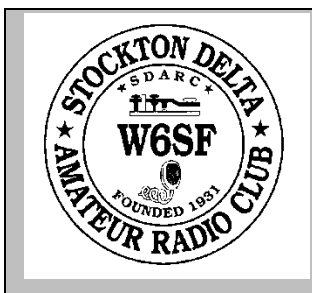


Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



W6SF FLYSHEET



ARRL MEMBER

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October 2012



PRESIDENT'S QST

QST QST QST - Welcome to the October edition of the Flysheet. This month we have a lot going on. CQP is in a few days, are you ready? Pacificon is the following weekend, are you ready? Club meeting is the 11th, are you ready? Some of us will be participating in a multi-agency disaster drills on the 18th and on the 27th – are you ready? Club elections are in November. If you're ready for your turn on the board of directors, stand up and make your candidacy known!

Contesting season is just around the corner. Time now to plan and “gear-up” for on the air activities. We began preparation last month with Shirl's great presentation on “why contest”, CQP and a call for supporting our local contesting club in October. At our October meeting, we'll talk about officer elections in November and our proposed constitution & bylaws. Bob Schuldheisz is presenting an interesting construction project on “How to turn a digital voltmeter into an ampmeter” This is a simple project, inexpensive and you can do it yourself.

Our next meeting is just around the corner. Let's get started.

73,

John, NZ6Q



OCTOBER MEETING NOTICE **OCTOBER 11TH , 7:30pm**



BEAR CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH **11171 LOWER SACRAMENT RD**

QST QST QST ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS. The September meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club will be held on Thursday, October 11th , 2012, beginning at 7:30PM.

The meeting will open with a review of club business to date. A nomination of officers will be held.

Bob Schuldheisz is presenting an interesting construction project on “How to turn a digital voltmeter into an ampmeter” This is a simple project, inexpensive and you can do it yourself.

Afterwards, be sure to put in a few bucks for the after meeting raffle and take home a little bit of ham radio treasure. A unique collection of items will be available to compliment any station. Don't miss out on your chance to win some great prizes.

Doors open at 7:15 PM for meet and greet. Club business begins at 7:30PM. New hams and anyone interested in Amateur Radio are encouraged to attend. Invite a Friend!

Directions to the meeting: From North or South on I5 - Travel on I5 to 8 Mile Rd and go east on 8 Mile Rd to Lower Sacramento Rd. Turn north onto Lower Sacramento Rd and the church is about 1000 ft north of the intersection on the left.

From North or South on 99 – Travel on 99 to 8 Mile Rd and go west on 8 Mile Rd to Lower Sacramento Rd. Turn north onto Lower Sacramento Rd and the church is about 1000 ft north of the intersection on the left.

Parking: Ample parking is available; we meet all the way in the back of the church complex in one of the classrooms.



THE GREAT CALIFORNIA SHAKE-OUT DRILL

OCTOBER 18TH, 10:18AM

The Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club will be participating in the Great California Shake-Out Drill on Thursday October 18th, 2012.

At 10:18AM on 10-18-2012 (catchy huh) a simulated earthquake drill will occur state-wide. Ed, N6XMA, will be net-control as we establish a simulated disaster net on the W6SF 2M & 440 repeaters. Club members are encouraged to check-in at that time wherever they may be and report on their status and their capabilities. An exchange might be something like this:

Net Control: "N6XMA taking check-ins for the drill"

NZ6Q: "NZ6Q, John in Stockton"

Net Control: "NZ6Q, your status and capabilities"

NZ6Q: "NZ6Q is mobile with HF, 2m/440 mobile & portable & APRS"

If you're at home, check in at home. If you're at work, ask your supervisor if you can take 5 minutes and participate in this event.

Last year we had 14 check-ins. I was in Fresno that day and on the ARES net in Fresno they only had 4 check-ins. Get the word out – let's set a goal to have more check-ins this year!



Get Ready to ShakeOut.

October 18, 2012 Register Now at www.shakeout.org

The Great
California
**Shake
Out**



Kingdon Drag Races Sept 7 – 9, 2012

The Kingdon Airport was once again the “hot spot”. A great turn-out by our members helped keep the venue safe and everyone had a great time. The only two exceptions might have been the guy who wrecked his wife’s brand new Ford Shelby GT Mustang on Saturday (yeah, she wasn’t happy), and the racer on Sunday when his \$200,000+ stock-car racer lost it’s rear axle and burst into flames.

This once a year event is held for **charity**. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Welcome Home Heroes Foundation & the San Joaquin County Sheriff’s Air Patrol. This will be the 7^h annual event. Our participation is vital and appreciated by the event staff. The Kingdon race is so popular that next year they may be adding a 2nd race in March or April.

Thanks to everyone that came out and gave up part of their weekend. A special thank you to Paul, N6KZW for coordinating everything and Bob, N6GTO who gave up a full day on both Saturday and Sunday to help staff the event.





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BIKE RIDE EVENT SATURDAY OCTOBER 20TH IN TRACY

David, N5FDL needs volunteers for the Wheels for Meals Bicycle Ride on October 20th. The Tracy Amateur Radio Club supports a large portion of this ride which spans both sides of the Altamont Pass between Tracy and Livermore.

This is the fourth year that the Tracy Club has supported the ride. Additional support from SDARC is welcome and encouraged. If you're mobile and have the time on Saturday, October 20th, please contact David, N5FDL, for an assignment.

You can sign-up now on line by visiting www.bit.ly/RPVPTC or cev.eventbrite.com.



Sign-up your friends for the next HamCram on October 20th at
<http://www.eventbrite.com/event/4016643890/eorg>



A HAM'S CALENDAR

October 13 – 15th – Pacificon and ARRL Convention 2013, Santa Clara Marriott – There are still tickets available. Friday Antenna Seminar, early (really early) Saturday morning swap meet, much much more! Check out <http://www.pacificon.org> for all the information and registration. SEE YOU THERE

October 18th – The Great California “Shake-Out” Earthquake Exercise 10:18 AM – Last year, we participated with an “on-the-air” check-in of members. Ed, N6XMA will be taking check-ins starting at 10:18AM. We had great participation and are planning again to be part of this emergency drill. More Info at <http://www.shakeout.org/california/>

October 20th – HamCram & Amateur Radio Study Session (Dameron Hospital Annex, Stockton, Ca) 0815-1600 hours for Ham Cram. One-day Amateur Radio licensing events – new hams and Tech-to-General-to-Extra upgrades. Testing also available. www.hamcram.org

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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 n6lhl@softcom.net

W6SF CLUB INFORMATION

MEETINGS: Regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at **7:30pm, 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, October 11th at 7:30PM.**

WEEKLY NET: Held each Monday evening at 8pm on **147.165+ PL 107.2 Hz** Members and visitors are invited to check in. There is also an unofficial get together on Thursday evenings (except meeting nights) at 7:30pm on **28.457.** 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.

CLUB SIMPLEX FX: 147.51 MHz.

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

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CLUB DUES: are \$20.00 per year for a single membership & \$30 per year for a family membership - payable to Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club at the address on the masthead. You can also pay your dues using paypal. Contact John, NZ6Q for details. We thank you for your continued support!