

# SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION

## Report for the month of November 2013

SM Dan Pruitt, AE6SX- ASMs K6YK and N2NS, ACC W6DPD, SEC KF6FIR, OOC N1VM,

STM K6RAU, PIC K6QI, TC W6TE.

It may not be winter yet, but sure feels like it. Seems like the whole

country was put in the deep freeze. It won't be long before we start

Santa Claus duty, hi hi.

Most of the Newsletters refer to Christmas Party Plans and Thanksgiving

Day excesses. I do still notice references to "Goodwill" and "Charity". For this I am grateful.

Allow me to reflect on what I am Thankful. Not the least is Amateur

Radio. I have been around enough of the world to know we are very

lucky to have our frequencies, power and lenient regulations. I

suggest we preserve and treasure them highly. It would not take much

to lose any part of it, at the drop of a hat.

Looking forward, don't get caught up in the mercantilism of the season.

Remember the origin of salvation and the power of giving. Be kind and

generous now and all year long.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you all!

73;

Dan Pruitt, AE6SX

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

now.

11/05/2013 | TQSL 2.0 Software Released for Logbook of The World

11/07/2013 | All-Ham Contingent Carries Olympic Torch to ISS; Crews

Prepare to Swap Places

11/11/2013 | American Legion Takes to the Airwaves to Salute

## Veterans

using W9L.

11/11/2013 | K9W Operation Approved for DXCC Credit.

11/11/2013 | Two Hams, Olympic Torch Return Home from ISS.

11/12/2013 | Illinois Congressman Chats with K9W Team on Wake Island.

11/13/2013 | ITU Deploys Satellite Communication Equipment to the

Philippines, Ham Radio Response Continues

11/13/2013 | TV Show Featuring Fictional Ham Sparks Crop of New Hams

11/14/2013 | 2013 ARRL Field Day Results Posted!

11/18/2013 | FUNcube-1 Team to Gather for November 21 Launch,  
“Dashboard” Software Released

11/19/2013 | ARRL Helps Manufacturer to Resolve Arc Fault Circuit

Interrupter RFI Problems

11/30/2013 | SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 7

12/02/2013 | Amateur Radio Direction Finding Enthusiasts Enjoy  
National, Regional Competition

12/05/2013 | Amateur Radio Disaster Response in Philippines  
Winds

Down

12/05/2013 | Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, Receives Radio Club  
of

## America's Sarnoff Citation

12/09/2013 | International Reply Coupon Redemption Deadline Looms

12/09/2013 | Voice of Russia – former “Radio Moscow” – to End Shortwave Broadcasts

## Contests:

### December 2013

+ ARRL 10-Meter Contest                      0000Z, Dec 14 to 2400Z, Dec 15

+ International Naval Contest                      1600Z, Dec 14 to 1559Z, Dec 15

+ Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party                      0001Z, Dec 20 to 2359Z, Jan 1

+ OK DX RTTY Contest                      0000Z-2400Z, Dec 21

+ ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW                      1800Z-2359Z, Dec 22

+ World Wide Iron Ham Contest                      1200Z, Dec 28 to 1159Z, Dec 29

+ Original QRP Contest                      1500Z, Dec 28 to 1500Z, Dec 29

### January 2014

- + SARTG New Year RTTY Contest                      0800Z-1100Z, Jan 1
- + AGCW Happy New Year Contest                      0900Z-1200Z, Jan 1
- + WW PMC Contest                      1200Z, Jan 4 to 1200Z, Jan 5
- + ARRL RTTY Roundup                      1800Z, Jan 4 to 2400Z, Jan 5

## CLUBS

CLOVIS ARP ++ Club Officers for 2014: Pres Rob AE6GE, VP Steve N6JXL,

Treas Lou KD6WAW, Sec Laura KI6KRT. Nov program on Mag Loops was very

good. [www.k6arp.org/](http://www.k6arp.org/)

FRESNO ARC++ Joe W0PJD submitted another HAM bio of Bob W6AIY. A

picture history of the club during 2013 was included in SKIP. If you

have been following Paul W6VPS antenna project, his final success is

described with a couple words of whit. [www.w6to.com](http://www.w6to.com)

KERN Co. Central Valley ARC ++ Matt W6MBW, 2014 Pres., announced his

need to resign due to workload. Randy KC6ZRF will assume the

position.

A good description of the landfall of the Philippine typhoon is

included. [www.W6LIE.org](http://www.W6LIE.org)

LODI ARC ++ Current Officers are Roger W6PKB, Pres.; Ron N6GKJ, VP;

Jim WB6BET, Secretary; Doug KJ60FK, Treas. Celebrating 50 years as a

club this month. [lodiamateurradioclub.org/](http://lodiamateurradioclub.org/)

LOS BANOS ARC ++ Christmas Party, December 14th, Four Seasons Community Room. [www.aa6lb.org](http://www.aa6lb.org)

SIERRA ARC ++ The Eastern Kern County ARES/RACES organization received

a Wells Fargo cargo trailer to enhance their response to disasters.

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

SEQUOIA ARG ++ A woman called from the 'Turkey Hot Line' and asked,

"How long will it take to roast her turkey?" The operator asked,

"How much does the Turkey weigh?" The women responded, "I

don't

know, it is still running around!" Captured from the Kern River

Voice. [www.n6krv.org](http://www.n6krv.org)

TURLOCK ARC ++ "Last Man Standing" crewmember Daniel J. Ryan, showing a

CSCE that he passed his Technician exam, poses with producer John

Amodeo, NN6JA. A number of the crew were or are now Hams. A hiker was

helped by the WIN linked repeater Sys. [www.w6bxn.org](http://www.w6bxn.org).

No Silent Keys since the last report.

Traffic for November 2013:

ORS: WS6P 184, K6RAU 8, W6SX 11 Total 203

PSHR: WS6P 149, W6SX 37, K6RAU 78

Mark your Calendars:

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

[www.quartzfest.org/](http://www.quartzfest.org/). Communications Academy, March 22-23, 2014. Go to

[www.commacademy.org/](http://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](http://www.dxconvention.org) for information.

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

[www.seapac.org/](http://www.seapac.org/). Pacificon 2014/Regional ARRL Centennial Convention is

10 through 14 October 2014. Details at [www.pacificon.org/](http://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](http://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](http://www.pdarrrl.org/K6RAU) or [www.pdarrrl.org/k6rau](http://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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