



# THE COMMUNICATOR

APRIL 2018

**Contra  
Costa  
Communications  
Club, Inc.**

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**POSTMASTER: ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**

**→ SPECIAL NOTICE ABOUT MEETING ←**

**PIZZA NIGHT Meeting: APRIL 11, 2018**

At MOUNTAIN MIKE'S PIZZA 1516 Fitzgerald Dr., Pinole

Between LUCKY grocery store and K-Mart 5PM – 8PM



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**March 2018**

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An ARRL Affiliated Repeater Group  
Dedicated to Service



**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

There are only 6 not paid up yet.

**If you have any unreported changes, please forward them to me now. Thanks much!**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Checking:** \$7,123.70. includes dues of \$230 and \$38 for the repeater fund.  
**Savings account:** \$579.47.

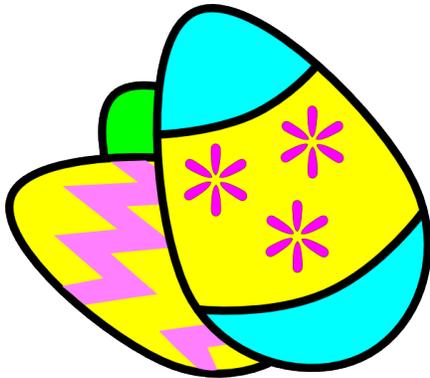
**Audrey Nieman**

**KF6MVH**

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

It looks like the adage holds true that March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Ya think? I am ready for some lamb time. No word from anyone about the truck. It was nice to hear Robby on the air a couple of weeks ago. His PT must be working. I may have to resort to asking for some help with this software program for the RFD radios. I may venture over the hill for some assistance. Looking forward to having the club meeting in the evening. I hope you can stay awake. Try the mid day meeting at Suki's in the El Portal shopping center at 1115hrs. I hope the ground at the repeater dries out soon, we need to correct the time. More next month. 73.

**Dj, KJ6DJ**



***Sunshine Co mmittee***

Hello Everyone! I hope this finds you well and healthy! If you know of anyone who needs our special thoughts and prayers, please let me know. We wish you good health and happiness!!

Sincerely, ***Burgie KE6MSF***

2018 CONTRA COSTA COMMUNICATIONS CLUB, INC. DAILY AND WEEKLY NETS		
DAYS	NET CONTROLLER	REPEATER/NET NAME//TIME
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	<b>CAROL</b> KK6OLL <b>JAN</b> AC5RB <b>GARY</b> KG6RJA <b>BOB</b> W6WTJ <b>DJ</b> KJ6DJ	<div style="border: 2px solid purple; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; text-align: center;">                         Net Control Substitute: <b>Alvin Todd</b> KK6UQX                     </div> 145.110 OVER-THE-HILL NET 7:10 AM
WEEKLY: MONDAY <i>By arrangement</i>	<b>DJ KJ6DJ</b> – Contact DJ for NET confirmation	444.275 DIGITAL NET 7:00 P.M. <b>FLDIGI NET BY ARRANGEMENT</b>
WEEKLY: TUESDAY	NET CONTROL ROTATES	224.300 OPEN NET 7:30 PM
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	MEMBERS ROTATE	145.110 WEST CONTRA COSTA COUNTY EMCOMM 6:45pm
WEEKLY - THURSDAY	First week: <b>ROBBY</b> N6MNL Second week: <b>JIM</b> KK6NDG Third Week: <b>JAN</b> AC5RB Fourth week: <b>JEFF</b> KJ6RHF Fifth week: <b>JIM</b> KK6NDG	145.110 CLUB NET 7:30 PM

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

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**NARCC:** TBD

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 Newsletter submissions or corrections always welcome. Send to <**K6CUG@arrl.net**>

Join us for the OGERs Lunch:  
 First Wednesday of each month at  
 11:00a.m.  
 Sukie's Country Kitchen  
 2400 El Portal Dr., San Pablo



## 2018 March 11

### GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was brought to order by DJ KJ6DJ at 8:13 am. There were 13 present. Introductions were made around.

### ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO MINUTES

The minutes should have reflected that we want to keep open other options for our Holiday luncheon in case our regular venue at Tara Hills Mobile Home park is not available to us.

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### TRUSTEE REPORT

### NET CONTROLS

We have a new fill-in net controller, Alvin Todd **KK6UQX**. He filled in for DJ when he was needed. Alvin said it was easier than he thought and eager to fill in when needed. More ladies are getting on the net, always room for more. We need more check-ins for Thursday nights.

### NEW BUSINESS

Michael **K6CUG** is our newsletter editor and would love to receive any articles to be included. Just email them to him. If someone wants a column or a project mentioned or pictures included. Michael has done a great job.

Burgie **KE6MSF** mentioned the idea of having a pizza party in April. Details will follow if there is a change from our usual meeting time and date. DJ **KJ6DJ** showed us pictures of a Van from the City of Richmond. It was their former communications support group unit. There is a lot of equipment in it and it is currently stored at a Richmond fire department. Lots of details to be worked out about

financial and legal responsibilities of it and DJ will report back. There are community service events it could be used.

