



Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

Short Circuit

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Static & Sparks

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May Program

ARRL Update

- Dick Norton N6AA

ARRL Southwestern Division Director Dick Norton, N6AA9, will speak on the ARRL and current happenings in Amateur Radio.

Dick Norton, N6AA, was first licensed in 1955 as KN2PHF. Initially active in traffic nets and DXing, he is mostly active today on-the-air in contests.

Operating in CQ WW DX Contests from all of the 40 zones has given him an opportunity to see the world and meet with amateurs from all corners of the globe.

Dick is currently ARRL Southwestern Division Director as well as president of the Southern California Contest Club. He has spoken frequently at Dayton, Visalia, and other conventions.

Dinner with the Speaker

Where? TGIFriday's
When? 5:15pm

Join your club board members and Orv Beach, W6BI for dinner before the meeting.

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

By President Frank Valdez KI6OQ

I want to thank Jim Veronica WA6NXK for a wonderful presentation on piloting Ultra Lite Aircraft. In his presentation, he owned and piloted various ultra-lite aircraft that had a varied flight instruments. Also, used the iPhone apps for flight navigation was quite an impressive change for the ultra-lite flying sport.

I want to thank the members who participated in the Simi Valley Senior Health Expo, the Boys Scouts of America Camporee Troop 605, and the Aut-2-Run at Channel Islands State University.

In the month of May, I urge the membership to participate in the Simi Valley Emergency Expo 5/13/17 and Field Day the weekend of 5/24-25/17. I will ask the membership who can help out on a half day event at the Simi Valley Historical Park event from 8 am to 4 pm. Selection of candidates for President and Vice President is now open to anyone. Elections will be conducted in June.

I also want to thank Jim and Lea Veronica for offering their home for the SVARC spring picnic. Meeting time will from 10 am to 4 pm or later. See more details elsewhere in the newsletter.

73, Frank KI6OQ

Nets of Interest

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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 Newslines) Frazier Mountain 224.720-1.6 MHz PL156.7	LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz ACS Area 1 Simi Valley SMRA-ERN 7:05pm Repeater 146.805 -0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 -5.0MHz PL100.0 ATN-CA Net 7:30pm http://atn-tv.org/netnight.htm	Channel Islands chapter 10-10 International 28.34 MHz at 10AM and 6PM Mesh Talk Net 1st & 3rd Wed. @ 7:30pm on the WB6EBY repeaters	LSB Net 8pm 3.908 MHz		SSARC SSB HF Net 8:30am 7.240 (+ 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>

*Thanks to our fine Net Control Operators: Steve, KE6WEZ; Rick, W6DQE; Ray, KI6LKD; Jay, AG6JF and Dante, KK6JCQ.

ACS/ARES Corner

1. Saturday - 13 May 2017 - Simi Valley Emergency Preparedness/Street Fair. We need volunteers to help man the booth from 0800 to about 1700. If you can help all day or just part of the day, contact Steve King at ke6wez@gmail.com to volunteer.
2. Sunday - 28 May 2017 - Mountain to the Beach Marathon - There are about 28 stations to be manned, with various manning and at station times. This is just one of the major events we support. Contact Rob Hanson at w6rh@arrl.net to volunteer.
3. Sunday - 4 June 2017 - Love Run. Zak needs a few more volunteers. To help out, contact Zak at n6pk@arrl.net.
4. Tuesday - 6 June 2017 - ORT night. We need volunteers to help man the Simi Hospital, Simi PD, and a remote site. If you want to help out, let me know ASAP at ke6wez@gmail.com.
5. Saturday/Sunday - 24/25 June 2017 - ARRL Field Day.



We are always looking for ACS members that would like to become Net Controllers. You will receive hands on training at the Simi Valley PD (where we normally conduct the Weekly Net). It is both fun and at times challenging. You will gain valuable experience in running a controlled Net as well as becoming more than just familiar with the equipment in the Radio Room at the PD. If you would like to volunteer for this, let me know - ke6wez@gmail.com

If anyone is interested in how to setup your own packet station, RMS Winlink station, or a Mesh Node, let me know and we can get you started in the proper direction.

NOTE: Please be advised that we will now hold the Tue. countywide net at 19:30 (7:30PM) on the Sulphur Mountain WD6EBY repeater 145.200, minus 600 KHz offset, CTCSS of 127.3. Until further notice, this will be our standard frequency for countywide communications.

- Steve King KE6WEZ (ke6wez@gmail.com)

Events

Thursday, May 4, 2017, 6:00pm SSARC Pizza Night

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

Thursday, May 11, 2017, 7:00pm SSARC General Meeting

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

Saturday, May 20, 2017, 9:00am SSARC Spring Picnic

At the home of Lea and Jim Veronica WA6NXX, 442 Peter Place, Simi Valley

Thursday, May 25, 2017, 7:00pm SSARC Board Meeting

At the home of Diane Rehaut, 2805 El Paso Av, Simi Valley, CA 93063

Saturday, May 29, 2017, 7:00am W6TRW Swap Meet

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

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

Sunday, June 11, 2017, 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

Elections are Coming!

It's time to start thinking about our upcoming club elections. There are several positions opening up this year due to current office holders retiring. Nominations will be accepted at our May general meeting and elections held at the June meeting.

