



The Juiciest Section

I lost my Best Friend Dave Caouette N6DAC in the Seal Beach Mass murder

A Letter from Dave's Friend Darrin Simmons W7UNI

Carl,

It is with my deepest regrets that I must contact you.

My friend David Caouette N6DAC was one of the victims in the recent Seal Beach mass shooting on Wed. Oct 12 2011
He was shot in his very recognizable Off Road Ready Land Rover Discovery while sitting in the parking lot on his way into his favorite restaurant.

Dave and I, along with 4 others are Off Road Driving Instructors for Land Rover Mission Viejo. We have been taking customers out on free off road trips since 2003. It was late in 2007 when we had some troubles communicating with CB radios in Big Bear, and I was fed up with not being able to contact my team that was staggered throughout the line of 30 vehicles.

Soon after that, March 2008 I had contacted Gordon West WB6NOA from Costa Mesa and got us into a Ham Radio class. I remember it well, It was a rainy weekend and Gordon had us all in the garage on one of the days. That was quite a site. Since then we have had many, many off road trips with a core group of Ham Radio operators and have loved every minute of it.

We will miss Dave with all our hearts

Dave Caouette Funeral/Memorial Services
Open House Monday Oct. 17th 4-8pm

Patty's Place Restaurant
500 Pacific Coast Hwy.
Seal Beach, Ca. 90740
562-431-4898
<http://pattysplacrestaurant.com/index.htm>

Link to the OC Register:
<http://www.ocregister.com/news/testa-321825-caouette-rover.html>

Our Off Road Web Site:
www.wheelsevents.com

In Lieu of flowers:
Dave Caouette Memorial Fund
C/O Long Beach Police Officers Association 2865 Temple Ave. Signal Hill, Ca. 90755-2212

100% of funds collected by LBPOA will directly help Dave's family.

Thank you



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CQ COMMUNICATIONS TO LAUNCH DIGITAL EDITIONS OF ALL MAGAZINES

FIRST ISSUE TO BE RELEASED IN OCTOBER

Contributed by Janet Margelli, KL7MF

(Hicksville, NY, September 27, 2011)-- CQ Communications, Inc., will launch multi-platform digital editions of all of its magazine titles before the end of 2011, Publisher Richard Ross, K2MGA, announced today. Those titles include CQ Amateur Radio (CQ magazine), CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online. Many CQ book titles are already available in digital form on CD.

"The digital editions will supplement, not replace, current print editions, and will feature enhancements not possible in the print medium," said Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU. "Versions will be available for a variety of online and mobile platforms* and will be hosted by Zinio, one of the top names in the e-magazine hosting business. This will assure that our magazines will always be able to take advantage of new technology when it becomes available.

Examples of features that will be possible in the digital editions include live links to all World Wide Web addresses listed in each issue, as well as supplemental content, such as photo albums, audio and video files, software and more. "Imagine reading an article about meteor scatter and being able to listen to a meteor scatter contact with a click of a mouse," said Moseson, "or reading an ad for a piece of new gear and being able to click directly to a video explaining its features. All of this and more will be possible in our digital editions."

"At the same time," he added, "the print editions will retain their unique characteristics, such as portability, the tactile experience of holding a magazine in your hands, no need for batteries and the ability to continue reading on an airplane after you've been told to turn off all electronic devices!"

The digital launch will begin in late October with the November issue of an enhanced, multi-platform, version of WorldRadio Online, which will again become a paid-subscription publication; followed by November CQ, which, appropriately, is the magazine's first annual Technology Special. The fall issue of CQ VHF and the December issue of Popular Communications will round out the introductions. Digital editions will be available by single copy and by subscription. Details will be in the near future in the magazines and on all CQ Communications websites.

(*Initially, digital editions will be compatible with the following platforms: PC, Mac, iPhone, iPad, Android 2.0 and higher.)

The Muscular Scleroses Bike Tour

The **Bike MS Tour** is a 2 day event that starts in Irvine and finishes in San Diego's Mission Bay boasts one of the most scenic and beautiful routes in the country. The Tour rolls along the pacific south coast from scenic Orange County to beautiful San Diego. Cyclists at all levels of expertise are sure to enjoy this unique weekend of fun, fitness, new friendships and the personal satisfaction of completing a 15-, 30-, 100-, or 150-mile ride to help create a world free of multiple sclerosis.

The dates for the 2011 Bike MS Tour are **October 22 and 23**. Volunteer opportunities are still available for Sag drivers and Rest Stop communicators. Contact Ken Simpson, W6KOS at 714 651-6535 or w6kos@earthlink.com if you would like to volunteer.





