# THE COMMUNICATOR July 2015

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



# Sunshine Committee

Hello everyone:

Let's all spread our great smiles around! There is lots of opportunities—club meeting, picnic or a call (radio or phone) to someone.

# PICNIC August 9 Knox Miller Park 11:00 until 3 P.M. \$ 5.00 each Due day of the event Your RSVP is critical for planning Call or E-Mail Audrey, KF6MVH, 510-223-1748 a.nieman@comcast.net

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### **President's Blog**

The board decided that maybe we could have some night meetings. So it was decided to try one in October. So on Wednesday, October 14 we will meet at Mountain Mike's in Pinole at about 5pm. If we get more people to turn out, we hope to do this every 3 months. The other months we will meet at Denny's as usual.

Just after the last meeting, Audrey and I were scheduled to go to Hawaii for a two week vacation to mark our fifty years together. Well, Friday night I came down with one of my shortness of breath attacks and reported to Kaiser Hilton. Richmond was full up, so we were off to Vallejo. We were to get on the plane Sunday morning, and they talked about me getting out of the Hilton on Saturday, but the Doctor said he didn't think I should take a 5 hour flight with no place to land after just getting out of the hospital. So we had to cancel the trip. Audrey had booked the trip on Expedia and charged it on Citibank. We were surprised that Citibank offered trip insurance as part of their policy. So we got all the money back except the airline ticket and they gave us a credit good for a year, and if we don't get to use it, Citibank will cover that. I am now a fan of Citibank.

You might want to put 1-510-1214 in your cell phone. This number will get you the Police or Fire dept. to report any emergency. This is better than 911 as that number might be answered by the CHP in Vallejo and be transferred to the local dept. That is if there are not any auto accidents ahead of you. I have waited for several minutes to get an answer on 911. We were lucky over the 4th not to get any big fires in West County. As you may have noticed there is a lot of yellow grass out there.

See ya at the meeting on the 12th.

Fred W6BBQ

DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME/TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	MICHAEL K6CUG CAROL KK6OLL BOB W6WTJ GARY KG6RJA DJ K6WSV	145.110 OVER-THE-HILL 7:10 AM
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 OPEN MICHAEL K6CUG	145.110 CLUB NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	OPEN NET	145.110 TECHNICAL NET 8:00 PM

# Club Officers For 2015

President: Fred Nieman W6BBQ (2017) 1 510-223-1748 V. Pres: Don Hamma KE6ZFP (2016) 2 510-526-6823 Secretary: Burgie Jones KE6MSF (2016) 2 510-964-1476 Treasurer: V. Thompson KE6FSU (2015) 2 510-326-2361 Director: Robby Robinson N6MNL (2015) 1 510-222-4990 Director: Roger Nelums, KE6SZG (2015) 1 510-964-1476 Director: Mike Nicholson K6CUG (2017) 2 510-245-7012 Director: Djovida, KJ6WSV (2016) 1 510-237-4342 Trustee: Fred Nieman W6BBQ 2021) 510-223-1748

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Christmas:

Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ

Newsletter:

Victoria Thompson KE6FSU 510-326-2361

## General Meeting Minutes June 14, 2015

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

Repeater Fund: \$33.00. Thank you all so much for donating.

Treasurers Report: Checking: \$7,227.44:

Savings: \$579.36

The 220 is being worked on and may soon be ready.

New Business: Once or twice a year we have a Pizza party. Almost always in May. We would like to hold a CCCC monthly meeting at Mountain Mike's Pizza, which has been reserved for Wednesday, October 14, 2015. Our meeting at Mountain Mike's Pizza will be held from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. It is an all-you-can-eat night. Please come out and join us for our monthly CCCC meeting. We will have more information as time gets closer.

Our yearly picnic will be held on August 9th at Point Richmond. It is held the same place as the previous year. We will begin at 11 a.m. You are welcome to come any time before 11 a.m. if you would like. Please bring your family and friends. We have a lot of fun and a lot of good food!!! The cost will be \$5.00 per person.

Our Christmas party will be held on December 12th at MonTara Bay (Correction: Tara Hills Mobile Manor) trailer park. It is held the same place as the previous year. It will be a lot of fun prizes. More information to follow as time gets closer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Discounted breakfast: DJovida "DJ" KJ6WSV

Progressive Raffle: Max Driggs KF6WXC who was not in attendance. Next meeting it will be for \$15.00.

Submitted by: Burgie Jones, KE6MSF

# **Membership Corner:**

I hope you are all enjoying the warm days of

summer and spending time in the great outdoors. This is the time for barbeques and picnics, so CCCC Radio Club is planning our annual picnic on August 9th at Knox Miller Park from 11:00 until 3 P.M. The cost is only \$5.00 each which you can pay on the day of the event, but RSVP is required so we can plan how much to cook. With the cost of meat skyrocketing, your RSVP is critical, so call Audrey, KF6MVH, at 510-223-1748 or email me at a.nieman@comcast.net The picnic is a great time to visit with old friends and make new ones. So come with family and bring a prospective member if you know someone who's a ham or interested in becoming one.

Audrey Nieman, KF6MVH Membership Chairman

#### **Events**

EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions quarterly (see location and dates below). Info at 510-918-4627 or 510-741-8227.

Media Room (Oakland Fire Dept.) 1605 Martin Luther King Jr. Way (at 16th St.) Oakland, CA 94612

All VE Sessions are held on Sundays at 9am local time on the following dates for 2015:

July 26th October 25th

Bring a government issued photo ID, and either your Social Security Number or FCC Registration Number (FRN). For upgrades, bring your original license and a photocopy of it or a valid CSCE from a prior exam and a photocopy of it. Also bring a pen and pencil and calculator (optional).

California Historical Radio Society hosts
Radio Day by the Bay July 25
Includes the annual auction
2152 Central Avenue Alameda
See www.californiahistoricalradio.com for
more information.

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 100W HF, 6M, 2M = 50W 700M + 10W 1.2GHz w opt UT-20 module . Built-in TMC, DX packet cluster . IF Stage DSP . Backlit front key panel



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- 100W HF + 6M 500 Hz & 2.7 KHz roofing filter · Built-in auto tuner · Best dynamic range is class
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#### TM-V71 A 2W440 Dual Band

. High RF output (50W) . Multiple Scan . Dual receive on same band (VxV, UxU) = EchoEsk\* memory (auto dialer) . Echolink® Sysop mode for node terminal ops

#### TH-F6A 2M/220/440

- · Dual channel receive · .1 1300 MHz (cell blocked) RX + FM, AM, SSB + 5W 2M/220/440 TX, FM • 435 Memories
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#### IC-7600 All Mode Transceiver

• 100W HF/6m Transceiver, gen oov. receiver • Dual DSP 32 bit • Three roofing filters- 3, 6, 15khz • 5.8 in WOVGA TFT display . Hi-res real time spectrum scope



 HF/to/144/420/440 MHz Multi-band, Multi-mode, IF DSP \* D-STAR DV Mode (Digital Voice + Data) \*Intaitive Touch Screen Interface . Built-in RTTY Functions.



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 Analog FW/D-Star DV Mode • SD Card Slot for Voice & Data Storage • 50W Output on WHFUHF Bands • Integrated GPS Receiver • AM Airband Dealwatch \* FM Analog/DV Repeater List Function

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**POSTMASTER:** ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Regular Club Meeting: July 12, 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