



## Cathay July 2023

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**Mission:** The Cathay Amateur Radio Club is basically an active social club of Ham Radio Operators and their spouses. We support local community requests for HAM emergency communications. Several of us are trained in CPR/ First Aid and are involved with community disaster preparedness.

**Monday Night Net Time:** 9 PM Local Time/PST, Repeater: WB6TCS - RX 147.210, TX 147.810, Offset +0.6 MHz, CTCSS/Tone PL100 Hz

Please note: Repeater: N6MNV UHF 442.700 Mhz, Offset +5MHz, CTCSS/Tone PL 173.8 Hz in South San Francisco is cross linked every Monday Night Net at 9 p.m. to WB6TCS 2-meter repeater.

The CARC Monday night net is the best way to find out the latest club news. All check-ins are welcome.

### Message from the President: George Chong, W6BUR

Hello CARC Members and Friends;

Many thanks to Mr. Denis L. Moore – WB6TCS (SK) & his son; Robert Moore for the use of his repeater for our CARC Monday Night Net.

I wish to thank our CARC members that set aside their valuable time to participate in our Monday night's nets.

**Chat sub s'em to all you CARC members! - George W6BUR.**

## **Introduction: CARC/SARES Field Day June 24-25, 2023 Summary Wrapup**

**Ed Fong-WB6IQN** hosted a very successful annual CARC/SARES ARRL Field Day in Sunnyvale, CA. Many thanks to Ed Fong for his tireless hard work to organize the event.

Additional details are at the bottom of this newsletter.

## **Public Service Announcements**

### **HAM CRAM / HAM Licensing**

For upcoming HAM Licensing locations please refer to:

<http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>

### **Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS)**

The Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) is a unit of trained professionals who supply communications support to the agencies of the City and County of San Francisco, particularly during major events/incidents. ACS goals are the support of gathering and distribution of information necessary to respond to and recover from a disaster.

The ACS Net begins at 1930 hours (7:30 p.m. PT) local time each Thursday evening, on the WA6GG repeater at 442.050 MHz, positive offset, tone 127.3 Hz. The purpose of this net is to practice Net Control skills, practice checking in with deployment status in a formal net, and to share information regarding upcoming ACS events. Guests are welcome to check in. ACS members perform Net Control duty on a regular basis. On the second Thursday of each month, the net is conducted in simplex mode on the output frequency of the WA6GG repeater, 442.050 MHz no offset, tone 127.3 Hz.

ACS holds its General Meetings on the third Tuesday of each month from 1900 hours to 2100 hours local time. Currently meetings are exclusively conducted over Zoom during the COVID-19 pandemic, ACS looks forward to meeting in person again as soon as possible.

Upcoming meeting dates in 2023 are:

- July 18, 2023

- August 15, 2023
- Sept 19, 2023

Location of in person future ACS meetings are yet to be determined as the regular location is under reconstruction. All interested persons are welcome to attend. For further information, contact Corey Siegel KJ6LDJ <kj6ldj@gmail.com>.

For more information, please attend an ACS meeting, check in on the ACS radio net, or call 415-558-2717.

### **Free Disaster Preparedness Classes In San Francisco – NERT Taught by San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD).**

<http://sf-fire.org/calendar-special-events>

#### **+ TBD**

Spring into Readiness!

This Virtual Drill will take place from 9am-12pm with virtual skill rotations and words from some special guests!

Invitation and sign-up coming next week!

#### **+ Recertifications - Coming Soon!**

Now that San Francisco has entered the Red Tier for COVID-19 Transmission (see <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/#county-status> for more details), we are working to schedule recertification trainings for NERTs who were current as of December 2019 or later. Stay tuned for details and times over the next month! (At this time, all class 5&6 recerts will take place outdoors only, at the SFFD Division of Training at 19th St & Folsom St in the Mission.)

**\*SFFD DOT** is the Fire Department Division of Training. All participants walking, biking or driving **enter through the driveway gate on 19th St.** between Folsom and Shotwell. Parking is allowed along the back toward the cinderblock wall.

Visit [www.sfgov.org/sffdnert](http://www.sfgov.org/sffdnert) to learn more about the training, other locations, and register on line. Upcoming Special NERT Events.

### **San Francisco Police Department: Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT)**

The Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) is a citizen disaster preparedness program designed. The ALERT program is for volunteers 16 years of age or older, who live, work, or attend high school in San Francisco.

Graduates of the San Francisco Police Activities League (P.A.L) Law Enforcement Cadet Academy are also eligible to join.

ALERT volunteers will no longer need to complete the Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) ([www.sfgov.org/sfnert](http://www.sfgov.org/sfnert)) training and then graduate into two 8 hour Police Department course specifically designed for ALERT team members.

ALERT members will work closely with full-time and/or Reserve Police Officers in the event they are deployed after a disaster. The Basic ALERT volunteer will have no law enforcement powers other than those available to all citizens.

### **SFPD ALERT Training (New Members)**

The next SFPD ALERT training class has been scheduled for: TBD

\* Class date indicated are only for new members

IMPORTANT- All participants must complete the background interview process in order to be eligible to attend the ALERT training class.

