



## *Sunshine Committee*



*Hello All*

*I hope this finds you all well,  
warm and safe. If you know  
of any one that needs some  
special sunshine please let  
me know.*

*Burgie, KE6MSF*

Here comes summer  
Chirping Robins, budding roses  
Gentle showers, summer clothes

Kids out of school

**PLEASE**

**DRIVE SAFELY!**

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### FAGES II BSA HIKE

Thanks to the EBARC and 4C's members that participated, and the ham scouts that stepped forward to help us fill in holes in coverage.

Thank you for the use of the 145.110 repeater.

The following amateurs were involved in the communications effort:

Jack Burris K6JEB  
Pam Coville KI6KOZ  
Roy Adam N6FUN  
John Wood N6JDW  
Vince Venem KJ6LVW  
Khelmer Manalo KJ6QID  
William Wells WB6NLL  
Ken Fowler KO6NO  
Rita Brenden KG6WPN  
Randy Jenkins KA6BQF

Best regards, Randy, KA6BQF  
And from the Scouts —

On behalf of the Order of the Arrow of the Boy Scouts of America, thank you so very much for your wonderful radio monitoring coverage on 6/2/2012. This was the 30th staging and the 20th anniversary of the Fages II 20-mile hike. And you fine folks have been supporting us on every staging since June 1994, with the exception of October 2001 (re: post-9/11/2001 activities). Of the 132 hikers started this time, 130 com-

2012 CONTRA COSTA COMMUNICATIONS CLUB, INC.

DAILY AND WEEKLY NETS

DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME/TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	MICHAEL K6CUG BOB AB4AL BOB W6WTJ GARY KG6RJA ALTERNATE: BARBARA KD6OKJ STAN-KB6SEI	145.110 OVER-THE-HILL 7:10 AM
WEEKLY - TUESDAY QRM	BARBARA KD6OKJ BOB AB4AL ROBBY N6MNL MICHAEL K6CUG	224.300 CLUB 220 NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	MEMBERS ROTATE	145.110 WEST CONTRA COSTA CTY RACES 6:45 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	ROBBY N6MNL ANDREW KM6VT FRED W6BBQ BOB AB4AL BARBARA KD6OKJ	145.110 CLUB NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	OPEN NET	145.110 TECHNICAL NET 8:00 PM
WEEKLY - SATURDAY & SUNDAY		145.110 ARRL TRAFFIC NET 7:30 PM

**Club Officers For 2012**

President: Roger Nelums, KE6SZG (2014)  
 V. Pres: Don Hamma KE6ZFP (2013)  
 Secretary: Burgie Jones KE6MSF (2013)  
 Treasurer: V. Thompson KE6FSU (2012)  
 Trustee: Robby Robinson, N6MNL (2014)  
 Director: Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ (2012)  
 Director: Michael Nicholson, K6CUG (2014)  
 Director: Robert Seymour, KI6KOU (2013)

*Planning Section Chief RACES* Contra Costa County -  
 Mike McMillan K6MCM

*Repeater Controller's*

Call to report any problems or concerns  
 Robby.....N6MNL.....  
 Ed.....KA6OFR.....  
 Red.....N6UMG.....  
 Ken.....KA6TUX.....  
 Fred ...W6BBQ.....  
 Bob..... AB4AL.....

Committee Chairperson

Membership:

Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ

Technical Committee:

( Chair) Robert Gregory AB4AL  
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 Howard Burk KE6PTT  
 Fred Neiman, W6BBQ  
 Alex Alsing, KJ6JIS

Packet:

Robby Robinson N6MNL

NARCC:

Robby Robinson N6MNL

Picnic:

Fred Neiman, W6BBQ

Christmas:

Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ

Newsletter:

Victoria Thompson KE6FSU

pleted the hike (a 98.5 % completion rate). And whether it be in hiking conditions of blue sky, fog, high winds, heavy rain, or extreme heat .... our overall 20-year-stats are now 2,054 hikes completed out of 2,239 hikers started (a 91.7 % completion rate).

