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Birton Gilbert, N6UG
Dennis Gregory, WU6X

REPEATERS

145.430 (-0.6 MHz/PL 162.2)
440.575 (+5.0 MHz/PL 162.2)
223.860 (-1.6 MHz/PL 110.9)

CLUB NET

Thursdays, 7:30PM, W6EK/R
145.430

CLUB MEETINGS

Second Friday of the month,
7:30PM at the Auburn City Hall,
1215 Lincoln Way, Auburn CA

CLUB BREAKFAST

Last Sat of the month at Mel's Diner
1730 Grass Valley Hwy, Auburn 7:30AM

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Al Martin, NI2U

Calendar of Events

September 9th:
Club Meeting

September 17th:
Lincoln Hamfest

September 24th:
Club Breakfast

October 8th:
Cystic Fibrosis bike ride

October 14th – 16th:
Pacificon

October 29th:
Georgetown Enduro

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SFARC's Annual Summer Picnic

Special thanks to Scott (K6SVW) & Laura (K6LVW) Van Winkle for putting it all together.....Hope everyone had a good time!





Alex Anderson, 17 years old, son of Bruce-K6BAA and Barbara-W6EVA receives his Certificate of Successful Completion of Examination from Al-NI2U on August 6th, 2016.

Alex-KM6EPX is a newly minted Technician and a new member of our club.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED 2016

There are two remaining events for this year that we need volunteers to work:

Saturday October 8, 2016 —Cystic Fibrosis bike ride —Newcastle area— starts about 0700 and is over by 1300

Saturday October 29, 2016-- Enduro near Georgetown from 0700 until about 1500

The end times shown for each event are for the last station to be closed. As the events progress, we are able to release the stations as the last walker/riders pass by. In other words if you are manning the first rest stop then you will most likely be the first released. Also the report times are varied depending on the estimated time that the station would be manned. So this means that the total event time does not apply to all volunteers.

We provide radio support for the start/finish line, each rest stop, and the SAG wagons-the mobile vans that patrol the routes and assist riders in need. In the past we have found that it is best to have two people at each station-including the SAG wagons. The second person does not have to be a HAM, but it helps.

Each operator needs to supply the radio equipment for the station assigned. For the SAGs this means usually a dual band HT and a mag mount antenna. This is a perfect opportunity to use your radio for more than checking into the Thursday night and Sunday night nets. I highly recommend that each new HAM volunteer for at least one event. You would be paired with an experienced person who will show you the “ropes” about volunteering. New hams do not need to carry a radio with them.

If you have a question about volunteering for specific events, please contact me by email, kg6lsb@arrl.net or phone. 530.888.0860, or see me at a club meeting.

George KG6LSB



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2016

The SFARC Board meeting for August commenced at 1811 hours at the Sizzler restaurant in Auburn.

Roll Call: All officers and Directors were present with the exception of President-Orion-AI6JB

REPORTS and DISCUSSIONS

Vice President's Report: AI-NI2U submitted the agenda and asked for officer, board and committee chair reports. Additionally, he reviewed the years upcoming Tech-Ten/Presentations and Dennis-WU6X's proposed club contest.

Secretary's Report: Bruce-K6BAA had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Sharron-KK6RGV reported net cash on hand at the beginning of July of \$12,183.79; with an ending balance of \$12,483.53.

Repeaters: Birton-N6UG reported the repeaters are currently operating.

Directors:

Bob-K6UDA is working on a club QSL card.

Birton-N6UG is working on the club's scholarship plan.

Andrew-KC6O reported on an upcoming CW class.

Memberships: AI-NI2U reviewed the life membership and presentation details. A recipient was nominated, Bob-K6UDA made the motion to approve, seconded by AI. Passed unanimously. AI reported the club currently has 103 members.

Nominations: AI-NI2U reported that a Vice-President candidate is needed.

VE: AI-NI2U reported during the last session, 9 candidates, 14 elements were given resulting in 6 new techs, 1 General and 1 extra.

Christmas Party: December 10th at the Auburn VFW Hall.

Bi-Laws: Andrew-KC6O advised both he and Tyghe-W6TJR are working on revisions and corrections.

