

Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club

Newsletter

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REPEATER INFO.

145.430(-) PL 94.8
440.575(+) PL94.8
223.860 (-16 Mhz)

CLUB NET

All welcome to check
in Thursdays, 7:30 PM
2M K6ARR & CLub
Repeater 145.430 (-)
10 Meter, Sundays
7:30 PM on or about
28.415 Mhz.

CLUB MEETINGS

Second Fri of the
month 7:30 PM at the
Auburn Library 350
Nevada St. Auburn

CLUB BREAKFAST

Last Saturday of the
month at Susie's Café
80 at Riverside Av.
Roseville - 8:00 AM

NET CONTROL OPER.

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SFARC 1999 Christmas Party Friday December 10, 1999

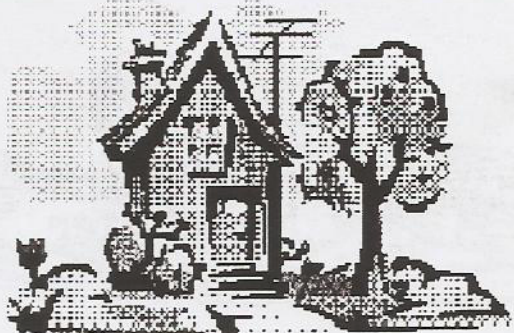
Auburn Rose Room
1225 Lincoln Way
Next to the Auburn Police Station
Corner of Hwy 49 & Lincoln Way.
Auburn, CA

Bring items in order of your LAST NAME.

A through I - Side Dish
J through R - Salad & Rolls
S through Z - Dessert

FOOD FUN AND RAFFLE PRIZES

Grand Prize is a Yaesu VX1R
Dual band hand held with
accessories.
See you all there!



From The Presidents Shack Wayne Mikel, KE6DJE

Congratulations to our club officers for the year 2000, we have for our Board of Directors Gary Cunningham KQ6RT, Dave Hund N6SHD, and Richard Kuepper WA6RWS. Our new Treasurer will be Debbie Cunningham KF6LXN. Your new Secretary Joe Sylvia KF6OQY, and for Vice President Roger Hedgpeth N7TK. Of course you have yours truly as President. We all hope that we can do a good job for you in the New Year.

Don't forget about the Christmas party on December 10th. We have a Ham and Turkey donated and the club provides drinks. Remember to bring your plates and other utensils, as well as a serving utensil for your pot luck dish. The pot luck portion is divided like so...

- A through I bring a side dish
- J through R bring a salad or rolls
- S through Z bring a dessert

I want to thank everyone for all your support this past year and hope you will be as supportive in the year 2000. We have an exciting year ahead and have a bunch of public service events lined up for the New Year. Please give all the support you possibly can to those folks that head up the committees for the events.

Have a great holiday season and I hope to see you on the nets and in good voice at the Christmas party for some fun and singing and good food.



Volunteer Examiner Report

All members please thank the dedicated members of the team for taking the time to promote Amateur Radio.

Here are the future testing dates.

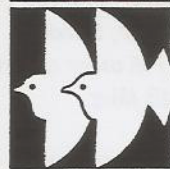
December 15th

Pre-registration is required. Call Bob Metke, at 783-7610. Special arrangements and dates can be made to travel to the homes of the disabled.

