Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



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MAY 2023

Welcome to the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



LINDEN CHERRY FESTIVAL
PARADE & EXHIBITION
SATURDAY MAY 20TH 8:00AM – 4:00PM



MAY MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT THURSDAY, MAY 11TH 7:00 PM STOCKTON SAILING CLUB 4980 BUCKLEY COVE

4980 BUCKLEY COVE STOCKTON, CA

QST QST ... The May meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club will be held at the Stockton Sailing Club Auditorium, 4980 Buckley Cove Rd in Stockton. The Sailing Club is located at the west end of March Lane, west of Interstate 5 on the left-hand side of the road just before you enter Buckley Cove Park.

All members are strongly encouraged to attend. We will be reviewing Incident Plans for the Linden Cherry Festival on Saturday May 20th. This is the first time the club has been invited to participate in the Linden Cherry Festival so we want to be prepared for a good showing. We NEED YOU!

Museum Ships Weekend on the USS Lucid is coming up on June 2nd - 4th. We will be planning set-up days and operating aboard the ship. We NEED YOU HERE TOO!

John NZ6Q will discuss Contest / Special Event Logging and Operating for our Training Program.

Your club has a lot going on and WE NEED YOU HERE TOO! So... grab your spouse, significant other or just that friend and we'll see you at the meeting!

ALSO AVAILABLE ON ZOOM IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND IN PERSON

Zoom Meeting Information:

Topic: W6SF MONTHLY CLUB MEETING ON ZOOM

Time: May 11th, 2023 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Mark, W6SXA

Ham University went very well. We had 10 class offerings covering "What next for new hams, Satellites,

Balloons and APRS, CW, HF and VHF Operating, Soldering, More on Ham Basics, Tactical Nets, and a two-part series on Antennas". We had three classrooms running concurrently so people had some flexibility as to what classes they wanted to attend.

I want to thank all of the volunteers that helped out with the setup, lunch and cleanup afterwards as well as to all of the instructors that did such a fantastic job.

Saturday, May 6th was the 42nd Annual Northern California Classic Delta-Century Bike Ride sponsored by the Stockton Bicycle Club.

If you didn't volunteer to help with this event, you missed out as it was a lot of fun and a great opportunity, especially for new hams to get some Mic-Time under their belt. While early rain and cold looked like it was going to dampen the event, the afternoon actually was very busy on the radio.

There was a great meal for riders and volunteers after the ride at Jesse's Grove. Hope you made it there – if you didn't, plan on signing up next year!

Museum Ships weekend is coming up soon on June 3-4 and the setup of antennas will be either on Saturday, May 27th. Stay tuned for more info...

Every Thursday morning, we gather at the Omelet House on Cherokee Rd at Hwy 99 for our "Hamz-n-Eggs" breakfast. It's a time when we can all sit down and relax with no official business to transact other than ... just have fun with a lot of truly great friends. That's every Thursday morning at around 9:00am. Everyone is welcome to join us whether you are a licensed ham or not. (editor's note: Get there early!)

CQ, CQ, CQ for the Stockton Delta Amateur Radio Club 10-meter net. If you have an HF rig and an antenna that works at 28.457 Megahertz, join us at 8:00 pm on every Thursday night except the evening of our club meeting. All classes of Amateur Radio operators, from Technician to Extra class can participate. You won't have to report on "your week in Ham Radio", just relax and have fun. It'll give you a chance to find out how well your antenna is working and how far your signal is getting out. We'd love to hear you.

73 Mark – W6SXA



Membership
Dues are an
important part of
the club
continuing to
grow and thrive.
While other clubs

are raising dues yearly, we are still the same as last year - \$25 for individual \$30 for family. We are one of the best values in amateur radio in the central valley! You can renew using PayPal on the club website or pay with cash or check at a club meeting – Pay directly to Charlie WB6BVB or Joyce K6QBQ.

The club membership page will be updated <u>April 15th</u> and those who have not renewed for 2023 will be dropped from the membership page.



VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Joyce, K6QBQ

Greetings fellow hams! Dryer weather is here and just about everyone is busy getting those HF antennas back in the air. For some of us, it has been an opportunity to put up a new or different antenna with the hope of better propagation.

