



Our next meeting will be January 9th, starting at 7:00 Listen for announcements on what the meeting will be about. Meetings are held at Cedar Lanes at Cedar and Shields.!!



The Prez Sez

FARC General Meetings

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

2009 FARC BOARD MEETING DATES

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

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Weekday mornings-7:30—
8:00 a.m.

W6TO/R 146.940

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Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm
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FARC Net:

Sundays @ 7:00 pm
W6TO/R 146.940

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2008 is coming to an end. Marci and I were out of state for the last Skip, so I would like to thank the 2008 BOD for giving FARC a great year. We did some new things this year as a club and we brought back a few of the things that have made FARC an outstanding club in the past. Just to name a few our Elmer class, Tec class, membership attendance award, our sunshine mailing and our Ham of the month. We also did our usual Hamfest, Field Day, summer picnic and Christmas Party all of which requires is a lot of work by our members. I would like to THANK all the BOD and Members that stood up to chair these events or took part in them. This is what makes FARC, all members working together to achieve these goals. I have not used names so far as I would make my comments way too long. However, there is one person that I must thank, Jim, W6ALE, has been our SKIP editor for the last 4 years. He has done outstanding job and he will be missed. THANK YOU JIM.

It was an honor and a pleasure to be your President in 2008, thank you for allowing me that privilege

We are looking forward to 2009. We will be starting off the year with a full BOD. We have 3 members coming on the BOD this year, so there will be some new ideas and thoughts for 2009.

By now you know we have a new SKIP editor, Dave Smith W6TE. Dave was the Skip editor about 20 years ago, before computers, he told me that was the hard way to produce it, well Dave this should be a walk in the park, and you now have a computer.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Tom & Marci

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

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Mark your 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 7am.

Finally the last, is at *Yosemite Falls* at Blackstone and Shaw starting at 8am on Tuesdays.



Local Amateur Radio Repeaters

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Call Sign</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Offset</i>	<i>PL</i>
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

The **ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes** will be held on January 17-19, 2009. The contest begins 1900 UTC (11:00 AM local) Saturday and ends 0359 UTC Monday (7:59 PM local, Sunday night). See the latest rules at: <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2009/jan-vhf-ss.html>. Even if you're not in the contest get on the air and give your fellow VHF'ers some contest points. Good luck in the contest!

EDITOR'S COMMENTS by Dave Smith W6TE

Welcome to 2009, a New Year for us all! Along with the New Year we have a new FARC Board of Directors, and a new SKIP Editor. A huge thanks goes to Jim Nelson, W6ALE, for his past five years as the Editor of the SKIP Newsletter. There's a lot of time and effort that goes into editing and distributing a club newsletter. Five years of dedicated service not only to SKIP but also to the FARC Board of Directors and treasurer shows that Jim is very committed not only to the FARC but to our great hobby as well! That's a great track record Jim!

An enormous thanks goes to two additional outgoing board members who served on the FARC leadership team; Ted Miller, W6TLM, and Richard Pack, KE6SHL. Both Ted and Richard have been on the BOD for several years taking care of the club's business. They are to be thanked and congratulated for their efforts in influencing the positive direction of the club.

I have volunteered to take over Jim's duties as SKIP Editor. Some of you may remember I was SKIP Editor in the 1980's..... twenty-four years ago. Editing and distributing a newsletter was quite different back then! Electronic distribution was unheard of and that made life very interesting. We got SKIP out each month with the help of several others and had a distribution of around 200 copies. They were collated, folded, stapled, sorted and mailed by a small Army of club members. Most of the time the pages were in order and right-side up. Using Microsoft's Publisher software makes assembling today's newsletter a breeze. The challenge is coming up with interesting and newsworthy items each month.

An acknowledgement and thanks goes to three

contributors that write columns for SKIP each month. They are Charles McConnell, W6DPD, Dan Pruitt, AE6SX and Joe Capell, W0PJD.

Charles writes the "THE DX CORNER" and keeps us up to date on DX happenings. Charles, as you know, is our ARRL San Joaquin Valley Division Section Manager. Dan Pruitt not only writes the "FARC ENCOMM" column but is also the Fresno County ARES Emergency Coordinator. Joe Capell does the interviews for and writes the "Amateur of the Month" column. Charles and Joe both serve on the FARC BOD. All of your contributions are very much appreciated.

