



Our next general meeting will be held on November 9th. This meeting is also our yearly swap meet. The meeting will be held at Cedar Lanes at Cedar and Shields. It will start promptly at 7:00. See you there!



## *The Prez Says*

### **FARC General Meetings**

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

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### **2007 FARC BOARD MEETING DATES**

1st Tuesday of each month  
Woodward Park Library at  
Champlain and Perron

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### **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  
W6TO/R 146.940 PL-141.3

### **FARC Net:**

Sundays @ 7:00 pm  
W6TO/R 146.940 PL-141.3

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family. I hope that you have a great family time with family and friends during our upcoming holidays. In the meantime, let me keep you up to date with the club activities and meetings.

For the October club meeting, the members attending voted the following club members to the position of Board of Directors for the 2008-2009 years. They are Jim Erbe WA6NIF, Tom Jarvis KG6KYU, Steve Brunt K6AAB and Joe Capell W0PJD. Joining them for 2007 are Charles McConnell W6DPD, Jim Nelson W6ALE, Aaron Lusk K6USY, Richard Pack KE6SHL, John McGraw AE6QR and Ken Holden WA6OIB who remain on the board from 2007. Join me in welcoming the new board members and give your support to them and the returning board members as they work for you during 2008.

Also, during our club meeting, we had a very good time with members showing their favorite ham equipment. It ranged from parts, antennas, old radios to new radios and more. It was a great learning experience for those unfamiliar with the equipment that was presented as well as remembering the equipment from the past.

Be sure to plan on coming to our November meeting. This is the annual Swap Meet. If you have items to sell, there is a \$5 charge for each seller. Buyers, bring your money and get some good deals on things you want and even on things you don't need. This is a major club event. Remember, there are no shipping charges or waiting for delivery for items when you get your great buys here.

We have the FARC Christmas Party planned for Friday, December at Toledos Mexican Restaurant at the corner of Shaw and Fresno. Cocktail hour starts at 6:30pm and dinner is at 7:00pm. It is \$17/person and you can pay Tom KG6KYU ahead of time or at the door. If you don't pay ahead of time, let him know that you will be attending along with how many so he can have enough tables available. This is a very enjoyable evening so be sure to come.

73, Steve NA6G

# Happy Thanksgiving



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# Swap meet

Don't forget the big swap meet at the next club meeting on November 9th. If you are selling there will be a \$5 selling fee and if you are buying good luck!! This is usually a big club function so I advise you to get there early so you can pick over the items before there all out. Remember the meeting starts at 7:00 pm.



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# Christmas Party

Our club Christmas Party will be held on Dec 14th the same day as the regular meeting day. It will be held at Toledo's and Shaw and Fresno St. Cost will be \$17.00 per person. Fill out the coupon below to get your reservation in.

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**DX Corner**  
**By Charles McConnell**

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 was effective Jan. 01, 2006. With the increase in U.S. Postage rates, you may need to send some money to the QSL Bureau.

If you work DX, you should have envelopes at the QSL bureau. The address is at the top. Your QSL cards received at the bureau may be put in the trash after they sit in the bureau for 90 days. If you change your call sign, then you need to maintain envelopes for both call signs at the bureau, if you have been working DX with both call signs. If you want help with DX, you can contact the local members of the Central California DX Club for some assistance. Charles W6DPD 431-2038, Perry K6XJ 299-2802, or Jim WS6X 292-8353 can give you advice. The big thing about finding DX is to tune the bands.

A number of the local DX'ers meet for breakfast on the First Saturday of the month at the Red Caboose Café, 50 W. Bullard in Clovis. The group gathers between 0700 and 0800 AM. Anyone interested in DX or learning about it is invited to attend. If you are going to work DX, you need to be on the bands early in the morning.

The Central California DX Club was formed in 1981. It is an ARRL affiliated club with 53 members in the central part of California. The club meets at Apple Annie's at 11:30 AM on Saturdays in Tulare 4 to 5 times a year, and they have a breakfast meeting at the International DX Convention in Visalia. The club publishes a newsletter, QUA DX prior to each meeting and publishes eQUA DX each week. Email [w6mel@arrl.net](mailto:w6mel@arrl.net) for information. The next meeting is December 8. The club has a gathering on Wednesdays at 8:00 PM on 3.760 MHZ.

