



Repeater ID: WA6KQB

Frequencies 145.110, 224.300, 444.275 PL 82.5

WA6KQB - Home Page: <http://www.wa6kqb.org>



Coming Soon -- 4Cs Pizza Night Wednesday, May 14th

Audrey W6BBQ has reserved space at Mountain Mike's in Pinole, for our 4Cs Pizza Night. We'll gather there on Wednesday evening, May 14th, from 5-7pm.



Please let Jan AC5RB know, on the air or via text, if you're coming, just so we can give the restaurant an approximate count.

Back on the air

Our 2 meter and 440 repeaters suffered a brief outage in late March due to a slow-moving water incursion from earlier storms. Kudos to Howdy KE6BEE and Mathison KJ6DZB for solving the mystery and getting us up and running again in short order, and props to Alex KN6OUJ for smoothly handling a “suddenly simplex” Thursday night EmComm net.



Photo by Mathison KJ6DZB

Radio Active in the field

From Karen KK6ZPM, we get this cameo of John KO6FCY at the Richmond Target parking lot on April 12, operating a ham station during the Karo-Echo Simulated Emergency Test (SET). John worked with Jay KJ6WSS during the SET and found it to be a lot of fun and a good learning experience.



The Games We Play

Are you a news junkie? Try the Washington Post news quiz, [On the Record](#). It's a daily news quiz that challenges players to identify notable quotes from top stories.

Looking for something to take your mind *off* the news? Here's a soothing game that you can play on your phone or iPad: It's called [I Love Hue](#), and it's a game of arranging different color tiles into a smooth spectrum. The app is available in the App Store and in Google Play.

License exams

Mathison KJ6DZB alerts us to the upcoming radio license exam dates taking place in Berkeley and El Cerrito:



AMATEUR RADIO

LICENSE EXAMS





ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED

UC BERKELEY EXAMS - 5:00 PM

Monday, April 28, 2025

Monday, May 26, 2025

Monday, June 23, 2025

Monday, July 28, 2025

EL CERRITO EXAMS - 9:00 AM

Saturday, August 9, 2025

Saturday, September 6, 2025

Saturday, November 29, 2025



TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Albert - Email: goto@eecs.berkeley.edu

CCCC Zoom Meeting Minutes April 13, 2025

The Zoom meeting was brought to order by President Alvin Todd KK6UQX at 10:03 AM. Present were Vice President DJ Djovida KJ6DJ, Treasurer Audrey Nieman W6BBQ, Membership Chair Wing Lok K6YDE, Secretary Jan Kuhl AC5RB, Technical Committee Chair Howdy Goudey KE6BEE, Xia Horowitz K2XIA, Orrine Pryor N6OAP, John Evans KO6FCY, Don Simon NI6A, Michael Nicholson K6CUG, Jay Fenton KJ6WSS, and Karen Leong Fenton KK6ZPM.

Alvin led a round of introductions for all.

TREASURER REPORT: The most recent Treasurer Report was in the March Communicator. Audrey noted that the expenses of insurance and taxes have been paid.

MEMBERSHIP: Wing will follow up on the names from the updated membership list. So far there are 51 members, 6 remain unpaid.

TECHNICAL: Howdy noted there was a time we were offline, and he will take steps to prevent in future. There was a water leak slowly causing issues. There will be some roof repairs coming soon. As a reminder, the 440 repeater is continuously connected to EchoLink. In addition, the 2 meter and 440 repeaters are linked to each other during the weekday morning and Thursday evening nets.

MINUTES: Jan asked for the minutes from the Communicator be approved. **MOTION PASSED**

TRIVIA: Jan reported that 31 questions had been asked, and there were 27 different participants. There were 10 questions that everyone answered correctly. She was unable to stump everyone on any of the questions. She thanked everyone for their participation.

NET CONTROLS: No comments.

MAY PIZZA PARTY: Audrey has arranged for us to meet at Mountain Mike's in Pinole by Lucky's from 5-7 on the second Wednesday, May 14. Jan offered to keep a tally of those wishing to attend. Please let Jan know during nets, or text or email her. We need to give Mountain Mike's a general tally of participants. We will have a special room that will hold at least 30 people.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Xia said the deadline for articles for the Communicator is April 20. She said John will be covering for her on the nets she will be missing. Jeff said there is a sign up for a ham cram for CERT members in Richmond and San Pablo in

June. Please contact him or Wing for more details. The Tuesday evening tech net is still on hold.

Meeting adjourned 10:27am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Kuhl, Secretary

Treasurer's Report:

April 15, 2025

Audrey Nieman, Treasurer W6BBQ

Checking Account

Balance Forward:	\$ 7004.19
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<u>Income:</u>	\$ 0.00
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Disbursements:

Risk Strategies Equip Ins	\$ 200.00
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Total Disbursements	\$ 200.00
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Checking Account Balance	\$ 6804.19
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Savings Account

Balance Forward	\$ 2632.70
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Interest 2/28/2025	\$ 0.02
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Savings Account Balance	\$ 2632.72
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Total funds	\$ 9436.91
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Contra Costa Communication Club Inc -- Net Schedule

*Indicates EchoLink connection active on both 144.110 and 444.275 MHz

Day	Time		Net Controller		Net Name/Repeater
Monday Morning*	7:10am		Jan	AC5RB	Over the Hill Net 144.110/444.275 MHz
Tuesday Morning*	7:10am		Audrey	W6BBQ	Over the Hill Net 144.110/444.275 MHz
Tuesday Evening	7:30pm		dj	KJ6DJ	220 Net 224.300 MHz
Wednesday Morning*	7:10am		Howdy	KE6BEE	Over the Hill Net 144.110/444.275 MHz
Thursday Morning*	7:10am		Xia	K2XIA	Over the Hill Net 144.110/444.275 MHz
Thursday Evening*	7:30pm	Wk 1	Audrey	W6BBQ	Club Net
		Wk 2	Audrey	W6BBQ	144.110/444.275 MHz
		Wk 3	Jan	AC5RB	
		Wk 4	Xia	K2XIA	
		Wk 5	dj	KJ6DJ	
Friday Morning*	7:10am		Alvin	KK6UQX	Over the Hill Net 144.110/444.275 MHz
Saturday morning	9:00am		Alvin	KK6UQX	Bay Shores EmComm 145.110 MHz
	9:15am		Alvin	KK6UQX	EmComm 440 Net 444.275 MHz
	9:30am		Alvin	KK6UQX	EmComm 220 Net 224.300 MHz
	9:40am		dj	KJ6DJ	FL Digi Training Net 444.275 MHz

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Yosemite's Mirror Lake on a beautiful April day

