# Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



# W6SF FLYSHEET



AN ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB

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# SETTEMBER 2022

#### Welcome to the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



September is National Preparedness Month are you Ready?

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# SEPTEMBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH 7:00 PM STOCKTON SAILING CLUB 4980 BUCKLEY COVE RD WEST MARCH LANE TO BUCKLEY COVE

QST QST... The September meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club will be held at the Stockton Sailing Club Auditorium, 4980 Buckley Cove Rd in North 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 in-person or online... Coffee and snacks are serviced at the in-person meeting

The meeting program will be "What Does You LogBook Say About You"? by John NZ6Q

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.

The meeting will be broadcasted on Zoom.

Topic: W6SF SDARC MONTHLY MEETING - ZOOM INVITE Time: Sep 8, 2022 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

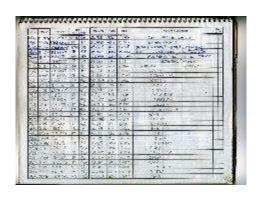
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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER



### -Mark, W6SXA

September 8<sup>th</sup> at 1900 hrs (7:00pm) is our next club meeting at the Stockton Sailing Club.

September is National Preparedness Month. It

will be a relatively quiet month for the Stockton Delta Amateur Radio Club. This might be a great time to give your shack and its antenna systems a good thorough inspection in preparation for the coming winter. A few things that you might want to look at might be:

- 1. Antenna guy lines, are they still good and secure?
- 2. Coaxial connectors, are they still tight and protected from moisture?
- 3. Are all of the antenna elements still intact and of course how does the system look on an antenna analyzer?
- 4. Has dust collected on top of some of your equipment ... or even possibly inside of it?
- 5. This is a good time to check for any loose, frayed, or damaged connectors.
- Is your power supply output voltage still
  where you want it? If your power supply is
  old, you might consider checking the ripple.
  Filter caps do degrade over time.
- 7. Is your station grounding still good and solid?
- 8. If you have an antenna rotor, does it still work smoothly and does it still actually point in the direction that your controller indicates?
- 9. If you have an antenna tower, does it need any maintenance? Is it still well grounded?
- 10. Can the AC power cables and connections be done cleaner or safer?
- 11. Check and charge up your backup batteries for possible power outages or emergencies.
- 12. And speaking of batteries, it might be time to check on your stock of batteries as well as spare fuses, connectors, coax connector sealing tape, etc.

13. And finally, is there any improvements, modifications that you have been wanting to do? Maybe just a simple re-routing of coaxial cabling or rearraigning of your equipment.

Everyone is welcome to join us for a "Hamz-n-Eggs" breakfast every Thursday morning at The Omelet House on Cherokee Rd at Hwy 99 at 9:30am. It is a special time to get together and just talk Ham Radio or whatever else you would care to share with the group. No business to transact. Join us every Thursday. Refills are free!

Don't forget our 10-meter net if you have an HF rig and an antenna that works at 28.457 Megahertz. It starts 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 are able to 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 far your signal is getting out. We'd love to hear from you.

73 Mark – W6SXA

# VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Joyce,K6QBQ

QST QST QST calling all radio amateurs who are NOT at

Pacificon on Saturday October 15<sup>th</sup>. We need radio operators to assist with at the Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday morning in Stockton. We will meet at 7:00am and will be done by 11:00am. We still need 6-8 volunteer operators for the event. Please contact me or Ron KG7OR to sign up.



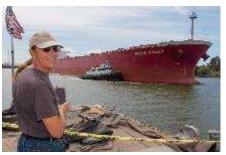
August was a busy month for me between club activities and mentoring my grandson Colin as he studied for his technician's license. As most of you know, he passed the test, thanks to his hard work, dedication, and assistance from his parents as he studied at home this summer. His first public service event participation will be the Alzheimer's walk next month, and he is also planning on working the Run for Hunger on Thanksgiving Day. Thank you to all of you who have taken the time to welcome him on the air!

The August Picnic and Fox Hunt was a great time. We had several new guests, and it was great to visit with everyone there.

