

# Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club



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## Welcome to the Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio Club Newsletter

*"Heard Island could well have been conceived by Jules Verne. It's so remote that only a few hundred people have actually seen it. Fewer still have set foot there. Yet it is a storybook island. To get there, you have to sail across some of the wildest and most dangerous seas on Earth, across the Roaring Forties and into the Furious Fifties. Seas up to 50-ft. high are part of the experience; it's not for the faint-hearted.... Take your camera and a back-up plan ... **Notes from VK0EK Heard Island 2016 DX-pedition***

***Welcome Dan, KM6JAN New Member from Tracy!***



## STOCKTON-DELTA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

It's that time of the year when all members of the club look forward to dipping into what is left of the Christmas fund and write that check to the radio club. Again, as in the past, the club has bills to pay – site and shack rental up near Fiddletown, insurance, PO Box, Website costs (when's the last time you checked into [www.w6sf.com](http://www.w6sf.com) ?), NARCC dues and church donation – to name some of the larger ones.

At our January 12<sup>th</sup> membership meeting, we voted to continue the present level of dues for this year. \$20 for a single membership, and \$30 for a family membership, when the family lives under the same roof. We have a PayPal account, and you may go to the club website, click on the PayPal icon, and pay at that point with your credit or debit card. You can also send a check for dues to:

Stockton-Delta A.R.C.  
P.O. Box 690271  
Stockton, CA 95269-0271





## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BASEBALL, HOTDOGS, & RADIO – NZ6Q**

Yes, you are looking at an Amateur Radio Station antenna in this picture. This is from the B1Z contest station. You're looking at 3 elements on 40M under 6 elements on 6M at 150+ feet. The vertical antenna attached to the "crow's nest" is the club 440 repeater with coverage over

most of Beijing. No, I did not get to operate in China, but I will on my next trip.

So it's officially springtime! Baseball season is underway, most of us I'll bet have gotten our grills out from under their winter covers and have fired them up at least once. Daylight Savings time has kicked in and the days are getting longer giving us more outdoor time.

I encourage everyone this month to check into a net each night of one week – maybe while relaxing on the patio or porch and using your HT or Go-Box. There is a net somewhere every night – W6SF Monday night net; SARA Tuesday night net; Tracy and Lodi both are on Wednesday nights; W6SF 10-Meter net on Thursday; SpaceNet on Friday's on the SARA repeater, just to name a few. Don't forget to check into the noon-time net on 40M. On Saturday there are several HF nets that welcome check-ins as well. With spring cleaning, Little Leagues starting up and Big League seasons underway, yard work, gardens to plant and all the things we do, it's easy to push radio to the back of the list until suddenly you haven't been heard on the air for quite a while. So take a few minutes this month and check into a few nets – you'll be glad you did and the nets will be better for the added participation. And people won't start wondering if you sold all your gear.

Our next meeting is just around the corner on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Please remember we are going to **start at 6:30PM** instead of our usual 7:30 PM and **we are meeting at Fire Station #2** and not at the church. Don't miss it. FireComm is an amazing place and the professional staff there give an impressive tour of the system that protects our lives every day. March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon is Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, please get your sign-up into Ed N6XMA ASAP! The Delta Century Bike Ride is Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> and we need to start planning for that as well.

We are a busy club. There is no doubt about it. But let's not be too busy that we ignore our neighbors. The Lodi club has a cool "on-the-air" contest going on and they are having a "Mobile Radio" show on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>. With or without a "mobile installation" to show of your own, this is definitely a great opportunity to check out mobile installations, portable antennas and share ideas with our neighbors along with a good cup of coffee.

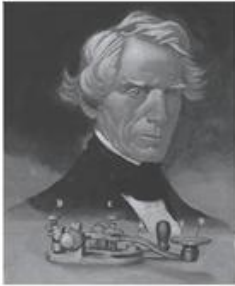
73

John, NZ6Q



# New Morse Code Classes Starting in Sacramento

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 7:00 PM



## W6SFM

Samuel F. Morse Amateur Radio Club  
(SFMARC) Sacramento, CA



The SFM ARC would like to announce that we will once again be running our CW beginners course. This course will be 10 weeks long held once a week for 2 hours (7PM - 9PM) each Wednesday evening in Carmichael. If you or someone you know are interested in taking our CW class we encourage you to sign up **NOW**. This class is made available to **EVERYONE** that wants to take it. You do **NOT** need to be a licensed operator to join our class. We have locked a date of April 5th - June 7th. In an effort to give everyone personalized attention, seating will be very limited and on a first come first serve basis.

