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NEWS FROM C'VARC

President's Message Time for an upgrade?

The FCC's momentous decision on December 15th to eliminate the requirement for Morse code opens the door for a large population of us who were having trouble passing the code test. I was in that boat, so I have sympathy for those that struggled with learning code. Being able to use the HF rig I bought quite a while ago and hadn't hooked up will be a big incentive for me to get my General and perhaps Amateur Extra license.

In the larger scheme of things, I have some hope that this will be one of those watershed events that is the beginning of a **renaissance** in Ham radio. Many feared this day because they were afraid of "the great unwashed masses" joining their lofty ranks without having gone through the same trials as they had. I grew up listening to CB radio in the 1960s with courteous operators and call signs, and remember the degeneration that came after the movie *Smokey and the Bandit* and the song *Convoy*. A similar phenomenon occurred on Usenet news the day AOL enabled their users to access net news. The big difference between these two and opening HF privileges is that \$9.99 a month will not get you access as AOL did. CB radio had already reached the point where no test or license application was necessary for CB operators at that point, so a multitude joined with nobody to Elmer them. We can make this one different, and we have to find the way to do so. We need to find a way to make this change a galvanizing event in our hobby we all look back on fondly.

I have tried to recruit new hams at work and they were initially interested, but lost the spark when they heard that they would not be able to use any long-range (HF) digital modes until they mastered Morse code. Our current crop of young people have grown up with cell phones, free long distance, instantaneous world-wide communications via the internet and computers able to do what the older crowd thinks of as "amazing things". To them amateur radio provides nothing amazing or unique. It is just a different way of doing things with a different set of attributes (works better in a disaster, can be portable, sometimes expensive, etc.).

To recruit a new generation, we have to look at what the generation we would like to reach is attracted to. Other than basic social interactions, my kids are not interested in

the same things I was at their age. The things I found interesting do not engage them at all. Social sites like MySpace, Linked-In, FaceBook and such find extremely wide audience among Generation X, as does text messaging and other ad-hoc, informal communications. They can be stirred to action as flash-crowds and flash mobs show, but traditional organizations are having troubles keeping enough young members to ensure their long term survival.

I am hoping the FCC's radical shift will open some new opportunity for the club, and I would love to hear ideas on how to encourage new hams from anyone. If you have an idea, or even the beginning of an idea, please bring it up and let me know. You can approach me directly at a meeting or by email, or if you prefer, talk to our two new Members-at-Large.

Neil K66QEL

SB SEC is January Speaker

Plan to join us for a lively presentation from our January speaker, Jennifer Roe AA6MX, (also known as "Madame X"), the Santa Barbara Section Emergency Coordinator.

Jennifer was first licensed in 1976 as Technician class, WA6OHX. In 1987, she achieved an Extra Class License and changed her call sign ("so I could get rid of the X—oh well"). Active with the Simi Settlers ARC even before achieving her license, she served as Secretary, Vice President and President of that club. For several years she and her buddy Bee, WD6EZY, authored and produced newsletters for both the Simi Settlers ARC and Valley Good Guys radio club. Additionally, Jennifer has written articles for World Radio and 73.

In 1991, Jennifer accepted the position of

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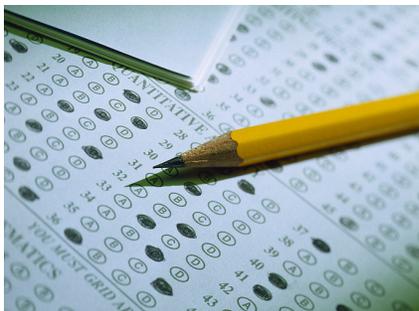
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Affiliated Club Coordinator for the Santa Barbara Section. For the next few years Jennifer participated in numerous Amateur Radio activities/offices for the Santa Barbara Section:

- Co-chairman for the SW Division Convention held in Ventura (1993).
- Re-wrote the Wouff Hong ceremony putting it in plainer English and adding four original songs (which were introduced at the '93 convention).
- Volunteer of the Year for ARRL SW Division (1993)
- Section Manager (1994)
- Section Emergency Coordinator (1996-1998)

In 1998, Jennifer stepped away from ARRL offices and activities to take a rest and spend time with family and in pursuit of her Music degree. Last year, Rob Griffin (SM), persuaded Jennifer to return as Section Emergency Coordinator. *She's back...* and she'll have a lively presentation at our first meeting of 2007 on January 18.

Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR



Results from the December 10, 2006 CVARC VE Session

Name	Callsign	New Class
Cathy Gribble	KI6HBB	Technician
Ross Kocen.....	KI6HAZ	Technician
Mark Mountain	KI6HBA	Technician
Shawn McClenahan.....	KI6HAW	Technician
Peter Lunenfeld.....	KI6HAX	Technician
David Chandler	KI6HAV	Technician
Dennis Fendelander.....	N2BEU	General
Ryan Thompson.....	KI6HAY	Technician
William Choate	N6EPV	General
David Jockisch	KG6RHD	General
Richard Smaby	K6DVY	Tech w/HF
Sam Bowman IV	KI6HAU.....	Technician
Steven Minichiello.....	KE7KCC	Tech w/HF

Special thanks to all the VEs who help to make the CVARC Exam session possible. The next CVARC VE session is scheduled for Sunday, February 11. See page 5 for full details.

Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR



Holiday Party Raffle Results

The results of our Holiday Part Raffles are as follows. Winners did not need to be present for the White Ticket prizes, but *did* need to be present for the Red Ticket prizes.

White Tickets

- 1st DX-70: Rob Hanson, W6RH
- 2nd DR-635: Steve Champion, AE6NX
- QRZ CD-ROM: Jonathan Fox, KT6LA
- QRZ CD-ROM: Neil Waybright, KG6QEL

Red Tickets (from throughout the year)

- 1st DJV-17 Hand Held: Greg Lane, K7SDW
- Soldering Station: Greg Lane, K7SDW
- Hat: Leon: N6VCL
- Calendar: Hugh, AE6YC
- Calendar: Greg Lane, K7SDW

The following red tickets were drawn but winners were not present to win, so further tickets were drawn until a winning ticket-holder was present.

- Kate Champion, KG6TWK
- Neil Waybright, KG6QEL
- Jose Vasquez, N6VUY
- Karl Moody, AE6TO
- John Marzec, KG6UPN
- Joe Anderson, K7OLD
- James Hutchinson, KI6MZ
- Bob Hughes, KA6HHW

The raffle committee has released a statement saying "Neener neener neener –maybe they'll come to the party next year".



2006 Holiday Party Auction

Our second CVARC Auction, held at the CVARC Holiday Party, was a great success. \$338 was raised in aid of the ARRL Foundation Scholarship Program

As well as supporting a worthy cause, those who participated went away with some interesting "goodies" and much merriment abounded. Thanks are due particularly to Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR, who was our Auctioneer, and to Steve Champion, AE6NX, who arranged the auction. Please start thinking about putting aside items for next year's auction!

This Just In...

By the time you read the print version of this newsletter, much of the national Ham Radio related news that was available at the time of printing has already been "out there" for a while. For this reason, the newsletter has a long-standing policy of not duplicating news that is readily available from other sources. However, I thought it might be useful to include in the newsletter a small sampling of news items that have appeared in the last month. Let me know whether or not to devote half a page or so to this in future issues.

Possibly the most painless way to keep up with the news is by subscribing to the ARRL's weekly email newsletter, The ARRL Letter. This is available to all at:

<http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/letter-list>

Even if you don't read "The Letter" in great detail, a quick scan of the headlines will alert you to any major things going on in the world of Amateur Radio.

On the Web, there are a number of other sources for radio-related news – in audio as well as textual formats. I have compiled a list of these sources at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CVARCDiscussion/links>

...in the "News" section. There are also links divided into various non-news topics. In addition, there is a section where you can add your own links.

Steve Champion, AE6NX

The following items are excerpted from the ARRL Newsletter.

FCC DROPS MORSE TESTING

Early in 2007, the US will join the growing list of countries that no longer require Amateur Radio applicants to pass a Morse code test as the entry ticket to HF. Announcement of the pending historic rule change arrived with no fanfare December 15 in an FCC public notice. A full-blown Report and Order (R&O) in the proceeding, WT Docket 05-235, followed December 19. The best estimate of when the Morse code requirement will go away officially is sometime in February -- 30 days after the R&O appears in the Federal Register.

ARRL OUTGOING QSL SERVICE REVISES RATES

The ARRL Outgoing QSL Service <http://www.arrl.org/gsl/qslout.html> has announced a new rate structure, effective January 1, 2007. The new basic rate will be \$5 per half-pound (approximately 75 cards) or any portion of a half-pound. That's a change from the old rate of \$4 per half-pound or any portion.

