

Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



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November 2020

Welcome to the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



**JIM TIEMSTRA
ARRL PACIFIC DIVISION DIRECTOR
SILENT KEY**

ARRL Pacific Division Director Jim Tiemstra, K6JAT, of Oakland, California, died October 30. An ARRL Life Member, he was 65.

"Jim was passionate about ham radio and a dedicated member of the ARRL Board of Directors," ARRL President Rick Roderick, K5UR, said. "He devoted himself to the members of his Division and always strove to do what was best for amateur radio and its future. His knowledge and leadership were significant and will be missed by the many who worked with him and had the pleasure to know him."

Tiemstra was ARRL Pacific Division Vice Director from 2009 - 2017. He became ARRL Pacific Division Director in January 2018. Currently, he was a member of the Administration and Finance Committee, the Legal Structure Review Committee, chair of the Legislative Advocacy Committee, and an advisor to the Amateur Radio Legal Defense and Assistance Committee, among other Board assignments. More Information on the W6SF and the ARRL websites.

NOVEMBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

Meeting starts at 7:00 PM

ELECTION NIGHT



VIRTUAL MEETING USING ZOOM

VIDEO CONFERENCING

DO NOT GO TO THE SAILING CLUB MEETING
ROOM... THERE WILL BE NO ONE THERE

QST QST QST... The November meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club will be held on Thursday, November 12th starting at 19:00 hours. The meeting will be VIRTUAL – ON-LINE using Zoom Video Conferencing as our platform. Our meeting space at the Stockton sailing club is undergoing renovation.

I have copied the invitation here, but you can join via the webmail link that will be on the W6SF website.

THIS MEETING IS ELECTION NIGHT. CLUB MEMBERS WISHING TO NOMINATE OTHERS FOR BOARD POSITIONS CAN DO SO UP TO THE MEETING VOTE CALL. EMAIL YOUR NOMINATIONS TO BOARD@W6SF.ORG



Topic: W6SF SDARC MONTHLY CLUB MEETING – PROGRAM TBD

Time: November 12, 2020 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84385771704>

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

- Bob, N6TCE



President Corner
November 2020

October has been a busy month for many Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club Members.



We had a great CQP this year, working at the W6Q special station. It was nice to see the Blue T-shirts with the SDARC logo. During CQP, we exceeded the requested 1000 QSOs by the NCCC, which is the sponsor of our state QSO party. My own experience in operating a small contest gives me new respect for the people that operate a large contest like CQP. Thanks to all who helped set up and take down the antennas. I was amazed that what took several days to put up, all came down in just a few hours. A special thank you to Charlie, WB6NVB, for the use of his site and those people on the put up and take down crews.

I followed up the next weekend with a test only examination session for amateur radio licenses. Listen for the 20 new Technicians on the air. Remember to ask if you are their 1st contact and then take a moment to fill out the ARRL's 1st contact form. <http://www.arrl.org/first-contact>

I heard two of them checking into Friday night's Space Net on the WB6EJF Modesto repeater. We also had two of the new General Class licenses and six more people upgrade to general. Additionally, we had three applicants upgrade their licenses to Extra Class. I wish to thank the Stockton Delta ARC members for supporting the test sessions over the last few years. We have tested about 20-30 people in each session, and most of them passed with flying colors. Special recognition goes to Shane, **KN6LKQ**, now our youngest club member and I'm sure one of the youngest Technicians in the area.

Sorry, John, you're going to have to expand the shack to accommodate another operator. Shane said he was going to start studying for his General Class license.

The next event was the mid-week Great California Shake-out. The participation level in this disaster drill was a success. Thank you all for helping. Remember, part of the reason we have Amateur Radio is the need to respond after a disaster. When all else fails, there is Amateur Radio.

The last event of the month was the Great VHF Sprint Contest. I was surprised by the effort made by a few people. We had 23 participants. I am anticipating a few more scores to which could be submitted before the midnight deadline. I don't believe anyone had a clean sweep.

Look for the Contest to be held again next winter. I have received a few suggested rule changes, and a new category has been proposed and is being taken under consideration.

