



A Fresno Amateur Radio Club Newsletter June 14, 2024 Volume 87, Issue 6



Dues! The Fresno ARC encourages all old and new members to fill out the form on the last page of any Skip and send with checks to the club P.O. Box. Remember to make checks out to "Fresno Amateur Radio Club, INC."

Info on page 2 for the next meeting-

The end of May Estate sale was a big success. Some items are still available, but many changed hands, and every one had a good time. Hidden TX hunt results on page 5.

This picture shows Ken WA6OIB with the club estate items. Jeff WB6ZBX said "I could have bought my DX-100 back". Pat W6YEP said "The Gonset amp is a really good one".

**FARC Next Event-
Meeting June 14,
Fri. 7 P.M.**

**Derrel's Mini Storage
Meeting Room
3239 E. Ashlan
just East of Valen-
tine**

FARC BOARD meets
the last Thursday of the
month.

FARC Nets
Morning Drive Time Net:
Weekday mornings-
7:30-8:00 a.m.
W6TO/R 146.940

FARC Net:
Sundays @ 7:00 pm
W6TO/R 146.940
Morning Net 7:30 A.M.

Web page:
W6to.com



Remember to check into our FARC nets when you can, on the W6TO repeater (146.94-). Drive time net is Monday through Friday 7:30 A.M., and the Sunday night net at 7 P.M.

Regular meetings on the second Friday of the month.

Month Topic Summary
April Soldering methods and techniques
Presented by Ken WA6OIB

May Wire Antennas Learn how to deploy and tune Dipoles and End-Fed Half Wave wire antennas

June Field Day Prepare and organize for Field Day 2024 - June 22-23

July Old Radio Night - Ice Cream Bring your old radio gear to our annual show and tell meeting.

August Logging - QRZ, eQSL, LOTW - Awards Come learn about setting up logging software, LOTW, and applying for awards.

September Picnic Date TBA

Oct. Business meeting

Nov. Swap Meet

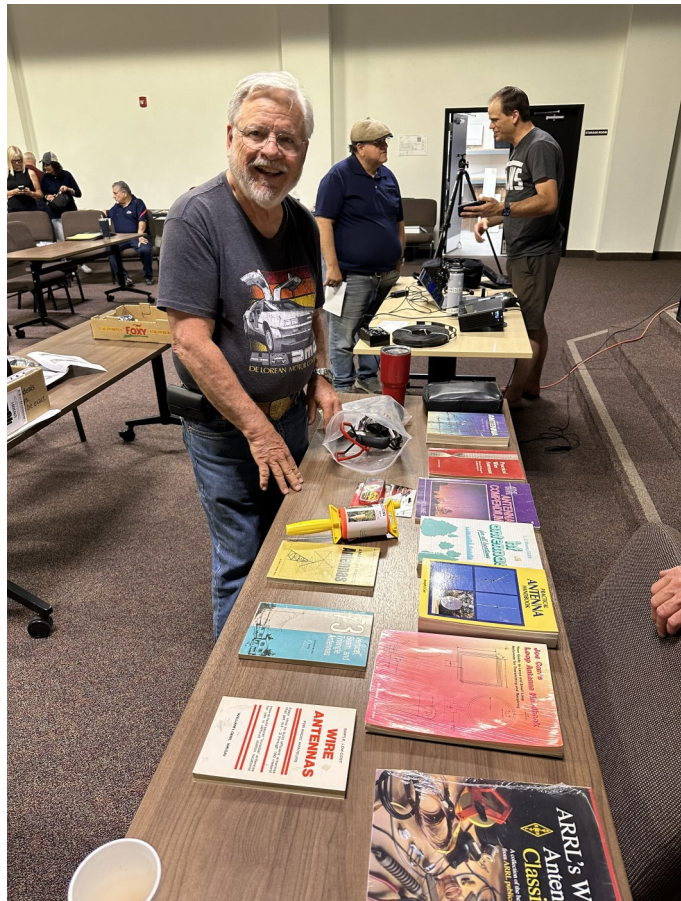
Dec. Dinner

Dennis KI6NVG with his sale items.