CQP is coming up the first weekend of October, and I will once again go to Mariposa County to operate that weekend with John NZ6Q & family. Please consider joining us. (*Five radios no waiting – editor*)

Nominations for the 2023 officers will take place at the October club meeting. And elections of your 2023 club officers will be decided at the November meeting. We have board positions to fill, so please let me know if you have an interest in serving as a club officer.

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.

Check <u>www.w6sf.org</u> fpr the current list of net control stations.





## Hamz & Eggz W6SF WEEKLY BREAKFAST MEETING THURSDAY'S AT 9:30 AM

Members AND GUESTS gather weekly to enjoy Hamz & Eggz at the Omelet House, 3455 Cherokee Rd off Hwy 99 in East Stockton.

Watch the website on Wednesday if there is a change in location. Check in on the W6SF repeater Thursday morning to find who is coming out and make sure you ask 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!



# W6SF AUGUST MEETING REPORT THURSDAY AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup> 6:00 PM

The August meeting of the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club was held at the Stockton Sailing Club Auditorium, 4980 Buckley Cove Rd in North Stockton on Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 PM with dinner on the pavilion.

Club members and friends gathered to enjoy delicious pulled pork bar-b-que cooked by Joyce K6QBQ along with a variety of side dishes and dessert trays.

We got to see some of our fellow hams from Modesto, Manteca, Lodi and the foothills.

There was no Zoom broadcast because of the outdoor nature of the meeting.

The presentation was on Radio Direction Finding or "fox hunting" by Mike K6MDS. Mike led an excellent discussion on the history of RDF, military uses, and more. Afterwards, club members searched for hidden transmitter around the pavilion. The meeting concluded at about 8:30 PM.





# SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY ARES (SJCARES) MEETINGS HELD



ON TUESDAY NIGHTS STARTING AT 7:30 PM

ARES News and the Ground Truth

Hello all we are slowly growing ARES into a group with can be a useful tool for our Local and State Emergency Managers.

May and June have seen a change in the San Joaquin County's OES Office and the San Joaquin County EMS Agency hosted a ham cram in August with 10 newly licensed Technicians.

Most of the SJCARES members have received copies of the FEMA Region 4 and 6 Exercise dealing with a Cyber-attack on communications infrastructure. I have taken that plan and currently in the process of scaling it from a multi-regional exercise to a county wide exercise using a standardized report from that will be sent via RF (VHF) and used to create a map of observed outages. This type of reporting is called 'Ground Truth'. More and more agencies are looking for these 'Ground Truth' reports. Our exercise may take place in November.

October will see the Great California Shakeout exercise as a "**Ground Truth**" report for the United States Geological Service, especially if you take the time to fill out the Did-You-Feel-Report, either on the web or in Winlink.

Even if you are not a member of ARES or any other group if there is quake and you feel it please fill out a DYFI report.

Recent bad weather had a sighted tornado sighting. It was called in by Mike, K6ANN. Mike is a registered member of SKYWARN and a registered and trained reporter to the NWS.

This training is available to anyone from the Nation Weather Service and comes at no cost to you. These reports represent a valuable "**Ground Truth**" report to the NWS.

Training to be a SKYWARN member can be found here as an on-line class and test.

https://www.weather.gov/SKYWARN and https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/spotter/index.php

September is National Preparedness Month. Is your station prepared for emergencies? Do you have a go-box ready? Don't forget personal supplies in addition to your radios, extra batteries. Keep in mind the October Great Shake Out. Pencil in the Date October 20<sup>th</sup> on your calendars. The USGS will be looking for ground truth information from the drill.

Remember the goal is to be Amateur Operator that is trained to fill the seat of professional communicator. We all need the standard ICS-100, 700, 200 and 800 certificates. Those are all on-classes. Before any Emergency Manager will allow you to volunteer, you must have those minimum classes. That is so we understand the framework and standardize language used.

Bob, N6TCE San Joaquin County, ARRL's ARES EC

You can get the latest information and join through their website at <a href="https://www.sjcares.org">www.sjcares.org</a>





# Checklist

Circle what you have!

