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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, Frequencies: 146.67MHz -600KHz PL85.4 and 442.70 +5MHz PL 173.8. The repeaters are linked only during the CARC Monday night net.

Update: Link to repeater 442.70 is currently not active until further notice.

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;

I wish to thank those CARC members that participated in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life event that occurred on Saturday June 4, 2016 in several Bay Area sites.

Ed Fong

Annual CARC Picnic 2016 Intro

Ed Fong pulled off another incredible and successful Annual CARC Picnic & ARRL field day on Saturday June 25, 2016 in Sunnyvale. Please check out the write up and pictures toward the end of this newsletter.

CARC Final Wrap-up News

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.

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) was organized by the San Francisco Office of Emergency Services (OES) following the 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake to support the communications needs of the City and County of San Francisco when responding to emergencies and special events.

The Auxiliary Communications Service holds General Meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the San Francisco Emergency Operations Center, 1011 Turk Street (between Gough Street and Laguna Street), from 1900 hours to 2100 hours local time. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

The ACS Net begins at 1930 hours (7:30 p.m.) 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 should perform Net Control duty on a regular basis. On the second Thursday of each month, the net will be conducted on the output frequency of the WA6GG repeater, 442.050 MHz no offset, tone 127.3 Hz, simplex.

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

Upcoming meetings: Tuesday 7pm, July 19, 2016
Tuesday 7pm, Aug 16, 2016
Tuesday 7pm, Sept 20, 2016

Gilbert Gin (KJ6HKD)

Free Disaster Preparedness Classes In Oakland:
<http://www.oaklandnet.com/fire/core/index2.html>

CORE is a free training program for individuals, neighborhood groups and community-based organizations in Oakland. The underlying premise is that a major disaster will overwhelm first responders, leaving many citizens on their own for the first 72 hours or longer after the emergency.

If you have questions about the recertification process, you may contact the CORE Coordinator at 510-238-6351 or core@oaklandnet.com.

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

Upcoming events

July 2016

- 16 Ham Radio - hands on - POSTPONED - NEW DATE TBD
- 30 Neighborhood Leadership/Coordinator's College

August 2016

- 2 National Police Night Out Volunteers are needed in each of the 10 police districts to staff a NERT table at the events.
- 3 Triage Drill

October 2016

- 7-9 Fleet Week Humanitarian Village; NERT Outreach/Education booth.
9:00a-3:00pm, Marina Green near Scott St.
- 15th: Save the Date! NERT drill

RSVP to sffdnert@sfgov.org or call 415-970-2024 to register.

Visit 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 first complete the Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) (www.sfgov.org/sfnert) training and then graduate into an 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

The next ALERT training classes have been scheduled for Saturday October 1, 2016. The class will be held at the San Francisco Police Academy, in the parking lot bungalow, from 8am-5pm (one hour lunch break).

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, Mark Hernandez, at 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, scheduled for Saturday August 6, 2016 9AM – 1PM. Details will be emailed to active ALERT members, prior to the date of the exercise. Participation is not required, but strongly encouraged.

For more information on the San Francisco Police Department ALERT Program, email us at sfpdalert@sfgov.org, or call Sergeant Mark Hernandez (SFPD, Ret.), SFPD ALERT Program Coordinator, at (415) 401-4615.

For additional information on the web please refer to:

<http://sf-police.org/index.aspx?page=4019>

Annual CARC Picnic 2016 Summary

By Ed Fong - WB6IQN

Date: 06/30/2016

From the photographs below we had a great turn out for the 2016 Field Day / CARC Picnic.



Group photo #1 Dave Cooper (front) Terry Nakashima WB6PVU



Group #2 photo - Left to right: Mike Kaufman K6VCI (blue polo shirt), Gordon Yee KI6UH (White T-shirt with 2012 logo) , Andreas K6OTT (light/dark blue polo shirt)



Group photo # 3: Ron Quan KI6AXB, Austin Lu, Mike Kaufman K6VCI, and Gordon Yee KI6UH



Group photo # 4: Left to right: Jim Fahy (Blue polo shirt), Lisa Massey, several young guys and Bill Jeong -KJ6WGX (far Left seated with hands clapping)

Well over 50 folks were present for the raffle. A total of about 65 folks showed up throughout the day. Folks came from all over that heard about our great Field Day event - from Sunnyvale SARES, Cathay Radio Club, and many of my students from UC Santa Cruz.