**MOTION:** it was moved by Michael that we pursue the donated radios, chargers, and inventory and accept them to be used at our discretion.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Motion carried.**

**MOTION:** it was moved by Roger that we pursue the CCCC emergency service van and work out logistical and financial details.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Motion carried.**

DJ **KJ6DJ** and Wing **KJ6YDE** are to be authorized to negotiate and check these out. DJ also reported he received around 50 2-meter radios that used to be used by the emergency services and they have upgraded their equipment and no longer need or want them. DJ is working on getting them set up for west county community service events by our club members.

### OLD BUSINESS

Roger **KE6SZG** is Picnic Chairman and will soon set up a date for August or September.

Meeting adjourned 8:32

Repeater fund was \$29.00 minus \$6.00 for breakfast.

DJ **KJ6DJ** was breakfast winner. The raffle name was Don Hamma who was not in attendance. Next month \$20.00

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Kuhl **AC5RB**, Secretary

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**Interesting article from DJ:**

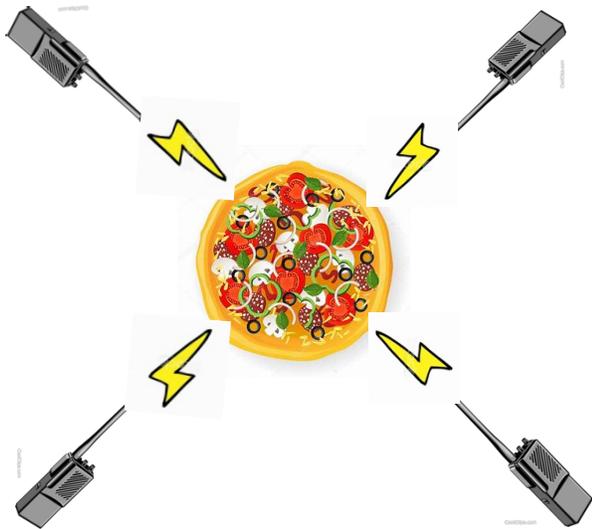
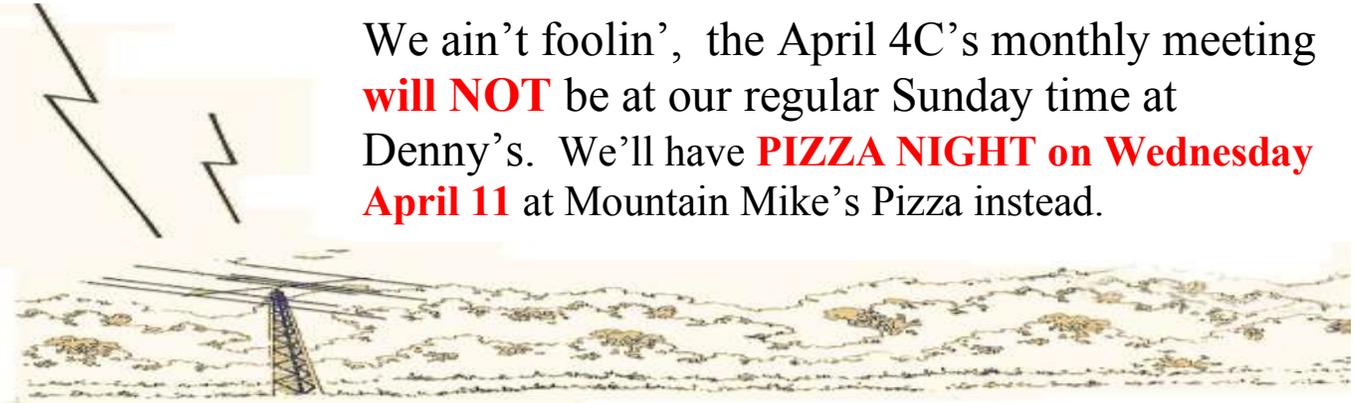
**Not-So-Amateur Radio**

| **Perspectives | Perspectives | KQED:**

<https://www.kqed.org/perspectives/201601136985/not-so-amateur-radio>

# Contra Costa Communications Club

We ain't foolin', the April 4C's monthly meeting **will NOT** be at our regular Sunday time at Denny's. We'll have **PIZZA NIGHT on Wednesday April 11** at Mountain Mike's Pizza instead.



Join us for another terrific Mountain Mike's Pizza night [on Wednesday, April 11 from 5 p.m. to 8p.m.](#)

FORGET THE DIET, it's an ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT night.  
**Adults:** \$10.90 including soda.  
**Children:** 10 yrs. of age and under, \$5.45 including soda.



**MOUNTAIN MIKE'S PIZZA**  
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M-F 7:10am 145.11 PL 82.5  
Th 7:00pm 145.11 PL 82.5

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