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FEBRUARY IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

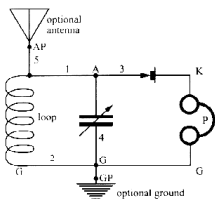
Our 2010 club membership count has been on the increase however we have not yet surpassed the 2009 membership, according to Membership Chairman, Ed Morgan, KF6BNQ.

Ed Morgan, KF6BNQ has proposed that February be declared Membership Month. Don't be left off the 2010 club roster or dropped from the mailing list. Bring a friend.

JOIN NOW



MEMBERSHIP TIME—Ed Morgan, KF6BNQ accepts renewal application from Fred Roberts, W6TKV and John Davidson, KC6TFS fills out an application.



Back to the Basics...

OUR NEXT MEETING February 11

Our February program presenter will be Arlo Myers, WA6UDR, who will take us back to radio's early days, and for many of us, back to our first radio project, with his presentation on Crystal Set radios. He will demonstrate his homebrew super crystal set, which, not only receives on broadcast band, but also short wave. He will also display some of his antique crystal set collection. You don't want to miss this one!



President Chris Maness, KQ6UP presides over the January meeting

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Riverside County Amateur Radio Association
Board Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM by President Chris Maness, KQ6UP.

Present:

Chris Maness
Bob Trujillo
Ed Morgan
Bruce Morgan
Ric Maxfield
Steve Evans

Absent:

Ted Hudson
Gervase Hammond
Guest:
Bil Seymour

The meeting was held at the La Sierra University Church, Riverside, CA

Business: Bruce Morgan, K6OIF, Treasurer - Current bank balance: Operating account-\$571.79 -Savings \$3,632.04
New board need to meet to update bank signature card.

Time for January Audit. Current financial balance presented on new easy to read prototype spread sheet. Comments and suggestions were solicited on the new design.

Ric Maxfield, N6RIC, Director of Communications, preliminary Field Day planning in progress and committee will be forming.

No further business conducted.

Adjourned at 7:20 PM

Submitted by Steve Evans, Acting Secretary

Riverside County Amateur Radio Association
Membership Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Chris Maness, KQ6UP at 7:30PM. The meeting was held at the La Sierra University Church. Self introductions followed the flag salute. There were 24 guests and members in attendance.

Announcements: Ron Braley, KE6RYX announced that on Monday, February 1, RACES will meet at the County Admin. Bldg; Steve Evans, AF6HR announced that there a one-day technician amateur class given in Moreno Valley LDS Church on Feb 27, followed by VE test session.

New Business: President Chris Maness, KQ6UP ask for volunteers to conduct the scheduled financial audit

Don Williams, KD6UVT & Tom Whelchel, WA6TLL volunteered.

Program: Sandra Taylor, KD6HCI presented a power point and video presentation on 'Communications Support Services' involvement with the Baker to Vegas Challenge Relay Race. Also joining her was Riverside Police Officer Aurelio Melenderez representing the Riverside PD Team. Sandra is the coordinator of the team of amateur radio operators supporting teams from Riverside Police, L.A. City Atty. and Beaumont Police. The 2010 event will be held April 17-18. Volunteers are still needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Steve Evans, AF6HR, Acting Secretary

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RACES Monthly Training Schedule
 Riverside RACES District Meetings are held on the
 First Monday of every month at 6 PM
 Riverside County Admin. Bldg (Basement)
 4080 Lemon St.—Riverside
March...1 - April...5 - May...3



The first Riverside RACES meeting of 2010 was held February 1. RACES members attending were Bob Wade, Ron Braley, Don Williams, Karen Jensen, Frank West, Duane Alan, Steve Evans, Mike Cirocco, Dean Chambers, and Bill Allen. Perspective members are encouraged to attend. For information contact Ron Braley, 369-5149. (Hope to see you there)



In the Rearview Mirror



Sandra Sue Taylor, KD6HCI pictured during her presentation at our January meeting. Sandra heads up the 'Communications Support Services' team composed of 50 amateur radio operators. They provide essential support communications for Riverside PD, Beaumont PD and LA City Attorney teams during the two-day Baker to Vegas, Challenge Cup Relay Race. The 2010 event will be held April 17 & 18.

Over 100 attend S.A.T.E.R.N. Seminar

More than 100 amateur radio operators attend the annual S.A.T.E.R.N. seminar in San Bernardino January 30.

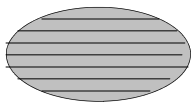
RCARA attendees were Ted Hudson, KQ6U; Fred Roberts, W6TKV; Bil Seymour, W6MOD; Steve Evans, AF6HR.

Monday Night Net Control Operator Needed

Anyone willing to serve as net control for the 3rd Monday, RCARA net. Contact Bill Hering, N6WMH, (951) 689-3055



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REPEATER UPDATE

On the new membership cards there was an inadvertent mistake in printing. The autopatch down code is incorrect. The correct down code is 147. Please change the number on your card. If you have any questions please contact Ron Braley, 369-5149.