The meeting this month is the election of Club Officers. Nominations are open. Submit your nomination to the club board via email. The email address is board@w6sf.org and nominations will be accepted until the vote is called at the November meeting. Even if you do not seek an office, input and ideas are welcome. Do you have a request or suggestion or subject for a presentation?

Bob, N6TCE

California QSO Party



SDARC HOSTS W-6-Q SPECIAL EVENT CALL FOR CAL QSO PARTY 2020

The Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club was honored with the Special Event Callsign W6Q as part of the 2020 California QSO Party celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Northern California Contest Club. We were one of only 21 stations across the state needing to be worked to spell the word S-E-Q-U-O-I-A to qualify for the SEQUOIA challenge. You can read about the challenge on the Cal QSO Party website - [HERE](#).

Starting the week prior, we put up the club HexBeam and additional antennas for 40M and 80M so we could run simultaneous stations on both Phone and CW during the contest. We set up 4 stations for phone and 3 stations for CW. Sadly, there was no real activity heard on 10M but we did make a couple of contacts on that band as well as contacts on all bands 15 - 80 Meters. The "night shift" especially had fun on 40M and 80M - even 11 year-old Shane **KN6LKQ** was making contacts on 80 Meters like a seasoned pro contester.

We tested new filters for 40 & 80 M work up to 500 W and found them quite reliable. These along with additional filters and combiners will help us continually improve our multi-band, multi-station operations.

We logged 1056 QSOs for a combined score of over 150,000 points. We missed a "clean sweep" of all 58 multipliers by just two MB and NT – those darn Canadians were hiding! For a completely unassisted operation (no spotters or internet alerts) with current band conditions that is a solid win! Pictures are worth 1000 words and thanks to Dave **N6LHL** for these pictures of the event.



Paul N6KZW with Shane on 20M Phone



John NZ6Q on 20M CW

There are more pictures spread throughout this issue....



MONDAY NIGHT NET CONTROL OPERATOR'S SCHEDULE 4th Q 2020

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>

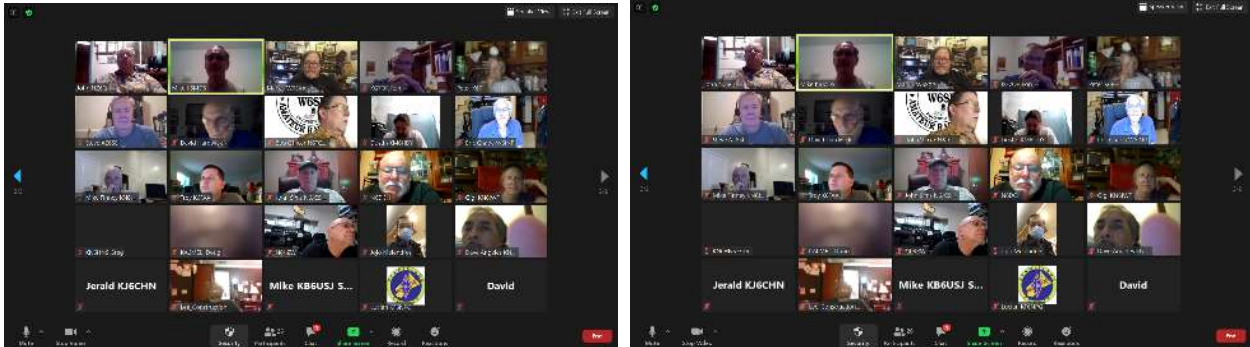
Thank you for volunteering to be our Monday night net controllers for October, November and December 2020. Your assigned dates are listed below. If you need to substitute or reschedule an assignment, contact KG7OR for the Tech Net or N6LHL for the club net. Additional net control volunteers are always welcome for both nets in order to help to share the load.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>7pm TECH NET</u>	<u>8pm CLUB NET</u>
Sep 28	Jim WB6BET	Mike K6AAN
Oct 05	W6YNO Brent	N6KZW Paul
Oct 12	N6KZW Paul	N6TCE Bob
Oct 19	K6ODS Eric	WB6NVB Charlie
Oct 26	WB6BET Jim	KG7OR Ron
Nov 02	KG7OR Ron	NZ6Q John
Nov 09	K6AAN Mike	W6INP Eric
Nov 16	W6YNO Brent	N6LHL Dave
Nov 23	N6KZW Paul	K6AAN Mike
Nov 30	K6ODS Eric	N6KZW Paul
Dec 07	WB6BET Jim	N6TCE Bob
Dec 14	KG7OR Ron	WB6NVB Charlie
Dec 21	K6AAN Mike	KG7OR Ron
Dec 28	W6YNO Brent	NZ6Q John



