



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



General Meeting Minutes August 13, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Robby Robinson, N6MNL @ 8 a.m.
Introductions were made around the room.

Bob Gregory, AB4AL, has resigned as director. Ken Miller, KA6TUX, has agreed to fulfill the position.

Treasurers Report: Checking: \$1325.82;
Savings: \$1749.91;
CD \$3589.11.

Repeater Fund Collected Today: \$37.00

Trustee Report: All members have been properly ID'ing. Thank you very much for doing so.

Technical Committee: No changes. Robby stated that he and others do plan to start doing some work at the repeater site soon.

Membership Report: All is well.

Net Controllers Report: The morning net is going well. It's always nice to hear the check ins. 220 net is also going well. Our Thursday night technical net will begin again on Sept. 8th. Hope you all will be listening and/or able to check in.

Our picnic will be Sept. 17, 2006 at Knox Miller Park. We will begin eating between 1 - 1:30 p.m. Please bring your friend and/or family. We have a good time. Hope to see you all there.

Emergency Coordinator: Rich Parker, KD6JCT, states RACES is going well.

World Radio: Megan, Dan Kelly's, KF6HQO, granddaughter. WTG Megan.

Free Breakfast: Roger Nelums, KE6SZG.

Progressive Raffle: Dave Crosby KD6HAC who was not present at the meeting. The next progressive raffle will be \$60.00. (\$10.00 + \$50.00 bonus)

Submitted by: Burgie Jones KE6MSF

SUNSHINE OPPORTUNITIES

Ed, KA6OFR

Hello Everyone!!!!

*I hope you are all doing well.
If you know of someone who
we can add to the Sunshine
Committee, please let me
know. I don't want to leave
anyone out. You can email
me @*

burgie0001@yahoo.com

*Thank you and good health to
all!!!!*

Burgie

CCCC PICNIC

SEPT. 17

KNOX MILLER PARK

Come Early To Visit

Food Served About

1—1:30 PM

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Inc publishes the Communicator
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bers. Editor – Victoria, KE6FSU
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September 25

2006 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 TECHNICAL NET 8:00 PM
WEEKLY – SATURDAY & SUNDAY	JOE LEE, W6DOB	145.110 ARRL TRAFFIC NET 7:30 PM

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Membership September 2006

Welcome back Paul Reyes WA2IDJ to the 4C's family. Paul is a Technician and resides at: 43 Rotary Way Apt M, Vallejo, CA 94591-8463.

Retired membership
license expires 8/23/16.

Welcome Paul see you at the picnic.

Barbara Grazer-Robinson KD6OKJ

Board Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2006

The meeting was called to order @ 8:35 am Those present were: Robbie N6MNL Victoria KE6FSU Natalie WA6QVM Ken KA6TUX Burgie KE6MSF

The previous minutes were approved as printed.

The motion was made and approved by all to accept the budget as submitted to the board for 2007 and amend if necessary.

Randy Jenkins, KA6BQF, proposed that CCCC/EBARC join together as a joint public service committee with he and Rich Parker, KD6JCT. The committee will report to the board as needed. Ken made a motion and it was seconded by Burgie. All board members present agreed.

We will be checking on prices regarding a new 2 meter antenna. The results of the findings will be reported back to the board next month.

Submitted by: Burgie Jones KE6MSF

The ARRL Letters

Katrina documentary to air: The documentary "Postmark: Katrina" will air on The Weather Channel <<http://www.weather.com/>> Sunday and Monday, August 27 and 28, at 8 PM Eastern and Pacific Time as part of the cable network's Storm Stories series. The hour-long program, produced by ARRL Member Les Rayburn, N1LF, focuses on the restoration of mail service to the US Gulf Coast in the wake of the devastating storm and mentions Amateur Radio's role in the storm response and recovery effort. Rayburn and his crew were embedded for six weeks with US Postal Inspection Service officers within hours of Katrina's landfall. "In our documentary, there is some brief Amateur Radio voice traffic depicted, along with a graphic explaining how repeaters work, and even some Morse code," Rayburn told ARRL. "Our Missions took us to Waveland, Biloxi, New Orleans, Bay St Louis and on to Houston. When not on duty filming, I also conducted mobile HF missions for the National Communications System SHARES program, keeping in contact with their watch desk on 20 meters." In addition to the August 27-28 airings, Rayburn expects the program to air at other times in the coming weeks. "We were proud to tell the story of how the US Postal Service worked tirelessly to restore mail to the affected area, and also to aid in the recovery using our amateur HF station," he says.

