

Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

Short Circuit

October 2007

Dale Carnathan KB6DHF
Amateur Radio and Emergency Services
October 11, 2007 7:30pm

Dale has been with the Ventura County Sheriff's Department Office of Emergency Services since 1992. Dale has also served in both volunteer and paid positions with the American Red Cross for more than twenty-five years, including ten years as Director of Health Services for the Ventura County Chapter. Dale has earned a Master of Science degree in Public Administration from the California State University, Northridge.

Dale has participated in the response to disasters throughout the United States, including Hurricanes Iwa, Gloria and Hugo, the 1986 Missouri/Illinois Fall Floods, the Northridge and Whittier Narrows Earthquakes, as well as floods, fires, landslides and transportation accidents in Ventura County since 1980. Dale is also part of the faculty of the International Mass Fatalities Center.

Dale has been married to Anne for 18 years, and they have an adult daughter. Dale has also served in the U.S. Coast Guard and the "Ready Reserve" for more than thirty years, is a member of the Ventura County Sheriff's Posse, and is currently the President of the Santa Barbara Bird Sanctuary.

Currently, Dale is working on several projects including the remodeling and upgrading of the Ventura County Emergency Operations Center. Dale also coordinates the Auxiliary Communications Service volunteers, since he is a "ham" radio operator himself.

Last Month – Coast Guard Auxiliary

Our speaker for the September meeting was Glen Kinney KD6HJR, who provided a delightful presentation and discussion about the Coast Guard Auxiliary and opportunities for service and fellowship.

The Pres Sez

Have you become a volunteer examiner (VE) yet? What's keeping you? If you are a General license holder or higher, please become a VE. If you have become a VE, please let me know.

The club needs your help to keep active and grow. Members who have a General license or above can apply to the ARRL to become a Volunteer Examiner. Please visit the ARRL VEC page at <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/>

We can also become VE's through GLAARG <http://www.glaarg.org/>

The club still needs volunteers to serve the club as newsletter editor, a logistics czar, and a person who will gather prizes for raffles. There are many jobs to keep the club running.

Jamboree on the Air - JOTA 2008 starts October 19, 2008. I'm planning on working with David Carstensen KM6FQ to setup an HF station for a troop in Moorpark and a troop in Simi Valley on October 20th.

Congratulations to Spencer N6IWY, who has a new grand harmonic. He hopes to have work on the repeater done the last week of October or the first week of November.

The ARRL election for Southwestern Division Vice-Director are coming up now. If you are an ARRL member, you will get a ballot in the mail. Please vote. For our division, candidates for vice-director are:

Tom Fagan WB7NXH wb7nxh@yahoo.com / <http://wb7nxh.com>

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Marty Woll N6VI n6vi@earthlink.net / <http://n6vi.com>

There's a good writeup about the duties of the director and vice director here:
<http://www.k6rix.com/>

73 de Peter Grace KB1CVH kb1cvh@arrl.net

From the Secretary

Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club
General Membership Meeting, September 13, 2007

Our Secretary, John Percival, W160 will return next month with minutes of the General meeting.

From Our Treasurer

Please pay your dues for 2007-2008. If you have any changes to your membership information, please complete a membership form from our website at <http://www.simissettlers.org/>.

Thank you, John AE6YA

ATV NEWS

If you are interested in watching ATV you can by using your computer. Goto www.ac6rb.com <<http://www.ac6rb.com/>> and when that window opens click on ATV. You will see a Camstream begin to load and after a short time you will see a feed from Santiago Peak. There is even a chat room below the Camstream that you can log on to. We have hams from all over the world watching our net held every Tue. at 8:00 PM. We take check-ins from the Camstream during the net. Mark it on your calendar and check it out and check-in. /(I should note that the picture on the web site is not representative of what we see on the air. We see studio quality video)/

If you have interest in ATV you can contact me at bryonfoster@hotmail.com <<mailto:bryonfoster@hotmail.com>> or get in touch with anyone on the list above of working ATV stations.

If you are interested in receiving the "ATV Newsletter", which comes out weekly send me an e-mail and I will put you on the e-mail list.

N6IFU Bryon Foster

Events

Club Picnic October 13th 1100-1500 Lemon Park
Potluck – please bring food to share.

Holiday Party

Mike Tweedy KV6I and his XYL have graciously offered to host our holiday party again this year. Bring a main dish and at least one side dish. Date is December 8th at 1800. Stay tuned for more info.

For Sale

- **Yaesu YO-100** Monitor scope & Instruction Manual \$100.00 or best offer



John Beckers w6jon
805-527-3989

Alinco DJ-S11 2m VHF FM handheld transceiver / Anita 805-987-6078

CVARC June Program -

CVARC monthly club general meetings start at 7:30 P.M. the third Thursday of each month and are held at:

[East County Sheriff's Station \(ECSS\)](#)
2101 East Olsen Road
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Visit the CVARC website <http://www.cvarc.org/> for details.

Santa Clarita Club June Program

Our club meets at: Santa Clarita City Hall, 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm.

Take I-5N exit at Valencia Blvd keep right and stay on Valencia Blvd until you hit Citrus Street city hall will be on your right.

Club Web site www.w6jw.org

ARES/RACES News

The June 2006 edition of the Ventura County ARES/RACES Newsletter is available at <http://home1.gte.net/res19999/> .

Please participate in the ARES/RACES net Tuesday nights beginning at 7:10 on our local repeater, and then continuing at 7:30 on the county repeater at 146.880.

Visit http://www.emcomm.org/gear_list.htm for a comprehensive list of supplies for your emergency kit.

SSARC Stockroom

Don't forget that the Club has a supply of components in our SSARC 'Stockroom'. Most of these items were acquired through Orv Beach (W6BI) when MICOM shut down their engineering lab. All items are free to club members (in reasonable quantities.) Parts categories include cables; fans; EMC filters, cores, inductors and shielding; solid and stranded wire and some semiconductors. A complete inventory list is posted on our Club Website. Call Dale Manquen at 529-2496 for access to these parts.

Tidbits

Nets of Interest

Here's a list of a few nets that might be of interest to my fellow Simi Settlers. Please let me know if any of you have other nets that you would like me to list. Hope to hear a few of you on the bands. If you have updates to this information, please inform Peter KB1CVH, kb1cvh@arrl.net

1.925 MHz AM Tuesday, Thursday nights at 8 pm

3.908 MHz LSB Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday nights at 8 pm

7.039 MHz CW-QRP Saturday mornings at 9 am

14.265 MHz USB every night 9 pm (try to contact WK7ED Ed Meyer in New Mexico)

144.240 MHz USB Sunday, Wednesday nights at 8 pm

222.100 MHz USB Monday night at 8 pm

449.360 (-) pl 167.9 every night at 8 pm

1296.100 MHz USB Friday night at 8 pm

SkyWarn - Weatherspotters

You can also go to <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/spotter/html/> for online training with 31 slides in a packaged slideshow. The last slide has information on how to file an online application.

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Membership	open		
PIO	open		
Newsletter	we need you !		

Monthly Meetings

Our normal meetings begin at 19:30 (7:30 p.m) every second Thursday of the month except December at the Simi Senior Center at 3900 Avenida Simi one block north of Alamo and a half block west of Tapo Canyon (next to the Simi Library). Park and enter from the West parking lot, not the North lot.

Talk-in Frequency: 147.93MHz -Offset PL 127.3Hz

We meet at the Hometown Buffet at 1815 (6:15pm) before the meeting for dinner.

Next General Meeting

Dale Carnathan, KB6DHF

– Ventura County OES

Thursday October 11 2007

7:30 p.m.

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