

VALLEY HAM NEWS

**The Voice of the Yuba Sutter Amateur Radio Club
A California Non-profit Organization**

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NEXT CLUB MEETING AND POTLUCK DINNER

The next regular club meeting will be the annual February Potluck Dinner and meeting. Date and time as well as location is tentative at this time. Subject to the usual constraints, it is expected that the date will be February 13, 2001, the second Tuesday of the month. Time is sure to be "Show up at 6:00PM, we eat at 6:30PM". Location is expected to be the Lindhurst High School Cafeteria. REMEMBER THAT THIS IS ALL TENTATIVE!! Stay tuned for final information.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be at the President's house in Loma Rica on December 5, 2000. Time is 6:30PM. Curt will talk us in on the 146.085 repeater.

We will begin the process of planning the club activities for next year at this meeting. We would appreciate your thoughts and input.

For directions, please see the note elsewhere in this issue.

Note: there will be no breakfast this month.

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Curtis Sylvester Jose, KF6VFP
Vice President: Russ Decker, KB6YAF
Secretary: Jean Knox, KF6EIN
Treasurer: Clara Ansley, KC6JPP

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Art Nelson, KF6UEV Bill McJunken, N6FAB
Herb Puckett, W6HBU Ernest Royat, KB6VHW
Lee Sheffield, KC6MCI

REPEATER LICENSE TRUSTEE

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

DIRECTIONS TO THE PRESIDENT'S HOME

From Marysville Road turn onto Loma Rica Road. Continue till you reach the CDF Fire Station (on the right). Approximately 100 feet beyond the station turn right on Loop Road. At top of the hill at the "T" intersection turn right. We are the third house on the left set back about 600 feet from the road - 12472 Krosens Road.

If you know of anyone who would be interested, please have them contact Ron, W6KJ, or Herb, W6HBU.

THE PREZ SEZ

Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and didn't eat too much. I cannot make that claim.

Since the kids were off from school we took Michelle and two of her friends to Boreal. They spent the day snowboarding. It was the first time for Michelle and one of her friends. They did better than I would have. It was fun watching them fall, then get up and try again. Eventually they started getting the hang of it and were able to stay up longer and longer. In fact, my wife enjoyed watching them so much, she is thinking of trying it sometime.

Acting as Net Control is much like their experience. You try and try again and again. Eventually you become good at it. We all went through this when we first got our license. If you think this is a pitch for volunteers to act as Net Control, it is! Would appreciate some person(s) to step forward and volunteer. Old timers who have done this many, many times are welcome. Newcomers who want to (read that as need to) become comfortable being Net Control are especially welcome.

The rainy season is coming up. Floods come with the rainy season and the possible need for Ham Operators and Net Controllers. Volunteer, you'll be glad you did.

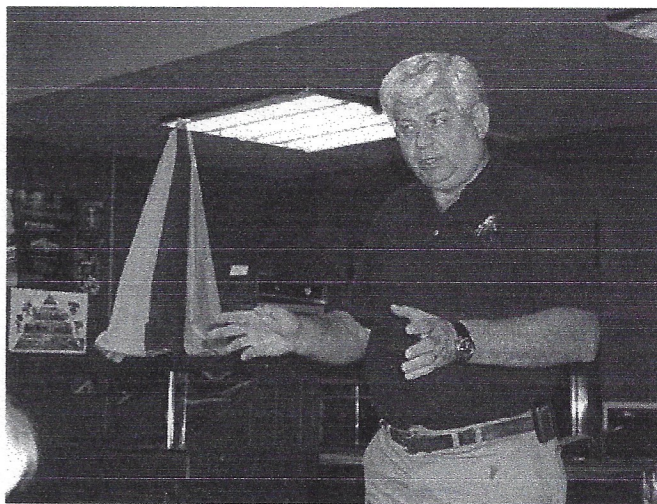
If you missed the last potluck, you missed the talk from the Office Of Emergency Services (OES). They are looking to get the local club involved during training and emergencies. Several members signed up after the potluck. If you are interested, please contact Russ Decker (KB6YAF). He has or can obtain forms for you to sign up. Do so now. Once the emergency starts, it is too late.

The OES needs to issue you ID cards so you can get into and out of evacuated areas during the emergency.

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Curtis (KF6VFP)

Bill Pennington, W6SLA, talks about ARES and RACES at the November Club Meeting



Photograph by KB6YAF

KE6LW-1 BACK ON THE AIR

Barry, KE6LW, has advised that the BBS is back up with limited capability. It suffered a severe meltdown recently in which transceivers, computer, TNC's, power supplies and just about everything else failed.

He has had to start from square one in the rebuild. He is now in the process of getting the various systems operating; so please be patient while he builds a new station.

You can check in to the BBS to keep up with the project.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!!!

