



Contra Costa Communications Club, Inc
An ARRL Affiliated Repeater Group
Dedicated to Service



**IT'S HERE AT LAST !
The CCC/EBARC
Annual Picnic**

**AUGUST 17, 2008
AT
Knox Miller Park
Point Richmond**

Come on down with your, family, and join in the fun. Festivities start around 11 a.m. Lunch is about 1:00 ish.

While there's no cost to you, your help with setup and or cleanup as your are able will be gratefully accepted.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We had a good turnout at our monthly meeting for July. It was good to see everyone! We also missed those that were unable to attend. The meetings are fun and we always learn something new about someone.

Please don't forget our annual picnic on Sunday August 17th at Knox Miller Park in Point Richmond. We will have our monthly meeting the Sunday before the picnic, and I'm sure we will remind you again then. We have a good time. Bring your family and friends. I look forward to seeing you then.

I'd like to thank you all for your patience during our down time regarding our repeater. Some of you have not been able to switch over as of yet. If you need any help, just let us know. We will be happy to assist you in the transition.

Sunshine Committee

We don't have any new reports to list for this month. While that is good news we know there are still friends and loved ones that could use a little sunshine!

If you know of anyone who may be a bit under the weather, please let me know. And I would like to thank you all for letting me know when someone is ill. The good thing about that recently is when it's time for print, they are feeling well again.

Good health to you all.

Burgie
KE6MSF

I look forward to see you all at our August meeting. Take care everyone!

Burgie, KE6MSF

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Deadline for submissions: The 25th of each mo.

If you have Ham Radio related up coming event or an article for the good of the club please e-mail or send an electronic version to the editor.

Thank You

2008 CONTRA COSTA COMMUNICATIONS CLUB, INC.

DAILY AND WEEKLY NETS

DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME/TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	DAN – KF6HQO (Backup CHET – WA6PAC) BURGIE-KE6MSF, JAN-N6UYE [ROTATE] BOB-W6WTJ GARY – KG6RJA BOB – AB4AL ALTERNATE STAN-KB6SEI	145.110 OVER-THE-HILL 7:10 AM
WEEKLY - TUESDAY	ED-KA6OFR ALTERNATE ROBBY - N6MNL	224.300 QRM NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY – WEDNESDAY		
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	ROTATE	145.110 WEST CONTRA COSTA CTY ARES/RACES 6:45 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	ROTATE THURSDAY NIGHTS IN ORDER ROBBY-N6MNL, ANDREW-KM6VT, ALTERNATE: FRED-KC6VLL, BARBARA-KD6OKJ BOB – AB4AL, DAN – KF6HQO	145.110 CLUB NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	BOB – AB4AL	145.110/440.275 TECHNICAL NET 8:00 PM
WEEKLY – SATURDAY & SUNDAY	JOE LEE, W6DOB	145.110 ARRL TRAFFIC NET 7:30 PM

Club Officers FOR 2008

President: Burgie Jones KE6MSF (2009)
 V. Pres: Don Hamma, KE6ZFP (2009)
 Secretary: Burgie Jones KE6MSF (2009)
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 Director: Ken Miller KA6TUX (2010)

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 [Call & Report any Problems/Concerns]
 Robby.....N6MNL.....
 Ed.....KA6OFR.....
 Red.....N6UMG.....
 Ken.....KA6TUX.....
 Gabe.....WA6KQB.....
 Howard...KE6PTT.....
 Bob..... AB4AL.....

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Barbara Grazer, KD6OKJ

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Robby Robinson, N6MNL

Picnic:

Fred Neiman, KC6VLL

Christmas:

Barbara Grazer, KD6OKJ

General Meeting July 13, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Burgie, KE6MSF @ 8:00 a.m. Introductions were made around the room.

The previous minutes were approved as printed in The Communicator. There was no May Communicator since we did not have a meeting, therefore, you might want to change your Communicator newsletter that says May to read June 2008.

Treasurer's Report:

CD: \$3,879.54: SV: \$2,107.33: Ck: \$2,013.78. The collection for the Repeater Fund was \$51.00. Thank you all for contributing.