From The President

A thought on raising money for the antennas and their connectors:

As the "box" is sent around the breakfast, Ask the members to dig deeper into their pockets and realize that these antennas are the basis of our club and without proper communications devices, we won't have a club or a monthly breakfast. New members can bring in new money but unless this gets going soon, only the members who have the resources to bring in new income to the CCCC's. Members, is this a possibility or shall we just let the club die slowly? Between Jan's health and mine, the Caine's are only on the side, for a few months. I can write pleas like this but you, the members, are the only hope for the future. Please come up with ideas to raise the money to fix the 2 meter and 440 repeaters and antennas.

Edward Eliot Caine, KA6OFR

GENERAL CLASS LICENSE CLASS

The East Bay Amateur Radio Club, EBARC, in conjunction with The Oakland Radio Communications Association, ORCA, and the Amateur Radio Club of Alameda, ARCA, are pleased to offer a series of lecture/discussion classes to be held at the West County Adult Education facility in Richmond, California.

There will be 10 Wednesday evening classes starting promptly at 7 PM and ending at 9:30 PM. The first class begins on September 13th. The final class will be a VE session.

Classes will be held at Alvarado School: 5625 Sutter Street, Richmond, CA. Find school directions and registration info at: <http://www.wccae.info/> or call the Adult School registration at: **510.215.4666**.

The text will be "**The ARRL General Class License Manual**", Fifth Edition. It can be purchased either from HRO, directly from the ARRL website or at the first class session.

Costs: The class is free but registration is required. The text is \$16.95 and the VE exam is \$14. More information from EBARC Education Chair: John Wood, N6JDW, **510.741.7050** evenings.

CCCC Budget for 2007 and Treasurers Report

Income:	Funds on Hand	
Memberships:	\$1,500	9 month CD \$ 3,589.11
Interest:	\$ 50	Savings \$ 1,749.91
HRO AD:	\$ 180	Checking \$ 1,256.23
Donations at Meetings:	<u>\$ 300</u>	Petty Cash \$ 32.58
Total income	\$ 2,030	Staples credit <u>\$ 71.00</u>
		\$ 6,698.83

Expenses:	
World Radio Ad	\$ 65
Insurance	
Equipment	\$ 240
Liability	\$ 345
State Corporation Fees	\$ 20
Newsletter (postage/printing)	\$ 300
Roster (Printing)	\$ 90
Postage	
PO Box	\$ 50
Roster & misc	\$ 25
Office Supplies	\$ 25
Accountant (tax prep)	\$ 150
Progressive Raffle	\$ 60
Annual CCCC Picnic	\$ 350
NARCC	\$ 20
Telephone at Site	\$ 196
Sunshine Committee	\$ 100
Misc.	\$ 25
Repeater Site Work party	\$ 60
Repeater Equip. & Maint.	<u>\$ 300</u>
Total expenses	\$ 2,421

Difference -< \$391>

Thanks to both the generosity of members that make donations in addition to their annual membership renewals and those that donate so graciously at the Club meetings we normally do end each year one or two hundred dollars to the positive. This year the club faces a special challenge. The 220 antenna at the repeater site was given a temporary repair job knowing that it would have to be replaced in the near future. That was when Darwin was still around. It is now clear that the antenna must be replaced soon. At the August Board meeting it was decided to proceed with costing this out. In the coming months your board members will be advising club members of the cost and asking for your input on fund raising ideas. It would be preferable not to exhaust funds on hand as they are held case of major equipment failure.

Victoria, KE6FSU

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POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Meeting: September 10

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