



Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

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August Program

Flex Radio System Signature Series Flex6700 Demonstration & Review



Our speaker this month will be Michael Hasenfratz, WA6FXT.

Mike has a ham since about 1975, and held a Technician class license until the FCC removed the code requirement for the General Class license and upgraded again when the FCC eliminated the code requirement for the Extra class license.

His primary interest, for the most part, has been in public service, repeaters, RTTY and packet systems. He was Staff 55, in LA County DCS, for decades and was heavy into the Tournament Of Roses use of ham radio until he moved to Texas, in the 1980s.

His current interests lay in Satellite communications, Software Defined Radio (SDR) and DX. And is the current president of VCARS and the ham club at the Woodland Hills Northrop Grumman facility. He is Trustee of W6NSD, WA6AQQ and K6QYB.

Hello Simi Settlers,

That's right, we are currently in need of a club President. To encourage any of you who any of you who might be harboring the glimmer of a thought toward throwing your name in the ring, let me assure you that you will not be left to sink or swim should you decide to take the plunge.

Clichés aside, what that means is that you can be assured of whatever help and support you might need from the board and your fellow members.

In general the duties of the President are to preside at all meetings of the club; decide questions of order; sign documents adopted by the Club and perform other customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

So, returning to a cliché, if you're on the fence about volunteering now's your chance to climb down and take your place at the head of the line.

- 73

- Joe, W6JWP

General Meeting
Time: 7:00pm
Location: Simi Valley
Senior Center
3900 Avenida Simi
Simi Valley, CA 93063

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HT Programming

If you have a BAOFENG UV-5/UV-B5/UV-82, ICOM IC-T81, YAESU VX-5 or KENWOOD TH-F6 Ray, K16LKD will have a computer, cable and software at the next general meeting to help you program it with some of our local repeater frequencies.



A Review in Brief--- Jetstream JT222M

Deanna Smitha W6DWS-SSARC Club Elmer

Recently I was advised that the Jetstream JT220M single-band 50 watt mobile rig was being closed out. At last year's Holiday Party one of the drawing prizes was a JT220M, which was won by Lisa KK6AKM. I personally have 5 of these JT220M radios, along with numerous Kenwood single & multi-band 220 rigs and the Alinco clone of the older Jetstream model. My experience has been very good with the JT220 series, so when I was advised that the new series JT222M was available, I took the opportunity to check out the new radio at HRO in Burbank.



Unlike the original JT220M series, which had its heritage in the Alinco family of radios, this new JT222M radio has come out of manufacture from TYT/Anytone, which also builds the Powerwerx dual-band mobile radio. This newest Jetstream radio is a clone to the TYT TH9000 220 MHz radio. It has compatible component layout, and programs in the same manner.

Preliminary on air testing on both simplex and repeater operation reveals a good receiver, clear deviation and great audio. If it has the selectivity of its predecessor, it has the potential to be a great package. More info when I have more time with this radio on the air. Our 220 band is alive and well.. Let's get some more action on it.

Best 73, Deanna W6DWS (w6dws@arrl.net)

Nets of Interest

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SSARC CW Net 7:30pm - 8:30pm John Percival WI6O will be listening and making calls using his call sign and referencing "SSARC" in this transmission. Please listen in on 7.050, 21.050, 28.050 depending on band conditions. LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz SSARC 2 Meter Net 8:30 pm SMRA-ERN Repeater 146.805 - 0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 - 5.0MHz PL100.0	Condor Connection 7pm (Plays Newline) Thousand Oaks 223.940-1.6 MHz PL156.7 Frazier Mountain 224.720-1.6 MHz PL156.7	ACS Area 1 Simi Valley SMRA-ERN 7:05pm Repeater 146.805 - 0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 - 5.0MHz PL100.0 LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz	Channel Islands chapter 10-10 International 28.34 MHz at 10AM and 6PM	LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz		SSARC SSB HF Net 8:30am 7.262 (+ or - QRM/N) 40 meter CW-QRP 9am 7.032 MHz Quad Squad net 1PM on 21.365 MHz.

Additional information on local nets can be found on the CVARC web site at:

http://www.cvarc.org/new-wp/?page_id=470

ACS Corner

1. Sunday - 10 August 2014 - Simi Valley Half Marathon. We need volunteers to support this annual Simi Valley event. If you can help out that day, contact me.
2. 23&24 August 2014 - Saturday & Sunday - "Wings Airshow" - There are 18 openings total for both days. Contact Ted, KI6PTX at ki6ptx@arrl.net for more information.
3. 6&7 September 2014 - Saturday & Sunday - Ventura Marathon - Contact Stewart, KG6BOV at kg6bov@arrl.net for more information.

- Steve King KE6WEZ (ke6wez@gmail.com)

Raffle Prize

The grand prize at the next general meeting will be a Baofeng UV-B5 Dual Band VHF and UHF HT!



Events

Thursday, August 7, 2014, 6:00pm SSARC Pizza Night

Round Table Pizza, 2345 Erringer Road, Ste. 100, Simi Valley

Sunday, August 10, 2014, 8:30am Ham Radio License Exam Session

Ventura County Sheriff's E County Station

2101 E Olsen Rd (Between 23 Hwy & Reagan Library);

Community Room, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 Walk-ins-Allowed.

