



River City ARCS

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At the February Meeting Roger Ince of the OES gave a talk on the OES and emergency communications.

It's time to renew your membership in RCARCS

See Paul's column on page 3 then go to: <http://www.n6na.org/membership> and renew online or fill the form attached to the email and bring it to the meeting.

Presidents Message

I was pleased to see a large turnout at our February meeting to hear Roger Ince, WF6SHP, Coordinator Sacramento County Office of Emergency Services. His challenge of working together with our local RACES and ARES fellow hams served as a wake-up call for many of us.

To further help local preparedness, our Club has signed an MOU with the Sacramento Amateur Radio Communications Reserve (RACES and ARES) allowing them to use our N6NA repeater in case of emergency.

At the meeting, as a prelude to our spring picnic, Carol, KP4MD demonstrated the transmitter that will act as the "fox" for our transmitter hunt. In addition to food and a chance to chat, we will have a QRP station set up. Bring your appetite and some comfortable walking shoes along with your hand held so you can join our fox hunt.

This month, Greg Kruckewitt, KG6SJT will continue our series "Get on the Air with Digital" with a demonstration of Packet Radio and WinLink. If you thought Packet Radio disappeared 15-20 years ago, Greg will correct that assumption!

I would like to thank all the members who are volunteering to help the Club at future events and meetings. If you have an idea for a meeting topic or are able to present, please let a member of the Board know.

If you still have not renewed your membership, it's easy with PayPal on our website. You can even donate a little extra for our repeater fund.

Don't forget my challenge last month to practice programming your radio – our picnic is coming up.

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CLUB INFORMATION

DUES: \$20.00 Per year
 Send to: River City ARCS
 c/o Paul Grose
 4949 H Parkway
 Sacramento, Ca. 95823

MEETINGS: Membership meetings are generally held on the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Sacramento County Corporation Yard, corner of Don Julio and Elkhorn Blvd.'s.

Board of Directors meetings are held the fourth Tuesday at 7:00 pm. All members are welcome. Contact a board member for location.

2015 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**Board of Directors**

President	Bob Woodward	N6PGQ
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Picnic Chair	Need volunteer	

Web Site: www.n6na.org

E-mail: n6na@arrl.net

Contact club through the web page at:
<http://www.n6na.org/about>

N6NA Repeaters

145.250 MHz (-162.2)

442.600 MHz (+100)

441.300 MHz Member use only

Low Level (Orangevale)

2M Club Net - Members and Guests

Check In on 145.250 MHz

Wednesday at 8 PM

10M Club Net - Members and Guests

Check in on 28.420 MHz

following 2M net

SSTV Club net - Members and Guests

Check in on 145.51 MHz FM Simplex

Following 10M net.

OTHER NETS

A list of other nets is at:

<http://www.qsl.net/w6tee/nets.html>

2015 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

For 2015 all membership meetings will be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month.

Board meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Membership meeting	Mar 2
St. Patricks day	Mar 17
Board Meeting	Mar 24
Membership meeting	Apr 2
Club Picnic	Apr 25
Board Meeting	Apr 28



Have You Renewed Your Dues For 2015?

Well, here we are at the end of the year 2014. We had 75 paid members this year, and so far, 31 members have already renewed for 2015. Our membership is on a calendar year basis. So, if you haven't already done so, it is time to renew your membership for the year 2015. The annual dues are \$20 per year for individuals. Family membership is \$20 for the first family member and \$10 for each additional family member in the household. For example, membership for a husband and wife will cost \$30 per year.

Good Accounting Practices require that we have a record of your renewal, so we have made the process easy and you have some choices for the most convenient method for you. Go to our Website www.n6na.org and click on the "Membership Application" link. There you will be able to renew online via PayPal or by the traditional in the traditional paper method. If you chose the online method, simply enter the information requested, and you can make your payment via your PayPal account.

If you prefer the paper method you can download the pdf form (which is a fill-in form). Once you have completed the form, send it and your check to the address shown on the form. Or, if you prefer, you can bring the completed form to the next club meeting with your payment.

While renewing please consider a donation to the N6NA Repeater Fund!

73,

Paul Grose, N6DRY

Treasurer and Membership Chairperson

MOBILE COMMAND RALLY

The Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) will have their Western Regional Conference in Sacramento on April 8-10. Part of the conference will be the California Mobile Command Rally on Apr 9. There will be 30 or more Mobile Command Centers on display. For more information see.

<http://www.9-1-1magazine.com/CA-MCC-Rally>

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Don't miss these upcoming RCARCS events:

Spring: Our annual Picnic and QRP field operation will feature a hidden transmitter fox hunt, and great picnic food.

April 7 Meeting: Rick McCusker, WF6O, president of Sacramento SHARP will give a presentation on transmitter hunting. This will be a timely presentation, which will allow us to prepare for our Spring Picnic transmitter hunt.

May 5 Meeting: In addition to our program, we will hold our annual mobile show. We are also encouraging members to bring their radio go kit. Plan ahead.

May 9-10: Farm and Tractor Day, Rio Linda 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

June 27-28: Field Day, Rio Linda

August 29: Car Show, Rio Linda (participation tentative)

Please join us at our March meeting, Tuesday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sacramento County Corporation Yard at 5026 Don Julio Blvd. for refreshments and great company. Visitors are always welcome.

See you there!

73, Bob Woodward, N6PGQ

President, River City ARCS

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At the February meeting Paul Grose raffled off a handheld radio owned by Bob Balthrop. The winner was Jeff Brown

CLUB PICNIC

Mark your calendars for our annual club picnic and fox hunt on Saturday April 25 at Lew Howard Park, Folsom. The N6NA QRP field station will again be on site .

Join us for good company, good food and outdoor fun! Bring your family, folding chairs, frisbees and ham radio go kits! We provide the hot dogs, burgers, condiments and soft drinks. Call sign suffixes A-L are requested to bring dessert. M-Z bring either green salad, pasta salad or fruit salad.

Please RSVP to contact@n6na.org



Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club presents:

Hamfest 2015

March 14th 7:30



At the Historic Loomis Train Depot Plaza
for the First Swap of the Year.

Bring your stuff to sell
or come by look at it all, meet your
friends and perhaps win in the drawing.

Seller spaces: \$10 - Drawing tickets \$1ea

This is our first annual Hamfest
and are going all out to make it your favorite.

FREE Buyer's parking, FREE Admission

Drawings - coffee & donuts - local vendors



Directions:

Located Northeast of Sacramento or
Southeast of Auburn off Interstate 80.

Loomis Exit off I80 - Horseshoe Bar Road
Go NNW to the Taylor Road stoplight.
Then go straight into the Hamfest.
Follow signs to Buyer's parking.

Seller's turn right at the stoplight, then
turn into the Seller's parking area.

Talk-in on W6EK/r 145.430 pl 162.2Hz

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