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Communications
Club, Inc.**

Repeater ID: WA6KQB
Repeaters: 145.110 MHz (-), PL 82.5
224.300 MHz (-), PL 82.5
444.275 MHz (+), PL 82.5
Simplex: 146.505 MHz
Packet "Node" CC4CC 145.05 "Mail Box" WA6KQB-1
Web Page: <http://www.wa6kqb.org/>
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POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Next Regular Club Meeting: February 10, 2019
Denny's – Corner of San Pablo Ave. and Potrero Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530
Breakfast at 7:15 a.m. | Club meeting at 8 a.m.



The Communicator

February 2019

Contra Costa
Communications Club, Inc.
An ARRL-affiliated Repeater
Group Dedicated to Service



From the Editor

Michael, K6CUG, your immediate past Newsletter Editor, left me big shoes to fill. Thank you Michael for his hard work to produce *The Communicator*, the CCCC Newsletter.

Continuing the momentum, I am looking into creating a new column, "Member Highlight," It will feature a Club member's journey into amateur radio, his/her interests beyond the airwaves. Contact me if you are interested to be one of the first!

Inspired by Michael's suggested New Year's resolutions, I have been expanding my horizons:

- Participating on the Saturday Bay Nets (Thank you, DJ!)
- Volunteering with the Caltrans Auxiliary Radio System (CARS) – volunteers who practice amateur radio as backup at Caltrans District Offices
- Transmitting on HF for the first time on the weekly CARS and CalOES nets
- Learning to setup Winlink/RMS Express
- Learning and practicing how best to set up HF antennas

While I may not be able to check in on all the nets
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due to time and physical limits, ham radio is never far from me.

As February is a month of love, join me to discover/re-discover our love of amateur radio!

♥ 73, Wing, KJ6YDE

♥ President's Corner ♥

January went by like a flash for me. The Saturday Bay Shore and 4C CERT EmComm Nets are showing promise. Thanks to all who participate.

Audrey, W6BBQ; Alvin, KK6UQX and Gary, KG6RJA are on their way to becoming Generals. Yell if you need help.

Rain keeps me away from the repeater site because I am not supposed to play in mud. We need to make frequent trips to keep the foliage under control.

Wing will handle the meeting while I create some new scars. I will try to maintain an appearance on the nets whilst I am incapacitated.

I'll be listening for you.

73, dj, KJ6dj



2019 Membership Renewal

Thanks to members who have paid their 2019 CCCC dues!



Don't be left out - The new roster must be completed and emailed to you by March 1st!

Regular members: \$30.00

Retired members: \$20.00

Each additional family member living in the same household: \$20.00

Please update your information – changes of address, phone, email, or license class.

Forms can be found on the Club Website's Membership tab at <http://www.wa6kqb.org/>

Please send payments and updates to:

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2019 Contra Costa Communications Club, Inc. – Daily and Weekly Nets		
Days	Net Controller	Repeater/Net Name//Time
Monday	CAROL KK6OLL	145.110 MHz ※ Over-The-Hill Net 7:10 a.m.
Tuesday	JAN AC5RB	
Wednesday	GARY KG6RJA	
Thursday	BOB W6WTJ	
Friday	ALVIN KK6UQX	
Weekly – Monday By Arrangement	DJ KJ6DJ Contact DJ for confirmation	444.275 MHz ※ Digital Net – 7 p.m. Fldigi Net by Arrangement
Weekly – Tuesday	Net Control Rotates	224.300 MHz ※ Open Net – 7:30 p.m.
Weekly – Thursday	Members Rotate	145.110 MHz ※ West Contra Costa County EmComm Net – 6:45 p.m.
Weekly - Thursday	First week: ROBBY N6MNL Second week: AUDREY W6BBQ Third Week: JAN AC5RB Fourth week: JEFF KJ6RHF Fifth week: DJ KJ6DJ	145.110 MHz ※ Club Net 7:30 p.m.
Saturday	DJ KJ6DJ	145.110 MHz ※ Bay Shores Net – 9 a.m.
Saturday	DJ KJ6DJ	444.275 MHz ※ CERT EmComm Net 10 a.m.

4C's Website: <http://wa6kqb.org/>

Club Officers For 2019

- President:** DJ Djovida, **KJ6DJ** (2019)
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- Trustee:** Roger Nelums, **KE6SZG**
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OGERs Lunch

First Wednesday of every month
11 a.m.
Sukie's Country Kitchen
2400 El Portal Dr., San Pablo



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General Meeting Minutes

CCCC January 2019

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by President **DJ, KJ6DJ**. There were 14 present. Self-introductions around.



DJ announced that **Michael, K6CUG** will no longer be doing *The Communicator* and that **Wing, KJ6YDE** would be taking over.



The minutes of the December meeting were approved by motion from **Audrey, W6BBQ** and seconded by **Gary, KG6RJA**.



Treasurers Report – **Audrey, W6BBQ** reported balance forward in checking is \$3,144.62 and in savings \$606.51.

Membership Report – **Audrey** announced we have two new members, **Judith Lewis and JR Rudolph**. So far there have been 19 paid members and there will be more dues collected today. The surveys are coming in and will be gone over later.



Net Controls – Present were **DJ, KJ6DJ; Jan, AC5RB; Bob, W6WTJ; Gary, KG6RJA and Alvin, KK6UQX**. We need more check ins and maybe change some format. Be sure to allow time for break ins for others to check in. People are doubling, it is frustrating for some to be able to check in. Will check out comments from survey. DJ announced he is running an EmComm net for the 9 counties around the SF Bay area within radio reach. It is on Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. on our 2-meter repeater. Hoping to add more check ins as it progresses. Good to check out what areas to connect. Also to check how far can connect with our 440 MHz repeater.



Repeater Report – **Jay, KJ6WSS** mentioned about more battery power in the future. A Video presentation can be put together showing all the work that has been done. Fund raisers were suggested down the road. Estimated costs and future needs would be presented. Jan said we have

the 220 MHz repeater cavities, just need to wait for good time road wise.



Goals – long range, to upgrade and improve service range, get EchoLink going and more people involved.



Membership Report

Please send in your dues and surveys as soon as possible if you have not already done so. Thank you to the 29 members who have sent these in. Results of the survey will be shared when they have all been received and studied by the board. Your comments are very important to help the board make plans for the year.

Please check in to the nets to support those who have volunteered to act as net controllers!

Thanks to all who are participating.

Audrey Nieman, W6BBQ
Membership Chairman

Old Business – need to get location early for our Christmas party, please let **Burgie, KE6MSF** know of any ideas.

Repeater Fund – \$30. Raffle won by **Gwin Scott, KE6WPP** not present. Next time \$20.

Breakfast was won by Jan.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Kuhl, AC5RB, Secretary



Treasurer's Report

January 2019

Checking Account:

Balance Forward 12/31/2018.....\$2,921.70

Receipts:

1/10/2019: Dues\$260.00
1/1/2019: Reverse previous adjustment\$162.17

Disbursements:

12/7/2018: CK 1595:
Burgie Jones Christmas party\$171.15
1/8/2019: CK 1597: A. Nieman postage for survey
.....\$28.20

Checking Account Balance Forward 1/13/2019

.....\$3,144.62

Savings Account Balance Forward 1/13/2019

.....\$606.51

Audrey Nieman, W6BBQ, Treasurer

Sunshine Committee

The Sunshine Committee wishes you much love, the best health and happiness in February!



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