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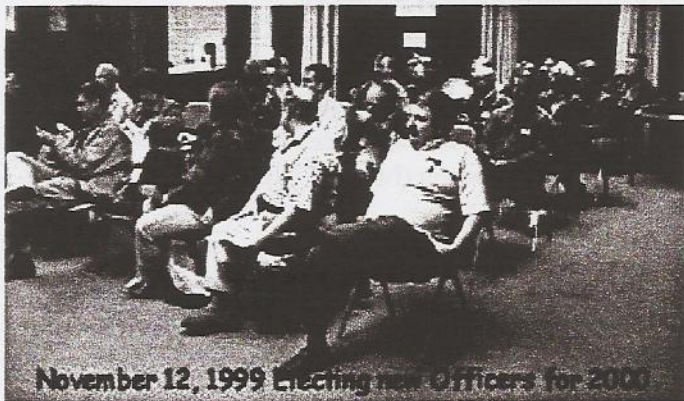
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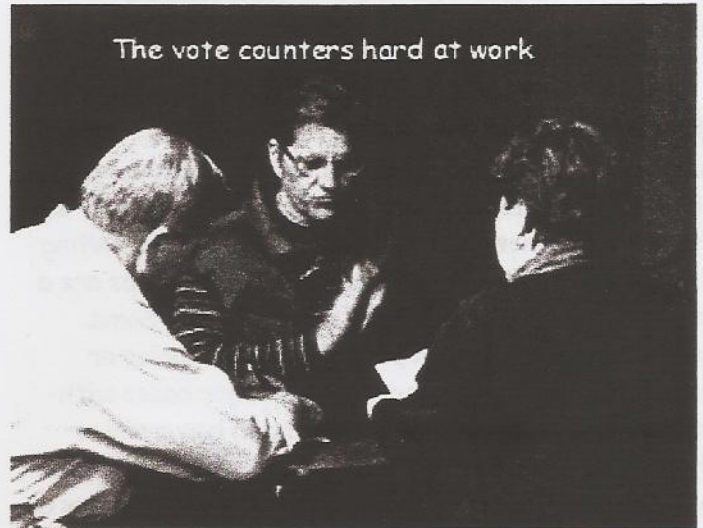
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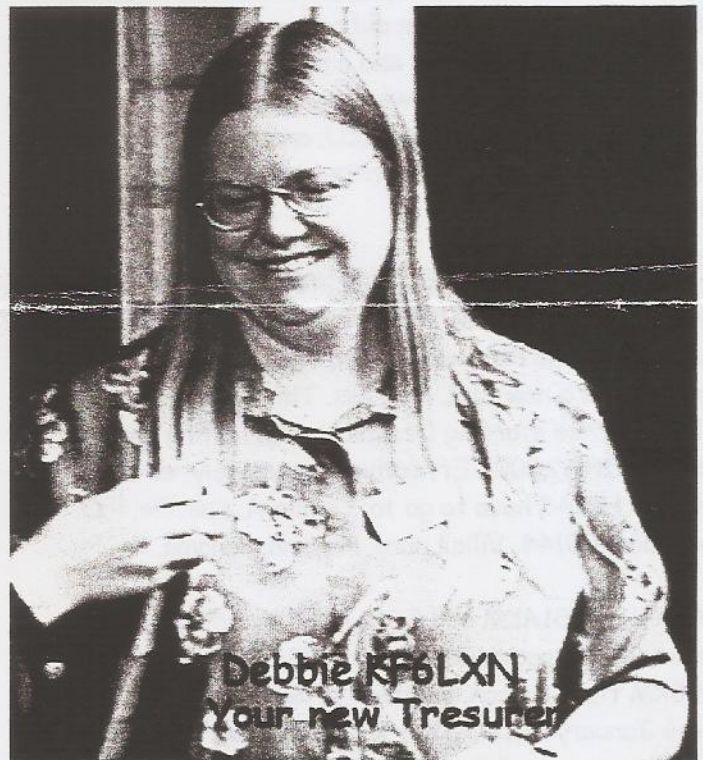
ELECTION NIGHT PHOTOS



November 12, 1999 Electing new Officers for 2000



The vote counters hard at work



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DX...The Quest Continues

Edited By KN6MK, Mike Sexton

ANTARCTICA. Jeff, WB3JFS, reports as the Austral Summer approaches the southern hemisphere many of the Antarctic bases are coming out of "hibernation" by preparing for another season of new crews and visiting scientists and explorers. Along with these groups are a few hams who like to operate from "the ice". Some operate from remote camps or huts with dipoles or verticals while others operate from major bases with yagis or log periodics. It is never known how many or which bases will be active, so you never know what you will hear next. There is a great website that contains a vast amount of information about Amateur radio on "the ice". Everything from old and new QSL cards, up to date QSL information, and a map of the continent. The address is: <http://www.avana.net/~polar> It is maintained by Bob, K4MZU, and it's worth checking out if you're interested in working the bases on this remote land.

3F, PANAMA Cam, HP1AC, reports that he and his special operation as 3F1AC to commemorate the turnover of the Panama Canal to the Republic of Panama, has a new QSL address. This 3F1AC operation will take place starting December 1st, lasting through January 5th (2000). Effective immediately, all cards going to HP1AC have to go to: Camilo A. Castillo, P.O. Box 0860-00144, Villa Lucre, Panama, Panama.

