



This months meeting will be the club picnic. It will be held at Ken and Gwynne Holden's house. The date is July 19th, starting time will be around 4:00. Ken will be cooking up his famous Tri-Tip dinner. We would like to see all of you there. It is shaping up to be a goodtime. RSVP 323-6753.



Hot off the Press!

This is one really hot edition of the Skip! With Field Day just wrapping up I thought I would devote a portion of this Skip to that event.

FARC General Meetings

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

Reports have come down from the mountain that this should be one of our better Field Days. News is flying that the club made contacts in all states and also all Canadian Provinces, with an increase in contacts of approximately 30%. It seems as though the guys exceeded their goals.

From CW, phone, VHF/UHF, and satellite, the men really out performed themselves. With key people in all areas it was a busy weekend for one and all.

2008 FARC BOARD MEETING DATES

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

I'm sure in the following weeks we will hear more about it and get the final point total. I for one, who couldn't make it due to other obligations, would like to thank all that were involved for doing such a fine job.

FARC Nets

Morning Drive Time Net:
Weekday mornings-7:30—
8:00 a.m.

W6TO/R 146.940

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Jim Nelson
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Happy 4th
of July !!



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Mark you calendars for every Thursday, for the lunch gathering at the *Silver Dollar Hofbrau* at the corner of Hwy 41 and Shaw. It starts at 12 noon and there is a table reserved in the back room.

Also every Monday and Saturday at the *Country Waffles* at Blackstone and Dakota starting at 7 am.

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AARC	WB6QDN	146.610	-	NONE
CARP	K6ARP	147.675	-	141.3
CARP	N6JXL	224.380	-	141.3
CARP	K6ARP	444.725	-	141.3
CONDOR	WB6BRU	224.900	-	156.7
FARC	W6TO	146.940	-	NONE
FARC	W6TO	223.940	-	NONE
FARC	W6TO	444.200	-	NONE
FRESNO	N6MTS	145.230	-	141.3
KINGS ARC	KA6Q	145.110	-	100.0
MADERA ARC	W6WGZ	147.180	+	NONE
MADERA ARC	W6WGZ	441.175	-	146.2
QCWA	WQ6CWA	146.850	-	141.3
RACES	N6HEW	147.150	+	141.3
TURLOCK ARC	W6BXN	147.030	+	100.0
WA6NIF	WA6NIF	444.100	+	100.0
WIN/SYSTEM	K6JSI	147.790	-	141.3
WIN/SYSTEM	K6JSI	223.780	-	141.3


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Top left is Pat, W6YEP
 Top right is Steve, K6AAB, Ron, N6MTS,
 and Ken, WA6OIB.
 Bottom left is Steve, NA6G, Steve, K6AAB,
 and Pay W6YEP
 Bottom right the vhf/uhf station of Richard, KE6SHL

Page 4 pictures are:
 The top and bottom left is the assembly and raising
 of the 40 meter yagi on a 100ft tower.
 Top right doing cw is Jim, WS6X
 The bottom right is Steve, NA6G

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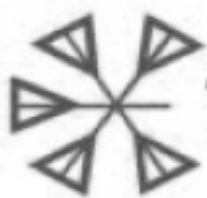
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THE DX CORNER by Charles McConnell W6DPD

To get an idea of what is currently on the air and what is coming up, go to <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html>

The DX Summit has changed to a new location; www.dxsummit.fi

The local DX'ers meet on the first Saturday of the month for breakfast at Carrows, 4280 N. Blackstone in Fresno. This is a change of location. The next meeting will be Saturday July 5, 2008. The group gathers between 0700 and 0800. All are welcome.

The Central California DX Club will meet on Saturday August 23, 2008, at Apple Annie's in Tulare CA. The meeting starts at 11:30 AM.

NOTICE: The address of the Sixth District QSL Bureau is now P. O. Box 970, Fairfax CA 94978-0970. You can send up to 10 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. Forever Stamps may be the answer. 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.

Postage rates around the world are constantly changing. To see current rates go to http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm where you can find the current postal rates for most of the countries of the world. US overseas airmail is 94¢ per ounce and postage to Canada and Mexico is 72¢ per ounce. New IRC purchases are \$2.10 each.

