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The CVARC club meeting is held at 7:30 PM on the third Thursday of the month at:

The East County Sheriff Station  
2101 East Olsen Road  
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

The East County Sheriff Station facility is just off the 23 freeway from the Olsen Road off-ramp, north, between Thousand Oaks and Simi Valley.

<b>Trivia Corner</b>
In voice mode, what does, “pan- pan,” repeated three times mean? There is an urgent but not yet life threatening situation aboard a vessel, aircraft or vehicle. “Mayday” is a call for immediate help for a life threatening situation.

## President’s Message

**Rob Hanson, W6RH**

### Stone Soup

The story is a very old one. Versions of the story were long told throughout Europe. It came to North America with European settlers, and there is a version from the American Civil War. It is a story about making something from nothing. A pot of boiling water and a stone becomes a fabulous soup with the addition of a little bit of this and that.

CVARC is a lot like the stone soup. It started from nothing, everyone added a little bit of what they had, and look at what we have today! To take CVARC to the next level, many people will need to step up and offer what they can to help the club grow. We don't want to burn out those that feel they have to do something because no one else will. We have many programs and activities that need people to make them work. If everyone just helps a little bit, it would be truly awesome what CVARC could achieve!

So, what can you do? First and foremost – just show up. CVARC is successful because of the large and diverse group of hams we have at our meetings and events. Each time you sit out, it makes it easier to sit out on the next one. When you come, wear your badge so others know who you are, and say hello to people you haven’t met before. It is easy to just visit with old friends. Make some new ones.

Participate in an event or net. Not only is it fun, but it gives everyone in the club an opportunity to get to know you better. At the same time you're learning their names and calls. Check in to the Newbie net. It's a good place to start if you want to get involved with EmComm.

Be a teacher at one of our classes or make a presentation at a meeting. You will get a chance to learn to know the members of the class and they get a chance to know who you. When you teach, you get the chance to go over the material and learn it better for yourself as well.

Write an article for the newsletter. You don't have to be a technical wizard, or a master of English. Our editor will help you turn a draft into a piece our members will enjoy.

When CVARC puts on an event (Field Day, Picnic, Holiday Party, etc.) it takes planning and execution to pull it off. I promise that you'll be an instant hit with the board when you volunteer to help with any of the programs.

Consider participating on the CVARC board. It is a great group of people that consistently work to make the club better.

Got some ideas? Please, let me know. We're always looking for new and creative ways to have fun with our hobby and with our club.

I know everyone has a different level of commitment, availability, talent, experience, etc. We don't expect everyone to jump into every project, but please, do what you can. All you can do is enough.

Thank you to everyone for being a member of CVARC and for the unique talents and skills that you bring to the club.

Amateur Radio is frequently a solitary pastime. When you mention ham radio, many people imagine some old guy with headphones, alone talking into a microphone or tapping a code key. CVARC on the other hand, holds the idea that ham radio is more fun when Hams get together and combine efforts.

Case in point: CVARC Field Day. Is there any radio event anywhere that is a better time? Many diverse people came together and put in an incredible amount of planning and work. As far as I know, everyone

involved was happy, marginal band conditions notwithstanding.

When members participate in an event, they usually do it alone. Next time I suggest that you do it a little differently: grab a fellow Ham, or someone that might be interested, and see what you can really accomplish when you put your heads together. In fact, go out and invite someone that you don't know all that well (one of our many new hams, for instance) and invite them to participate in the event with you. We pride ourselves on being open and friendly to anyone with an interest in ham radio. That is a key CVARC principle.

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## Speaker for August 16, 2012

Adrian Popa will speak on "Antenna Development for Aerospace and Satellite Systems". He is a featured annual speaker at CVARC and his presentations are always quite informative and well received.

The presentation will discuss the R&D of antenna systems for aircraft, missiles, and Direct Broadcast Satellite systems, including DIRECTV. The talk will include some of the practical, difficult and strange antenna problems that he has encountered throughout his long career.