K6NEZ Scott at CQP 2020

W6SF OCTOBER MEETING REPORT THURSDAY OCTOBER 8TH AT 19:00 HOURS



The meeting was called to order by President Bob, N6TCE at 1905 hours. There was no Treasurers report available.

Old Business: Bob N6TCE reported that a second order of T-Shirts were in. Contact Dave N6LHL if you want to get a shirt. The Great American Shake Out Earthquake Drill on Thursday 10/15 was discussed. John NZ6Q reported on CQP. Thank you to Charlie WB6NVB for the use of the vineyard. The antennas and radios performed very well on all bands.

New Business: Bob N6TCE opened the floor to nominations for the 2021 Board of Directors. Ron KG7OR nominated the slate of existing officers for a 2nd term. (Second by Mark W6SXA). Nominations will remain open until the beginning of the November meeting. Anyone wishing to nominate a member as a club officer can do so via email to board@w6sf.org.

The business meeting was adjourned at 19:25 hours and John NZ6Q introduced our speaker Todd KL4EL. Todd related a great story of his experiences as an EC involved with EMCOMM in Sitka, AK. Afterwards, there was a lively discussion on local experiences with ARES and EMCOMM and it was pretty clear that locally there is room for better communication.

There were 24 members and guests attending the Zoom Conference meeting. You can listen to the meeting again via Zoom recording here.

Meeting Recording:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/XS3uoJt3srWj40DiJNgHm5vQ-ZfT8oGcMtcsoOAmAX9SOKwXD0G6FwqP6D3V8g0.g0x5J6-jW7-AlodU>

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73,

Annie, N6ACL



FCC Proposes to Reinstate Amateur Radio License Fees

Analysis of this action from our Vice-President W6SXA

SDARC Vice President, Mark - W6SXA

The FCC is currently proposing (Key word PROPOSING) in a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) MD Docket 20-270 the imposition of a \$50.00 fee to be charged to all amateur radio operators and applicants to become a amateur radio operator. This fee would apply if you are an applicant for a first time license, if you are applying for an upgrade to your license, if you are renewing your license, if you are requesting a printed copy of your license, or if you are applying for a vanity call sign.

Congress passed a law, the Ray Baum's Act and a section included in that act requires the the "FCC switch from a Congressionally-mandated fee structure to a cost-based system of assessment. In its *NPRM*, the FCC proposed application fees for a broad range of services that use the FCC's Universal Licensing System (ULS), including the Amateur Radio Service that had been excluded by an earlier statute. The 2018 statute excludes the Amateur Service from annual regulatory fees, but not from application fees."

"Applications for personal licenses are mostly automated and do not have individualized staff costs for data input or review," the FCC said in its *NPRM*. "For these automated processes — new/major modifications, renewal, and minor modifications — we propose a nominal application fee of \$50 due to automating the processes, routine ULS maintenance, and limited instances where staff input is required."

I believe that this new fee will severely hurt many who already find it expensive and difficult to get into Amateur Radio. This is probably especially true for the young people that can barely, if at all, afford the cost of a simple small handheld transceiver. In many of those cases amateur radio clubs have provided at their own expense those radios to help young newly licensed operators get started.



The only way around this new law from Congress is to go to your legislator to amend the law which is probably a long drawn out process with limited chance of success.

However, the \$50.00 figure is one that has been only "proposed" thus far. I believe that we could, at least, attempt to negotiate this fee down to a much more reasonable figure that we can live with, say maybe \$15 to \$20.

