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CLUB MEETINGS: Second Fri.  
each month, 7:30 PM Auburn  
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET  
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7:00 - 7:45 PM, Roseville City  
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#### CLUB BREAKFAST

Last Saturday of the month  
(Except in December), 8:00 AM  
to 9:00 AM, Susie's Country Cafe  
in Roseville Hwy 80 & Riverside Av.

Thurs Night Net Controller:  
Dick Lund - WA6HYO 885-3190

### 1995 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

|        |                                                         |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Jul 1  | Community Event -<br>Rocklin Jubilee<br>Parade          |
| Jul 14 | Club Meeting                                            |
| Jul 24 | Board Meeting                                           |
| Aug 11 | Club Meeting                                            |
| Aug 26 | Club Picnic                                             |
| Oct 31 | Community Event<br>Halloween Patrol,<br>City of Rocklin |
| Nov 10 | Club Meeting,<br>ELECTIONS                              |
| Nov 27 | Board Meeting                                           |
| Dec 8  | Christmas Party                                         |
| Dec 18 | Board Meeting                                           |



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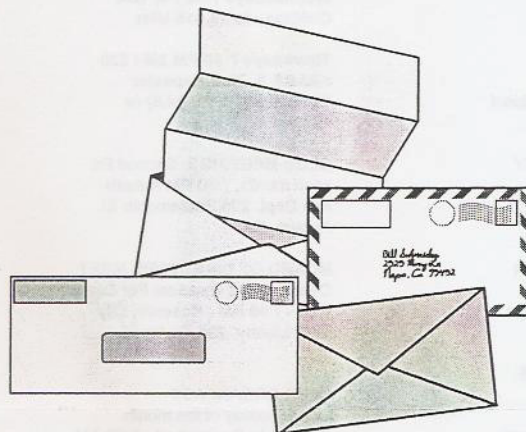
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If you have questions, comments, complaints,  
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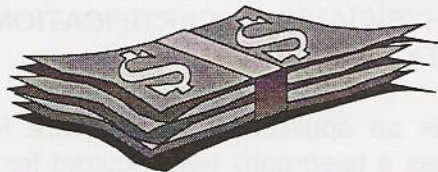
If you prefer, you can E-MAIL your Letter to the editor  
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Letters or photos received by the 20th of the month will  
be printed in the next months issue of the SFARC  
newsletter.

**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM  
YOU**



## THE TREASURERS REPORT



By Jim Venneman - W6PYX

### INCOME

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| ARRL DUES                 | \$ 72.00    |
| AUTOPATCH DONATIONS       | \$ 98.50    |
| BADGE SALES               | \$ 14.00    |
| COMMUNICATIONS SIGN SALES | \$ 4.00     |
| MEMBERSHIP DUES           | \$ 1,142.00 |
| PATCH SALES               | \$ 12.00    |
| REPEATER DONATIONS        | \$ 154.50   |

TOTAL INCOME \$ 1,497.00

### EXPENSES

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| ARRL DUES PAID OUT     | \$ 60.00  |
| AUTOPATCH LINE CHARGES | \$ 65.36  |
| BADGES EXPENSE         | \$ 45.05  |
| MEETING ROOM RENT      | \$ 150.00 |
| NEWSLETTER EXPENSES    | \$ 448.53 |
| OFFICE EXPENSES        | \$ 19.48  |
| REPEATER ELECTRICITY   | \$ 170.18 |
| REPEATER EXPENSES      | \$ 21.00  |
| WORLD RADIO CLUB AD    | \$ 60.00  |

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 1,079.60  
TOTAL INCOME/EXPENSE \$ 417.40

### ASSETS

|                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| AUTOPATCH FUND | \$215.82          |
| CHRISTMAS FUND | \$697.68          |
| GENERAL FUND   | \$38.13           |
| REPEATER FUND  | \$483.18          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$1,434.81</b> |



Don't forget the club breakfast on the last Saturday of the month at Susie's Country Cafe, 8:00 am to 9:00 am Cirby Wy. & Riverside Av in Roseville.

