



Make sure your at the next meeting on the 8th of August. This is the time when new nominations can be made for the Board of Directors. Please consider running and helping out the club. The meeting starts promptly at 7 pm. Meetings are held at Cedar Lanes at Cedar and Shields. See you there!



# The Prez Sez

### FARC General Meetings

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

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### 2008 FARC BOARD MEETING DATES

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

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### FARC Nets

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

W6TO/R 146.940

### Tech Net:

Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm  
W6TO/R 146.940

### FARC Net:

Sundays @ 7:00 pm  
W6TO/R 146.940

What a great Skip we had last month on Field Day. Jim and our cameramen did an outstanding job on the pictures and putting it together. All the comments were very good and everyone is looking forward to Field Day 2009. We have a cook lined up for next year, 3 meals, so we are ready to go.

Our picnic was on July 19<sup>th</sup> at Ken and Gwynne Holden's, we had a lot of members there, some great Ham Talk along with Ken's Barrel Tri Tip, what a wonderful event for FARC. I was able to be there for a short time and saw a lot of our members. If you missed this year please make a note for 2009. Thanks again to Ken and Gwynne for hosting our party

Our main events for 2008 are over, Hamfest, Field Day, Picnic the rest of the year will be quite until our November swap meet and Christmas Party in December.

We have elections coming up, step up and throw your name in the hat. If you are interested give me a call I'll be happy to add your name to the list. We need new Hams with new ideas and thoughts to keep FARC number one in the valley.

I look forward to seeing all of our members on August 8<sup>th</sup> at Cedar Lanes.

73` s Tom

**Fresno Amateur Radio Club**

**2008 FARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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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.

Finally the last, is at *Country Waffles* at Marks and Shaw starting at 8 am on Tuesdays.

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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

**Fresno Amateur Radio Club**

*Amateur of the Month, Dan Pruitt, by Joe Capell*

Our Ham of the Month got his first amateur radio license, a novice class, in 1965, WN6QPV. He didn't pursue upgrading for thirty years because of one thing and another. His dad was a Navy radio operator, a ham (K6CME) and remained in the electronics business for many years after discharge, serving as a model for young Dan.

He was born in Dayton, Ohio, a town of some amateur radio notoriety, but has lived many places, including California, Virginia, New Jersey, The Philippines and Japan.

He graduated from Prospect High School in Saratoga, Calif. He has been in Fresno since 1985 and a member of FARC and ARRL since re-licensing. His call changed from KG6ALC to the present one when he became an extra class. He has been a vice president and a board member of the club.

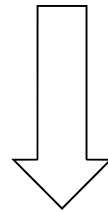
His main radio interest is emergency services. He was an original member of Fresno Amateur Radio Emergency Communication Corps (FARECC) and remains active in emergency communication training. Though amateur radio has traditionally stepped up to the plate for providing communication when the rest of infrastructure fails, it has been particularly important since 9-11 to have well thought-out disaster plans because things can happen so quickly. Dan is involved in RACES, ARES and Satern (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Net) His competing hobby is reading history of the modern era.

You can hear him on the Monday night ENCOM net on 147.15 MHz.



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Don't forget the August drawing!!

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*Fresno Amateur Radio Club*

**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](http://www.dxsummit.fi)

For a list of invalid operations for awards go to: <http://www.lynxdxg.com/novalidas/novalidas.htm>

The local DX'ers meet on the first Saturday of the month for breakfast at Carrow's, 4280 N. Blackstone in Fresno. 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](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  
Uganda 5X1NH June 21 to August 15, 2008  
Alaska W1AW/KL7 July 26 to August 10, 2008  
Tunisia TS1CUBS August 6 to August 15, 2008  
Ogasawara JD1 August 10 to August 16, 2008  
Svalbard JW August 12 to August 17, 2008  
Svalbard JW September 19 to September 26, 2008  
Cocos Keeling Islands VK9CJW August 22 to August 29, 2008  
China Beijing Special Event now through September 17, 2008  
Dodecanese SV5 August 31 to September 7, 2008  
South Cook Islands E51NOU September 15, to October 11, 2008  
Morocco CN1PA September 21 to October 5, 2008  
Botswana A2 September 23 to October 6, 2008  
Glorioso FR/G end of September to early October 2008.  
Willis Island VK9DWX October 9 to October 27, 2008  
St. Barthelemy TO5DX October 16 to October 27  
Niue ZK2DF October 23 to October 31, 2008  
Cocos Island TI9M Sometime in 2008  
Papua P29 October – November 2008  
The Gambia C56KR January 23 to February 4, 2009  
Crete SV9/DJ7RJ February 25 to March 15, 2009  
Spratly Islands March 1 to March 14, 2009  
Mozambique C91FC April 8 to April 17, 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 corral 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.