Survey

Thanks to all responding to our January 2010 Membership Survey. Within the last couple of weeks Clair Cessna, emailed the below survey those who have email. Your thoughtful input is much appreciated by all of us!
KE6RYX; KC6ACY; KC6HUV; KI6TFL; KI6OQU; KD6UVT; KI6JRM; W6HGS; W6TKV; WA6DRG; K6OIF; KC6NWJ; N6RIC; WA6MOD; AF6HR; KG6NIB; K6LG; AC6XJ; K6JXM; KI6KOP; KF6LVL; AA6CA; KA6VPW; N7PPF; NC6V.

Status

Member (20)

Board member (6)

Field Day

Did you participate in RCARA FD last June? (9 -Yes) (8 -No)

Do you plan to participate in RCARA FD next June 26-27 2010

Definitely (6)

Probably (9)

Maybe (3)

Probably not (2)

No (3)

Would you participate if the event were held out of town? (Yes-10) (No -8)

To what extent would you plan to participate?

full time, both days and overnight (6)

full time, days only (2)

Saturday only (4)

Sunday only (0)

For an hour or two (3)

Just a short visit (4)

Note: Several of the returned surveys contained only selected responses.

IRLP Node

Have you made any QSO's on our KQ6UP IRLP Node?

Yes (0)

Tried but failed (3)

No (15)

No, not interested (3)

What should be our plans for the Node in 2010?

Leave as is at KQ6UP QTH. (3)

Move to W6TJ repeater (9)

Dismantle and sell (1)

Don't care (6)

Outreach and Recruitment

Did you participate in any emergency simulation event or public ham demo last year?

Yes, for RACES (7)

Yes with RCARA (1)

Yes with another organization (specify) (8)

Would you be interested in participating in a public demo this year? (Yes- 9) (No-1)

If yes....please write suggestions: (Community Event) (Parade etc.) (Riverside Air Show)

Please check at least one standing committee on which you would be willing to serve in 2010.

(4) Field Day

(2) Outreach/Recruitment

(4) Repeater

(1) RLP Node

(2) Auditing

(3) Salvage

(5) Program Planning

(4) Mentors

(1) MONITOR reporters

(3) Hospitality

(1) Welfare

___ Meeting Greeters

___ Club Breakfast Group

(1) Net Control Operators

(6) General/Extra Upgrade Class

Other (specify)

Please list any other suggestions you may have for improvement of the club:

I would like to see the club conduct Tech classes.

I would like to see activities such as T-Hunts, mini field day events at local parks throughout the year.

More member participation in weekly net. - Restore 10 meter net

THE CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2010

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| <p>REGULAR WEEKLY NETS</p> <p>Every Sunday at 8:30 AM Every Monday at 7:00 PM (discontinued) Every Monday at 7:15 PM Every Monday at 7:30 PM Every Wednesday at 8:30 PM</p> | <p>RACES Public Service Net, 3.945 MHz 10M Early Check-In Net, 28.328 MHz 2M Net on the Repeater 146.880 - PL 146.2 Newsline on the Repeater Simplex Net on 145.52 MHz</p> | <p>Info: KQ6U-Ted (net control needed) Info: N6WMH-Bill 687-3055 Info: Chris Maness, KQ6UP Info: K6GUK-Mark</p> |
| <p>EVENTS UNTIL NEXT MEETING</p> <p>February 2 -Saturday at 1:30 PM February 11 -Thursday at 6:30 PM February 11 -Thursday at 7:30 PM February 16-Tuesday at 7:00 PM February 6-Saturday at 8:00 AM February 6-Saturday, 1:30 PM March 11-Thursday at 6:30 PM March 11-Thursday at 7:30 PM</p> | <p>Club Breakfast (temporarily discontinued) VE Testing (Norco Fire Station) Board Meeting Club Meeting RF Group (aka Real Friendly Guys) T-Hunt – St. John’s Church, Corona VE Testing (Norco Fire Station #22) Board Meeting Club Meeting</p> | <p>Info: Info:W6TKV-Fred 687-8145 Info: KQ6UP-Chris Info: KQ6UP– Chris Info: K6GUK Info: W6TKV-Fred Info: W6TKV-Fred 687-8145 Info: KQ6UP-Chris Info: KQ6UP-Chris</p> |
| <p>UPCOMING EVENTS</p> <p>March 1—Monday evening 6:00PM</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> | <p>RACES Training Meeting (all members and interested potential members) Riverside County Admin Building 4080 Lemon St –(basement)</p> | <p>Bob Wade (951) 785-1210</p> |
| <p>LOCAL SATURDAY SWAP MEETS</p> <p>February 9 - 7:00 AM February 16 – 7:00 AM February 23– 7:00 AM</p> | <p>Cable Airport Swap Meet, Upland Chino Hills High School Swap Meet TRW Swap Meet, Manhattan Beach</p> | <p>Sponsor: IEARC Sponsor: CHS Boosters Sponsor: W6TRW ARA</p> |

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