

# Contra Costa Communication Club Communicator

July 2021

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## CCCC's Club Mtg

August 8, 2021

Sunday at 10:00 am

On Zoom

A Non-Profit Club Dedicated to Service

## CCCC President

Hello everyone!!!

I hope this finds you safe and well!!! We have been busy planning things for our two clubs to do.

We hope to be able to have our summer club picnic in September and our Christmas party in December. I hope to have some results in our next newsletter.

Howdy, KE6BEE, Dj, KJ6DJ, and Roger, KE6SZG, went up on the hill to do some work. Dj and Roger mounted two shelves, did some cleaning, and organized things. Howdie worked the Mesh network.

Thank you, gentlemen. You have been doing an excellent job for us all!!! We hope to see you at our next Zoom meeting.

**Burgie, KE6MSF,  
CCCC President**

## Membership

It was great to see a few of the members at Mountain Mike's Pizza Night on July 14<sup>th</sup>, in Pinole. Maybe there will be better attendance when the pizza parlor resumes it's "All you can Eat" menu. Those who attended had a great time catching up on each other's lives.

Several members participated in Field Day with Karo-Echo and EBARC clubs. There was good exposure for the public to learn about ham radio.

**Audrey Nieman, W6BBQ**  
**Membership Chairman**

### Treasurer's Report July:

#### Checking Account:

<b>Balance Forward:</b>	\$4859.84
Deposits:	None
<b>Disbursements:</b>	
7/17/21	
Post Office Box Rental	\$162.00
Transfer to Savings	25.00
(To prevent account going dormant)	
<b>New balance:</b>	\$4672.84

#### Savings Account

Balance Forward:	\$606.67
Transfer from Checking	25.00
<b>New Balance:</b>	\$631.67

**Audrey Nieman, W6BBQ**  
**CCCC Treasurer**

## Meeting Minutes July 11, 2021

The Zoom meeting started at 10:05 am by President Burgie, KE6MSF. There were eleven members present. Comment made that more people meet on Zoom than previously at our breakfast meetings.

**Treasurer's Report** - Audrey, W6BBQ, on the previous page of the Communicator.

**Membership** – Audrey reported there are no new members. Also commented since not meeting in person, we have not gotten donations to our repeater fund. Excited about upcoming Pizza Night. EBARC also at their meeting mentioned about our upcoming (we hope), picnic at the Miller/Knox Park in Richmond, will be on September 12<sup>th</sup>. At this point only in groups of twenty-five can we gather at a time. Hopefully that will change by then.

**Net Controls** – Alvin KK6UQX mentioned they are doing well and would always welcome more check-ins.

**Minutes** – Jan AC5RB reported the June minutes are also in this July 11<sup>th</sup> Communicator, on the following page. I (Jan) gave the highlights of what had occurred at that meeting.

**Pizza Night** – Five to eight planning for Wednesday, at Mountain Mike's on Fitzgerald Dr in Pinole. No "All You Can Eat", must wear masks, but not while dining.

**Proposed** – Change standing rules, membership in attendance can vote, and just a simple majority to win. Anything concerning CCCC or repeater, must have approval by the CCCC Board. Motion Passed.

**Old Business** – Further discussion about the Zoom meetings for our club business. Remarks about more attendance, locating a better venue, and changing our meeting to a later time of day. Comments from the membership is encouraged. Stay the course for now and see what the membership decides.

**Tech Report** – Roger KE6SZG reported several times that different groups have been up to check wires, clean up, build shelves, mount equipment on walls. Basic upgrades by upgrading the appearance. Howdie KE6BEE mentioned a work in progress with a Mesh network system. DJ KJ6DJ ordered more racks to get the 220 off the floor and onto the new rack. Mathison KJ6DZB mentioned the SF Emergency Grant and will inform us in the future about how to apply. Meeting adjourned at 10:49 am.

Respectively Submitted,

**Jan Kuhl AC5RB**  
**CCCC Secretary**

## **Meeting Minutes June 13<sup>th</sup>**

The Zoom meeting was brought to order at 10:05 am by President Burgie, KE6MSF, there were thirteen members present. Minutes for April were approved as posted.

**Announcements** - Burgie mentioned about Mountain Mike's Pizza, where we used to go to on Wednesday nights, at this point is not available for up to forty-eight people, but twenty people could be arranged. No longer, all you can eat, but same selections. They are willing to take any date we select, between five to seven pm, on a Wednesday. Audrey suggested July 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Club Picnic** - Still up in the air about our September picnic, perhaps on Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup>. Meanwhile, put it on your calendar. Roger, KE6SZG, suggested that information be included in the Communicator.

