Building Our Relations With Our Communities and Others

Amateur Radio is still alive and well (Statements made by visitors to our booths). Reaching out to our communities whether it is by public events, emergency communications with agencies, churches, schools, city councils, we show that we are a valuable asset to our community. The Amateur Radio Expo, which is not just made up of one group, (multi counties comprised of Orange and LA Sections) of which many invested a lot of time and money to promote amateur radio. I am very proud to have worked with all the supporters of the Amateur Radio Expo.

I have also been out promoting Amateur Radio to the Native American Council with Joe Madas AE6JM, Tribal Emergency Manager, with the Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians. We attended the Cal-E.M.A (California Emergency Management Agency) California Tribal Emergency Management/Homeland Security Summit in Corning, CA September 22 - 23, 2009. I was introduced to and talked with Nancy Ward, Regional Administrator FEMA Region 9 at great length the importance of AR and emergencies. She agreed because she takes care of the Islands of the Pacific and they depend on AR for communications. I also met Mr. Matt Bettenhausen, Acting Secretary of Cal-EMA. Why did I attend? In my section I have well over 15 bands of Native Americans all of which, I found have little emergency communications support. Our goal on a local and federal level is to get the tribes up to date and give support as needed.

73 Carl Gardenias WU6D - Orange Section Manager

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To Our Affiliated Clubs

If you have questions regarding your affiliation as an affiliated club with the ARRL, please feel free to contact our Affiliated Club Coordinator, Bill Prats K6ACJ and he can be reached at: k6acj-arrl@biztek.com

Bill has some great ideas and I know he is willing to share them with your club.
As an important part of the San Bernardino County Fire Department’s emergency communication plan, ARES works along side with the Emergency Communication Service (ECS) as the main communication backup and logistical support during activations.

All San Bernardino County Fire Department ARES personnel are required to take several of the ICS courses and other training. We require a full background check and fingerprinting. All of the training and background checks are paid for by County Fire. They also offer additional training that I encourage all the members to take. The unit is growing and will continue to expand into other areas as needed.

We are very fortunate to have the support of County Fire and ECS which has made it very rewarding. The ARES unit also wears a uniform similar to County Fire so we are recognized and made to feel a part of the Fire Department Family.

For 2009 the San Bernardino County ARES team has been quite active. We continue with ongoing training in the FEMA’s ICS courses, CPR/First Aid and Wildland Fire Training along with several others. We are also heavily involved with several charity walks providing radio communication and route safety for these events. We have also been at several of our local cities during their Disaster Preparedness Fairs, and the State’s Big Shake Out event in the past few months. We have been sharing the importance of being prepared for disasters along with other information with the public.

This year we have also assisted with three major fire activations. First acting as a recon team for the Station Fire that threatened to move from Los Angeles County to San Bernardino County which would involve the town of Wrightwood. We were able to get needed information for our Office of Emergency Services to determine the exact line of the fire and its movement.

Next we worked on the Oak Glen and Pendleton fires near Yucaipa. Having personnel stationed at both the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the fire camp at Yucaipa Regional Park where we assisted with the day to day operations and communications need for this event.

Shortly after those fires, we assisted with the larger Sheep Fire near Lytle Creek and Wrightwood. Again we provided both communication and logistical support that was needed over the several days of this event. ARES personnel were stationed at both the fire camp in Devore and at the EOC.

I have been working with other groups and areas to broaden the ARES geographical reach. With time we will have groups in all parts of the county. It is important for any ARES group to have an association with either a governmental or private organization to make sure they will have the support when needed. Each ARES group is different in its needs and wants, but its association with an agency shown above and continual training will ensure its growth and success.

Jeff Richardson, W6JJR
Orange Assistant Section Manager
San Bernardino County ARES Coordinator
The Desert RATS and the Palm Springs DX Club
Invite you to attend our

HAMFEST - PICNIC - RAFFLE - WINTER FIELD DAY
On Saturday, January 30, 2010
From 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

PLACE:
the BARN at "the Boskovich's Estate" Gary, KD6QLT & Susie, KD6TVO.

DIRECTIONS:
From the west: Take I-10 East to Palm Drive Exit
Turn Right onto Gene Autry Trail
(becomes Matthew Dr. as it crosses Hwy. 111/E.
Palm Canyon at Von's Market))
4193 Matthew Dr. is on left

From East: Take I-10 to Palm Drive Exit
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We are encouraging folks to bring their musical instruments and join in an evening of Jamming on the Saturday night...

Bring your ham gear to sell, no fee charged for selling if you bring own table and chairs. Maybe you only have one or 2 items for sale put it on our single items table with a sign and tell us your reserve price... (for a small commision to the club) ...we'll handle the sale. Set-up time 7:00-9:00 AM.

