



QRO

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE PALOS VERDES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

FEBRUARY 2017

Show Us Your Shack

One of our most popular meeting programs returns on February 15, 2017, for “Show Us Your Shack.”

Four PVARC members (Ron Wagner, AC6RW; Bob Millard, KE6JI; Jerry Kendrick, NG6R; and Gary Lopes, WA6MEM) will show how they’ve organized their radio stations and operating positions. Their photos will inspire other members to consider possibilities for their own ham stations (which really aren’t in true “shacks” anymore.)

Of course, our club’s K6PV station has its unusual “shack” every August at Pt. Vicente Lighthouse during International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend (shown above.) Join us on February 15 for “Show Us Your Shack.” ■

“Show Us Your Shack”
Short presentations by
four PVARC members

PVARC Monthly Meeting,
Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, 7:30 pm at
Fred Hesse Community Park,
29301 Hawthorne Blvd.,
Rancho Palos Verdes,
Visitors Welcome.

Optional no-host pre-meeting dinner 5:30-
7:00 pm. Red Onion Restaurant, 706 Silver
Spur Road, Rolling Hills Estates. (No
reservation required, order what you wish.)

Thank you very much to all PVARC members who donated to our club in 2016

Donations to PVARC General Fund

Kelvin Vanderlip, W6KCV
 Mike Caulfield, AF6VT
 Bob Millard, KE6JI
 Bob Closson, W6HIP
 Norm & Denise Thorn, K6UU / KF6VTN
 Anthony Bressickello, W6GEZ
 Knut Myhre, N6BNP (SK)
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 Steve & Debbie Marschke, KK6EOS /
 KK6EOW
 Robert King, KI6EAJ
 Sid & Fran Wielin, KF6QFH / KF6QFG
 Ann & Ernst Willert, N6IDN/DK3FF
 John Ickes, W0HAX
 Dan Yang, K6DPY
 Jim Haire, KE6SYL
 Martha Salot, N7ZCZ
 Bill Harper, WA6ESC
 Dale Carlson, KF6LIX
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 Don Beaumont, KE6PMN
 John Dailey, W6EGR
 Joel Pastor, WJ1P
 Walt Ordway, K1DFO
 Steve Nash, WB6ZJD
 Laura Behenna, KK6BFI
 Bill Leighton, KG6WVF
 Malin Dollinger, KO6MD
 Diana Feinberg, AI6DF
 Clay Davis, AB9A
 Peter Landon, KE6JPM
 Bob Sylvest, AB6SY
 Ray Day, N6HE
 Gary Lopes, WA6MEM
 Henry Bremer, KK6MNO
 Joe Pace, NZ6L
 Mike Mockler, KO6S
 Jerry Shaw, KI6RRD

By Diana Feinberg, AI6DF PVARC President and QRO Editor

In addition to our members' time supporting our club's public service activities, the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club also has greatly benefitted from our members' financial generosity during 2016.

Our members' financial support beyond their annual dues helps us fund PVARC yearly activities and provide for their venues while keeping our membership dues at reasonable levels for all.

Some members have also donated equipment to support our club and we especially thank Dan Colburn, W6DC, and Walt Ordway, K1DFO, who donated their Honda generators during 2016 for the PVARC's permanent use.

There is never an obligation for making donations to the PVARC—these are entirely voluntary. But we sincerely thank those who have helped our club in more ways than one. Thank you again for your generosity during 2016. ■

Equipment Donations to PVARC in 2016

Dan Colburn, W6DC
 Walt Ordway, K1DFO
 Bob Sylvest, AB6SY
 George Lee, W6IOW

Donations to 2016 PVARC Holiday Dinner

Ray Day, N6HEaaa
 Bob Closson, W6HIP
 Jeff Wolf, K6JW
 John Freeman, WW6WW
 Denzel Dyer, KG6QWJ
 Jerry Kendrick, NG6R
 Dan Colburn, W6DC
 Anthony Bressickello, W6GEZ
 Ralph Yoon, AI6GP
 Ron Wagner, AC6RW
 Ken Carr, K6HRN
 John Cashen, W5UG
 Hugo Dominguez, KM6DQU

Our apologies if we inadvertently omitted any donor. Please advise the **QRO** Editor.

