



Be sure to join us at our next meeting. We will be discussing some items for the new year and also nominations are due. Please try to attend. Elmer classes start at 6:30 and 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.

2008 FARC BOARD MEETING DATES

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

FARC Nets

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

W6TO/R 146.940

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Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm
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Well, summer is almost gone, along with the heat and long days it is now time to finish all the projects we started before the summer heat took over. This brings me to the Elmer class on Sept. 12th at 6:30 before our regular meeting at Cedar lanes. With all those projects that you have questions for this is the time and place to get those answers. We will have our Elmer techs there to give you those answers. If you are new ham or have been a Ham for a while we have members who can answer your questions. Hope to see you there.

Our election is coming up we have 6 seats open for 2009. Please step up and join the FARC Board of Directors and help us with new ideas. Please contact Jim Erbe, WA6NIF or myself if you would like to run for the BOD.

Our Christmas dinner will be at AJ's Armenian Cuisine. Keep an eye out for the Oct and Nov Skip, as well as club meetings for further details including the menu. Marci and I have had dinner there with our auto club and the food was wonderful. This is one dinner that you don't want to miss and it is also our awards night. Great fun for all! All dinner tickets must be purchased by Nov 30th. **NO WALK-INS**. We will refund your money if you cancel 48 hours ahead. You must call Tom Jarvis, KG6KYU, at 645-1816 or 916-2445 or e-mail tjarvis@comcast.net to get a refund.

73,
Tom

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

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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 *Yosemite Falls* at Blackstone and Shaw starting at 8 am on Tuesdays.

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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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Amateur of the Month, Glen Caine, by Joe Capell

This month's featured member of the club is also an emergency communications ham. Glen was born in Escondido, California, raised in Encinitas and then moved to the San Joaquin Valley to finish high school at Sanger High, class of 1967.

He has been working as an electrician starting with San Diego Gas and Electric. He has worked for wineries, the county hospital and most recently at the Fresno County jail in this profession.

His inspiration to become a ham was his uncle, K6CLU in Vista, California. He played with CB radio quite a bit, but in 1979 got his first ham license, a novice, KA6GES. He upgraded to general then advanced and changed his call to his present one. He has been a member of FARC since 1981, on the board of director for many years and president of the club in 1987.

His favorite aspect of Ham radio is emergency services. He recalls first being attracted to this segment after the Coalinga earthquake in the early 1980's. As a temporary operations center, the FARC sent their communications van which operated at the Coalinga office of the California Highway Patrol across the street from the local hospital, providing emergency communications in the critical early hours after the disaster.

In 1984 he worked at the Valley Medical Center and

became involved in setting up an emergency station there and later at the State building in downtown Fresno.

The County of Fresno started their RACES program about that time. Now RACES and ARES are merged. He is the trustee of the combined RACES/ARES repeater on 147.15 MHz which has a net each Monday night at 7pm.

He has been instrumental in providing ham radio support for emergency communication in many local and state wide emergency drills and actual disaster mobilizations.

He is an avid bass fisherman as his other hobby. His wife, Vicki, is also a licensed ham, KA6MDM.



Glen during the Coalinga earthquake

There was no winner last month!!



Club notes:

Treasury Info:

Checking amount \$4,669.94

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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

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.

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
Ascension Island ZD8N August 27 to September 11, 2008
Svalbard JW September 19 to September 26, 2008
China Beijing Special Event now through September 17, 2008
South Cook Islands E51NOU September 15, to October 11, 2008
Morocco CN2IPA September 21 to October 5, 2008
Botswana A2 September 23 to October 6, 2008
St. Kitts V4/AH6HY September 26 to October 4, 2008
Glorioso FR/G hopefully by the end of this year.
Senegal 6W7SPACE October 4 to October 10, 2008
Willis Island VK9DWX October 9 to October 27, 2008
St. Barthelemy TO5DX October 16 to October 27
Niue ZK2DF October 14 to October 31, 2008
Cocos Island TI9M Sometime in 2008
Papua P29 October 17 to November 5 2008
Desecheo KP5 for 14 days sometime before the end of 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
Spratly Islands sometime in 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.

