



Repeater ID: WA6KQB

Frequencies 145.110, 224.300, 444.275 PL 82.5

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(*Editor's note: No, you didn't miss the September issue. Due to unavoidable circumstances, *The Communicator* was not issued in September 2024.)

Great Day – The September Picnic

The Contra Costa Communication Club's Annual Picnic was held on September 8th at Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline. The event took the place of our usual second Sunday Zoom meeting. Members of the EBARC and Karo Echo radio clubs were also included in this potluck.

Jan, AC5RB, reports:

There were about 40 people in attendance. Contra Costa Communications Club President Wing K6YDE went down early and secured the spot and set up tent covers

and table covers to hold the area for our group. We had a good variety of foods, and Mathison KJ6DZB was our volunteer grillmeister. Taking reservations for the number in the party and what each guest was bringing helped us get a variety of foods.

DJ KJ6DJ brought more tent covers, and Audrey W6BBQ brought paper supplies from EBARC.

In addition to taking the reservations, Jan AC5RB ran a 50/50 raffle to benefit the club Repeater Fund. The raffle winner was Mike Camp KI6FQ. Mike kindly donated the winnings back to the club, so our repeater fund now has an additional \$190.00. Thank you, Mike!

It was great to have members from CCCC, EBARC, and Karo Echo there to enjoy the day and share good fellowship.





Picnic photos courtesy of Wing K6YDE

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CCCC ZOOM MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 13, 2024

Jan Kuhl, AC5RB, Secretary

The monthly Zoom meeting was brought to order by President Wing Lok K6YDE at 10:05 AM. Present on Zoom were Howdy Goudy KE6BEE, Treasurer Audrey Nieman W6BBQ, Secretary Jan Kuhl AC5RB, and members Chad Word KI6QNU, Carol Lucic KK6OLL, Xia Horowitz K2XIA, Michael Nicholson K6CUG.

Wing welcomed everyone and said he would be sending pictures of our picnic for the Communicator. Xia as editor said she would love any input about the picnic from attendees.

MINUTES: Audrey moved, and Xia seconded, that we approve the minutes from August 11, 2024 meeting as posted in Communicator. MOTION CARRIED

TREASURER REPORT: Audrey gave her report and it will be printed in the Communicator.

MEMBERSHIP: Audrey said we have one new member, John Evans KO6FCY. A new membership update will be sent out. He has become very active on our nets. Welcome.

OLD BUSINESS: Karen KK6ZPM had asked about a current equipment audit about our equipment at our repeater site. Audrey has a current inventory and asked the Tech Committee Chairman Howdy KE6BEE to check for an update. This will be also for insurance purposes.

TRIVIA: Jan asks a trivia question at each net. Since we had no meeting to report in September, the tally of questions was 58 questions asked, with 24 different participants. There were 17 questions that everyone answered correctly and she was only able to stump everyone on 2 questions. Jan thanked everyone for their participation. She mentioned that she started asking the questions in honor of Martha Seymour KI6KOV-SK who regularly did them. Her husband Bob KI6KOU-SK always gave the earthquake reports, too. They are missed.

NET CONTROL REPORTS: Audrey said she has not been able to do nets regularly and thanks those who have filled in for her. There have been 7-12 participants on her Mondays. Xia took last week and it was a short net, just 4-5 people. Last night we welcomed Alvin Todd KK6UQX back on the net. Nice to hear his voice. Xia said she has had about 5-9 on her Thursday nets. Jan said about the same but wanted to say that we welcome the people that have been using Echo Link to participate. Would love to get Carol on again too. Michael said since baseball season is over, he would try also.

TECH REPORT: Howdy said there was an unexpected glitch on Saturday on the 220 repeater and he went up the hill and got it back on track. Most everything on the work plan has been taken care of. If anyone sees that something is not right, please let him know. He will check the inventory as requested. There was a question about how often repeaters announce their ID, as we have combined 440 and Echo link 24/7 and included 2 meter during nets sometimes they all ID at same time. Howdy is looking into solving that situation.

