

# VALLEY HAM NEWS

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## **2026 CLUB OFFICERS**

Pres.: Karla Hyatt K6KDS

Vice Pres.: Bud Myers KK1BUD

Secretary: Linda Maas, KK6SOZ

Treasurer: June McJunkin, N6JEY

## **LIAISONS**

ARES: Neil Bossard, N6CNY

ARRL SM: Jay Ballinger, N6SAC

VE Liaison: Paul Hyatt, W6PNH

## **2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Joe Visalli, N9BD

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

02 Dec – Board Meeting

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13 Dec – Foxhunt

25 Dec – Christmas

2026

03 Jan – VE Session

05 Jan - 25 Feb – Technician Class

06 Jan – Board Meeting

20 Jan – General Meeting

## **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.

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## **REPEATER TRUSTEE**

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

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

**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.

## VETERANS DAY PARADE

*Tuesday, November 11, 2025*

My thanks to the following who helped at this year's Veterans Parade: Karla Hyatt (K6KDS), Paul Hyatt (W6PNH), Daniel Sheista (N6APX), Neil Bossard (N6CNY), Brandon Guthrie (KM6JID), Chris McLain (KK6VZD), Steve Shepard

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(KN6IJD), John (Rogers (KI6UDF), Joe Gerard (AK6JN), and Michael Kopf (KI6UJX). Everything went smoothly thanks to all your hard work.



Karla (K6KDS) working as shadow.

Curtis, (KF6VFP)

## FOXHUNT

Our next foxhunt will be Sat., Dec 13th. The Fox will be transmitting on 146.565 MHz.

Contact: Paul Hyatt, W6PNH. He will

be available on the repeater.

Paul Hyatt, W6PNH

## TECHNICIAN CLASS

Starting Tuesday Jan 5, 2026, the club is sponsoring a Technician Class. Classes will be held at the Red Cross Center, 2125 Onstott Road, Yuba City located in classroom 2. Sessions are from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday evenings. The exam session is to be determined. Classes will run thru Feb. 25, 2026.

Joe and Curtis will teach everything future hams need to know to pass the exam. Test taking hints will be provided. The class is free but students will need a copy of the ARRL Ham Radio Technician Manual, 5th ed. Students may purchase a manual themselves or order one through one of the instructors at a 20% discount.

Students will also need to obtain a FRN (Federal Registration Number) from the FCC prior to taking the exam. FRNs can be obtained online at:

FCC.gov

The instructors are Curtis (KF6VFP) and Joe (N9BD).

To sign up send an email to Curtis at: KF6VFP@arrl.net.

## ANNUAL ELECTIONS AND BUDGET APPROVAL

At our general meeting, on Tues., Nov. 4th, the club elected board members and officers for 2026. The

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2026 budget was also passed. A quorum of 18 was required to be present to conduct the voting.

To election results are:

<b>Officers</b>		
President	Karla	K6KDS
V. Pres.	Bud	KK1BUD
Secretary	Linda	KK6SOZ
Treasurer	June	N6JEY
<b>Board Members</b>		
Board Member	Joe	N9BD
Board Member	Devyn	N0DVE
Board Member	Leonard	KO6DVV
Board Member	Paul	W6PNH
Board Member	Joe	AK6JN

The proposed budget for the next year was approved:

General Fund: \$1300

Club Meeting Prizes: \$500

Club Store: \$250

Office Supplies: \$150

Christmas Drawing: \$300

Special Events: \$500

Total: \$3000

Thanks to all who participated in the election.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY



The YSARC Annual Christmas party will be held on Tuesday, December 2.

Location: Marysville First United Methodist Church

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The party will be a potluck. Please let Joe Visali (N9DB) know if you are coming and what you'll be bringing. Email him at [N9DB@arrl.net](mailto:N9DB@arrl.net) or let him know on the Monday night net.

## DONATIONS TO THE CLUB

Devon (N0DVE) donated \$45.00 to the club from her sales club T-shirts. THANKS!! Devon.

## MONDAY NIGHT NET CONTROL

Dec	Neil	N6CNY
<b>2026</b>		
Jan	Chris	KK6VZD
Feb	Bud	KK1BUD
Mar	Paul Karla	W6PNH K6KDS
Apr	Curtis Marsha	KF6VFP KI6CSN
May		
Jun		
Jul		
Aug		
Sep	Ernie	KN6GTN
Oct		
Nov		
Dec		
Backup		
	Mike	KK6ISQ

Step up and volunteer for 2026. Volunteers are what makes the club successful.

