

# VALLEY HAM NEWS

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## **2025 CLUB OFFICERS**

Pres.: John Rogers KI6UDF

Vice Pres.: Steve Shepard, KN6IJD

Secretary: Linda Maas, KK6SOZ

Treasurer: June McJunkin, N6JEY

05 Aug – Board Meeting

09 Aug – Fox Hunt

19 Aug – General Meeting

02 Sep – Board Meeting

06 Sep – VE Session

16 Sep – General Meeting

04-05 Oct – CA QSO Party

07 Oct – Board Meeting

10-12 Oct – PACIFICON

11 Oct – Fox Hunt

21 Oct – General Meeting

## **2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Joe Visalli, N9BD

Paul Hyatt, W6PNH

Bud Myers KK1BUD

Devon Goss N0DVE

Leonard Lanigan KO6DVV

## **REPEATER TRUSTEE**

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

## **LIAISONS**

ARES: Robert Kelly K6VNR

ARRL SM: Carol Milazzo, KP4MD

VE Liaison: Paul Hyatt, W6PNH

## **Local Nets**

**YSARC Net:** Monday night at 7:00 P.M. (146.085+) PL 127.3 with swap shop and help sessions.

**Butte County ARES Net:** Monday night at 8:00 P.M. (145.290-), PL 110.9

**GEARS Club Net:** Tuesday night at 8:00 P.M., (146.850-), PL 110.9

**ARES Net:** Thursday night at 7:00 P.M., (146.085+) PL 127.3.

**YL Net:** Sunday nights at 2000, (146.970- MHz) PL 123.0.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

01 Jul – Board Meeting

04 Jul – Independence Day

05 Jul – VE Session

15 Jul – General Meeting

17 – 27 Jul – CA State Fair Special

Event Station

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## **ARRL Sacramento Valley Section**

**(VHF) Net:** Third Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M.: on the WD6AXM repeater followed by an HF Net on 3987 kHz LSB.

**OARS Net:** Sunday night at 8:00 P.M., (146.655-), PL 136.5.

Other nets (From the GEARS Radiator Newsletter)

**Sac Valley Net:** 7:00 P.M., 2nd Wed of the month (146.850-), PL 110.9

**440 Wed. Night Net:** 8:00 P.M. each Wednesday, 440.650 MHz.

**Golden Bear Net:** 7:00 P.M. daily 3975 kHz.

**Willie Net:** 8:00 P.M. Mondays, 1930 kHz.

**CA Traffic Net:** 3906 kHz nightly at 6:00 P.M. for traffic listing and 6:30 P.M. for roll call.

## **California TALARC (The American Legion Amateur Radio Club) net:**

Sunday at 1:00 P.M. weekly on 7278 kHz.

## ***Club Store***

The club has the following items available for purchase at cost:

1. PL259 Coax connectors, 12 each. Cost is \$1.84 each.
2. RG8X reducers, 74 each. Cost is \$0.64 each.
3. Power Pole connectors, 103 red/black pairs. Cost is \$1.09 per pair.
4. RG8X strain relief boots, 5 at \$0.50 each.
5. RG8X Black Coax, 1 spool 85 feet, 1-spool 100 feet and 1 coil of 122 feet. Cost is \$0.39 per foot.

6. BNC Female to SMA Female Adapter, 7 each. Cost is \$3.50 each.
7. LMR240 Double Shielded Coax, 300 feet. Cost is \$0.26 per foot.
8. RCA Male to BNC Female Adapters, 3 each. Cost is 2.00 each.
9. BNC Male Crimp 20 each. Cost is 2.00 each.
10. BNC Male-to-Male Adapter 3 each. Cost is 3.00 each.
11. SO-239 to SO-239 2 each. Cost is 2.00 each.
12. TNC Male Crimp 10 each. Cost is 2.50 each.
13. BNC Male to RCA Female Adapter 5 each. Cost is 2.00 each.

There is a Power Pole crimper that can be checked out.

If you are interested in checking out the crimper or purchasing any of the club store items contact, Curtis (KF6VFP) at (530) 713-9068, by email at KF6VFP@arrl.net, on the air, or at one of the club meetings. At most club meetings he has the club store available excluding cable.