Why should the FCC do this you say?

The Amateur Radio Community does not receive remuneration for any of the services that they render.

1. Amateur Radio Operators routinely provide Communications services in support of charitable organizations events such as runs, walkathons, bicycle rides, etc. that benefit blind centers, food banks, veterans' organizations and more.

2. The Amateur Radio Community operates free of charge and on a voluntary basis providing trained and skilled radio operators that transport, set up, operate and maintain all the radio gear needed for emergency communications backup to local, state, and federal agencies and governments during times of emergency or major disaster when normal utility AC power may be out over a very large area. Telephone and internet services may be down as well as cell phone service. Major disasters can even take out our emergency broadcast system. Amateur Radio has been able to step into these situations all over our nation and worldwide to provide critically important communications in support of relief efforts working with the Red Cross, etc to help save lives and property. We step up to the plate and do this voluntarily without compensation.



3. Our communications are not for profit as in the business / commercial broadcast services. We are serious operators that must pass tests and understand our equipment enough to design, build, test and repair our own transceivers and peripheral equipment including our antenna systems. Our RACES and ARES operators are trained, periodically retrained, and perform periodic emergency drills to properly interface with emergency personnel and systems in our cities, counties and states.

I would like to close by asking one final question ...

Can you imagine a massive hurricane, a major earthquake, a devastating flood, or a terrifying wildfire that burns over thousands of acres and whole towns ... WITHOUT Amateur Radio operators?

These are just a few of the reasons that I believe that the FCC should seriously consider the tremendous value that they get in return for supporting us and our "hobby" by, at the very least, reducing this large \$50.00 fee, or consider "reclassifying" our activities as exempt.

If you agree with the above opinion, or if you have additional concerns or points Please, make yourself heard. Maybe together we can mitigate the long-term damage this could do to our valuable and worthy "hobby".

Comments are being accepted on the NPRM in MD Docket 20-270, which proposes application fees for radio amateurs. The FCC is accepting comments now on the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System located at <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/filings>, and posting to MD Docket No. 20-270. You can also click on the FCC logo to be connected to the ECFS page of the FCC website.

Formal deadlines for comments and reply comments have not been set by the FCC.

Mark A. Cloud - W6SXA

Here are some points that can be used when preparing your written comments opposing the proposal:

Public Service--

Amateurs contribute to the public good. Amateurs are able to provide emergency communications backup at zero cost to the taxpayer.

A Voluntary, Non-Commercial, National Resource--

Unlike operators in other FCC services, Amateurs must not use their license for any pecuniary interest and are prohibited from earning or charging any money for any communications activity.

Technology--

Amateur radio is a source of significant technological innovation that should be encouraged, not discouraged.

Youth and Education (STEM)--

The United States is experiencing a severe lack of RF engineers and the US falls behind many countries in science, technology, engineering and math expertise. Amateur radio is helping to meet the deficit, but much more is needed.

Undue Burden on Youth and Elderly--

Retirees and youngsters (High School and College-aged) are least able to afford licensing fees. RF knowledge and related digital expertise is needed to maintain US leadership in wireless industries. At a minimum, young people (below the age of 26) and those who rely solely on SS income, should be exempt from the proposed license fees.

Self-Regulating--

Amateur radio is self-regulating: (a) We test ourselves (b) We regulate our own behavior

Covid-19 Crisis--

An extra fee of any amount for a non-pecuniary, non-remunerative amateur license, at the present time, is an ill advised proposal, particularly when congress and the executive branch have already distributed one stimulus check, and are currently struggling to distribute a second stimulus check for citizens who are having difficulty ends meet, in many, if not most areas of the country.