April was another great month for our club, as we picked up some new club members from the new licensees and upgrades during the recent VE testing session. Ham University followed the test session a couple weeks later and we had around 20 in attendance. We were able to offer classes relevant to the skill levels for all who attended. Our instructors were fantastic, and even though we had some last-minute changes to make, everyone pitched in to make the day productive and enjoyable.

Once again, we have a busy month coming up. Starting off with the Delta Century on Saturday, May 6th AND after that we will have the Linden Cherry Festival on May 20th. Please sign up on the web site and join us as we provide our radio services and make new friends along the way.

Towards the end of May, we will be preparing to set up for HF operations on the USS Lucid on June 3-4th during Museum Ships Weekend. Come out and help us get set up, explore the ship, and then get ready to operate all weekend using the N6MSO call sign!

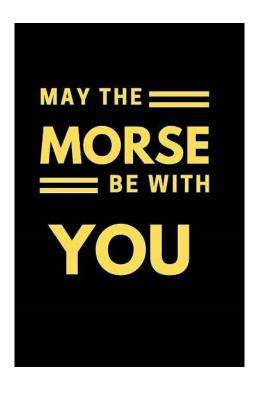


Our treasurer Charlie WB6NVB has been busy working on our membership list. If you have not paid your dues yet, please do so soon. We rely on membership dues to fund our upcoming club expenses and to help us continue to share amateur radio with others.

This past month, I dipped my toe into the world of DMR. And while I still have a long way to go, I have managed to get up and running on AllStar with my node, and checked into a net a couple of times. But like I said, I still have a lot more to figure out before I am successful with EchoLink and DMR repeater contacts. As time permits, I will eventually get everything figured out

See you at the next club meeting on Thursday, May 11th.

73 Joyce K6QBQ





MONDAY NIGHT NET

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

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.

There is a new Net Control Script online.
Check it out! Thank you Ron KG7OR for your hard work on tightening up the verbiage and helping make the Monday Night Nets even better!





Hamz & Eggz

W6SF WEEKLY BREAKFAST MEETING THURSDAY'S AT 9:00 AM

Members AND GUESTS gather weekly to enjoy Hamz & Eggz at the Omelet House, 3455 Cherokee Rd off Hwy 99 in East Stockton. Club members start gathering around 9:00 so **come early** if you want a good seat!

Check in on the W6SF repeater
Thursday morning to find who is
coming out and make sure you ask
someone to save you a seat! Everyone
is invited 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.
Refills are free!



LINDEN CHERRY FESTIVAL SATURDAY, MAY 20TH 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Linden Cherry Festival is a rural festival in Linden, which centers around the cherry crop, which the Linden area is well known for. As you can see by the festival link at the bottom, it includes a parade at 10:00 AM followed by the festival at 11:00 AM. The parade proceeds west along Front St. in Linden, passing from downtown, past the High School and ending at the Grammar School/Duncan Rd. We will be providing direction and communication support for the parade, it's preparations and return. It typically lasts about 45 minutes, but our support will last around 2 hours, because we also handle setup and return.

The festival is starting at 11:00 AM, is an open air event in the Grammar School fields. The organizers will have some private security and members from the Linden Peters Fire Department providing public safety.

In the past this event has attracted more people than some local cellular services can handle at peak, so radio can be the only link to immediate safety response. We need people to roam around and be public liaisons/contacts for the event safety and organizers, through Network Control. Tactical/Directed Net protocols will be used.

Everyone will need to always wear a safety vest when you are on duty. As the planning process moves along, more details will be announced at the May 11th club meeting.

This a great event for experienced and new hams alike. Newcomers to Amateur radio can be paired with experienced operators to Elmer (coach) them and help with radio and Tactical Net operations. This is a great for inexperienced licensees to get some hands-on experience. If you are not yet licensed, you can be paired with someone to just see what it is like. This will be either a repeater or simplex event, tbd. The parade is usually hectic, so depending on workload some operators may not have a lot of time to coach them, but the festival will be much more laid back and provide a lot more time to help each other. We hope that most people can move from parade duty to festival duty and some will need to overlap for a time.

To sign up, go to **Event Sign-Up link**, fill out your information.

We need about 12 - 15 operators to make this work. We will announce more details as they become available.

If you have any questions, message W6CPR through Facebook Messenger or QRZ email link, W6CPR.