Mr. Popa is currently a consulting engineer on radio frequency, radar and photonic systems. He recently received the Outstanding Engineer Award for 2011 from the Southern California area of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE). He is both a UCLA and USC graduate. He retired in 2000 from the Hughes Research Laboratories (HRL), in Malibu, and has a total of 55 years' experience including his 40 years at HRL and 7 years with the Antenna Laboratory of the Douglas Aircraft Company. During the Korean conflict he served 2 years as an aviator in the U.S. Army and he also operated radars in the NIKE surface to air missile system.

**Submitted by Zak, N6PK**

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## Join Us for Dinner

Please join your CVARC friends for dinner with the speaker at 5:30 PM at **Bandit's BBQ** in Thousand Oaks for ribs, chicken, steaks or salad. The restaurant is best located from Wilbur Road, and can be seen on the east side between the cluster of restaurants on the north and Janss Carwash on the south.

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## “Newbie” Net While Diane Travels Diane Wainwood, KJ6JEJ

Hello there CVARC friends!! Our trip so far has been an experience! (I'm traveling with my friend Sylvia, who's not a ham, at least in the sense we mean 😊)

Prague was wonderful, lots to see and do, friendly people, and I even met a fellow ham from Germany while walking up the cobbled lane to the Castle complex! It's a long story!! Dresden, Leipzig and Berlin have been other stops; Dresden a little boring, Leipzig a music capital which we liked, and expensive, cosmopolitan Berlin. The only problem was that our hotel was on the main boulevard, Unter den Linden, and Unter den Linden was Unter Construction!! The whole city is torn up to build a new Metro.

However, we've now reached Copenhagen, our port of embarkation on Saturday, and we're definitely ready to be pampered and taken care of! Copenhagen is our favorite city so far--clean, extremely modern, very historical, with friendly ENGLISH-speaking people (altho' I was surprised that my German was much better than I had thought!). I thought of you all on Field Day, and hope you had a good time--I was at the Pergamum Museum in Berlin :) Have a good August meeting; I'll be back on the 23rd, and probably see and talk to you all soon thereafter.

[While I'm cruising, I have arranged for some of our board members to serve as net control operators so do call in at the usual time, 7:00 PM, each Sunday evening. No one called in 8/12/12-- Ed.]

No, I did not take a radio with me- 😊 - Guess I'm too busy being a tourist! If I get really bold, maybe I'll ask to see the radio room on the ship!!

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**73 de KJ6JEJ**  
**Diane**

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## Technical Corner

### Care and Feeding of the Incoming QSL Bureau by Jim Weaver, K8JE [used by permission]

There is a lot of "unknowledge" floating around among hams concerning how the Incoming QSL Bureau works. This "unknowledge" causes no end of headaches for many people who are waiting to receive cards through the Bureau, for the Bureau Manager and Letter Sorters who operate the Bureau -- and for the director who is ultimately responsible for the operation of the Bureau. This "unknowledge" could be cured very easily if only the people waiting to receive cards would read and follow the information that is posted on the World Wide Web. I'll try to summarize some of the most import and often least understood information that is involved in the frustrations. This information is:

- The Incoming Bureau is staffed by unpaid volunteers who donate their time to helping other amateurs receive QSL cards from foreign countries;
- The overall Bureau is divided into local Bureaus according to FCC area -- e.g. 1st Area, 2nd Area, 3rd Area, etc.;