ARRL 600-METER EXPERIMENT SEEKS REPORTS

The ARRL 500 kc Experimental Group for Amateur Radio (WD2XSH) <http://www.500kc.com/> is encouraging radio amateurs and listeners to submit reception reports.

UK LIFETIME LICENSE NOW IN PLACE

All Amateur Radio licensees in the United Kingdom (Great Britain) will receive free replacement lifetime licenses as of December 1. Telecoms regulator Ofcom <http://www.ofcom.org.uk/> says all new amateur licensees can apply online to obtain free lifetime licenses.

DAYTON HAMVENTION® INVITES NOMINATIONS

Dayton Hamvention <http://www.hamvention.org> is accepting nominations for its 2007 Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement, and Technical Excellence awards. The deadline to submit nominations is February 19, 2007. Dayton Hamvention will recognize the winners at the 2007 Hamvention, May 18-20.

FCC CORRECTS J2D ERROR IN "OMNIBUS" R&O

Last month, the FCC released an Erratum that corrects one error in the so-called "omnibus" Amateur Radio proceeding. Had it been left to stand, the error would have rendered several popular digital modes illegal below 30 MHz.

EXAM QUESTION POOLS REVISED

With numerous new FCC Part 97 rules soon going into effect, the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators' (NCVEC) Question Pool Committee has dropped two dozen questions from the three Amateur Radio examination question pools. Details at: <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/06/1201/>

MARTIN CONFIRMED FOR SECOND FCC TERM

The US Senate on November 16 confirmed Kevin J. Martin to serve as FCC chairman for another term, which expires in 2011. In 2005, President George W. Bush appointed him as chairman to succeed Michael Powell and nominated Martin for a second term last April. Like his predecessor, Martin has been among the most enthusiastic BPL proponents.

AO-51 "ECHO" IS NOW CARRIER-ACCESS

AO-51 "Echo" satellite users no longer need to transmit a 67-Hz CTCSS subaudible tone to enable the satellite's transponder. The change was aimed at improving worldwide access to AO-51, especially from those areas where CTCSS-equipped transceivers are less common.

SPECIAL CANADIAN PREFIXES

Hearing some unusual prefixes on the bands lately? Industry Canada has authorized hams in Canada to identify with special prefixes to mark the 100th anniversary of Reginald Fessenden's radio accomplishments. The special prefixes are CF, CG, CH, and CI. The prefixes are in use from December 1, 2006, through January 31, 2007.

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Proposed Upgrade License Class

The new FCC rules, going into effect some time in February, present a great opportunity for those who have shied away from upgrading their ticket because of the former Morse Code requirement.

As the CVARC Education Chairperson the past few years, I can testify to the difficulty many adults have mastering the Code, myself included, and know how many students really want to use the HF bands but just can't seem to get past that hurdle. I can also testify to the fact that the General License requires only a little more knowledge than is required for the Technician. In fact, many of our CVARC class students study for the Tech license and then when they take the FCC exam and pass it, go on immediately to take the General License test and pass it as well. Some do this having never opened the General License Book.

While I strongly recommend taking a license class if you wish to upgrade, many prefer to do an independent study program, and this works too. CVARC will continue to assist those who choose to study on their own or are unable to attend the class for some other reason. Once the dust has settled in the rules of the FCC, it is certain that Morse Code is gone. It is time for many of our members to move on to the HF bands and enjoy the expanded privileges of the General license.

If there is enough interest in a General Upgrade Class, CVARC will put one together to run concurrent with the next Technician Class scheduled for February 2007. Several CVARC members have volunteered to assist in this endeavor, and if there are five or more members interested, we need to know within the next week or so. We will have to make arrangements for a second classroom at the current class site, and put together materials needed to teach the General license theory.

To measure the interest in this proposal, I would ask that any member or friend of a member wishing to take the General License course send an email to me as soon as possible so we can start planning the class. ke6wvz@aol.com or call me at (805) 523-0622

Karl Moody, AE6TO

The CVARC Board

The CVARC Board of Directors meets on the second Thursday of each month (the week before the general club meeting) at 7:30pm. Meetings are open to all members. The location may vary, so please contact a member of the Board if you would like to attend. Minutes of meetings are available to any member on request.