# SSENTIALS



Water



Fire Extinguisher



First Aid Kit



Manual Can Opener



Flashlight



Food

# **JSEFUL**



Warm Clothes and Sturdy Shoes



Sleeping Bag or Blankets



Radio (battery operated or hand crank)



Cellphone Charger



Cash



Tools





Prescriptions



Personal Documents



Treats



Children's toys



Personal Hygeine + Sanitation Items



Pet Items





# AUGUST HAMCRAM/VE SESSION REPORT - AUGUST 13TH

The August HamCram study and test session was a big success. We licensed 17 new Technicians including Colin KN6VMQ



who is K6QBQ's grandson.
Also licensed was Melissa KN6VMP who is from Copperopolis and joined us on the USS Lucid with her son.

Our next HamCram study session is going to be held on Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Church of Jesus Christ – Latter-Day Saints 731 N Ham Lane, Lodi. The HamCram starts at 8:00 AM and the doors will open at 7:45.

The Test Only sessions will start at 3:00 PM





# California QSO Party

The California QSO Party (CQP) is held every year on the first weekend of October. The first CQP took place in 1966. Since 1974, the Northern California Contest Club (NCCC) has sponsored CQP. CQP has traditionally opened the annual contest season by providing an opportunity for contesters to prepare for the ARRL November Sweepstakes since the format is similar.

Stations outside of California, worldwide, work stations in California only. The 58 counties of CA are the <u>multipliers</u>. California stations work all stations in or out of CA. The 50 US states and 8 Canadian areas are the multipliers. Stations outside of Canada and the US add to one's QSO total but do not count as multipliers. See the full set of <u>CQP Rules</u> for more details.

If you are a new ham, a group from the club sets up in Mariposa County at Barrett Cove / Lake McClure and operates from Friday morning through Monday. The contest starts at 9:00 AM on Saturday, October 1st through 3:00 PM on Sunday, October 2nd. John NZ6Q, Annie N6ACL, Joyce K6QBQ and others lead the group, and anyone is welcome to join. Contact John at nz6q@arrl.net for more information.

In CQP, California becomes the "DX" and it's a great introduction to contesting and being on the "hunted" end of the radio. If you're new to HF, Contesting or even just Ham Radio, don't worry there will be plenty of help. Come for an hour - stay the full weekend.

Club members can also get on the air from their own HF station, make contacts and help put your county "On-The-Air".











## WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH 8:00 AM SWENSON PARK 6805 ALEXANDRIA PL, STOCKTON

San Joaquin County ARES and SDARC have been asked to provide communications for the 2022 Walk to End Alzheimer's, Saturday October 15th starting at 8:00 AM. The event will be held at Swenson Park, 6805 N Alexandria Place - in North Stockton across the street from Lincoln High School.

Volunteers will be the "Eyes and Ears" on the course reporting back to Start/Finish and problems as walkers circumnavigate part of the Swenson Park Golf Course.

This is a great event for new hams wanting to be involved in a "low impact" public safety event. Ron KG7OR will be coordinati9ng the event.

You can sign up by clicking <u>HERE</u> or going to the "<u>EVENT SIGN-UP</u>" button on the W6SF web page.



## PACIFICON<sub>SM</sub> 2022

San Ramon Marriott 2600 Bishop Drive San Ramon, CA 94583

IN PERSON! Friday through Sunday Oct. 14-16, 2022 A new ham radio operator who had her radio with her in the remote Idaho mountains, and an AmRRON Operator at home monitoring his radio save a life during roll-over truck crash on Saturday, Labor Day weekend. 03 September 2022

AmRRON ham radio operators have established a decade-long history of responding to real world disasters and emergencies, including efforts resulting in lives being saved. This Labor Day weekend is another testament to ham radio and an AmrRON Corps operator monitoring his radio, likely saving a young girl's life, can be added to the list.

At approximately 16:30 (4:30pm) Pacific Time an emergency call came over the radio from a brand-new Tech (Shannon, of Coeur d'Aene, Idaho), calling 'emergency traffic' and pleading for help. Shannon had just earned her Technician license in June.



An AmrRON Corps Operator was monitoring 146.420 simplex in his office when the call came. He immediately responded.