## SWAP MEET

River City ARCS annual Ham Radio & Electronics Swap Meet and Picnic on Sunday, July 30, 1995. Swap Meet is 7:00 AM to Noon, Picnic following the Swap.

LOCATION: Lot A of Sacramento State University. Talk in 145.250 (-) / PL 162.2

## FREE HAM RADIO CLASSES

The Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club is pleased to announce the following amateur radio classes for upgrading and no code technician in two locations. Students required to supply your own book.

### ROSEVILLE LIBRARY - 225 TAYLOR ST MONDAY NO CODE CLASSES

1. 7:00 TO 9:00 PM. August 7, 14, 21, September 11 and 18, 1995.
2. 7:00 TO 9:00 PM October 2, 16, 30, November 6, 13, 1995

### MAIDU COMMUNITY CENTER-SENIOR MEETING ROOM, 1550 MAIDU DRIVE. FRIDAY NO CODE CLASS

1. 1:00 TO 3:00 PM. August 11, 18, 25, September 8, 15, 22.

### SPECIAL NOVICE THROUGH EXTRA CLASS

Contact Lewis Tuttle at the number below.

### TESTING PROCEDURES

Contact Bob Metke, W6SUP 916-783-7610 for an appointment. Testing is on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Space is limited to 5 persons per test session.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
CONTACT LEWIS TUTTLE, KE6MFL  
(916)-771-2336**



## INFORMATION FROM THE V.E. TEAM

Members have asked questions about Disability Certificates and Morse Code Exemptions. Below is some information from ARRL and W5YI that should answer most of your questions.

### Morse Code Exemption---From the ARRL VE Manual 7th Edition

*If a severely handicapped person obtains the FCC required Physicians Certification of Disability and Patients Release form, he/she may meet the necessary requirements to be exempted from the higher speed 13- or 20-wpm Morse code examination requirements (Section 97.505[a][5][i][ii]).*

To qualify for the complete exemption, candidates must already have earned credit for (or hold a license that includes credit for having passed) at least 5 wpm. That 5- wpm examination may be an accommodated examination, if necessary.

No specific handicap is included or excluded for consideration toward the Morse code exemption. The decision whether an exemption is warranted is determined between the candidate, and his/her personal physician (MD or DO, only!).

If the candidate presents a correctly-completed *Physician's Certification of Disability and Patient's Release* on FCC Form 610, and if the candidate has credit for, or passes at your test session the necessary written element(s) required toward a General, Advanced or Extra Class upgrade [and provides proof of having passed a minimal Morse code test of at least 5 wpm--or passes it at your test session], *the VE team must accept that document as credit for Element IC (20 wpm) and must indicate so on the CSCE.*

On acceptance of the certification on the Form 610 and in conjunction with any written element credits held--and after initial Morse code credit is verified, the VE's must issue a CSCE to the candidate indicating *Element IC Handicap Credit or Physician's Cert. and Release: IC* and indicating

any upgrade earned as a result of receiving this credit.

### 4.3 PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATION OF DISABILITY Form W5YI

Sometimes an applicant with a severe handicap cannot pass a telegraphy test required for General class and above, even with special accommodations (see Chapter 6). 20 WPM code credit must be given, even if only 13 WPM is needed for the license class. This credit is granted and a 365-day CSCE for 20 WPM is issued on the spot by the VE team (no FCC decision required, and no waiting for license privileges), if:

\*\* The applicant passes Element 1(A) or submits evidence of having passed (usually a Novice license, a CSCE, or a grandfathered Technician license). (NOTE: A license marked 'Rule Section 97.501 waived' is not sufficient; a new physician's certification is required).

\*\* The severe handicap will extend for more than 365 days beyond the date of certification.

\*\* The certifying physician's name, office address and telephone number has been clearly filled out so the FCC may contact the physician, if necessary.

\*\* The physician (only an MD or DO) has personally signed and dated the appropriate line (no rubber stamp signatures are allowed).

