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Fresno Amateur Radio Club Newsletter

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2002 Membership Dues

It's getting close to memberships being due.

Please renew early.

"The Prez Sez"

Jim Bianchi – KF6GKC



We're coming to another year's end for the club. With the elections over and the new Board in place, I wish them good luck in the upcoming year. Being on the Board is a lot of work, and the only pay you get is knowing that you're doing the best that you can for your fellow hams. From the Christmas dinner, to the Ham Fest, to Field Day, these activities require hours of work and planning. Every year, these activities require either new locations or further expenditures of money. This is your club, and the Board members are merely members going that extra mile to make the club what it is. In the upcoming, year, I hope that all of the members participate in all activities and help the Board members in these activities.

One of these activities that is coming up is the Christmas dinner. This year, it will be at Cedar Lanes. We are now asking you to let us know if you will attend. This year's Christmas dinner will be \$20.00 a person. This should be one of the better Christmas dinners as far as food goes. We're hoping to see as many of you there as possible.

73's, Jim Bianchi, KF6GKC

November Meeting FARC Annual Swap Meet

Will be at **Cedar Lanes**

3131 N Cedar, Fresno CA

Friday September 14th, 2001

7:00 p.m.

Talk in on W6TO Repeater 146.940

2001 FARC Christmas Dinner & Awards Banquet Reservation Form

Fresno Amateur Radio Club -P.O. Box 783—Fresno CA 93720-0783

Name _____ Call _____

Number in Party _____

Check Enclosed _____ Amount \$ _____

Choice

[] Chicken Marasala

[] Marinated Tri-Tip

Cedar Lanes, 3131 N Cedar, Fresno 93703 in the Holiday Room on December 8th.

You will not receive a confirmation in the mail. Your name will be on a list at the door as "paid".

The cost is \$18.00 per person is you RSVP before December 1st or \$20.00 at the door.

Please select choice of dinner by placing number in the box next to option.

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Subscribe or renew through FARC.

Make check out to F.A.R.C. mail with Worldradio form to:

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PO Box 783,

Fresno, CA 93712

The club benefits with each one processed

Treasurer's Report

10/28/2001

For the period of 01/01/2001 to 10/28/2001

Income:.....\$7,227.24
 (Including Savings interest of \$23.73)
 Expenses:\$7,867.14

Balances at end of Period:
 Checking Account.....\$2,254.45
 Savings Account\$3,183.43
 Petty Cash on Hand\$50.00
 Un-deposited Funds\$30.00
 Total Cash 10/28/2001\$5,517.88

Papers and Cans Year to 9/20/2001

Paper: (5 Loads 25,918 lbs)\$583.16
 Cans: (1 Load).....\$85.88

Membership

F.A.R.C. Membership 09/20/2001

Full Memberships 179
 Family Memberships 31
 Comp Members..... 7
 Life Members 15
 Total Memberships 232

ARRL

Join the ARRL through the FARC treasury.
 The Club benefits with each new membership.
 Send completed ARRL membership form with pay-
 ment made out to F.A.R.C. to:

F. A. R. C.

P.O. Box 783

Fresno, CA 93712

Memberships received will be grouped and for-
 forwarded with a check from the club.
 FARC receives an instant rebate or discount on
 new ARRL memberships processed in this manner.
 No Applications will be delayed

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

10/04/2001

The meeting was called to order by President Jim, KF6GKC at 07:00PM.

Members present: KF6GKC, W6JWK, K6YRZ, KA6J, WS6X, WA6HII.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Ken, WA6HII reported on the progress of the ballot process. Enough stationary was purchased to supply the next three elections. Estimated cost to have a club election is about 210.00.

Ken, WA6HII requested that the board find a person to print and mail the Skip, as he will soon be unable to continue the task.

Ken, WA6HII reported that he will be stepping down as treasurer. We will need a replacement. Discussion about the necessary computer and software requirements the replacement individual will need to take over.

Jim, KA6J was directed by the board to gather a few estimates on a value of the club van, and to report at the next club meeting.

The phone patch needs to be moved. K6MI indicated that he might be able to help.

Motion to close by John, W6JWK, and second by Skip, K6YRZ.

Meeting closed at 08:05

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Haynes, KA6J
Secretary

VE Corner

Amateur Radio VE Exams in Fresno
Unlicensed thru Extra Class
Fresno Amateur Radio Club – A.R.R.L. VEC

Exams for all Amateur license classes will be conducted on the following dates in Fresno, California. All exams are given on Sunday and Begin at 1:00 P. M.

November 18

Theory Exams are multiple choice. Code Exam is fill in the blank.

Location: Seventh Day Adventist Central Church, 2980 East Yale, Fresno CA 93703. One block south of Clinton and one block west of First Street, southwest corner of Yale and Orchard. Watch for signs.

Directions: From Hwy 99, take Clinton Ave. exit east four miles to First St., turn right (South), one block right on Yale, one block. Look for Signs. From Highway 41, take Shields Ave exit, turn right (East), 1 mile to First St., turn right, continue one block past Clinton, right on Yale to Orchard. Look for Signs.

Bring: Two ID's, one with photo. Taxpayer ID Number (Social Security Number) or ULS registration number. Fee is \$10.00 per test session. Original copy of Amateur License and CSCE's if upgrading.

Talk in on W6TO/R 146.94/64 repeater.

Walk-in's only, no pre-registration.

More info contact Chuck, W6DPD, 559-431-2038

Code Practice

Those of you who wish to get their code requirement, here is your opportunity to learn the code!

Starting at 0 words per minute.

When: Tuesday nights following the Madera ARC Net at approximately 7:30 pm.

Where: Madera ARC Repeater—147.180 + no tone

Upcoming Contests

<u>Month</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Contest</u>	<u>Modes</u>	<u>Bands</u>
November	3-5	ARRL November Sweepstakes, CW. See October QST, p 114 Eighth Annual North American Collegiate ARC Championship, CW see www.collegiatechampionship.org/		
	10-11	IPA Contest, Worked All Europe Contest, RTTY Japan International DX Contest OK/OM DX Contest	Phone/CW RTTY Phone CW/SSB	80 40 20 15 10 80 40 20 15 10 80 40 20 15 10 160 80 40 20 15 10
	17-19	ARRL November Sweepstakes, Phone. See October QST, page 114. North American Collegiate ARC Championship, phone. See Nov 3-5 listing LZ DX Contest, CW only		
	24-25	CQ WW DX Contest, CW. See October QST, p 113	CW	80 40 20 15 10

More information on these and other contests can be found at the ARRL Contest Branch website @ <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Local Nets

Sunday:

7:00pm 146.940 - Fresno ARC
8:00pm 146.910 - Kern County

Monday:

7:00pm 224.900 - 156.7 Condor
224.600 - 156.7 Condor
8:00pm 147.150 + Fresno RACES

Tuesday:

7:00pm 147.180 + Madera ARC
7:30pm 146.880 - 103.5 Tulare Co. ARC
7:30pm 147.030 + 100.0 Turlock ARC

Wednesday:

7:00pm 146.940 - Brown Sugar
7:00pm 147.330 + 100.0 Kings ARC
147.240 + 100.0
145.110 - 100.0
224.440 - 100.0
441.900 + 100.0
8:00pm 28.445 10-Meter

Thursday:

7:00pm 146.675 - 141.3 Clovis (CARP)
8:00pm 147.330 + 100.0 Cal-Nev Swap
145.210 -

November Birthdays

KG6AWG	Richard Essegian
KE6DK	John Stewart
KF6ECF	Stephen Jameson
KF6FGP	Karen Pritchett
WB6FWO	Walter Willms
WA6IJU	Rodney Clifton
K6MI	John Morrice
K6NS	Tripp Pound III
W6PSQ	Jimmy Wakefield
K6PYA	Andrew Bondurant
K6QI	Craig Carter
KE6SHL	Richard Pack
KO6SU	JIM McDowell
KD6TRV	Ernest Hoge
N6TSK	Robert Livesey
K2VCO	Vic Rosenthal
WB6WOU	Sandy Dippollet
W6XC	Berg Bulbulian
W6XP	Stan Ostrom
KD6YAW	Jose De Oliveira
KF6ZDW	Keroy Flaherty

General Meeting Minutes

10/12/2001

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Harols, KF6CL at 07:05PM.

Club Business: Elections. The names of those nominated were read and there was a call for any additional nominations. There was a motion to close the nominations by John, W6JWK, seconded by Ken, WA6OIB.

Ken, WA6HII gave brief instructions on how to cast your ballot.

Treasurers report: Ken WA6HII.

Report to the membership on an estimated value of the club van. While there is no listing for a vehicle of this type in any book, Jim, KA6J was asked by the board to get a value on a like condition passenger van. After approaching three independent vehicle wholesalers in our area, a value of from 1500.00 to 2000.00 was determined.

It was discussed that all amateur equipment be removed from the van. Skip, K6YRZ will put for sale signs on the van and make it visible from his location.

Rob, KF6YLR reported on the Turlock Auction to be held on Saturday.

Program: Laser communications by Rob, KF6YLR.

Break.

Call for any further business. (none).

Next club meeting will be the swap meeting.

Christmas Dinner will be December 8th.

Meeting closed at 08:10PM

Respectfully Submitted
Jim Haynes, KA6J
Secretary.

Attention!

SKIP Contributors

Due to lime limitations, all information (articles, ads or columns) for the SKIP must be provided to the editor by the 20th of the month in order for it to be published in the following months issue.

This deadline is required to be able to get the SKIP edited, printed and mailed out to the club members in a timely manner and prior to the months club meeting.

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Fresno Amateur Radio Club 2001 Membership by License Class

Extra.....	61
Advanced	36
General.....	36
Technician Plus.....	29
Technician.....	64
Novice	2
No License	4
Total	232

Weekly Gatherings

Country Waffles:

Saturday & Monday mornings @ 7:00 a.m.
Corner of Blackstone & Dakota

Silver Dollar Hofbrau:

Thursdays @ Noon.
Corner of Hwy 41 & Shaw

Local Repeaters

Organization	Call sign	Location	Freq	Offset	Tone
Central California Amateur Communications (CCAC)		Meadow Lakes	146.790	-	141.3
		Meadow Lakes	223.780	-	141.3
		Meadow Lakes	444.250	+	141.3
Clovis Amateur Radio Pioneers (CARP)	K6ARP/R	Meadow Lakes	147.675	-	141.3
		Meadow Lakes	444.725	+	141.3
		Meadow Lakes	1286.300	-	141.3
		Joaquin Ridge	145.430	-	67.0
		Joaquin Ridge	224.880	-	141.3
		Joaquin Ridge	440.350	+	141.3
Fresno Amateur Radio Club (FARC)	W6TO/R	Meadow Lakes	146.940	-	none
			223.940	-	none
			444.200	+	none
Kings Amateur Radio Club (KARC)	W6VFZ	Hanford	145.110	-	100.0
		Castle Peak	147.240	+	100.0
		Santa Rita Peak	224.440	-	100.0
		Hanford	441.675	+	100.0
Madera Amateur Radio Club (MARC)	W6WGZ/R		147.180	+	none
			441.175	-	146.2
RACES	N6HEW		147.150	+	141.3
Tulare County Amateur Radio Club	WA6BAI	Blue Ridge	146.880	-	103.5



CEDAR LANES
 3131 N. CEDAR
 FRESNO, CA 93703
 PHONE : 559 - 222-4424
 FAX: 559 - 222-4825

The Fresno Amateur Radio Club meets at Cedar Lanes the 2nd Friday of each month unless otherwise noted. Please take advantage of the good food at the Coffee Shop whenever possible.



Upcoming VE Exam Dates

- November
- 10 TCARES
 09:00 AM Walk-ins allowed
 Carl H Croci (209)962-7146
 Tuolumne County Library
 480 Greenley Road
 Sonora, CA 95370 18
 Fresno ARC
 - 18 Fresno ARC
 01:00 PM Walk-ins allowed
 Chuck Mc Connell (559)431-2038
 Seventh Day Adventist Church
 (Behind Radio Park)
 2980 E Yale
 Fresno, CA 93706
- December
- 09 Mountain ARC
 01:00 PM Walk-ins allowed
 Edward Hamilton (559)642-2789
 7ty Day Adventist Church
 Holbrook Hall
 5060 Road 426
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 Oakhurst, CA 93644



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year licensed. You must provide a copy of your license with your appli-
cation.

2002 F.A.R.C. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____	Date: _____	Call Sign: _____
Address _____	Home Phone _____	
City: _____	State _____	Zip: _____
Bus Address: _____	Bus Phone: _____	ARRL Member?
Occupation: _____	Birthdate: _____	
License Class _____	Year First Licensed: _____	

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