Shannon reported an accident at a remote mountain airstrip (Horsehaven Landing Strip) involving two teenage girls, ages 14 and 15, in a roll-over truck crash. Both reportedly were ejected from the truck, had compound fractures, one of them "bleeding out" and both of them described as "really messed up."

911 was called and the radio operator remained on the phone with dispatch during the entire ordeal, relaying between dispatch and Shannon on the AmrRON National Calling Frequency, 146.420.

An EMT who happened on to the scene applied a tourniquet to the girl with arterial bleeding. It was relayed through the ham operators to 911 dispatch that one of the girls had gone into shock and a Life Flight Medevac was needed immediately. Unfortunately, a storm cell was descending on the accident scene and Life Flight was grounded for at least the next thirty minutes. Dispatch announced that ground units from three different agencies were responding, but it would be at least a half hour before they might arrive.

The AmrRON Corp operator relayed to Shannon the warning that they had 7 to 10 minutes before the storm would arrive in order to gather tarps or any other type of shelter they could construct to protect the injured girls. This is a great example of how grid-up tools can assist those in grid-down environments.

All three responding emergency agencies eventually arrived, and the girls were both transported to a local area hospital. By the time Life Flight was cleared to take off, the ground units were already ten minutes from the hospital, so the flight was canceled.

The status of the two injured girls is still unknown, but we will follow up with more information as it becomes available. This is another great example of emergency communications being used when all else fails. There is no cell service available at this remote Idaho mountain location.

Kudos to 'Shannon' who had her license and her radio with her, as well as her husband, who was reportedly licensed at the same time. She was described as being calm and professional. And a huge kudos goes to the ham in his office, who was monitoring his radio, acted quickly and appropriately, and created the link between the ham operator on the ground and 911 dispatch.

A few take aways to being prepared in situations like this or travelling in back country.

First, have your ham radio, with local repeater frequencies programmed, as well as the national calling frequencies available and local group frequencies (maybe simplex) like AmRRON or TAPRN. A little online research before your trip can literally save your life or someone you come across.

Locally, Tuolumne County Amateur Radio Electronic Society publishes a list of their repeaters and coverage areas for back country hikers and 4-wheelers.

Second, have a good first aid kit with you when you travel – don't forget cloth strips you can use as a tourniquet or a sling!

Finally, wherever you travel, check in to the local repeaters when you arrive – talk to local hams who will then be even more willing to assist you if you get lost in their "hood". You'll know then the radio works and who knows, you might make a new friend!



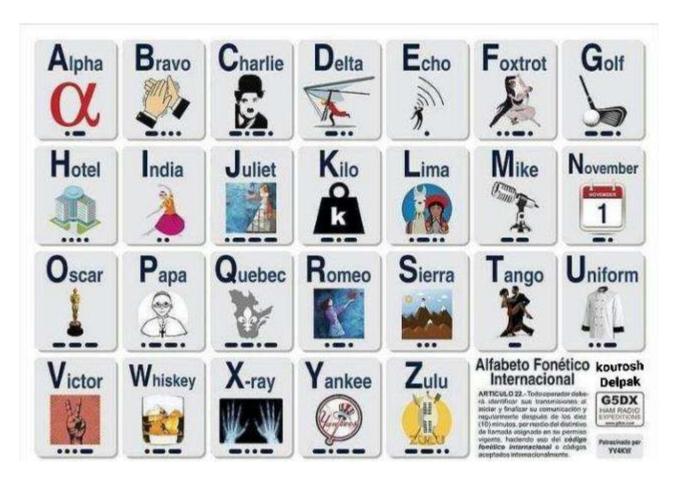
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**QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo** 

Coming September 17-18, 2022

There is still time to sign up for this years Virtual Ham Expo, September 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. Think of it as a Ham-U weekend on Hi-Power Amplifiers (2000 Watts). Speakers from around the world will present topics from stealth antennas, to contesting, virtual station design, QRP, QRO, recruiting club members and more! The tickets are only \$10 and you can get yours today at <a href="https://qsotoday.vfairs.com/en/registration-form">https://qsotoday.vfairs.com/en/registration-form</a>

Each \$10 ticket also is good for seeing the presentations up to 30 days after the event. So if two classes are at the same time, no problem, pick one and watch it later.