\*\* The applicant has signed the 'PATIENT'S RELEASE' (no rubber stamp signatures are allowed). If an applicant can't sign, a mark must be made and witnessed; the witness signs below the mark.

\*\* Three VE's have signed the Form 610 in Section 2 even if no examinations were given.

Volunteer Examiners are not permitted to question the medical judgment of the certifying physician. However, if the VE team has substantial evidence that credit is being given improperly, they should attach a signed letter to the front of the Form 610 application. This will be referred to the FCC's Private Radio Division for further investigation.



## WHERE DO WE ALL LIVE ?

Source: SFARC Membership Roster as of June 1995

Ever wonder where we all live? I have had a few people ask me the same question, so I decided to do a little research.

The chart below depicts four categories.

**Auburn Area**, including Penryn, Loomis, Newcastle, Meadow Vista, Cool, Foresthill, Colfax, and Lincoln.

**Roseville/Rocklin**, including South Placer County, and Granite Bay.

**Sacramento County**, including Sacramento City Limits, Folsom, Citrus Heights, Carmichael, Fair Oaks, Rancho Cordova, and all other un-incorporated cities.

**Out of State**, members mailed newsletters out of state.

**Other**, includes counties surrounding Placer and Sacramento Counties.

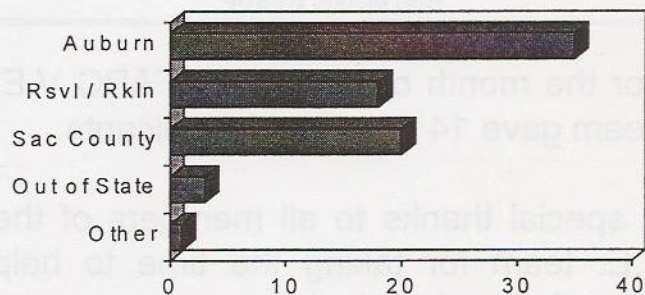


Chart Courtesy of Matt Diridoni, KC6RUO



" If I hear the word CODE one more time,  
I'll just \*%\$# " !!



## DO YOU REMEMBER MERCURY- ARC RECTIFIERS?

Mercury-Arc rectifiers were used in the twenties and thirties to supply transmitter plate voltage. These unusual tubes contained two "plates," as "starting electrode, and a small "pool" of mercury. When heated, the mercury emits electrons, like the familiar cathode. During operation, this "arc current" is sufficient to keep the mercury hot and the tube functioning.

**Paul Dillon, W5GT**



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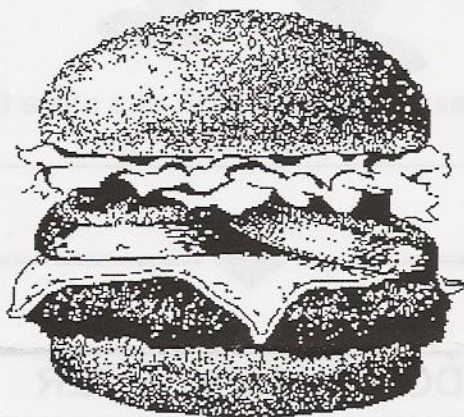
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Contact Matt Diridoni, KC6RUO

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## DON'T FORGET !



THE CLUB PICNIC IS ON AUGUST 26, 1995  
AT MEADOW VISTA PARK

## IN SEARCH OF HOME MADE EQUIPMENT

The Vice-President is in search of members with home made equipment that could be shared with members at a future club meeting. Radio gear, antennas, test gear, what ever you made is great. Two or four members would make a good presentation.

Please contact Matt Diridoni, KC6RUO, by phone or E-MAIL (MattKC6RUO@AOL.COM)

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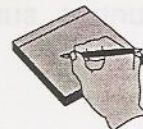
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### THE VOLUNTEER EXAMINER REPORT



Bob Metke, W6SUP

For the month of May, the SFARC V.E. Team gave 14 tests to 11 applicants.

A special thanks to all members of the V.E. team for taking the time to help promote amateur radio.

