

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



## Sunshine Committee



Hello Everyone!!!

Even though your name is not here please know we are thinking of you. It is good to hear you when you are able to check in on the radio and if you are not able we miss you.

Be assured that we are thinking about you and praying you will get well soon!!!! We miss you all!!

Sincerely,

Burgie, KE6MSF

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#### **Presidents Corner**

Well, the candy store will move on October 13-16 to San Ramon. Pacificon will be up and running at the Marriott once again. Mark, the manager, will again look tired during the day but will be refreshed as soon as he looks at the total at the end of the day. I need to remember to leave my credit cards at home because the trip to San Ramon normally makes me want to see what the max is on the cards even though Audrey tells me I have enough of that radio stuff. One year, I even bought the his-and-hers units, and I still got that look. I don't let her see the program. If she did she will see the swap meet notice on Sunday and suggest that I take some of my equipment and get rid of it. She just does not understand that in the Ham dictionary, the definition of ham fest is to buy.

We have had the annual social called the picnic and I heard say it was wonderful. The food was the last part. The best part was

## Pacificon 2010

The West Coast Ham Radio Convention

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## Coming Back!

After a one year hiatus, PACIFICON 2010, the great west coast ham radio convention, returns to the San Francisco Bay Area and will again be sponsored by the Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club. Pacificon 2010 will take place Friday, October 15th through Sunday, October 17th, at the San Ramon Marriott Hotel at 2600 Bishop Drive in San Ramon, California.

For More Information go to http://www.pacificon.org

2010 CONTRA COSTA COMMUNICATIONS CLUB, INC.
DAILY AND WEEKLY NETS

DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME/TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	BURGIE, KE6MFS (Backup CHET – WA6PAC) BOB – AB4AL BOB-W6WTJ GARY – KG6RJA ALTERNATE: BARBARA-KD6OKJ STAN-KB6SEI	145.110 OVER-THE-HILL 7:10 AM
WEEKLY - TUESDAY QRM	DAN – KF6HQO BOB – AB4AL ROBBY-N6MNL JIM— KI6YXW RICH KO6FR	224.300 CLUB 220 NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	MEMBERS ROTATE	145.110 WEST CONTRA COSTA CTY ARES/RACES 6:45 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	ROBBY-N6MNL ANDREW KM6VT ALTERNATE : FRED W6BBQ 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	

### Club Officers FOR 2010

President: Fred NeimanW6BBQ (2011)V. Pres: Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ (2011)Secretary: Raplh HallW6EFD (2012)Treasurer: V. ThompsonKE6FSU (2012)Trustee: Robby Robinson, N6MNL (2014)Director: Ed Caine,KA60FR (2010)Director: Ken MillerKA6TUX (2010)

Planning Section Chief RACES Contra Costa County -Mike McMillan K6MCM

Repeater Controller's

Call to report any problems or concerns Robby.....N6MNL...... Ed......KA6OFR..... Red......N6UMG..... Ken.....KA6TUX.... Gabe.....WA6KQB..... Fred ...W6BBQ ...... Bob......AB4AL..... Committee Chairperson

Membership: Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ **Technical Committee:** (Chair) Robert Gregory AB4AL Paul Mason WA6EUZ Paul Henson KF6FMX Packet: Robby Robinson N6MNL NARCC: Robby Robinson N6MNL Picnic: Fred Neiman, W6BBQ Christmas: Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ Newsletter:

Victoria Thompson KE6FSU

what the pictures showed. Everyone got off their duff and walked around and talked to everyone else. The Christmas Lunch, our second social, is good because we normally do not sit in our normal seating, and so we talk to someone new. But at picnic we get up and talk to everyone. People started showing up 3 hours before the food and were still talking two hours after the food. Maybe we should do more of the walk'n and talk'n at the breakfast meetings. It is almost like every chair has a person's name on it. Just some food for thought, so to speak.

See ya at the meeting. Bring a friend, and let's make them a Ham.