Meeting adjourned at 1832. Submitted by Bruce-K6BAA, Club Secretary

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2016



The SFARC General meeting for August commenced at 1930 hours at the Auburn City Hall Rose Room, Vice President AI-NI2U presiding. All Officers and Directors were present with the exception of President Orion-AI6JB. AI led approximately 38 members and guests in a Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. An introduction of Officers, members and guests followed.

REPORTS:

Vice President's Report: AI briefly discussed the agenda and reviewed this evening's board meeting. Last month's minutes as published in the newsletter, were approved. AI reviewed the meeting presentation and

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Tech-Ten. Additionally, Al updated the membership on the bi-law committees' work.

Secretary's Report: Bruce-K6BAA requested input for the club newsletter; advised a welcome letter was available for new members and guests, and a reminder to the membership to sign the attendance sheet.

Treasurer's Report: Sharron-KK6RGV reviewed the clubs August 2016 finances to members.

Directors:

Birton-N6UG advised the membership of Pacificon, October 14-16, 2016 and the Lincoln Hamfest on September 17th.

Repeater Report: Richard-WA6RWS reviewed the repeaters and Echo Links' status.

Sunshine: Richard-WA6RWS reported that Gary Martinez-N6UWQ's brother is gravely ill.

VE's Report: Al-NI2U reported during the last session there were 9 candidates. 14 elements were given resulting in 6 new techs, 1 General and 1 extra.

Nominations: Al-NI2U looking for members to volunteer for next year's club positions.

Field Day: Dennis-WU6X waiting for ARRL's Field Day results to be published.

Activities: George-KG6LSB asked for volunteers for the Newcastle Cystic Fibrosis bike ride October 8th and the Georgetown Enduro October 29th.

Satellite Report: Greg-KO6TH briefed members on the Perseid meteor showers.

Refreshments/Drawing: Jason-N6JDX reviewed items planned for the drawing. Scott-K6SVW reported on refreshments for the break. A volunteer is still needed to replace Jason for the drawings.

Christmas Party: December 10th at the Auburn VFW.

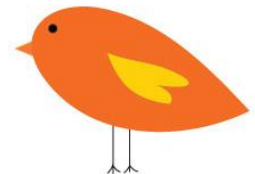
Yahoo: Dennis-WU6X advised the membership on the Yahoo group status.

Tech-Ten: Al-NI2U gave an interesting presentation on transverters.


Presentation: Birton-N6UG discussed CW keying devices. Rich-AA6RS displayed and gave a presentation on vacuum tubes he has collected.

General Announcements: The Club Net meets every Thursday at 7:30pm; Board and General Meetings occur on the 2nd Friday, Board meeting is held at **Sizzler Restaurant** in Auburn, and General meetings at 7:30pm at **Auburn City Hall**. The Club breakfast is held on the last Saturday at **Mel's Diner** in Auburn; an Elmer Net is held the first and third Wednesday night at 7:30pm on the 2m repeater. See **www.w6ek.org** for more information.

The meeting adjourned at 2100. Submitted by Bruce-K6BAA, Club Secretary



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2016 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Name: _____ Call: _____ Class: _____ e-mail: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Associate Name: _____ Call: _____ Class: _____ email: _____
Phone: _____ Cellphone: _____ Application is: (New / Renewal)

Dues / Donations:

Membership: yearly* \$22.00 or 20x _____ Name Badge: \$ 10.00/15.00 Yes (special name) _____
Associate: yearly* \$ 7.00 Repeater Donation: \$ _____
Auto Patch Donation: \$ _____ Newsletter Booster: \$ _____
Misc. Donation: \$ _____ Christmas Donation: \$ _____ ARRL member? (Yes/No/Life) _____

TOTAL: \$ _____ Please add \$1 if paying via PayPal

*Prorated dues for NEW Members/Associates Only

July	\$ 20/6	October	\$ 14/3 + following year
August	\$ 18/5	November	\$ 12/2 + following year
September	\$ 16/4	December	\$ 10/1 + following year

New---New---New---
Multi-year DISCOUNT Membership
****\$20 per year for 2 or more years (new or renewal)**

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