built a station, with other local hams, for working OSCAR III. After graduating from Lodi High School, in 1967, I let my license lapse...

In the summer of 2008, I decided to get my license back. I took the technician and general, at the same session in October 2008. I then applied for my original call sign, WB6BET. It had been 41 years, since my last contact on the air...

My wife is licensed as KI6YYT, passed her general in March 2010, and completed her worked all states in February 2011. She has currently worked 115 DXCC entities...

*Like many others, I will sorely miss Jim WB6BET and cherish the knowledge he gave so freely to all of us...*

*73 my friend ... John NZ6Q*





## MONDAY NIGHT NET CONTROL OPERATOR'S SCHEDULE

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>

Thank you for volunteering to be our Monday night net controllers. Your assigned dates are listed below.

Contact Dave N6LHL for anything concerning the regular 8pm club net.

Additional volunteers are always welcome for net control duties. It's not very difficult to run a net and will help to share the load.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NET CONTROL STATION</u>
06 DEC	N6KZW
13	N6TCE
20	WB6NVB
27	W6INP



## W6SF WEEKLY BREAKFAST MEETING CHUCK'S ON PACIFIC & SWAIN

### THURSDAY'S AT 9:30 AM

Members AND GUESTS gather weekly in the dining room of Chuck's on Pacific for breakfast. Everyone is welcome to attend, you don't need a license. Bring an interest to discuss all things Amateur Radio and a hearty appetite and you'll have a good time.

# Announcing “The 2021 Reindeer Roundup” 2 Meter VHF Contest SATURDAY DEC 4<sup>TH</sup> 10:00 AM



What: A simplex sprint style contest.

Where: 2 meter FM simplex frequencies

When: **Saturday, December 4, 2021 from 10am to 11am**

Who: Open to any licensed radio amateur. No club affiliation is required.

Why: To introduce contesting to a larger population of hams.

Object: To make as many two-way QSO's with as many different hams as possible.

**Sponsoring Organization: Shirley L Rose Memorial DXCC, AD6KU.**

## Rules:

The station calling CQ and completing a QSO must change frequency and allow the answering station to use that frequency.

For example: W6AB is on 146.430 calling CQ. He is answered by AD6KU. The exchange is successfully made. Now W6AB must change frequency and AD6KU may call CQ on 146.430 until he makes a successful QSO or he can also change frequency leaving that frequency open for use by anyone. See the section on Exchange below.

## Categories:

There will be four categories for this contest.

### Proposed Categories (2021)

A) Home station, no power or antenna limits.

B) Mobile/Portable station, no power limits.

C) Handheld Transceiver, with an attached antenna (can be a different antenna than stock)

D) Mentor class, no power limits. This class will be scored as a team. The mentor must teach a ham with less than 2 years of experience. A mentor can assist in logging and changing the frequency of the radio. Contacts will only be made by the new ham, using his/her call sign.

For all categories you can enlist an additional person to do logging only.

They do not have to be a licensed ham, but could be. This is to encourage persons that might be interested in ham radio the opportunity to see what this aspect of ham radio is all about. Please practice safe COVID procedures.

### Proposed Modified & Additional Wording (2021).

No mobiles in motion. You can work in one fixed location from your vehicle (i.e. your driveway, parking lot or garage, mountain top, etc.). Mobile or Portable stations must remain stationary for the full time of the event. For this contest, mobile and portable are in the same category.

**For a mobile station, the top of the antenna can not be more than 12 feet above the ground. The vehicle must be able to be driven on all roads, at speed, with the antenna in place.**

**A portable station is a temporary setup, NOT contained in your vehicle or house. Power for that station must be independent of your vehicle or home. A portable station is NOT limited by antenna height.**

**This is a single radio contest. The use of more than one transceiver or scanner is prohibited.**

### **Exchange:**

Give your call sign, your serial number

For example:

K6AB calls: "CQ CQ K6AB VHF Sprint "

AD6KU answers: "AD6KU"

K6AB replies: "AD6KU, this is K6AB, number 2."

AD6KU replies "Copy number 2, this is AD6KU, number 6."

K6AB changes frequency having completed contact.

AD6KU has option of staying on that frequency and calling CQ or also moving.

K6AB may also politely reply by saying, "AD6KU, the frequency is yours".