We served some 60 sirloin burgers and over 30 pounds of barbeque chicken donated and marinated by Thomas Leibold KK6FPP, Ken Ho (retired CHP officer) and Mia Ho (Ken's wife).

Michael Murray – KI6JDY volunteered as Lead BBQ Chef jumped in with both feet and started off the BBQ duties with Bob Yee – W6VVQ assisting, making both Hamburgers W/O Cheese as requested by the attendees.



Michael Murray - KI6JDY Lead BBQ Chef



Bob Yee – W6VVQ assistant BBQ Chef

Last year Thomas Liebold's (KK6FPP) chili marinated chicken was such a crowd pleaser that folks requested Thomas brings much more of the chicken to this year's event, he brought double the amount this year.

At this year's event, folks keep coming back for 2nd and consumed all of the chicken provided by Thomas.

Thomas Leibold also pitched in with a much needed helping hand and did BBQ duty with his donated 20 lbs of his home made marinated chili peppered tomato sauced chicken legs that was very well received by the attendees.



Left to right: Mia Ho, Ken Ho and Thomas Leibold - KK6FPP (Barbequing up his delicious specially prepared chili sauce chicken – all 20 lbs of it)

Late into the picnic, Mia Ho (Ken's wife) brought over 10 lbs salted and pepper marinated chicken legs from her brother's restaurant that were also a hit with the crowd that came back for 3rds with Sharadon Smith and Ada Lowe sharing the BBQ duties.

Sharadon Smith Fong, Ada Low, Lavinda Han KJ6WGV, Mei Ling Fong - KI6QXM, and Violet Fong also did most of the food prep, setup and subsequent clean up. Whew, that was a lot of hard work for everybody involved but resulted in a very successful and fun event for all the attendees.



Sharadon Smith Fong



Left to right: Ada Low and Lavinda Han - KJ6WGV (Both guests of Rodney – KJ6DZI)

The attendees consumed 5 gallons of vanilla ice cream and 80 cans of soda. I counted 12 pies along with several salads, cookies, just to mention a few. Special thanks to my wife Sharadon Smith for supplying and preparing both the salad and bake beans with large strips of thick tasty bacon.



Mei-lin Fong – KI6QXM,
Ed Fong's daughter



Violet Fong – Ed Fong's
daughter

Also special thanks to **Boudin Bakery** for donating all the nice San Francisco sourdough bread, a \$50 value. This was made possible because Mei-lin -KJ6QXM (my college student daughter) is working at Boudin's this summer and talked her boss into donating the bread to our event.

My many thanks to everyone that contributed/prepared the delicious food to share with everybody, nobody went home that night hungry.

I saw a lot of families with kids using the swimming pool which I had not seen in previous years. Some of us even had time for ARRL Field day.

We made 68 contacts – which coincidentally was about the number of attendees. From the pictures there was variety of radios folks brought. Gordon KI6UH brought his Ten Tec Omni D which is known as a great contest radio. Terry WB6PVU brought his Elecraft K3 which was a pleasure to operate. The main radio was my Drake TR7 which seem to far outpace the other radios in the receive department.

Thomas Leibold KK6FPP brought his High Speed Ham network setup which I believe will be Ham Radio of the future. This is a MESH network system that hams are developing throughout the world.

The winners of the 2016 picnic raffle prizes were as follows:

- Toshiba Quad Core Laptop
 - Baofeng Triband mobile
 - County Comm GP5 SSB receiver
 - Baofeng UV5R
 - Journey Edge Knife
 - Socket Wrench set
 - Digital Multi meter
 - Digital Mult meter
 - UCO utility flashlight
- Mark Weilser, KM6BHE
 - Jerry Thalls, KG6HI
 - Lawrence Tsui, KK6FQP
 - Thomas Orman, K6VWD
 - Ken Ho (Guest of Ed Fong)
 - Bob Yee, W6VVQ
 - Fred Schindler
 - Dick Krokowski
 - Cliff Shak, KH6IKL

Additional pictures from the event:



Cliff Shak - KH6IKL and Ed Fong –WB6IQN, handling the antenna setup

Photo by Ron Quan



Left to right: Mia Ho holding her winning raffle prize, Mei-lin Fong - KI6QXM assisting with the raffle.

