



River City ARCS

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Roger Cain KI6FYF husband of Carol Milazzo KP4MD became a silent key on September 24. See Memorial notice on page 4.

Roger Cain KI6FYF



*Death leaves a
Heartache
No one can heal,
Love leaves a memory
No one can steal*

Rest In Peace

June 28, 1940 to September 24, 2018

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October and time for our "White Elephant" sale. Have an old radio, tuner, or black box full of "Black Magic and Wizardry" bring them and let someone else have the Joy of using them. Anything related to amateur radio or computers is welcome.

We need to nominate someone for the Lyle Aufranc award so I will have voting material for this. This award is for someone who you think has done a lot for the club this past year.

In November we have our elections for our officers to run the club for the next year and we still need people to step up and volunteer for positions none of which are that hard and you get great support from others on the board. SO Please step up and volunteer! Remember *"You can't fire me, I am a volunteer"*

President
Dave Martin
WB6YLK



CLUB INFORMATION

DUES: \$20.00 Per year

Send to: River City ARCS

c/o Phil Sittner, Treasurer

9181 Winding Oak Dr

Fair Oaks, CA 95628-4172

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.

2018 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**Board of Directors**

President	Dave Martin	WB6YLK
Vice President	Paul McIntyre	KC5JAX
Secretary	Gert Thompson	KK6ZGA
Treasurer	Phil Sittner	KD6RM
Membership	Phil Sittner	KD6RM
Board Members		
2 year Term	Kevin Hooke	KK6DCT
2 year Term	Tom Cutter	W6BS
2 year Term	Russ Brill	KN6SD
2 year Term	Ed Siegner,	WA6QYO

Appointments:

N6NA Trustee	Andrew Stephens	W6AWS
Hospitality	Marie Martin	
Training	Ed Seigner,	WA6QYO
Editor	Ken Martin,	KE6RMN
Sales	Need volunteer	
Field Day	Need volunteer	
Picnic Chair	Need volunteer	

Web Site: www.n6na.orgE-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) Low Level (Orangevale)****441.300 MHz Member use only****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 441.300 MHz FM Simplex****Following 10M net.**<http://www.n6na.org/nets>**2018 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

For 2018 all membership meetings will be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month.

Board meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Club Meeting - White elephant sale Oct 2

California QSO Party Oct 6-7

Columbus Day Oct 8

Amateur Radio Booth at
[Rocklin Maker Faire](#)
at Sierra College Oct 13

[Shasta/Tehama ARES](#)
[Hamfest in Redding](#) Oct 13

PACIFICON Oct 19-21

Scouting Jamboree on the Air Oct 19-21

Board Meeting Oct 23

Halloween Oct 31

Club Meeting Nov 6
Also elections Meeting date change?

Veterans day Nov 11 - observed Nov 12

Thanksgiving Nov 22

Clarksburg Country Run

The Clarksburg Country Run is on Sunday November 11, 2018.

I will need at least 30 operators. If you wish to help out please reply to this email. This is a fun event to work. If you have never worked a race and would like to be placed with some one that has, let me know and I will place you with a operator that has experience with the race.

Thanks,
Vince Cracchiolo KI6NHP
vsicilian@comcast.net

This is an event the club has supported for years. It can be an interesting day and would be nice if we can continue supporting them.

Ken Martin
Editor

ELMER

The club has an Elmer program where new hams can get help from older hams. If you need help with something contact a board member. If you would like to help others let a board member know and what your area of expertise is. It doesn't have to be complex electronics, it could as simple as labor to help put up a mast. By volunteering you will help others and maybe make a new friend.



PACIFICON 2018

San Ramon Marriott
2600 Bishop Drive
San Ramon CA 94583

Friday through Sunday
Oct. 19-21, 2018

Register online at www.pacificon.org by October 7 for the discounted rate to attend the October 19-21, 2018 ARRL Pacificon Division Convention at the San Ramon Marriott. Youths 17 years or under are admitted free.

Pacificon is the west coast Hamvention.

Pacificon gives you three great days of activities for one low cost:

- * A full slate of outstanding [Forum presentations](#) about a wide range of amateur radio topics
- * A large [Vendor Expo](#) filled with exciting products and exhibits
- * An outdoor [Swap Meet](#)
- * [QRP activities](#)
- * [Youth Activities](#)
- * [Electronics kit building and soldering instruction](#)
- * A [One Day License Prep Class](#) to prepare you to pass the amateur radio Technician license examination and get your first amateur radio license
- * Two days of [License Testing](#)
- * A [Special Events Station](#) where you can operate and contact other hams worldwide, even if you don't have a General or Extra Class license
- * A wonderful [Banquet](#) with Keynote Speaker [Jeri Ellsworth, AI6TK](#)
- * Our annual [Wouff Hong](#) Initiation ceremony
- * A chance to hear about and discuss important national amateur radio issues with [top ARRL leaders](#)
- * A chance to win [radios and other great prizes](#) throughout the convention

CALIFORNIA QSO PARTY

If you do HF, this is for you. Next weekend, October 6th to October 7th, is the annual California QSO Party. This is a time when, if you call CQ, they WILL answer.

