## SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of July 2013

SM Dan Pruitt, AE6SX- ASMs K6YK and N2NS, ACC W6DPD, SEC KF6FIR, OOC N1VM, STM K6RAU, PIC K6QI, TC W6TE.

Home from the hill...

Field Day is in the books and the reports are in. Most of the News

Letters address the plus and minus ends of the expedition. All in all

everyone was well fed, had fun and had good learning experiences. I

have noted a few.

We have some housekeeping to do in the section. Some of the Clubs have

not updated their affiliations with ARRL. Please attend to this as soon

as you can. I am looking to contact those that HQ has noted as being

out of date. It is a simple fix.

We have a vacancy in ARES positions, most notably the Southern District

Emergency Coordinator (DEC). Formerly filled by Hal KC5LUB, he was

forced to step down for personal reasons. He was an effective coordinator for many years, not only in SJV, but in other sections/divisions as well. Anyone interested in this or any of the

current vacancies, please contact Ed KF6FIR, Section ARES EC via email:

ed@kf6fir.net .

73; Dan AE6SX

NEWS: From ARRL news letters.

07/15/2013 | ISS Crew Member Chats with Scouts in Canada via

Radio

07/16/2013 | Ham Radio Provides Reliable Link for

Solo-Circumnavigating Grandmother

07/19/2013 | Yasme Foundation Funds Transceivers for New Ethiopian

Hams

07/21/2013 | Temotu DXpedition Dates Set. DK9FN will be operating

once again from Temotu

07/23/2013 | The Great Mothball Fleet Raid A group of hams volunteer to

rescue vintage radio gear from

mothballed Navy ships.

07/24/2013 | Boy Scout Jamboree Hosts Space Station Ham Radio Contact.

The ARISS program continues

to facilitate ham radio contacts between

the ISS

and youth.

07/26/2013 | Hams Aid Crew of Foundering Vessel: Hams monitor distress

call from sailboat.

07/29/2013 | DXCC Desk approves new DX operations for credit.

07/30/2013 | Adobe Air 3.8 Currently Not Compatible With Downloaded

Digital QST using Windows. Digital

QST readers may need to use Version 3.7

until the

issue is resolved.

07/31/2013 | ARRL Now Taking Orders for Personalized Hardcover 2014

Handbook , Centennial Edition.

07/31/2013 | Police are investigating a case of suspected vandalism

that dropped a 200 foot radio tower

owned by the Mt. Diablo Radio Club.

08/02/2013 | Hands-On Technology Training, Robots, Ham Radio — What

More Could Teachers Want?

ARRL's Education & Technology Program

## Teachers

Institutes continue to be popular.

 $08/03/2013\ |\ \mbox{Air Personality Art Bell, W60BB, Returning to Nighttime}$ 

Radio

## Contests:

August 2013

+ Maryland-DC QSO Party 1600Z, Aug 10 to 0400Z,

Aug 11 and

1600Z-2400Z, Aug 11

+ 50 MHz Fall Sprint

2000Z-2400Z, Aug 10

+ NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint 0030Z-0230Z, Aug 14

+ SARTG WW RTTY Contest 0000Z, Aug 17 to

1600Z, Aug 18

+ ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest 0600 local, Aug 17 to

2400 local, Aug 18

+ North American QSO Party, SSB 1800Z, Aug 17 to 0559Z,

Aug 18

+ SARL HF Digital Contest 1300Z-1630Z, Aug 18

+ ARRL Rookie Roundup, RTTY 1800Z-2359Z, Aug 18

+ Hawaii QSO Party 0400Z, Aug 24 to

0400Z, Aug 26

+ Kansas QSO Party 1400Z, Aug 24 to

0200Z, Aug 25 and

1400Z-2000Z,

Aug 25

+ Ohio QSO Party 1600Z, Aug 24 to

0400Z, Aug 25

+ Colorado QSO Party 1200Z, Aug 31 to 0400Z,

Sept 1

## September

+ Tennessee QSO Party

1800Z, Sept 1 to 0300Z,

Sept 2

+ All Asian DX Contest, Phone

0000Z, Sept 7 to 2400Z,

Sept 8

+ QCWA Fall QSO Party

1800Z, Sept 7 to 1800Z,

Sept 8

**CLUBS** 

CLOVIS ARP ++ Summer Sizzler Club party was3 August. September will

be their first meeting since July. They will be ramping up for their

swap meet on 21 September. www.k6arp.org/

LOS BANOS ARC ++ The news letter has pictures of the July meeting.