Everyone can benefit from this course! For those with no Morse Code knowledge this is an excellent course where you or your friends will be taught the complete International Morse Code alphabet, numbers, pro-signs, how to adjust and send on a Morse Code straight key and more interesting general information than one brain can store! The goal of our course is to have all students up to speed around week 6, and on the air! This is also a great opportunity for those of you who may have already taken our course before. This class offers a chance for returning students to brush up on their code, increase their speed, build on-air confidence and get a better understanding of the 'pro-signs' that CW radio ops use on-air.

The CW class is \$40 for new students. New students will all receive a **FREE** Morse Code straight key and a Code Oscillator to keep at the completion of the course. These items are worth more than \$40 by themselves. Returning students pay only **\$20** and should bring their previously supplied Morse Key and Oscillator.

If you or your friends are interested in signing up or have questions regarding this course, please be sure to send an email to [admin@w6sfm.com](mailto:admin@w6sfm.com). Thank you and we hope to see you at our next class!



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# ACES TRAINING SAN JOAQUIN GENERAL HOSPITAL SATURDAY MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup> & MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>

The Oregon ACES training was held on Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> & March 25<sup>th</sup> at San Joaquin General Hospital. Several members attended and assisted in the instruction. There was a great deal of information on how to effectively respond and interact with local public safety agencies for training exercises as well as actual emergencies.

Some of our club members in attendance were Paul N6KZW, John NZ6Q, Bob N6TCE, Ron K6GKJ. Ron K6GKJ did an excellent presentation on the workings of a repeater with a rack mounted working demo unit for people to get a “hands on” look. The repeater was used during mock emergency message handling drills in the course.

Bob N6TCE did a demo on Anderson Power Poles which the club got a prelude of in our last meeting. The “in-depth” presentation had a great deal of information that we could not cover in our 15-min training window during a club meeting.



Amateur Operators from area clubs in Tracy, Manteca, Calaveras County and Modesto attended the class. Some came from Sacramento and as far away as Dos Palos (Fresno Area).

# APRIL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

## THURSDAY, APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup>

### 6:30 PM

## STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2



QST QST QST ALL Members and Guests are encouraged to attend the April meeting on Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIME AND VENUE.**

The meeting will be held at **Stockton Fire Station #2, Training Division, 110 W Sonora St, Stockton, CA 95202.** The gates on the Commerce St Side of the station should be open and members should park inside the gated area.

We will be touring FIRECOMM, the Fire Department Dispatch Center and having our meeting in one of the Training Division classrooms. A 50/50 raffle will be held at the end of the meeting with 6 tickets for \$5.00 and the winner sharing the proceeds with the club.

Members needing transportation assistance to or from the meeting should contact Paul **N6KZW** or John **NZ6Q** or a club officer. We will arrange assistance for you.



## MARCH MEETING REPORT

### THURSDAY, MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by President John **NZ6Q**. After introductions, the Treasurer Paul **KC6RRR** gave his report. Ed **N6XMA** gave a detailed report on the Pedaling Paths To Independence Bike Ride and several members shared stories from the event. John **NZ6Q** read an email received from Joni with the Blind center thanking the club for our help and asking our commitment for "one more year" under her

leadership next year.

Paul **N6KZW** encouraged members to attend the upcoming ACES Training on March 18th & 25th at San Joaquin General Hospital.

Bob **N6TCE** gave an interesting presentation on the use and proper installation of Anderson Power Poles both in mobile / portable applications as well as in the station.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40PM with the prize raffle with several members winning prizes. The club earned \$37.00.

# MONDAY NIGHT NET CONTROL OPERATOR'S SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 2017

The club holds a weekly net every Monday night beginning at 8:00PM on the **W6SF** Repeaters on 147.165Mhz VHF and 444.250Mhz UHF. Club Repeater information is listed at the end of the newsletter.



***If you would like to learn how to be a Net Control Operator, contact one of the club Officers! We will happily mentor you during a Monday night net. This is a great opportunity to improve your operating skill in a "minimal" pressure environment. The Net Control Script is available on the club website at....***

<http://www.w6sf.org/netcontrolscript.html>

If you have a conflict, please contact Dave **N6LHL** as soon as possible in order to secure a replacement.