Donated Heathkit Antenna Tuner Model SA-2040 available free to a PVARC member at Feb. 15 meeting



Donated by the family of George Lee, W6IOW of Torrance, a Heathkit SA-2040 antenna tuner with full user manual is available at no cost at our February 15 meeting to a PVARC member who could truly use this. This high-wattage tuner was built by George's son Mike Lee, originally WB6RTH, who is now AA6ML in Florida.

PHOTOS:
DIANA FEINBERG, AI6DF

Photos show the front and rear sides, the latter having connectors for long-wire or balanced (non-coax) feed lines. An external SWR meter is required to set proper tuning with this manually-operated tuner.

PVARC's annual "Islands On The Air" DXpedition to Santa Catalina Island departs on February 22



It might seem each year's PVARC DXpedition to Santa Catalina Island for the Islands On The Air program is "more of the same." But the reality is we often experience "less of the same."

Weather, propagation, team members, equipment, and local wildlife never cease to change with each DXpedition.

Last year we had overnight winds exceeding 40 mph while in 2015 we had violent waterspouts just offshore. Our wildlife friends have changed too. In 2016 no bison came to our campground due to a new "bison fence" just outside Two Harbors. But now a large clowder of aggressive feral cats lives there.



Last year's K6PV/6 DXpedition produced a windfall of QSO's on 17-meters, which hadn't happened on past trips there. With reduced solar activity in 2017 we expect trying more operating on the lower HF bands---and again participate in the challenging CQ 160-meter Worldwide DX Contest. ■

K6PV/6 DXpedition Team February 22-26, 2017

Ray Day, N6HE (team leader)

Clay Davis, AB9A
Diana Feinberg, AI6DF
Gary Lopes, WA6MEM
Hugo Dominguez, KM6DQU
Jerry Kendrick, NG6R
Ron Wagner, AC6RW
Steve Mandich, K6NT



Top photo: A bison in 2014 outside K6PV/6 station. **Middle and bottom photos:** The new faces of wildlife at K6PV/6 in 2016.
PHOTOS: DIANA FEINBERG, AI6DF

Elections of PVARC officers and directors held at February meeting for serving until February 2018

Annual elections of PVARC officers will be held at our February 2017 meeting. Those elected will serve from the February 2017 meeting until the February 2018 monthly meeting.

No additional nominations from the floor were received at our January 18th monthly meeting, so those previously slated for election can be affirmed by simple voice vote at our February 15th meeting:

For President: Diana Feinberg, AI6DF; For Vice-President: Ray Day, N6HE;
For Secretary: Ron Wagner, AC6RW; For Treasurer: Peter Landon, KE6JPM;
For Director: Clay Davis, AB9A; For Director: Gary Lopes, WA6MEM

Current Vice President Laura Behenna, KK6BFI, and Treasurer Bob Sylvest, AB6SY, opted to leave the PVARC Board due to other personal commitments in the year ahead. But we are very appreciative for their service during the past two years. We are also extremely grateful for John Freeman, WW6WW, serving 15 years as our Webmaster as he now turns the position to Kel Vanderlip, W6KCV (see below). ■

PVARC Webmaster: from John Freeman, WW6WW, to Kel Vanderlip, W6KCV

By John Freeman, WW6WW



About 15 years ago I volunteered to help PVARC with the **QRO** Newsletters and updating of the PVARC website. At that time the club spent most of the members' dues on postage, printing costs, and envelopes for the monthly newsletter. But the age of internet-based newsletters from clubs was arriving. The website provided an outreach in new ways: the newsletter, breaking news, club event pictures, and links to other web articles relative to amateur radio.

Our website is a great way to combine the hobbies of computers and ham radio along with community service. It keeps members in touch with what is going on. During my tenure Rick Murray K6WXA took over for several years; thank you Rick.

I was happy when Kel Vanderlip W6KCV spoke at the November 2016 club meeting, expressing an interest in supporting the PVARC website. Additionally Dave Held WA6PHS also showed an interest in helping at our January meeting. It is refreshing that we have such skilled and interested club members. Thanks Kel and Dave.