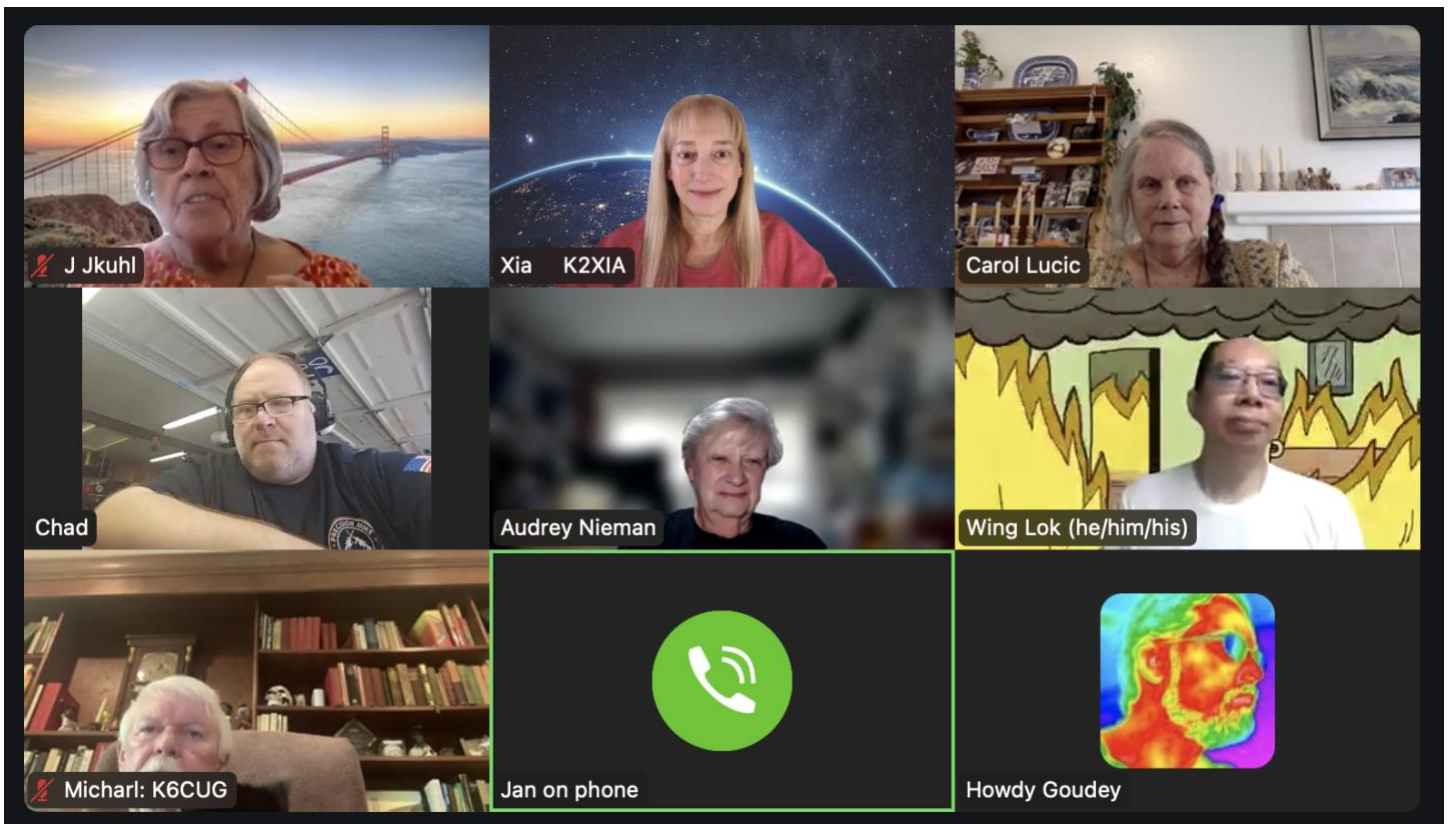
NEW BUSINESS: Holiday party time is fast approaching! We discussed setting up a time first or second weekend of December at Las Casitas Mobile Home Park, 3000 Broadway American Canyon. (NOTE: December 8, 2024 1-4 pm). We will also invite members from EBARC and from KARO ECHO to attend. It will be potluck. Jan will take reservations by text or by email. Name, how many in group, and what potluck item you plan to bring. Xia volunteered to do the gift shopping for the attendees. The cost will be \$5.00 a person, to go towards expenses, and the club will pick up the rest.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE: The time is **now** for nominations for Board Members. **Wing** and **Xia** will be taking nominations. Please contact one of them if you are interested or know someone who is (with their permission). Nominees will be voted on, and after elections, the board will then select the officers. The nominations are to be submitted by November 8 and voted on at November 10 meeting. Net controllers will also be mentioning this. The officers will be announced at our Holiday Party.