## The Evolution of the Phonetic Alphabet

More formally known as the *International Radiotelephony Spelling Alphabet* (also called the ICAO phonetic or spelling alphabet), the NATO phonetic alphabet was developed in the 1950s as part of the International Code of Signals (INTERCO), which originally included visual and sound signals.

Back in the days of World War II, the phonetic alphabet began with the letters "Able, Baker, Charlie," K was "King," and S was "Sugar." After the war, when the NATO alliance was formed, the phonetic alphabet was changed to make it easier for the people who speak the different languages found in the alliance. That version has remained the same, and today the phonetic alphabet begins with "Alfa, Bravo, Charlie," K is now "Kilo," and S is "Sierra," (Cutler 2017).

In the U.S., the International Code of Signals was adopted in 1897 and updated in 1927, but it wasn't until 1938 that all the letters in the alphabet were assigned a word. Today the NATO Phonetic Alphabet is widely used throughout North America and Europe.

Note that the NATO phonetic alphabet is not *phonetic* in the sense that <u>linguists</u> use the term. Instead, "phonetic" here simply means related to the way letters sound.



### W6SF SWAP MEET PAGE ITEMS FOR SALE, FOR TRADE OR WANTED

TO LIST AN ITEM ON THE SWAP MEET PAGE PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL <a href="mailto:n6acl@arrl.net">n6acl@arrl.net</a>

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

#### 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



• 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



• 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



• 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



• 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



• 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



• 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 Nerry Good Condition. \$160 plus \$22.00 shipping via priority mail and double boxed. Dennis W6UT 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



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

If you are interested in purchasing any of these keys please contact Dennis W6UT via email at w6ut@att.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



• 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



• 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 sold pending programming....



• 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 <a href="mailto:nz6q@arrl.net">nz6q@arrl.net</a>



Kenwood MC-62 microphone - TM-281A, TM-V71A, or TM-D710G radios. This is from the Silent Key estate of Jim, WB6BET. The mic. is from a TM-V71A that Jim bought in 2021 to replace a stolen radio. His original mic. was not stolen, so this one has never been used—it looks new. HRO lists a new MC-62 at \$60, but any offer will be welcome. Proceeds go to Jim's widow KI6YYT. Contact Ron, KG7OR@arrl.net or 209-712-6200. SOLD 9/1/2022



**YAESU FT-840 TRANSCEIVER FOR SALE -** My trusty durable Yaesu FT-840 HF Transceiver is for sale now that I have upgraded to an FT-2000. I bought this unit new, and have used it for many years, but I no longer need it. It is a 100 watt 160 – 80 – 40 – 30 -20 – 17 -15 –12 - & 10-meter unit, with CW, SSB, AM & FM modes. It is in its original box, with original handbook. I have powered it up to assure that it still puts out 100 watts on all bands. If you are interested for about \$350 contact Dave Hardwick, N6LHL, at 209-477-8866, or at N6LHL2@gmail.com.



**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



#### **2022 CLUB MEETING DATES & SCHEDULED TRAININGS**

January 13 ..... Annual General Meeting, ARES Membership – Bob N6TCE

February 10..... Meeting - Baluns - Mark W6SXA

March 10..... Meeting - ARRL Membership Perks - John NZ6Q

Meeting - Antenna Tuners - Mark W6SXA April 14 .....