Kel and I will be working together over the next few months to make sure we have a smooth transition. Finally, I want to thank all the club members who over the years have contributed comments, articles and suggestions for the website. ■

New “Amateur Radio Parity Act” Bill introduced and passed by U.S. House of Representatives in 11 days

From the ARRL website:

On Monday January 23, 2017 the US House of Representatives suspended their rules and passed the Amateur Radio Parity Act of 2017 by unanimous consent. This action now sends the bill to the US Senate for its consideration.

On January 13, 2017, Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL-16) introduced the "Amateur Radio Parity Act of 2017" into the new 115th Congress. Mr. Kinzinger was joined by Representative Joe Courtney (D-CT-02) and Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, (R-OR-02) as original co-sponsors. The bill has been designated as HR 555, and was assigned to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, which is chaired by Congressman Walden.

The wording of HR 555 is identical to the language of HR 1301, which passed the US House of Representatives by a unanimous consent vote in September 2016 during the 114th Congress, which adjourned in December.

Further information on HR 555 and how ARRL members can assist in working towards its passage will be forthcoming. Please stand by for additional details as this begins its process through the Congress.

The new bill would entitle a radio amateur living in a deed-restricted community to install and maintain an “effective outdoor antenna.” The bill’s language preserves the existing language of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1, as well as all important case law with respect to municipal land use regulation.

H.R. 555 calls on the FCC to establish rules prohibiting the application of deed restrictions that preclude Amateur Radio communications on their face or as applied. Deed restrictions would have to impose the minimum practicable restriction on Amateur Radio communications to accomplish the lawful purposes of homeowners association seeking to enforce the restriction. ■



The PVARC still needs more ARRL Volunteer Examiners

By Dave Scholler, KG6BPH

An area where the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club (PVARC) is very active in the HAM community is giving classes and administrating exams to individuals to become new HAMs. Walt Ordway, K1DFO, gives classes four times a year to interested individuals and a couple of classes a year to area school teachers and emergency responders.

PVARC administers over 50 HAM radio exams a year. A minimum of three accredited Volunteer Examiners (VE) are required for each exam session and having several extra Examiners present is beneficial as well. Our exams for individuals are held at Hesse Park on Saturdays from 10:00 AM till noon four times a year (generally Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall.) When exams for area teachers and emergency responders are held it is usually during the work week at locations supporting the organization requesting the test.

The PVARC has a roster of available individuals to support these exams but currently our roster is a bit thin. General and Extra licensed individuals can become Volunteer Examiners (VE). Our club runs these exams under the auspices of the ARRL which gives a tremendous amount of support for these activities. Information on become an ARRL-accredited VE is available at:

<http://www.arrl.org/become-an-arrl-ve>

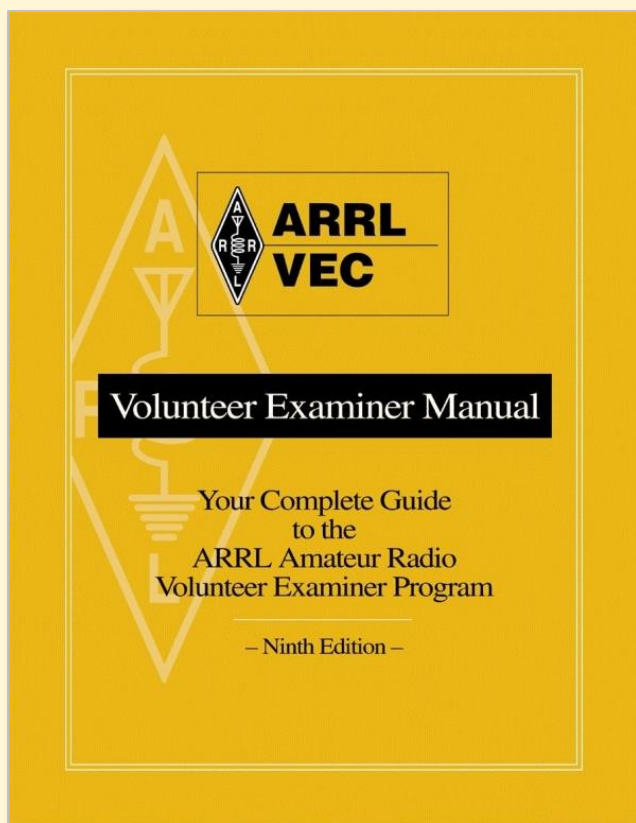
It does not cost anything to become a VE. An open book exam is required (40 questions) and it is actually fairly interesting. The exam is submitted to ARRL and when you pass a 10-year VE accreditation is issued.