### **Scoring:**

1 point for each complete QSO.

**Stations may only contact any given station 1 time during the contest for QSO points.**

We hams are honest.

*QSO'S MADE THROUGH REPEATERS ARE NOT ALLOWED!!*

### **Frequencies:**

Use only these frequencies for **this** contest.

It is suggested to take the time to program this group of frequencies into your radio.

146.430

146.460

146.490

**146.520**

**Off limits**

146.550

146.580

147.420

147.450

147.480

147.510

147.540

147.570

**Note: Off limits=146.520 is National Calling Frequency and is usually busy with SOTA activations**





**Soliciting QSOs:**

**No prearranged QSO's at all are permitted!** The use of any method of communications to make a pre-planned QSO (ie: phone, e-mail, text, carrier pigeon, smoke signals, drums etc.) is not in the spirit of this event. The goal of this contest is to test your ability to make contacts without any pre-planning. Contest entrants may not transmit on repeaters or repeater frequencies

for the purpose of soliciting contacts.

**Prizes:**

Certificates will be awarded to the top three scoring entrants in each category.

**Additional certificates will be awarded to hams that have been licensed less than 2 years, applicable to all entry categories (A to D).**

**Logging Format:**

Because this is a 1-hour contest you can just put the minutes down, like 00, 01, to 59. If you work more than 1 station within a minute, put that time down for each station worked.

Example: I work N6AB for my first: QSO in the contest, I work AD6KU for my second QSO in the contest. My log should look like this:

My QSO#	Local Time	His Station	His QSO #
1	01	N6AB	3
2	03	AD6KU	6

If any of the required information is incorrect or missing from a QSO, that contact is invalid and will not be scored. It is certainly acceptable to have more than one contact with the same time stamp, if you are working stations very fast.





## **W6SF NOVEMBER MEETING REPORT THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> STOCKTON SAILING CLUB + ZOOM**

The meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club was held on November 11<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was held in person at the Stockton Sailing Club and on Zoom.

The business meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Bob N6TCE. John NZ6Q made a motion to close the nominations as Joyce K6QBQ had stated between meetings she would accept the nomination of Vice-President. This gave us a “white ballot” with no positions contested to vote upon and approve. The motion carried unanimously, and the new officers will start in January 2022.

Board Members for 2022 are:

President - W6SXA Mark  
Vice-President – K6QBQ Joyce  
Treasurer - W6PH Peter  
Secretary - N6ACL Annie  
Member at Large – N6TCE Bob

We also need volunteers to coordinate Field Day 2022 and an Event Chairperson to be liaison between the W6SF Club, ARES and events that ask for our help every year.

After the election, Paul KC6RRR gave a run down on plans for the Run Against Hunger on Thanksgiving morning November 25<sup>th</sup>. He asked or a few more volunteers to make sure all of the course was well covered.

John NZ6Q gave a presentation on Nets and net control / participation etiquette. It was well received and provided lots of practical operating tips. The meeting was also on Zoom with several members connecting on the video link. The club will be continuing these links into 2022 starting with the AGM in January. Please join us on Zoom if you cannot attend in person. We continue to improve the Zoom / in-person hybrid meeting experience and should have the few glitches we’ve encountered resolved by January’s AGM.

73, Annette N6ACL  
Secretary



## **SHOUTOUT FOR CLUB T-SHIRTS**

Dave N6ACL is making a new T-shirt order of our very popular blue W6SF logo T-shirt. The cost will be \$16 for each shirt, with an upcharge for any 2X or larger sizes.

So, if you have an interest in purchasing a club T-shirt, please drop me an email with your name and size. I'll then place an order and drop you an email when the shirts are available. Pay me when you get your shirt. ([n6hl2@gmail.com](mailto:n6hl2@gmail.com)) Dave Hardwick, N6LHL.



# THE 2021 RUN AGAINST HUNGER REPORT

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Run Against Hunger took place on Thanksgiving Day morning in downtown Stockton. SDARC Members teamed up with San Joaquin County ARES to provide communication for the event.

Members assembled early (6:30AM) as we typically do for this event. Thank you to Paul N6KZW and Annie N6ACL who brought pastries and coffee for everyone.