This is a contest something like Field Day. The idea is for California based hams to contact as many states and Canadian call areas (not exactly provinces) as possible AND to contact all California counties. This is a great time to learn some things about propagation - you'll likely notice that you get longer range during the day on the higher bands, and then a more NVIS signal on lower bands at night, which is a great time to contact other counties in CA.

Hams outside California are trying to contact all 58 California counties. They will be either listening for your CQ or calling CQ themselves and will happily answer any California ham. If you have a non-6 call sign like I do, be sure to add "/6" ("stroke" or "slant" six) to the end of your call so they know you're in California. If you don't do that, they may ignore you.

If you're interested in participating, see the CQP homepage at www.cqp.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to [email me](mailto:); please do not hit "reply" to this email.

Mike Abernathy
NM3S

Folsom ARRL Volunteer Exam 2018 Schedule New Location - Updated June 26, 2018

Folsom ARRL VEC exams are held at 6 pm the third Thursday of each month except July and December. Here is our updated exam scheduled for 2018:

1. October 18
2. November 15

December NO EXAM
All exams start at 6:00 pm.

Round Table Pizza, 9500 Greenback Ave, Suite 1, Folsom, CA 95630. We meet in the large meeting room. For information contact Steve Porten, KN6OX at steve@kn6ox.net.

Up Coming Regional Events

October 13th
Rocklin Maker Faire. Go to:
<https://rocklin.makerfaire.com>

October 19-21
ARRL Pacificon Division Convention, San Ramon, Ca. Go To: www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-division-convention-pacificon-2018

November 11th
Clarksburg Country Run—Clarksburg, Ca. email
Vince Cracchiolo KI6NHP at
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MEMORIAL

Roger Cain, KI6FYF, beloved husband and soul mate of Carol Milazzo, KP4MD, expired at Kaiser Permanente Roseville Medical Center on September 24, 2018 at 10:45 pm after suffering a massive stroke.

Born on June 28, 1940 in Casper, Wyoming, Roger was a classmate of Dick Cheney at Natrona County High School and went on to study electrical engineering, motivational science, and industrial engineering.

Roger served five years in the US Army including assignments in Korea and Vietnam, five years in the Air National Guard, and 26 years in the US Coast Guard stationed in Monterey and San Francisco.

He was a member of the Fleet Reserve Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the River City Amateur Radio Communications Society, an ARRL Life Member, Sacramento Valley Assistant Section Manager and an avid supporter of section and club activities.

A memorial service and reception in celebration of his life will be held on Sunday October 7 at 4 pm at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral 2620 Capitol Ave, Sacramento, CA 95816. All are welcome.

Carol Milazzo, KP4MD
ARRL Sacramento Valley Section Manager
kp4md@arrl.org

Scouting's 2018 Jamboree on the Air Set for October 19 - 21

Scouting organizations are still [registering](#) to participate in the 2018 Jamboree on the Air ([JOTA](#)) over the October 19 - 21 weekend. With about 1 month to go, JOTA Coordinator Jim Wilson, K5ND, told ARRL that registration is "probably on target" at this point. US registrations stood at 235 as of the end of last week. Right after JOTA 2017, 489 US locations had signed up, although that included both Jamboree on the Air and Jamboree on the Internet (JOTI) participants, which, Wilson said, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) have "remained steadfast" in considering JOTA and JOTI as separate events, although, he noted, this is not the case at the world level.



"Our goals are primarily to grow participation," Wilson told ARRL. "The World JOTA-JOTI Team has set a goal of 3 million participants by 2021; 2017 saw 1.5 million worldwide. [Sign-ups at the world level](#) right now are at 1,428 locations. Wilson said that, in the US, many locations wait until the last minute to register their participation. In 2017, some 7,900 Scouts took part in JOTA, down by nearly 10,800 participants from 2016, but topping participation for 2014 and 2015. Total radio contact numbers were down from 2016 and 2015.

"We've also put in place a number of aids to help people improve their on-the-air experience, which will be challenging without sunspots," Wilson pointed out. "We've provided a [video](#) of how to work HF for JOTA. We've also provided a [quick reference card](#) to help Scouts during the QSO." [Recommended JOTA frequencies](#) are listed on the K2BSA website. "Operators should note that these frequencies are starting points to find QSOs," Wilson added. "They can also turn the dial to find other stations on the air. It's not like a repeater." A [list of Girl Scout activities](#) supported by JOTA-JOTI has also been posted.

Held each year on the third full weekend in October, JOTA is the world's largest Scouting event. JOTA uses Amateur Radio to link Scouts and hams around the world. Scouts of any age and gender can participate, from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts and Venturers.

Radio amateurs at the local level are encouraged to work with a scout council or unit to set up a JOTA station or arrange to have Scouts visit their shacks. "You can also participate just by making QSOs with the many JOTA stations that will be on the air," Wilson said.

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