FARC– New Members! 2024 dues now due! Stay on the membership list!
Send your dues check to Fresno Amateur Radio Club, INC., PO Box 5912, Fresno 93755-5912
Board meeting on the first Tuesday of the month.

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Top left and clockwise

May FARC meeting Ken with books given away.

Jim W6NIF with the prize table.

Items not sold at the estate sale. They will be available at the Nov. Swap Meet.



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Three hunters on 146.565 Mc. FM looking for the transmitter artfully hidden by Joe W0PJD.

Eli KN6FZH first place by 10 seconds
Victor N9VM second place by 10 seconds
John K6MI third place by 10 seconds.

A very close race, with great fun. The transmitter was hidden inside a tower that was laying on the ground by the fence.



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Long time FARC member W6GM, ex-W6TUI, William W. Woody, became a silent key May 2 after a long illness. He was 86 years old. Called Bill by his friends, he had 5BDXCC, DXCC, WAZ and WAS, actually 336/351 confirmed in the ARRL DXCC Mixed Standings.

Bill was first licensed in 1952 at the age of 15, callsign WN6TUI.

He entered the US Navy after high school and went to the Army Language School in Monterey, California, spending a year learning Bulgarian. He was sent to Istanbul to do counter-Intelligence. At the time the US had no diplomatic relations with Bulgaria.

Next he was on the admiral's staff aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt, deciphering code word messages in the radio room for the admiral.

Then Bill went to Fresno State College, getting an education BA. He then worked at the college for a few years.

Bill became a stage technician and went on the road with the Broadway show "Hair" as an audio engineer, later traveling with other shows including "Annie" and "Phantom of the Opera." Bill also was a private pilot, with sea plane rating.



Bill W6GM with long time friend Jerry K6PKO

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On the even years four directors are elected, and on odd years three directors are elected.

For sale adds on the next to last page of Skip!

Take advantage of the opportunity to send your ads to K6MI at pacbell.net

June 14 Meeting 7 P.M.

VHF Contest June 8-9

FD June 22-23 Sat.-Sunday

July 12 Meeting 7 P.M.

San Joaquin Valley Nets:

The California Traffic Net meets daily on 3.906 MHz and 6:00 PM local time.

The Golden Bear Amateur Radio Net meets nightly at 7:00 PM local time on 3.975 MHz.

Northern California Net (NCN), the Section Traffic Net, meets nightly on 3.533 MHz at 7 PM Pacific Time.

San Joaquin Net meets Monday-Saturday on 3918 khz, at 6 PM Pacific Time.

Western Public Service System (WPSS) meets nightly on 3952khz, roll—at 7:30 PM local Pacific Time.

The Mission Trail Net meets nightly on 3.857.5 MHz at 8:00 PM local time.

Northern California Net 2 (NCN2) The slow speed training session of NCN, meets nightly on 3.533 MHz at 9 PM Pacific Time. Handling traffic on CW is a good way to improve your CW skills.

Sunday Night FARC 2m net 7 P.M. 146.94 Mc.

Sunday and Wed. Night 2m Bozo Net, 7:30 P.M. 144.24 Mc. USB

Monday 220 Mc. 7:30 P.M. USB 222.1 Mc followed by check ins on 50.140 Mc. USB

**Tuesday 7:30 P.M. USB 1296.1 Mc.
Thursday 7:30 P.M. 432.1 SSB net**

**Wednesday 7 P.M. 10M cw net, 28.140
Wednesday 8 P.M. 10M ssb net 28.445**

Every Wednesday night is an enjoyable time for all ham operators. At 7PM local time, there is a CW net on 28.140 MHz-the NCS is Guss, KF6ZXO- welcomes all hams regardless of CW speed. Then around 8 PM local, there is the USB net on 28.445 MHz.

The *Noontime Net* is a public service Amateur Radio *Net* that meets everyday on 7284 kHz. and 3970 kHz. with an alternate frequency of 7265 kHz for both nets.