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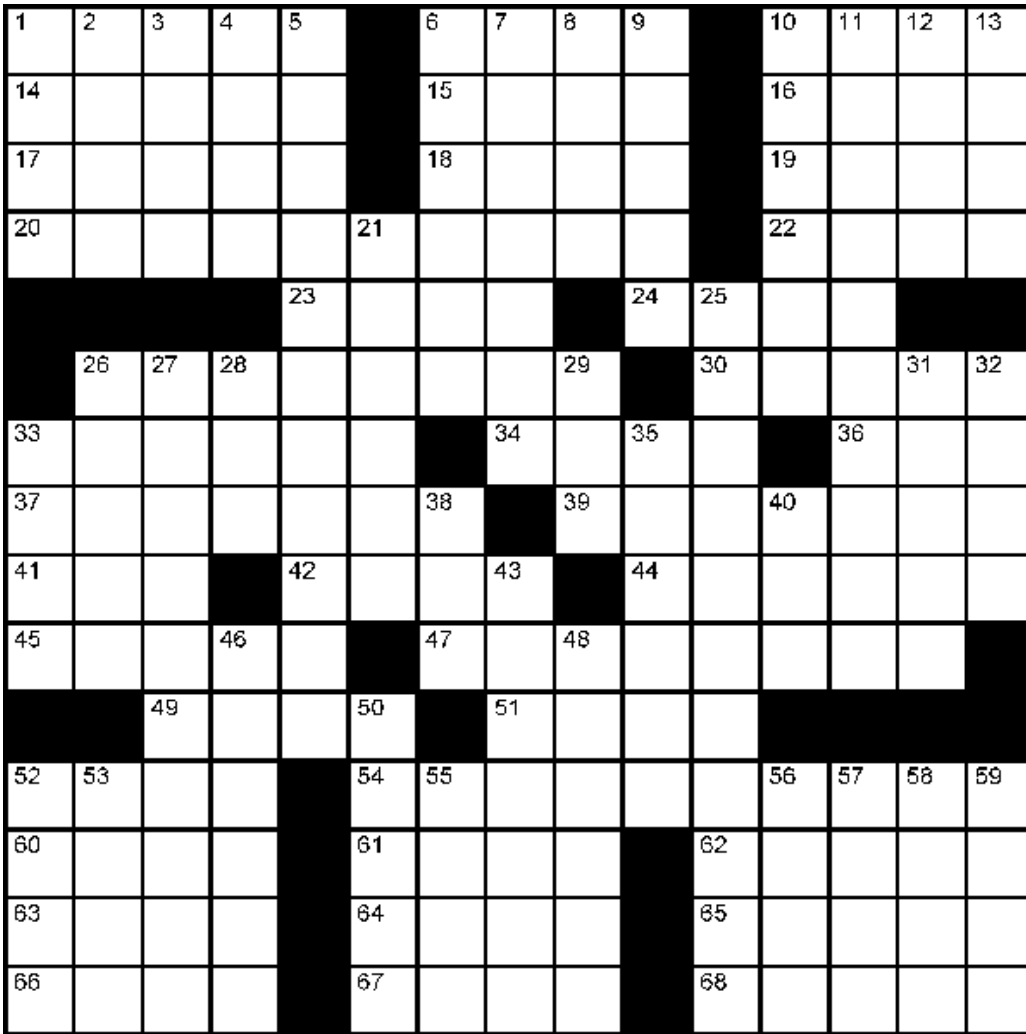
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- 8. LA city
- 9. The 18 and 21 MHz bands?
- 10. See 41-across
- 11. What a K2 can do
- 12. Harry Chapin's call-sign?
- 13. Is in the red
- 21. Power problem
- 25. Result of key down amplifier, possibly
- 26. Smooth transition
- 27. Borders both VU and A4
- 28. RTTY char
- 29. G rule in VU
- 31. (The amp.) made an untoward noise
- 32. Hot Springs and others
- 33. Manipulates a key
- 35. Small pet
- 38. Opposite of amp.
- 40. Worked ___ Conti-nents
- 43. Drinker
- 46. More meddlesome
- 48. Types of gears
- 50. North Cook IOTA prefix
- 52. Cloud burner sig.
- 53. "Guilty," e.g.
- 55. ___-friendly
- 56. Easter flower
- 57. Possibly needed to purchase an IC-7800
- 58. Not taken in by
- 59. The last one for DXCC #1, say

Across

- 1. Swiped
- 6. GM OM
- 10. Tuvalu IOTA
- 14. KH6 IOTA
- 15. If's partner (to a programmer)
- 16. Get one's ducks in ___
- 17. ___nito
- 18. Stage part
- 19. Poor QTH, say
- 20. Foot covered?
- 22. Means justifiers
- 23. Amplifier knob
- 24. Softrocks, e.g.
- 26. Murphy, e.g.?
- 30. OA denizens, once
- 33. Mother ___
- 34. W4 Beach
- 36. Xmtr pwr plus all following dBs
- 37. 3B6 IOTA
- 39. 6Y IOTA
- 41. Where you might get a 5-down - or maybe five, 5-down's down
- 42. November honorees
- 44. Multiple Elvises?
- 45. F capital bisector
- 47. Carefully did 23-across, with the big knob probably.
- 49. CW
- 51. Hero
- 52. They're turned on by a positive base
- 54. Two cartons of ice cream?
- 60. Kind of IC
- 61. Word often found in IOTA names
- 62. Possible Northern UK prefix
- 63. IRE descendent, in 1963
- 64. Zig or zag
- 65. Where the HV goes
- 66. Western DL river
- 67. Blunders
- 68. Church assembly

Down

- 1. Narrow opening
- 2. Trig function
- 3. How many times a grid can be grossly overdriven
- 4. XW land
- 5. Brewski, to a ham?
- 6. Pacific
- 7. Zoomed in

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

2008 Fresno AMATEUR RADIO EXAMS
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November 15

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. 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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**Sept 2nd -Board Meeting
Sept 12th -Membership
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