- The number in one's call sign (the number of the FCC area) determines the number of the Incoming Bureau's area that handles incoming QSLs for an individual. This is true regardless of the FCC area in which they live, i.e., a resident of California who has an 8 call is served through the 8th Area incoming bureau. A resident of Montana who has a "4" call uses the 4th Area Incoming Bureau;
  - Minor operating procedure differences exist between the area bureaus. Knowing how one area bureau operates does not necessarily prepare an amateur to use a different area incoming bureau most effectively;
  - Information on using the Incoming QSL Bureau can be found by going to <http://www.arrl.org/incoming-qsL-service>;
  - QSLs will be shipped to receiving amateurs only if they have envelopes and postage on hand at their area bureaus -- specifically, with the Letter Managers for their calls;
  - Unless an amateur arranges otherwise with his/her letter manager, it is likely their cards will be sent to them in batches when the letter manager believes there are "enough to warrant sending." This may be about once a year unless the recipient receives a large number of cards. Talk to your letter manager to arrange for different timing to receive your cards;
  - The bureau is the least expensive means for receiving actual QSLs. It is definitely not the fastest. Although the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau at Headquarters is pretty quick to send cards out to overseas bureaus, many overseas bureaus are much less prompt to distribute cards in their countries. They also may be much less prompt than the HQ Incoming Bureau in Newington when it comes to passing cards on. Add to this the fact that many amateurs may be slow in QSLing and it should be apparent that the turn-around time -- the time from when a US amateur sends a card via the Outgoing Bureau until the foreign amateur's card is received by his/her incoming letter sorter -- can be lengthy. It often requires two years or longer to receive a card through the bureau. This is beyond ARRL or the manager. Patience is not only a virtue, but is a practical necessity in dealing with QSLs sent via the Bureau. I have received cards from QSOs that were held as long as five years earlier.
- ✧ If you have a question about how the bureau operates, contact your letter manager. The letter manager is the ham who handles all incoming QSLs for call signs with a specific first letter of their suffix. For example, the 8th Area "J" letter manager handles all cards for K8JE, N8JE, W8JE, KB8JE, W8JDZ, K8JEL, KC8JCY etc. Similarly, the 4th Area "J" letter manager handles K4JE, N4JE, etc. The identities of letter managers can be found on the Incoming Bureau web sites.
  - ✧ The most important rule to follow in dealing with an incoming bureau is to know how it operates (read the directions), follow the operating guidelines, communicate with your letter manager when questions arise .... and have patience. The incoming bureau does not control which cards are received and when they are received.
  - ✧ Finally, be reasonable. Do not expect the incoming bureau staff to read your mind or to work miracles. If a ham has not received cards from the bureau for quite some time, then the two most likely reasons for this are:

1. There are no (or extremely few) cards at the bureau, or;
2. There are no self-addressed envelopes and postage with the letter manager.

#### A Better Way to QSL?

If one collects operating awards such as WAS, DXCC, CQ Magazine Awards and a growing number of additional awards, using Logbook of the World (LoTW) is probably the best way to QSL. This is a far less expensive method of QSLing, and it typically is the quickest way. More and more amateurs worldwide are using Logbook. In addition it has just become more convenient to use this program. Applications for awards can now be made without sending paper QSLs to the participating award sponsors.

Essentially, an amateur that wishes to submit QSLs into Logbook for an award does this online from his home, prints out a copy of the entry and takes it and the QSLs to a local QSL field checker. The field checker will verify the entries and the list is sent to HQ to allow the entry to be moved into the LoTW database. There is no need to ship paper QSLs to HQ. Using this procedure will cut costs to amateurs and speed the processing of applications that previously had to be sent to HQ for processing. The new process is described at:

[www.arrl.org/news/online-dxcc-application-to-debut-April-2](http://www.arrl.org/news/online-dxcc-application-to-debut-April-2).

One must realize, of course, that not all amateurs worldwide use LoTW. For these, paper QSLing may be required. Also, there is at least one additional digital QSL exchange system. Understand that many if not most operating award sponsors that accept digital confirmation of QSOs for awards will not accept confirmation by systems other than LoTW.