**Fresno Amateur Radio Club**

**FARC Board of Directors Agenda  
July 1, 2008**

**Roll Call** – President Tom Jarvis KG6KYU, Vice President Ken Holden WA6OIB, Secretary Jim Erbe WA6NIF, Treasurer Jim Nelson W6ALE, Charles McConnell W6DPD, Aaron Lusk K6USY, Richard Pack KE6SHL(absent), John McGraw AE6QR(absent), Steve Brunt K6AAB(absent), Joe Capell W0PJD(absent), Ted Miller W6TLM(absent).

**Previous BOD Minutes** – Corrected the profit to say \$871.22 gross profit with \$435.00 given to the Salvation Army, leaving FARC a net profit of \$436.22. Minutes accepted as corrected.

**Officer Reports**

President – Tom KG6KYU – Nothing to report

B. Vice-President's Report – Ken WA6OIB – Nothing to report

C. Secretary's Report – Jim WA6NIF – Will call Steve K6AAB and John AE6QR and give them info on Board meeting time and place.

D. Treasurer's Report – Jim W6ALE – Checking has \$4958.99; Savings has \$0; CD has \$5091.24 for a total worth of \$10,050.23. Beckman's check was cashed. Need to send the remainder yearly fees.

**Committee Reports**

Newsletter – Jim W6ALE- All articles must be in by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. The last Skip was well done. Thanks, Jim

Technical Committee – WA6OIB – Receiver needs a little work over. Some hams are still chopping when

accessing the 34/94 machine.

C. Net Manager – K6MI – No report

D. PIO/ESL – Dan AE6SX. – No report

E. Bio on Member for Skip – Joe W0PJD – Not present to report.

**Old Business**

Field Day Recap – Tom KG6KYU apologized to the Board on not following through on the proper way in budgeting for Field Day. Ken brought up the fact that Field Day wasn't really co-chaired properly, leaving Pat W6YEP not being mentioned during nets and club meetings. That fact created some hurtful feelings.

Summer Picnic – At Ken and Gwynne's residence, July 19<sup>th</sup>. Arrival time set for 4PM. Will Email to Membership so as to RSVP to the Holden's what dish they'll bring. Ken is providing the Tri-tip.

**New Business**

Hamfest 2009 – Tom KG6KYU asked for these dates: May 30<sup>th</sup> or June 6<sup>th</sup> to be at the Salvation Army facility in downtown Fresno.

Field Day 2009 – We will have someone cook meals this time, Saturday noon, evening, and Sunday breakfast.

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**Meeting adjourned 20:03**



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- 9. Cap. unit
- 10. Missile type
- 11. Ancient WARC band?
- 12. Prof. org. with many ham members
- 13. Elser-Mathes Cup objective
- 18. Poetic dusk
- 22. Pushes, gently
- 25. Leaves in a bag
- 27. The one above six?
- 28. Two or more yagis, say
- 29. Do and so
- 30. Tube terminal
- 32. Gasket
- 33. Possible Congo prefix
- 34. \_\_\_ alcohol
- 35. Malyj Vysotskij prefix
- 38. Suffix with electro-
- 41. Force-12 element fasteners, say
- 43. More lethal
- 46. Homer's neighbor
- 48. Pre-ham?
- 51. Int'l org. promoting learning
- 53. What the shack might do with the amplifier on
- 56. Crew tool
- 57. QRS
- 58. Between Oscar and Quebec
- 59. Kind of antenna aimer
- 61. A receiver annoyance, briefly
- 63. Arrest
- 64. 47-across is one
- 65. Exuberance
- 67. CW word
- 69. Zone type

**Across**

- 1. VU metro (not meter)
- 6. Call to Bo-peep
- 9. T.O.M.
- 14. TN made rig
- 15. Rear panel label
- 16. 7X neighbor
- 17. Used before flip tops
- 19. More unwet
- 20. Infrequent frame rate mode
- 21. Major Armstrong, familiarly
- 23. Wiring harness parts
- 24. IT9 peak
- 26. Prefix with -tuner

- 28. Kind of drum
- 31. Contact plating solution?
- 36. Boatanchor unit
- 37. Part of ARRL: Abbr.
- 39. Enter
- 40. Suffix with reson-
- 42. In reserve
- 44. Produces radiator supports
- 45. Giving up
- 47. GM monster place
- 49. Viking partner
- 50. Callsign of 31 across
- 52. Overcome utterly
- 54. First QTH?
- 55. Hand (out)
- 57. Small fight
- 60. Field unit?
- 62. Competent
- 66. Loafed around

- 68. Nonphysical, say
- 70. Met show
- 71. Feed lines to
- 72. Partner of 9-across
- 73. Rocking ham
- 74. Hockey's Bobby
- 75. DXpeditioner's instruction

**Down**

- 1. Manuals, slangily
- 2. Times past
- 3. Fuzz
- 4. ARRL president, and president's grandson
- 5. Rev. of out.
- 6. Wound covers
- 7. All over again
- 8. Of a heart chamber

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.

## Fresno VE Page

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**Upcoming 2008  
Fresno Amateur Radio  
Club  
Activities and Events**

**Aug 5th -Board Meeting  
Aug 8th -Membership  
Meeting**



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