This month we have a special "after" Christmas article written by George Floyd Jr., WA4DGA—SK., with permission to reprint from CQ Magazine. George, "who spent over two decades entertaining thousands of his fellow hams writing as a politically incorrect Japanese American ham with fractured English and used contorted spelling. From 1947 to 1971 Floyd wrote a letter to the editor of CQ magazine using the pseudonym Hashafisti Scratchi. He supposedly lived in or near Phoenix, Arizona — spelling the city's name Feenix. He began each column with "Deer Hon. Ed.," and regularly skewered the pomposity and poor operating practices he encountered on the air. He passed away on November 22nd., 2008, at the age of 91." (ARRL letter)

If you have an item of interest or a project that you are working on and would like to share, please send it to me and I'll include it in SKIP and share it with the membership.

In the meantime, Happy New Year to all!!! 73, Dave W6TE (w6te@msn.com)

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"Old Hams never die, they just QSB." -- AB7RG

There was no winner last month!!



Q: How many DXers does it take to change a light bulb?
A: All of them. One to change it and the rest to argue about whether it counts as a light bulb.
-- Ward N0AX

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

NEWS AND GENERAL INTEREST

WWW.QSL.NET AND WWW.QTH.NET SHUTDOWN

Dec. 31st. — After 13 years of providing hams with no cost web space, e-mail forwarding and mailing list services through QSL.net and QTH.net, Al Waller, K3TKJ, has decided to retire. All QSL.net and QTH.net servers and Internet connections are being turned down. Scott KA9FOX has decided to pick up where Al left off, and is in the process of migrating all services to new hardware. (www.qth.net)

ARISS UPDATE Jan. 1, 2009 (ARISS BBS)

This past week, the ISS Ham radio system was configured in the L/V crossband repeater mode. This configuration will continue through to Saturday when a school contact is scheduled around 10:35 UTC. After the school contact on Saturday January 3, it is our plans to have Mike Fincke reconfigure the radio to support V/U crossband repeater operations. As a reminder, that configuration has a 145.99 MHz uplink frequency including PL tone of 67.0 and a 437.80 MHz downlink frequency. All repeater operations are being performed in low power (5 W) mode. It is our intent to keep the repeater active in this configuration for 2 weeks (through January 17).

RADIO IN SPACE: SATELLITE CONFIRMS CRACKS IN EARTS MAGNETIC SHIELD

Recent satellite observations have revealed the largest breach yet seen in the magnetic field recorded to date. Scientists have long known that the Earth's magnetic field is similar to a drafty old house that sometimes lets in charged particles from the sun. These breaches cause the brilliant auroras but can also disrupt satellite and ground communications. The discovery was made last summer by a fleet of five small NASA satellites known as Themis. Their observations showed the Earth's magnetic field occasionally develops two cracks that allows a stream of charged particles spewing from the sun to penetrate the Earth's upper atmosphere. Last summer, Themis calculated a layer of solar particles to be at least 4,000 miles thick in the outermost part of the Earth's magnetosphere. This is the largest tear of the planets protective shield found so far. (ARRL Letter)

HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CELEBRATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF W5LFL AND STS-9

ARISS -- Amateur Radio on the International Space Station -- is celebrating the 25th anniversary of the first manned ham radio operation from Earth orbit by Owen Garriott, W5LFL. It was on November 28th, 1983 that Garriott rode the space-ship Columbia to Earth orbit on mission STS 9. A few days later, he became the first ham radio operator to ever come on the air from space. "This is W5LFL in Columbia. W5LFL in Columbia orbiting the Earth at an altitude of 135 nautical miles and passing over the U.S. west coast calling CQ. Calling CQ North America. This is W5LFL in Columbia." A moment later W5LFL held his first contact on-orbit with Lance Collister, WA1JXN, of Frenchtown, Montana.

With the commissioning of the International Space Station that mission continues today with ARISS -- the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program. And little more than a month or so ago Owen Garriott's son Richard, W5KWQ, became the first second generation space traveler to hold QSO's with hams here on Earth. Now to celebrate 25 years of manned amateur radio operations from space, the ARISS group has planned a set of special event opportunities during the month of December and part of January 2009.