#### Fred, W6BBQ

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* ☆ I have received a suggestion that we ☆ change our club call. The reasons for the change 2 would to honor the service of George (Gabe)  $\frac{1}{2}$ ☆ Gabriel. Gabe was one of the founding Fathers  $\bigstar$  of the 4C's. It is said that the club was formed ☆ in his den. After the club was formed he spent ☆ many hours rounding up equipment and people ☆ to make the repeater what it is today. The club 2 call would change from  $\overset{}{\leftrightarrow}$ 

#### WD6EZC to WA6KOB.

 $\overset{\frown}{\Delta}$ This is not up to the board so we need  $\overset{\frown}{\mathcal{X}}$ ☆ your vote. To vote simply just reply to w6bbg@comcast.net with a Yes or No.  $\checkmark$ ☆

Please reply ASAP as if approved it will take a  $\overset{\frown}{\Delta}$ while to get the FCC to act. ☆

#### Fred, W6BBO

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### From the Editor's Desk

I thought this would be good to share this with you. You can share it with anyone you share emails with. It is from my work's IT department. This virus my PC caught got to me from an e-mail I received at home from a work location. .

" If you haven't installed virus protection software at home for budget reasons, (or updated an expired version. *Ed.*) there are several free anti-virus software tools out there that have earned the "VB100" award by Virus Bulletin Magazine, an independent testing lab. These are:

a. Avast! at http://www.avast.com/free-antivirusdownload

b. AVG at http://free.avg.com/us-en/homepage

c. Microsoft Essentials at

http://www.microsoft.com/security essentials/

You may have noticed this newsletter is late again. After I got up and running my IP provider changed the acceptable structure for group lists. The only group list I had was the club list. It was wiped out! The e-mail address where still in my contacts along with a few hundred others that were Dar's. I had no idea which were all the current members.

# THANK YOU

Robby and Barbara for helping me out. Robby was kind enough to copy the entire to section of a prior email and go through each record adding the call sign and name where missing. Then he made notes for me and e-mailed me the list. It took me a few hours this ☆ morning to go through all the lists (make a list and check it twice-sound familiar?) but I know it would ☆ have taken much longer to sort out without the help.

## **Income and Expense Report September 2010**

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Income		Expenses	
Total Income	\$ 0.00	Telephone Picnic <b>Total Expense</b>	\$ 37.18 \$ 375.12 ** <b>\$ 37.18</b>

(EBARC splits this cost with us. Will be income when received.)

Victoria, KE6FSU

### ARRL EXAM TESTING

EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions guarterly at 9 a.m. in the Media Room, 1605 Martin Luther King Jr. Way (at 16<sup>th</sup> St. ), Oakland . The remaining date for 2010 is Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>. The fee for 2010 remains at \$15. Info at 510-846-1587 or 510-741-8227.

## **Tri-City VE Group** Dates for 2010

November 13 Saturday 9-11:30 am December 16 Thursday 6:30-9 pm Location: Hurricane Electric 48233 Warm Springs Blvd Fremont. CA (Near highways 680 and 880) For more information: Bernhard, AE6YN Rita, KI6SSQ

Holiday Party Contra Costa Communications Club & East Bay Amateur Radio Club 

Saturday December 11, 2010 11:30 p.m. (seating begins) 12:00 p.m. (lunch served)

Marie Callender's Restaurant & Bakery 2090 Diamond Blvd., Concord, CA 94520

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Editor - Victoria, KE6FSU Phone 510-724-4966 or e-mail at KE6FSU@sbcglobal.net Deadline for submissions: The 25th of each mo.

# **MOBILE OPERATION**

I think this is the way to go! AB4AL coming soon to a neighborhood near you.

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AB4AL-Bob

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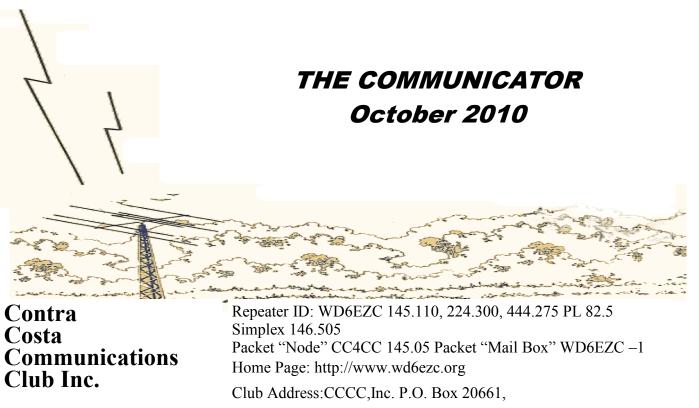
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**POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED** 

# Next Regular Club Meeting: October 10, 2010

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