

# SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION

## Report for the month of

### January 2017

SM Dan Pruitt, AE6SX- ASMs K6YK and N2NS, ACC W6DPD, SEC KF6FIR, aSEC

WL7C00, OOC N1VM, STM K6RAU, PIC KJ60UI, TC W6TE.

Hello San Joaquin Valley;

We need to talk. I need some help. Those of you with titles have

responsibilities. Not much, but if they are not performed, I am tasked

with extra work and I am unable to perform those things that enhance the

ham radio hobby. ECs, I need your simple monthly report to your DECs.

They consist of your public service hours and volunteers. DECs, your

reports need to go to the SEC and aSEC. These are then submitted to

Steve Ewald, WV1X, and I. It is a 5-minute report if the info is

collected during the month.

Beside that, it is antenna playtime, repair, construction and design.

There are a lot of opportunities for contacts during QSO parties and

hopefully increased propagation. Given warmer weather, it should be

more comfortable conditions for DIY and rig repair. I'm looking

forward to a great year! Hang in there and enjoy 2017 on the radio.

Remember to support "The Amateur Radio Parity Act". Go to the link on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/amateur-radio-parity-act>. We have to continue the support for this legislation.

For us in California, go to the link below to leave your opinion regarding the new "Hands Free" law.

[https://www.change.org/p/california-state-house-qualify-or-repeal-ab-1785-re-immersive-v-passive-devices?recruiter=17018523&utm\\_source=share\\_petition&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=share\\_email\\_responsive](https://www.change.org/p/california-state-house-qualify-or-repeal-ab-1785-re-immersive-v-passive-devices?recruiter=17018523&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=share_email_responsive)

73;

Dan Pruitt, AE6SX

NEWS: From ARRL newsletters. Read complete articles from January to now.

01/11/2017 | QRP ARCI Four Days in May Event Registration Open

01/11/2017 | Apparent Pirate Station Transmitting SSTV on 10 Meters

01/12/2017 | More Countries Join the Growing 60-Meter Community

01/12/2017 | Illegal Drone Transmitters Could Interfere with Air

Traffic Control, ARRL Complaint Asserts

01/12/2017 | ARRL Asks FCC to Allocate New 5 MHz Band, Retain Channels

and Current Power Limit

01/13/2017 | ITF-2 CubeSat Set to Deploy from ISS

01/13/2017 | Nebraska Sesquicentennial Celebration QSO Party Set for

February, March

01/13/2017 | Maxim Memorial Station W1AW Receives Equipment Donations

from Heil Sound, Radiohaus/America

01/16/2017 | Sweden's SAQ Alexanderson Alternator Station Reports  
"Successful" Christmas Transmission

01/18/2017 | Several CubeSats with Amateur Radio Payloads Deployed from ISS

01/19/2017 | CEPT Meeting Makes Progress on WRC-19 Agenda Items Affecting Amateur Radio

01/24/2017 | Amateur Radio Parity Act Speeds to U'S. House Passage, Heads to US. Senate

01/24/2017 | US Naval Academy HFsat Coordinated for 15 Meter-to-10 Meter Transponder

01/25/2017 | New Mexico Radio Amateur Marks 80 Years as a Licensee

01/31/2017 | Bryant Rascoll, KG5HV0, is Dave Kalter Youth DX Adventure Essay Contest Winner

01/31/2017 | Transcontinental Relay Recreated for 100th Anniversary Commemoration

02/01/2017 | AM Rally Set for April 1-3 – No Fooling!