Linden Cherry Festival link: https://www.lindenchamber.net/cherryfestival





HAM-U SATURDAY APRIL 29TH

Ham-U finally made it back on the calendar this year after 3 years of being pushed back because of COVID concerns, meeting places and more. Thanks to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Lodi for opening up their building for us! Without their support, we could not have had the successful Ham-U we had

First a big THANK YOU to the great instructors who invested their time in presentations from "How to Solder" to "What Do I do Next?"; Balloons to Satellites, Antenna theory and operating practices!

Club members arrived at 7:30 AM to start setting up for the event which started officially at 8:30. About 25 people attended. Unfortunately, a couple of our instructors took sick the day before the event, so we had to make some adjustments – but all of the volunteer instructors pitched in to deliver a full day including lunch!

Ron KG7OR kicked off the day by talking about what do you do next with the entire group – but especially for the new hams.

After the initial discussion, participants could split up into the classes of their choice. Surprisingly, there weren't many "favorites"

as nearly even numbers attended each class.



Paul N6KZW gave a great demonstration on soldering & connectors for the new hams.

Mark W6SXA's Antenna 1 and Antenna 2 were full classes.

Barry K6ZZD covered Amateur Satellites and Dave WB6TOU talked about Hi-Altitude Balloons and tracking with APRS or WSPR modes.



Bob K6DGQ reviewed CW and HF operating with the group in his classes. John NZ6Q discussed which radio's to consider first and the importance of club and ARRL Membership your first year or more as a ham.



Bob K6DGQ going over the Straight Key



The Class Schedule...



Mark W6SXA prepping for Antenna Class



Bob K6DGQ received a lot of positive feedback from participants in Ham-U for his simple and straight presentations. He's also a big hit with the students at the World of STEAM Event who line up to learn how to "text" their name in Morse Code...



Ron KG7OR got things started for the day

Ron KG7OR not only got things started for the day, but also came back in the afternoon with a "deep dive" into getting started in ham radio to fill one of the spots that opened because the scheduled instructor was ill.



Ron's class led to three additional volunteers for the Delta Century Bike Ride on the 6th.



Lunch was pizza and salad and great brownies for dessert. Pizza we got from Little Ceaser's just up the street, but the salads (yes more than one) were GREAT! Thank you Joyce K6QBQ for the extra effort on the salads.

There of course were great opportunities to collaborate on future projects, even program a couple of HT's for new hams. A big part of Ham-U is learning about each other and creating ham radio connected friendships. This is just as important as the instruction.

There has been lots of positive feedback on Ham-U and hopefully we will be doing one again soon!





OPENING DAY STOCKTON SAILING CLUB APRIL 22ND

WB6NVB, KG7OR, W6SXA, and KN6IOK manned the W6SF booth at the 2023 opening day festivities at the Stockton Sailing Club, Saturday, April 22nd. They answered questions and gave away handouts to interested parties and enjoyed swapping stories with the adjacent Coast Guard Auxiliary booth staff, one of whom was a ham.



ARRL FIELD DAY 2023 JUNE 24TH – 25TH

ARRL Field Day is almost here. Get your cool Field Day swag (shirts, hats and more) today from the ARRL at:

http://www.arrl.org/field-day



Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club – Meeting Minutes – April 13.2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:11pm by President Mark W6SXA. Introductions around the room with 16 in attendance and 3 more on Zoom. Charlie WB6NVB gave a treasures report with a current bank balance of \$4325.09. He also reported on the proceeds of \$6500 delivered to the Community Center For The Blind from the Pedaling Paths Bike Ride.

Charlie also reminded the members it is time to renew your membership if you have not already.

Mark W6SXA and John NZ6Q recapped the STEAM event which was held on March 25th at Lincoln High School. The event was a great success, with live demonstrations and hands on activities for the participants. The event organizers want us back again next year. The school principal is interested in reinstating the Lincoln High School Radio Club.

Mark W6SA and John NZ6Q discussed the upcoming Ham University on April 29th. We

need to get the word out, which has been posted on Facebook, and flyers to various local clubs. John NZ6Q will be sending out an email blast in the near future. All attendees will need to sign up on the club website.

Saturday April 22nd is opening day for the Stockton Sailing Club, and our club will again have a booth at the event. Peter K6PH confirmed the event hours from 10:00-5:00. Mark W6SXA will arrive by 8:30 in the morning to set up, extra help is needed that day. The booth will have a go box radio and literature to hand out.

