



SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION Report for the month of December 2013

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Happy New Year! It is 2014.

Well we crossed another year off the calendar. I can say I'm very proud of SJV over this last year. I've seen the enhancing of repeater systems, repairing of last winter's damaged antenna systems and increased disaster training. There has also been the reformation of clubs and some new ones. Some Elmering but I would like to see more of the youth involved. In fact a Section Youth coordinator would allow direct input from the text generation. Inspire satellite and ISS contacts and also help promote Amateur Radio in the Scouts and Schools.

Please send me any recommendations.

ARRL has many opportunities to play radio in this Centennial Year.

Certificates to be had, just for being a member. W100AW (Newington W1AW), the Centennial QSO Party is a yearlong event. W1AW/somewhere will spend a week in different locations. Visit WWW.ARRL.ORG/CENTENNIAL for details. There will be 2 West

Coast

Regional Centennial conventions, June 6-8 SEA-PAC–Seaside, Oregon and
October 10-12 Pacificon–Santa Clara, California

What is on your agenda? What are your goals? I would be happy to offer any help available. I can do a program on ARRL or Amateur Radio.

Let me know as soon as possible and I will get you on the Calendar.

Please check your Clubs status as an affiliated Club and update your information annually. A contact person is required
73;

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

12/03/2013 A California teenager makes it possible for elementary schoolers to enjoy a ham radio contact with the ISS.

12/04/2013 A US House subcommittee will be looking into updating the Communications Act of 1934.

12/04/2013 The ARRL may use the call sign W100AW during its Centennial in 2014.

12/05/2013 Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, is the recipient of the Radio Club of America's Sarnoff Citation.

12/09/2013 JOTA 2013 was another year of growth for the event.

12/10/2013 A Long Island ham radio club is recognized on a plaque honoring Superstorm Sandy responders. The Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club (GSBARC) earned a spot on a plaque honoring first responders and other volunteers who assisted in the wake of the devastating

Superstorm

Sandy and the nor'easter that followed in the fall of 2012

12/11/2013 The Jupiter-bound Juno spacecraft was able to hear ham

radio greetings on its early October Earth flyby.

12/12/2013 New Technician Class Question Pool Released

12/18/2013 | Two Ham-Astronauts to Repair Faulty Pump During Multiple

Spacewalks interfering with some ham radioactivity aboard the ISS.

12/26/2013 | Voice of Russia to Continue Shortwave Broadcasting in 2014!

12/26/2013 | South Sudan Radio Amateurs Off the Air Due to Unrest.

12/27/2013 | Tokyo Hy-Power Files for Bankruptcy

12/30/2013 | InnovAntennas Acquires Force 12

01/02/2014 | Spanish Radio Amateurs Given Access to 60 Meter Frequencies Through June.

01/02/2014 | FUNcube-1 (AO-73) Marks 6 Weeks in Space.

01/03/2014 | ARRL-Sponsored Medium-Frequency Experiment Continues as Hams Hope for New Band. ARRL's WD2XSH 630 meter experiment continues.

Contests:

January 2014

+ North American QSO Party, CW 1800Z, Jan 11 to 0559Z, Jan 12

+ NRAU-Baltic Contest, CW 0630Z-0830Z, Jan 12

+ NRAU-Baltic Contest, SSB 0900Z-1100Z, Jan 12

+ DARC 10-Meter Contest 0900Z-1059Z, Jan 12

+ Midwinter Contest 1000Z-1400Z, Jan 12

+ North American QSO Party, SSB 1800Z, Jan 18 to 0559Z, Jan 19

+ ARRL January VHF Contest 1900Z, Jan 18 to 0359Z, Jan 20

- + CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW 2200Z, Jan 24 to 2159Z, Jan 26
- + BARTG RTTY Sprint 1200Z, Jan 25 to 1200Z, Jan 26