Contact: Jeffrey M Reinhardt (818) 706-3853

See: <http://www.cvarc.org/> for more information

Thursday, August 14, 2014, 7:00pm SSARC General Meeting

Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Saturday, August 30, 2014, 7:00am W6TRW Swapmeet

(7am) and Exam Session (10am) Redondo Beach, CA

<http://w6trw.com/swapmeet/swapmeet.htm>

Reminder!

**Please pay your annual dues before or after this month's General meeting!
Members that haven't paid will be dropped from the newsletter mailing list and
the monthly membership drawing at the end of the month!**

**Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club
General Membership Meeting, July 10, 2014**

- Call to Order: Ex-President Rick Galbraith, W6DQE, called the meeting to order at 7:07pm. Rick welcomed everyone to the meeting, held at the Simi Valley Senior Center. There was a recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance. 12 Officers and Board Members/Advisors were present. The total attendance was 34, with 2 visitors.
- Introductions: A brief round of introductions was held. The Club welcomed guests Cody Evans, KK6IEX, and Ruben Aguiar.
- Club Election: In a continuation of our election process for the new Club year, Rick said that Glen Daly, WA6GNB, has offered to serve as Treasurer. Rick made a motion to nominate Glen to take over as Treasurer; the motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote. For the office of President we have no candidate at this time, so Rick is serving as "Acting President", having stepped down after his 4½ years as president.
- Announcements: Rick said we have two grand prize items tonight, a Baofeng UV-B5 HT and a digital Multimeter. Rick also informed the group that Doug Stanfield, WA6ATE, has become a silent key, and asked for a minute of silence to remember him. Ray Campbell, K16LKD, said he has found a telescoping aluminum mast that is 16 feet long and has a cost of \$10 plus \$11 for shipping. With the idea of placing a group order, Ray asked anyone interested in this mast to send him an email. Richard Johnson, N6HJD, thanked the Simi Settlers for participating in this year's Strathearn Park History Day. He said that next year, this event might be moved to the month of May, from mid to late June. Rick recognized and thanked Dante Smith, KK6JCQ, who has joined the rotating group of Net Control operators for our Sunday night net.
- Board Meetings: Frank said that Norbert Rehaut, W9YPM, our out-going Treasurer, has made arrangements for our Board Meetings to be held at the Simi Valley Senior Center, room 122, on the fourth Thursday of each month beginning on the 28th of August. The July Board meeting will be at Norbert's home.
- Tri-Band Antenna: Jim Hutchinson, K16MZ gave an update on the Tri-Band 2M-220-440 antenna project that he has designed and built. The Club group build is planned for September. He has named it the "SST" for Shape-Shifting Tri-band. Jim said the current sign-up count is 20, and if he gets 5 more orders, the cost will come down to \$70.
- Program: There was no guest speaker this month, so Frank led a discussion of Field Day experiences this year. The combined SSARC and VCARS operation at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library was 8A class, we don't have the contact count yet, but Frank said that 40% of the contacts were made on 15 Meters. Frank gave a projected show of pictures at our Field Day, showing people at the operating stations and antennas. Our Historian, Mike Tweedy's photo album of field day activities was passed around the room. Jim Parker, KJ6LXJ and Diane Wainwood, KJ6JEJ reported on the CVARC Field Day, where they operated as 16A class. Diane said they had over 200 visitors and their QSO count was 1292 phone, and 463 CW contacts.
- Show & Tell: Spencer Smith, N6IWY, showed and described some of the home-brew crystal sets he has built. Bill Costello, AG6XM, showed an antenna analyzer project he is building. Steve Noll, WA6EJO told of a thrilling 2 meter QSO he had recently with Hawaii, via tropospheric ducting.
- Break: A 20-minute break was taken at 8:28pm, with members enjoying refreshments.
- Member Drawing: The progressive membership drawing winner, Deanna Smitha, W6DWS, was present to win the \$10 prize. For our next regular meeting on Aug 14, 2014, the prize will again begin at \$10. Members must be present to win, and the prize grows by \$10 each month it goes unclaimed.
- Prize Raffle: The featured "Grand Prize" at this month's raffle, a Baofeng HT model UV-B5, was won by Steve King KE6WEZ and the second grand prize was a DMM, won by Ruben Aguiar.
- Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm by Vice President Frank Valdez.

Submitted by: Secretary, John Percival, WI6O

Simi Settlers' Leadership

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Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club Web Page: <http://www.simissettlers.org/index.htm>

Simi Settlers' ARC Yahoo Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SimiSettlersARC>

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Letter From The Editor

Nothing this month, I had my say on page 1!

73's to all,

Joe W6JWP

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Membership Application

(Membership Year is counted from July 1st of the current year to June 30th of the following year. New Member fees will be prorated accordingly.)



Type of Application:

New Member
Renewal

Type of Membership:

Individual (\$12/yr)
Family (\$18/yr)

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes No

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Alt. Phone: (____) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Additional Family Members:

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes No

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes No

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: _____ ARRL: Yes No

Badges requested: Yes No How many? _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s): _____

Shirts requested: Yes No How many? _____ X \$35.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s) Size(s) (Sm, Med, L, XL, etc): _____

Jackets Requested: Yes No How many? _____ X \$88.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s) Size(s) (Sm, Med, L, XL, etc): _____

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Application type: New Renewal Membership type: Individual Family

Date Received: _____ Amount Received: _____ Database completed: _____

Badges and Shirts ordered: _____