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Thursdays 7:30 PM 2M / 220
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223.860 (-1.6 MHz)

CLUB MEETINGS: Second Fri.
each month, 7:30 PM Auburn
Fire Dept. 226 Sacramento St.
Auburn, CA.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET
Check Event Calendar For Dates
7:00 - 7:45 PM, Roseville City
Main Library, 225 Taylor St.

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

Nov 10	Club Meeting ELECTIONS
Nov 18	Community Event Roseville Holiday Parade
Nov 27	Board Meeting
Dec 8	Christmas Party
Dec 18	Board Meeting

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Happy Holidays Snappy!



THE SIERRA FOOTHILLS
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
1995 CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 8, 1995

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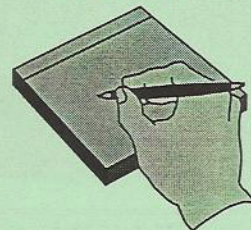
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**SFARC MEMBERS ADVERTISE FREE
CONTACT THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

THE VOLUNTEER EXAMINER REPORT



Bob Metke, W6SUP

For the months of October and November, the SFARC V.E. Team gave 11 tests to 14 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.

HAM LICENSE TEST FOR THE BLIND

The SFARC VE Team has taken another step forward in testing. On September 3 and again on September 16, 1995, the team VE team gave the first tests using both printed and Braille tests. The answers were written in Braille by the candidate, and transcribed by voice to the VE team.

All pertinent materials have been forwarded to W5YI for verification. The candidate passed both element 2 and 3A. Thanks to the VE team, Bob W6SUP and Jerri, K6GKR. Special thanks and "job well done" to the Teacher, Mr. Lewis Tuttle, KE6MFL

Ralph McCune
KE6DJB

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**PLEASE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
TO SFARC**

John Tiernan, KA6LNC David Keys, WD6DSN
 Richard Kuepper, WA6RWS

**ON THE ROAD AGAIN
HAM RADIO WORKS WITH RACERS**

The USA Christian Runners Association held their 15th annual 49er Canyon Classic Biathlon in Auburn on September 4, 1995.

I would like to thank Net Control, Bob Metke W6SUP, Lewis Tuttle, Jerri Metke, Wayne Mikel, Dave Peden, KA6KUT, Fred Campbell, KE6MJC, Russ Ahlberg, KI6KJ, and Bev McCune KE6DJA for all the dedication and hard work to make this event fun as well as successful.

The radio operators tested their skills to help locate a 12 year old race participant who over extended his experience and was temporarily lost. The child was picked up by Wayne Mikel, KE6DJE and returned to the start area. Thanks everybody for a job well done.

Ralph McCune, KE6DJB

STICKY MICROPHONE SWITCH?

How often do you get mad and throw the microphone down and say, " I HAVE TO GET A NEW ONE! ". The wife says, " ANOTHER \$60.00 FOR HAM'S "

I found that there are no metal springs in the thumb switch on any of microphones, nor are they in the speaker microphones or the ones with the keypads.

A small piece of foam runner is used instead of a metal spring, so don't spray it with anything. Check to see if a piece of foam rubber that has gone bad. Replace it with a new and stronger piece of rubber.

Just as a reminder, the temperature in the gar ranges between freezing and 120 degrees. So take care of your radio, and it will take care of you.

Ralph McCune, KE6DJB

SFARC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 1995

The Board Meeting was called to order by our president, Martha Vance, KA6WUW. Attending was: Martha Vance, Jerri Metke, Bob Metke, Bob Greenslade, Bob Boeckman. Visiting were Ralph and Bev McCune.

Our President brought up funds for the Christmas party on December 8, 1995. The Treasurers report said the fund is \$697.68. Jim Venneman was supposed to have paid for the hall and was still trying to get a reduction.

The general fund is said to be \$66.36.

It was decided to save the 2 meter amplifier and antenna for the raffle at the Christmas Party. It was also decided to refund money collected for the amplifier and antenna.