## ***For Sale***

Devon Goss (N0DVE) is selling a short sleeve t-shirt with the club logo in vinyl on the back and your call sign on the front pocket area. \$20. Long sleeves are \$26. Profits go to the Club. Custom designs are possible. Send me your requests and we will try to make it happen. Email me with t-shirt color, size, style, call sign and any special requests.

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I can bring the finished shirts to the club meetings or you can pick up.

Devon can be reached at [Devdzyn@me.com](mailto:Devdzyn@me.com) or [N0DVE@arrl.net](mailto:N0DVE@arrl.net).



Walt Hammontree (N6HNS) has the following for sale.

Hallicrafters SX-28 shortwave receiver.

Walt has the following available:

Hammarlund HQ-180, Vintage tube shortwave receiver plus matching speaker

Hammarlund HQ-160, Vintage tube shortwave receiver plus matching speaker

Heathkit Mohawk RX-1 receiver

2 each Heathkit Seneca VHF -1 (6 and 2 meter transmitter) plus an additional front cover plate

Globe Scout Deluxe HF (80 – 6 meter) Transmitter

Heathkit DX-20 transmitter

Miscellaneous-transistors, diodes, ICs, enclosures, capacitors inductors,

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coils, crystals, switches, and connectors.

Walt can be contacted at

[whammontree@earthlink.net](mailto:whammontree@earthlink.net)

if you are interested in any of these items.

## ***Foxhunt***

Photos from the June's Foxhunt



Ted (KN6TED), Devon (N0DVE) and Gordon searching for the low-level transmitter.



Participants in the last fox hunt: Paul (W6PNH), Ted (KN6TED), Gordon, Devon (N0DVE), Karla (K6KDS), Joe (AK6GN),

Steven, Ryan (K6RCM), Caden, Jeff (KN6MXB) and Ernie (KN6GTN)

Our next fox hunt will be Sat., June 7th. The Fox will be transmitting on 146.565 MHz.

Contact: Paul Hyatt, W6PNH. He will be available on the repeater.

Paul Hyatt, W6PNH

## ***PACIFICON***

PACIFICON is the West Coast convention for radio amateurs. There are forums, vendors and other activities.

Registrations for PACIFICON are now open.

<https://www.pacificon.org>

## ***Field Day***

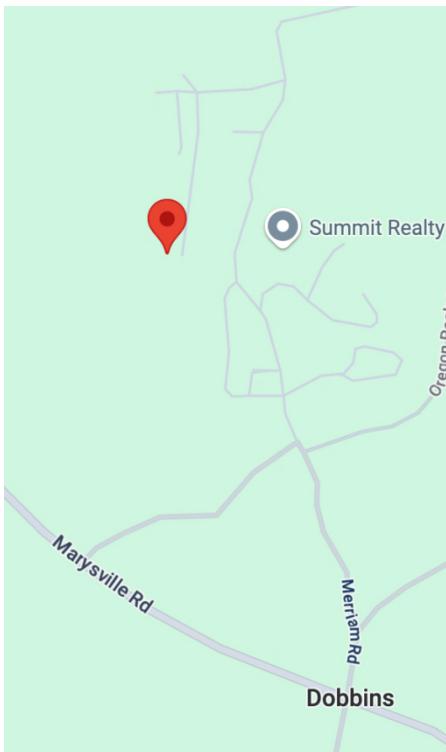
Field Day will be held at 10848 Eich Way in Dobbins. Directions from Marysville. Highway 20 East to Marysville Road. Left on Marysville Road. Marysville Road makes a turn to the East (right) past Collins Lake. Stay on Marysville Road until you go under a walk-over bridge. The next left is Merriam Road. Turn left and go to the end of the road. Turn left and left at the end of the first fence.

The property is for sale, so you can follow the Coldwell Banker's blue & white signs from Marysville Road. If you like to see the area before field day, please give me call at 530 845-3324.

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## ***Special Event Station- CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR***

The ARRL Sacramento Valley Section invites all radio amateurs and clubs to participate in the **July 11-27<sup>th</sup>** California State Fair Amateur Radio Special Event Station and Exhibit!

Have fun while promoting our amateur radio activities, clubs, literature, services and outreach to the general public!