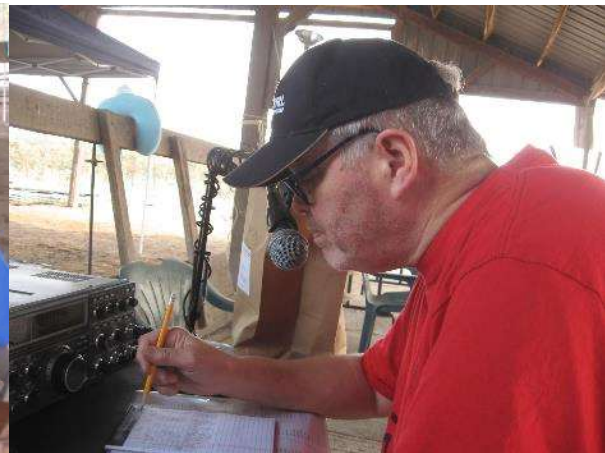
Additional Suggestions :

- Focus on the positive aspects and value that the Amateur Radio Service offers our nation.
- Avoid arguing that the fee will “kill” amateur radio.
- Make arguments on why the fees would impair the public benefits of the Amateur Radio Service.
- Avoid ham jargon (QSO, worked, corntesting, ticket, bird-watts, QRM) in your comments, which will not be understood by FCC personnel.

Remember: The fee proposals cover every FCC license and service across the board and the fee collection was directed by Congress, however, FCC can waive fees for good cause. Also remember, the money from fees will go to the general treasury, not to the FCC for more enforcement, printing licenses, better salaries, better equipment, training, or making them competent at what they purport to do, etc. It all goes to the general fund -- not to the FCC.



CQP 2020 – Bob N6TCE & Eric W6INP 20-M Phone



Scott K6NEZ on 40-Meter Phone



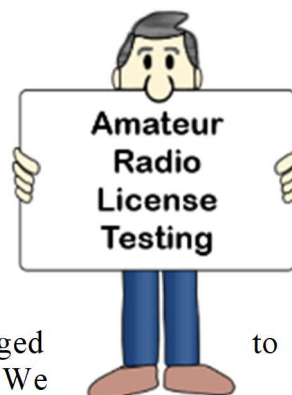
CQP 2020 – Eric W6INP & Mike K6MDS on 20M Phone



Charlie WB6NVB on 15M

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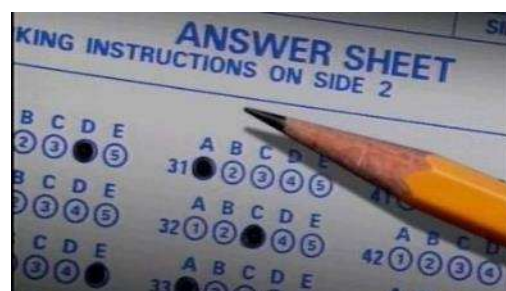
October 10th Test Session Results



We were again looking forward to having our first HamCram after the lockdown on October 10th. The Fire Department had given the “green light” but then the city leadership decided that it would be better to not yet have any in person classes at the fire stations. The venue was quickly changed to the Stockton Sailing Club and the format changed to hourly start test only. We had over 35 people signed up.

When you hear these hams on the air, be sure to congratulate them and – if they are new, welcome them to the hobby and the club!

New	Frederick Wehrenberg Jr	Jamestown, CA	Tech	KN6LJY
New	Davenya M Sanders	Tulare, CA	Tech	KN6LKA
New	Shayna R Friedman	El Sobrante, CA	Tech	KN6LKB
New	Alexandra Kirkland	Mountain View, CA	Tech	KN6LKC
New	Darren C Harvey	Atwater, CA	Tech	KN6LKD
New	Samvit Monga	Cupertino, CA	Tech	KN6LKE
New	Ernest Mikulic	Livermore, CA	Tech	KN6LKF
New	Tina S Reid	Redwood City, CA	Tech	KN6LKG
New	Jonathan Reid	Redwood City, CA	Tech	KN6LKH
New	Danilo P Mabalot	Sacramento, CA	Tech	KN6LKJ
New	Griffin Gumagay	Elk Grove, CA	Tech	KN6LKK
New	Ronie L Tabanas	Elk Grove, CA	Tech	KN6LKL
New	Alannbert G Millendez	Elk Grove, CA	Tech	KN6LKM
New	Joseph D Magbitang	Elk Grove, CA	Tech	KN6LKN
New	Petra P Biglow	Modesto, CA	Tech	KN6LKO
New	Jack N Newman	Tracy, CA	Tech	KN6LKP
New	Shane M Lewis	Stockton, CA	Tech	KN6LKQ
New	James L Watkins	Stockton, CA	Tech	KN6LLH
Modify	Steven R High	Ahwahnee, CA	General	KB6UMI
Modify	Jens N Steve	Herald, CA	General	KN6CTQ
Modify	William L Weinger	Tracy, CA	General	KN6IOP
Modify	Rachael M Runion	Galt, CA	General	KN6KGW
New	Joesph A Nydegger	Rancho Cordova, CA	General	KN6LJZ
New	Jeffrey J Dunn	Mountain View, CA	General	KN6LKI
Modify	Andrew Horwitt	Sacramento, CA	General	N6NDY
Modify	Stan R Trevena	Lockeford, CA	General	KN6STN
Modify	KURT F SAUER	Danville, CA	Extra	KE6SDQ
Modify	Janet L Peterson	Merced, CA	Extra	KN6GJG
Modify	Alva L Hill	Lodi, CA	Extra	KN6IOK