Bob Greenslade made a motion to return money collected be returned to those who purchased tickets, and use the former picnic prizes for prizes at the Christmas Party. Bob Boeckman second, motion carried.

Bob Boeckman made a motion to have the newsletter printed every other month (6 newsletters per year.) The motion was second by Jerri Metke, motion carried.

It was noted that Roseville Telephone Company may have rooms for club use. The board also decided to reserve \$150.00 for expenses of the Christmas Party.

Bob Boeckman will purchase items for the Christmas Party. Bob Metke made a motion that the treasurer write Mr. Boeckman a check for \$500.00 for the Christmas Party. Second my Bob Greenslade & passed.

Jerri Metke, K6GKR, Secretary

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SFARC CLUB MEETING MINUTES

September 8, 1995

Meeting called to order by President Martha Vance and introductions were made.

No speaker was arranged this month. Bob Metke gave a V.E. report. Lewis Tuttle added that the school is doing very well.

Martha Vance mentioned the ARRL flag that was for sale for \$50.00. We have \$11.50 saved for the flag so far.

The Board of Directors offered to spend \$500.00 for Christmas Gifts from the Christmas Party fund.

Jerri Metke gave a Sunshine Report.

Bob Greenslade purchased a 2 meter Radio Shack mobile radio, and explained how it operates and the pros and cons.

Meeting adjourned

Jerri Metke, K6GKR, Secretary

SFARC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 25, 1995

Those attending were Jerri Metke, Bob Metke, Vice President Matt Diridoni, and visitor Ralph McCune.

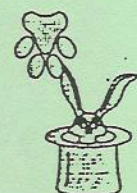
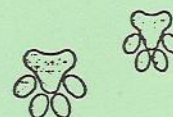
We did not have a quorum, meeting canceled.

Jerri Metke, K6GKR, Secretary

Funny Classified Adds

"Perfect diamond wedding set. The only flaw is the creep who gave it to me."

Umpqua Shopper, Sutherlin Oregon



KE6MFL

Go to the right, no go to the left, no, I think the signal is stronger in the middle, well, maybe to the left, well, maybe the middle, no...OH! It's GONE. Have you ever tried to drive a car with someone giving directions like this?? Well that is about what my poor mate did on September 30, 1995. You guessed it (or should have) Our rabbit Hunt!

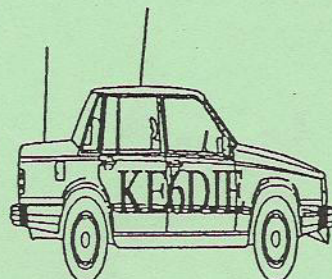
It was my first such experience - and to say the very least, I have been bitten by the "bug", no doubt it was a flea from one of those pesky rabbits. I had so much fun, and will wonders never cease, my team found the rabbit(s) FIRST. Now, you may not think too much of that, however, for a FIRST time,, and to find the rabbits FIRST, well, I can tell you I WILL REMEMBER IT FOR A VERY LONG TIME. And next time I see you, I'll probably tell you again, and again, AND AGAIN, but don't stop me for I shall want to hear it again, and again AND AGAIN.

Thanks to W6SUP, Bob Metke, for organizer of the Hunt - to KE6MFL, Lewis Tuttle and WA6VLS, Carl Crump, our "rabbits". To KE6DJE, Wayne, who was on the "trail" and most of all to KE6DJB who got enough out of those instructions to come in first. I HAD SO MUCH FUN I really couldn't believe it, and I learned so much! You have to start somewhere, RIGHT??????

The next "Hunt", I KNOW where I will be! How about you? Even tho you don't transmit you can still receive a signal ("rabbitt") The more, the merrier. We really would like to see more of you "hunters" out there. Maybe we can make it more interesting. Hm-m-m-m-m. (Suggestions always welcome.)

Thank you to One and All.