If you need to take a test, or have questions about testing, please feel free to call me at (916)-783-7610



**CLUB MEETING MINUTES**

June 8, 1995

The meeting was called to order by President Martha Vance, KA6WUW and introductions were made. Martha placed a suggestion box on the front table and welcomed any suggestions members may have had.

Matt Diridoni introduced our speaker, Dan Brockman, KC6VEQ of Sutter Buttes Communications. Dan has been employed as a commercial technician for the past few years and is a very active amateur radio operator. His presentation of his service van and equipment was very informative and interesting.

Jan Hutalla, KC6LIX made a motion to accept the Secretary's notes from the last meeting as published in the newsletter. Dick Lund, WA6HYO seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Martha Vance inquired about our club banner and Jim Venneman reported that he had it. (Hooray!) We also learned that Mike Sexton has the wire antenna's and sling shot. Larry Ellsworth will contact Mr. Sexton for the equipment.

Larry Ellsworth asked about who was interested and who will attend field day, and what equipment and food they will bring. KA6KUT stated he will loan a TS520S, tuner and microphone, to a qualified operator(s) and requested it be promptly delivered back to him at the conclusion of field day. Jan & Greg Hutalla will be operating packet at field day.

Antennas and technical will be set up on the first day. Jan and Martha suggested that the field day pot luck be held earlier as the bands open later. Jim Venneman stated that one antenna may need repairing. Jan made a motion to have the pot luck at 2:00 PM, and Matt seconded with a passed motion.

**Items voted on**

Budget for food for field day. Club will furnish coffee, sodas, and minor things such as breakfast rolls for those who choose to work radio in the later hours.

Jan made a motion to budget \$125.00 for food and miscellaneous. The motion was seconded by Larry Ellsworth, and the motion carried. Matt asked for volunteers for the Rocklin Jubilee to contact Dave Jenkins.

Volunteers are needed for the picnic on August 27, 1995 at Meadow Vista Park. Matt Diridoni and Greg Hutalla will be cooking. Jan Hutalla will check with Linda Hedgepeth to see if she will help with games.

Bob Metke gave a VE report, Matt Diridoni gave a Newsletter report, and Lewis Tuttle gave a radio class report. Lewis said the club should advertise classes in the newspaper and cable access.

Bob Boeckman reported that Bonnie Connelly, N6JHP, is in the hospital. She is a former long time member of SFARC.

Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully Submitted:

Jerri Metke, K6GKR  
SFARC Secretary



Photo Courtesy of Matt Diridoni, KC6RUO

Members at the last club meeting listened to Dan Brockman, KC6VEQ, of Sutter Buttes Communications. Dan is pictured here demonstrating a frequency counter. Dan also showed members a service monitor and demonstrated how a Motorola hand held radio is just about indestructible.

Thanks for the presentation Dan!



## ARRL PACIFIC DIVISION UPDATE JULY, 1995

by Brad Wyatt, K6WR, Director, Pacific Division, ARRL  
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### Vanity "Preferred" Call Signs - Latest News:-

The "sequentially issued" club call signs part of the "Vanity" Callsigns Program is underway with club call signs being received in all call sign areas. The club call sign procedure began with the issuance of sequential calls from the Group D call sign blocks (KE6Sxx in CA). No starting date has been announced by the FCC thus far for the remainder of the program. However, the long-awaited form 610-V is very nearly ready: it was finally approved by the Office of Management and Budget on May 2, and copies should start going out within the next few weeks.

There is a new twist to the program. It has now been determined that a form 1070-V, will have to be filed with each 610-V as a transmittal for the \$70.00 fee. As yet many of the details on where to send what are unknown.

There are two routes to follow to obtain the necessary 610-V and 1070-V forms: direct from the FCC or via ARRL. In order to obtain forms from the FCC, call 1-800-418-3676 and follow instructions. This number, which is open 24 hours per day, hooks you into an automated form ordering system. After making your way through the usual maze of control numbers, input from your touch-tone telephone, you'll be given the opportunity to leave a recorded request. Some who have tried this approach have received a letter saying that the forms will be available July 1, but it is not clear if the request at this time will be automatically honored. If you wish to obtain your forms from ARRL/VEC, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) to ARRL HQ/VEC, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111, and ask for a 610-V. A 1070-V will automatically be included with each 610-V request. The ARRL/VEC will honor all requests in this manner.