February 2014

- + Vermont QSO Party 0000Z, Feb 1 to 2400Z, Feb 2
- + 10-10 Int. Winter Contest, SSB 0001Z, Feb 1 to 2359Z, Feb 2
- + Black Sea Cup International 1200Z, Feb 1 to 1159Z, Feb 2
- + Minnesota QSO Party 1400Z-2400Z, Feb 1
- + British Columbia QSO Party 1600Z, Feb 1 to 0400Z, Feb 2
- + Delaware QSO Party 1700Z, Feb 1 to 0100Z, Feb 3
- + Mexico RTTY International Contest 1800Z, Feb 1 to 1759Z, Feb 2
- + North American Sprint, CW 0000Z-0400Z, Feb 2

CLUBS

CLOVIS ARP ++ New directors were added to the Board of Directors:
 Laura KI6KRT, Mike KD6LDA and Lou KD6WAW. Officers will be selected in January. The 2014 T-Hunt schedule has been posted to the website.
www.k6arp.org/

FRESNO ARC++ January program by Laurie Ecklund Long is on "My Life in a Box" and how to survive emergencies and planning for eventualities. Thanks to Ken WA60IB. Nice pictures from the W6T0 Christmas Party. www.w6to.com

LODI ARC ++ Since the club meets on the first Thursday of the Month, February's program will be The Really Big Dixon Radio Stations by Jim Seiferling. lodiamateurradioclub.org/

SIERRA ARC ++ The annual Installation dinner will be held on January

13. President – Dave, KJ6VRV; 1st Vice Pres – Paula, N6VGW; 2nd

Vice pres – Tammy, KG6VYA; Secretary – Bill, WA6QYR; Treasurer –

Julie, KI6YRA. www.qsl.net/wa6ybn/

SEQUOIA ARG ++ 2013 went out with a roar. See the pix of the Christmas Party including the “Ugly Christmas Sweater” Contest,

Chuck KI6GOG winner! A “Hello” to the SKYWARN Spotters in a letter

from the Hanford weather station, reminds the spotters of the direct

numbers, email and web page location. www.n6krv.org

STOCKTON DELTA ARC ++ 2014 Officers: PRES-Paul, N6KZW; VP Charlie,

WB6NVB; TREAS Dave, N6LHL; and SEC Eric, W6INP. Cute idea on reading

CW is in the DEC Flysheet. www.w6sf.org

TURLOCK ARC ++ TARC Officers for 2014 are: President, Ron KJ6FNL; VP

Darren, K6RDJ; Treas. Mike, KG6VFL; Sec, Spencer, KJ6ART. Take the

“Amateur Radio Quiz” posted in the newsletter. It is great fun. .

www.w6bxn.org.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA DX CLUB++ Officers for 2014 are Pres Bill, WA5VGI;

1st VP Bob, N2NS; 2nd VP Steve, N6HK; Sec/Treas Charles, W6DPD;

Directors Perry, K6XJ; Steve, NA6G; and Richard, WD6FF. For information on meetings, check www.ccdxc.org.

K6XJ, W6DPD, K0DDR, and W6MSU are having fun with JT65 on HF.

W6DPD earned the WPX Award.

KJ6P has earned numerous CQ Field Awards.

The following Amateurs became Silent Keys since the last report: Jack KD6MRF, Herbert N6BC and Ray WB6UC0. They will be missed.

Traffic for December 2013:

ORS: WS6P 393, K6RAU 10 W6SX 6 Total 409

PSHR: WS6P 130, W6SX 31, K6RAU 71

Mark your Calendars:

Quartzfest 2014 January 19th thru 26th 2014. For more information see

www.quartzfest.org/. 10th Annual Yuma Ham Fest Feb 14 & 15.

Go to

www.yumahamfest.org for additional information. M Squared Antennas

Open Hose is set for 15 March. Contact Jason via eMail sales@m2inc.com

The Communications Academy, March 22-23, 2014. Go to www.commacademy.org/ for details. Seattle, Washington. The 2014

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

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

SEA-PAC June 6 - 8, 2014, Seaside, Oregon. For more information go to

www.seapac.org/. Pacificon 2014/Regional ARRL Centennial Convention is

10 through 14 October 2014. Details at www.pacificon.org/.

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.pdarrrl.org/K6RAU or www.pdarrrl.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 Monday-Saturday 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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