



President's Blog

Hello all.

I hope you have enjoyed this rain. I know I have. This past week Fred, W6BBQ, Robby, N6MNL, and I worked on the new controller. We just need to do some 'ne tuning, and it will be up and running.

I've been out of commission for a little bit, but I'll be back as good as new soon.

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone.

I hope you have an enjoyable one.

Roger Nelums
President CCCC

Sunshine Committee



Hello Everyone!

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you! We were sad to hear that Lorene's father, Gary Savelli KG6RJA's, father-in-law has passed. Our prayers and our thoughts have been with you both.

We hope everyone stays healthy and can remain in good health.

Sincerely Burgie, KE6MSF

Groundhog Day



Six More Weeks of Winter

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2017 CONTRA COSTA COMMUNICATIONS CLUB, INC. DAILY AND WEEKLY NETS

DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME/TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	FRED W6BBQ JAN AC5RB BOB W6WTJ GARY KG6RJA DJ K6DJ	145.110 OVER-THE-HILL 7:10 AM
WEEKLY: MONDAY	DJ KJ6DJ	444.275 DIGITAL NET 7:00 P.M.
WEEKLY: TUESDAY	ROTATES	224.300 OPEN NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	MEMBERS ROTATE	145.110 WEST CONTRA COSTA CTY ECOMM 6:45 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	ROBBY N6MNL FRED W6BBQ JAN AC5RB JEFF KJ6RHF WE HAVE AN OPENING FOR THIS	145.110 CLUB NET 7:30 PM

Club Officers For 2017

President: Roger Nelums, KE6SZG (2018) 1 510-964-1476
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 Director: Robby Robinson N6MNL (2018) 2 510-222-4990
 Director: Mike Nicholson K6CUG (2017) 2 510-245-7012
 Director: DJ Djovida, KJ6DJ (2018) 1 510-237-4342

Trustee: Fred Nieman W6BBQ (2021) 510-223-1748

ECOMM Contra Costa County
 Mike McMillan K6MCM 510-223-3052

Repeater Controllers

Call to report any problems or concerns

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 Fred W6BBQ 510-223-1748
 Bob AB4AL 510-374-9597
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 Fred Nieman, W6BBQ 510-223-1748
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 Burgie Jones KE6MSF 510-964-1476
 Newsletter:
 Victoria Thompson KE6FSU 510-326-2361

General Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2017

This meeting was called to order by President Roger Nelums KE6SZG at 8:00 A.M.

There were 9 members present. There were no self-introductions.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance in Checking Account: \$6149.34

Balance in Savings: \$579.43

Membership Report:

Currently there are 16 paid members, 16 life members. There are still 37 not paid.

President Roger welcomed the two new Board Members, Wing Loc KJ6YDE as the new Vice President and Jan Kuhl AC5RB as the new Secretary. He also thanked the outgoing Board Members, Burgie Jones KE6MSF and Don Hamma KE6ZFP for their service. Roger also said his goal for this year was to have a work party at our repeater station to build stairs for easier access.

Old Business: none

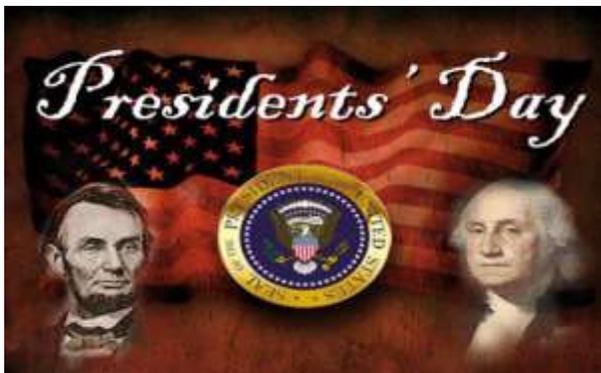
New Business:

Motion was made by Fred Nieman W6BBQ and seconded by DJ Djovida KJ6DJ

"To purchase a new CPU, new PC boards for our repeater, cost roughly \$325.00".