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.

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
Wake Island KH9/WA2YUN now until end of 2009
Bhutan A52VE April 2007 for 2 years
Djibouti J2800 soon for at least a year
Marion Island ZS8T May 2008 to March 2009
Croatia 9A08P now through December 31, 2008
Jan Mayen JX9JKA March 27 to October 8, 2008
Central African Republic TL8DV Postponed
Uganda 5X1NH June 21 to August 15, 2008
Mozambique C9 July 2008
Market Reef OJ0 July 2008
Turks and Caicos VP5/WB2REM July 2 to July 12, 2008
Christmas Island VK9X July 8 to July 20, 2008
Ogasawara JD1 August 10 to August 16, 2008
China Beijing Special Event now through September 17, 2008
Dodecanese SV5 August 31 to September 7, 2008
Glorioso FR/G end of September to early October 2008.
Willis Island VK9W October 8 to October 28, 2008
St. Barthelemy TO5DX October 16 to October 27
Cocos Island TI9M Sometime in 2008
Papua P29 October – November 2008
Crete SV9/DJ7RJ February 25 to March 15, 2009
Spratly Islands March 1 to March 14, 2009

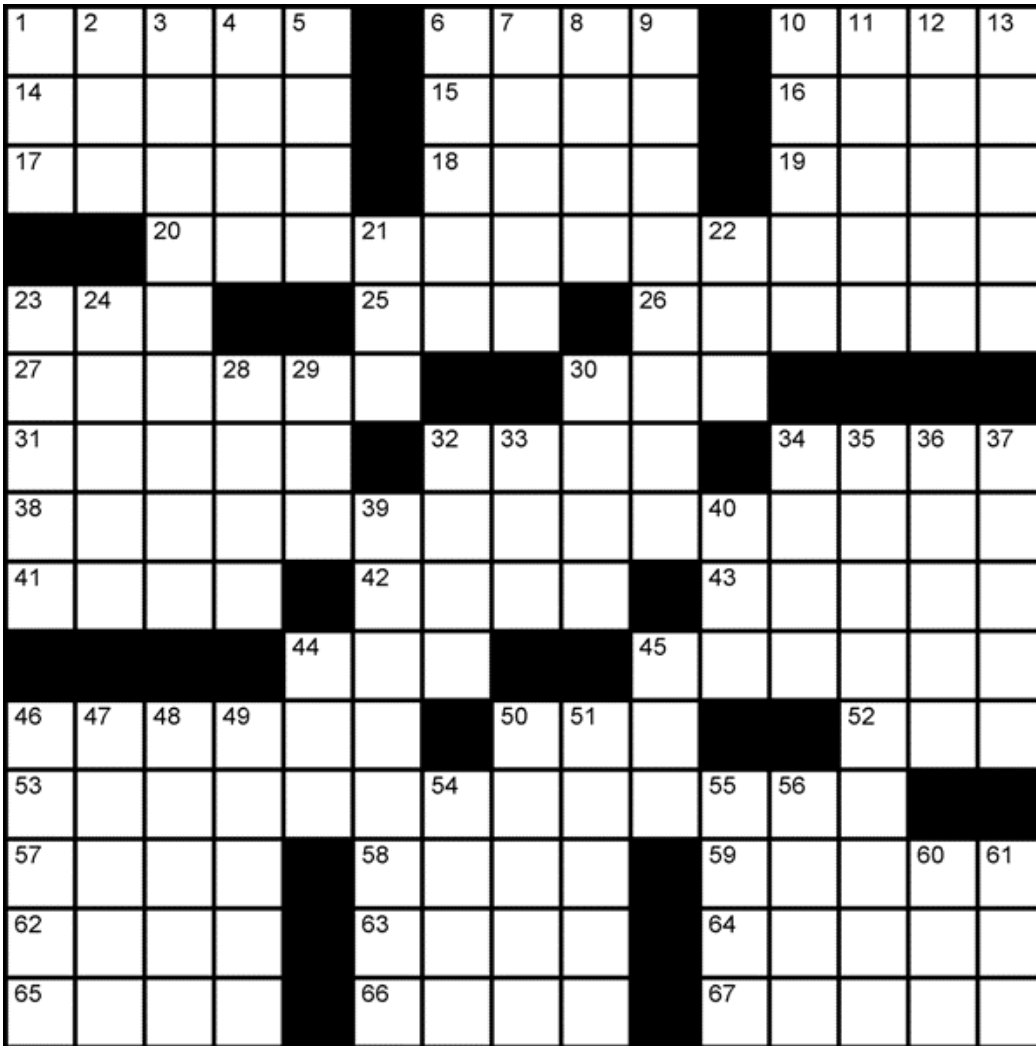
Watch the DX Bulletins for up to date information. As the time for the operation is at hand, watch the DX Summit for listings. There are a number of state QSO parties each year. Check the contest coral in QST or the ARRL web page. State QSO parties are a good place to collect states for your Worked All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