There is to be a new form 610-B. In the meantime, to apply for a club call sign you can use the existing Form 610-B dated March 1992 and write "NEW" in the call sign box at the top of the form (item #1). Form 610-B can be obtained from the ARRL/VEC for an SASE. Mail the completed club call sign application form 610-B (with a

copy of the trustee's license) to FCC, 1270 Fairfield Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245.

In order to apply for a "vanity call sign" for a club, you must already have a club call sign or have obtained one under this new program. A club trustee would then apply for a vanity call based on the "gate" for his or her license class.

A Club Call Sign Application Fact Sheet by FCC has been released to fully define the process. The ARRL-VEC also has an information sheet available to answer questions if you will send an SASE to ARRL-VEC 225 Main St., Newington CT 06111-1494.

On the matter of what call signs from what call areas are to be available in gates 2 through 4, the ARRL and several individual hams have filed Petitions for Reconsideration of paragraph 10 of this Docket. The petitions are to insure the availability of call signs from ONLY the call sign area of residence as proposed by ARRL and QCWA originally and currently rejected by FCC. The FCC plan currently makes any available call sign in any call sign area -- KH6, KH0, KL7, KV4, W6, W7, et al -- available to any applicant. There is no date known by when the FCC will make a decision. However, this aspect of the call sign assignment will not be applicable until later in "gate 2". See May 1995 QST, page 95 for more details.

The cost for any "vanity call sign" will be \$70 for the ten year license based on the current statutes. Some additional thoughts for those of you concerned with recovering Silent Key call signs of close relatives, please be ready. Be sure that you or some close relative is licensed at some level.

### ARRL President George Wilson, W4OYI, Continues His Recovery.

As previously reported, on Feb. 11, George Wilson, W4OYI, suffered a stroke in Washington, DC, while on business for ARRL. George is now in rehabilitation facility near Evansville, IN. All information indicates that he is recovering well, but it appears that the recovery period will be a long time. Please hold good thoughts for George and his family. Messages can be sent to George's address at 1849 Griffith Ave., Owensboro KY 42301. Get well, George!

### Telecommunications Reform and the Proposal to Do Away with the FCC

Many of you are probably concerned about the new Telecommunications Act passed June 15 by the Senate and



the now separate "Think Tank" proposal to eliminate the FCC and allocate the entire RF spectrum on a "property rights" basis. These stories are headline news as this is being written.

The ARRL Washington Team continues to monitor these activities very closely. There were many last minute amendments added to the Senate bill so that even the legislators apparently are not really sure of the details. It appears that this bill does not affect the Amateur Radio Service directly, but there may yet be surprises. The two House committee versions of this bill are considerably different from the Senate version and each other. This summer, the House must first reconcile its two versions and then work out the differences with the Senate. Also this summer, the "Think Tank" proposal to eliminate the FCC could well influence the debate on the expected FCC funding bill.

The mood in Congress seems to be to enact some sort of telecommunications reform, but just what is unclear so far. Stay tuned! The ARRL Washington Team is active on our behalf!

### **13 cm. Band-- Latest News:-**

On Feb. 7 it was announced by the FCC that the Amateur Service not only retained our 2390-2400 MHz and 2402-2417 MHz spectrum, but we were upgraded from Secondary Allocation to Primary Allocation! There was NO reallocation of 2300-2310 MHz as it was not involved specifically in this matter although some commenters wanted to pair up this segment with 2390-2400 MHz. The battle over 2300-2310 MHz will appear again very soon in 1995 to meet NTIA's schedule of transfer in Aug. 1995. Be prepared again! May 1995 QST on page 94 contains a "2400 MHz Honor Roll" honoring those organizations and individuals who contributed to this win.