Our club was invited to set up a booth at the Stockton Victory Park for Earth Day on April 23rd, but after much discussion it was decided, due to multiple big events this month that we will pass this year.

Joni KN6WVX and John NX6Q reported on the Delta Century coming up on May 6th. Our club will once again provide radio and SAG support. We will need a sweep at the end of ride, and there are some changes regarding the lunch stop and one of the rest stops. Volunteers need to sign up on the website.

Al KN6IOK reported on the Linden Cherry Festival coming up on May 20th. The festival organizers have not finalized planning, and another meeting should be coming up soon. If our club is to volunteer our services, we will need 12 operators. More information will be available at the next club meeting in May.

The membership voted to sanction the following two events:

Opening day for the Stockton Sailing Club (April 22nd) and the Delta Century (May 6th). A motion made by Jeff KK6VXB, second by Cecil W6CPR. Motion passed with membership approval.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM and was followed by a Emergency Prepardeness for Hams presentation by Mark W6SXA.

MARCH 4TH PREPARDNESS FAIR CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST of LATTER-DAY SAINTS – STOCKTON STAKE CENTER

On Saturday March 4th, club members came out to represent Amateur Radio at the first Preparedness Fair sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. The



fair was held at the church on Brookside in



Stockton near UOP.

Many thanks to everyone that came out and helped. Mark W6SXA, Joyce K6QBQ, Colin

K6CMM, Bob N6TCE, AI KN6IOK and John NZ6Q.



HAMCRAM / VE SESSION SATURDAY AUGUST 12TH DOORS OPEN 7:45 AM STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2 BRET LAWES CLASSROOM 110 W SONORA ST, STOCKTON, CA 95202

We are back at the Fire Station for the next HamCram study and VE Test Session! The next HamCram study and test session will be held at Stockton Fire Station #2 - Bret Lawes Classroom, 110 W Sonora St, Stockton, CA 95202

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.

HamCram study session starts at 8:00 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.



42nd DELTA CENTURY RIDE REPORT SATURDAY, MAY 6TH STARTING AT JESSIE'S GROVE WINERY

The date was **Saturday May 6th, 2023**, and at 6:00 AM the first riders on the Delta Century Bike Ride were pulling out of Jessie's Grove as we were setting up Net Control. A little different this year as we were not under the Oak trees, but right next to the barn and the parking area. Jessie's Grove has been expanding their picnic area so the grass and oak trees were "off limits" this year. We had power close by and the fence was an easy support for our antennas.

Club members stepped up to support the ride with their own SAG vehicles and complete SAG wagon operation - Driver, radio, APRS GPS transceiver, bike tools and more. While there were also SAG operators from Stockton Bike Club, having radio and APRS significantly improved response times for the 12 riders that called in on the SAG hotline. This year we gave the SBC SAG captain a radio and he was genuinely impressed by how radio made the event run more smoothly. This also allowed us to integrate him into the dispatch since he could call in when he heard something on the radio. We might have a new ham for this by next year!

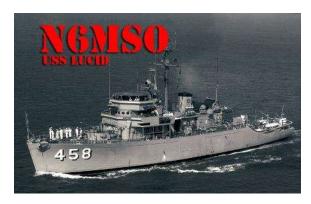
Rest stops along the routes were covered by 1 or 2 radio operators. Very few incidents were reported at rest stops. Joyce K6QBQ and the crew at Courtland and Bob K6DGQ at Sugar Mill in Clarksburg continually updated the net on numbers of riders thru their rest stops. The ride had 111 pre-day registrations on just the 100-mile route which would take the rider through both Sugar Mill and Courtland. Early morning rain showers created the expectation that a larger percentage of riders would "give-up" on the 100-mile ride and turn instead to the 65-mile "metric" century. This proved not the case as 83+ riders went through the Sugar Mill rest stop – nearly 75% of the registered riders before subtracting for folks that just didn't want to ride in the rain.