Beverly McCune
aka KE6DJA



KE6DJA



KE6DJB



WA6VLS

SIERRA FOOTHILLS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 1995 CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 8, 1995

6:30 P.M. - Social Time
7:00 P.M. - Dinner

Rocklin Community Center
5th St. & Farron St.
Rocklin, CA.

Fun Food Prizes PRIZES INCLUDE QUALITY RADIO EQUIPMENT

BRING CULINARY ITEM BY THE FIRST LETTER IN THE SUFFIX OF YOUR CALL
A-H SALADS I-Q HORS D'OEUVRE OR DESERT R-Z HOT DISHES

THE CLUB WILL FURNISH TURKEY, HONEY BAKED HAM,
COFFEE, HOT TEA, AND SODAS

DIRECTIONS

FROM AUBURN AREA

West on I-80 to Rocklin Rd. Turn right on Rocklin Rd past the Fire station, past Pacific St. until Rocklin Rd dead ends at 5th St. Turn left on 5th St. Community Center is on the Corner of 5th & Farron.

FROM SACRAMENTO/ROSEVILLE AREA

East on I-80 to Rocklin Rd. Turn left on Rocklin Rd, under the freeway, past the Fire Station, past Pacific St. until Rocklin Rd dead ends at 5th St. Turn left on 5th St. Community Center is on the corner of 5th & Farron.

FROM LINCOLN/MARYSVILLE AREA

South on Highway 65, left turn on Sunset Blvd past Bel Air & Stanford Ranch, left turn on 3rd St, left turn on Farron St. Farron St dead ends at the corner of 5th.



NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED !

PLEASE WELCOME YOUR NEW NEWS
LETTER EDITORS

Effective January 1996, SFARC will have a new newsletter editor. Please welcome Bev McCune, KE6DJA and Ralph McCune, KE6DJB. Together, they will tackle the editing, printing, and mailing of the newsletter.

Since I took over the as newsletter editor, I introduced laser scanned photos and graphics to the newsletter. Our newsletter also got a new look on the top header. I am looking forward to Bev and Ralph to introduce even more things to our letter.

Now that I will have all the extra time, I will spend more time with the family and other hobbies. I still plan to be an active member of the club and am planning to volunteer for the snack bar for 1996.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a few people for helping me with the newsletter over the last two years. Jan Huttula, KC6LIX and Greg Huttula, KC6LOE for helping me get started with the newsletter. Thank goodness we share the same word processing software program, it made it allot easier. Bob Metke, W6SUP, who always game me constructive criticism. Dave, KE6MBI for donating his time, effort, photos and scrap books to the club. We really enjoyed all of his photos. Henry Sparks, KB2DLE, for donating the Amateur Radio News Service Newsletter subscription to the club. The ARNS newsletter provided members with interesting articles and information.

I'm sure Bev and Ralph McCune will continue to receive help from all members with the 1996 Newsletter. Your first newsletter for 1996 will be the January/February issue.