**Jim Weaver, K8JE**

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## Rasnow Repeater Site Visit

A field trip to the top of Rasnow Peak is scheduled for Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am. For those who wonder what happens when you press the PTT and your signal is transmitted many miles away, this is one of the places where it happens. A few of the local repeaters are located here including the CVARC packet digipeater system used for ACS, Bozo, Amgen and the Rabbit Repeater systems. You'll get to look at some of these repeaters and antennas that are on top of the 90 and 150 foot towers.

Meet at the Stagecoach Inn Park located on Lynn Road just past South Ventu Park Road and we'll carpool from there. [There is said to be dramatic views of the Conejo Valley and the Pacific Ocean as a side benefit – Ed.]

**Submitted by Todd Kleopfer, KD6RCM**

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### RFinder

The *World Wide Repeater Directory's* ("WWRD") latest release in the *App Store* now supports the *iPad* screen geometry fully, with rotation, etc.

RFinder already runs on *iPhone* and *Android* and <http://web.rfinder.net>. The WWRD is also accessible from *RTSystems'* radio programmers and via *CHIRP* on *Windows*, *Linux* and *Macintosh* with the same user/password you use on handheld devices. Our goal is to have the WWRD accessible from most pervasive platforms. To that end *Windows Phone* and *Symbian* versions are in development and slated for release this fall. The web version has been tested and works on *Blackberry*. *RFinder* web has downloads for POI's for TPE and most major GPS's, including *AvMap G5/G6*, the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

*Android Pad* format is now in development, look for it in September! **73 de W2CYK**

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## International Toolbar for the Amateur Radio Community

This month celebrates the 5th year of the advent of HamInfoBar, a concept developed because of my interest and involvement in the hobby.

Having browsed the internet, I felt there was a need for an application that brought together the wealth of the amateur radio information that was already out there, into one place, for ease of access, hence the development of my toolbar.

To date, over 43,000 hams and swls in 148 countries have already downloaded and used it, and I am pleased that it continues to be such a valuable resource for the amateur radio community.

Thank you to everyone who uses it for your ongoing support of the service, and for those of you who haven't yet seen it, check it out. It's a completely free download, with no hidden catches, and continues to be a free service provided by myself, with some help from my wife Yvonne (M6BUN).

**John, GODPC**

<http://www.haminfobar.co.uk/>

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## Free Canon i950 Color Printer

The editor has a working *Canon i950* printer to give to whoever wants it. The printer will produce documents in black/white and stunning color photos. It works best with Windows XP or similar era Apple/Mac programs. Includes software disk, start-up manual, all ink tanks and some spares (uses six). Requires your A/B USB printer cable. Please do not accept for re-sale. Kindly see Mike Slate at the August 16 meeting if you want it.

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## Calls Signs: The Wherefores

(Or for those who lack Good Sense)

### A Campfire for Their Vanities

First of all... a huge thanks to all of you who told me the stories behind your Radio Identities... The Wherefores of your Call Signs!!

There would be no story here without you!!

I discovered that call signs vary widely in their significances... honoring family or an SK... brevity in CW... comic value... ease of pronunciation... and many of us obviously enjoy designing clever phonetics for our calls. Even in the midst of this creative comradeship, I still feel compelled to sentence many to the Campfire... as in, throw your Vanities on the Campfire... please! More on that later...

Here's the good stuff...

Tom has honored his first Elmer... his maternal grandfather by assuming his call, W0UFC, keeping it on the air and in the family. Tom's "non-vanity vanity", as he calls it, is a tribute to the Ultimate Fighting Champion, Wilkie Miller, Sr.

Mike, N6TEA, says his call cuts through pile-ups with his tea-drinking DX contacts... "That TEA station, come again". Mike sometimes responds with, "Here is California six, iced-tea; not coffee." He discovered later that TEA, sounded out in CW, played the tune, "Here Comes the Bride". The Reverend Mr. M doesn't do weddings, however.

Beyond having his initials in his vanity, Ken, KS3I, says that the answer to his call is - 42... but what is the question? Ken gives us one hint... it has something to do with weight. Would Author Douglas Adams or his hero, Arthur Dent, be able to help us, Ken?

