



A Fresno Amateur Radio Club Newsletter Jan., 2026 Volume 81, Issue 1



Membership Drive!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Keep your dues active, and your data up to date.

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.. 2026 dues can be paid now. Membership form on the last page of Skip.

January meeting:

Tips for successfully operating FT8/FT4 on HF with a live demo

FARC **Next formal meeting will be Jan. 9**

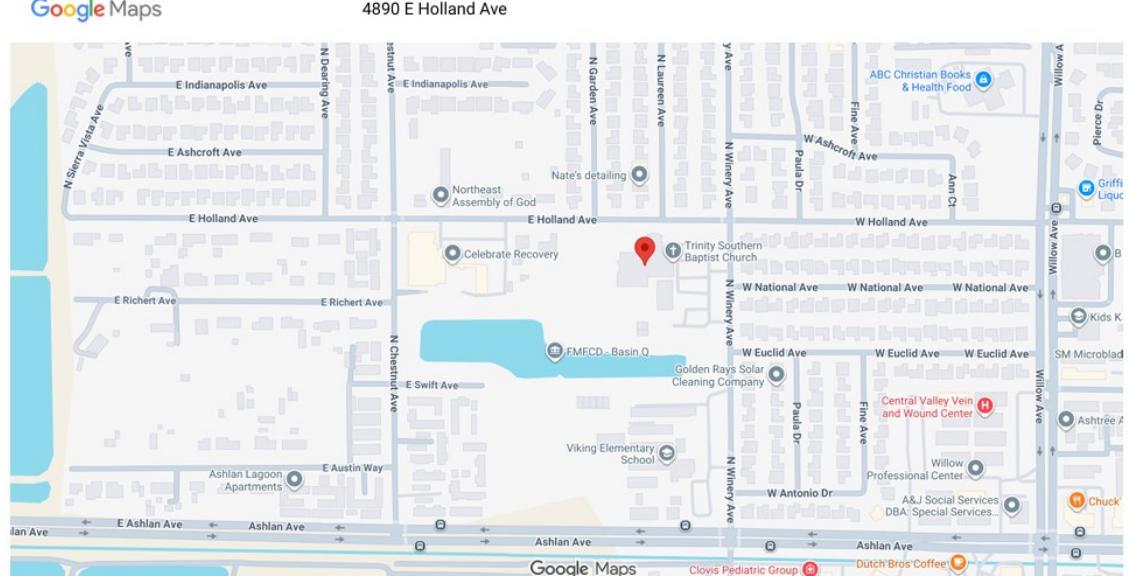
FARC BOARD
meetings by ar-
rangement. Talk to
a board member!