If you don't get a DX Bulletin and you belong to ARRL, you should register on the members only web page and check the box for the ARRL DX Bulletin. This one is emailed each Thursday. Or you

can go to the ARRL web page in the News/ Bulletin section and view the bulletins there. You can also

read the OP DX Bulletin on the web. Search OP DX Bulletin to get the URL. You can subscribe to the Daily DX, Weekly DX or QRZ DX too. These bulletins will keep you informed of DX operations and QSL information.

The following operations are scheduled:  
Marshall Islands V73NS now through 2009  
Bhutan A52VE April 2007 for 2 years  
Djibouti J2800 soon for at least a year  
Falkland Island VP8CXV Sept 8, 2007 to Jan 15, 2008  
Guinea 3X sometime in Nov 2007  
Malta 9H3ML November 1 to Nov 8 2007  
Brunei V8 November 4 to Nov 18, 2007  
Mauritius 3B8/SM7DKF Nov 8 to Nov 24, 2007  
Revilla Gigedo XF4 Nov 15 to Dec 15, 2007  
Uganda 5X Nov 21 to Nov 30, 2007  
The Gambia C56JJ Nov 30 to Dec 7, 2007  
Lord Howe Island VK9CLH End of Nov 2007  
Mozambique C91KDJ Nov 29 to Dec 10, 2007  
Rotuma 3D2AG/p Dec 15, 2007 to Jan 20, 2008  
Palau T88RY sometime in Dec 2007 to Jan 2008  
Liechtenstein HBO Jan 1 to Jan 9, 2008  
Guinea Bissau J5C Jan 10 to Jan 21, 2008  
Chatham ZL7 Jan, 2008  
Auckland ZL9 Jan 2008  
Ducie Island VP6DX Feb 10, 2008 for 2 weeks  
Clipperton Island FO/C Mar 2008  
Juan Fernandez Island CE0Z/DL2AH Mar 18 to Apr 7, 2008  
Cocos Island TI9M Sometime in 2008

Watch the DX Bulletins for up to date information. As the time for the operation is at hand, watch the DX Summit for listings. There are a number of state QSO parties each year. Check the contest coral in QST or the ARRL web page. State QSO parties are a good place to collect states for your Worked All States award. ARRL Log Book of the World now supports the Worked All States Award.

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**FRESNO 2007 SET SUMMARY**

This year ARES/RACES vowed to participate in the annual ARRL SET (Simulated Emergency Test). We did participate and accomplished some of our goals, but not all. Thank you Murphy!

The AA6GZ repeater was not linked to the KG6KKV ARRG system so Bakersfield was out of the question so a region net was not accomplished. I'm assured this will soon be remedied. I'm informed that KG6KKV is 2 weeks away from linking a Mt Bullion repeater. That I can hit with an HT.

Thank you all that checked in, and for joining us in this exercise. There were a couple of surprises that made it worth while and others that show need for improvement. Here is the summary:

1. Only one non affiliated (no emcomm association) check-in. Real surprise there. I hoped for more
2. The list of organizations was pretty good  
SATERN  
RACES  
SO. BAPTIST  
California OES MR region 5 member  
CERT Fresno  
NAVY/MARINE MARS  
ARES
3. Three of the Fresno Clubs were represented, I think that is the best part. I hope that continues. 2 were the club Presidents!
4. 3 ARES ECs checked in (Madera, Fresno and Kings). That is a good thing.
5. I even picked up 2 contacts on the broken link repeater!
6. Cities represented: Fresno, Coarsegold, Coalinga, Squaw Valley, Clovis, Hanford and Lemoore. I thought there would be a few more. There were 2 more that I expected by echolink, but since the link was down they would have gone to Hal (Tulare ARES EC), if they checked in.

Now the bad part. Only 26 total check-ins. The worse for me, 4 of those were out of area (Madera & Kings Counties) and 1 is the Section Mgr and another is me. So really only 20. This was dismal for an open "Ya all come" net. I don't know how Tulare and Kings counties performed. The respective ECs "dovetailed" their own nets so that all three were to summarize their respective nets on the link to Bakersfield and the Section EC, N6ZFN. To put this in

perspective, there are thousands of hams in Fresno County. We all need to know where and when to go in a real event. If for no other reason than to GET information.

