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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.~~

QSY Change to transmission on another frequency / Repeater:

Repeater: WB6TCS - RX 147.210, TX 147.810, Offset +0.6 MHz, CTSS/Tone 100 PL Hz
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 you all a Happy and Safe July 4th holiday!

As many of know our normal Monday Night Nets using W6BUR Repeater was running into too much interference. Denis L. Moore – WB6TCS has come to our rescue and has generously allowed the CARC club to use his repeater: WB6TCS for our Monday night nets.

Until further notice, our Monday night nets will use Denis L. Moore's 2 meter repeater

Repeater: WB6TCS

Location: Oakland, Oakland Hills County: Alameda State: California

RX 147.210 TX 147.810 Offset +0.6 MHz CTSS/Tone 100 PL Hz

ARRL Field Day Summary Wrap Up Introduction

The CARC/SESES ARRL Field Day was a complete success and we owe a debt of gratitude to Ed Fong and his family for leading the event. Of course there were many other participants that contributed to the success of the event. A write up of the event and pictures in this newsletter.

The Tech Article will be deferred to next month's newsletter.

CARC Final Wrap-up News

In the public service announcement section, please read "**2 M CW NET**" Mike Kelly's request for folks to join his CW 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.

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>

2 M CW Rag Chew NET

We are looking for new members to join our 2 M CW Rag Chew Net. The net is not affiliated with any club and is simply Hams getting together to rag chew on CW. If you enjoy CW and want to improve or maintain your skill level we want you.

Our CW net runs daily except Wednesday and Sunday on 147.450 simplex at 4 PM. You will need an all mode radio with 2 M capacity. We start on FM on voice to check in then go to CW then come back to FM to finish up and sign off. The net runs for 15 minutes to a half hour depending on traffic and the number of participants. We are operating from Hayward.

We had five members and three have dropped out for various reasons. We would like to get back to 5 +/- members to join us. Is this you or do you know someone that might be interested? Please contact me (aa6mk1@gmail.com) for further information or join us on the air.

Hope you will join us. Bring a friend with you.

73,

Mike Kelly AA6MK
aa6mk1@gmail.com

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, Aug 15, 2017
 Tuesday 7pm, Sept 19, 2017

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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).

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

Upcoming events

July 2017

TBD

August 2017

TBD

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 SFPD ALERT training class has been scheduled for Saturday, Sept 9, 2017. 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 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Saturday July 29, 2017. 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>

The 2017 Annual CARC / SARES Picnic - ARRL Field Day Wrap Up

By Ed Fong and Rodney Yee



This special cake provided By Ed Fong - *WB6/QN*, says it all!

This recent CARC/SARES ARRL field day, June 24-25, 2017 was a success!

As mentioned in the previously newsletter, the previous location at the Fairebrae Swim and Racquet Club was not available.

We are very grateful to both the City of Sunnyvale and the Sunnyvale Fire Department to allow us the use of their Fire Station #2 facilities (corner of N. Wolf Rd and Arques Ave. in Sunnyvale) with plenty of parking.

We were provided full access to the training classroom and the break room where there is a full service bathroom, refrigerator, kitchen sink. We even provided with use of their outdoor picnic tables and use of the Fire Department propane fueled gas barbeque.

We set up our ham radio equipment in the training classroom and ran our antenna up in the trees.



In background: Building facilities provided by the Sunnyvale Fire Station #2 for the ARRL field day. In foreground: note the barbeque grill and the park benches.

There was a lot of electrical interference from the construction work on the nearby new Apple office building that resulted in radio interference until the end of the work day for the construction crew. Radio contacts were successful later that evening, we did more contact this time than previous SARES/CARC ARRL Field Day's.