Good luck, tune the dial, and listen.

There was a winner this month, KK6LT!!



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- 22. ARRL DX test mo.
- 23. #44, #47 and others
- 24. Become accustomed (to)
- 28. Poor ops
- 29. F H2O
- 30. Word with line or point
- 32. W7 state
- 33. The Flex, e.g.
- 34. Desktop feature
- 35. /MM quarters
- 36. Big bangs
- 37. Lock of hair
- 39. Hand game
- 40. ZS dir. from W2
- 44. Stg. before AF amp.
- 45. W4 sect.
- 46. A series cap. blocks it
- 47. Eat away
- 48. African owner of 27-across
- 49. Upper or lower user
- 50. Isle ____ (GD)
- 51. ____ Day
- 54. Calling in after the sked
- 55. Pioneer digital comm. org.
- 56. EME sound
- 60. F-land one
- 61. "___ bad!"

Across

- 1. Superhet preceder
- 6. BCD followers
- 10. UA missile made famous by YI
- 14. ____ loop
- 15. Meadow mouse
- 16. LA capital
- 17. ___ to back...
- 18. Part of LAN
- 19. Nit hatchlings
- 20. Teetering swizzle stick?
- 23. Golf ball position
- 25. Polite partner of TU
- 26. Sensors using RF
- 27. Antelope array element?
- 30. CW preposition
- 31. VS9H middle name
- 32. Employs
- 34. "___ that special?!"

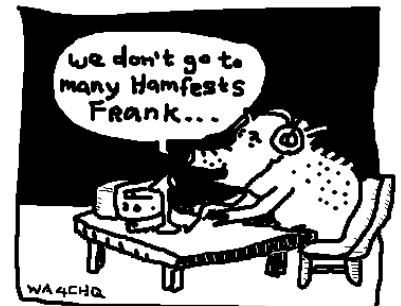
Down

- 38. Supermarket scanner?
- 41. What a non-ham might call rigs
- 42. Prefix with -line
- 43. I-land wine
- 44. CW T
- 45. Told to wait, on CW
- 46. Thicker
- 50. Function switch label
- 52. Double curve
- 53. Salt shaker?
- 57. Lone entry class
- 58. G-land YL title
- 59. Label on a PS, possibly
- 62. Like a xmtr in stby
- 63. And others, for short
- 64. RCA synonym
- 65. Rig
- 66. Pound brass, say
- 67. Next to Quebec

Down

- 1. Foxhunt activity (abbr.)
- 2. Ending, with engine
- 3. Go on DXpeditions, far and wide
- 4. IT9 volcano
- 5. NCL-2000 mfr.
- 6. Olympic swimmer Janet
- 7. ___-12 antennas
- 8. High spirits
- 9. Whiplash preventer
- 10. State with transistors
- 11. Possible Bahamas prefix
- 12. Worrier's worry
- 13. Action people
- 21. MI, MO and MT, QP mo.

As you can see we have a pretty packed Skip. Answers to this months Crossword can be found on the ARRL website. While your there think about joining if your not already a member.



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Theory exams are multiple choice. Priority 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 2008
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July 19 -Club Picnic



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