Visit our website!
http://www.desertrats.am

Web Promotion and Special Events
Station for Winter FIELD DAY:
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760-328-9962 sboskovich@dc.rr.com Gary Boskovich KD6QLT Event Coordinator
760-340-4894 rita.steffen@aol.com Bart Susman K6UNR Event Promotions
(contact Bart to make reservations for vendor & flea market space---book early!)
760-328-9962 sboskovich@dc.rr.com Susie Boskovich K6QVO Secretary

Nearby Hotel: Holiday Inn, corner Sunrise & E. Palm Canyon, Palm Springs - 2 miles west of Gene Autry Tr.
760-332-1711 Mention Desert RATS or Palm Springs DX club for special $99.00 room rate.

RSVP: RV Dry Camping reservations: sboskovich@dc.rr.com

Talk-in frequency: 146.940- PL 107.2 Desert RATpeater
Registration Form

Please list additional Attendees – ALL ATTENDEES MUST BE REGISTERED
No charge for Children 16 or under when Accompanied by a Registered Adult
How did you find out about the Convention?

☐ Radio  ☐ Web search  ☐ Ham Club  ☐ News Paper  ☐ Other __________________________

Call Sign: ___________ Last Name: ___________ First Name: ___________

Address: ____________________________________________________________________________

State: ___________ Zip Code: ___________ City ____________________ E-mail: __________________

Kids / Adults Call Sign Name (please print)
_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________

Early Bird Dated before May 31, 2010 $15.00 @ _______ ea. = $

Convention Pins Included (Limited Supplies)
Pre Registration June 1, to Aug. 22, 2010 $18.00 @ _______ ea. = $
At Door Registration
Accompanied kids under 16 years Free
DX Breakfast $23.00 @ _______ ea. = $
Banquet Tickets Dinner □ Beef □ Chicken □ Vegetable $43.00 @ _______ ea. = $
Banquet Speaker: To Be Announced
Convention Lunch $25.00 @ _______ ea. = $
Lunch Speaker:
2010 Convention Pins $ 5.00 @ _______ ea. = $
2006 Convention Pins $ 3.00 @ _______ ea. = $
2002 Convention Pins $ 3.00 @ _______ ea. = $

G1SL Card Checking
Make Checks payable to:

SANDARC Convention
C/O R. Boehme WZR1
10340 Everell Pl.
Santee, CA 92071

Web Form ver 1.03
Orange Section Official Observers Needed

If you are in the Orange Section and would like to become an ARRL Official Observer, you are invited.

The Official Observer program has been sponsored by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) for more than 50 years to help amateurs help each other. OO appointees have assisted thousands of amateurs to maintain their transmitting equipment and operating procedures in compliance with the regulations. The object of the OO program is to notify amateurs by mail of operating/technical irregularities before they come to the attention of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The OO performs his function by listening rather than transmitting, keeping an ear out for such things as frequency instability, harmonics, hum, key clicks, broad signals distorted audio, over deviation, out-of-band operations, etc. The OO competes his task once the notification card is sent. In hard-core rule violation cases, OO’s refer problems to high echelons of the Amateur Auxiliary, and may be requested to gather evidence for possible FCC enforcement actions.

Requirements:

1) Must take and pass an exam to be certified as a member of the Amateur Auxiliary, an FCC requirement, based on study of the ARRL’s Amateur Auxiliary Training Manual.

2) Must be an ARRL Full Member and have been a licensee of Technician Class or higher for at least 4 years.

3) Must report to the OO Coordinator regularly.

4) Maintain regular activity in sending out advisory notices as needed. 5 hour min. monthly.

5) Amateur Auxiliary Information
http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/am_aux.html

Official Observer Application
http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/forms/fsd187/form.html
Fourteenth Annual

Introduction and Seminar

Saturday, 30 January 2010
(No charge to attend)

AGENDA

8:30 - 9:00 am  Sign-in / Coffee and Donuts

9:00 - 9:45  Welcome and Introduction to SATUREN
  Trace Willette KI6DPN, SATUREN Committee Member
  Captain Stephen Ball, San Bernardino Citadel Corps Officer
  Carl Gardenias WU6D, ARRL Orange Section Manager

9:45 - 10:45  “EME on 40 Meters (and we don't mean 7 MHz)”
  Dennis Kidder W6DQ

10:45 - 11:00  Break - Refreshments

11:00 - noon  “Ready to Serve”
  Introduction: Major Linda Markiewicz, SDM Divisional Commander
  Commissioner Philip Swyers, The Salvation Army Western Territory

12:00 - 1:00  Lunch (complimentary)

1:00 - 2:00  “Building the Ultimate DX & Contesting Vehicle”
  J. Scott Bovitz N6MI

Where:

The Salvation Army San Bernardino Citadel Corps
746 W. 5th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410

Directions: Interstate 215 from either direction take 5th Street exit; turn right at the light onto “H” Street. First street on left (right away) is Spruce - turn left. Park in one of the lots on either side of Spruce at the rear of The Salvation Army San Bernardino Citadel Corps (carpool if possible).
Talk in Frequency 144.300 Simplex

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Visit our web site at www.satern.net
If you would like to get involved with message handling, please give our Section Traffic Manager an email: bhunter3@mindspring.com

73, Bruce, KI6RUW ARRL Orange STM