David Scholler is the VE coordinator for PVARC. He will help you through the process if required, keep your name on file, and will notify you of coming events requiring VEs.

Please consider becoming an ARRL VE to serve the PVARC's exam sessions. ■



How about you?



You can download the entire ARRL VE manual free of charge at:

<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/VEs/VE%20Manual%20Web%20FINAL%202014.pdf>

Or, you may purchase a printed copy through the ARRL online store.

HAMCON 2017 / ARRL SW Division Convention comes to Torrance in Sept.

Save the dates: The PVARC is one of 12 Los Angeles and Orange County radio clubs sponsoring HAMCON 2017, September 15-17, at the Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach Hotel (Del Amo Center).

HAMCON 2017 is also the 2017 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention, with a full array of technical talks on all aspects of amateur radio. Equally interesting to many will be the 63-booth Vendor Hall with many major ham radio manufacturers. If you want to see or touch Elecraft or FlexRadio products, for example, HAMCON 2017 is your place.

The PVARC is again staffing HAMCON's Information Desk during Convention operating hours. In August we'll be asking for club members to volunteer working in two-person shifts of two hours at the Information Desk. The PVARC also participates in HAMCON 2017 with Diana, AI6DF, again serving as convention Chair and Jeff, K6JW, as our club's delegate on HAMCON's planning committee.

So save the dates of September 15-17 for a great convention—an ARRL Divisional Convention doesn't get closer to home than this. Advance registration opens in early February. ■



For us, it's conveniently held at the Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach Hotel at Del Amo Fashion Center.

Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club

An American Radio Relay League Affiliated-Club

Board of Directors:

President	Diana Feinberg, AI6DF
Vice President	Laura Behenna, KK6BFI
Treasurer	Bob Sylvest, AB6SY
Secretary	Ron Wagner, AC6RW
Directors	Clay Davis, AB9A, Ray Day, N6HE

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QRO Editor	Diana Feinberg, AI6DF
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VE ARRL Liaison	Jerry Shaw, KI6RRD
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Monthly Meetings:

Third Wednesday (except August and December) at 7:30 pm at Fred Hesse Park, 29301 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. Visitors always welcome.

Repeaters (Open, though often listed as "Closed"):

Club: K6PV, 447.120 MHz (-), PL 100.0, CTCSS
"PV-West": K6IUM, 449.980 MHz (-), PL 173.8, CTCSS

To order a Club badge:

Karen Freeman, KG6BNN, 310-541-6971

To order a Club jacket or patch:

Dave Scholler, KG6BPH, 310-373-8166

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Front page photo — *The Pt. Vicente Lighthouse catches the last rays of light after sunset during the PVARC's 2014 International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend.*
PHOTO: DIANA FEINBERG, AI6DF

PVARC Short News Items

The PVARC's upcoming meeting topics...and beyond

The PVARC's March 15, 2017, meeting features Ray Day, N6HE, reporting on our club's nine-member February 22-26, 2017, Islands on the Air DXpedition to Two Harbors on Catalina Island. Each year's DXpedition seems to have new developments, whether its weather, EMI. or aggressive local animals.

Meanwhile our April 19, 2017, monthly meeting has an interesting presentation from Bioenno's Kevin Zanjani about the new lightweight lithium iron-phosphate batteries capable of high power levels. These require a different charging system from conventional lithium-ion or lead-acid batteries.

The PVARC's May 17, 2017, monthly meeting will have an informative comparative "shoot-out" on the two best-value HF transceivers currently on the market: Icom's IC-7300 and Kenwood's TS-590SG. Presenters will be PVARC members who own these radios and have put them through extensive use.