Remember to welcome our new hams when you hear them on the air. If you are fortunate enough to be their first contact, please take a moment to acknowledge it by completing the “First Contact Award” information on the ARRL website at:

<http://www.arrl.org/first-contact>



John NZ6Q 40M CW – CQP 2020

**DECEMBER HAM CRAM
STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2
110 W SONORA ST, STOCKTON
SATURDAY DECEMBER 12, 2020
DOORS OPEN 7:45 AM**

The Fire Station has been closed again to the public because of the rise in COVID-19 cases in San Joaquin County... We are hopeful they will reopen and allow us to have a HamCram session. If this does not happen, we will reschedule for TEST ONLY sessions at the Stockton Sailing Club.

There will be no walk-ins allowed. You must pre-register if you want to take come to the HamCram or take the test.

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



**2020 GREAT SHAKE OUT DRILL
THURSDAY OCTOBER 15TH 10:15 AM**

ShakeOut 2020 EARTHQUAKE drill occurred on October 15th at 10:15AM. This year 24 members checked into the W6SF Repeater for our “mock disaster” drill/check in

At 10:15 AM John NZ6Q as Net control, played a one minute exercise announcement followed by check-ins from operators in the field.

24 Operators checked in from around the area and nearly everyone gave some kind of “mock” disaster report along with reports on their station capabilities and personal situation. These are important aspects to train as we check into nets like this because it’s part of the information that will be needed in a real disaster.

Please take a look

ShakeOut Resources: <https://www.shakeout.org/california/resources/>

7 Steps: <https://www.earthquakecountry.org/sevensteps/>

Ready.gov: <https://www.ready.gov/>

L.A. County Emergency Survival Guide: <https://ready.lacounty.gov/emergency-survival-guide/>

This net was a great success – one of our largest turnouts. Thanks everyone who participated.



National Fire Prevention Week on the Air Report October 4th – 10th, 2020

W6SF Club members participated as part of the 2020 National Fire Prevention Week On-The-Air.