SAG Operators were Ron KG7OR, David KD7KOF in SAG 5, Paul N6KZW in SAG1, Cecil W6CPR & Gayle W6SWT in SAG3, Randy K6TVT in SAG4. There were three additional SAG vehicles manned by SBC members. Rest Stop Operators were Eric W6INP and Jeff KK6VXB in Walnut Grove, Joyce K6QBQ. Collin K6CMM and Tim KN6PYJ at Courtland, Bob K6DGQ and Charlie WB6NVB staffed the Sugar Mill rest stop in Clarksburg. At the Consumnes River Farm, we had two shifts Mark W6SXA and Kathryn KD7VYN had the morning shift and then Dave N6LHL and Barry K6ZZD met up there at 12:00 for the afternoon shift. Net Control was Al KN6IOK and John NZ6Q along with Sean KN6SSS a relatively new ham who took to the radio like a duck to water! He did an outstanding job on the radio. John and Al were able to focus on the SAG hotline and the APRS monitors.

Of course, just when we thought we were heading for a smooth finish, several riders called in with mechanical failures and even being off course – way off course!

We were able to adjust and engage including our SBC SAG partners to cover the sudden surge in calls. Mark W6SXA ended up being dispatched to Freeport to pick up 2 riders who had gotten that far off course.

A delicious post ride meal and entertainment welcomed each rider and volunteer at the finish line. Frank AA6ZI handled the music. Proceeds from the Delta Century benefit local charities including our own SDARC!



MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND IS ON FOR JUNE 2 - 4

Welcome Aboard the USS-Lucid!

We will be operating from 0000Z June 3rd (5:00 PM June 2nd) until Sunday June 4th - shutting down at 1400. John NZ6Q is organizing the operation this year.

Club members are needed Saturday May 27th starting at 9:00AM to set up the club's Hexbeam and other antennas aboard the ship. Bring gloves, wear good shoes for the set up.

Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station NJ2BB, MSW is a great operating event especially for new hams with little HF radio experience. It's a great chance to be "the hunted DX station" and improve your listening and operating skills. Radio operation will be from a variety of vintage and noteworthy vessels. This is not a competition – it is an event. All stations are encouraged to QSL the USS Lucid and we get a lot of QSL request that we typically answer during the July club meeting. There are certificates to be won!

A schedule to sign up and work one of four stations is posted here in google docs. You're welcome to come out and enjoy being on board before or after your shift as well. Late night and early morning operators are welcome using Phone, CW, and FT4 or FT8 modes. Some ships also may be found on 75 meters (3.880 – 3.885 MHz) and on 40 meters (7.290 MHz) using AM, some using the vessel's original restored equipment. here is the link to sign up on the operating schedule:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KjCsNN4ChP7JfHOD6WrEhNbPMxkHDFs5_RPgBz1nSs/edit?usp=sharing

Welcome Aboard and join us for this fun radio event!

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

PLEASE NOTIFY THE SECRETARY WHEN YOU SELL THE ITEM OR NO LONGER NEED THE LISTING. MOVING SOON TO THE WEBSITE www.w6sf.org/swapmeet.html

• 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 included 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



• 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



YAESU FT-840 TRANSCEIVER - Yaesu FT-840 HF Transceiver is for sale. All HF Bands 100w compact reliable transceiver with 12-v switching power supply. SSB, CW, AM (25W), FM modes, 80 – 10 M HF. Asking \$300 Contact John NZ6Q 209-687-0774 or nz6q@arrl.net Great first radio at a budget price. Also comes w/Antenna Tuner



ICOM IC-706MK2 TRANSCEIVER – Icom IC-706MK2 HF + VHF Transceiver for sale. All HF Bands 100W compact reliable transceiver great filters, great "first rig" for new hams. Get on the air on 10Meters and 6Meters Technicians + 2M VHF 25W so you can have one radio that does it all. Remote mountable face plate if you decide to go mobile (cable required). Excellent condition. Asking \$500 John NZ6Q 209-687-0774 nz6q@arrl.net



KENWOOD TS-570D TRANSCEIVER – All HF Bands 100W compact reliable transceiver with great filters and great audio. Very good "first rig" for a new ham. 160 – 10 Meters, no 6-Meters on this radio. Very good condition. Asking \$300 John NZ6Q 209-687-0774 nz6q@arrl.net



MIRAGE B-5016G 2 meter amplifier (144-148 Mhz) in excellent condition and working. It comes with the manual. . This is a 50 watt in 160 watts out amplifier. Asking \$125 John NZ6Q 209-687-0774 $\underline{nz6q@arrl.net}$



Look for the club SWAP PAGE at www.w6sf.org also!