A special certificate is being developed for those who communicate with the ISS, either 2-way direct with the crew, through the digipeater, or using the on-orbit cross band repeater. Certificates will also be available for one-way reception of SSTV or voice downlink signals. (AMSAT News)

SOUTH AFRICA TO LAUNCH 2ND HAMSAT IN MARCH

Ham radio will soon have another satellite. South Africa's second amateur radio satellite is now scheduled to be launched on March 25th, 2009. The bird is called SumbandilaSat. The amateur radio portion will be an FM voice repeater on-orbit. Specifically, it's a crossband transponder with an uplink in the 2 meter band and a downlink in the 440 MHz amateur allocation. (AMSAT News)

HAM-MAG N1 IS AVAILABLE Jan. 1, 2009

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Feenix, Ariz.

Deer Hon. Ed:

Maybe can doing your Hon. Reeders a service. Yes indeed, if they having same problums I having, then they mite be intrusted in how Scratchi handling same.

This idea coming to me as I are taking down Hon. Xmas Tree. Are rapping ornaments carefooly, putting Xmas lites away in proper boxes, cleening up mess of pine needles, then are faced with putting away Xmas presents.

You know the kind I meening, Hon. Ed. The presents from all your Hon. Uncles and Ants what are not seeing you for eleventeen yeers, and on acct. not knowing you they just feeling they got to sending something, so you ending up with six dozen hankercheeves, cupple dozen assorted ties, and so forths.

Now what are any self-respecting amchoor going to doing with all this stuff?? Aha, that are the problum, and that are eggsactly the same problum I going to now solving for your Hon. Reeders. If you not getting amchoor equipment for present, at leest can yewsing all this stuff for something around shack.

Like taking hankercheeves. They making reel peecky rags for dusting equipment or wiping soddering flux off floor, or cleening soddering iron. Also, if having cranberry sawse left over from Xmas dinner, can putting hankercheeve in sawse to dying it red, then having nice red flag to tying on long ladders or stuff what hanging behind car.

Of corsely, if XYL are handy with sewing needle, can making 1 /c dust cover for mike or key. Likewise, can be yewsing hankercheeves for packing material when sending toobs to somebody you selling them to. Also, if having trubble with birds on rotory beems, cutting hankercheeves into strips and tying to beem. Not only keeping birds off but telling which way wind are blowing.

Or taking shaving creem. Scratchi are getting enuf shaving creem this Xmas to shaving King Kong, even if figyouring he not standing still and are wasting some. I are admitting that I not thinking of to many things to doing with it, but for instance can yewsing it as sowe to cleening operating table, or cleening glass face in meters.

Also, if ever having to snake wires thru pipe, can putting on plenty shaving creem and wires going thru more easily. Not advising to wateing to long after putting on creem, howsumever, as when dry creem are on icky side.

Then how abouts all the after-shaving loshun and ohdey colone peepole getting. This are reel slicky stuff if needing to cleen relays, or for taking soddering flux off old toob bases. Also, if on. Shack ever smelling kinda bad after transformer burning up, you can sprinkeling stuff around and having reel nice smelling shack.

And, natchyourally, if ever running kinda short of cacktus jooce, can pooring in some shaving loshun and you not only having more cacktus jooce to serving to peepole, but having certan tang and taste that cacktus jooce alone just are never giving. Also are saving on cacktus jooce on acct. peepole not coming back for so many refills, for some reeson.

Hon. Ed., what can doing with razor blades? Of course, if having mice, can grinding up razor blades and shaving loshun bottles and stuffing in mouse holes, but this not having anything to do with amchoor radio. Frankly I not knowing how to yewsing them. Howsumever, are also getting first-ade kit for Xmas, so maybe I figyouring out how to yewsing razor blades.

Everybuddy are getting ties for Xmas, but not everybuddy can wearing ties they getting. After all, who are having soot that can matching red, purple and yellow tie, for examples. So, try tying them to beem to keeping birds away, or yewse them like red hankercheeve for warning flag.

I getting one reel snappy tie which are so pretty that I taking foxtale off car antenna and going to tying tie on antenna insted. In case amchoor frend getting married, can also tying tin cans on back of car with Xmas ties—making wedding much more colorful.

The hole idea are that you shouldn't be wasteing anything. If after all these 1/c ideas you still having some stuff left over, try trading with it. Maybe some amchoor not getting any hankercheeves or shaving loshun for Xmas. Maybe he ackchewally needs some. Trade him for some resistors, or something.