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

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## ***Club Dues***

It is that time of the year to start thinking about paying your 2026 dues. The annual fee structure is now:

\$30.00 for first full voting member ham in the family.

\$5.00 for each additional full voting member hams in the same household.

\$5.00 for non-voting member hams or non-hams joining the club.

A pdf of the dues form is available at [yubasutterarc.org](http://yubasutterarc.org) under the join now tab at the top of the page. You can also obtain a form from the club secretary at the meeting.

If you would like to renew your club membership electronically, please check out the new PayPal link for paying your club dues. You can find the link on our website or scan the QR code for access. When using PayPal there is a box for you to list how you want your payment to be used. For example:

Curtis (KF6VFP) ARRL Member  
\$30.00

Marsha (KI6CSN) ARRL Member  
\$5.00

Repeater donation \$20.00

ARES donation \$20.00

Other donations (please specify what the other donation is for) \$20.00.

Total: \$85.00

Of course, in person payments at club meetings are always appreciated!



## ***VE TEST SESSION***

The next VE session will be Sat., Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026 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-registrationsystem-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

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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.

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!

## ***December QSO AND OTHER CONTESTS***

These are but a few of the many contests held each month. For more information, visit:

05 Dec: ARRL 160 meter contest; CW

13 Dec: ARRL 10 meter contest; CW, Phone

13 Dec: Internation Naval Contest; CW, Phone

21 Dec: ARRL Rookie Roundup; CW

29 Dec: YOTA (Youth on the Air) Contest; CW, Phone

[www.arrl.org/files/file/Contest](http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Contest)

[Corral/2025/December 2025 Corral.pdf](http://Corral/2025/December%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).

## ***BOARD MEETING***

The next board meeting will be held at Tuesday's Christmas Party, if needed. The next Zoom board meeting will be on Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 2026 at 1900 hours (7 p.m.), Details for the zoom meeting will be emailed. If you do not already receive the email notices for the zoom meetings and wish to be notified, please email Joe (N9BD) at [N9BD@ARRL.NET](mailto:N9BD@ARRL.NET) and let him know.

## ***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

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Hyatt, W6PNH.

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

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

Send your ham related articles and

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## Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 7, 2025 Held on Zoom platform, hosted by Paul

Meeting called to order by Curtis Sylvester-Jose KF6VFP at 19:03 hours.

### Officers and Board Members present unless noted:

President John Rogers KI6UDF - absent	Director: Joe Visalli N9BD
Vice President: Steve Shepard KN6IJD – absent	Director: Paul Hyatt W6PNH
Secretary: Linda Maas KK6SOZ	Director: Bud Myers KK1BUD
Treasurer: June McJunkin N6JEY - absent	Director: Devon Goss N0DVE
	Director: Leonard Lanigan KO6DVV

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

### Secretary's Report:

- Motion to approve minutes from September 2, 2025 board meeting, Bud/Joe, passed.

### Treasurer's Report:

- Motion to approve June's Financial Reports for October 7, 2025 which were emailed out, Joe/Devon, passed.

### Old Business

- Club Elections Nov. 4 – voting by email will be provided since several members are unable to attend. We still need one more volunteer to be a board member next year. Motion to recommend to the membership that the budget remain unchanged from last year, Leonard/Joe, passed.
- Meeting dates for November are switched. Club Meeting is Nov. 4 and Board Meeting Nov 18.
- Upcoming events include the Be Prepared Fair Oct 8 in Linda, Great American Shake-Out Oct. 16, and Jamboree on the Air in Camptownville Oct 18.
- Curtis has 5 volunteers for the Veterans Day Parade, which is the bare minimum. He could use 4 more.
- The Methodist church is reserved for the Christmas Party on December 6th. Joe will check into caterers. We will supplement with potluck.
- Curtis will check with Red Cross about reserving a room for the Tech Class that starts in January.
- Possible topic for October club meeting – presentation on use of GMRS radios.

### New Business

- Joe spent \$30.14 for the CalQSO Party.
- Linda sent out a roster on Sept 21 that was FUBAR. She will resend the Master Roster after this meeting.
- Bud is looking for volunteers for the Bok Kai Parade on March 21, 2026.

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- Fox Hunt ideas for next year include having them quarterly, having some across the bridge, or having another person hide the fox.
- VE sessions will remain on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the odd months. Government shutdown will cause some delays.
- Curtis will reserve the Methodist church for next year.

Motion to adjourn at 19:51 hours, Joe/Paul, passed.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Maas KK6SOZ, YSARC Secretary