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

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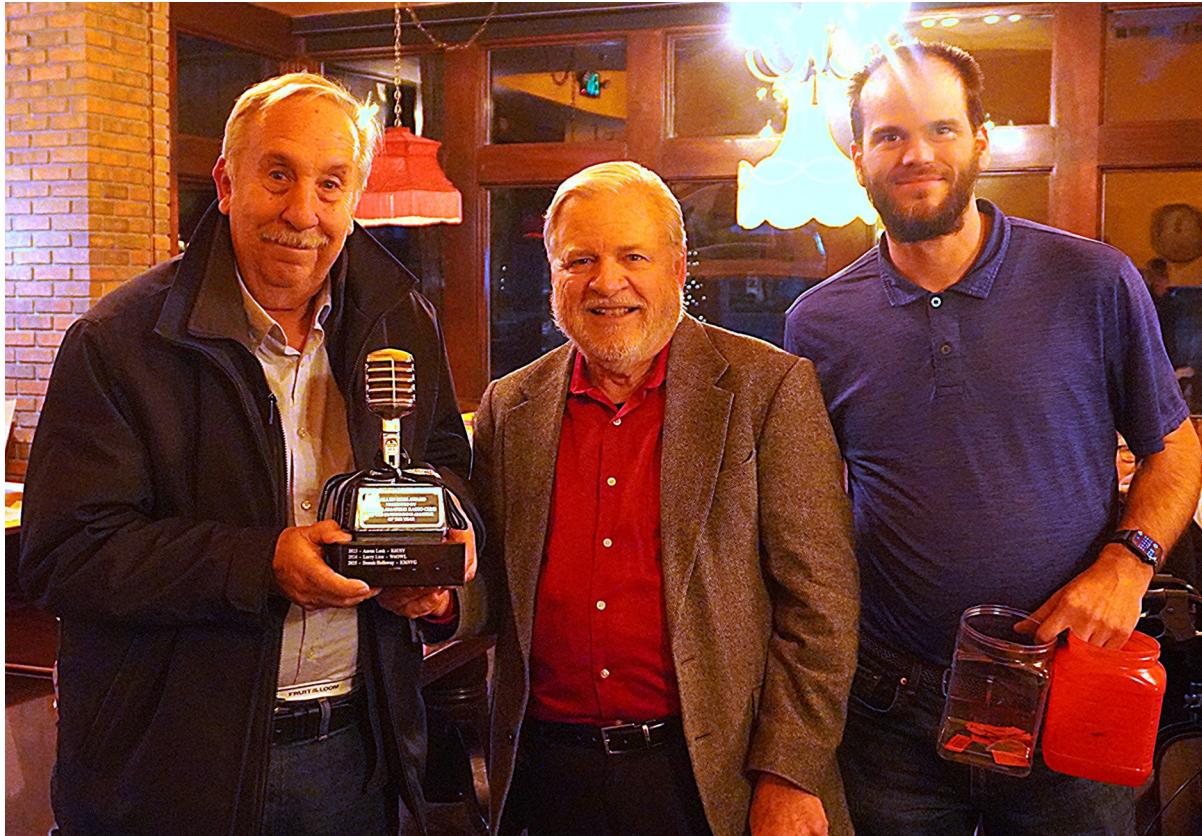


**FARC Dec.
pictures in-**

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

Allen Ross Award 2025 Dennis Holloway KI6NVG

Presented at the Dec. FARC dinner. Ken WA6OIB in the center and Aaron K6US on the right.



Our newest member of the board of directors, Guy KN6WET.

Guy is a returning licensed amateur radio operator. He was a technician over ten years ago. During Pacificon in October 2022 he passed both technician and general exams, and upgraded to extra in April 2024.

The radio in his shack is a Yaesu FT-710 AE55 with a Palomar Engineers non resonant 71 foot antenna in an inverted L configuration.

Fresno Amateur Radio Club

Here is the list of 2025 FARC Certificates:

1. Duane Lutz - KI6QEL...FARC Net Control Manager / Operator
2. Kent Graham - K6UKZ...FARC Raffle Prize Contributer
3. Joe Cardoza - WA6FFJ..FARC Net Control Operator
4. Ted Miller - W6TLM...FARC Net Control Operator
5. Paul Sullivan - W6VPS...FARC Net Control Operator
6. Ben Hymen - WB6GBS...Morning Drive Net Operator
7. Jim Erbe - W6NIF...Board of Directors / Secretary
8. Rob Egan - KM6SRR...Board of Directors / Meeting Coordinator
9. Larry Lion - W6OWL...Board of Directors / Event Host
10. Marcus Beedle - KG6QNY...Board of Directors / Treasurer / Clubhouse Manager
11. Aaron Lusk - K6US...Board of Directors / Vice President / Program Manager
12. Dennis Holloway - KI6NVG...Board of Directors
13. John Morrice - K6MI...Skip Publisher Extraordinaire!



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VP Aaron is planning the speakers and subjects for the club meetings.

Any ideas or subjects members would like to delve into have a conversation with Aaron!



Month	Topic	Summary
January 9th	FT8 & FT4 (K6US)	Tips for successfully operating FT8/FT4 on HF with a live demo
February 13th	YL Night (WA6OIB)	Bring your YLs for some Valentine's Day treats
March 13th	APRS (K6US)	Automatic Packet Reporting System
April 10th	SDR Receivers (WA6OIB)	Physical and remote web based software defined radio receivers

The prize table at the Dec. dinner was a treasure trove of items, both radios and general items.