After a quick debrief by Paul KC6RRR and distribution of this year's bright yellow volunteer shirt it was off to post for everyone except Kyle K6KDD, Mike K6AAN and John NZ6Q who had net control and start-finish line duties.

The kids race starts every year at about 8 AM and by that time the crowd in the parking lot of Banner Isl Ball Park had swelled to near capacity. Kathy from the food bank stated pre-day sign-ups exceed 1800 and it looked like easily over 2000 + had assembled by 8:00 AM.

We used the N5FDL/N6GKJ repeater 147.210 Mhz as primary and the K6JKQ repeater was available for reserve if needed. The repeater worked flawlessly for the event.

The run officially started at 8:45 AM. By then the line of participants stretched nearly 4 city blocks to the west on Fremont St from the starting line at Madison St.

During the event there were few incidents that occurred, and no injuries reported. In all it was a very quiet operating event. There was potentially an incident involving a group of bicyclists attempting to ride onto the closed course. Paul KC6RRR managed to hold them at his post and they disbursed when they realized they were not going to get on the course.



As the parking lot in front of Net Control started filling up again; this time with exhausted run-walkers we received several compliments and thank you's for being there in case of emergencies.

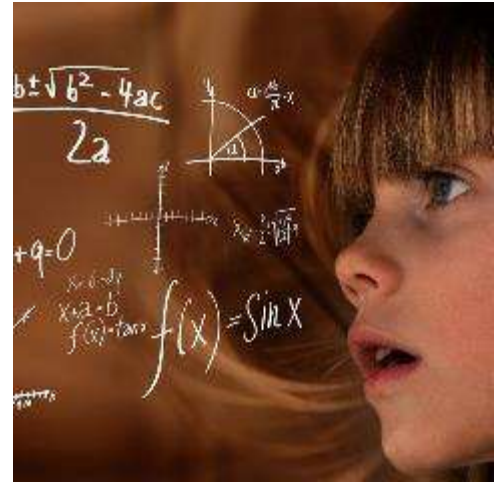


Many thanks to the team that made it happen. In addition to those already mentioned...

- Mark..... W6SXA
- Joyce..... K6QBQ
- Shane..... K5SML
- Jeff ..... KK6VXB
- Cecil..... W6CPR
- Gayle..... W6SWT
- Eric..... W6INP
- Jeff..... KJ6RHF
- Carrie... KK6BKR
- Bob..... N6TCE



**DECEMBER HAMCRAM  
VE SESSION  
SATURDAY DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>  
STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2 - DIVISION  
OF TRAINING  
110 W SONORA ST  
STOCKTON, CA 95202  
DOORS OPEN AT 7:45 AM**



The next HamCram study and test session will be held at the Stockton Fire Department – Division of Training on Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. We are in the Brett Lawes classroom.

If you are interested in doing a HamCram Study Session, OR you are testing for an upgrade, or you or a family member wants to get your license, please pre-register at

[www.w6sf.org/hamcram.html](http://www.w6sf.org/hamcram.html) .

HamCram study session starts at 8:10 AM and the doors will open at 7:45.

The Test Only sessions will start at 3:00 PM

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



*A Merry Christmas*  
You're in my Christmas circuit  
And on the waves of thought  
A Happy Christmas and New Year  
To you is gladly brought.

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2021 CHRISTMAS PARTY / YEAR-  
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**SIGN-UP BY CLICKING [HERE](#)**



## **SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY ARES (SJCARES) MEETINGS HELD ON TUESDAY NIGHTS STARTING AT 7:30 PM**

SJCARES The San Joaquin County ARES group is meeting on the air on Tuesday nights at 19:30 hours on the WB6ASU repeater 147.090 (PL 114.8 + 600khz offset)

The ARES group continues to grow and more members are needed. SJCARES is becoming the liaison agency between Amateur Radio and City and County Emergency Responders.

Their Leadership is looking for trained operators that can function WELL in the Incident Command environment. Showing up as "the guy with a radio" is no longer good enough. You need training and preparation. That is what ARES can do for you.

Go to SJCARES website [www.sjcares.org](http://www.sjcares.org) and sign-up as a member.

Start checking into the Tuesday night nets! If you're a new ham, welcome and learn. If you're already an ARES member, but haven't been active checking into the nets or the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday ZOOM meetings – get more active!