3W/XU - ES1AKM and ES1AX will be active (on all bands and all modes, including SSTV and PSK31) as 3W6KM from Saigon, Vietnam between 4 December and 4 January 2000. They will then move to Cambodia and operate, possibly as XU7AKM, for two weeks. QSL via ES1AX either direct or the ES bureau.

3X - Denis, VE2DPS is active as 3XY2D from Guinea until 22 December. QSL via VE2DPS.

9M6 - Phil, HS0/G4JMB is active (10-40 metres SSB) as 9M6CT from East Malaysia until 18 December. QSL via HS0/G4JMB

9U - Ragge "Gus" Jagero, SM5DIC is now active (on all bands, 6 metres included) as 9U5D from Bujumbura, Burundi, and will be there until 10 Dec.

Operations on 40, 80 and 160 metres are difficult because of curfew between 18 and 5 UTC, but he will stay over some nights at his office (where the station is located) in order to work some lowband. His QSL manager, SM0BFJ. QSL direct only.

HR - Luigino, YV5ENI reports that the operation from the Swan Islands (NA-035) is now scheduled to take place sometime between 15 December and 2 January. An activity from Roatan (NA-057) is also planned during that period.

HS - Ray, HS0/G3NOM reports that special event call HS72A was used for the first time in October and will be activated until 31 December. QSL via HS1CKC.

P2 - Tony, P29PB is active from New Britain (OC-008) and will be using the special calls P29JOK for JOTA and P200OK in December and January to celebrate the new millennium. QSL direct.

VK0_mac - Alan, VK0LD is presently on contract with the Australian Antarctic Division as a member of the year 2000 Australian National Antarctic Research Expedition and will be active from Macquarie Island (AN-005) and possibly other Australian Antarctic Territory locations from now until January 2001. There is a possibility of a special call sign (VM0xx) to mark the new millenium at Macquarie Island during December 1999 and January 2000. This is NOT a DXpedition, operation will be primarily recreational, however the operator has many years experience operating from various DX locations and is used to working pile-ups. There is no QSL manager at present.

CONTESTS.....

ARRL 160-Meter Contest	3-5
TARA RTTY Sprint	4-5
ARRL 10-Meter Contest	11-12
OK DX RTTY Contest	11
RAC Canada Winter Contest	18-19
Stew Perry Topband Challenge	18-19

73 de KN6MK

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Thanks to the OPDX, The GOLIST, The 59(9) DXReport, DX News Letter, DX News Sheet, for the DX information

Thank You

The Roseville Chamber of Commerce and The Roseville Police Department would like to thank the following Amateur Radio Operators for providing radio communications and traffic control for the 1999 Roseville Holiday Parade.

I would also give special thanks to Jerri and Bob Metke for letting us use their home as a meeting place prior to the function.

K6GKR	Jerri Metke
W6SUP	Bob Metke
WB6RBE	Dave Jenkins
W6RFF	Jettie Hill
AC6SG/AC6SF	Ralph & Bev McCune
KF6OYO	Darrell Brown
KF6LXN	Debbie Cunningham
KQ6RT	Gary Cunningham
K6DGW	Fred Jensen
KF6OQY	Joe Silva
KF6OKS	Greg Gilbert
K6BJS	Puma Clements
KB6SNU	Joe Bryant
KF6PYE	George Poulos
N6RYO	Whitey Hunnington
N6DFL	Tom York
WF60	Rick McCusker
KC6HED	Ted Mann

I hope to work again with all of you next year.

Thanks,
Matt Diridoni, KC6RUO

Multiple Club Callsigns, Pirate Station, Get the Axe

In FCC enforcement actions, several people who held multiple club call signs found most or all of them cancelled after providing insufficient evidence to the Commission that there were legitimate clubs behind the call signs. Three people who had been ordered to appear for retests but didn't -- had their licenses cancelled, but one was then given a 60-day extension after explaining why he hadn't been able to schedule an exam. Another ham who'd previously had his license cancelled for failure to show up for a retest was reinstated for a one-year term after talking with Hollingsworth; and one other ham -- who did show up for the retest but didn't do too well -- had his license modified from Extra Class to Technician Plus.

Finally, the FCC said a ham in Texas -- Leland Bahr, W0VT -- who'd been cited in April for operating a pirate FM station on 95.3 MHz, had surrendered an exciter and amplifier, both "nice commercial-quality units," to Commission personnel during an inspection.



HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY!

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Payment: _____ Check Number: _____ Cash: _____

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