A 20-mile day hike with an elevation change of some 1,400 feet is no easy task under any conditions. And quite a number of these successful hikes might not have ever been completed if we didn't have you fantastic folks monitoring the progress of each unit at the various checkpoints.

Please give our best to Stanton (our beloved original "sweep"). We most sincerely wish him our absolute best and a speedy recovery.

And we certainly look forward to your great assistance once again on the first Saturday in June next year for Fages II 2013. You folks are the best !

Best to all, Don Scott

1992 Fages II hike founder, BSA



*Editor's note: I am repeating the March meeting minutes as these are the minutes to be accepted at the June meeting.)*

## GENERAL MEETING

**March 11, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by President Roger, KE6SZG at 8:00 a.m.

Introductions were made around the room.

Treasurers Report:

Repeat Fund: \$21.00

Checking: \$2,384.54

Savings: \$4,041.12

Membership Report: Dues are continuing to come in. Christopher Rocco, KJ6RHD, is a new member. Welcome!!

440 needs to be up and running again.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:38 a.m.

Free Breakfast: Robby Robinson, N6MNL

Progressive Raffle: Barbara Robinson, KD6OKJ

Submitted by: Burgie Jones, KE6MSF

## BOARD MEETING

**March 11, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by President Roger, KE6ZG at 8: 24 a.m.

Those in attendance were:

Board Members:

Roger Nelums KE6SZG

Burgie Jones KE6MSF

Michael Nicholson K6CUG

Robby Robinson N6MNL

Robert Seymour KI6KOU

Don Hamma KE6ZFP

Barbara Robinson KD6OKJ  
Victoria Thompson KE6FSU

Also attending:

Fred Nieman W6BBQ  
Jeff Miller KJ6RHF

The tower will be worked on when the weather is warm.

The controller will be looked at to see if it is workable or if a new one may be needed.

There will be some repairs done to the shed.

We need to have some work done on the 440 so we can get it up and running

Submitted by: Burgie Jones KE6MSF

### TRUSTEE

Surprise! I have an article. We hope our system is finally getting some attention. First, thanks to the antenna crew: Paul W5ANT, Paul KF6FMX, Jeff KJ6RFD, Fred W6BBQ, Don KE6ZFP, Alan KJ6JIS. and myself N6MNL, for acquiring the two antennas from Paul W5ANT and installing them on the tower. We now have new 440 and 2m antennas installed on the hill. Thanks also to the grass cutting crew: Don KE6ZFP, Jeff KJ6RFD, and Michael K6CUG, and oh yes, the foreman Fred W6BBQ. for cutting the very high grass inside the fence. Our tower climbers are Paul KF6FMX and Jeff KJ6RFD. Paul W5ANT, donated a new aluminum rack and some other hardware for Alan KJ6JIS to put together in his spare time. Thanks to Roger KE6SZG for doing gopher trips to stores. Thanks also to Steve W6SDY for his hard work with the machine shop work in finishing the system.

Please welcome two new Technical Committee members: Fred Nieman W6BBQ, and Alan Alsing KJ6JIS.

Roby N6MNL

### *ARRL Field Day: June 23-24*

Field Day is an opportunity to give Ham Radio some exposure to the general public, practice emergency communications preparedness, and participate in a radio contest that's not quite as intense and competitive as most. EBARC coordinates our local Field Day. Please plan to participate.

### **ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions**

EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions quarterly (see location and dates below). The fee for 2012 has not been set yet (it was \$15 last year).

Info at 510-918-4627 or 510-741-8227.

Media Room (Oakland Fire Dept.)  
1605 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Oakland, CA 94612

All VE Sessions are held on Sundays at 9am local time remaining dates for 2012:

July 22nd, October 28th

Bring a government issued photo ID, and either your Social Security Number or FCC Registration Number (FRN). For upgrades, bring your original license and a photocopy of it or a valid CSCE from a prior exam and a photocopy of it. Also bring a pen and pencil and calculator (optional).

Coming events—

Field Day—see article above.

Annual Picnic - date to be announced

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POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

**Next Regular Club Meeting: June 10, 2012**

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**