Making radio Contacts group picture



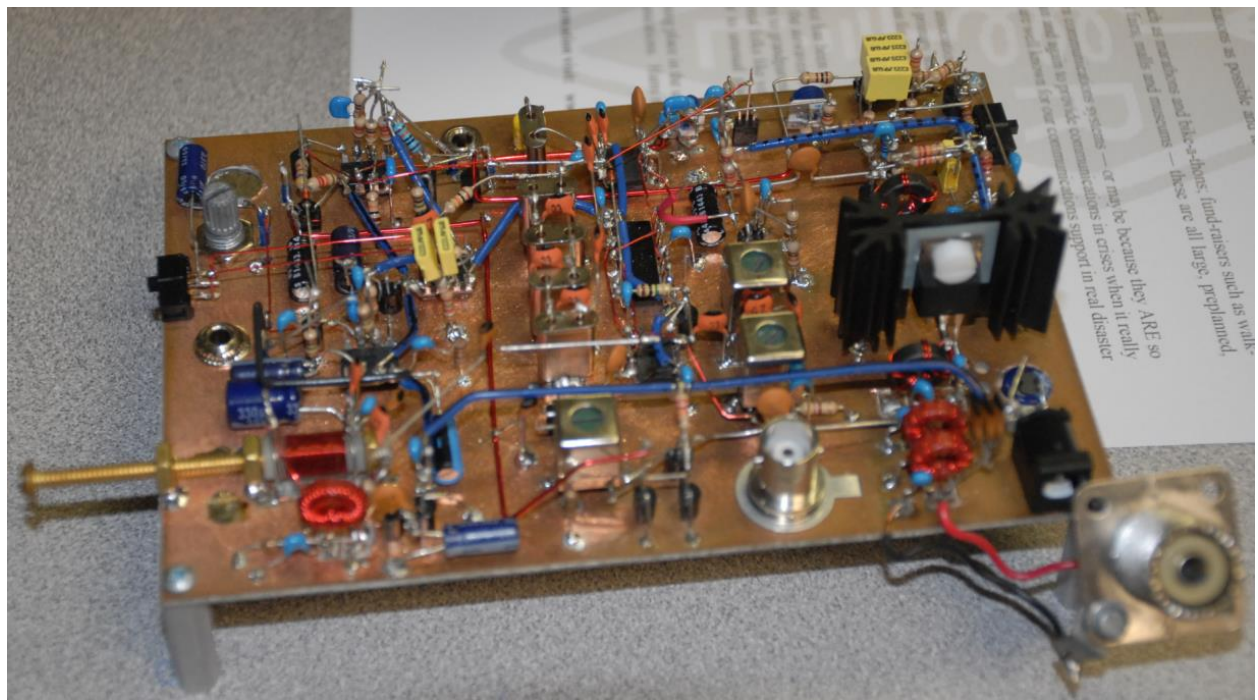
Left to right: Mei-Ling Fong KI6QXM and Ed Fong – WB6IQN



SARES - Repeater Group radio rig



Thomas Leibold - KK6FPP radio rig



Homemade 6 meter Ham Radio.

The food that several people donated was very much appreciated and greatly contributed to the success of the ARRL event. Ed Fong provided We had more than enough food to feed our crowd of some 50 – 60 folks for dinner and with around 80 people that showed up throughout the day

The food consisted of

- Individual 1/3 lb Sirloin burgers with all the trimmings (Cheese, tomatoes, etc)
- Hot Dogs
- Kim Low's 3 different types of home made noodle dishes
- Macaroni and Cheese dish.
- Marinated Chicken wings and Venison burgers from Thomas Leibold - KK6FPP
- Variety of home made salads
- Variety of chips
- Watermelons - 3 of them
- Homemade cookies with sesame seeds from Mike Kelly's wife.
- Variety of ice chilled canned soft drinks
- Apple pie, Lemon, Raspberry, Blue Berries Pudding Ring Cakes
- Decorated ARRL Special Ordered Chocolate Sheet Cake
- Several Gallons of Vanilla Ice Cream

Of special note: Thomas Leibold - KK6FPP generously donated his time to barbecue Hamburger and hot dogs the entire day for the attendees. Thomas also BBQ two full metal trays full of his donated famous marinated Chicken legs that folks have been awaiting all year long for. Even the Fire Department personal joined us for dinner and we gladly shared our plentiful supply of food with them. Everybody loved the BBQ

chicken including the Fire Department personnel. Mike Kelly AA6MK wife brought some home made sesame cookies that just went great with the vanilla ice cream that Ed Fong provided.

The list of raffle winners and prizes were as follows:

- Grand Prize Winner: HP Elite i5 laptop with Windows 10 - Greg Zeman
- Btech Triband - Joy McLemore Rabins KM6IFL
- Lux pro LED flashlight - Todd Eyring
- Countycomm GP5 SSB receiver - Ron Quan KI6AZB
- iWorks screw driver set - Jerry Thalls
- Digital multi-meter Harbor freight - Jenny - friend of Joy's
- UCO lantern by County Comm. – Kim Lowe
- Emergency candle lantern County comm – Denise So
- 50 ft of antenna cord - Terry Nakashima
- Rescue Tape by County comm - Bob Vallio W6RGG
- Maratac Fireproof utility bag County comm. - Dave Kooper