Our Exhibit and Station will operate on-the-air using the Special Event 1x1 callsign K6C in Cal Expo's air-conditioned Building B during the Fair. Cal Expo will supply gate and parking passes to our volunteer exhibitors.

We welcome licensed radio amateurs and affiliated clubs who can assist at our Exhibit and Special Event Station in shifts

like 10 am-1 pm, 1-4 pm, and 4-7 pm during the weekends of July 11-13, July 18-20, and/or July 25-27. You don't need to belong to a club or group to participate. Join our volunteer exhibitor team now through the online form at

<https://sacramentoares.org/2025-california-state-fair-demonstration-station/>

Download our promotional flyer at:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/10xdH0qjZtpTm5gS7MSchQayr-E2yQLq9/view?usp=sharing>

ARRL Sacramento Valley Section Manager: Dr Carol F Milazzo, KP4MD  
kp4md@arrl.org

## ***Ham Radio Resources for the Disabled***

Accommodations can be arranged with VEs ahead of time running a test session to have a reader and/or to have a low-distraction (extra-quiet) testing environment. Additionally, if you are blind, you can have an exam that does not include diagram-based questions.

For future ham radio operators who cannot be physically present for an exam, arrangements can be made for test taking online with a computer and camera.

Check for resource help at [Courage Kenny Handiham Program: Amateur Radio and Assistive Technology for People with Disabilities](#) website:

<https://handiham.org>

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## ***ARES News***

"Yuba-Sutter ARES is looking for a new Emergency Coordinator.

Current EC Robert Kelly K6VNR has been appointed Operations Team Lead by the Butte County Sheriff Office for their Community Emergency Response Team.

Robert said: "As active emergency 1st responder, this increased leadership responsibility will need my full attention and prevent me from carrying out my ARES duties in the manner which it deserves." Robert will remain a member of Yuba-Sutter ARES.

Anyone interested in become the new EC please contact Robert at [k6vnr@succeed.net](mailto:k6vnr@succeed.net).

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## ***ARRL Ham Radio Technician License Manual, 5th Edition***

Are you or someone you know studying for the ham radio technician license?

As a reminder, the current 5th edition will expire next year on June 30, 2026.

## ***Monday Night Net Control***

Jun	Bob	N6BOB
Jul	Leonard	KO6DVV
Aug	Ryan	K6RCM
Sep	Ernie	KN6GTN
Oct	Joe	AK6GN
Nov		
Dec		
Backup		
	Mike	KK6ISQ

The months of November, and December 2025 need volunteers to step up for Net Control Operator.

To sign up for net control, contact Chris on the net or email him at [KK6VZD@arrl.net](mailto:KK6VZD@arrl.net)

## ***VE Test Session***

The next VE session will be Sat., Jul 5th at 715 King Ave., Yuba City at 9:00 A.M. VE's are needed to administer the exam. The elements for Technician, General, and Extra class will be offered.

The exam requires two forms of ID. At least one of them must be a picture ID. A fee of \$15.00 is required. Please Note: You must have a FCC Federal Registration Number (FRN) to take an exam and for any transactions with the FCC. You will need this number for the forms you'll complete. You will not be allowed to take the exam without this number. A FRN can be obtained at:

<https://www.fcc.gov/licensing-databases/commission-registration-system-fcc>

A calculator may be used as long as it has had all of its memories cleared and there are no built in or preprogrammed formulas.

Upgrades to a higher class also require two forms of ID. At least one of them must be a picture ID. Also, bring your license and a photocopy of the license.

If you take an exam and pass, you may take the next higher-class exam at no additional cost.

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If you do not pass and wish to try again an additional fee will be required.

Licensing fees will be the responsibility of the applicant regardless of filing method and must be paid within 10 calendar days of FCC's receipt of the application. For applications filed by a VEC, the period does not begin until the application is received by the Commission, a ULS file number assigned, and an email sent by the FCC directly to the applicant."

VECs and Volunteer Examiner (VE) teams will not collect the FCC \$35 fee at license exam sessions. New and upgrade candidates at an exam session will continue to pay the \$15 exam session fee to the ARRL VE team as usual, and pay the new, \$35 application fee directly to the FCC by using the CORES FRN Registration system.