The goal for ARES is to have available a large enough group of properly trained Amateur Radio Operators to meet the needs of our served agencies. You can't get properly trained if you don't show up!

For those interested in where to start with your ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) training modules, please contact Bob at [n6tce@arrl.net](mailto:n6tce@arrl.net). For you to be effective in ARES, you do need to be more than a person with a radio. You need to develop and maintain a specific and well-defined skill set around the Incident Command System, functioning in a disaster environment and more. Being able to send and receive traffic (messages) accurately and efficiently is important.

Bob, N6TCE  
EC San Joaquin Co

You can get the latest information and join through their website at [www.sjcares.org](http://www.sjcares.org)

You do not have to be a W6SF club member to join ARES and everyone with a valid Amateur Radio license is welcome.



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### Score submission:

#### Logs will be required for this contest

Score submissions must be received no later than Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.  
The decision of the judges is final.

Send score submission header data and the log (in Text, Excel, or Cabrillo format)  
Handwritten logs will have to be scanned, then emailed.  
Email to Bob Officer [jestrbob@gmail.com](mailto:jestrbob@gmail.com)

All submission Sheets must have

Your Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Your Call Sign : \_\_\_\_\_

Your location \_\_\_\_\_

Number of QSO's. : \_\_\_\_\_

Your Operating Category \_\_\_\_\_

Your Log

#### Note:

This is a fun contest. The more participants the better it will be. We trust you to be honest and a practice good sportsmanship. Handwritten logs must be legible. Illegible writing for any line item will make that contact invalid. If this contest is well received, we plan to make this a reoccurring event.

Contact Bob Officer, N6TCE

#### Operating Tips:

This type of contest has a very high duty cycle and can stress your transmitter. It will get warm to very hot. If possible, get a 12 volt fan on the heat sink of your radio. Remember that some radios, like the Kenwood 281A have a heat sink on both the back and the bottom. **Keep you rig cool, whether it's a handheld or base/mobile rig.**

You can either scan the FM simplex frequencies listening for people to work, or you can call CQ on a simplex frequency. I would suggest calling, "CQ Sprint" or "CQ Contest", so people know that you're participating in a contest event.

**It would also be a good idea to turn your squelch off, so you can hear weaker stations.**

If you'd like to log with a computer, use software for the **CQ World Wide WPX contest**. This will make finding duplicates much easier.

Make sure you **copy the information from your QSO correctly**. If you have any question on an element of the exchange, ask for a repeat.

Hint: The exchange for this contest is simple; just his call and QSO number. **Speak each character slowly and clearly.** Maybe try using the pronunciation “Niner” for the number 9, and “Zero” for 0, never “Oh”.

Hint. Get a copy of the standard phonetics and use them. It will help the new hams learn to copy call signs clearly. There are several good reference charts on the net. Look in Wikipedia for **NATO Phonetic Alphabet.**

**READ THE RULES,** If you have any questions about anything regarding this contest, ask N6TCE **BEFORE** the contest starts.

**Disclaimer:** Participation in this contest is at your own risk. The Shirley L Rose Memorial DXCC accepts **no** liability of any incident that may occur while participating in the contest.

**Remember: Rovers/Mobile operations are not allowed. Fixed portable is OK and encouraged. Contacts with a mobile that is not participating in the contest are allowed.**

A great deal of Thanks goes to Jim, WB6BET, for use of certain wording and phrasing and general guidance in this effort. Nods to Dave, N6LHL for info from the contest 10 years ago.

Everyone, Have fun!



## **FITSAT-1 TO SEND MORSE CODE MESSAGES TO EARTH USING OPTICAL ARRAY CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>**

to active the satellite’s LED optical array and flash a message in Morse code to Earth. The Morse message may be visible to the unaided eye.

On Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) the Japanese students who built FITSAT-1 are planning

According to Takushi Tanaka JA6AVG the students plan to start testing the optical system at the end of November. The FITSAT-1 CubeSat was developed by students at the Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT) in Japan. In addition to the LED array it also has a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz, a data link on 437.445 MHz and a 5840.0 MHz data downlink.