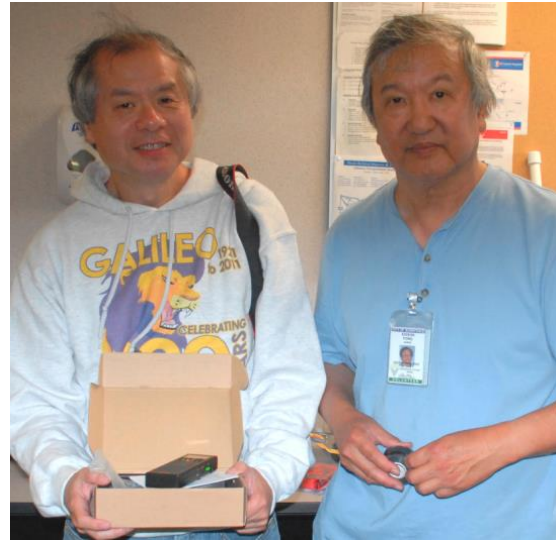
Many thanks goes out to all the folks that contributed food and time to the event. Additional thanks also goes out to Thomas Leibold, Ada Lowe, Denise So and Kim Lowe for the food contributions, the setup, salad preparation and post picnic clean up.



Left to right: Grand Prize Winner: Greg Zeman with his new HP Elite i5 laptop with Windows 10 and presenter: Ed Fong – WB6IQN
Photo by Ron Quan - KI6AZB



Left to right: Joy Rabins – KM6IFL holding her newly won Btech Triband Transceiver and presenter Ed Fong –WB6IQN



Left to right: Ron Quan - KI6AZB holding his new Countycomm GP5 SSB receiver and presenter Ed Fong – WB6IQN



David Kooper holding up his newly won Maratac Fireproof utility bag from County comm



Left to right: Denise So winner of the LED Lantern, and presenter: Ed Fong – WB6IQN



Left to right: Jenny - friend of Joy's holding up Digital multi-meter Harbor freight and presenter Ed Fong – WB6IQN



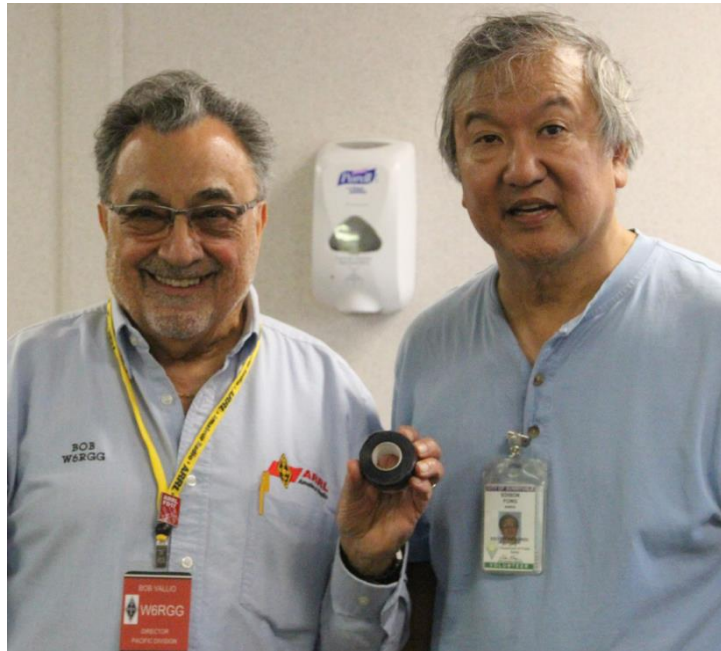
Left to right: Jerry Thalls with his new iWorks screw driver set and presenter: Ed Fong – WB6IQN



Left to right: Denise So with her new LED Lantern and presenter: Ed Fong – WB6IQN



Left to right: Presenter Ed Fong – WB6IQN and Kim Low holding her lantern raffle prize.



Left to right: Bob Vallio - W6RGG with his roll of rescue tape raffle prize and Ed Fong – WB6IQN



Runner up for Grand Prize Laptop.



Left to right: Mike Kelly and xyl. Note that they both enjoyed to food!



Picture of the feast that awaits the ARRL field day participants.



Picture of Field Day ARRL participants during the raffle



Yes, obviously we are having fun, Center: Leonard Tom



Far Right in blue shirt is Thomas Leibold - KK6FPP doing the BBQ to feed all the attendees of ARRL event that.



Left to right: Violet Fong, Sharadon Smith Fong, Mei-Ling Fong - KI6QXM, and Kim Lowe



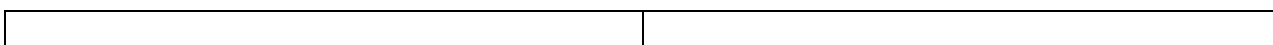
Volunteer money and raffle ticket collector



Left to right: Ada Lowe, Kim Lowe, and Denise So



Left to right hubby and xyl - Natalie



Enjoying the ARRL dinner in the late afternoon



Firefighters join us for dinner



Violet Fong (Ed Fong's daughter) – loading up on food



Left to right: Cliff Shak - KH6IKL and Denise So in the food serving area!



One more look at some of the vast food choices that were donated by the attendees

- Ed Fong and Rodney Yee