**Tech Report** – Roger, Dj, KJ6DJ, and Howdie, KE6BEE, went up to the WA6KQB repeater site, and changed out the solar controls. Next job will be weed control and shed clean-up. They need at least five people to volunteer, decide on the time, and check what needs to be done. A lot of wires in the shack needs to be removed from the job Alan and Doug disconnected and left in the shed. We need to get the cavities off the floor, rewire, build a work-test bench, and generally upgrade to a professional level. Rotate the solar box around for easier access. Paint or replace floor, support beams, and check out what could be replaced or repaired on the joists. Not too big or expensive, original bid of \$3000, could be done for a lot less, and try to keep them as small projects. No need for outsiders to raise any flags or activities there. Need to contact Roger for access to the repeater site. All work to be done, must be submitted to the Board. Roger, Burgie, or Dj, must accompany anyone doing work at the repeater. Plan for when and how long before any work is to be done.

**Finance** – Audrey's finance report is in this Communicator.

**Net Controls** – Dj mentioned that we need more participation on all nets.

**Board Memo** – Changes to our standing rules to be voted on at our July 11<sup>th</sup> Zoom meeting.

**Field Day** – David, KJ6AAT, mentioned that EBARC is joining up with EMCOMM at Canyon Trail Park, in El Cerrito, and CCCC is welcome. They are planning for tables and supplies, and it will be located at the El Cerrito BART station.

Meeting adjourned at 10:38 am.

Respectively submitted

**Jan Kuhl AC5RB,  
CCCC Secretary**

**CCCC Editor**

**Hello CCCC,**

Our Pizza Night on Wednesday, at Mountain Mike's, was a lot of fun, successful, and Roger, KE6SZG, was right, it was much needed. There were ten of us, and almost the same number of conversations going on at the same time. Looking forward to our August Pizza Night. Thank you, Mike, K6CUG, for sharing your garden with everyone.

Hopefully, we can begin our club meetings in person too.

We're still down to one to two check-ins for each day of the Morning Commuter Net, but it's expected due to the usual summertime fare, when most people have their vacations. Same reasons and results for the three nets on Saturdays.

Jan, AC5RB, and her daily "Question of the Day", is a still a big favorite. Dj, KJ6DJ, is the one to follow on the answers with his wealth of knowledge.

Please take time to check out pics Roger took at the repeater shack below, looks nice and organized, thank you for your efforts, and thanks to Howdy, KE6BEE, and Dj, KJ6DJ, for working with and volunteering with Roger.

Our second Sunday, club meeting is on August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. If you wish to be included, please email Audrey Nieman, W6BBQ, at [Audrey.nieman@gmail.com](mailto:Audrey.nieman@gmail.com), so she could email all members the Zoom meeting to you. Thank you and have a pleasant tomorrow!

Please pay attention to your surroundings, take your time, and at the same time enjoy everything you are experiencing.

Please stay safe and 73's.

**Alvin, KK6UQX,  
CCCC Editor**

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**Contra Costa Communication Club Inc – Daily and Weekly Nets**

<b>Days</b>	<b>Net Controller</b>		<b>Repeater/net Name/Time</b>
Monday	Audrey	W6BBQ	145.110 MHz – Over the Hill Net
Tuesday	Jan	AC5RB	
Wednesday	Roger	KE6SZG	7:10 am
Thursday	Gary	KG6RGA	
Friday	Alvin	KK6UQX	
Weekly - Tuesday By Arrangement	Dj Confirmation by Dj	KJ6DJ	444.275 MHz – Digital Net – 7:30 pm FI-Digi Net By Arrangement
Weekly - Tuesday	Net Control Rotates		224.300 MHz – Open Net – 7:30 pm
Weekly - Thursday	Members Rotates		145.110 MHz – West Contra Costa County Emcomm Net – 6:45 pm
Weekly – Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> week: Audrey W6BBQ		145.110 MHz – Club Net
	2 <sup>nd</sup> week: Audrey W6BBQ		7:30 pm
	3 <sup>rd</sup> week: Jan AC5RB		
	4 <sup>th</sup> week: Jeff KJ6RHF		
	5 <sup>th</sup> week: Dj KJ6DJ		
Saturday	Alvin	KK6UQX	0900 - 145.110 MHz Bay Shores Emcomm Net 0915 - 224.300 MHz 220 Net 0930 – 444.275 MHz 440 Open Net

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Roger, KJ6SZG, WA6KQB Repeater Pics