However, it is a beginning. Last year was the first drill that RACES participated in for years. This year ARES and RACES started working together and SET was attempted. 2008 should be a banner year for Fresno EmComm, with more help from our local hams. Go to the websites [Fresno ARES](#) and [Fresno County RACES](#) and find out about ARES/RACES.

This year is not over either. November will be getting ready for Skywarn Recognition Day, the first weekend in December and we may be involved in a HAZMAT drill in November. Join us on the Monday night nets at 1930 hours on the N6HEW repeater, 147.15+ and PL of 141.3. Stay informed and aware. Do what you can. Again thank you all for your participation. 73 Dan AE6SX.



## ARRL Section Report

Welcome to the San Joaquin Valley Section. Section Manager Charles McConnell, W6DPD- Assistant Section Managers K6YK and N2NS, Affiliated Club Coordinator W6DPD, Section Emergency Coordinator N6ZFN, Official Observer Coordinator N1VM, Section Traffic Manager K6RAU, Public Information Coordinator KE6IGJ, and Technical Coordinator W6TE. The San Joaquin Valley Section extends from Kern County north to San Joaquin, Calaveras and Mono Counties in the central valley of California. Thanks for visiting this page.

If you desire your club information and events to be listed in Section News, please send the information to [w6dpd@arrl.org](mailto:w6dpd@arrl.org). I get very little information. If your club has a newsletter, please send it to me, email to [w6dpd@arrl.org](mailto:w6dpd@arrl.org) or via U.S Mail.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! SKYWARN Recognition Day is Saturday, December 1 UTC for 24 hours. The Pacific Division Cabinet meeting is Saturday, December 1, 2007, beginning at 9:30 AM at the City Council Chambers, 3575 Pacific Ave in Livermore CA. Affiliated Clubs may send up to 2 representatives to this meeting. More information will be posted at it is received from the Director. RadioFest is February 23-24, 2008, in Monterey CA. Check [www.radiofest.org](http://www.radiofest.org) for information. The International DX Convention is April 25-28, 2008 at Visalia CA. Check <http://www.dxconvention.org/> for information. EMCOMM West 2008 will be May 2-4, 2008, at the Circus Circus in Reno NV. Check [www.emcommwest.org](http://www.emcommwest.org) for information. Pacificon 2008 is October 17-19, 2008 at the San Ramon Marriott in San Ramon CA. Check [www.pacificon.org](http://www.pacificon.org) for information.

The Northern California Net (NCN), the Section Traffic Net, meets nightly on 3.533MHz at 7 PM Pacific Time. The slow speed training session of the net meets nightly on 3.533 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 at 6:30 PM pacific time on 3.906 MHz. The Noontime Net meets daily on 7.268.5 MHz at Noon. There is a lot of traffic passed on this net.

Need to take an Amateur exam? Check the ARRL web page, [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org) for exam information. Need to find a class? The ARRL web page, [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org) has a listing of classes. Check it out.

Card Checking in the Section. You can get cards checked for awards within the section. W6XK and W6DPD can check your cards for DXCC in accordance with the rules for field checking. DXCC card checkers may now check cards dated from Nov. 15, 1945, but no 160 meter cards or cards for deleted entities. DXCC card checkers may, at their discretion, check cards for WAS and VUCC. W6DPD can check cards for the CQ Awards, WAZ, DX, and Prefixes. Special Service Clubs may appoint a HF awards manager for WAS and a VHF Awards Manager for VUCC.

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. If your club fails to update the information for 2 years, your club will be placed in the inactive file. SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of September 2007: SM Charles McConnell, W6DPD- ASMs K6YK and N2NS, ACC W6DPD, SEC N6ZFN, OOC N1VM, STM K6RAU, PIC KE6IGJ, TC W6TE.



This years FARC Christmas party was not as enjoyable do to poor band conditions.

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## Fresno VE Page

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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.

**Nov 17th**

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. 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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I am interested in serving on one of the committees: please contact me with more  
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**Upcoming 2007  
Fresno Amateur Radio  
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**Nov 6th-Board Meeting  
Nov 9th Membership  
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