DON'T FORGET THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

Don't forget the upcoming Christmas Dinner and Party. Date is December 12, and time is, as usual, be there at 6:00PM and we eat at 6:30PM. The location is the American Legion Post 807, 5477 Feather River Boulevard in Linda.

Directions: From north or south of Marysville, exit Hiway 65/70 at the Feather River Boulevard Exit (just south of the Yuba River Bridge at Marysville) and continue southwest on Feather River Boulevard To Island Avenue.

Get your \$2.00 reservation to Clara by December 3. Clara says to send it to her home rather than the Club PO Box. That's 1943 16th Street, Olivehurst, CA 95961. If your newsletter doesn't arrive until December 4 or later, Clara might be talked into accepting a late reservation or two. Call her at 520-742-2674 to negotiate.

Again this year the main course is to be prime rib. The club will furnish rolls, coffee and sodas. You bring your favorite dish to share and your own table service. If you wish, bring a gift (\$7.50 or less) for a gift exchange.

This has been a fine bash each year, and this promises to continue the tradition.

One more thing --

Since Clara will be out of state until December 11, and she has jury duty on December 12, she needs help in decorating the hall. Call Herb at 530-674-3648 if you can help.

DUES ARE DUE

It's that time of year again. Club dues are due January 1. Please cross Clara's palm with 18 silver dollars (She also takes paper money or a check.) before the end of the year.

This year, please fill out the renewal form included with each issue of the Valley Ham News, or use the copy posted on the Club Web Site. That will help Clara immensely in getting a working

roster for the new year, as well as keeping current our affiliation with ARRL. That is also your chance to consider electronic delivery of the newsletter. Remember that if it doesn't work out for you, a call to the Editor can make the change back to snail mail. Clara checked the books, and it's costing us slightly more than \$50.00 per month to produce and mail the newsletter. If we can reduce this cost, we will not have to talk about a change in dues, and nobody wants to think about that.

ROSTER CHANGES

Please make the following additions to your roster:

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TECHNICIAN CLASS TO START IN JANUARY

The club will run a class beginning in January for those people interested in getting the Technician Class Amateur license. This will prepare the candidates for the written test. The CW element will not be included in the class.

Starting date is January 9, 2001. The class will be at Gray Avenue School in Yuba City. Plans are to run the sessions each Tuesday and Thursday evening until all candidates have their license or until late February or early March.

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ANNUAL NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

**YUBA SUTTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
November 14, 2000**

The meeting was called to order by President Curtis Sylvester-Jose' - KF6VFP, after the potluck dinner. Other officers present: Russ Decker - KB6YAF and Jean Knox - KF6EIN. Board members present Art Nelson - KF6UEV, Herb Puckett - W6HBU, Bill McJunken - N6FAB and Ernie Royat - KB6VHW.

Treasurer's report:
Receipts \$459.95. Disbursements \$570.82.
Checking account balance this date \$2,443.80, less Repeater and VE balance of \$731.40. Total \$1,712.40.

The only business to be conducted was the election of officers. The slate of officers presented to the membership was:

President, Curtis Sylvester-Jose'
Vice President, Bill McJunken
Treasurer, Clara Ansley
Secretary, Jean Knox.

Board Members:

Art Nelson, Russ Decker, Herb Puckett, Ernie Royat and Lee Sheffield.

The slate was elected unanimously.

The business meeting was then adjourned.

After the business meeting, Bill Pennington, OES Section Emergency Co-ordinator, gave a talk on A.R.E.S. and R.A.C.E.S. He said that the Red Cross usually deals with A.R.E.S. It's up to us to make ourselves known to the various agencies, and

offer our help with communications. Russ Decker is our liaison, and he distributed registration forms so we can get involved.

Respectfully submitted:

Jean Knox, Secretary

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Bill, WD6BFR	08
Tom, WD6DGA	14
Clara, KC6JPP	21
Carl, KE6VUC	23
Russ, KB6YAF	24

Happy birthday to all. If we missed you, or if the information is incorrect, let the Editor know. The data is from the QRZ data base on the Internet, thanks to Robby, N6PGK.

SWAPMEET IN LINDA, CA.

March 10, 2001, Second Saturday of the Month

Location is at the American Legion Post 807, 5477 Feather River Blvd, Linda, CA.

Time for breakfast served by members of the American Legion Post is 7:00 a.m.

Swapmeet starts at 8:00 a.m. Buyers free, sellers \$10.00.

Hosted by the Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club.

Contact Ron, W6KJ, 530-674-8533, or Clara, KC6JPP, 530-742-2674 for additional details.

Directions to site: from north or south of Marysville, CA, exit Hiway 65/70 at the Feather River Boulevard Exit (just south of the Yuba River Bridge at Marysville) and continue southwest on Feather River Boulevard To Island Avenue.

Happy Holidays and a most joyous New Year to All!!!