When the FCC receives the examination information from the VEC, it will email a link with payment instructions to each successful candidate who then will have 10 calendar days from the date of the email to pay. After the fee is paid and the FCC has processed an application, examinees will receive a second email from the FCC with a link to their official license or explanation of other action. The link will be good for 30 days

Good luck to everyone taking exams!

## ***July QSO and other contests***

02 Jul: VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest; Digital

09 Jul: VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest; Digital

12 Jul: IARU HF World

Championship; CW, Phone  
16 Jul: VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest; Digital

19 Jul: YOTA (Youth on the Air) Contest; CW, Phone

19 Jul: North America QSO Party, RTTY; Digital

26 Jul: Alabama QSO Party; CW, Phone

For more info, visit:

[www.arrl.org/files/file/ContestCorral/2025/July 2025 Corral.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ContestCorral/2025/July%202025%20Corral.pdf)

[www.qrpfoxhunt.org](http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org)

[www.ncccsprint.com](http://www.ncccsprint.com) and

[www.cwops.org](http://www.cwops.org).

## ***General Meeting***

The next general meeting will be held Tues. July 15th at the Marysville First United Methodist Church, at the corner of 8th and D Streets, Marysville.

Mike Morris (KK6ISQ) will be talking about how he remotely operates his ham radio station.

## ***Board Meeting***

The next board meeting will be held at 1900 (7 p.m.), July 1st via zoom. Details for the zoom meeting will be emailed.

## ***Comments***

YSARC's web page is: [yubasutterarc.net](http://yubasutterarc.net). Check out more photos of foxhunts and public service events!

Thanks to our web master, Paul Hyatt, W6PNH.

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Click on the upper right-hand icon “Join Now” on the YSARC homepage to become a member of the club. Mailing instructions are provided.

Send your ham related articles and pictures to share in your VHN. Pictures of

ham shacks, antenna parties, field day, Bike Around the Buttes, Fox Hunt, etc. are appreciated. Send them to KI6CSN@arrl.net or KF6FVP@arrl.net

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## Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes May 6, 2025 Held on Zoom platform, hosted by June

Meeting called to order by John Rogers at 19:00 hours.

### Officers and Board Members present unless noted:

President John Rogers KI6UDF

Director: Joe Visalli N9BD

Vice President: Steve Shepard KN6IJD –  
absent

Director: Paul Hyatt W6PNH  
Director: Bud Myers KK1BUD

Secretary: Linda Maas KK6SOZ

Director: Devon Goss N0DVE

Treasurer: June McJunkin N6JEY

Director: Leonard Lanigan KO6DVV

Members and Guests present: Claire Schloenvogt KI6VWG, Curtis Sylvester-Jose KF6VFP

### Secretary's Report:

- Motion to approve minutes from April 1, 2025 board meeting, Bud/Joe, passed.
- No new member applications received this past month.
- The “Corporate Compliance Center” scam that sends an IRS-looking document to nonprofits every year has renamed itself “Corporate Processing Service.” Don’t fall for it.
- Linda will be unavailable for the July 1<sup>st</sup> board meeting and is looking for someone to take minutes.

### Treasurer's Report:

- Motion to approve June's Financial Reports for May 6, 2025, Leonard/Joe, passed.
- Joe spent \$16.26 on connectors.

### Old Business

- Members who have not paid dues for 2025 will no longer be called on the Monday night net.
- June dates for the board meeting and club meeting will be switched.
- Field Day will be discussed at the May 20 club meeting, NVIS will be the topic at the June 3 club meeting, and General and Extra class videos will be the topic at the July 15 club meeting.

### New Business

- Motion to spend up to \$75 for a new charger and battery for an ICOM T7H that was donated to the club a while back, Bud/Leonard, passed.
- Paul and Karla will represent YSARC and ARES at Hot RF Nights on May 17 at William Jessup University in Rocklin, which Smitty WB1G invited us to. All are welcome to come.
- Leonard suggested we define acronyms like SAG and NVIS, instead of assuming everyone knows.

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- WD6AXM is an open repeater. One doesn't need to be a YSARC member to use it. Rules of courtesy apply.
- KN6TED has volunteered to coordinate Bike Around the Buttes again next year.
- John may not be available for the July 1 board meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 19:54 hours, Joe/Bud, passed.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Maas KK6SOZ, YSARC Secretary