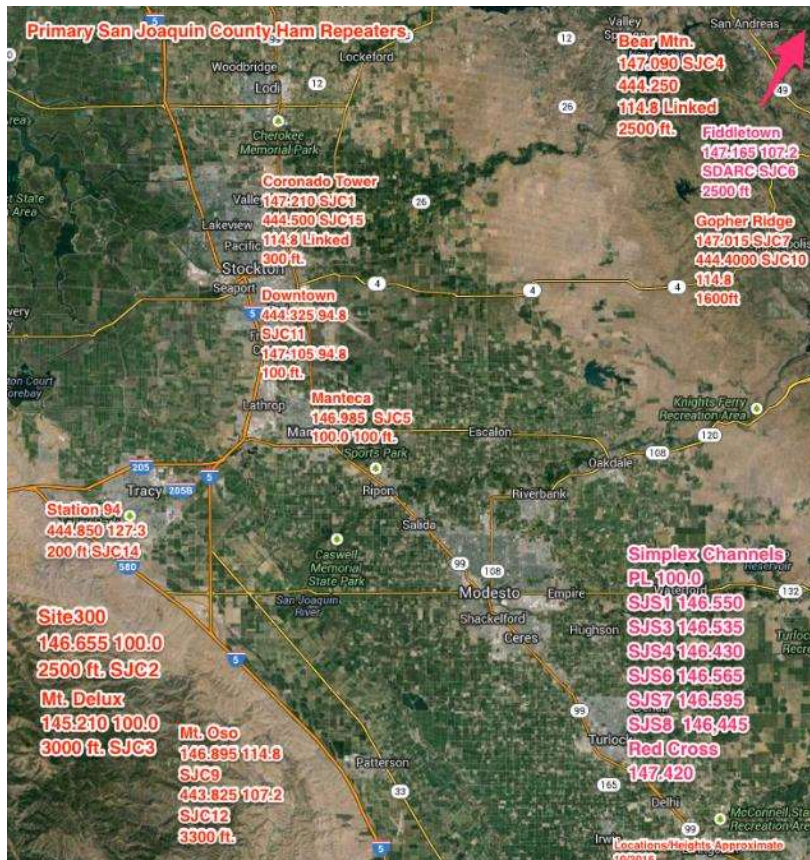
This year's theme is "Serve up Fire Safety in the kitchen". Cooking is the number 1 cause of home fires so let's get the word out to as many as we can

and maybe a fire can be prevented.

This year we were asked to put a greater emphasis on phone contacts so we can give out more fire safety tips.

Club members made 525 contacts with Steve NC6R, Bob K6DGQ, John NZ6Q, Annie N6ACL and Shane KN6LKQ being the biggest participants. There were lots of opportunities to get on the air. This is an annual event so start planning next year for making contacts!

More information is available at www.hamfire.com





W6SF / N6SJV 2-Meter Sprint Contest Results

Check Out the Soapbox in the Lodi ARC Newsletter

Here are the results from the 2-meter Sprint contest held on October 17th. Certificates will go to the first, second, and third place entries in each class. You can read up on individual operations around the area in the Lodi ARC November Newsletter.

You can access the newsletter at <https://lodiarc.org/newsletter/2020-11-newsletter.pdf> .

Power*	Station	Score	Place	Power Level:
A	KD6SUN	10	1	A = 1 – 5 W
A	K6AAN	1	2	B = 6 W – 49 W
B	N6KZW	20	1	C = 50W +
B	N6GKJ	19	2 tie	
B	KG7OR	19	2 tie	
B	N6TCE	19**	(N6TCE ineligible for awards)	
B	KN6CTQ	13	3	
B	KA6MEL	11		
B	KA6MLL	10		
B	N6NFB	8		
B	K6ZZD	8		
C	WB6BET	17	1	
C	K6DGQ	15	2	
C	K6YK	14	3 tie	
C	N6LHL	14	3 tie	
C	AE6SE	13		
C	KI6YYT	12		

Thanks to Dave N6LHL for coming up with the idea to make this happen!!



2020 CLUB MEETING DATES & PROPOSED TRAININGS

January 9	Annual General Meeting, W1SRD Dulcie Island
February 13.....	Meeting – E911 Center Tour
March 12.....	Meeting – Radio for the Rest of Us Presentation
April 9	Meeting – DMR Basics – Vince KM6IRY (VIRTUAL)
May 14.....	Meeting – Amateur Satellites – Fred K6FVC (tentative)
June 11	Meeting - Field Day Final Prep
July 9	Meeting – Solar Power – Fred K6FVC
August 13.....	Meeting – RDF – Fox Hunting – Mike K6MDS
September 10.....	Meeting – Contesting / CQP 2020 W6Q – Rich WH6C
September 26	Club Breakfast Meeting – 9:30 – Location TBA
October 8.....	Meeting - Nominations for Officers 2021 – EMCOMM PRIMER
November 12	Meeting – Elections – Program TBD
December 10	Christmas Dinner / Year End Celebration
December 31.....	Cosmic Bowling & Straight Key Night