The Pacific Division celebrated this win by installing and operating the first known 13 cm. repeater -- see "S-Band by the Bay" pictures in "Up Front in QST" on pages 12-13 and the corresponding article in the FM Column on page 106 in the July QST. Great work by a group of pioneers!

### **We Get New Spectrum - 219-220 MHz:-**

On Mar. 17, the FCC issued a Report and Order on ET Docket 93-40 awarding operating privileges in the 219-220 MHz band effective April 26, 1995. The Amateur Service has been awarded, on a secondary basis, permission to use the band for a point to point fixed

digital message forwarding service. As we will be sharing this spectrum with other services, ARRL, acting as a "national contact point" for "local amateur coordinators," will provide information on known current licensees in these other services. A few applications have been received -- the first two were from the Pacific Division. Those who are interested in using the new band should contact ARRL HQ for an information sheet and application form.

### **FCC Amends HF Digital Rules:-**

The FCC has announced rule changes covering HF Digital operations. The new rules will become effective July 1, 1995. Subject to a bandwidth limitation of 500 Hz, automatic control will be permitted when connected to another station that is under manual control, or when transmitting in certain frequency segments designated for automatic control operations. Any band from 50 MHz and higher may also be used. The frequency segments available are 28.120 to 28.189, 24.925 to 24.930, 21.090 to 21.100, 18.105 to 18.110, 14.095 to 14.0995, 14.1005 to 14.112, 10.140 to 10.150, 7.100 to 7.105, and 3.620 to 3.635 Mhz. See July QST page 83 for full details.

### **Latest Pacific Division Appointments:-**

It is my pleasure to announce that Nubar (Nory) Tashjian, K6KVX, has been appointed as a Volunteer Counsel in Oakland CA. Thanks, Nory, for joining the team! **New Service to New Licensees in the Pacific Division:-**

Starting in June, the Pacific Division part of the ARRL National Traffic System began delivering "welcome to Amateur Radio," "join your local radio club," and "join the ARRL" messages to all new licensees in the Division. This effort is being led by Jim McCauley, AB6EU, Section Traffic Manager of the San Francisco Section, with the assistance of a group of dedicated NTS hams. Thanks for the effort!

### **Antenna Ordinances and Related Matters:-**

Ken McTaggart, N6KM, Volunteer Counsel, Gerhard Straub, WB6ESF, Volunteer Consulting Engineer, and Lee Dibble, KE6EAQ, Volunteer Counsel, continue to lead the charge on the potentially very explosive proposed Sonoma County antenna ordinance. The latest information indicates that Sonoma County may not adopt an "RF intensity at the property boundary line measurement" criteria. If such a proposed ordinance involving RF intensity measurements were to pass, it would be the first such in the US. Keep up the good



work, team, and thanks to all others working locally on this challenge!

The antenna ordinance effort in Fresno County will likely come to a head in June. The Fresno ARC and other groups in the county have put forth a major effort to have a more "reasonably accommodating" ordinance passed by the Fresno County Council. Good luck!

#### Scholarships and Awards:-

I am pleased to announce that Benjie Chen, KE6BCU, of Sunnyvale CA, has been awarded The ARRL Scholarship to Honor Barry Goldwater, K7UGA, by the ARRL Foundation Scholarship Committee of the ARRL Foundation, Inc. Benjie will be an entering freshman at MIT this fall. Congratulations!

There are many scholarships and awards covering a wide range of situations available to licensed Amateurs. The ARRL Foundation, The Dayton Amateur Radio Association, The Foundation for Amateur Radio, to name only a few, will be announcing their dates for applications for their 1995/6 scholarships. Watch QST and other amateur radio publications for details.

#### Guest Editor Last month and Other Kudos:-

Jim Maxwell, W6CF, Vice Director, completed the writing and editing of the June issue while I was in Europe. Thanks, Jim.

Also my thanks to the loyal Monday lunch group in Los Gatos who do the final assembly and mailing each month. Thanks, gang!

