

CATHAY RADIO NEWS

Field Day Reminder June 13, 2005

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Cathay Amateur Radio Club is basically an active social club of Ham Radio Operators and their spouses.

Monday Night Net Time: 9PM PST Frequency: 146.67MHz -600KHz PL85.4 and 442.70 +5MHz PL 173.8 The repeaters are link. If you live outside of the Bay Area, you can log onto **Echolink** via **N1GF**. The Monday night net is the best way to find out the latest club news.

President's Message:

This is a short newsletter to remind everyone of ARRL Field Day at George's house in the lovely Oakland Hills. This site is idea since it is the location of the W6BUR repeater. Bring a pot luck dish and share it with fellow colleagues.

Field Day- Saturday June 25th

Place: 13310 Skyline Blvd. Oakland CA

Phone: 510-638-6955

Time: 10 AM to 3PM

Food arrangement: potluck

Cost to members and non members: FREE!!

DIRECTIONS:

FROM THE BAY BRIDGE OR EMERYVILLE:

Take #580E towards Hayward, exit on Keller Avenue, go uphill at Keller to dead end on Skyline, go North (left turn) onto Skyline Blvd for 1.75 miles....look for multiple mail boxes, turn right without passing the mail boxes up the private road. The number is 13310.....We will be monitoring the 146.67 box.

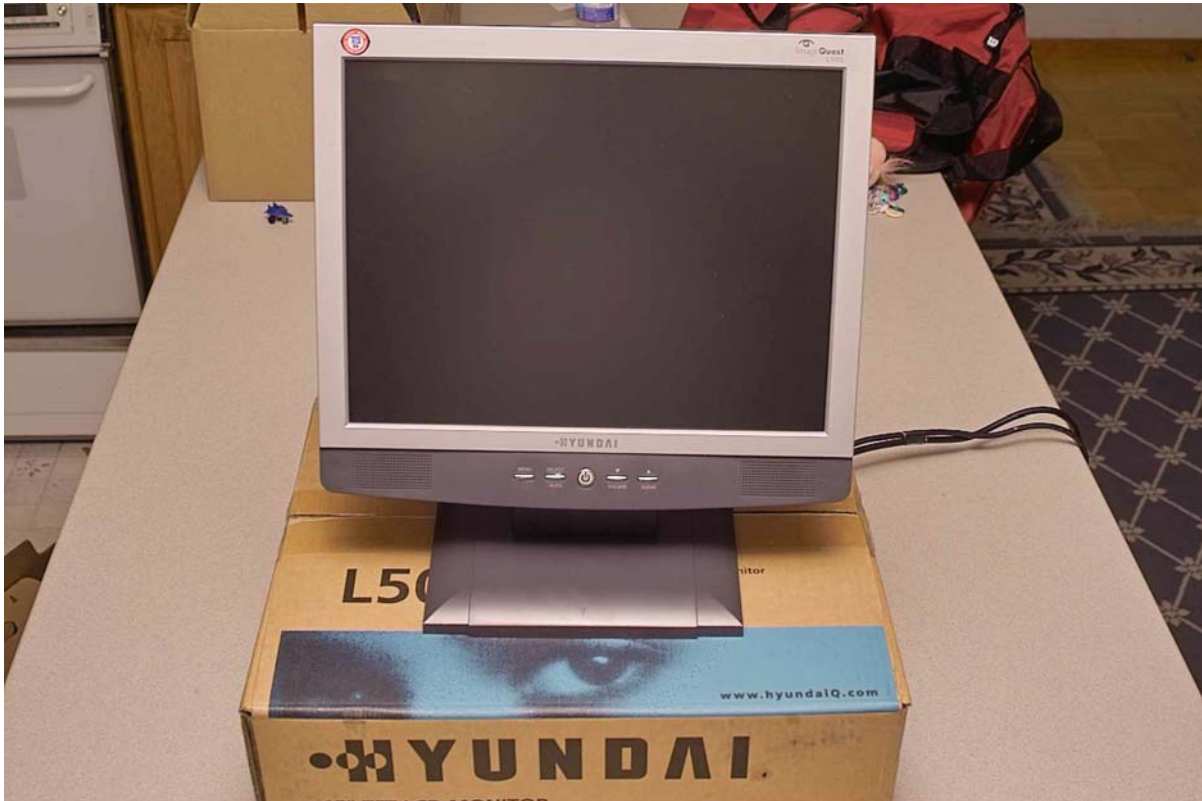
FROM THE SOUTH:

Take #580W to KELLER AVENUE OFF RAMP and take the Easy Way's direction.

If you have not been to George and Hetty's house, you have missed one of the greatest Field Day sites around. It is perched at the peak of Skyline Blvd. in the Oakland Hills. Bring your portable radios, portable set ups, Elecrafts K-2's and whatever else you have. I love this event because I get to try out all the radios I don't have. Besides, if you did not win the FT817 during the banquet, Nelson promises to bring the one he won so others can envy it. I will bring my Motorola Service Monitor and Agilent 8591E spectrum analyzer to check out your radios. Of course, bring the great food and shoot the breeze. I will show off my HT220 and hopefully recruit more members to the HT220 club.

For the raffle, we will have some great prizes. The grand prize will be a 17-inch flat panel LCD monitor for your computer (see picture below). This is the actual monitor with a 1 watt audio amplifier built-in. I upgraded this monitor from the last newsletter. Originally I had a basic 17 monitor but when Fry's had a sale on this one that included the built-in speakers, I went and exchanged

it. If you cannot make the event (such as you are in Southern California or attend another club's Field Day), you can still buy a raffle ticket. Just email me (edison_fong@hotmail.com) and I will give you the details. It's time to get rid of that old clunker CRT and replace it with a thin, bright, energy saving, LCD monitor. The winner will finally get back the room you lost on your desk when your computer took it over 15 years ago.



There will be about a dozen other smaller prizes such as ARRL handbook, SW radios, toolsets, etc. Raffle tickets are \$5 each.

Coming Events for the year. Details to come in the Mid Summer Newsletter.

August 13th – Portable dual band J-pole construction party at Ed's house in Sunnyvale. Come to this event for free pizza, salad and refreshments right after the DeAnza Swap meet. Each person will build a portable roll up dual band J-pole complete with 6 ft of RG174 and BNC connector. This is a "must need" for any emergency communications kit. This antenna rolls up and literary fits

in your pocket and yet provides for about 6 dB of gain over your HT antenna. Get a lunch, meet with friends, and leave with an antenna. Cost \$5.

September 10th - Annual Picnic at National Semiconductor park.

October ???- Hillard Airport Field Trip. Exact date still to be finalized.