Meeting - Logbooks and MSW May 12..... June 9 ..... Meeting - Field Day Final Prep July 14 ..... Meeting - Battery Go-Box

August 11...... Meeting – (1800 hours) RDF – Fox Hunting & Club BBQ

September 8...... Meeting – RadioSport – CQP Prep
October 13...... Meeting - Nominations for Officers 2023 – Program TBD

November 10 ...... Meeting – Elections – Program TBD

December 8 ...... Christmas Dinner / Year End Celebration (1800 hours)

December 31......Straight Key Night

#### HamCrams for 2022 - 7:45 AM - Stockton Fire Station #2

December 10th February 12th April 9th August 13th October 8th

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

#### SEPT DATE CANCELLED - MOVED TO MARCH 2023

#### Club Events 2022

January 1st – Kids Day On the Air Event

March 26th - STEAMFEST 2021 LIVE EVENT - Lincoln High School - presentations needed

April 18th - Rookie Round-up, SSB On the Air Event

April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Stockton Sailing Club Event Stockton Sailing Club Opening Day - Club booth and on the air

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

April 30th - Delta Century Ride Jessie's Grove Winerv Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> – Museum Ships Weekend USS Lucid. Stockton. CA

June 18th - Kids Day

Stockton, Lodi, Galt Library Demonstrations June 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup> – ARRL Field Day Club Field Day Site TBD, Stockton, CA

July 3<sup>RD</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade Downtown Stockton October 1st - 2nd - California QSO Party On the Air Event October 14th - 16th - Pacificon 2022 San Ramon Marriott

October 15th - Walk to End Alzheimer's Swenson Park, Stockton November 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> ARRL Sweepstakes SSB On the Air Event

November 24th - Run Against Hunger Waterfront - Downtown Stockton

December 10 – 12 – ARRL 10M Contest On the Air Event

#### STATE QSO PARTIES COMING UP

Alabama	09/10/2022	09/11/2022	Alabama QSO Party
lowa	09/17/2022	09/18/2022	Story County ARC
New Hampshire	09/17/2022	09/18/2022	Port City Amateur Radio Club
New Jersey	09/17/2022	09/18/2022	Burlington County Radio Club
Texas	09/17/2022	09/18/2022	Texas DX Society
Washington	09/17/2022	09/18/2022	Western Washington DX Club
Maine	09/24/2022	09/25/2022	Wireless Society of Southern Maine
California	10/01/2022	10/02/2022	California QSO Party



# AMAHERR-RADIC



#### A HAM'S CALENDAR

September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – September SDARC Meeting – 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4820 Buckley Cove, Stockton – Also on Zoom Video Conference. Program Radiosport, logging and CQP

September 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - Virtual HamExpo Event - sign up now only \$10 details at <a href="https://www.qsotodayhamexpo.com/">https://www.qsotodayhamexpo.com/</a>

October 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 – California QSO Party – On the Air Event - details to come in future club meetings.

October 8th, 2022 – October HamCram and VE Test Session - 0800 hours – Stockton Fire Station #2, 110 W Sonora St, Stockton – Doors open at 7:45 AM

October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – October SDARC Meeting – 1900 hours – Stockton Sailing Club, 4820 Buckley Cove, Stockton – Also on Zoom Video Conference. Program TBD – Nomination of Officers for 2023

October 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – PACIFICON 2022 – registration and hotel accommodations can be booked at www.pacificon.org

October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Alzheimer's Association Walk to End ALZ, Swenson Park 6801 Alexandria Pl, Stockton – Ron KG7OR will be event chair, volunteers needed! Come participate in the walk and then spend the rest of the day at Pacificon.

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, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 starting at 7:00 PM ... Members and guests are welcome.

**WEEKLY NETS:** Held each Monday evening at 1900hrs is an informal round-table discussion of technical and new ham topics 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

#### 2022 CLUB OFFICERS & LEADERSHIP:

President: W6SXA, Mark Cloud Club Officers can be reached at

Vice President: K6QBQ, Joyce Marciel sdarc@w6sf.org or

Treasurer: **K6PH**, Peter Hine

Secretary: N6ACL, Annie Lewis-Dopkus board@w6sf.org

Member At Large: **N6TCE**, Bob Officer

Call Sign Trustee: WB6NVB, Charlie Johnson

Repeater Trustee: NC6R, Steve Allred
Membership Chairman N6KZW, Paul Engelman

Event Chairman OPEN Field Day Coordinator OPEN

Newsletter Editor **NZ6Q**, John Litz

#### **CLUB DUES:**

\$25 SINGLE and \$30 FAMILY Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club, P.O. BOX 690271, STOCKTON, CA 95269-0271

We thank you for your continued support!