We really like to hear from members of the club. If you would like to discuss any issue regarding the running of the club, or if you have any ideas for future events or speakers, please contact any board member. We can be contacted by phone, radio, email, or in person. Contact details for Board Members appear in every newsletter.

Lake Los Carneros ARDF report

A warmer-than-anticipated day made for a good turnout and excellent radio-orienting at Lake Los Carneros, just west of Santa Barbara, on January 6, 2007. It was good to see some newcomers trying the sport for the first time, with lots of expert help.

Since the full ARDF course was relatively short, there were only two beginner transmitters - just enough to give some practice to the first-timers and warm-up for the others.

To nobody's surprise, the best time on the full course was turned in by Jay Hennigan WB6RDV, who has medaled at the USA ARDF Championships and finished 16th on two meters in the World Championships last September. Jay made a trip around the lake to bag four of the five foxes in 37:20. Unfortunately, due to a command error (oops!), the fox Number 5 had been accidentally silenced when he got close to it. So Jay headed for the finish and then decided to go out again to find it when it was restored. He was given a fresh start coincident with Number 1 going on, as all others were. He got Number 5 and returned in 4:57, which means that he found it and was back at the finish before it cycled off!

Results of the two-meter five-fox ARDF course:

Name and call	(Foxes)	Time
Jay Hennigan WB6RDV	(5)	0:42:17
(total for two runs)		
Scott Moore KF6IKO	(5)	1:00:01
Bill Smathers KG6HXX	(5)	1:07:16
Terry Newman AE6JR	(5)	1:14:40
Steve Ostrander K6OST	(4)	2:03:28
(with Tyler and Diane)		
Alex Das KI6FDO	(3)	2:02:14
(with Darryl Widman KF6DI)		
Tony Cirineo KD6DUV	(3)	2:15:38
Travis Wood AE6GA	??	??
(with Garrick)		

One 80-meter fox was available and four participants found it, with these elapsed times:

Name and call	Time
Scott Moore KF6IKO	0:13:45
Jay Hennigan WB6RDV	0:15:28
Bill Smathers KG6HXX	0:16:33
Terry Newman AE6JR	0:44:52

Thanks to Marvin Johnston KE6HTS for organizing this event and updating the map. Also thanks to April Moell WA6OPS for performing her usual fox-wrangling, timing, PR and medical duties.

Photos of the event can be seen at:

<http://www.homingin.com>

Watch for details of the next event, which will be announced soon. Hope to see you there!

Joe Moell, K0OV

2007 Event Calendar

Jan 18	CVARC Meeting
Jan 27	TRW Swapmeet
Feb 11	FCC License Exam at CVARC
Feb 13	CVARC License classes begin
Feb 15	CVARC Meeting
Feb 24	TRW Swapmeet
Feb 23-25	Coyote 4-Play Event
Feb 24	AMGEN Bike Race Comms
Mar 11	CROP Walk Comms
Mar 15	CVARC Meeting
Mar 25	Westlake Street Fair Comms
Mar 31	TRW Swapmeet
Apr 8	<u>No License Exam</u> at CVARC (Easter)
Apr 10	CVARC License classes end
Apr 15	Special FCC License Exam at CVARC
Apr 17	CVARC License classes begin
Apr 19	CVARC Meeting
Apr 21	Arbor Day Demo
Apr 28	TRW Swapmeet
May 12	Cruisin' the Conejo Comms
May 17	CVARC Meeting
May 18-20	Dayton Hamvention
May 26	TRW Swapmeet
Jun 5	CVARC License classes end
Jun 10	FCC License Exam at CVARC
Jun 12	CVARC License classes begin
Jun 21	CVARC Meeting
Jun 23-24	ARRL Field Day
Jun 30	TRW Swapmeet
Jul 3	Moorpark Fireworks Comms
Jul 19	CVARC Meeting
Jul 28	TRW Swapmeet
Aug 7	CVARC License classes end
Aug 12	FCC License Exam at CVARC
Aug 14	CVARC License classes begin
Aug 16	CVARC Meeting
Aug 25	TRW Swapmeet
Aug 25	CVARC Summer Picnic
Sep 7-9	ARRL SW Div. Convention, Torrance
Sep 20	CVARC Meeting
Sep 29	TRW Swapmeet
Oct 9	CVARC License classes begin
Oct 14	FCC License Exam at CVARC
Oct 16	CVARC License classes begin
Oct 18	CVARC Meeting
Oct 27	TRW Swapmeet
Nov 15	CVARC Meeting
Nov 24	TRW Swapmeet
Dec 4	CVARC License classes end
Dec 8	(Tentative) CVARC Holiday Party
Dec 9	FCC License Exam at CVARC
Dec 29	TRW Swapmeet