Further FITSAT-1 information at <http://www.fit.ac.jp/~tanaka/fitsat.shtml>

CubeSats deployed from International Space Station [http://www.uk.amsat.org/?page\\_id=10967](http://www.uk.amsat.org/?page_id=10967)

# W6SF SWAP MEET PAGE

## ITEMS FOR SALE, FOR TRADE OR WANTED

TO LIST AN ITEM ON THE SWAP MEET PAGE PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL [n6acl@arrl.net](mailto:n6acl@arrl.net)

PLEASE NOTIFY THE SECRETARY WHEN YOU SELL THE ITEM OR NO LONGER NEED THE LISTING

### DENNIS W6UT IS SELLING HIS UNIQUE COLLECTION OF CW KEYS

- **2004-2006 Vibroplex Original 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Key – Serial # 100A-536**

I purchased this key direct from Vibroplex. The key is no longer available. I could not find out from Vibroplex the year of production. The first year Vibroplex was patented was 1904 although some keys were made before the patent was issued. This key is as new as it has never been used and always stored in a case which will be included. I am asking \$300.00 plus shipping. From the Collection of Dennis Sanford, W6UT – email:

[w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



- **1977 Vibroplex Lightning Bug Deluxe Serial No. 382556.** The key is in VG condition. It includes the Vibroplex Vari-Speed Adapter. This Vari-Speed is no longer manufactured. This model key was made from 1927 to 1979. \$175 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT – email: [w6ut@arrl.net](mailto:w6ut@arrl.net)



- **1916 Vibroplex Original Serial No. 55439.** Dennis restored this key himself. The main frame and the damper frame have been replated. The key includes a sturdy protective case. \$275 plus \$22.00 shipping via Priority Mail and double boxed.



- **1940 or 1941.** Vibroplex Plate is not there. Arnold R. Noe is name on replacement plate and A.A.C.S. under name. Arnold was in US Army Aircorp from 1940 to 1945. AACS is ARMY AIRWAYS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM 1938. Arnold was born in 1917 and died in 2008. He lived and was raised in Columbus, OH. I have copy of his obituary from news paper that will go with key. The key is in excellent condition. \$250 with travel case plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed if shipped. [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



- **1937 Vibroplex Martin Junior Serial No. 109995.** It is called a Junior because it is slightly smaller than an Original. The key is in VG condition. The feet have been replaced with Vibroplex feet. The old feet will be included with the key. \$250 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. I will include an original case for \$25. Dennis W6UT [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



- **1943 Original Deluxe Serial No. 123982.** It is Battleship Gray as Chrome was needed for the war effort. It is in pristine condition. \$200 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)





• **1956 Vibroplex Zephyr Serial No. 196386** . It is in very good condition. These were only manufactured from 1939 to 1958. \$180 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



• **1944 Vibroplex Champion Serial No. 137365**. The Champion's were sold from 1939 to 1979. It uses a standard Vibroplex Original base. The key is in in Very Good Condition. \$160 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



• **Vibroplex #4 Blue Racer Standard Serial No. 157953**. The key is in VG condition. It has one small flaw as paint chipped off next to the frame on the right side as it was being cleaned for these pictures. A touch of black paint will take care of it. \$175 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



Note: Dennis has 3 more Deluxe Blue Racers and a 1916 that he restored and comes with a Racer case.

• 1917 Original. Serial No. 58878. It is Nickel Plated. It is in great condition. It includes the pictured case. \$300 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)



If you are interested in purchasing any of these keys please contact Dennis W6UT via email at [w6ut@att.net](mailto:w6ut@att.net)

• **Kenwood TS-2000, all-mode transceiver, 160m – 70cm**, with microphone, power cord, & manual. Dual receive, 100 watts on 160 meters thru 2 meters, 50 watts on 70cm., built-in antenna tuner. \$700 or make an offer. Click here for ARRL review. John, K6YK, 209-462-7391 [K6YK@arrl.net](mailto:K6YK@arrl.net)



• **Kenwood TS-430S HF transceiver**, 160-10m, 100 watts. Great HF starter rig. Professionally serviced in 2017. \$350. Jim, WB6BET, 209-625-5771, [WB6BET@arrl.net](mailto:WB6BET@arrl.net)