Trustee's Report:

There is no exact time when our repeater will be up. We were given instructions not to do anything to our site until further notice. Thank you all for your patience while the repeater has been down.

Membership Report:

The 2008 roster has been mailed out to everyone. If you did not receive yours, please let us know.

Don't forget our annual picnic August 17th @ Knox Miller Park in Pt. Richmond.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:23 a.m.

Monthly Winners:

Free Breakfast: Charlie Haller KQ6OX and Bill Cross WA6FNP.

World Radio: Robin Fraatz KE6MRH

Progressive Raffle: John Wehren N6XN who was not present to win. Our next monthly raffle will be \$25.00.

Submitted by: Burgie Jones
KE6MSF

Board Meeting July 13, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Burgie KE6MSF @ 8:38 a.m.

Those in attendance were:

Don Hamma, KE6ZFP
Victoria Thompson, KE6FSU
Ken Miller, KA6TUX
Robby Robinson, N6MNL
Burgie Jones, KE6MSF
Jack Burris, K6JEB

Also in attendance: were: Barbara Robinson
KD6OKJ and Kyle Spencer, KI6FYW

Our 2009 budget was discussed. The board would like to thank Victoria KE6FSU for her hard work preparing the budget. A motion was made to accept the 2009 budget and seconded. All approved.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:59 a.m.

Submitted by:

Burgie Jones
KE6MSF



Natalie, WA6QVM at Field Day in Oregon

July Expense Report

Income:

ARRL Bounty	\$ 2.00
Interest	\$.89
Contributions	\$ <u>51.00</u>
Total	\$ 53.89

Expenses:

Club PO BOX	\$ 72.00
Roster Postage	\$ 45.67
Phone	\$ 25.44
Newsletter	
Printing & Postage	\$ <u>40.09</u>
Total	\$ 182.20

Coming Events:

Redwood Coast Amateur Radio Convention (San Francisco) - The 2008 ARRL San Francisco Section Convention will be September 26-28, Bellotti Hall, Humboldt County Fairground, Ferndale, CA. For more information, go to:
<http://www.humboldt-arc.org/harc/conv/conv08.html>.

PACIFICON 2008 - PACIFICON is the ARRL's Pacific Division convention produced by MDARC. It will be on October 17th, 18th, and 19th at the San Ramon Marriott - 2600 Bishop Drive San Ramon, CA 94583. Plan ahead - reserve the date! For more info go to:
<http://www.pacificon.org>

Livermore Swap Meet, 1st Sunday of each month at Robertson Park, 7 a.m. to noon, all year. Talk-in 147.045 MHz. Info: Robert 925-560-5646 (h). More info at www.livermoreark.org/swap/swap.html

South Bay Electronics Flea Market, 2nd Saturday of each month, March through October, De Anza College, Cupertino. Details at www.asvaro.org. Talk-in on 145.27 MHz (-, 100 Hz PL). • EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor

FYI

Radio Shack Power Supplies

Due to potential fire hazard there is a recall on some models of Radio Shack power supplies. If you have a Radio Shack power supply, please check their Web site for more information:

<http://www.radioshack.com/recall>

VE TEST DATES

- **ARCA, EBARC, and ORCA** sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions quarterly. The next one this year is on 10/26 at 0900 hours. Exams are held at Fire Station #1 Media Room, 1605 Martin Luther King at 17th Street, Oakland. The 2008 fee (and retest fee) remains at \$14. For info call 510-846-1587 or 510-741-8227.
- **LARK** holds ARRL VE testing sessions following each monthly meeting. Participants must let the VE Team know before 1030 hours local that morning that they wish to take tests so that the VE Team members know there is a need for them to remain following the meeting. Testing will generally begin at about 1130 and will continue for as long as necessary. The 1030 time period has two goals: 1) to enable the Team members to plan, and 2) to encourage you - the participant - to attend our meeting and participate.
- **MDARC** holds VE test sessions on the 3rd Friday of the month, 1800 hours local, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane Lafayette, CA.

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POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Regular Club Meeting: August 10, 2008

Denny's on the corner of San Pablo Ave. and Potrero Ave in El Cerrito, CA 94530

Breakfast at 7:15 a.m. Club meeting at 8:00 a.m. Board meeting at 8:45