My Mom called my brother and me her "Poiboys" to encourage us to eat the mineral-rich goop during our childhoods... unknowingly inspiring my vanity. My daughter came up with its cleverest phonetics... Keeping (Only) 6 Percent of Income.

Phonetics for entire call signs are rare, but well worth the creative effort.  
Honorable Mention has to go to... N#OIZ.  
Concisely descriptive!!

Jeff arranged his call, AA6JR, to include his initials and the entertaining phonetic, "Always After 6 Jelly Rolls".

AI6PG is... Artificial Intelligence # Peter Grace.

KE#ZRP always gets a smile with "King Edward # (in his) Zippy Red Pajamas".

Partial phonetics of calls can be especially witty...  
Greg, K#SDW, is "Still Drinking Wine".

Jim Gustanski, KJ6TRT, had "True Radio Talent" suggested to him by his first contact.

Arie makes WA6RIE sound like his first name.

I've never witnessed the "Pretzel King", N6PK, ever eating one. Have you? It's probably due to the commute... because Zak crowns the pretzels from Philadelphia as the true royalty... especially topped with his favorite spicy deli-style mustard!!

Here is the self-admitted, "as vane as you can get", W6JWP, Joseph William Partlow.

Among my almost-daily contacts are... WB#DBJ - Dirty Blue Jeans...  
W#EVT - Evidently Very Tired... and KE#MMU - the stuttering cow!  
And... don't tell anybody, but I talk with a WH#OR every so often!! A true Pro!

While that last one is a valid Hawaiian call sign, it raises a point. The ULS doesn't seem to have filters in place that prevent impropriety in vanity applications! During my research for this piece, I found that all ten call sign districts had far too many offensive call signs on record. I encourage all those licensees lacking in decency and good taste... to throw their call signs on... "A Campfire for Their Vanities"!  
Nuff Sed.

Be Well,  
**Tim**  
**K6POI**

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## CVARC and Emergency Communications

CVARC is an ARRL Special Service Club. We provide for the needs of the amateur radio operator and the community. This includes training, VEC license testing and emergency communications. During emergencies and disasters, the use of amateur radio has proven to be a highly effective means of communications between communities, government agencies and responders. In conducting emergency communications, there are two important areas that have to be addressed. The first area covers the need for contacting the community to keep them informed on what is occurring and to ascertaining their needs. The second covers the funneling and prioritizing of these needs to allow seamless interaction with government agencies and hospitals. To cover both areas, CVARC members have the availability of two organizations – ACS/ARES and Infonet. While each addresses specific needs within emergency communications they are both important and should be supported. While the areas of concern are different, the ham operators should be interchangeable. Proper communication and message handling techniques along with packet radio operation is important

knowledge for all amateurs and applicable to each network.

When an emergency occurs we do not how we will be impacted. We may be needed in our neighborhood, or if the emergency is not local we could help out others in need. By joining both organizations we can help out wherever we can. For training - checking into both nets on Tuesday nights only takes a couple of seconds. Helping out at either network operating centers would be your choice, but to have operated at both centers and/or various EOCs would round out your knowledge and confidence in being able to help out where and when you are needed in case of an emergency.

Please consider joining and helping out your friends, neighbors and community. Email: Zak at [zcohen@ieee.org](mailto:zcohen@ieee.org) for ACS/ARES and Ken at [ken.kj6rz@gmail.com](mailto:ken.kj6rz@gmail.com) for Infonet.

**Submitted by Zak Cohen, N6PK**

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## Amateur Radio Exam and Study Guide Websites

<http://www.qrz.com>

On the right column under "Ham Study", go to "Practice Tests"

<http://www.eham.net>

On the left column under "Resources", go to "Ham Exams"

<http://www.KB0MGA.net>

Log in is required

<http://www.radioexam.org>

Practice Exams

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## Tax Deductible Donations to CVARC

CVARC is an IRS-certified 501(c)3 charitable organization and donations are deductible pursuant to the IRS rules. If you have working radio equipment and ancillary equipment that you can and wish to donate to the club, please contact one of the board members and we will be happy to talk to you about the process. Many companies will either grant or match employee's gifts to non-profit organizations like CVARC.



CVARC is recognized by the ARRL as a Special Service Club (SSC). To be a part of the ARRL's Special Service Club program, the club must regularly show that it is actively involved in certain areas, including:

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

We cannot accept certain donations, and have to place some restrictions around them (no hazardous materials, nothing we could not sell, etc.). If you are interested, look me up or any other board member at one of the meetings or contact us via E-Mail (our addresses are on page 10 of this newsletter).

Send information/application to:  
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**Ventura County ACS/ARES Times and Frequencies:**

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

Area	Time	Mode	Frequency	Shift	PL	Repeater/Notes
Area 1	7:00-7:30 pm	Voice	146.805	-	100.0	AD6SV
<u>Area 2</u>	<u>7:00-7:30 pm</u>	<u>Voice</u>	<u>147.885</u>	-	<u>127.3</u>	<u>N6JMI/BOZO</u>
<u>Area 2</u>	<u>7:10-7:30 pm</u>	<u>Voice</u>	<u>224.700</u>	-	<u>156.7</u>	<u>K6HB</u>
<u>Area 2</u>	<u>7:10-7:30 pm</u>	<u>Voice</u>	<u>449.440</u>	-	<u>131.8</u>	<u>W6AMG/Amgen</u>
Area 2	(Simplex)	Voice	146.445	None	None	Simplex
Area 2	7:00 – 7:30 pm	Voice	146.850	-	94.8	Grissom/InfoNet
Area 3	7:15-7:30 pm	Voice	147.915	-	127.3	WB6ZTQ
Area 4	7:15-7:30 pm	Voice	146.970	-	127.3	WB6YQN
Area 5	7:00-7:30 pm	Voice	145.400	-	None	N6FL
Area 6/7	7:00-7:30 pm	Voice	147.975	-	127.3	N6VUY
Area 8	7:00-7:30 pm	Voice	145.460	-	127.3	South Mtn.
County	7:30-8:00 pm	Voice	146.880	-	127.3	WA6ZTT
County	6:45-7:00 pm	Voice	52.980	-	82.5	K6SMR
County	7:30-8:00 pm	Voice	224.020	-	127.3	WB6ZTR
County	Before 6:30 pm	Packet	145.650	None	None	Hospital Net
County	(ACS Simplex)	Voice	147.570	None	None	Simplex

Other frequencies:

- 145.300 - 100 L.A. DCS / Mt Dissappointment
- 147.090 + Catalina Island
- 145.320 -114.8 TRW
- 146.730 -100.0 Hauser Peak
- 147.000 +131.8 Santa Barbara - Broadcast Peak
- 145.180 -131.8 Santa Barbara - Santa Ynez Peak
- 146.790 -131.8 Santa Barbara - Downtown
- 146.520 S National Simplex

For questions concerning ACS/ARES, please call Zak Cohen or go to the ACS/ARES section of the CVARC website at <http://www.cvarc.org>.

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

Visitors are welcome and have the opportunity to operate the station. Please contact Zak Cohen, whose info is listed above, to arrange it.

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#### CVARC Online

For up-to-date information and back issues of newsletters, please visit the CVARC website at <http://www.cvarc.org>. In addition to visiting the website, 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 6:30 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 call sign and/or email address, if you have one, on the memo line of your check. Name, call sign, or address changes may be e-mailed to the Treasurer. Current annual rates are: Regular Membership \$25. Family Membership \$30. Special discounts are available for new members (licensed in the last 12 months) \$10. Full-time Students: \$10. Regular members renewing for multiple years: \$20/year. Family members renewing for multiple years \$25/year.