
River City ARCS

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River City Amateur Radio Communications Society

It's Time to Renew Membership for 2004

From the President:

At the November club meeting, the following officers and directors were elected: Dale, AD6CT, President; Chuck, W6FT, Vice President; Glenn, KG6LRX, Secretary; Al, WH6BK, Treasurer; Anne, AD6UY, Membership Chairman; Bob, KD6WTY, and Steli, AE6OR, new directors (two year term). Finishing their second term as directors are Ruff, K6DME, and Ron, KE6PUG.

The Holiday Dinner (late lunch!) Party is planned for December 14, 2003, at 2:00pm at the Buggy Whip Restaurant. There will be plenty of prize drawings for those attending. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and reservations are required. See Kay, KF6IZU, for reservations. Invite a non-ham guest and come enjoy the festivities with us.

The club is still in need of volunteers to chair some of the committees and events planned for 2004. If you're not listed on page two, contact a board member and volunteer.

The California International Marathon (CIM) will be Sunday, December 7, 2003, and ham operators are still needed. According to Frank, N6SNO, about thirty operators are needed to assure the safety and welfare of the runners. The race begins at Folsom Dam and finishes at the west side of the State Capitol. Contact Dale, AD6CT, at (916) 925-1062 for more information.

2004 club dues are due as current dues expire December 31, 2003. Renew now. A membership application/renewal form is included with this newsletter, or one may be downloaded from the N6NA web site. Let's keep RCARCS strong and growing! Join now.

The December club meeting will be December 2, 2003, at 7:30pm. Anne, AD6UY, is providing her fabulous carrot cake and brownies.

See you at the meeting, Tuesday, December 2, 2003 at 7:30pm. "73"

Chuck Freas, W6FT, President

2004 Dues are Due!

VE SESSION RESULTS:

From Ken Hall, WO6J, our "VE Guy": On November 15th, we had three candidates. One became "Extra." The next session will be December 20, 2003, at 8:45am at the Carmichael Elks Lodge, corner of Cypress and Hackberry in Carmichael. The fee is \$12.00.

The General class question pool will change on July 1st, 2004, and will be released for publication on December 1st of this year. The new Technician test began July 1st.

Larry Hodge will hold test sessions on the first Saturday of the month. For more information, contact Larry at <larry.r.hodge@intel.com>

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RACES

If you're interested in becoming a member of RACES, contact Dale, AD6CT, at (916) 925-1062, for more information. You may also tune in to the Monday night net on 147.195 at 7:00pm.

E-mail is Faster!

Thanks to those members who have responded to this article and now receive their monthly newsletter by e-mail. More than half the club members are now receiving the monthly newsletter by e-mail. It costs the club about \$.75 for each "hard copy" newsletter mailed each month, or \$9.00 per year.

If you can receive e-mail, send a message to Dale, ad6ct@arrl.net and your newsletter will arrive *before* the meeting. Great news! This saves the club postage, paper, and ink (toner, to be precise!). Just write "subscription" on the subject line and send! Do it today.

2003 RCARCS Calendar

December 2 nd	Club Meeting, 7:30pm
December 14 th	Holiday Luncheon, 2pm, Buggy Whip
December 23 rd	No Board Meeting
January 6 th	Club Meeting, 7:30pm
January 27 th	Board Meeting, 7pm

2003 RCARCS Officers/Board

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***Leave message**

CLUB INFORMATION:

DUES: \$20.00 Annually beginning January 1st

CLASSES: Class schedules, tests to license or upgrade, and general information are available by calling the RCARCS Hot Line at (916) 492-6115.

MEETINGS: Club meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm, at the Sacramento County Corporation Yard, (formerly SMUD), corner of Don Julio and Elkhorn Blvds.

Board of Directors meetings are held the fourth Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

CLUB PHONE: (916) 492-6115

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Event Chairmen Needed

Your club needs volunteers to act as chairmen and/or coordinators for events in 2004. If you have special interests or talents and would like to participate in your club activities, please contact any of the Board members and volunteer. Following is an updated list of the kinds of assistance needed:

Publicity Chairman:

Newsletter Editor: Kay Hankins, KF6IZU

VE Liaison: Ken Hall, WO6J

Education Coordinator: Bob Balthrope, KD6WTY

Antenna Committee:

California State Fair: Patrick Schamun, N6ARO

Prevention 2004:

Elmer Committee:

White Elephant Night:

Holiday Dinner:

Club Representative for ARRL (EMCOM):

Greeters:

Coffee Chairman:

Repeater Trustee: Dane Westvik, KO6YD

Club Representative for RACES:

Door Prize Chairman:

Drawing Chairman:

Nominating Committee:

Bylaws Committee:

Field Day General Chairman: Roy Rudebaugh, KD6LLE

Pot Luck Lunch Chairman:

Set Up/Take Down Chairman:

Publicity Chairman:

Historian:

Club Picnic Chairman:

Jackets, T-shirts & hats: Mary Anne Balthrope, KE6EST

We are developing job descriptions for these positions and welcome your input. Please contact one of the Board members if you would like to volunteer.

Happy Holidays

RCARCS Holiday 2003 Luncheon

December 14, 2003 at 2:00pm

Buggy Whip Restaurant, 2737 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento

Tickets: \$20.00 each* (Clip and mail to Kay Hankins, 22 Penasco Court, Sacramento, CA 95833)

Name: _____ # of Guests: _____

Luncheon Steak _____ Hawaiian Chicken _____ Chef Salad _____

Lunch entrees are served with tossed green salad and homemade house dressing, baked potato, roll butter, coffee or tea.
If you would like cheese cake for dessert, please check here _____

Reservations must be made in advance. Deadline is December 11, 2003.

Contact Kay Hankins at (916) 925-1062 or mkhankins@sbcglobal.net

*Make checks payable to River City ARCS