

VICTOR VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

THE SPECTRUM

December 2009

The VVARC Officers for 2009

President: Robert Barton, W7OE

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Secretary: Christy Hunter, KB6LTY

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Treasurer: Larry Kendall, KD7ZDG

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December General Meeting

Date: December 8, 2009

Time: 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Program: Annual Christmas Party

Location: John's Incredible Pizza
14766 Bear Valley Rd
(3 blocks east of I-15, just east of
Mariposa on the north side of Bear
Valley Rd.)

Fun for ALL!

- Door prizes for everyone!
- Gift Exchange - Bring a gift, get a gift (\$5 max suggested)
- Raffle for \$50 Ham Radio Outlet gift certificate
- Membership Drawing - We'll draw until someone wins!
- Half Pot Drawing
- 2010 Officer Elections
- Special recognition of past officers and members who have served the club in 2010.

Past, Present, and Future VVARC Members and Families -

Please join us for our annual Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club Christmas Party!

All-you-can-eat pizza, pasta, salad, soup, desert, and drinks!

Adults - \$12

Youth (7-12) - \$8

Children (3-6) - \$6.50

DON'T pay at the front register - Proceed straight ahead past the register and turn right at the arcade to the party room. Don't worry if you can't get there by 6 - join us as-soon-as you can!

Know a ham who's not a member? Invite them as your guest to the party! Help grow the hobby & grow the club!

..... and 73,

Larry Kendall (KD7ZDG)
VVARC Treasurer

Sunday Night Net

Remember that every Sunday at 7PM the Club conducts a Net on the 146.940 repeater.

Get the latest club announcements and reminders.

In the event the repeater is down, turn to 146.5350 simplex.

Club Member News

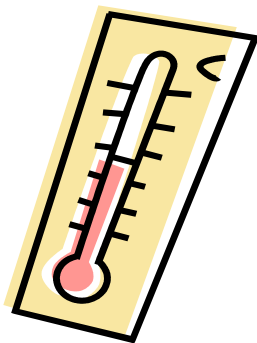


Birthdays

Happy Birthday!

Clint Bradford	12/3
Jerry Grunden	12/18

If anyone is missed, let us know. Our records probably need to be updated.



Sunshine

Let Sandi DeWeert, sdeweert@verizon.net, know if you hear of any of our members that may be under the weather or just need a little lift from friends in the Club.

2010 Membership Dues

It's that time again. Your continued support of the VVARC is appreciated. Dues can now be accepted for 2010.

Be sure to invite any of your friends to also join. The more the merrier!!!

Nominations for 2010 Officers

Nomination for 2010 officers will be accepted at the December meeting. Still time to volunteer!

2010 VVARC Officer Nomination Form

President _____
Vice President _____
Treasurer _____
Secretary _____

You may nominate yourself or any other member for any office.

We are also asking for volunteers to FORMALLY co-chair (along with the Vice President-elect) the following committees. This is a great way to serve the club and the community without making a long-term commitment.

Field Day (June)
Jamboree on the Air (JOTA)
Picnic (July)
Auction (April or May)
Ice Cream Social (August)
Christmas Party (December)
Route 66 on the Air (September)

November Prize Winners

Half-Pot Bruce Hunter \$12.50

New Members

James Cumming, KJ6BBD
Beverly Kulju, KI6NUW
Jack Kulju, W6JRK
Ronald Schizler, KD6QCT
Ray Warren, KF6QJS

To new HAMs

Are you aware of the ARRL? QST magazine?

In order for our Club to be an affiliated organization, we need to maintain 51% membership to the ARRL. The ARRL pays our Club a commission for new and renewing memberships.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact your Board members.

ARRL Orange Section Events Announcements

January 2010

January 2010 - Arizona -- Quartzite -- January 2010 -- Many people have joined in on the fun of the Annual Quartzite swap meets, from unique stones, RV equipment, and yes, even Amateur Radio. If you want something fun to do and learn more than you think you already know then visit <http://www.quartzfest.org/>

January 30, 2010 SATERN Annual Seminar - San Bernardino CA – More information please contact Tony Stephens ke6jzf@verizon.net or visit the SATERN website: www.saturn.net.