2023 CLUB MEETING DATES & SCHEDULED TRAININGS

January 12 Annual General Meeting, Pedaling Paths, VOTA John NZ6Q

February 9...... Meeting – Pedaling Paths, CQ DX Marathon

March 9..... Meeting – Parks on the Air / steam

April 13 Meeting – TBD

May 11..... Meeting – Museum Ships Weekend

June 8 Meeting - Field Day Final Prep

July 13 Meeting – TBD

August 10...... Meeting – (1800 hours) RDF – Fox Hunting & Club BBQ

September 14...... Meeting – RadioSport – CQP Prep

October 12...... Meeting - Nominations for Officers 2023 - Shake Out

November 9...... Meeting – Elections – TBD

December 31......Straight Key Night

HamCrams for 2023 - 7:45 AM - Stockton Fire Station #2 or LDS Church Ham La in Lodi

February 11th April 15th August 12th October 14th December 9th

Ham-U Training Day - 8:30 AM Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints Lodi, CA

April 29th

Club Events 2023

January 7^{TH} – Kids Day On the Air Event January 28^{th} - Winter Field Day On the Air Event February 13^{th} – 17^{th} – School Club Roundup On the Air Event February 15^{th} – 22^{nd} – W1AW/6 On-The-Air On the Air Event

February 25th – Pedaling Paths Bike Ride Linden and surrounding areas
March 4th - LDS Church Preparedness Stockton LDS Church near UOP

March 4th- 5th ARRL DX Contest Phone On the Air Event

March 25th - STEAMFEST 2021 LIVE EVENT - Lincoln High School

April 16th - Rookie Round-up, SSB On the Air Event

April 22nd – Stockton Sailing Club Event Stockton Sailing Club Opening Day – Club booth and on the air

April 29th - Ham-U Lodi LDS Church – New Ham Training Day

April – May – Weed-Whacking on the hill Fiddletown Repeater Site – Exact Date TBD

May 6th – Delta Century Ride Jessie's Grove Winery

May 20th - Linden Cherry Festival Parade Assist & Demonstration Booth

Jun 2ND – 4th – Museum Ships Weekend USS Lucid, Stockton, CA

June 10th - ARRL VHF Contest On the Air Event

June 17th – Kids Day Stockton, Lodi, Galt Library Demonstrations

June $24^{TH} - 26^{TH} - ARRL$ Field Day Site TBD, Stockton, CA July 4^{th} -4^{th} of July Parade Downtown Stockton October $7^{th} - 8^{th}$ — California QSO Party On the Air Event

October 8th – 14th NFPW Event On the Air Event W6SFD as N6F

October 14th – Walk to End Alzheimer's Swenson Park, Stockton

October $20^{th}-22^{nd}$ — Pacificon 2023 Location TBD November $18^{th}-19^{th}$ ARRL Sweepstakes SSB On the Air Event

November 23th – Run Against Hunger Waterfront – Downtown Stockton

December 9th – 11th – ARRL 10M Contest On the Air Event



AMATEUR-RADIO



A HAM'S CALENDAR

May 11th, 2023 – May SDARC Meeting – 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4980 Brookside, Stockton – The May meeting will be preparations for Museum Ships Weekend and Field Day 2023

May 20th, 2023 – Linden Cherry Festival – Parade Support and Booth – 8AM – 3PM in Linden – More details will be at the April meeting for this event.

May 27th, 2023 – USS Lucid Antenna Raising – More details will be at the May meeting. Tenatively planned for 0900 hours.

June 3rd – 4th, 2023 – Museum Ships Weekend N6MSO USS Lucid Event – More details will be at the May meeting for this event

June 8th, 2023 – June SDARC Meeting – 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4820 Buckley Cove, Stockton – Also on Zoom Video Conference. Program Field Day 2023

June 24th – 25th, 2023 – ARRL Field Day – www.arrl.org/field-day

July 4th, 2023 – USVC 4TH of JULY Parade – Downtown Stockton / Waterfront – Program details coming soon. This is an operating event and we will need operators throughout the parade route.

July 13th, 2023 – July SDARC Meeting – 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4820 Buckley Cove, Stockton – Also on Zoom Video Conference. Program TBD.

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 Thursday, May 11th starting at 19:00 hours... Members and guests are welcome.

WEEKLY NETS: 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.

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