QCWA net on 146.85 pl 141.3 7 P.M. on Monday. Meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

**Backup FARC repeater if 146.94 is down—
146.61 pl 141.3**

Future ham exams are May 18, August 17. and Nov 16.

Exams are held at Hines Hospice on Shaw Ave

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Local Amateur Radio Repeaters

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Call Sign</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Offset</i>	<i>PL</i>
CARP	K6ARP	146.865	-	141.3
CARP	N6JXL	224.380	-	141.3
CARP	K6ARP	444.725	+	141.3
CARP	NI6M	440.350	+	141.3
CONDOR	WB6BRU	224.900	-	156.7
FARC	W6TO	146.940	-	141.3
FARC backup	WA6OIB	146.61	-	141.3
FARC	W6TO	223.940	-	141.3
FARC	W6TO	444.200	+	141.3
BRA	W6FSC	145.230	-	141.3
BRA	W6FSC	443.450	+	141.3
KINGS ARC	N6CVC	145.110/444.95	-	100.0
NC9RS	NC9RS	927.6625/902.0125	-	146.2
MADERA ARC	W6WGZ	147.180	+	146.2
MADERA ARC	W6WGZ	441.175	+	146.2
QCWA	WQ6CWA	146.850	-	141.3
QCWA	WQ6CWA	443.250	+	107.2
RACES	KJ6OUG	147.150	+	141.3
KE6JZ	KE6JZ	146.820	-	141.3
TURLOCK ARC	W6BXN	147.030	+	100.0
Fresno Low	K6WGJ	145.43	+	141.3
Meadow	N6VRC	147.165	+	141.3
Meadow	N6VRC	440.025	+	141.3
Santa Rita	N6VRC	147.285	+	141.3
Santa Rita	N6VRC	442.275	+	141.3
Visalia	N6VRC	442.525	+	141.3
Porterville	N6VRC	443.825	+	141.3
Fresno Low	K6WGJ	444.975	+	141.3
Bear Mt.	N6VRC	443.950	+	141.3
Mt. Bullion	N6VRC	442.350	+	141.3
Bear	N6VRC	927.05	+	141.3
WA6IPZ	WA6IPZ	52.84	-	82.5
Tulare CARC	WA6BAI	146.88	-	103.5

Ten meter net, CW and Phone, every Wednesday
 7 P.M. for CW at 28.140
 8 P.M. for SSB at 28.445
 This is a local net, the cw part run by KF6ZXO, and
 the SSB with various net control ops.. Have fun
 checking in on one or both modes.

Birthdays

- 06/03 Stan AA6I
- 06/08 Gary KM6CVB
- 06/09 Mikeal KM6MRT
- 06/11 Jack WY6B
- 06/12 Sean KN6AUD
- 06/13 Hal Kn6WEH
- 06/23 Joe WA6FFJ

The monthly attendance prize!

The drawing for \$40 at the April meeting was won
 by Ted, who was not present.
 Next month \$50.

Anniversaries

- 06/04 Greg KM6GSO
- 06/18 Judy & Ben WB6GBS



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QCWA Quarter Century Wireless Association

Next meeting in September
at Jeb's Blueberry Hill Café
3951 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno, CA 93726



QCWA meetings on Monday nights at 7 P.M. on the QCWA repeater, 146.85, pl 141.3

QSL card from new member Dave WA6LOL, who comes to the meetings from Sonora. Dave is active on moonbounce and on vhf/uhf ssb.



Bottom left is Eli KN6GZH drawing out the winning attendance winner. The prize is \$10 a month, adding up until a winner is present to claim the prize.

Bottom right is the group that takes care of the membership applications and the money from the prize drawing each month.



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Future ham exams are August 17. and Nov 16..