Speaking elsewhere....your **QRO** Editor Diana. AI6DF, is giving her "Recent and Upcoming Developments in the 222-225 MHz Amateur Radio Band" presentation at the Pasadena Radio Club on February 28 and at the Downey Amateur Radio Club on April 6. ■

...plus some PVARC events scheduled later this year

We expect to hold ARRL Field Day operations again at Ridgecrest Intermediate School in Rancho Palos Verdes on Saturday-Sunday, June 24-25. Please mark your calendar and help our operations then. The PVARC is especially grateful for permanent donations of Honda generators to our club last year by Walt Ordway, K1DFO, and Dan Colburn, W6DC, that can power Field Day and other operating sites.

Meanwhile, we recently booked the PVARC's 2017 Holiday Dinner (gee, didn't we just have a Holiday Dinner?) at Ports O'Call Restaurant on San Pedro's waterfront for Thursday, December 14, 2017. We will be in the upstairs "Breakwater Room," the site of our 2013, 2014, and 2015 Holiday Dinners. The Ports O'Call Restaurant remains fully operational despite expected redevelopment of other areas at Ports O'Call Village. The restaurant will continue to have easy access after redevelopment begins and the best news....there will be plenty of desserts for all. ■



Need a PVARC patch?

If you want a PVARC logo patch for a hat, shirt, jacket, soft-side bag or whatever we have a new batch with higher-resolution stitching.

New patches are available for \$4 each at all our meetings or by contacting Dave Scholler, KG6BPH, at 310-373-8166 (or email him at: jdavidscholler@hotmail.com .) If you order a PVARC club jacket one patch is sewn onto the jacket's left front and included in the cost. These jackets may also be ordered through Dave Scholler. ■

PVARC News Items

Free CERT training offered at Peninsula High School

Several South Bay cities offer Community Emergency Response Team training to residents. For those who live on the Palos Verdes Peninsula a free three-session CERT class is being offered at Peninsula High School on Saturdays, March 4, 11, and 18. (See the announcement on page 14.)

CERT is a well-developed national program from the Federal Emergency Management Agency that enables residents to learn disaster response skills that serve their family, neighbors, or other community members.

Many PVARC members already have CERT training but if you do not this is a great opportunity to learn such skills as basic fire suppression, light search & rescue, basic disaster medical skills, disaster psychology, and other topics. One must attend all 21 hours of training to receive a CERT completion certificate. ■



Helpful guidelines when submitting QRO articles

Our **QRO** newsletter welcomes articles about technical subjects and PVARC members' amateur radio activities of interest to fellow club members.

To facilitate layout and editing using the software that produces **QRO** please send your article as two separate files: 1) all the text as a straight Microsoft Word file and 2) any photos, illustrations, or diagrams in a second file or as separate JPEG files. If possible please keep the text portion to not exceed 800 words. Thanks! ■

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS OF THE PALOS VERDES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

IN 2015-2016

JOHN CASHEN, W5UG
(RETURNING MEMBER)

INGO WERK, KK6EWB

TOM BUDAR, K6RPV

JONATHAN GREEN, KK6VWK

SAEHUI HWANG, KM6BCO

MARK CHILDIR, KM6BCL

DALE GEHR, KM6BCI

ROMYLEEN MITRA, KM6BCJ

NICHOLAS KOWALCZYK, KM6BCN

ANNETTE SOLOMON, KM6DRA

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CARL HINDMAN, KM6DRB

HUGO DOMINGUEZ, JR., KM6DQU,

JARED BOCKOFF, KM6DQV

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THEODORE LEY, KM6DRC

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THOMAS ESSENPREIS, KB9ENS

MARK GREENBERG, KM6GYC

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CHERI TANIMURA, KM6GXX

HEIDI STROMBURG, KG0GGY

Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club Calendar 2017

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
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MAY							JUNE							JULY							AUGUST						
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SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
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2017 Major Contest Dates

- Jan. 21: North American SSB QSO Party
- Jan. 27-29: CQ Worldwide 160-Meter (CW)
- Feb. 10-12: CQ Worldwide RTTY WPX
- Feb. 17-19: ARRL DX (CW)
- Feb. 25: North American RTTY QSO Party
- Feb. 24-26: CQ Worldwide 160-Meter (SSB)
- Mar. 3-5: ARRL DX (SSB)
- Mar. 24-26: CQ Worldwide SSB WPX
- May 26-28: CQ Worldwide CW WPX
- Jun. 10-11: ARRL June VHF Contest
- Jun. 24-25: ARRL Field Day