• **RigExpert AA-170 Antenna Analyzer** - a powerful antenna analyzer designed for testing, checking, tuning or repairing antennas and antenna feedlines up to 170MHz ( 0 – 170Mhz). Mainly, this is an SWR (Standing Wave Ratio) and impedance measurement instrument (vector impedance analyzer). Estate Sale from N6GTO this is brand new in the box \$250 pick up in Stockton (\$25 additional for shipping/insured) John NZ6Q 209-331-3078 [nz6q@arrl.net](mailto:nz6q@arrl.net)



• **65 FT Self-Supporting Tri-Ex Crank-up Tower** – ONLY ONE TOWER LEFT!! These towers are several thousand dollars new and reasonably priced at \$600 each which can include limited delivery area around Stockton, CA Hand Crank included on each and are in solid shape. Estate Sale from N6GTO – John NZ6Q 209-331-3078, [nz6q@arrl.net](mailto:nz6q@arrl.net)



• **Shure Model 444 Desk Microphone** – Classic Microphone sounds and looks great next to any rig, but Kenwood, Heathkit and Yaesu tube rigs seem to give it the most prestige. Wired for 4-prong plug typical for classic tube transceivers Hi-Lo impedance switch on bottom . Asking \$60 or BO John NZ6Q 209-331-3078 [nz6q@arrl.net](mailto:nz6q@arrl.net)



• **TYT MD-380 DMR HT** – VHF/UHF DMR & ANALOG HT 1000 Memory Channels, 1000 Talk Zones or Contact Zones. DMR Tier II + MotoTurbo Estate Sale Item comes with Battery, Charger, NA-771 Nagoya antenna. Asking \$80 or best offer John NZ6Q 209-331-3078 [nz6q@arrl.net](mailto:nz6q@arrl.net)



• **TYT MD-2017 DMR HT** – VHF/UHF DMR & ANALOG HT 3000 Memory Channels, 10000 Talk Zones or Contact Zones. DMR Tier II + MotoTurbo + IP67 rated Waterproof. Estate Sale Item comes with Battery, Charger, NA-771 Nagoya antenna. Asking \$80 or best offer John NZ6Q 209-331-3078 [nz6q@arrl.net](mailto:nz6q@arrl.net)



• ~~**Yaesu FT-840 HF Transceiver** – 160-10m, 100 watts. Great HF starter rig. Simple to use – looks brand new. In original box with manuals, power cords, microphone. \$350 or BO – John NZ6Q 209-331-3078 [nz6q@arrl.net](mailto:nz6q@arrl.net)~~



This rig sold from the newsletter...

## 2021 CLUB MEETING DATES & PROPOSED TRAININGS

January 14 .....	Annual General Meeting, W1AW Tour
February 11.....	Meeting – How to get the most out of your ARRL Website – Steve Ewald, WV1X
March 11.....	Meeting – ARES Go Boxes – James Lea, KX4TV
April 8 .....	Meeting – Tall Towers – Bob Hess W1RH
May 13.....	Meeting – Get on your SOTA – Steve, WG0AT from Colorado
June 10 .....	Meeting - Field Day Final Prep
July 8 .....	Meeting – Getting the Most from FT8
August 12.....	Meeting – RDF – Fox Hunting Club BBQ
September 9.....	Meeting – Contesting & Logging / CQP 2021
October 14.....	Meeting - Nominations for Officers 2022 – DMR - Vince KM6IRY
November 11 .....	Meeting – Elections – Program TBD
December 9 .....	Christmas Dinner / Year End Celebration
December 31.....	Cosmic Bowling & Straight Key Night

### HamCrams for 2021 – 7:45 AM - Stockton Fire Station #2

February 6<sup>th</sup>                      April 10<sup>th</sup>                      August 14<sup>th</sup>                      October 23<sup>RD</sup>                      December 11<sup>th</sup>

### Ham-U Training Day – 8:00 AM Fire Station #2

**September 18<sup>th</sup> – CANCELLED UNTIL MARCH OF 2022 – SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 19, 2022**