Of course I not reely kicking. I did get one Xmas present that Hon. Ant Fuji sent me for my rig. She sending me a microphone. Carbon type. Dubble button. I think it coming out of radio stayshun what buying it forty years ago. It waying forty-five pounds and are about same size as my reseever. You thinking some Hon. Mewseem liking to having it? Happy New Yeer.

Respectively yours,
Hashafisti Scratchi

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

AMATEUR OF THE MONTH, Arlen Van Fossen WB6VAF, by Joe Capell

This month's amateur radio biography is of Arlen Van Fossen, WB6VAF, an amateur radio operator here in the Fresno area since 1966.

He was born in Fresno at the old St. Agnes Hospital and lived in many places including Oakland, Oildale, Visalia, Japan and Germany. He was a radio operator in the Air Force for six years then attended College of the Sequoias and Fresno State with a degree in Industrial Arts and Education. He taught at Central Union High School for 31 years and, in spite of "retiring" 10 years ago, still teaches for the Fresno County Office of Education at the Carruthers Boot Camp several full days a week.

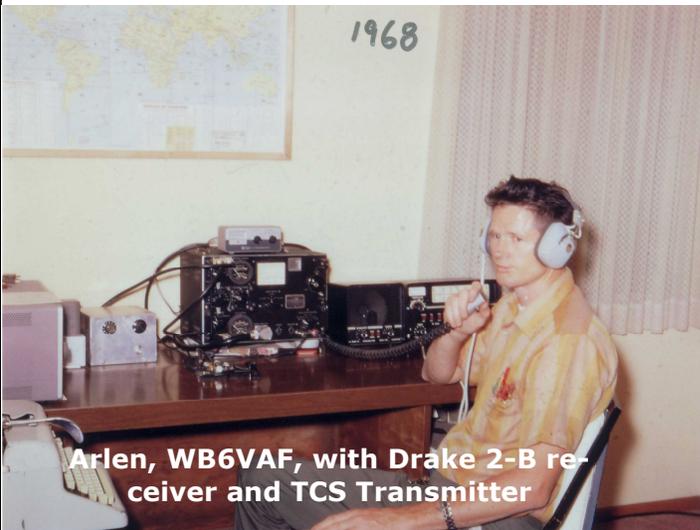
His radio days started with the military, but his interest with Amateur Radio began at Central when a fellow teacher asked his to listen to a lot of dashes and dots on a short wave receiver which he recognized and copied as Morse code. His first call was a novice, WN6VAF and soon a general and later Amateur Extra about 20 years ago.

His favorite aspect of ham radio for a while was an avid interest in amateur television, though UHF,

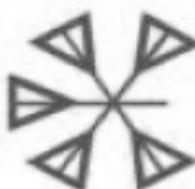
VHF and the high frequency bands have seen their share of his presence.

Now days, he has a long wire for the slowly returning amateur bands, but 2 meters finds him often present on the simplex channels.

He is a long time member of the FARC and the QWCA.



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THE DX CORNER by Charles McConnell W6DPD

January 2009

This URL will give you a CQ Zone Map, <http://www4.plala.or.jp/nomrax/CQ/index.html>.

CHU, the Canadian time/frequency standard station will move to 7850 KHZ at 0000 UTC on January 1, 2009.

Christian, 5U5U is leaving Niger near the end of the year to go to the Central African Republic hopefully as TL0A. The license has not yet been issued.

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. 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/w9oi/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 09
Martinique FM/F5IRO Now through February 09
Wake Island KH9/WA2YUN now until end of 09
Bhutan A52VE April 2007 for 2 years
Djibouti J2800 soon for at least a year
Croatia 9A08P now through December 31, 08
Diego Garcia VQ9JC December 1, 08 to March 09
Crozet FT5WO December 15, 08 to November 09
Gabon TR50R December 15, 08 to January 26, 09
Ivory Coast TU8/F4EGS Dec 25, 08 to Feb 28, 09
Nepal Dec 31, 2008 to January 5, 09 Call sign TBD
Ascension Island ZD8UW Dec 31, 08 to Jan 9, 09
Antarctica KC4AAA December 5 to January?, 09
Morocco C89NY December 21, 08 to January 31, 09
Central African Republic TL0A, after January 1, 09
Palestine E44M January 1 to January 11, 09
Solomon Islands H44MS January 10 to April 28, 09
Maldives 8Q7AK January 11 to January 27, 09
Falkland Islands VP8YL January 17 to January 31
The Gambia C56KR January 23 to February 4, 09
West Malaysia 9M2RRS now through February 6, 09
Afghanistan T6AC Now to March 09
Seychelles S79JF February 22 to March 6, 09
Desecheo KP5 February 12 to February 26, 09
Tuvalu T2 February 17 to March 2, 09
Aves Island YW0A sometime February to March 09
Crete SV9/DJ7RJ February 25 to March 15, 09
Mayotte FH/G3SWH February 26 to March 5, 09