- July 8-9: IARU World Championships
- July 15-16: CQ Worldwide VHF
- July 15: North American RTTY QSO Party
- Aug. 19: North American SSB QSO Party
- Sept. 9-10: ARRL September VHF Contest
- Sept. 22-24: CQ Worldwide RTTY DX
- Oct. 7-8: California QSO Party
- Oct. 27-29: CQ Worldwide SSB DX
- Nov. 4-5: ARRL Sweepstakes (CW)
- Nov. 18-19: ARRL Sweepstakes (SSB)
- Nov. 24-26: CQ Worldwide CW DX
- Dec. 8-10: ARRL 10-Meter Contest

PVARC Nets
Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
on K6PV, 447.120
MHz (-), PL 100.0, and
144.910 MHz, Tone
Squelch, PL 156.7

PVARC Meetings & Meals

Meetings 7:30 pm **3rd Wednesdays** except August and December at Fred Hesse Park, 29301 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes. Guests welcome.

No-host dinner at 5:30 pm before club meetings at Red Onion Restaurant, 736 Silver Spur Road, Rolling Hills Estates.

2nd Saturday each month: PVARC "HF Enthusiasts Group", 10:00 am

3rd Sunday in August: Annual family picnic at Pt. Vicente Lighthouse.

December 6: Holiday dinner, TBD.

PVARC Public Service Events

- Apr. 23:** Ridgecrest Int. School 5K
- Aug. 12:** Rolling Hills Estates "Hills Are Alive" 5K/10K
- Sept. 4:** "Conquer the Bridge" Race
- Sept. 23:** RAT Beach Bike Tour
- Nov. 18:** P.V. Half-Marathon/10K

Major Ham Radio Conventions

- Feb. 4:** Palm Springs Hamfest
- Feb. 17-18:** Yuma Hamfest, Yuma, AZ
- Apr. 14-16:** International DX Convention, Visalia, CA
- May 19-21:** HamVention, Xenia OH
- Sep. 15-17:** **HAMCON 2017, Torrance**
- Oct. 20-22:** Pacificon, Santa Clara, CA

PVARC HF Operating Events

- Feb. 22-26:** Islands On The Air DXpedition, Catalina Island;
- June 24-25:** ARRL Field Day;
- Aug. 18-20:** Intl. Lighthouse Weekend, Pt. Vicente Lighthouse

PVARC Ham License Classes

Fred Hesse Park (Fireside Room), 29301 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho P.V.

Feb. 4 & 11; May 27 & June 3;
additional dates to be announced.



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www.n6rpv.net/pvarc or www.k6pv.org

NEW MEMBER & MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

NEW: _____ or RENEWAL: _____ MEMBERSHIP DATE: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email address: _____

(Unless otherwise noted emails will be sent to the applying member only)

License Call: _____ License Class: _____ ARRL Member? _____ Birth Mo./Day: _____

Other amateur radio groups you belong to: _____

Additional Household and/or Family Members (if Applicable):

Name _____ Call _____ Class _____ ARRL _____ Birth Mo./Day: _____

Name _____ Call _____ Class _____ ARRL _____ Birth Mo./Day: _____

Name _____ Call _____ Class _____ ARRL _____ Birth Mo./Day: _____

Individual membership (\$15.00) \$ _____

Household and/or Family membership (\$20.00) \$ _____

Additional donation to support PVARC activities \$ _____

Cash: _____ or Check #: _____ Date _____ TOTAL \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club; Dues based on January 1st to December 31st year.

All New and Renewal Member applications must be signed below.

I am applying for a new or renewal membership in the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club and understand that by accepting membership I agree to abide by the Club's constitution and by-laws (available on-line at: http://www.n6rpv.net/pvarc/constitution.htm or upon request.)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Family Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Tell your friends and relatives about the PVARC's upcoming Technician and General license classes



Whether for emergency communication, communicating around the world, or learning a bit about electronics, there's nothing else like amateur radio (also known as "ham radio"). Amateur radio operators have long provided the communication "when all else fails" during disasters. Please tell your friends and relatives that with a short course, they can join the over 710,000 men, women, and children in the United States from all walks of life who are licensed to operate ham radios.