January 30, 2010 - Palm Springs Winter FD/ Hamfest/Picnic/Raffle -- Sponsored by the Desert Rats ARC & The Palm Springs DX Club. Start time of event: 9:30am -- 4:30pm Place: Gary KD6QLT & Susie KD6TVO QTH: 4193 Matthew Dr. Palm Springs, CA. 92264: Vendors and Groups: HRO, The DX Store, Hams for Less.com, ARRL, WPSS, SANCABLEXPARTS, W5YI, WARFA

** Bring your Ham gear to sell, no fee charged for selling, but bring own table and chairs, etc.

*** Lunch for a nominal fee*** (It was great the last time). Directions: From West: Take I-10 east to Palm Drive Exit. Turn R onto Gene Autry Trail. From EAST -- Take I-10 to Palm Drive Exit. Turn left onto Gene Autry Trail. Gene Autry Trail crosses E. Palm Canyon (Von's Market as marker) and becomes Matthew Dr. QTH is on Left.

Contact: Gary 760-328-9662 Alternate Contact: Bart K6UNR & Rita K6ARY, 1-760-340-4894. Talk-in frequency: 146.940 PL 107.2 -- Desert Rat Repeater.

February 6, 2010 - Volunteers Needed

Hello. I am the race director for the Twin Peaks 50m/50k Ultra that takes place on February 6, 2010. I am seeking help for radio communications during this race. Radio communications are very valuable in tracking runner progress, in case of medical emergencies, etc.

Twin Peaks takes place in the Santa Ana Mountains (covering Main Divide Road, Holy Jim, Santiago Peak, etc) just south of LA and on the border of Orange & Riverside counties. The actual start of the race is between Corona and Lake Elsinore. You can learn more about this event at <http://www.twinpeaks5050.com>.

I would appreciate if you could pass this on to your club members since radio communication is so important to a successful event!

Thank you for your time
Jessica DeLine, Race Director
<http://www.twinpeaks5050.com>
1-949-842-8452

April 16 -- 18 2010 International DX Convention, Visalia -- This will be the 61st Annual DX Convention. This is a great convention where everyone has a great time. Meet new friends and old friends from around the world or from around the corner that you may have talked to on the radio, but never met. If you are new to DXing or contesting, this is the place to be.

www.dxconvention.org

September 2010 Southwest Division Convention 2010 San Diego CA -- Sponsored by SANDARC for more information and registration please visit their website <http://www.sandarc.net/Convention2010.html>.

From the ARRL *Reminder*

Address or phone number change???

“The FCC requires you to maintain a valid current mailing address in their database at all times. This is so that they can contact you by mail if needed. If you move or even change PO boxes, be sure to update your information using the FCC ULS online system. If you do not maintain a current address and mail to you is returned to the FCC as undeliverable, your license can be revoked and removed from the database.”

Don't forget if you need to renew your membership or join the ARRL, contact Larry Kendall (larrykendall@charter.net) and pay your dues through the Club. VVARC receives a commission for each renewal or new joining fee.

ELMERS

An Elmer is kind of like a mentor for amateur radio operators. New operators need the experience, knowledge, and guidance passed on to by those that have been practicing for some time.

Thank you to those members that have stepped forward and volunteered to help members with questions. Feel free to contact anyone on our ELMER list when you have questions.

VE Testing in the Victor Valley

The first Saturday of every odd-numbered month there is a GLAARG (Greater Los Angeles Amateur Radio Group) test session in Hesperia. Tests are held at the Fire Station at the corner of Olive and H. Registration starts at 8:30 AM. The cost is \$4.00. Walk-ins are welcome. Testing is available for all classes of license. All candidates must bring a picture ID, and if you are upgrading, you need the original and a copy of your amateur license and any CSCEs you hold. For more information, you can contact Jim MacRay, KW6V, at 244-1396. Directions to test site: From I-15 take Main Street, Hesperia exit. GO east on Main St. approx. 5 miles. Turn south on "H" to Olive.

Also, the Inland ARC tests on the 4th Thursday of each month, at 5 PM at 25541 Barton Rd, Loma Linda. Contact person is Sam Eller, AD6UE at (909) 796-2996. Location from going south on I-10: Exit Mountain View Ave, right on Barton, Left on Loma Linda Dr, Civic Center complex. Take driveway to your left immediately past the fire station.

Web Site Update – VVARC.ORG

Contact Larry Kendall, kd7zdg@verizon.net, with any comments or suggestions.

Spectrum

Submit any Spectrum entries to Sandi, sdeweert@verizon.net, by the last week of the month. Any comments and suggestions are welcome.