Please submit suggestions for additional dates to be included in the calendar to steve@stevechampion.com

Next Technician License Class

CVARC sponsors amateur radio license classes throughout the year. The Technician Class license, which is the entry level license for amateur radio, is presented four times a year and each class lasts for eight weeks

Classes are held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:45 p.m. and are free. The only cost related to this class is the cost for the Ham Radio License Manual which is \$24.95 plus tax. Students who wish to purchase this manual through the CVARC class may do at the time of class registration.

Classes are taught in Thousand Oaks in classroom facilities provided as a community service by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The current classes are held at 3645 Moorpark Road, in Thousand Oaks. This is on Moorpark Road, one block North of Olsen Road.

Classes are open to all ages, and CVARC is proud to report that our graduates include 7 year old children and 84 year old adults. There are no age limits imposed by the FCC on the Amateur Radio license, and both men and women participate in the magic of radio.

Whether you are interested in radio communications with other amateur operators around the world, or just want to have your radio license for emergency preparedness, the Technician Class license is your entry to amateur radio.

If you are interested, or if you want to know more about amateur radio, call Karl Moody at (805) 523-0622 for information regarding the next class.

Karl Moody, AE6TO

FCC License Exams on February 11th

CVARC hosts FCC License Examinations at 8:30am on the second Sunday of even numbered months at the Ventura East County Sheriff Station on Olsen Rd. (near the Reagan Library). See calendar (left) for dates.

CVARC conducts exams for all license classes. Exam candidates must bring a form of government issued photo I.D., the original AND a photocopy of any existing license or Certificate of Exam Element Completion, a Social Security (or government issued Taxpayer ID) number, and \$14 ARRL VE Exam fee (cash is preferred).

No advance reservation is necessary, walk-ins are welcome. Advance notice is needed for special circumstances, such as reading the exam to sight-impaired candidates.

If you have any questions, please contact CVARC Volunteer Examiner Coordinator Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR at (818) 706-3853.

Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR

CVARC Crossword No. 3

This time around, I have decided to offer a small prize for the crossword. The winner will be drawn randomly from the correct entries received by me on or before February 9th. The winner will receive an ARRL Repeater Directory.

Steve Champion, AE6NX

Across

- 1 16 of 26
- 5 W6PDD goes by this name
- 8 German equivalent of ARRL
- 12 GPS+Radio
- 13 Mixed fresh raw fruit & veg.
- 15 A governing body in sports
- 16 Rob
- 17 PCB "wire"
- 18 Feigns
- 19 Sell-by dates
- 22 Application
- 23 VP
- 24 It is not far
- 26 Pathetic sausage
- 29 Laughing dogs?
- 31 Unit of impedance
- 32 Excuse
- 34 Organization which only exists during emergencies
- 36 Aboriginal tribe
- 38 Paradises
- 40 Knights and/or Baronets
- 41 Is poor Samuel done for now?
- 43 Provide
- 45 Die down
- 46 Flashy star
- 48 Feet together, don't break your femur!
- 50 Head of Faculty
- 51 Nap, esp. in England
- 52 Lincoln
- 54 Without sugar
- 61 Tore apart, hire
- 63 Our youngest Extra
- 64 Roman violinist
- 65 Every
- 66 Do tennis balls or food
- 67 Makes less bright
- 68 Chop
- 69 Not bold
- 70 Thin strip

Down

- 1 To surface or resurface
- 2 Point
- 3 Get ready
- 4 Want to be
- 5 Bit
- 6 Mountain range in SW Kyrgyzstan
- 7 Folded tortilla
- 8 Stuff of life
- 9 Precisions
- 10 Darn, those rodents!
- 11 Nut-, Book-, or Basket-
- 13 Hanging sculpture which is built not to move (I'm not making this up!)
- 14 He *invented* slow service :-)
- 20 A girl's name
- 21 Visionary
- 25 Collections of the memorable sayings
- 26 A cry goes up!
- 27 Lack of caution
- 28 Warm duck
- 29 Female deer(s)
- 30 Not Croats
- 31 Unit of resistance
- 33 Secretary
- 35 Narrow phone
- 37 IOTA
- 39 A type of salmon
- 42 The elder son of Isaac and Rebekah
- 44 Smallest bit
- 47 Indian small change
- 49 Turns over
- 52 Unlike 34 Across, it exists all the time
- 53 Love
- 55 Envisions
- 56 Veep
- 57 Grudging admiration, desire
- 58 Pres.
- 59 Bombeck
- 60 Archaic present second singular of DO
- 62 Genitive of THOU