Amateur Radio VE Exam - Fresno

Where: Hinds Hospice
2490 W Shaw Ave Fresno, CA 93711

Registration is recommended Payment In Full At Event Only Everyone US\$ 15.00 (pay at venue)
Exams offered for Technician, General, and Amateur Extra Class

What to Bring:

1. Photo Identification - State issued Drivers License or ID Card, Passport, or Military ID Card.
2. FCC Registration Number (FRN) - Required prior to exam, see details below.
3. (if upgrading) [Official Copy](#) of current Amateur License or Successful Completion of Examination (CSCE certificate)
4. Valid Email address
5. Fee \$15.00 per test session. Exact change please.

CORES FRN Requirement - Applicants must use an FCC Registration Number ([FRN](#)) for all license transactions with the FCC. Examinees must [register in CORES](#) and receive an FRN before exam day. Exam Candidates you are REQUIRED to register in the FCC CORES system and receive a FCC Registration Number (FRN) before exam day. Applications that do not have an FRN will be **rejected** by the FCC.

An [instructional video](#) provides step-by-step instructions on how to establish a CORES account, which is necessary for licensees to make administrative updates and download electronic license authorizations.

Email address - All filers [must provide an email address](#) on all applications. When an email is provided, applicants will receive an official electronic copy of their licenses once granted (allow incoming email from authorizations@fcc.gov). If no email is provided when filing applications will be rejected. ARRL VEC suggests that those without access to email to use the email address of a family member or friend.

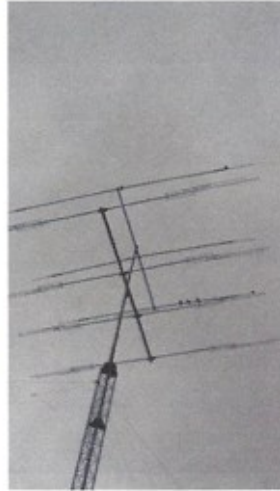
FCC Application Fee - The \$35 application fee applies to new, renewal, rule waiver, and modification applications that request a new vanity call sign. The fee is per application.

Administrative updates, such as a change of name, mailing or email address, and modification applications to upgrade an amateur radio licensee's operator class or to request a sequentially issued call sign, are exempt from fees.

The fee will be per application.

When the FCC receives the examination information from the VEC, it will email a link with payment instructions to each successful candidate who then will have 10 calendar days from the date of the email to pay through the FCC [CORES](#) system

Ham Radio Equipment for Sale



Yaesu - FP-2000 Power Supply
Yaesu - DMU-2000D
Yaesu- FT-2000 F/50 MHz Transceiver

Tresco 35 Ft Crank Up Tower
KT34 (A) Upgrade to KT34M2

Cushcraft-A3Ws 12&17 Meter Beam

Me- 30M2 Beam

Kenwood TL-922A Linear Amp

Me-6M beam

Items were purchased new. Make offer for all items as a package.

Contact - Richard Smith / WD6FF
Madera County Amateur Radio Club
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Anything to sell? Send info to k6mi@pacbell.net for next month's Skip

Your add or card here!
Talk to the treasurer about the yearly fee!

Looking for input, stories or pictures or just a sentence about your ham activities this month for the next. Skip.
Thanks, John K6MI

The donuts will be back next month!



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Looking for a manual for the HiGain Thunder Bird Beam or parts and info on balun
Also want Yaesu microphone YE-17
Dennis KI6NVG 559 323-7386

ARRL Field Day

ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend of June, more than 35,000 radio amateurs gather with their clubs, groups or simply with friends to operate from remote locations.



2024 FD will be June 22-23

Always a good idea to mark it on your Calander!

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Dues due in January!

Fresno Amateur Radio Club — Membership Application

Name _____ Call _____ \$20 Dues ___ Date _____

Street Address City State Zip _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

Email ADR _____ (for delivery of Skip Newsletter)

License Class _____ Year 1st Licensed _____ ARRL member _____

Birthday (Month/Day) _____ Wedding Anniversary (Month/Day) _____

Partner's name _____

Additional licensed Family Member(s) in same household (\$5 each)

Name _____ Call _____ Birthday _____

Make checks out to: Fresno Amateur Radio Club, Inc. (Do not abbreviate)

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