02/03/2017 | UK Ham Does Summits on the Air Activation the Hard Way

ARRL RTTY Roundup N2NS Class: 50 Unlimited Total: 350  
State/Prov = 51  
Countries = 30 Total Score = 28,350  
NAQP, SSB – January W6DPD Single Op Total Score = 357  
CQ 160- CW N2NS Single Op Assisted HP Total: QSOs = 207  
State/Prov =  
45 Countries = 16 Total Score = 41,846  
CQ 160- CW K6MI Single Op Assisted HP Total QSOs= 5. Just working new countries or countries where a QSL is still needed  
. Contests:

## February 2017

- + ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Feb 7
- + NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 10
- + CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest 0000Z, Feb 11 to 2359Z, Feb 12
- + SARL Field Day Contest 1000Z, Feb 11 to 1000Z, Feb 12
- + Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW 1100Z-1300Z, Feb 11
- + Dutch PACC Contest 1200Z, Feb 11 to 1200Z, Feb 12
- + KCJ Topband Contest 1200Z, Feb 11 to 1200Z, Feb 12
- + SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 1200Z, Feb 11 to 2400Z, Feb 12
- + OMISS QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 11 to 1500Z, Feb 12
- + New Hampshire QSO Party 1600Z, Feb 11 to 2200Z, Feb 12
- + FISTS Winter Unlimited Sprint 1700Z-2100Z, Feb 11
- + AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party 2300Z, Feb 11 to 2300Z, Feb 12
- + Balkan HF Contest 1200Z-1800Z, Feb 12
- + CQC Winter QSO Party 0100Z-0259Z, Feb 13
- + ARRL School Club Roundup 1300Z, Feb 13 to 2359Z, Feb 17
- + PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint 0000Z-2359Z, Feb 14
- + AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening 1900Z-2030Z, Feb 15
- + RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data 2000Z-2130Z, Feb 15
- + NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 17
- + NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 17
- + ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW 0000Z, Feb 18 to 2400Z, Feb 19
- + Novice Rig Roundup 0000Z, Feb 18 to 2400Z, Feb 26
- + SARL Youth Day Sprint 0800Z-1000Z, Feb 18
- + Russian PSK WW Contest 1200Z, Feb 18 to 1159Z, Feb 19
- + Feld Hell Sprint 1900Z-2059Z, Feb 18
- + Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 0200Z-0400Z, Feb 20
- + SKCC Sprint 0000Z-0200Z, Feb 22
- + NAQCC CW Sprint 0130Z-0330Z, Feb 22
- + QRP Fox Hunt 0200Z-0330Z, Feb 22
- + Phone Fray 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 22
- + CWops Mini-CWT Test 1300Z-1400Z, Feb 22 and 1900Z-2000Z, Feb 22 and 0300Z-0400Z, Feb 23
- + UKEICC 80m Contest 2000Z-2100Z, Feb 22
- + RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW 2000Z-2130Z, Feb 23

- + NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Feb 24
- + NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Feb 24
- + CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB 2200Z, Feb 24 to 2200Z, Feb 26
- + REF Contest, SSB 0600Z, Feb 25 to 1800Z, Feb 26
- + UBA DX Contest, CW 1300Z, Feb 25 to 1300Z, Feb 26
- + South Carolina QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 25 to 0159Z, Feb 26
- + North American QSO Party, RTTY 1800Z, Feb 25 to 0559Z, Feb 26
- + SARL Digital Contest 1300Z-1600Z, Feb 26
- + North Carolina QSO Party 1500Z, Feb 26 to 0059Z, Feb 27

### March 2017

- + UKEICC 80m Contest 2000Z-2100Z, Mar 1
- + NRAU 10m Activity Contest 1800Z-1900Z, Mar 2 (CW) and 1900Z-2000Z, Mar 2 (SSB) and 2000Z-2100Z, Mar 2 (FM) and 2100Z-2200Z, Mar 2 (Dig)
- + NCCC RTTY Sprint 0145Z-0215Z, Mar 3
- + ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB 0000Z, Mar 4 to 2400Z, Mar 5
- + Open Ukraine RTTY Championship 1800Z-2059Z, Mar 4 (Low Band) and 2100Z-2359Z, Mar 4 (Low Band) and 0800Z-1059Z, Mar 5 (High Band) and 1100Z-1359Z, Mar 5 (High Band)
- + DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest 1100Z-1700Z, Mar 5
- + SARL Hamnet 40m Simulated Emerg Contest 1200Z-1400Z, Mar 5
- + NSARA Contest 1200Z-1600Z, Mar 5 and 1800Z-2200Z, Mar 5
- + RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data 2000Z-2130Z, Mar 6
- + ARS Spartan Sprint 0200Z-0400Z, Mar 7
- + AGCW YL-CW Party 1900Z-2100Z, Mar 7