Everyone ended up with two prizes, all drawn at random.



QCWA Quarter Century Wireless Association



Next meeting January 26, Tuesday at noon!

At Huckleberry's, Bullard and Hwy 41, back room- join us for lunch!

QCWA meetings on Monday nights at 7 P.M. on the QCWA repeater, 146.85, pl 141.3
Quarter Century Wireless Association is a national organization, and has dues for the national group. The local group invites everyone to come to the meetings on the air and in person. Hams can count their number of years from the year first licensed, even if they had some lapsed years.

73, John K6MI president. Jerry K6PKO vice president, Jim W6NIF secretary

The Ham-Antenna group is a good place for antenna questions, and this discussion will get your synapses sparking:

https://ham-antennas.groups.io/g/main/topic/do_i_have_it_all_wrong/116482190

Merry Christmas to All, and To All a Good Night!

A report from one of our members who shall remain nameless:
I just injured myself measuring radio frequencies... It still Hertz



Date and Time Winter FD

Saturday, January 24, 2026 through Sunday, January 25, 2026

(UTC-08:00) America/Los Angeles

FARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FARC Officers and Board members:

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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

Jan. 9, 2026 Friday meeting 7 P.M. New location!

Feb. 13 Friday meeting 7 P.M.

March 13 Friday meeting 7 P.M.

April 10 Friday meeting 7 P.M.

San Joaquin Valley Nets:

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.

Jefferson Noon Net 7.204 Mc. Mon. to Fri. 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Just Another Net 7.204 Mc. Sat. and Sun. 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

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

QCWA Monday at 7 P.M. on 146.85 pl 141.3 net

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 founder is Guss, KF6ZKO, and John K6KEP currently 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.

Backup FARC repeater if 146.94 is down—

146.61 pl 141.3

Fresno Amateur Radio Club
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	K6ELK/R	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

Birthday

1/22 Aram KD6STR
 1/29 Joseph KN6QLE

Ten meter net, CW and Phone, every Wednesday
 7 P.M. for CW at 28.140
 8 P.M. for SSB at 28.445

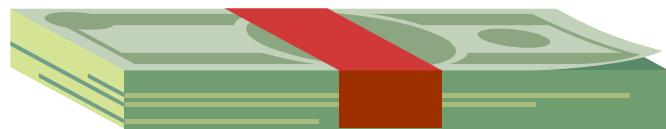
This is a local net, the cw part run by KF6ZXO, and
 the SSB with various net control ops.. Have fun
 checking in on one or both modes.

The monthly attendance prize!

The NEXT drawing for \$20 will be at the Jan. meeting.
 Must be present to win.

Anniversaries

1/1 Tom W6KMB
 1/07 Candice & Rob KM6SRR
 1/25 Glenita KB6PKN & Jack WY6B
 1/31 Gloria & Mikeal KM6MRT



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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

For sale:
MFJ-986 Differential-T tuner
3kw Roller Inductor Tuner
\$200 OBO
Richard N6FUB (559) 285-9772

This OM remembers the great sunspot peak of
'57

Dennis KI6NVG asks if there is anyone in
Fresno area that can repair an HF radio or a
uhf/vhf radio?

In many ways older radios are no longer sup-
ported by the major brands as parts are not
available and the cost is more than buying a
new radio.

Dennis is looking for parts for Yaesu FT-690
m11, a soft carry case CSC 19 and a battery
case for C cells FBA-8.

Also wants a 6M 10w amp like the FL-6020,
a hand mic with scanning MH 10FB, and mo-
ble mounting bracket MMB 31, as well as a
telescopic BNC antenna Yha-14,
Dennis KI6NVG 559 323-7386

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Swap meet in November and May



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Fresno Amateur Radio Club

Dues due in January! 2026 dues can be paid now! If you are a new ham the first FARC year is free!

Fresno Amateur Radio Club — Membership Application- Renewal

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 _____

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