#### Coming Events:-

- Livermore Swap Meet - 1st Sunday of each month at Las Positas College in Livermore, CA, 7 AM to Noon, all year. Talk in 147.045 from west, 145.35 from the east. Contact Noel Anklam, KC6QZK, (510) 447-3857 eves.

- Foothill Flea Market - 2nd Saturday of each month from March to September at Foothill College, Los Altos CA.

- Reno Hamfest at Reno Stead Airport Facility north of Reno, Aug. 12, 1995. Contact Sierra Nevada ARS Bob Davis, KG7IY, (702) 856- 2826.

- HAMCON '95 (Southwestern Division Convention), Sept. 1 - 3, 1995, at Long Beach CA. Contact Nate Brightman, K6OSC, (310) 427-5123.

- SCRA Hamfest/Swapmeet, Sept. 16, 1995, in Santa Rosa CA. Contact Rick Reiner, K6ZWB, (707) 575-4455.

- 2nd National Hamfest, Oct. 6-8, 1995, at Costerisan Lake in Bakersfield, CA. Contact the Kern Co. Central Valley ARC at P. O. Box 743, Bakersfield CA 93302

- Pacificon'95 at Concord, CA, Oct. 20-22, 1995. Contact Richard Schultze, AA6DL, at (510) 932-6125 on the Pacificon'95 Hotline.

To all packet and Internet recipients of the Pacific Division Update:

#### NEWS FLASH NEWS FLASH NEWS FLASH

ARRL HQ reported today (Tuesday, June 20) that a Report and Order in MD Docket No. 95-3 has been released. The fee for Amateur Vanity Call Signs, previously \$70, has been reduced to \$30 per license for the ten year license term. The new fee (along with other fees affecting other services) takes effect 90 days after publication in the Federal Register, which means not before late September.

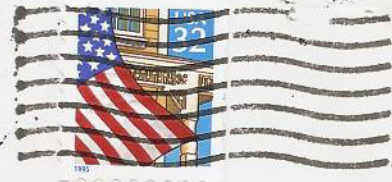
73, Brad Wyatt K6WR  
Director, Pacific Division, ARRL



Henry Sparks, KB2DLE, Bob Boeckman, WA6ULL, and Dick Wilkins, WB6EDR, pictured here during a break at the last club meeting discussing no other than amateur radio. We hope to see you all at the next club meeting on July 14, 1995.



Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club  
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TO:

| SIERRA FOOTHILLS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |                        |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| Membership is valid from the date received until December 31 of that same year. Memberships received during the year will be pro-rated.<br>MEMBER DUES: \$17.00, ASSOCIATE DUES: \$7.00. NOTE: SEE APPLICATION BELOW FOR ARRL MEMBERSHIP<br>MAIL APPLICATION TO: SFARC TREASURER, P.O. Box 3262, AUBURN, CA. 95604 |  |                        |  |
| MEMBER NAME _____<br><small>Last Name First MI</small>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  | CALL _____ Class _____ |  |
| ADDRESS: _____<br><small>Number Street Name City State Zip Code</small>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |                        |  |
| TELEPHONE NUMBER _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |                        |  |
| DATE: _____ Member: \$17.00 Associate: \$7.00 Repeater Donation \$ _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |                        |  |
| Auto Patch Donation: \$ _____ Club Patch: \$2.00 TOTAL _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |                        |  |
| _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |                        |  |
| ARRL APPLICATION FORM - ARRL CLUB NUMBER _____ DATE _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |                        |  |
| Renewing your ARRL membership through the club costs no more, and earns the club money for each membership renewal.<br>Make check payable to SFARC and return to club Treasurer, P.O. Box 3262, Auburn, CA. 95604                                                                                                  |  |                        |  |
| Name: _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | Call _____ Class _____ |  |
| Address: _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  | State _____ Zip _____  |  |
| Regular Member: \$30.00 Yearly      ** Special Under 17 Yrs or over 65 Yrs, \$24.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |                        |  |
| Member type and Number: R _____ Sp _____ Life time _____ TOTAL _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |                        |  |