March 6	Guy W6MSU	April 3	Scott K6SCT
March 13	Mike K6AAN	April 10	John NZ6Q
March 20	Paul N6KZW	April 17	Charlie WB6NVB
March 27	Bob N6TCE	April 24	Eric W6INP
May 1	Dave N6LHL		



## Check in to the Thursday night net!

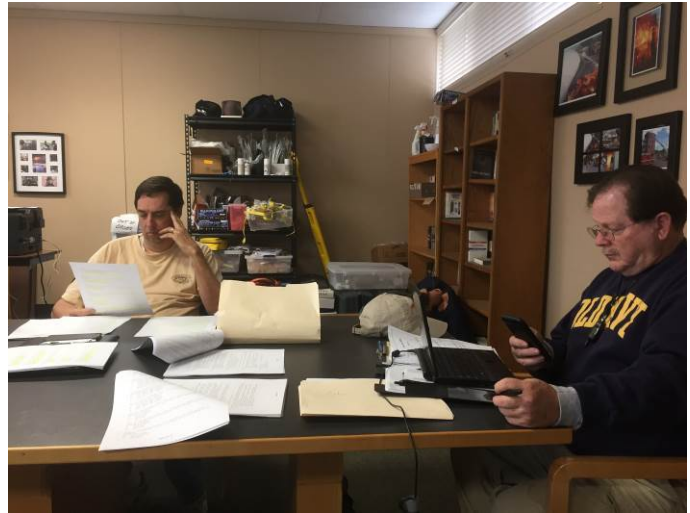


***Thursday night nets are on 10-Meters at 28.457 MHz USB vertical polarization on antennas if possible. The club meets every Thursday night, except club meeting night at 7:30 PM – this is an informal net, experimenting with ground wave propagation and enjoying a brief chat between club members. Test that new HF Radio, try out your mobile radio on 10-Meters, hook up a different antenna or something different.***

# APRIL HAM CRAM STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2 110 W SONORA ST, STOCKTON

**SATURDAY APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> 2016  
DOORS OPEN 8:00 AM**

“Get Your License in a Saturday” is the perfect solution to getting your ham radio license in today’s busy world. No tedious preliminary home study. No long, boring once-a-week classes. You attend for just one day, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and you’re done.



Thousands of men and women, aged 16 to 90, have succeeded in getting their Amateur Radio license this way. HamCram is not a class. It is guided study — six 50-minute reading sessions with 10-minute breaks and a 60-minute break for lunch. The FCC exam is given at the end of the day.



## Testing-Only Also Available

The FCC exam session at 3 PM is open to the public. We administer all levels of amateur radio exams: Technician, General, and Extra class. You do not need to attend the HamCram just to take an exam. If you’ve paid to attend the HamCram, the exam fee is included.

Sign up for the next HamCram clicking the link [here](#).



The 68th Annual International DX Convention sponsored by the **Northern California DX Club** will be held again at the beautiful [Visalia Conference Center in downtown Visalia, California from April 21-23, 2017](#). If you’re a DXer or interested in any aspect of Ham radio, then IDXC is the place to be. Top DX operators from around the world will be there. You’ll match those familiar call signs with new faces, and shake hands with the person you have worked but never met.

## Convention Overview

- Onsite Registration begins on Thursday afternoon, April 20, 2017 at 3:00 PM local time
- Convention is now a full 2.5 Days: Friday (April 21); Saturday (April 22); 1/2 day Sunday (April 23)
- Full day of training on Friday, April 21: Contest Academy -- Basic & Advanced Sessions
- Contest Forum, DX Forum, YL Forum, QSL Card Checking
- 15-20 DX & Technical Seminars
- Large Exhibit Hall - where you can comfortably talk to the people who design and sell ham radio equipment
- Great Raffle Prizes - the likes of which rival even the famed Dayton Hamvention

If you have any questions or comments, here's a link to their website <http://www.dxconvention.com/>



**Lodi ARC Mobile Roundup  
Saturday, May 6, 2017, 8 am to 10 am  
McDonald's parking lot - Wal-Mart  
1613 Lower Sacramento Road, Lodi**

GPS 38.113309 121.306483

Talk in; 147.090 Mhz, +600 khz offset, PL is 114.8 Hz.

All mobiles are encouraged; HF & VHF installations.

Anyone can attend, so hams that haven't installed a radio/antenna in their vehicle can get ideas on how to do it. No club affiliation is required.

Please make sure your vehicle is clean; inside and out. You will be representing the ham radio hobby. If you have a name badge or call sign hat, please wear them.

Mobiles; please park next to the fence on the south side of the lot. Let's keep all mobiles parked together, so we don't impact regular customers at McDonald's.