August 10 will be the Pizza Bash. www.aa6lb.org

SEQUOIA ARG ++ Mike KA6IYS - Field Day Chairman writes a great description of their Field Day. Well worth reading. www.n6krv.org

STOCKTON Delta ++ The 11 July meeting and Field Day is described in

the Flysheet. A very good article on Public Service supporting the

Kingdom Speedway charity event and amateur Radio support with pictures.

A description of antenna directionality and polarity is explained by

John KD6FVA. www.w6sf.org

TURLOCK ARC ++ Bob, WB3CDB report on Field Day was a great blow by blow

description. It seems to be a template for any Field Day. The August

meeting will be a potluck at the home of the celebrated Marcie K6YTK.

The club must be doing something correct as the Police Department has

invited them to do a demonstration of Ham Radio, in a park.

Traffic for JULY 2013:

ORS: WS6P 490, K6RAU 12, W6SX 12 Total 514

PSHR: WS6P 125, W6SX 29, K6RAU 70

Mark your Calendars: PACIFICON 2013 is scheduled for October 11-13,

2013 at the Santa Clara Marriott. See www.pacificon.org for information. SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 7, 2013. The 2014

International DX Convention will be April 4-6, 2014, at the Visalia

Convention Center. Check www.dxconvention.org for information.

Need to take an Amateur exam? Are you having an exam? Check the ARRL

web page, www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml for exam information.

You can also search for Amateur Radio Classes in your area and register

your exam. Instructors can also register classes there.

Card Checking in the Section: You can get cards checked for awards

within the section. W6XK, K6ZZ, and W6DPD can check your cards for DXCC

in accordance with the rules for field checking. DXCC card checkers may

now check cards dated from Nov. 15, 1945, including Deleted DXCC

Entities. K6ZZ can now check 160 Meter Cards. DXCC card checkers may,

at their discretion, check cards for WAS, WAC, and VUCC. W6DPD and K6ZZ

can check cards for the CQ Awards, WAZ, DX, Field, and Prefixes. The

card checkers may also check applications for the IARU Region 2 Award.

ARRL Special Service Clubs may appoint a HF awards manager for WAS and

a VHF Awards Manager for VUCC.

The K6RAU (our Traffic Manager) Morse Code Instruction Course is

available at www.pdarrl.org/K6RAU or www.pdarrl.org/k6rau.

No need to know a "dit" from a "dah", simply with paper and pencil, and

following the instructions.

San Joaquin Valley Nets:

The Noontime net meets on 7.268.5 MHz. This net handles a lot of

messages.

Daytime Region 6 Traffic Net meets daily at 3:30 pacific time on or

near 7.275 MHZ. This one is probable not in operation at this time.

The California Traffic Net meets daily on 3.906 MHZ and 6:00 PM local

time.

The Golden Bear Amateur Radio Net meets nightly at 7:00 PM local time

on 3.975 MHZ.

Northern California Net (NCN), the Section Traffic Net, meets nightly

on 3.533 MHZ at 7 PM Pacific Time.

San Joaquin Net meets nightly on 3918khz, at 6 PM Pacific Time.

Western Public Service System (WPSS) meets nightly on 3952khz, roll -

at 7:30 PM local Pacific Time.

The Mission Trail Net meets nightly on 3.856 MHZ at 8:00 PM local

time.

Northern California Net 2 (NCN2) The slow speed training session of

NCN, meets nightly on 3.533 MHZ at 9 PM Pacific Time. Handling traffic

on CW is a good way to improve your CW skills.

The Young Ham Net every Saturday 2:00 PM local time 145.230 -0.6 PL

100 or Echolink KR6DD-R 271122 or N6WN-R 477737

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