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River City Amateur Radio Communications Society

Happy New Year 2005!

From the President:

Happy New Year to you! I look forward to seeing you at our January 4, 2005 meeting.

Now is a very good time to check that all of your radio gear is working well and that you are prepared in the event of an emergency situation in the area. See that your batteries are charged, that you have backup power for each piece of equipment, and that your antenna's are not in need of repair or replacement.

If you haven't already done so, I recommend that you consider joining one or more of the ham radio organizations that offer communication support in disasters. It really doesn't make any difference which one you choose, just make the commitment.

Dale Hankins, AD6CT, President

VE SESSION RESULTS:

From Ken Hall, WO6J, our "VE Guy": "Be sure to bring your ORIGINAL CSCE form and license to the session. Copies will be made to send to the ARRL and the originals will be returned to you. The December 18th session had two test takers. One became a Technician, and one passed the General written test. A third applicant was grandfathered into General Class.

The next session will be January 15, 2005, at 8:30am at the Carmichael Elks Lodge, corner of Cypress and Hackberry in Carmichael. Remember, we have a **new time schedule**: 8:30am to 9:30am. Code testers must be there by 9:00am. We close at 9:30am. The fee is \$12.00. Call the Information Hotline for details: 916-492-6115.

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

Technician License Class

Rob Carpenter, WW6G, and Casey McPartland, W7IB, will be conducting a technician license class beginning January 23, 2005. The classes will be held at Raley's community room, at the corner of Douglas Boulevard and Auburn-Folsom Road, in Granite Bay, from 5:30 to 7:30pm. Dates of the classes are as follows; January 23; January 30; February 6; February 13; February 20; February 27; March 6; March 13; and March 20. There is no cost for the classes, except the book, and the examination fee at the end.

The last class was quite successful with 21 of 22 candidates successfully passing the technician test! For more information, contact Rob at recarpen@mindspring.com or Casey at w7ib@arrl.net.

Looking To Buy:

2M/70cm dual band radio, power supply, and base station dual band antenna. Contact Robert Pullen, KF6ZMV. (H) (916) 681-0669.

For Sale:

Drake Linear Amplifier, model L4B with two new marched pair 3-500Z tubes and original manual. Unit is capable of the legal limit. Included with the unit is a low pass filter and an oil filled dummy load of at least 3 kW. Sale price for all: \$400.00. Must pick up. Contact Joe Bartlett, K5CXA at (916) 332-6152 or e-mail: mrbart@pacbell.net.

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HP Secure Digital 128 Megabyte Card, brand new in original unopened package. Sale price: \$30.00. Contact Dale Hankins, AD6CT, at (916) 925-1062 or e-mail: ad6ct@arrl.net.

Start the New Year

The New Year is a great time to order your River City ARCS jacket (red or blue), T-shirt, ball cap, or name tag. Mary Anne, KE6EST, will answer your questions and take your orders for these items. You can have your name and call sign embroidered on your jacket or cap, or printed on your t-shirt.

Remember, if you don't display your name and call sign at club meetings, you may be charged 25¢ for a temporary stick-on name tag, and the Membership Chairman has a pretty good eye!

2005 Dues are due!

Make your check payable to:

River City ARCS

2005 RCARCS Officers/Board

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Bylaws: Kay Hankins, KF6IZU, Chuck Freas, W6FT
Jackets, T-shirts & hats: Mary Anne Balthrope, KE6EST
*Leave message

CLUB INFORMATION:

DUES: \$20.00 Annually beginning January 1st
CLASSES: Contact Bob Balthrope, KD6WTY, for information and scheduling.
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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2005 RCARCS Calendar

January 4 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
January 15 th	VE Testing
January 25 th	Board Meeting
February 1 st	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
February 19 th	VE Testing
February 22 nd	Board Meeting
March 1 st	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
March 19 th	VE Testing
March 22 nd	Board Meeting
April 5 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm

April 16 th	VE Testing
April 26 th	Board Meeting
May 3 rd	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
May 21 st	VE Testing
May 24 th	Board Meeting
June 7 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
June 18 th	VE Testing
June 25 th	Field Day 2005
June 28 th	Board Meeting
July 5 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
July 16 th	VE Testing
July 26 th	Board Meeting
August 2 nd	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
August 20 th	VE Testing
August 23 rd	Board Meeting
September 6 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
September 17 th	VE Testing
September 27 th	Board Meeting
October 1 st	Joint Picnic (tentative)
October 4 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
	White Elephant Night
October 25 th	Board Meeting
November 1 st	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
	Election of Officers & Board
November 19 th	VE Testing
November 22	Board Meeting
December 6 th	Club Meeting - 7:30pm
December 11 th	Holiday Dinner (tentative)
December 17 th	VE Testing
December 27 th	No Board Meeting

Area VEC Test Locations

River City ARCS (Walk-ins okay)
Contact Ken Hall at 916-492-6115 (club hotline)

Folsom (Walk-ins okay)
Contact Larry Hodge at 916-361-2476 or
larry.r.hodge@intel.com

Yuba Sutter ARC (Walk-ins okay)
Contact Eddie O. Ansely at 530-742-2674 or
www.users.cwnet.com/ysarc/

Stockton (Walk-ins okay)
Contact Mark at 209-465-7496

Santa Rosa (Walk-ins okay)
Hot Line 707-579-9608

Nevada County ARC (Walk-ins okay)
Contact Louis Pelletier at 530-477-2295 or
kq6sq@ncws.com

El Dorado Sheriff & Search & Rescue (Walk-ins okay)
Contact James Swanson at 530-544-2351

RCARCS 2005 Roster

The following is a list of the members of River City Amateur Radio Communications Society. If you are not on the

roster, please contact Kay, KF6IZU, at (916) 925-1062 or e-mail: mkhankins@sbcglobal.net. Additions and corrections are shown in bold type.

Updated: December 31, 2004

<i>Call Sign</i>	<i>First Name</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
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k6vss	Bob	(916) 726-6904
ka2mcz	Eckart	(916) 332-4151
ka6eki	Al	(916) 772-7574
ka6jff	Dale	(916) 773-2098
kb6fft	Lou	(916) 638-3417
kc6pft	Mertis	(916) 632-8903
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wb2zei	Armand	(916) 972-7802
wb6pmy	Chris	(916) 660-0434
wb6ufo	Mike	(916) 466-1681
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NOTE: Would you like to have your E-mail address listed too?

Just send an E-mail to Kay, KF6IZU, at mkhankins@sbcglobal.net.

On the subject line write: E-mail - YES or NO. Thanks.

First Kid's Day, Sunday, January 2

(From Norm Fusaro, W3IZ, ARRL)

The first Kid's Day in 2005 will be Sunday, January 2 (the second will be Saturday, June 18). Kid's Day will run from 1800 to 2400 UTC. Suggested frequencies are 14.270 - 14.300, 21.350 - 21.400 and 28.380 - 28.400 MHz plus 2 meter repeaters (with the permission of the repeater's sponsor).

There's no limit on operating time, and the recommended exchange is name, age, location and favorite color. Intended to encourage young people to get acquainted with Amateur Radio, Kid's Day offers a "mentoring opportunity: for experienced amateurs while giving youngsters some firsthand ham radio experience and perhaps sparking a lifelong interest.

All participants are eligible for certificates. To coincide with ARRL's Kid's Day, AMSAT-NA will sponsor its own event for youngsters on the Echo satellite (AO-51) from approximately 1600 UTC on January 2 until 0345 UTC on January 3. AMSAT asks for the cooperation of all satellite users in using the window as a way to promote satellite operation with kids and to limit contacts to stations operating with youngsters at the microphone. Note the change in uplink frequency for the event to 145.800 MHz FM voice, 67 Hz tone; downlink is 435.300 MHz FM voice.'73'