### Club Events 2021

March 21 <sup>st</sup> – Ride/Walk 4 Art	Valley Springs –
April 19 <sup>th</sup> – Rookie Round-up	On the Air Event
April 24 <sup>th</sup> – STEAMFEST 2021	<b>VIRTUAL Presentations</b>
April 24 <sup>th</sup> – Stockton Sailing Club Event	Stockton Sailing Club – <b>TBD</b>
April – May – Weed-Whacking on the hill	Fiddletown Repeater Site - TBD
May 2 <sup>ND</sup> – Delta Century Ride	Jessie’s Grove Winery – <b>CANCELLED FOR 2021</b>
Jun 4 <sup>TH</sup> – 6 <sup>TH</sup> – Museum Ships Weekend	USS Lucid, Stockton, CA
June 19 <sup>TH</sup> – Kids Day	Stockton Libraries – <b>CANCELLED FOR 2021</b>
June 26 <sup>TH</sup> – 27 <sup>TH</sup> – ARRL Field Day	Club Field day Site, Stockton, CA
July 3 <sup>RD</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Parade	Downtown Stockton – <b>COMPLETED!</b>
October 2 <sup>ND</sup> – 3 <sup>RD</sup> – California QSO Party	Club Field Day Site, Stockton, CA
October 15 – 17 – Pacificon 2021	San Ramon Marriott
October 16 <sup>th</sup> – Walk to End Alzheimer’s	Swenson Park, Stockton – <b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>
November 14 – Giro D’Vino Ride	Woodbridge Winery, Acampo, CA - <b>CANCELLED FOR 2021</b>
November 20 – 21 ARRL Sweepstakes Phone	Club Field Day Site, Stockton, CA
November 25 – Run Against Hunger	Waterfront – Downtown
December 10 – 12 – ARRL 10M Contest	Club Field Day Site, Stockton, CA



# AMATEUR RADIO

## A HAM'S CALENDAR

**December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021** – Reindeer Round-Up VHF Contest – see information in this issue.

**December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021** – SDARC Meeting and Christmas Party – 1800 HOURS – Shipyard Restaurant, 2305 W Washington St, Stockton, CA No Host cocktail hour 6:00 PM, Dinner 7:00 PM, Raffle starts at 8:00 PM – sign up at [www.w6sf.org/yearend.html](http://www.w6sf.org/yearend.html)

**December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021** – HamCram Study Session and VE Testing – 0800 hours Fire Station #2 Copsey Hall. [www.w6sf.org/hamcram.html](http://www.w6sf.org/hamcram.html)

**December 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021** – ARRL 10-Meter Contest - Any license Class can operate – check on the Monday night net for club set-up at the vineyard... <https://www.arrl.org/10-meter>

**December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021** – SDARC Cosmic Bowling Night at Pacific Avenue Bowl \*\* See information in this issue

**January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022** – ARRL Straight Key Night - <http://www.arrl.org/straight-key-night>

**January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022** – SDARC Annual General Meeting – 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4820 Buckley Cove, Stockton. Annual General Meeting will set the dues schedule for the 2022 year and approve the operating budget of the club. Program TBD.

**January 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022** – Winter Field Day Contest – GOTA outside! [www.winterfieldday.com](http://www.winterfieldday.com)



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.  
To submit articles for the monthly newsletter, email N6ACL [annettel@westwayfeed.com](mailto:annettel@westwayfeed.com)

## W6SF CLUB INFORMATION

**MEETINGS:** Regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month **at the Stockton Sailing Club, 4980 Brookside Cove, Stockton, CA – off March Lane west of Interstate 5.** Members, guests, and people having an interest in Amateur Radio are invited to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 1800 hours (6:00 PM) This meeting will be in person at the Shipyard Restaurant 2305 W Washington St.** Members and guests are welcome – info in this newsletter on how to sign-up and pay for dinner.

**WEEKLY NETS:** Held each Monday evening at 1900hrs is the **W6SF New Ham/Tech Net** hosted by Paul **N6KZW and Others.** Then at 2000hrs the regular club net starts. **147.165+ PL 107.2 Hz and 442.250 + PL 107.2 are the regular repeaters for these Nets.** Members and visitors are invited to check in. There is also an unofficial get together on Thursday evenings (except meeting night) at 8:00pm **on 28.457MHz.**

**San Joaquin ARES Net:** Tuesday evenings 1930hrs on **147.090+ PL 114.8 Hz**

**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>

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### CLUB DUES:

\$20 SINGLE and \$30 FAMILY

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