HamCrams for 2020 – 7:45 AM Fire Station #2

February 8th April 4th August 8th **October 10th** December 12th

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

September 12th (CANCELLED FOR 2020)

Club Events 2020

February 22 nd – Pedaling Paths Ride	Devinci's Deli, Linden, CA
March 21 st – STEAMFEST 2020	Lincoln High School – CANCELLED
March 22 nd – Ride/Walk 4 Art	Valley Springs – CANCELLED
April 25 th – Stockton Sailing Club Event	Stockton Sailing Club – CANCELLED
April – May – Weed-Whacking on the hill	Fiddletown Repeater Site - TBD
May 3 rd – Delta Century Ride	Jessie's Grove Winery - CANCELLED
Jun 5 – 7 – Museum Ships Weekend	USS Lucid, Stockton, CA - CANCELLED
June 20 – Kids Day	Stockton Libraries – CANCELLED
June 27 – 28 – ARRL Field Day	Club Field day Site, Stockton, CA
July 4 – 4 th of July Parade	Downtown Stockton – CANCELLED
September 26 – Club Breakfast Meeting	Location TBD – CANCELLED
September 26 - Miracle Mile Car Show Event	Miracle Mile – CANCELLED
October 3 - 4 – California QSO Party	Club Field Day Site, Stockton, CA
October 16 – 18 – Pacificon 2020	San Ramon Marriott – CANCELLED
November 1 – Giro D' Vino Ride	Woodbridge Winery, Acampo, CA – CANCELLED
November 14 – 15 ARRL Sweepstakes Phone	Club Field Day Site, Stockton, CA
November 26 – Run Against Hunger	Waterfront – Downtown – CANCELLED
December 11 – 13 – ARRL 10M Contest	Club Field Day Site, Stockton, CA



CQP 2020 – Paul N6KZW Annie N6ACL



Simultaneous Operations 40M & 20M Phone

AMATEUR RADIO

A HAM'S CALENDAR

November 7th – 8th – November Sweepstakes CW – Stations in the United States and Canada (including territories and possessions) exchange information with as many other US and Canadian stations as possible. Sweepstakes is self-training in radiocommunications, including improving amateur operating skills, conducting technical investigations, and intercommunicating with other amateurs. www.arrl.org/sweepstakes

November 12th – November SDARC Meeting - 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4980 Buckley Cove Way, Stockton. **MEETING WILL BE ALSO ON ZOOM CONFERENCING...** All members are encouraged TO ATTEND – This is our annual election meeting to vote club officers for 2021. Following the election we will be learning about Pico Ballooning

November 21st – 22nd – November Sweepstakes Phone – Stations in the United States and Canada (including territories and possessions) exchange information with as many other US and Canadian stations as possible. Sweepstakes is self-training in radiocommunications, including improving amateur operating skills, conducting technical investigations, and intercommunicating with other amateurs. www.arrl.org/sweepstakes

November 27th – 29th – CQWW Contest CW – The CQ WW is the largest Amateur Radio competition in the world. Even if your CW isn't the best, this is a great contest for working 100 DX Entities in a weekend. www.cqww.com

December 4th – 6th – ARRL 160-Meter Contest – Load up that really long piece of wire or loop antenna and discover the magic of the Top Band. www.arrl.org/160-Meter

December 10th – December SDARC Meeting - 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4980 Buckley Cove Way, Stockton. This is our annual Christmas Dinner and Year-End Celebration Meeting. Details coming soon.

December 11th – 13th – ARRL 10-Meter Contest – With the continued appearance of sunspots this year might be a good “welcome home” to 10-Meters www.arrl.org/10-Meter

December 12th – HamCram/VE Test Session, Stockton Fire Station #2, 110 W Sonora St, Stockton. Doors Open 7:45 AM – Test Session starts at 3:00 PM - <http://www.w6sf.org/hamcram.html>

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

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 **November 12th at 1900 hours. This meeting will be held on-line using Zoom.** Members and guests are welcome – login info in this newsletter.

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.** 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>

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\$20 SINGLE and \$30 FAMILY

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