Two Free Amateur Radio Courses

FCC "**Technician**" course (entry level)

FCC "**General**" course (2nd level)

Each course is 2 sessions

The next sessions are on May 27 and June 3, 2017

Technician 9:30 AM to 1:45 PM both Saturdays

General 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM both Saturdays

FCC tests will be 10:00 AM to Noon on Saturday, June 10, 2017.

The Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will make a brief presentation at 9:30 AM at the start of the May 27th Technician class on how to get further involved with amateur radio.

The location is Fred Hesse Park, 29301 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes.

Confirm your attendance to Walt, K1DFO at waltordway@juno.com

No fee for either course; taking the FCC Test is \$15. Optional Material (sold at cost):

- Gordon West book with all the FCC test questions,

\$22 for the Technician, \$26 for the General;

- Copy of PowerPoint charts: \$20 for the Technician, \$20 for the General.

For courses sponsored by the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club, students thru grade 12 who also pass their examination at a PVARC test session will, upon application to the Club, be eligible for reimbursement up to a maximum of \$50 to cover the cost of materials and the examination fee.

Everyone who obtains their first ham radio license through a PVARC test session, regardless of age, will receive a free membership in the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club for the remainder of the current calendar year.

For more information contact Walt, K1DFO, at waltordway@juno.com

Have you completed free Community Emergency Response Training? New class at Peninsula High in March



Community Emergency Response Training

Training Classes starting
Saturday March 4, 2017

C.E.R.T. TRAINING IS COMING TO PALOS VERDES
SIGN UP NOW!
FREE!

The **Los Angeles County Fire Department** is proud to present this training to the public.

Following a major disaster, police, fire, and medical personnel may not be able to fully meet the demand. People will have to rely on each other to meet immediate life saving and life sustaining needs.

Developed through FEMA, the L.A. County Fire Department's **Community Emergency Response Training (CERT)** program provides basic training in safety and life saving skills for the public.

The course curriculum covers the following modules:

Saturday, March 4	Saturday, March 11	Saturday, March 18
1. Disaster Preparedness 2. Disaster Fire Suppression 3. Disaster Medical Ops 1	4. Disaster Medical Ops 2 5. Light Search & Rescue 6. Disaster Psychology	7. CERT Organization 8. Terrorism 9. Course Review & Disaster Simulation Exercise

The training course will be a series of three classes on:

March 4, 11 & 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 pm

**Palos Verdes Peninsula High School
27118 Silver Spur Road,
Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274**

C.E.R.T. training is free

Sign up by emailing kathygraves@cox.net or 310 418-3529

Please include your name, phone number, and email address.

Class size is limited. Sign up today to reserve your seat.

CERT Class information is also posted on the Fire Department website: <http://fire.lacounty.gov>

*Students must complete all 20 hours of the course to receive a certificate of completion. If you must miss any units, you can make them up anywhere CERT is taught to receive your certificate.

2017 Arizona Section Convention

Yuma Hamfest

Yuma, Arizona

Feb. 17 & 18, 2017



Yuma County Fairgrounds
2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona

www.yumahamfest.org

Check the Website for Additional Information

<p>Gates Open for Camping Thursday, 2 pm Vendor Setup Friday, 7 am - Noon</p>	<p>Event Hours Friday, Noon - 5 pm Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm</p>	<p>Hamfest Dinner & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm</p>
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Vendors & Exhibitors
Consignment Sales
License Testing
Hourly Door Prizes
On-site RV Camping
Hamfest Dinner
ARRL Speaker
Transmitter Hunt
\$5.00 Admission

Tailgating (Swap Meet)
Full Seminar Schedule
DXCC Card Checking
Incredible Grand Prizes
Emergency Preparedness
Admission Prize
Hospitality Area
Near Space Balloon Launch
Antenna Clinic

Hamfest Talk-In Frequency: 146.780 (-) PL 103.5 Hz

Email Contact: info@yumahamfest.org



We are proud to have the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona (ARCA) as a sponsor of our event.

The Yuma Hamfest is an American Radio Relay League (ARRL) sanctioned event.



Presented by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization