



Our next general meeting will be on Jan. 13th at Cedar Lanes at Cedar and Shields. The meeting starts promptly at 7:00 pm. The next board meeting is Jan 3rd at the Woodward Park Library at the corner of Perrin and Champlain. That meeting also starts promptly at 7:00 pm.

FARC General Meetings

are the 2nd Friday of each month,
7 p.m. at Cedar Lanes unless otherwise noted.

2006 FARC BOARD MEETING DATES

Jan 3rd
AT 7 PM—Woodward Park Regional Library

FARC Nets

Morning Drive Time Net:
Weekday mornings-7:30—8:00 a.m.
W6TO/R 146.940 PL-141.3

Tech Net:

Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm
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FARC Net:

Sundays @ 7:00 pm
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 Every Thursday at 12:00 PM
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Breakfast Gathering
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 7:00 AM

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Treasurer Report for 2005

Jan - Dec 05

Ordinary Income/Expense

· INCOME	
· Contributions Income	175.00
· Christmas Dinner	90.00
· Hamfest	
Hamfest Admission	1,135.00
Hamfest Radio Drawing	1,260.00
Hamfest Luncheon tickets	1,664.00
Hamfest vendor	93.00
Hamfest ticket raffle	475.00
Total · Hamfest	4,627.00
· Membership Dues	2,095.00
· Interest Income	19.57
· Miscellaneous Income	4,693.01
· Papers & Cans	128.90
· Raffle Tickets	1,736.00
· Refreshments	174.02
Total · INCOME	3,738.50
· Redeposit funds	510.00
Total Income	14,248.50

Board opening for 2006

We have a board opening due to the resignation of Dave Smith W6TE . Dave has started up a new business venture in Amateur Radio. Good luck with the business and thank you for your year of service. So if anybody would like to join the Board of Directors please see any BOD member and toss your name in the hat! We are looking for somebody that can attend most if not all of the BOD meetings which are the 1st Tuesday of the Month. We need a dedicated person willing to help the club move forward.

Thomas L. Whitlock



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· Awards, Raffles, Prizes	918.10
· Vehicle Expense	322.87
· Contributions	100.00
· Dues and Subscriptions	20.00
· Field Day	439.18
· Hamfest	
Hamfest Radio	1,014.97
Hamfest Luncheon	1,607.96
Hamfest Room Rental	1,267.00
Hamfest door prizes	222.61
Hamfest printing	159.59
Hamfest Mailings	37.00
Hamfest Misc	97.15
Hamfest	4,406.28
Christmas Dinner	80.00
Printing	439.90
Insurance	327.00
Licenses and Permits	20.00
Maintenance & Repairs	200.00
Miscellaneous	288.39
Office Supplies	16.71
Postage and Delivery	315.00
Worldradio	65.00
Refreshments	160.10
Rent	1,100.00
FCC	21.50
Expenses	9,240.03
Fresno Bee	39.00
Website	128.15
Insufficient funds	510.00
MiniSto · Trailer	267.58
Central Mini Storage	28.80
Total Expense	10,213.56
Net Ordinary Income	4,034.94
Jimmy Wakefield Estate	315.00
Net Income	4,349.94

Here is your treasurer report for 2005. This chart is current up to the Christmas party. As you can see the club has made great strides this past year recovering from a minimal \$147.20 left to us in checking, with the help of the membership through donations, raffles and such we have become solvent once again. I am proud of each and everyone of you. So as of this writing we have savings \$5156.10, checking, \$4699.44 and \$50 petty cash for a total of \$9905.54 in the bank. Your treasurer Jim, W6ALE

Local Amateur Radio Repeaters

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Call sign</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Freq</u>	<u>Offset</u>	<u>Tone</u>
AARC	WB6QDN	FRESNO	146.610	-	NONE
CARP	K6ARP	MEADOW LAKES	147.675	-	141.3
CARP	N6VYT	MEADOW LAKES	444.725	-	141.3
CARP	N6JXL	MEADOW LAKES	1286.300	+	141.3
CCAC/WIN	K6JSI	MEADOW LAKES	146.790	-	141.3
CCAC/WIN	K6JSI	MEADOW LAKES	444.250	+	141.3
CONDOR	WB6BRU	FRESNO	224.900	-	156.7
FARC	W6TO	MEADOW LAKES	146.940	-	141.3
FARC	W6TO	MEADOW LAKES	223.940	-	Down
FARC	W6TO	MEADOW LAKES	444.200	+	Down
K6SIX	K6SIX	MARIPOSA	441.350	+	107.2
KARC	W6EMS	FRESNO	440.675	+	110.9
KARC	W6EMS	FRESNO	1286.475	-	110.9
KINGS ARC	KA6Q	HANFORD	145.110	-	100.0
MADERA ARC	W6WGZ	OAKHURST	147.180	+	146.2
MADERA ARC	W6WGZ	OAKHURST	441.175	-	146.2
MTS	N6MTS	FRESNO ST.	145.23	-	141.3
QCWA	WQ6CWA	FRESNO	146.85	-	141.3
QCWA	WQ6CWA	FRESNO	443.25	+	107.2
RACES	N6HEW	FRESNO	147.150	+	141.3
W6DCP	W6DCP	PARKFIELD	147.24	+	NONE