Photo by Ron Quan



James Fahy - N6WKY during the ARRL ham net

Photo by Jordan_Makower



Fred Schindler - hardware engineer



Raffle Prizes for the event.

Photo by Ron Quan

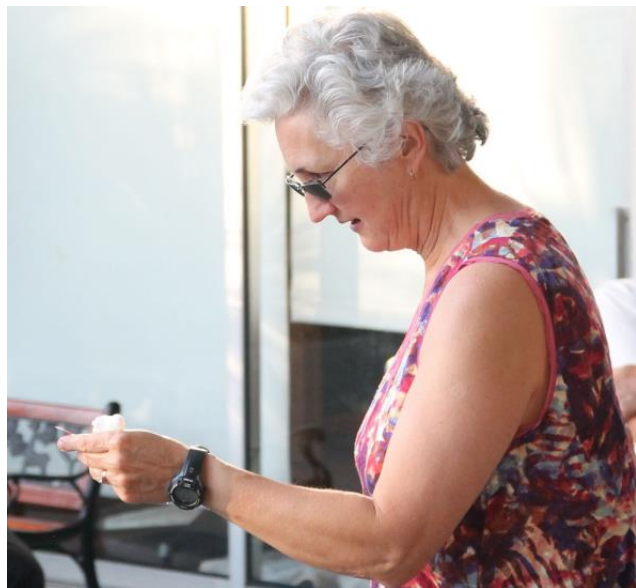


Folks during the raffle and anxiously awaiting the results.

Photo by Ron Quan



Bob Yee – W6VVQ, was grinning as he holding his newly won raffle prize.



Teresa Schindler checking to see if she has the winning ticket



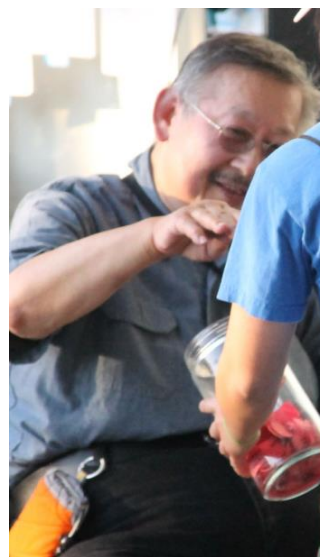
Marlon Forde's lovely girlfriend helping to pick out the next winning raffle ticket.



Left to right: Mark Weiser KM6BHE holding his grand prize he just won and Ed Fong WB6IQN. Photo by Ron Quan



Dick Krokowski to receive his raffle prize, a multi-meter



Bill Jeong – KJ6WGX selecting the next raffle ticket winner
Photo by Ron Quan



Andrew Ott – K6OTT making a radio contact during the ARRL field day



Gordon Yee – KI6UH, listening on the field day radio contact



Todd Eyring KJ6WBK and Mike Kaufman K6VCI



Bob Vallio – W6RGG, ARRL Pacific Division Director



Left to right foreground: Unknown, Carol Eyring -KI6PUX and Todd Eyring -KJ6WBK



Left to right: Sharon Jung and Bill Jung - KJ6WGX of American Red Cross



Richard Zeman and son Greg.



Mrs. Lowe (Ada Lowe's mother)



Left to right: Ada Lowe, Bob Yee – W6VVQ, Ron Quan – KI6AZB, and Lavinda Han KJ6WGV.



Right to left: Nick Casarino, Dave Cooper- K6WA, and unnamed friend



Right to left: Lawrence and friend



Brenda Fong and Austin Lu



Brenda Fong



Austin Lu doing his version of an
Irish Jig