Eligible ALERT participants may register for a training class by contacting the ALERT Program Coordinator, Marina Chacon at [sfpdalert@sfgov.org](mailto:sfpdalert@sfgov.org), or by telephone at 415-401-4615.

### **SFPD ALERT Practice/Training Drill**

All active/trained ALERT members are asked to join us for our next training drill, via scheduled for on TBD

For more information on the San Francisco Police Department ALERT Program, email us at [sfpdalert@sfgov.org](mailto:sfpdalert@sfgov.org), or call Lt. Marina Chacon (SFPD Ret.), SFPD ALERT Program Coordinator, at (415) 401-4615.

For additional information on the web please refer to:

<https://sfgov.org/policecommission/alert>

## **ALERT: Upcoming In Person Tech Session Meeting.**

Upcoming CARC/SARES Tech Session to be conducted in person by Ed Fong – WB6IQN on Saturday September 9, 2023 at 12 noon. Please look the details in the next month's (August 2023) newsletter.

## **ARRL Field Day – Saturday June 24, 2023 Summary Wrapup**

The sunny weather was perfect for the CARC/SARES ARRL Field Dinner that was held on the Saturday afternoon of June 24, 2023 at the Fairbrae Swim & Racquet Club in Sunnyvale.

The CARC/SARES ARRL field day dinner was well attended with well over 70+ folks.

Over the 2 days of the CARC/SARES ARRL field day, our official ARRL field contact score was 1172, this was a very respectable score and the highest we have ever done. The score will be posted in a future edition of QST.

Many thanks to Ed Fong--WB6/QN, Sharadon Fong, Violet Fong, Denise So, Ada Fong, Howard Louie-- N6MNV (photographer), Ron Quan- KI6AZB (photographer) and others for the logistical support.



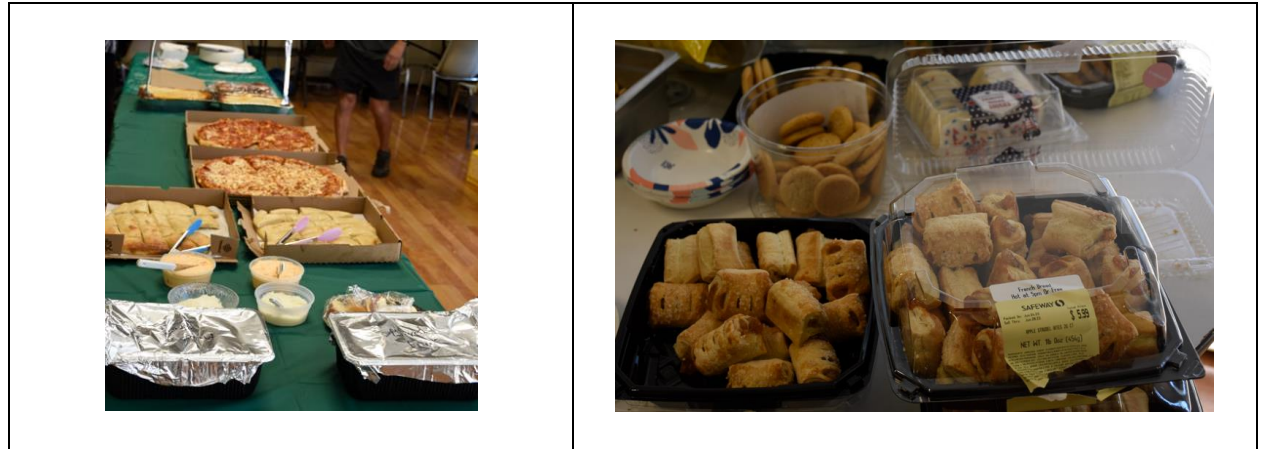
Ed Fong WB6/QN, host and organizer of the CARC/SARES Field Day Event

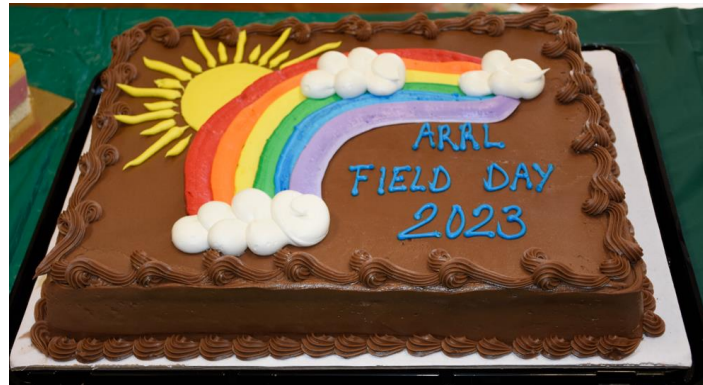


George Chong, W6BUR, President of the CARC club was in attendance



The Italian theme food spread was very well received and shown below. The lasagnas (eggplant and cheese) were among the favorites. Additional whole pizzas were brought out during the evening dinner.