Ham graffiti.

THE DX CORNER
By
Charles McConnell W6DPD

NOTICE: The address of the Sixth District QSL Bureau is now P. O. Box 970, Fairfax CA 94978-0970. You can send address labels and \$0.70 for each envelope to the address above. They will put 1 unit of First Class postage on the envelope. The new price is effective Jan. 01, 2006.

Postage rates increase on January 8, 2006. Foreign Air Mail goes to 84¢ for 1 ounce. Rates to Canada and Mexico will be 63¢ for 1 ounce. US rates will be 39¢ for the first ounce with 24¢ for each additional ounce. Post Cards will be 24¢.

The following operations are scheduled:

Chad TT8 Dec. 25-Feb 28

Micronesia Dec. 28-Dec. 31

West Kirabati T3ØDX Jan, 5 to 22 QSL via OHØDX.

Somalia 6O0N begins Jan. 20 for 2 weeks.

Juan Fernandez, CEØZ January 20-28.

Peter One Island 3YØX late Jan. to early Feb. 2006

South Cook Feb, 16-24

Rotuma Island March 1 to 1Ø

Fiji March 11 to 13.

Glorioso Island tentatively **March 17-April 7 2006** depending on the French military

The ARRL RTTY Roundup is January 7-8, 2006

CQ WW CW 160 Meter Contest is Jan. 29-30, 2006

ARRL VHF Sweepstakes is Jan. 29-30, 2006

The CQ DX Marathon begins on January 1 of each year. You contact as many entities in the calendar year on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands. The entity list includes the DXCC list, and the WAE DX contest list. The CQ IDX Award is for contacting different entities using VOIP technology. You must use a radio to initiate the contact. Both IRLP and ECHO Link may be used for contacts. You can not use computer to computer contacts, there must be a radio involved. These are CQ's method to "wake up DX". For information go to www.cq-amateur-radio.com.

Watch the DX Bulletins for up to date information. As the time for the operation is at hand, watch the DX Summit for listings.

Good luck and tune the dial.

FARC 2005 Christmas Dinner

An extra touch of class marked this year's Christmas award dinner. Vice president John Morrice and his colleague Don Oliver started the evening with an hour of both classical and seasonal music.

The annual Allen Ross award went to Don Burr (AJ6X). Don served the club for more than 20 years in a variety of posts. They included treasurer, secretary, SKIP Editor, Hamfest Registrar, program chairman and volunteer examiner. He served as a club board member for 20 consecutive years. A long time engineer with KFSN Ch. 30 Don has outstanding technical skills and enjoyed building and tinkering. He is the consummate amateur radio operator. He recently moved north to the Bay Area in order to better care for his ailing wife.

Honored guests at the dinner included Isabel Lyon (Herb-W6OWL sk) and Fran Ross (Allen-W6JPS sk).

Ross was active in the club for many years and distinguished himself in the Fresno Amateur community by being a friend to all and an Elmer to an uncounted number of hams.

Mrs. Lyon and Paul Lambert (W6WYT) won \$50 dollar gift certificates. Pat Fennacy (W6YEP) won a copy of the ARRL Operating Manual.

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ARRL Section Report

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of November 2005:
SM Charles McConnell, W6DPD- ASMs K6YK and W6FRH, ACC W6DPD, SEC N6ZFN, OOC N1VM, STM K6RAU, PIC KE6IGJ, TC W6TE.

Greetings from the ARRL San Joaquin Valley Section. The Section Staff wishes every one a Happy Holiday Season.

Emergency Coordinators are needed in Kings, Mariposa and Merced Counties. Contact N6ZFN (n6zfn@ares-races.net) or W6DPD (w6dpd@arrl.org) if you can help.