Solution at: crossword.stevechampion.com, after 2/9/07

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Ventura County ARES/RACES Times & Frequencies

Area 2 ARES/RACES members are encouraged to check in every Tuesday night at 7:00pm on the Area 2 check-in nets.



Area	Time	Mode	Frequency	Shift	PL	Repeater/Notes
Area 1	7:00-7:30pm	Voice	147.930	–	127.3	AD6SV
Area 2	7:00-7:30pm	Voice	146.850	–	94.8	K6AER Grissom
Area 2	7:10-7:30pm	Voice	51.940	–	82.5	WB6RHQ
Area 2	7:10-7:30pm	Voice	224.700	–	156.7	K6HB
Area 2	7:10-7:30pm	Voice	449.440	–	131.8	KE6SWS Amgen
Area 2	(Simplex)	Voice	147.555		None	Simplex
Area 2	(Backup Repeater)	Voice	147.885	–	127.3	N6JMI Bozo
Area 3	7:15-7:30pm	Voice	147.915	–	127.3	WB6ZTQ
Area 4	7:15-7:30pm	Voice	146.970	–	127.3	WB6YQN
Area 5	7:00-7:30pm	Voice	145.400	–	None	N6FL
Area 6	7:00-7:30pm	Voice	147.765	–	127.3	None
Area 7	7:00-7:30pm	Voice	146.985	–	127.3	WB6ZTX
Area 8	7:00-7:30pm	Voice	146.535		None	Simplex
County	7:30-8:00pm	Voice	146.880	–	127.3	WA6ZTT
County	6:45-7:00pm	Voice	52.980	–	82.5	K6SMR
County	7:30-8:00pm	Voice	224.020	–	127.3	WB6ZTR
County	Before 6:30pm	Packet	145.710		None	Hospital Net
County	(RACES Simplex)	Voice	147.570		None	Simplex

Net Control operations for the weekly ARES/RACES Area 2 check-in are run from the ARES/RACES communications center at East County Sheriff Station (on Olsen Road) every Tuesday starting at 7:00pm.

Visitors are welcome and have the opportunity to operate the station. Please contact the Assistant Emergency Coordinator, Jerry Goldman, KC6JSO at (805) 241-9187 if you would like to attend.

RACES members should remember that their RACES card is issued for only two years. When your card is due to expire, please call Jackie at the Office of Emergency Services in Ventura, (805) 646-2551, to renew it.

For questions concerning ARES/RACES, please call the Area 2 Emergency Coordinator, Ken Larson, KJ6RZ at (805) 495-9435 or go to the ARES/RACES section of the CVARC website at <http://www.cvarc.org>.

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- New Ham Development and Training
- Public Relations
- Emergency Communications
- Technical Advancement
- Operating Activities



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For up-to-date information and back issues of newsletters, please visit the CVARC Web Site at <http://www.cvarc.org>. In addition to visiting the Web site, you may like to join the CVARC Yahoo Group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CVARCDiscussion/>

The Conejo Valley Amateur Radio Club is an ARRL affiliated Special Service Club. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month, except December. The meeting location is the Community Room at The East County Sheriff Station, 2101 E Olsen Road, Thousand Oaks. Meetings start at 7:30pm with a pre-meeting social and technical assistance session from 7:00 to 7:30pm. Meetings are open to the public, and members are encouraged to bring their friends.

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CVARC Membership Rates

Visitors are always welcome at our monthly meetings, and we do not pressure newcomers to join. If, however, you would like to support the club and its activities by becoming a member then we will be very pleased.

The simplest way to join (or to renew) is to write us a check bearing your address, and give or send it to our Treasurer. Make the check payable to “CVARC” and please put your callsign and/or email address, if you have one, on the memo line of your check.

Current annual rates are: Regular Membership: \$25. Family Membership: \$30. Special discounts are available for; New members just licensed: \$10. Full-time Students: \$10. Regular members renewing for multiple years: \$20/year.