

Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

a California non-profit organization

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The Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club, Inc., meets every second Tuesday at the Red Cross building, 144 Garden Hwy., Yuba City, at 7:30 P.M. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, October 13, 1981. The Next board meeting will be held Wednesday, October 6, 1981.

OFFICERS INCLUDE:

Jerry N6DDP President
Howard N6CCS Vice President
Ruth KA6CQH
Barry KA6LWR

BOARD OF DIRECTORS INCLUDE:

Dennis KB6MD
Bill WD6BFR
Tom WD6CEM
Char KA6LIJ
Bill KA6LIK

FUTURE HAMS?--Tuesday October 6 at the Gray Ave School 7-9 P.M. will be the first night of the new Novice class. Instructors will be Barry KA6LWR and Rick KA1BFBK. All personnel who are interested in getting started in ham radio are invited. Let's help spread the word and hope we have a large turn out. New blood in the club makes a healthy club.

REPEATER RELOCATION--The club members owe a vote of thanks to several folks who recently moved the club's repeater and antenna to the Yuba City Police Office. The antenna is now located on the Yuba City water tower some 145 feet high. Thanks to Howard N6CCS who spent many long hours in working with the city fathers in getting permission to use the present facilities. The following folks are highly instrumental in working with and/or relocating the repeater: Howard N6CCS, Dave WD6AXM, Bill N6FAB, Tom WD6CEM, Bob K6SJZ, Barry KA6LWR and Ken K6LYT. If I forgot to mention any other folks, I apologize.

CLUB TOWER--Again, thanks to our "roving public relations" man, Howard N6CCS, our club has permission from the Airport Commission to install the club's tower at the Red Cross building. In addition, our club has secured a second tower approximately 30 feet high. Howard will have more information on installing the tower at the next meeting. Thanks Howard!

BICYCLE MARATHON--On 10 October a bicycle marathon race will be held at the River Front park. Our club has been asked to participate in monitoring the race and interested individuals using hand held 2 meter radios will be needed. Jerry N6DDP will have more information on this event at the next club meeting.

ATTENTION RECENT UPGRADES--If your interim permit is nearing expiration and your new license has not yet arrived, FCC will consider requests for extension of time. Send a photocopy of your permit along with your request to FCC, Box 441, Gettysburg, PA. 17325 ATTN: Cheryl Dunlap.

ARRL BULLETIN--Senator Goldwaters bill which would give the FCC authority to establish minimum radio frequency rejection standards for electronic equipment, has been approved and passed by the U.S. Senate. Other features of the bill include granting the FCC the authority to use volunteer licensed amateur radio operators for the purpose of monitoring unlicensed stations or amateur stations in violations of the rules, and the authority to use volunteer licensed amateur radio operators for the purpose of preparing and administering amateur exams for entry level amateur licenses. The bill would also exempt amateur radio transmissions from the secrecy provisions of Section 605 of the Communications Act, and would change the license term of an amateur license from 5 to 10 years. Approval of the House of Representatives is still needed.

ARE YOU AN "ARES"?

No, not the first sign of the Zodiac or the god of war in Greek mythology, but the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. The serious side of Ham Radio, and one that all of us should consider at one time or another, is "Public Service". It is a means to put something back into the hobby, improve our image with the general public, and most of all it enables us to supply the critical communications that will be needed in an emergency.

No problem you say--when the big earth quake hits the valley, you'll jump on the old 2 meter rig with car batteries and do your thing, right? Perhaps, but joining and supporting a local emergency ham group would be a far better approach. Here are some reasons why.

---A few years ago, several of us installed 2 meters antennas on our local hospitals and medical clinics.

---MEDEX and SET exercises sharpen up the ARES group skills. Participating twice a year is a real eye opener of your operating skills and equipment readiness under simulated emergency conditions.

---The real need for Amateur Radio Operators during a crisis is to serve the agencies that will be unable to handle their local communications; therefore, an operator should be familiar with those agencies and their requirements.

---Emergency communications is best handled with a net, a net control, and established net procedures. The best way to keep up to date with these is to participate, even if only a few times a year.

---Registration with an emergency communication group allows the Emergency Coordinator to better plan and use the available resources.

Howard N6CCS has been appointed the Emergency Coordinator for our amateur club. On October 17, there will be an emergency drill held involving the two counties. For those individuals interested in participating may contact Howard for further information. Individuals who will be participating, make sure you call Cynthia at 673-5250 and get your picture taken and get your badge. Howard needs our help and he will have more information at the next club meeting.

On October 20, the Pacific Division Director Mr. Bill Stevens W6ZM and Ross Forbes WB6GFJ the Vice Director were our guest at the Sutter House for Brunch. We had a great time and certainly nice to see Bill Stevens again and of course our old friend Ross Forbes. Several questions were fielded and the answers were factual and honest. I will not go into the finer details of the meeting at this time, Jerry can touch upon it at the next meeting. We certainly hope to get Bill and Ross back up here in the near future. For those of you who were unable to attend you missed a fine get together. Jan N6DDO has been appointed by Bill Stevens to be the Assistant Director for the Pacific Division. From time to time, Jan will have ARRL information for the membership and will be briefing the members on any up and coming FCC rule changes. Lots of luck Jan!!!

I understand that Harley Clements KA6BDU is at home and recovering nicely. We are looking forward in seeing you back at the meetings Harley.

HOW TO KNOW WHEN YOU ARE GROWING OLDER

---The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bifocals.

---You get winded while playing chess.

---Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet.

---You turn out the light for economic rather than romantic reasons.

---You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.

---You're 17 around the neck, 42 around the waist and 106 around the golf course

---Your back goes out more than you do.

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