



River City ARCS

River City Amateur Radio Communications Society



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Photo of Paul MacIntyre showing how a blind man can use a radio.

Paul MacIntyre Killed

I am sad to report that Paul MacIntyre was one of two people killed by stabbing Friday night.

Here is a Channel 13 report on it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZCrA5oN8oE>

Ken Martin
Editor

EDITORS MESSAGE

In February we had Kevin Hooke, KK6DCT, show his new SpotViz FT8/JT65 digital mode app to view HF propagation

In March we will have Tom Cutter W6BS discuss emergency power for the radio amateur.

The first Hamfest of the year will be held in Loomis in March, see flyer below.

The SHARP club has found a room and will have their ham classes. See flyers page 5 & 6.

We will start talking about field day in June. Start thinking about what you would like to operate.

Ken Martin
KE6RMN
Editor

DUES ARE PAST DUE

Dues for the year are due in January. If you are not sure if you are paid, paid members are listed by call sign on the front page of our webpage.

For the March issue I will be dropping those that have not paid.

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.

2019 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**Board of Directors**

President	Paul McIntyre	KC5JAX
Vice President	Kevin Hooke	KK6DCT
Secretary	Gert Thompson	KK6ZGA
Treasurer	Phil Sittner	KD6RM
Membership	Phil Sittner	KD6RM
Board Members		
2 year Term	Marty Gunn	KM6MFI
2 year Term	Mike Meighan	KD6ILC
2 year Term	Dave Martin	WB6YLK
2 year Term	Sylvia Stork	KS6WTF

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>**2020 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

For 2020 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	Mar 3
St Patricks Day	Mar 17
Board Meeting	Mar 24
April Fools Day	Apr 1
Club Meeting	Apr 7
Passover	Apr 8
Easter	Apr 12
Board Meeting	Apr 24

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome these new members:

Jenni Moser, KN6HUP



HAM CLASSES

Thanks to the efforts of Bill O'Connor of the Sacramento Sheriff's Department and our very own AEC Mike Meighan, SHARP, the Sheriff's Amateur Radio Program, is going to be offering ham classes again this year. Finding a classroom is one of the hardest things to do. Without Bill and Mike, it would not have happened.

Classes will be held during April and May. In April, we'll be doing the Tech class, and in May the General.

For full information, see the SHARP web site at sacsharp.org/ham-classes. I've also attached the class flyers. Please feel free to distribute them far and wide!

If anyone has any questions, please [email me](mailto:).

73's

Mike Abernathy

FIELD DAY

For Field Day does anyone have motor home or self contained trailer with a toilet that could be parked at field day site Saturday night.

If we can do this we would not have to rent a Porta Potty. Contact Phil Sittner.

LOOMIS HAMFEST

The Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club is hosting our 6th Annual Hamfest in Loomis, California, on Saturday, March 21st, 2020! We are proud to call this a sanctioned ARRL Event.

This year our featured presentation isn't a presentation, but a **workshop** on **DStar, DMR, Fusion, and Hot Spots**. We will have a table dedicated to each mode. Elmers will be there to explain how these systems work and will have everything on hand to program your member's radios!! We anticipate this to be a very popular program and are excited to make it available to you.

Please see flyer on next page. Additional information is available on our website at W6EK.org. We want any ham interested to have the opportunity to come.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you and your members at Loomis Hamfest 2020!

73

Orion Endres, AI6JB
Loomis Hamfest 2020 Chair
ai6jb@arrl.net

FIELD DAY

Field day is in June. There will be a discussion to start planning for Field day. There will be talk about how many stations and modes we want. Who wants to operate, and help with set-up and tear down.

Jason Lager

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.

**GIVE HIM THE WORLD
AS A CHRISTMAS GIFT**



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Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club's - W6EK.ORG

Loomis Hamfest 2020

Saturday, March 21st

First Swap of the Year - Rain or Shine

Historic Loomis Train Depot
5775 Horseshoe Bar Road, Downtown Loomis

6th Annual Loomis Hamfest
Meet & Greet Everyone - Visit
the ARRL Booth - Door Prizes
Hourly - Fusion, DStar, DMR
Workshop - Free Parking



Elmer Tours - Test Bench - Hot
Coffee and Donuts - Taylor's
Lunch Deal - SFARC Club Table

Buyers 7 AM - Noon
Sellers 6 AM

Grand Prize @ 11 AM

SFARC is an ARRL Affiliated and Special Service Club. ARRL is the National Organization Representing Amateur Radio Operators. Stop by the ARRL Booth and visit with Dr. Carol Milazzo, KP4MD, Sacramento Valley Section Manager.



Talk-In - W6EK 145.430 PL 162.2 Hz - Talk-In

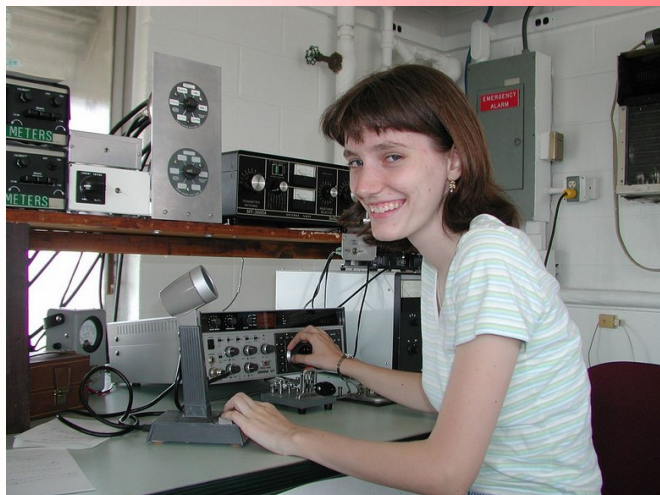
Get Your Ham Radio Technician License!

SHeriff's
Amateur
Radio
Program



Why use Ham Radio?

- ◆ Communicate from anywhere without depending on the Internet or cell networks
- ◆ Help your community—
Participate in emergency communications
- ◆ Send digital data from your computer to others via radio
- ◆ Talk via satellites in space
- ◆ Participate in contests and win awards
- ◆ Be part of the ham radio community



Cost: There is no charge for the class itself. However, you will need to purchase your textbook and pay a \$15.00 fee for the licensing exam (at our VE session on 4/24/20). See the web site address below for further information about the class.

When and Where

The class meets from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM in 2020 on April 7th, 9th, 14th, 16th, 21st and 23rd, with the VE session (test) on the 24th.

The class will be held at the Sheriff's Central Division, 7000 65th Street, Sacramento, CA 95823.

FOR MORE INFO: sacsharp.org/ham-classes

BE A GENERAL!

And Talk to the Entire World!

Okay, not a military general, but you can become a **GENERAL CLASS** ham radio operator and use ALL the world-wide ham bands.



If you're a Technician class ham radio operator and would like to take it to the next level, attend the Sacramento **S**heriff's Amateur **R**adio **P**rogram

General Licensing Class

which will be held in May, 2020.

When and Where

The class meets from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM in 2020 on May 5th, 7th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st and 26th, with the VE session on the 29th.

The class will be held at Sheriff's Central Division, 7000 65th Street, Sacramento, CA 95823.

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