### CLUBS

CLOVIS ARP ++ Rob AE6GE presented a presentation on radio Protocol & Etiquette. Rob also retains his office as President. Rick, W6KK0 will

be the fox in the March 11 T-Hunt. [www.k6arp.org/](http://www.k6arp.org/)

FRESNO ARC++ Feb Program by Joe WA6FFJ is to be on the "Condor"

net and 220 MHz Band. Whether you buy a first aid kit or put one

together, make sure it has all the items you may need says Glen,

N6HEW, Fresno ARES EC. N6MTS, Ron, writes about contest rovers.

[www.w6to.com](http://www.w6to.com).

LOS BANOS ARC ++ Bill, WB6KBS our incoming President, then challenged

us all to be creative and think of those kinds of things that might

achieve the issue of where the Club is headed, and what could be done

to encourage better attendance and participation The document in the

newsletter is a first attempt. [www.aa6lb.org](http://www.aa6lb.org)

SIERRA ARC ++ Flash! The first sunspot of cycle 25 has been observed!

The Blue Angels are coming to China Lake next month. SARC is sponsoring

a Special Event Station, N6A, to commemorate their 2 week event. The

February meeting program will be a handy Talky, HT, programming

workshop. Many upcoming Service Events. Winter Field Day 2017 was

SARC's first attempt at hopefully an annual fun ops..

[www.qsl.net/wa6ybn/](http://www.qsl.net/wa6ybn/)

STOCKTON DELTA ARC ++ On new business, it was discussed putting

together mini-competitions between club members on some of the

ARRL

contests and offering prizes to club members in competition with each

other as well as entering the contest. John NZ6Q offered to open his

station to members who would like to join in the NAQP SSB on 21

January. Bob N6TCE will be on from Quartz-site, AZ, Dan KB6UNC will be

on from Utah and Robert N6GT0 will be operating from Valley Springs.

Ed N6XMA gave a presentation on building your own 'go-kit' Pedaling

Paths to Independence Bike Ride is next on 25 February. Read the whole

"Flysheet". There are great comments on Elmering first time hams.

Good comments like, "Instead of us old timers getting on the air and

acting as 'airwaves cops', why not try more courtesy and encouragement on the air?" [www.w6sf.org](http://www.w6sf.org)

NPOTAWRAP UP. California had 1009 Amateurs upload contacts for NPOTA

in 2016. The San Joaquin Valley had 31 participants take part in the

event. The top 5 were K6YK 411, W6OEZ 300, W6DPD 213, K6MI 134 and

W6XK 62. Two SJV Amateurs activated National Parks, N6AJ 6 and AG6IS

5. K6YK achieved Honor Roll by contacting at least 41 of the NPs.

John contacted 49 NPs.

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The following Amateur became Silent Key since the last report:

.Joe N7SPD, Shirley AA6K, Berge, W6XC and Richard K6RCV. They

will be  
missed.

Traffic for January 2017:

ORS: W6SX 1, WS6P 626, K6RAU 15 Total 642

PSHR: W6SX 22, WS6P 670, K6RAU 71

Mark your Calendars:

03/18/2017 | Hamfest 2017

Location: Loomis, CA

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://w6ek.org>

03/31/2017 | Nevada State Convention (NVCON)

Location: Las Vegas, NV

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Las Vegas Radio Amateur Club

Website: <http://www.nvcon.org>

04/21/2017 | International DX Convention 2017

Location: Visalia, CA

Type: ARRL Convention pending Executive Committee approval

Sponsor: Northern California DX Club, Central AZ DXA, Utah DXA

Website: <http://www.dxconvention.com/>

05/12/2017 | Reno/Tahoe Hamfest

Location: Reno, NV

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Sierra Nevada Amateur Radio Society

Website: <http://renotahoehamfest.com>

06/02/2017 | Northwestern Division Convention (SEA-PAC)

Location: Seaside, OR

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Oregon Tualatin Valley ARC

Website: <http://www.seapac.org>

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