

Sunshine Committee

Hello All!!!! I hope this message finds you all well and healthy. I am happy to say that Dan, KF6HQO, is doing much better. Some of you may have heard him running his nets. It's good to have you back Dan. Our thoughts and prayers will continue for you. Stan, KB6SEI, is doing so much better. Sam, N6VIF, and Carmen, have not been feeling well. We hope both of you are well on your way to getting better.

If anyone knows of someone who is ill, please let me know. You can always reach me by sending an email to:

burgie0001@yahoo.com

Burgie KE6MSF

TRUSTEE 2/08

From ARRL Letter, Vol. 27, No. 3, January 25, 2008

AIR FORCE ADDS MORE REPEATERS TO CALIFORNIA PAVE PAWS PROBLEM LIST

A second round of testing by US Air Force engineers has resulted in the identification of an additional seventy-five 70 cm repeaters in Northern California that must adjust their operations to eliminate harmful interference to the PAVE PAWS Updated Early Warning Radar (UEWR) located at Beale Air Force Base near Sacramento. As a result of these additions, new strategies for handling the situation are being put into place by the ARRL and the FCC.

"While ARRL knew that there was the possibility of additional repeaters being added in the follow-up list of those requiring mitigation, we are surprised by the large number of additions to the list," said ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND.

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Mountain Mike's Pizza

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

6 PM - 8 PM

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(Shopping center with Raley's)

REMINDER

2008 Club Dues

Are Due Now

Roster Deadline

February 29

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"After our discussions with FCC officials, they are becoming actively involved in ensuring that the correct repeaters have been identified and that the mitigation being required is what is actually needed to resolve the ongoing problem in each case."

Robby N6MNL

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)
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 Secretary: Burgie Jones KE6MSF (2009)
 Treasurer: V. Thompson, KE6FSU (2008)
 Trustee: Robby Robinson, N6MNL (2014)
 Director: Jack Burris, K6JEB (2008)
 Director: Ed Caine, KA6OFR (2010)
 Director: Ken Miller KA6TUX (2010)

Emergency Coordinator ARES/RACES West County -
 Stephen Adams-KF6WNH

Repeater Controller's
 [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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Paul Mason WA6EUZ

Paul Henson KF6FMX

Assist. Technical:

Howard Burk, KE6PTT

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Robby Robinson, N6MNL

NARCC:

Robby Robinson, N6MNL

Picnic:

Fred Neiman, KC6VLL

Christmas:

Barbara Grazer, KD6OKJ

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello everyone!!! I want to thank you all so very much for making me feel so at home at our first Contra Costa Communications Club meeting for 2008. I will say I was a bit nervous but everyone made me feel so comfortable. I know this is going to be a good year with the club. I'd like to thank you for coming out this morning and attending the meeting. We had a good turn out. There were 34 members and guests who attended this morning. I look forward to seeing you all next month.

Burgie Jones, KE6MSF

MEMBERSHIP 2/2008

For those that have not yet sent your 2008 dues, please do not delay as that only makes it difficult to get the roster completed on time.

Barbara KD6OKJ

Board Meeting Minutes: January 13, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Burgie, KE6MSF @ 8:30 a.m.

Those present:

Victoria Thompson, KE6FSU

Don Hamma, KE6ZFP

Jack Burris, K6JEB

Robbie Robinson, N6MNL

Burgie Jones, KE6MSF

Bob, AB4AL, and Robby, N6MNL will soon be going to the repeater site and completing some work that needs to be done. Jack, K6JEB, and others will be assisting in making J Poles at the EBARC club station. If you are interested, please stay tuned. We will have more information as time gets closer.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by: Burgie Jones, KE6MSF

On these cold and rainy days a nice hot soup sounds like just the ticket: From Bob W6WTJ and Joanne

Italian Sausage & Spinach Soup

1 Package Trader Joe's Sweet Italian Sausage
2 or 3 Container's T J's Organic Chicken Broth
1/2 Medium Onion, chopped
1 Large Can Chopped Tomatoes
1 Cup Rice
6 oz Baby Spinach (or more to taste)
Joanne adds garlic to this list.