In discussion it has been approved and recommended by the board, and Alan Alsing KJ6HS can Solder and install. Motion carried, Unanimous

There was also discussion about Echo link. It would expand our distance. President Roger said he is working on getting information, currently the system is down. This system to be tied to our 440 and/or 220 repeaters. We want to keep our 2 meter frequency



available. DJ and Roger will work together on that.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20

There was no Board meeting.

Jan Kuhl AC5RB won the free breakfast.

The progressive ticket was won by Chris Wimmer AB6JG who was not present. The next month's total will be \$20.00

Respectfully submitted, Jan Kuhl , Secretary

March 4th, 2017

Benicia Amateur Radio Club

We invite all persons interested in obtaining a Ham license - or Techs wishing to upgrade - to enroll in this One-Day class. We have over 30 Facilitators and Accredited VE's to help deliver this successful class.

One-Day Ham Radio Class

When: March 4, 2017, 7:30AM-5:00 PM

Where: Benicia Senior Center,

187 East "L" Street

Benicia, CA 94510

Cost: \$30. Includes all study material, venue, day-long refreshments, handouts, freebies and the federally required exam fee. All instructors, facilitators and VE's are volunteers.

Access: Our facility has full handicap access.

Info/Signup: Online at www.BeniciaARC.com.

Class size is limited, register promptly.

Questions: hamradioclass@beniciaarc.com

or

Ham Class Registrar, Art Mayoff, (925) 212-9953

Amateur Radio Test Sessions

EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsored ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions
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 9 am local time

Dates for 2017

April 23

July 23

October 29

Silent Key



**Robert "Bob" Hughes N6SPY
May 27, 1947 - Jan 26, 2017**

Bob was a 4C's Life Member

Robert Charles Hughes, lifelong resident of El Cerrito, quietly passed away Thursday, January 26, 2017 at the age of 69.

Bob was a member of El Cerrito High Class of 1965 and a US Navy Veteran. He served as Deputy Clerk of the Court at Superior Court of Alameda County for many years, finally retiring in 2013. He was enthusiastic about history, genealogy and Ham radio, was a member of the El Cerrito Historical Society, and worked tirelessly as a volunteer for Find-A-Grave, searching for and taking thousands of pictures of headstones and helping many people locate the burial sites of loved ones. His gravelly voice and presence will be missed by the staff of Sunset View Cemetery. He was preceded in death by his beloved parents Robert J. and Mildred Hughes. He is survived by his devoted son Michael Sanders and daughter-in-law Debra Castro. He will be fondly remembered by the waitresses and waiters who knew his face and order by heart at his favorite places; the counter ladies at See's Candies; neighbors and friends. At his request, no services will be held and he will be privately put to rest with his parents at Rolling Hills Memorial Park.

HRO AD

This month's HRO ad is 4 pages long and is not transferring to WORD then into the Publisher document for the newsletter easily this month. I am attaching the PDF file to the E-mail instead.

I have also added a link to the newsletter page on the club website NEWS page where the newsletters are. This link will open the latest HRO ad supplied to the club for the newsletter.

What is in your Emergency Kit?

You need to have supplies on hand 3 days

Water -1 gallon of water per person per day

Foods (that require no refrigeration, cooking and little water)

Ready-to-eat canned meats,
fruits and vegetables

Protein or fruit bars

Dry cereal or granola

Peanut butter

Dried fruit, nuts

Crackers

Canned juices

Non-perishable pasteurized milk

Battery-powered or hand-crank can opener

Radio, battery-powered or hand crank radio

Extra batteries

Flashlight and extra batteries

First aid kit

Prescription medications you take every day such as insulin, heart medicine and asthma inhalers.

You should periodically rotate medicines to account for expiration dates.

Prescribed medical supplies such as

glucose and blood pressure monitoring equipment and supplies

OTC medications: aspirin, non-aspirin pain reliever, laxative, anti-diarrheal, antacid

Petroleum jelly

Scissors, tweezers

Whistle to signal for help

Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place

Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation

Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities



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POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Regular Club Meeting: February 12, 2017
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