220 NET: Wing said he would like to see more people active on this Net. He is checking into a handheld model TH900 that he might be able to obtain at a discounted quantity price. There are several similar models that have different letters in front, just depending on the distributor.

Reminder: Keep aware, and check your emergency supplies on hand in case of disaster.

Meeting adjourned 11:02



Treasurer's Report:

October 22, 2024

Audrey Nieman, Treasurer W6BBQ

Checking Account

Balance Forward:	\$ 6025.67
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Income:

Dues	\$15.00	
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Donation	\$100.00	\$ 115.00
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<u>Disbursements:</u>	\$ 0.00
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<u>Checking Account Balance:</u>	\$ 6140.67
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Savings Account

Balance Forward:	\$ 2632.64
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No Change

<u>Total funds:</u>	\$ 8773.31
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Membership Report:

Please welcome John Evans, KO6FCY, as a new member with a General class license!

Thank you Craig Hauger KI6EMD and Maria Hauger KI6ENT for your generous donation of \$100.00 in honor of Randy Jenkins.

Contra Costa Communication Club Inc -- Net Schedule

*indicates EchoLink connection active

Day	Time		Net Controller		Net Name/Repeater
Monday Morning*	7:10am		Audrey	W6BBQ	Over the Hill Net 144.110/444.275 MHz
Tuesday Morning*	7:10am		Jan	AC5RB	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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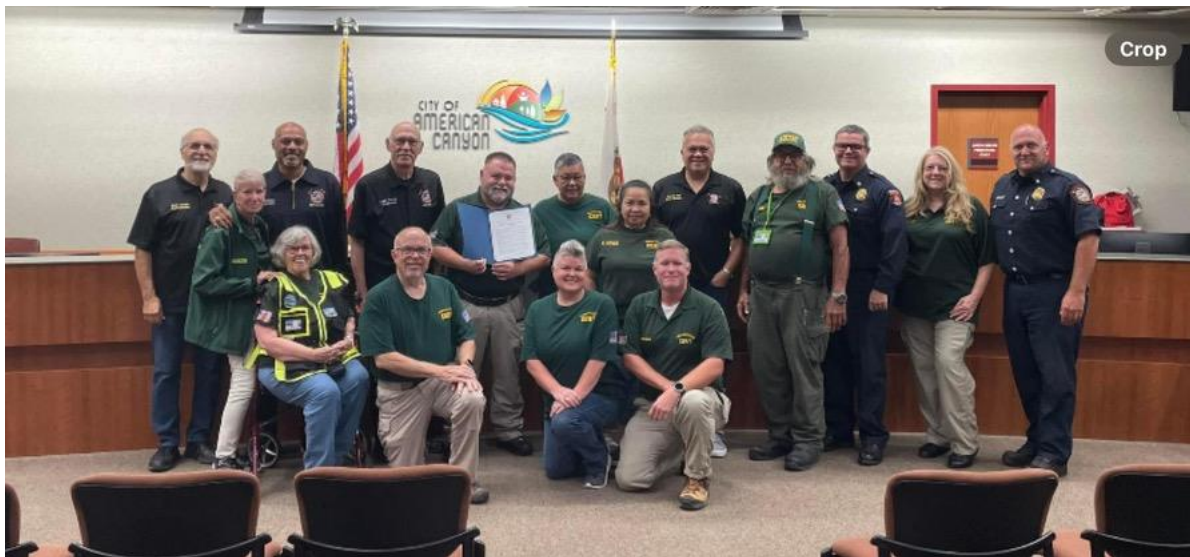
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Pictured below is our Club Secretary, Jan AC5RB, with the American Canyon Community Emergency Response Team (ACCERT):



Happy Halloween, from assistant editors Scoop and Pepper!