Remove sausage from casing and sauté with onion over medium-high heat until cooked through, breaking the sausage apart as it cooks. Add Chicken Broth and heat until just boiling. Add Tomatoes

and Rice; reduce heat, cover and simmer until rice is cooked, about 20 minutes. (longer if using brown rice). Add spinach and cook until spinach takes on a vibrant green color. Serve immediately.

Joanne and Bob recommend trimming the tuff stems from the spinach and don't forget the garlic!

Next month - Chili Recipes from the TECH NET

**Got a Chili recipe to add—e-mail or snail mail to
Victoria, KE6FSU**

CORRECTION

In the January newsletter the due date for annual membership dues was incorrect. The correct due date is February 29.

Contra Costa Communications Club, publishes *The Communicator* monthly for the benefit of club members. No Personal information is to be reprinted without permission. Editor – Victoria, KE6FSU 510-724-4966 or KE6FSU@sbcglobal.net Deadline for submissions: The 25th of each month.

General Meeting Minutes January 13, 2008

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

Treasurers Report, Victoria KE6FSU

CK. \$2,974.54

SV. 2,102.04

CD 3,698.74

Repeater Fund:

\$39.00 was collected. Thank you very much!

Editor of The Communicator, Victoria KE6FSU

If you would like to submit articles or recipes, please forward them to Victoria.

Membership Chairperson's report, Barbara KD6OKJ

Renewals are due February 29th, 2008. Please be sure to get your dues in on time so you will be included in the Membership Directory for 2008.

No unfinished business.

New Business: EBARC is hosting a crab feed on Saturday, February 2 at the Salvation Army on Apian Way in El Sobrante. Tickets are \$30.00 each. Doors open @ 5:00 p.m. and serving will begin from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. We will have a raffle for prizes. Tickets will be available for the raffle at the door. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket or tickets, please call Burgie. I will hand deliver them to you. Tickets must be purchased by Jan. 26th. Thank you.

CCCC will have a Pizza Night on Wednesday, February 13 @ Mountain Mikes Pizza in El Sobrante/San Pablo, located in the Raley's shopping

center. It will begin @ 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. It's an all-you-can-eat night so bring your appetites.

Joe, NG6C, stated that there have been many killings in Kenya. I'm sure you have read about it in the newspapers recently. Please join us in sending our good thoughts and prayers out to those in Kenya and the surrounding areas for their safety.

Audrey, KF6MVH, and Fred, KC6VLL, belong to the Lions Club and are collecting any old eye glasses you may no longer need. If you have any around the house, please bring them to the meeting or let me know, and I will be happy to pick them up from you and I will make sure they get to Audrey or Fred.

Randy, KB6BQF, wants to let us know that the VE sessions have moved from the Kaiser Building in Oakland to The Oakland Fire Department @ 1605 Martin Luther King Way.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:25 a.m.

Submitted by:

Burgie Jones

KE6MSF

Drawings:

World Radio: Fred Beesley KK6UZ

Free Breakfast: Jan Kuhl AC5RB

Progressive Raffle: Robby Robinson N6MNL

Next month progressive raffle will be \$5.00.

Next Meeting:

February 10

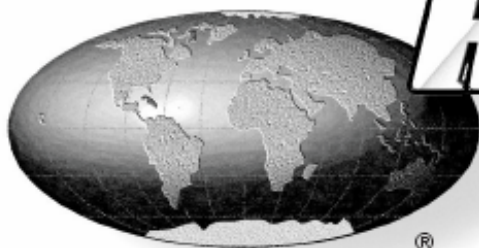
VE TEST DATES

EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions quarterly:

1/27, 4/27, 7/27, 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.

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POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Regular Club Meeting: February 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