



Sunshine Committee



Hello everyone:

I hope this little slice of love finds you all safe and healthy. We think about you often. Know that you are all in our prayers and thoughts.

Sincerely, Burgie, KE6MSF

President's Blog

Some of you who were up late and had your radio on know that we had a problem with the repeater and a loud noise coming from it. I looked at my watch and knew it was too late to call someone, but fearing it might blow out the finals on the repeater, I knew that Roger was asleep as he goes to work at some ungodly hour. So I called Alan only to find out that he was on the way to pick up his son from the train. He called back a few minutes later and told me that his wife would pick up the son, and he was on the way to the hill. He worked on the repeater for about an hour and finally had to turn it off. He said that he would go back up on the hill in the morning before work, and if the noise stopped, he would turn it back on. The best part of my job as president is that I have people like Alan and Roger.

During this past week I took a FEMA class in Oakland for Communications Unit Leader. It seems that FEMA decided that there might be a need for communications during a hazard as well as during a wild land fire. This class was attended by mostly fire personnel. There were 30 people in the class. There were even two from LA. The instructor was from Flagstaff, AZ. The ComL, as they are called, are the leaders of the com unit and are responsible for getting the personal and equipment to the event. This is a new area of FEMA interest which included any type of hazard like flood, earthquake, large spill, or fire.



March 8th at 2:00 AM

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2014 CONTRA COSTA COMMUNICATIONS CLUB, INC. DAILY AND WEEKLY NETS

DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME/TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	MICHAEL K6CUG BOB AB4AL BOB W6WTJ ALT: STAN KB6SEI GARY KG6RJA	145.110 OVER-THE-HILL 7:10 AM
WEEKLY - TUESDAY QRM	ROBBY N6MNL BOB AB4AL JEFF KL6RHF MICHAEL K6CUG RICH KO6FR	224.300 CLUB 220 NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - WEDNESDAY	JEFF KJ6RHF	145.110 OPEN NET 8:00 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	MEMBERS ROTATE	145.110 WEST CONTRA COSTA CTY RACES 6:45 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	ROBBY N6MNL FRED W6BBQ JEFF KJ6RHF BOB AB4AL MICHAEL K6CUG	145.110 CLUB NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	OPEN NET	145.110 TECHNICAL NET 8:00 PM

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Now I have to finish a task book of operations that would be done during a hazard call out. The biggest problem is that they are not sure who can sign off on the tasks. I have three years to have them decide and get it signed off. It will be my job to find qualified radio operators, tech people, and equipment. All these people have to be FEMA certified for their job. That will be the fun job.

By the way, we only have few members that have not paid their dues, and it is holding up the publishing of the roster. Please send in your dues if you have not. We plan to publish the roster by the end of the month so if you want to be listed, then we need the money by the 15th at the latest. Hope to see you all at the meeting on the 8th.

Fred W6BBQ

General Meeting Minutes February 8, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Fred Nieman, W6BBQ. Introductions were made around the room.

Treasurers Report:

Checking: \$6,524.88.
Savings: \$579.35.
Repeater Fund: \$31.00.
Thank you all who donated.

Doug Slusher, KF6AKU, has found the problem with the 440. Doug has fixed the problem. He tested it, and it is working well. He will bring it back to us, and we will put it into play. Thank you Doug so very much!!! We appreciate it so much!!!

Between Bob Gregory, AB4AL, Alan Alsing,

KJ6JIS, and Roger Nelums, KE6SZG, they are going to take a day and work on the 220. Thank you gentlemen for all your help!!

For those who haven't renewed their membership, you may receive a call from Audrey Nieman, KF6MVH, or a reminder letter.

The repeater is up and running so those of us who have not checked in on the morning net, please do so. We look forward to hearing from you.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

Free Breakfast: Robby Robinson, N6MNL.

Progressive Raffle: Barbara Robinson, KD6OKJ. The winnings of \$10.00 was donated back to the club.

Submitted by: **Burgie Jones, KE6MSF**

Board Meeting February 2015

There was no board meeting this month.

Membership

Welcome to our two newest members.

Dennis Jacobson, N6NG holds an Extra Class License and is an ARRL member.

Address: 1155 Salida Way,
El Sobrante CA 94803-1066

E-mail: N6NG@arrl.net

Phone: 510-223-0465

Donald Rose, K6ILG also holds an Extra Class License and is an ARRL member.

Address: 4791 Fuchsia Way
Oakley CA 94561

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Stanley Lewis Clark: KB6SEI
Silent Key

September 6, 1923 – January 13, 2015

Stan was a life member for 4C's. He was an active club member as far back as 1988. He served as club treasurer for several years and was a back up net controller for the morning net. Besides being a ham radio operator Stan was a Pearl Harbor survivor and a life member of VFW Post 2798.

The following is an article published by the Pinole Historical Society. The author gave Stan's permission to share the article.

"Stan was a U.S. Navy veteran during World War II and a Pearl harbor survivor. He was 91. During World War II he was assigned to four different ships. The first one was the USS St. Louis, a light cruiser. Its claim to fame was being in Pearl Harbor during the bombing on Dec. 7, 1941. During the bombing by Japanese warplanes, the battleship USS Nevada was sinking, so the captain beached her so she wouldn't block the channel. The USS St. Louis went around her and out to sea.

"For the next three days," Stan said in his biography for a 2010 Pinole Historical Society exhibit at the Pinole Library honoring veter-

ans, "she chased real or imaginary submarines." Stan also served on the USS Starling, an auxiliary minesweeper. "On our maiden voyage from San Francisco to Hawaii we got perpendicular to the convoy and were hit by a freighter, putting a 19-foot hole in our new engine room," Stan said. "I was transferred and never knew what punishment the captain received."

Stan's next ship was the aircraft carrier USS Lexington, which he boarded in Boston. "We went through the Panama Canal to reach the West Coast," Stan said. "The Lexington Air Group 16 consisted of torpedo planes, dive bombers, and fighter planes. This group did lots of island hopping and supported Marine landings, from Tarawa to Tokyo. We were hit by a torpedo once and hit by a kamikaze once. What I'm really proud of is our helping the prisoners of war (in five camps) by dropping supplies (food, clothing, and copies of the Sunrise Press, the Lexington's daily newspaper)." Stan last served aboard the aircraft carrier USS Ticonderoga, on which he sailed from Tokyo Bay to San Francisco, where he was discharged. Stan had a long career in banking after the war, mostly with Bank of America. He was a life member of Veterans of Foreign War Post 2798 and a ham radio club member. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Betty; a son, Larry Clark; a daughter, Patricia Ann Clark; five great-grandchildren; and five great great-grandchildren. A daughter, Linda Douglas, preceded him in death."

— Jeff Rubin

<http://www.pinolehistoricalsociety.org/phsnewsbriefswinter2015.pdf>



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Next Regular Club Meeting: March 8, 2015

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