Non mobiles; please park on the Wal-Mart portion of the lot, just west of the McDonald's lot.

You are not committed to the entire 2 hour period and can leave anytime you want. This is a no fee, rain or shine event.

Each mobile is encouraged to put an 8"x10" paper in their side window with the antenna(s) manufacture(s) and radio(s) in and on the car. If the vehicle has a HF installation, we encourage the ham to also post a list of all DXCC countries and USA states worked mobile.

Everyone can get a drink and/or a carry out breakfast sandwich/burrito at McDonald's and stroll back to the vehicles. We encourage everyone to patronize McDonald's. There are bathrooms at both McDonald's and Wal-Mart, if you need one.







## Pedaling Paths to Independence Bike Ride Hwy 26 and Milton Road Lookout Feb. 25, 2017

Bob Schuldheisz K6DGQ

My assignment was originally to be a SAG Wagon. Ed, N6XMA change it to a new site for this year. This was to be known as the Hwy 26 and Milton Road Lookout. I thought this was a great assignment because I could get a good tactical test of my Emergency Go Box system. My goal was to test the system from the battery to the antenna. I had a plan for what I wanted to accomplish, but until I tried the plan under real conditions, I really did not know what kind of problems could occur.

The process of setting up the station took about 30 minutes. I have other antennas that I have used in previous bike rides, but had never use my Ringo Range II Vertical. This meant much more work to erect an antenna and much more antenna than would be required. My assignment was to be on the air by 0930 and I checked in with Net Control fully operational at 0925.

A Ringo Ranger II is a vertical made up of three 5/8 wave radiating elements and a 1/8 wave phasing stub. The antenna has low angle of radiation and a 5.5 dBi gain. The antenna performed great and allowed me to run my FT1900 at low power with excellent signal strength and conserve battery power. I mounted the antenna on a Swing Jack mount I built about 3 years ago, but had never used it in a real setting. I could have raised the antenna higher, but for this time, about 6 feet off the ground was good enough.

I used the Jump Starter Battery and the Battery Monitor that I had demonstrated to the club at a previous meeting. The battery only dropped about 0.3 volts all day. I used the Go Box Radio that I have brought to the club meeting a few times for various presentations also. I am very pleased with the results of the test.

That takes care of the technical details of the assignment.

The operational part of the day was interesting and challenging also. The Lookout was about half way between the Milton Rest Stop and the Shelton Road Rest Stop. I needed to bring my own food and water and there were no restroom facilities. I had a work around for the restroom, but it was not convenient. The weather was great and it was very nice out in the country.

I did not have any emergencies in my area to report. I had only one rider stop to report someone needed assistance about a mile back down Milton RD. I told him that Net Control knew about the problem and a SAG Wagon was helping the rider. There were a few riders that thought I was a rest stop and were a little disappointed when they found out it was not a rest stop. I recommended that if the Lookout was to be a permanent assignment, making it a rest stop with water and restroom facilities at least. *(editor's note: We are working with the Blind Center on making sure there is a bathroom here next year)*





There were a few interesting events that had nothing to do with the bike ride. A car pulled in to the area where I had set up. I thought it was a SAG Wagon, but no, it was someone thinking I was selling something. I guess I could have made a few bucks if I had thought ahead. A few hours later another car pulled in to the area. He was lost and trying to find the way to Jackson. I pulled out a map and showed him how to get there and he was on his way. The last event was more interesting. This red pickup drove up, and the driver very sternly asked me what I was doing parked there. I told him about the bike ride and that I was an Amateur Radio Operator on a net monitoring the bike ride for problems. He did not know what Amateur Radio was and he did not believe they should be riding bikes on the Highway. He said that he noticed me that morning and wanted to know why I was parked there all day. He lived just down Milton Road about a quarter mile. I am sure he

was not used to seeing someone park where I was all day. This was the first time we had a setup there.

All in all, it was a great day. I thought Ed, N6XMA, and John, NZ6Q, did a great job of organizing the ride coverage and running the net. Paul, N6KZW, helped me to take down the equipment after the last riders passed the Lookout.



## MARCH FOR BABIES EVENT – SATURDAY APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup>

The March of Dimes March for Babies is coming Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup> on the Pacific Ave Miracle Mile. Over a million people in 900 communities participate in March for Babies raising millions of dollars each year.