Thank you

Matt Diridoni, KC6RUO
Vice President/Newsletter Editor

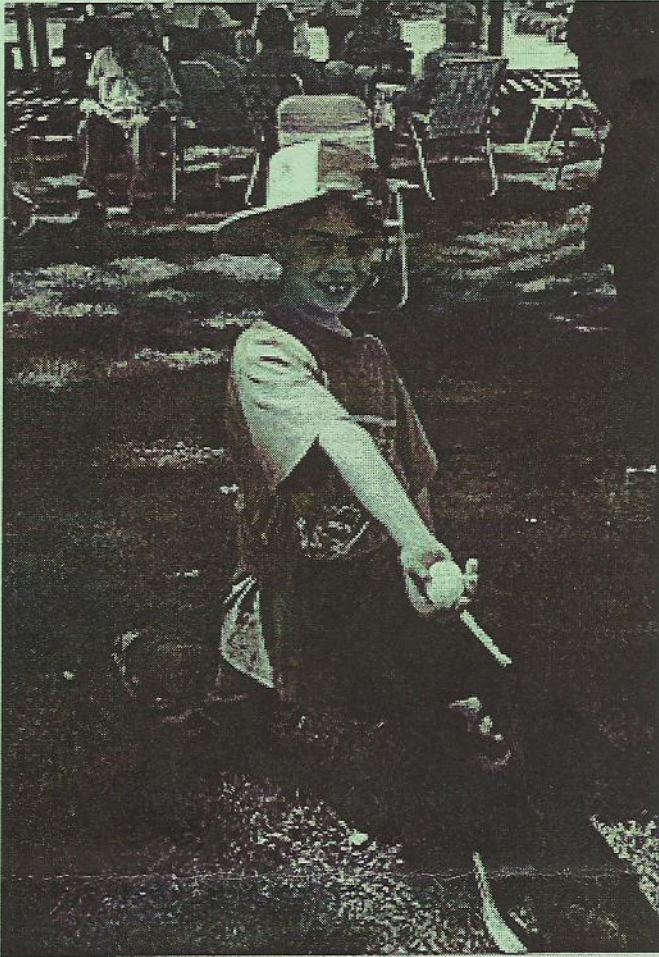
SFARC PICNIC PHOTOS



"We saved the egg ! "

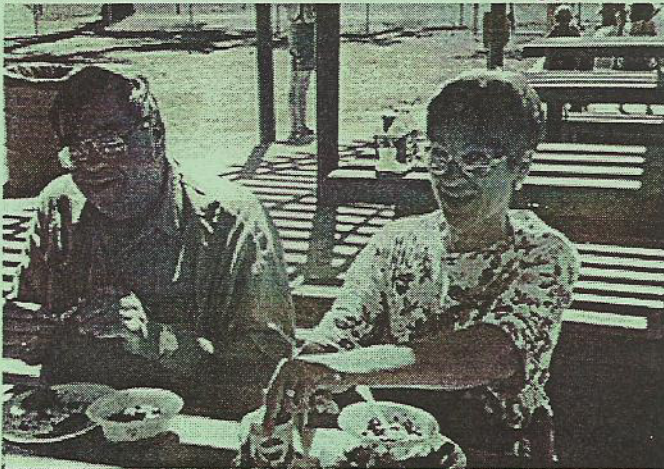


" Excuse me, do you know how to operate a PA system? Jan's voice is louder than the PA system and I don't understand why. I seem to be having some trouble "



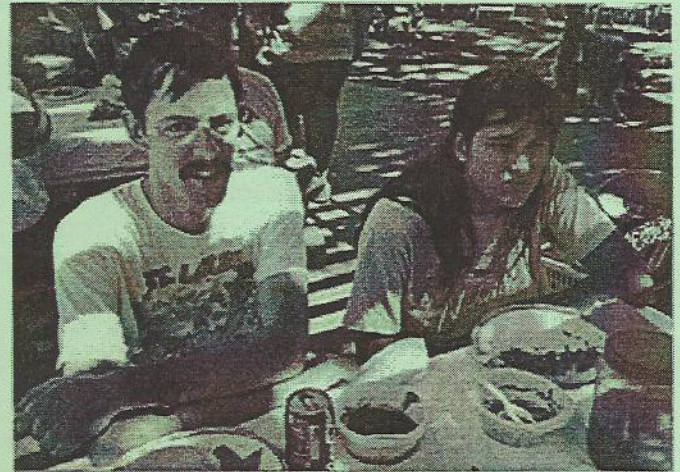
"TADA !!"

"Look Dad, I saved another raw egg"



"HEY BOB , NICE SHOES "

Ask Bob what else is nice & he will tell you.



"THE FOOD IS..... WELL, OK"

" I think Matt is a much better cook than Ralph is "

Thanks to all the members that attended the event. We had a real good time. Our next get together will be the Christmas Party. I hope to see you all there for some good food, good prizes and good fun.



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DATE: _____ Member: \$17.00 Associate: \$7.00 Repeater Donation \$ _____
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