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.

"I am often asked how radio works. Well, you see, wire telegraphy is like a very long cat. You yank his tail in New York and he meows in Los Angeles. Do you understand this? Now, radio is exactly the same, except that there is no cat." -- Albert Einstein

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

FARC ENCOMM by Dan Pruitt AE6SX



As with the start of each new year, it is a time of reflection and time to set future goals. This article is part of the 2009 goals but first let me summarize 2008.

During the past year we have shown real growth in training, responsibility and awareness. It was just 2 years ago ARES and RACES began working together. Focus has been on training and establishing connections with served agencies. We have also networked with neighboring counties and spent time identifying our missions during different scenarios.

Great strides were taken to improve our value in the Fresno County Disaster Plan where our main mission is to supply communications where needed for the Hospitals. During the "Fall Exercise", we passed traffic for the St. Agnes and Kaiser facilities during an all out earthquake scenario. Very much a work in progress, we demonstrated our abilities and a need for regular drills.

Many more opportunities to help in Public Service Events were available this year. March of Dimes and Diabetes walks. Baker 2 Vegas Marathon had APRS tracking supplied to the Fresno DA contingent. This was done as a joint effort with the Tulare ARES who were veterans of the event.

Many more joint efforts were accomplished. We were invited to the Golden Guardian Table Top Exercise put on by the California State Department of Homeland Security. An Incident Command System forum put on by the Salvation Army. Great job done in Hanford with the National Weather Service. We helped get them a club license, WX6HNX, and upgraded equipment and in return we were rewarded with a stellar account of ourselves during Skywarn Recognition Day.

Training has included a Technician class, message handling, ICS courses and will advance to add the

ARECC Level I course in 2009. Honing our skills and being prepared is the result of doing what hams do best: Communicate.

It was gratifying to be involved in the Eye-Q Two Cities Marathon and a half, in November. A great event on many levels. We fielded the largest EmComm group that I've seen and I do believe we made some impressions, and a good learning experience. We had a great combined effort experience as we had personnel from 3 ham Clubs, ARES, RACES, SATERN and CERT. We also networked with the First Aid Personnel to improve things for next year. Just an outstanding exercise.

How about next year. Of course we are planning a repeat of the March of Dimes in March and hopefully the Diabetes Walk in and around April. EmComm West is always the first weekend in May. We always need volunteers so get your availability in to us. I will try and finalize a Calendar to add to the next issue of Skip.

Remember we have the weekly nets on the N6HEW Repeater, 147.150+ pl=141.3, these are at 7:30 PM local time, Monday evenings. We also have a breakfast on the 3rd Friday of every month at 8:30 AM. This is at the Yosemite Falls Cafe located just North of Shaw, on the Southbound side of Blackstone Ave. The Monthly training meeting is the 4th Thursday of every Month, 7 PM, at the Salvation Army Citadel; 1854 Fulton St, just South of Divisadero.

Please visit our Websites:

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HF Contest Operating Tip!

"We attack at dawn!" Those classic movie words also work on the low bands. If you're a low-power operator, picking the time of day that favors your location pays big dividends on 80 and 160 meters. The famed "dawn enhancement" can raise your signal level to the west by a lot--enough to make it through to a far-off station. Sometimes the enhancement only lasts a few minutes, so be prepared! —(ARRL Contest Update)

2009 AMATEUR RADIO EXAMS

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February 21

May 16

August 15

November 21

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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 2009
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Activities and Events**

**Jan 6th -Board Meeting
Jan 9th - Club Meeting**

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Name	_____	Callsign	_____
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City	State	Zipcode	_____
Home Phone	_____	Business Phone	_____
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