Heathkit announced they are back in the kit business. Their first kit is due late September. They are looking for kit ideas. Details at: <http://www.heathkit.com>

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HEATHKIT'S AMATEUR RADIO PLANS TAKING SHAPE

From the ARRL Letter September 15th 2011

Heathkit Educational Systems hopes to reenter the Amateur Radio market by the end of 2011. Back in August, Heathkit announced its return to the kit business and actively solicited suggestions. The response from Amateur Radio operators convinced Heathkit to develop several Amateur Radio products.

"When we made the announcement on our web page about a month ago, we had no intention of entering the Amateur Radio kit market," Ernie Wake, Heathkit's Director of Sales and Marketing, told the ARRL. "The response was really overwhelming, exciting and scary. The scary part is that the brand name has so much loyalty that we don't want to disappoint the people who have such fond memories."

Wake said that Heathkit is presently working on developing a few Amateur Radio kits. "Initially, the kit line will include a few 'accessories,' like kits for a Dual Watt Meter, Antenna Tuners and the Cantenna," he explained. "Once we are a little more 'settled,' I think we will develop a QRP receiver. We won't rush to market just to get there. We want to develop a line of kits in the tradition of Heathkit. I'm hoping to have one or two kits by the end-of-the-year."



The October Meeting is our yearly auction. Please plan on arriving at 6:00 pm if you plan on selling to register and display your treasures.

Remember:

OCARO Auction – October 21, 2011
6:00 pm to register
7:00 pm Meeting and Auction starts.



PACIFICON 2011 Is Coming Soon!

Ham Radio Convention is Bigger & Better at New Santa Clara Venue

October 14-16, 2011, Santa Clara Marriott Hotel

Santa Clara, California

For Details of Events, Latest Updates and Ticket Sales go to:

www.PACIFICON.org

Tickets for the Antenna Forum, Breakfast, and Banquet are nearing capacity!!

PACIFICON 2011 Events, Forum Topics, and Exhibits Include:

- ** Friday All-Day Antenna Seminar ** Friday Legal Seminar ** Friday Evening Open MDARC Meeting
- ** Saturday Keynote Breakfast & Evening Banquet ** Outstanding Technical Forums
- ** Exciting Ham Equipment Exhibitors
- ** Great Saturday & Sunday Swap Meets ** Daily Radio Prize Drawings
- ** Transmitter Hunts, Beginner & Advanced
- ** ATV Activities ** HFpack and QRP Activities ** Ham License Exams
- ** Saturday All-Day Technician License Class
- ** Leo Laporte "The Tech Guy" Live radio broadcast ** Boy Scouts JOTA Station** ARRL Forum
- ** Satellite Communication & Mobile Station ** KPH Marine Live ** HF RTTY Live
- ** HF Marine RTTY Press Transmissions Live
- ** Projects and Forums for Students and Young Amateurs ** Original Collins Radio Van
- ** WWII Mobile Radio Command

- ** Amateur Fire Communications Center

<h1>The DX Store</h1> <p>Amateur Radio Equipment for DXers A Shack on the belt Free Zone</p>	<p>Website: www.dxstore.com Contact: Jim Shryne N6DHZ Email: n6dhz@dxstore.com</p>	<h2>FORD Electronics.com</h2> <p>Website: www.fordelectronics.com 714 521.8080 Email: sales@fordel.com</p>
	<p>Website: www.hamradio.com Email: anaheim@hamradio.com Ph: 1 800.854.6046</p>	<h2>Local Companies That Support Amateur Radio In The Orange Section</h2>
<h2>NiCd Lady Company</h2>	<p>Website: www.nicadladyonline.com 1 800 906.6423 Email: sales@nicadlady.com</p>	
<h2>Hi-Q-Antennas™ by W6HIQ</h2> <p>VE7BOC / HA5CMG</p>	<p>Website: www.hiqantenna.com 1 877.373.2776 Email: sales@hiqantennas.com</p>	

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PACIFICON 2011 – October 14-16, 2011 – Santa Clara, California – Events, Forum Topics, and Exhibits.

Palm Springs Hamfest – January 28, 2012 – More information TBA – This event took place in May 2007 and was a great success. We will be keeping you posted as more information becomes available..

Events coming up in other Sections and areas:

Arizona – **Yuma Hamfest and Emergency Preparedness Show** – Feb 17 & 18, 2012 at the Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona – If you want something fun to do and learn more than you think you already know then visit <http://www.yumahamfest.org/>

Arizona – In Arizona you will always find a Hamfest most every month – please visit www.arizona-arrrl.org or go to: <http://www.arca-az.org/arca> the site usually has a list of upcoming hamfests

International DX Convention, Visalia – April 20 – 22 2012 – This will be the 63rd Annual DX Convention. This is a delightful convention where everyone has a great time. Meet new friends and old friends from around the world or from around the corner that you may have talked to on the radio, but never met. If you are new to DXing or contesting, this is the place to be. Visit often <http://www.dxconvention.org>



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