The Stockton-Delta ARC provides communications support to improve safety along the route and relay logistics back to the Event organizers. **We need you!**

Club Members wanting to volunteer can sign-up on the website [www.w6sf.org/eventvolunteer.html](http://www.w6sf.org/eventvolunteer.html) . More information will be provided at the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

We need about 6 operators for this event. This is a pretty low-key event and a great opportunity for someone who would like to learn or improve their net control skills or who has never been involved in a Public-Service event. We would pair you with an experienced “Elmer” operator to help you get started.

## Renewing an Expired License

by Bob Officer



FCC Registration Number (FRN):

As many of you know I am the Laurel VE Team Leader in addition to being a ARRL Field Stocked VE.

Recently at one of examination sessions, a person presented his expired and out of the two year "grace period" General Class License.

After a quick rereading of my VEC's Policy and Procedures and a quick review of the rules in Part

97.505 Element credit, I found after he passed a new Element 2 Examination he would have his General Class License restored. The Laurel Software Session Manager system actually led me correctly through the process. I helped John Litz do the same thing for an Advanced Class License last year inside the "two year grace period. It was not anywhere as easy for VE Liaison to navigate. The only drawback he saw was he didn't get his old call sign back automatically, but I showed him how easy it would be to request his old sign back, because it has not been reassigned.

If anyone knows a person which has an expired license and they want to get a general class or better license, the solution is simple. Take and pass the Technician (Element 2) written examination, present valid proof of the prior license, and proper identification, Then when the application is processed is completed and everything is entered into the FCC ULS database you'll find all your prior privileges restored.

A good write up is found here" [Exam Element Credit](#) .

As a side note, I get frequently asked about the so called "Super Tech License" issued for a period prior to March 21, 1987. The explanation is on the ARRL web site and many other places. Basically the "Super Tech" was a class of license between the Novice Class and General, in which the person took and passed the **General Class Written Examination** but didn't pass the General Class Code Test. Starting on March 21, 1987 a different written test was given. When a person present proof they had a Tech license issue prior to March 19, 1987. They are given credit for Element 3 Examination, which is the General class written test given prior to March 21, 1987.

The ARRL web site above gives this great explanation which places the burden of proving evidence on the applicant alone. FCC Rule 97.505(a) offers partial credit to pre-1987 Technician licenses. If an applicant held a "Technician" prior to 3/21/1987, and has proof, the FCC will afford credit for the General (Element 3) written exam only. The FCC does not require the applicant to have been continuously licensed. At VE exam sessions it is the applicant (not the VEs or coordinating VEC) who is responsible for supplying the evidence of holding valid grandfather credit.

There is a section on that web page which explains just gives what sort of evidence is valid for the consideration of the VE Liaison or Team Leader.

So if you know anyone with an expired Tech Plus, General Advance or Extra class amateur license, we are able to help him either renew inside the 2 year grace period or administer a Element 2 Examination and restore his old class of license.



## A HAM'S CALENDAR

**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – HamCram & Test Session – Fire Station #2 110 W Sonora St, Stockton. Doors open at 8:00AM – Pre-Register at <http://www.w6sf.org/hamctram.html>

**April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – W6SF CLUB MEETING – STOCKTON FIRE STATION #2 6:30 PM – **NOTE THE CHANGE IN START TIME** Regular Meeting, Tour of FireComm and Training facility. There will be NO club raffle tonight.

**April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – ARRL Rookie Round-Up - The [ARRL Rookie Roundup](#) is happening for 6 hours on April 16. Starting with the April 2017 contest, the definition of a rookie has been changed.

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017** – March of Dimes Walk for Babies – Plan now to help with this great event. We need operators to support the rest stops and coordinate communication down Pacific Ave to keep walkers safe. Starts at 7:30 AM and finishes by 10:30 AM. Volunteers earn a great T-Shirt and enjoy a great lunch as well. Sign up on the Event Volunteer link at [www.w6sf.org](http://www.w6sf.org)

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017** – International Marconi Day – An operating event honoring Marconi and the trans-Atlantic radio communication achievement. Awards for working 15 event stations. More details at <http://gx4crc.com/gb4imd/>

**April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Elmer University – Ham Radio Training Session – Fire Station #2 110 W Sonora St, Stockton. Doors open at 8:00AM – This is our first Elmer University Class of the year. More information soon. Pre-Register at <http://www.w6sf.org/hamctram.html>

**May 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – 7QP Seventh District QSO Party – Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming, Nevada, Arizona, Montana – Check out the rules at: <http://ws7n.net/7QP/new/page.asp?content=start>

**May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Lodi ARC Mobile Round-Up – Meeting at the McDonald's parking lot at Kettleman & Lower Sacramento Rd at 8:00 AM. See more info in this edition of the newsletter.