Mark your calendars. The International DX Convention is April 21-23, 2006 at Visalia. Check <http://www.dxconvention.org/> for information. EMCOMM West is May 6-7, 2006 in Reno. Check www.emcommwsst.org for information. Field Day is June 24-25, 2006. The 64th Fresno Hamfest will be August 5, 2006 at the Satellite Student Union on the CSUF Campus. Check w6to.com for information. Pacificon 06 will be October 13-15, 2006 at the San Ramon Marriott. Check www.pacificon.org for information.

When your affiliated club elects officers for the next year, be sure to update your club's information on the affiliated club area of the ARRL web page.

Need to take an Amateur exam? Check the ARRL web page, www.arrl.org for exam information. You can also search for Amateur Radio Classes in your area.

The Northern California Net (NCN), the Section Traffic Net, meets nightly on 3.630 MHZ at 7 PM Pacific Time. The slow speed training session of the net meets nightly on 3.705 MHZ at 9 PM Pacific Time. Handling traffic on CW is a good way to improve your CW skills. The Daytime Region 6 Traffic Net meets daily at 3:30 pacific time on or near 7.275 MHZ. The California Traffic Net meets daily on 3.906 MHZ and 6:30 PM local time.

The Stanislaus Amateur Radio Association is a Special Service Club. Congratulations.

It is my sad duty to report that KB6BXY is a Silent Key. He will be missed.

Congratulations to KK6RRT on completing ARECC Level 2.

The Bakersfield ARA celebrated its 10th anniversary.

Madera County ARES supported the Mountain Heritage Day Parade in Oakhurst.

Fresno ARC and Clovis ARP members participated in Skywarn Recognition Day at the Hanford Weather Bureau Office.

KG6CWB was named 2005 Volunteer of the Year for the Stanislaus Wilderness Volunteers.

KG6NUO is the Los Banos ARC 2005 Volunteer of the Year.

More on Field Day, The High Desert DX Assn, W6EFB, was 4th in the nation in 3A battery.

W6FRH and WS6X qualified for the DXCC Challenge.

Fresno ARC officers for 2006 are pres AE6GE, vp WA6OIB, sec KG6YLE, and treas W6ALE. The club meets the 2nd Friday in Fresno. Check www.w6to.com for information.

Mountain ARC officers for 2006 are pres WA6ONA, vp N6EPJ, sec W6LSU and treas KG6MXZ. The club meets the 4th Thursday in Oakhurst. Check www.w6bw.org for information.

Bakersfield ARA officers for 2006 are pres N6BAR, vp KB6JFL, sec KD6JSB and treas KA6VXC. The club meets in Bakersfield. Check www.w6bar.org for information.

Central California DX Club officers for 2006 are pres WA5VGI, 1st vp N6AWD, 2nd vp WA6YEE, sec/treas W6DPD, and Directors K6XJ, W6RFL and AA6LY. For information on the club, email w6mel at arrl.net. When sending email, replace at with @.

Traffic for November: K6RAU 24 and N6SUZ 43; Total 67. PSHR K6RAU 76, N6SUZ 105.

Fresno VE Page

AMATEUR RADIO VE EXAMS IN FRESNO UNLICENSED THRU EXTRA CLASS FRESNO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB ARRL VEC AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE 2006

Exams for all Amateur license classes will be conducted on the following dates in Fresno California. All exams are given on Saturday and begin at 9:30 AM.

Feb 16th

May 20th

Aug 19th

Nov 18th

LOCATION: ...Bonaventure Mobile Home Park, 1724 Minnewawa Ave Clovis CA 93612-2545. Exams are held in the community room.

DIRECTIONS: From Highway 99 South of Fresno, exit Clovis Ave. Go north to Shaw and turn left on Shaw to Minnewawa. Turn right on Minnewawa and then left to the Mobile Home Park.. From Highway 41 or Highway 99 North of Fresno, take Shaw Ave. exit, turn right (East), to Minnewawa Ave and turn left. Then turn left into the Mobile Home Park.

Theory exams are multiple choice. Code Exam is fill in the blank. Express mail is used to send paperwork to ARRL, who sends data to FCC via electronic mail, thus assuring the fastest possible service on new licenses which typically arrive in about two weeks.

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**Upcoming 2006
 Fresno Amateur Radio
 Club
 Activities and Events**

**Jan. 3rd – Board meeting
 Jan. 13th – Club Meeting**



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