President - Will be vacant

Vice-President - Has been vacant

Newsletter Editor - Will be vacant

PIO - Has been vacant

Elmers - You can never have enough Elmers

You are, of course, encouraged to throw your hat into the ring for any of the board positions regardless of whether it's currently occupied or not.

Raffle Prize!

Once again we will be raffling off another HT at the general meeting in May!

This time a Baofeng UV5RA!



**Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club
General Membership Meeting, April 13, 2017**

Call to Order: President, Frank Valdez, KI6OQ, called the meeting to order at 7:15pm. Frank welcomed everyone to the meeting, held at the Simi Valley Senior Center. There was a recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance. 10 Officers and Board Members/Advisors were present. The total attendance was 21, with one visitor.

Introductions: A brief round of introductions was made. Visitor Vern Potter, W6NCT, was welcomed.

Program: Frank introduced Jim Veronica, WA6NXK, who gave a talk and slideshow about his years of flying gliders, ultra-light and light sport aircraft. Jim became a General Class Ham in 1963 and July of 1973 he added flying to his list of hobbies. His first flight was in a 2-place glider with an instructor and soon advanced to solo flying. He said that unpowered gliders are typically released at 2000 feet altitude and from there "thermal" air currents allow the pilot to gain altitude. Jim said the gliding or "soaring" has award badges that are given for verified flight distance and altitude achievements. Jim later moved into ultra-light powered flying and Jim described a number of his flights and adventures. He now has a licensed Light-Sport aircraft to which he has added two small fuel tanks that give him greater flying time. A picture of this is on the April Newsletter cover. Jim said he has also tried para-gliding. He said his total time for powered and unpowered flying is now over 1,000 hours.
At the end of the program Frank thanked Jim and presented him with a certificate of appreciation from the Simi Settlers.

Break: At 8:22pm, a 15-minute break was taken with refreshments provided by Bill Everett, KI6KSV.

Announcements: Frank mentioned that the Strathearn Historical Park and Museum will have "History Day" again this year on the same day as Field Day, Saturday, June 24. The SSARC has been invited to participate with a radio station setup, but Frank said he plans to participate fully in Field Day this year. He asked if any member has an interest in participating at the Strathearn to operate an SSARC Special Event Station.
Vern Potter, W6NCT, VCARS Field Day Chairman, spoke about our plans to operate again at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library with the N6R special call. This will be the 17th year and Vern said we have had a good relationship with the Library staff. The setup will be like in past years. There are openings for operators wishing to participate on the many bands we will use. Rick Slater, AG6AY, Field Day Co-Chair, said we will use Google Apps Collaboration for email communication in FD planning.
Saturday, May 13th, will be the Simi Valley Street Fair from 9am to 5pm in the same location on Cochran Street, with SSARC participation at a booth to be operated for Ventura county ACS. Frank said we are accepting donations for the SMRA repeater system to support the two local K6ERN repeaters 146.805 and 445.580.
Frank reminded members that our Club Election will be in June, and candidates are needed for the offices of President, VP, Newsletter Editor, and PIO.
Our guest speaker for the May 11 General meeting will be ARRL Southwest Division Director, Richard Norton, N6AA.

Member Drawing: The winning name in the progressive Membership drawing was Ron Nelson, K6RIN, who was not present to win the \$30 prize. The prize amount will be increased to \$40 for our next regular meeting on May 11, 2017. Members must be present to win, and the prize grows by \$10 each month it is unclaimed.

Prize Raffle: After the prize raffle drawing, the Grand Prize winner of a Baofeng UV-B6 Dual Band HT was Mark Lassman, KB6KGX.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.

Submitted by: Secretary, John Percival, WI6O

Simi Settlers' Leadership

President	Frank Valdez	KI6OQ	(805) 404-0394	frankki6oq@gmail.com
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PIO	VACANT			
Field Day	<i>What will you do?</i>			
Youth Coordinator	Dante Smith	W6JCQ		danterusso1999@gmail.com
Historian	Mike Tweedy	KV6I		mtweedy@roadrunner.com
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Net Coordinator	Steve King	KE6WEZ		ke6wez@gmail.com
Food Services	Bill Everett	KI6KSV		ki6ksv@gmail.com
Room Coordinator	Linda Parker			kj6lxj@gmail.com
Elmers and Members at Large				
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Elmer	VACANT			
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Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club Web Page: <http://www.simisetters.org/index.htm>
 Simi Settlers' ARC Yahoo Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SimiSettlersARC>
 Mail: P.O. Box 2125 Simi Valley, CA 93062-2125

Letter From The Editor

So is there a club project you would like to see? We've done antenna projects and test equipment projects. Is there something else you'd like to see? Something simple or complex? Is there something you've done or seen that you think would make a good club project? It doesn't have to be something to build, maybe a skill or an operating mode you'd like to learn. Bring your ideas to the meeting or contact one of your board members.

- 73 - Joe W6JWP



78. 8D
 Figure 4-4. — Grasping the key.



78. 8C
 Figure 4-5. — Your thumb rests against the side.

Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club

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Membership Application



Type of Application:

New Member
Renewal

Type of Membership:

Individual (\$18/yr)
Family (\$20/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 \$18.00 = \$ _____

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: _____