**May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Delta Century Bike Ride – Jesse's Grove Winery on Turner Rd at Davis Rd start-finish line. 7:00 AM More information at the April 13<sup>th</sup> club meeting.

**May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Stockton-Delta ARC Club Meeting – Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Rd, Stockton. Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM – Program finalizing plans for Field Day 2016. Club raffle after the meeting.

**May 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – CQ WPX Contest CW (starts 0000UTC on Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup> which is 5:00PM Friday PDT) – More Info: <http://www.cqwp.com/>

**June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Museum Ships Weekend (starts 0000UTC on Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup> which is 5:00PM Friday PDT) – Welcome Aboard the USS Lucid in Stockton, CA - More Info: <http://www.nj2bb.org/museum/>

**June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Stockton-Delta ARC Club Meeting – Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Rd, Stockton. Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM – Program TBA. Club raffle after the meeting.

**June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – ARRL Kids Day (starts 1800 UTC or 11:00 AM PDT) Get a young person interested in Amateur Radio by opening up your station or just getting on the air. More info: <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>.

**June 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – ARRL Field Day 2016 (starts 1800UTC on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup>) - More Info: <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>

### State QSO Parties in April:

Georgia	04/08/2017	04/09/2017	<a href="#">Georgia QSO Party</a>	
New Mexico	04/08/2017	04/09/2017	<a href="#">Socorro Amateur Radio Association</a>	
Ontario	04/15/2017	04/16/2017	<a href="#">Contest Club Ontario</a>	
North Dakota	04/15/2017	04/16/2017	<a href="#">North Dakota</a>	.
Michigan	04/15/2017	04/16/2017	<a href="#">Michigan QSO Party</a>	
Nebraska	04/22/2017	04/23/2017	<a href="#">QCWA Nebraska Chapter 25</a>	
Florida	04/29/2017	04/30/2017	<a href="#">Florida QSO Party</a>	

### Newsletter SWAP MEET – Items listed for sale or Trade:



1941 Hallicrafter Super Skyrider Model SX-28. Has been in storage for the past 50 years and not operated during that time. See picture. \$200. Contact [rmnees@gmail.com](mailto:rmnees@gmail.com)

To Post your item in the newsletter and on the website, please email the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month with a picture of the item(s), brief description of your item, asking price and contact information. The Stockton-Delta Amateur Radio club makes no warrantee on items posted for sale or trade in the newsletter or website. The editor reserves the exclusive right to post or not post an item and all items must be CLEARLY related to amateur radio.



Do you have any suggestions, comments or concerns? We want to hear from you.

Do you have an idea that we, as a club can all benefit from? Let us hear about it.

Do you have any topic for discussion that YOU could and would contribute to the club?

We want to hear from YOU! To submit articles for the monthly newsletter, email the editor at [john@litz.com](mailto:john@litz.com)

## W6SF CLUB INFORMATION

**MEETINGS:** Regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month **at the Bear Creek Community Church, 11171 Lower Sacramento Road, just north of Eight Mile Road.** Members, guests, and people having an interest in Amateur Radio are invited to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 STARTING AT 6:30 PM at Stockton Fire Station #2, Training Division Classroom, 110 W Sonora St, Stockton at the corner of Sonora and Commerce. See Details in this Newsletter and on the website.**

### PLEASE NOTE TIME AND VENUE CHANGE

**WEEKLY NETS:** Held each Monday evening at 2000hrs on **147.165+ PL 107.2 Hz and 442.250 + PL 107.2** Members and visitors are invited to check in. There is also an unofficial get together on Thursday evenings (except meeting night) at 7:30pm **on 28.457MHz.** Amateurs with the proper license are encouraged to participate.

**CLUB REPEATERS:** Located in the Sierra at 2500 feet, the club repeater covers the southern Sacramento and Northern San Joaquin Valleys. The call sign is W6SF, and can be heard on **147.165+Mhz** with a PL tone of 107.2 Hz. From the same site, the club also operates a 440MHZ repeater at **442.250 +** with a PL of 107.2 Hz.

The club also operates a UHF repeater located in downtown Stockton **444.575MHz +** with a PL 107.2Hz. Coverage includes the Stockton area as well as parts of Lodi, Manteca, Tracy and Ripon.

**CLUB SIMPLEX FX: 147.51 MHz.**

**CLUB WEBSITE:** <http://www.w6sf.org>

### 2017 CLUB OFFICERS & LEADERSHIP:

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