Gundrun Polak xyl of Wolfgang Polak (AI6SL).



Gundrun generously sharing and serving her donated birthday cake with the attendees.

## List of 2023 Field Day Raffle Prize Winners

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|----------------------------------|--|
| • Joy Rabins - N6GO:             | uSDX + radio                           |
| • Robert Yee - W6VVQ:            | Raddioddity QB25                       |
| • Clifton Shak - KH6IKL:         | Tiny SA spectrum analyzer              |
| • Jordon Makower -WA2BRV -       | Motorola GM300                         |
| • Michael Murray KI6JDY          | RunningSnail Solar Crank Weather Radio |
| • Ralph Kugler - KC6YDH:         | 10 amp hour switcher                   |
| • Jacob Farkas KC7SM:            | Pixie – 40 meter transceiver           |
| • Lavinda Han: KJ6WGV:           | HF receiver                            |
| • Richard Yee (Rodney's brother) | Baofeng UV5R x 3                       |
| • Joann Rieke- KN6AMZ:           | 7900D quad band antenna                |
| • Rodney Yee - KJ6DZL:           | 2-meter antenna                        |
| • Joy Rabins - N6GO:             | Harbor Freight COB LED Lantern         |
| • Todd Eyring - KJ6WBK:          | Harbor Freight COB LED Lantern         |
| • Dave Chan - WZ6X:              | Multi tool pen                         |
| • Jean Ralph - KO4ORJ:           | 4 amp hour USB power pack              |
| • Michael Murray KI6JDY:         | Harbor Freight COB LED Lantern         |
| • Jordon Makeover- WA2BRV:       | 2010 ARRL Handbook                     |
| • Conrad Lee -N6TIG;             | Multi tool pen                         |
| • Lavinda Han- KJ6WGV:           | COB LED flashlight                     |





Joy Rabins - N6GO with uSDX + radio prize



Richard Yee and Robert Yee - W6VVQ winners of Raddioddy QB25



Clifton Shak - KH6IKL With Tiny SA spectrum analyzer prize



Jordon Makower -WA2BRV, Motorola GM300



Michael Murray KI6JDY winner of Runningsnail Emergency radio



Ralph Kugler -KC6YDH: 10Amp switcher



Lavinda Han: KJ6WGV with HF receiver prize



Richard Yee (Rodney's brother) Baofeng UV5R x 3



Joann Rieke- KN6AMZ with 7900D quad band antenna prize



Rodney Yee-KJ6DZI:2-meter antenna



Joy Rabins - N6GO with Harbor Freight COB LED Lantern prize



Todd Eyring - KJ6WBK with Harbor Freight COB LED Lantern prize





Dave Chan - WZ6X: Multi tool pen



Jean Ralph - KO4ORJ:4 amp hour USB power pack



Michael Murray KI6JDY: Harbor Freight COB LED Lantern



Conrad Lee -N6TIG with Multi tool pen prize





Lavinda Han- KJ6WGV: COB LED flashlight



Ed Fong - WB6IQN performing his magic of running his exciting raffle.



Bob Lai (KM6QP) and Xyl



Wayne Lake - WD6DZS



Marvin F Wahl – W6FUL & Natalie Wahl (xyl)



Howard Louie – N6MNV, one of our official photographers



Invited guest and Jean Ralph - KO4ORJ



Invited guests and Lavina Han- KJ6WGV



Denise So and Ada Lowe, volunteer helpers that organized the food layout



Jordon Makeover WA2BRV Joy Robins N6GO



Cindy Spencer – KN6ANA



Gary Gin – KN6LV and George Chong – W6BUR



Andrew Weisner, Violet Fong, Sharadon Fong



Invited guest attendee



Todd Eyring - KJ6WBK



Andrew Weisner and girlfriend Violet Fong (Ed Fong's daughter)





Clifton Shak - KH6IKL



Jeff Shimbo AK6TG



Crowd observing field day contacts in progress





Drake TR7 transceiver during field day



Raddioddy QB25 in field day use



On left Dave Chan- WZ6X operating QRP



Rad N6TIG, Dave WZ6X, Adrian K3ADM, Wolfgang AI6SL



Invited guests



Jordon Makeover -WA2BRV



Thomas Leibold KK6FPP, he made and brought the pasta egg salad that was a favorite dish



Michael Wong WA6BPN



Conrad Lee -N6TIG



Invited guest of an attendee





Gordon Girton W6NW



Invited guest of an attendee



Norman Gok KN6YYI



Wolfgang showing his 2 meter antenna setup used on ARRL Field Day



Joann Rieke- KN6AMZ and Todd Eyring KJ6WBK



Ron Quan – KI6AZB, our 2<sup>nd</sup> event photographer



Invited Attendee Family





Folks anxiously awaiting the start of the raffle



Folks checking their raffle tickets as the results are being announced



Left to right: Gundrun Polak and Wolfgang Polak AI6SL.



Invited Attendee



Photo of folks getting the delicious food