



Smoke Signals

Newsletter of Fullerton Radio Club

December 2013

President's Message

Well here we are at the end of another year and looking forward to the next. We have a new Board although the only change is two new Members at Large, Paul Broden and Mike Lefevre. Speaking of Paul, we were all very happy to see him walk into the TAG meeting tonight after a short visit to St. Jude over the weekend. Glad to see your smiling face, Paul.

Our annual Christmas party is this Friday night and Gene reports that he has 36 reservations as of Monday. Maybe we'll have a few more by Friday. I know Gene & Cheryl have been busily lining up raffle prizes and we expanded the budget this year so plan to buy some raffle tickets. Also, if you have not paid your club dues for next year, I know Gene will be happy to accept that check at the same time.

Our club is fortunate to have a Vice President who is very serious about his responsibilities so please take the opportunity to shake his hand and thank him for the fine slate of presentations he has lined up over the past two years. I know he would appreciate your feedback. I know he has lined up another fine speaker for our January meeting.

The silent auction that Larry and Paul organized for our last meeting was very successful and the club realized about \$1000 from this event. We will be bringing everything that did not sell to the "Antennas In The Park" event this spring. We are discussing what the club might do with the proceeds in remembrance of our friend Bill Kohlenberger, SK. Please share your ideas with any of the Board members or come to the next Board meeting and share them in person.

73,

Bill KZ3G

Silent Auction Results

The silent auction of Bill Kohlenberger's W6ZJE SK ham radio and electronic equipment generously donated to FRC by Bill's family was very successful! The goal was to distribute Bill's hardware to those who needed and could use it the most. The November FRC meeting was dedicated to a silent auction of these items and virtually every item was sold and distributed to our club members. In particular, the major pieces of ham radio equipment went to members who did not have equipment and could really use Bill's stuff. I believe that is what Bill would have wanted and I am very pleased to have helped dispose of the items for the family.

After reviewing all the many items that were donated, the club Board decided that a few items would be retained by the club. Bill's famous breadboard antenna tuner was kept in hope that someday we will have a display area to show this well-loved piece of equipment Bill built. In addition, the following items were kept so that the club can loan them to members for their immediate use:

Bird Model 43 directional wattmeter with slugs as follows:

- Model 1000H slug rated 2-30 MHz and 1000 watts
 - Model 250C slug rated 100-250 MHz and 250 watts
 - Model 25C slug rated 100-250 MHz and 25 watts
- MFJ Antenna Analyzer Model 266 rated 1.5 - 490 MHz
MFJ Antenna Analyzer Model 269 rated 1.8 - 170 MHz

Since most of us work to install and adjust our ham radio antennas, these three pieces of excellent test equipment will be available to help. Members wishing to use the equipment should contact a club Board member to arrange a loan.

We will surely miss Bill's expert and kind help. Fortunately, many of our own club members have and will continue to benefit from Bill's extensive collection of equipment.

Larry McDavid, W6FUB

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Show –and–Tell

Bring something of interest to the meeting to show and share your story. Something old, new, or just of interest to hams.

December Board Meeting Minutes

The board was called to order on December 4, 2013 at 7:36pm at Marie Callenders by President Bill Preston KZ3G. Also present were: Vice President Richard Belansky KG6UDD, Treasurer Gene Thorpe KB6CMO, Director Larry McDavid W6FUB, & club member Cheryl Thorpe KE6TZU(acting as secretary).

2014 board members elected at November meeting:

New directors: Mike LeFevre WD6AQH & Paul Broden K6MDH.

Continuing:President Bill Preston KZ3G. Also present were: Vice President Richard Belansky KG6UDD, Secretary Linda Endsley KJ6IHB, Treasurer Gene Thorpe KB6CMO, Director Larry McDavid W6FUB

Bank account new signees: Larry McDavid & Mike LeFevre, continuing Gene Thorpe & Paul Broden, remove Charles William Kohlenberger due to deceased.

November board minutes reviewed & approved as written.

Treasurer's report: checking = \$1859.72 + deposit of \$1093.00, savings = \$3072.79

Old Business:

Public Service Events: Donate Life 4/26/2014, LA Marathon 3/9/2014

Christmas Dinner: Larry to make name tags; Gene to buy prizes. Recognize Danielle for years of waiting on board members at board meetings (if present).

Silent Auction brought in approx \$800. Items not sold will be offered for sale at Antennas in the Park. Money will be set aside until an appropriate memorial to Bill Kohlenberger can be determined.

New Business:

January board meeting will be Thursday 1/2/2014 due to normal Wednesday is New Years Day.

Guest Speaker for January will be Art Goddard (no speaker in December).

POB rental due end of month.

Bill's projector to remain with the club per his wishes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm.

Submitted by Cheryl Thorpe KE6TZU

FRC Transmitter Hunt, November 16, 2013

Steve Wallis WA6PYE was hidden transmitter provider for the November FRC mobile transmitter hunt. He was atop a hill in a hotel parking lot on Oakcrest Circle, part of the Savi Ranch Center near the Yorba Linda Boulevard ramp of the 91 freeway. Conveniently, it was next door to the Denny's restaurant where everyone gather afterward to eat and talk.

Team
Calls

Odo
Miles

N6MJN	10.1
AB6PA/KG6EEK	12.5
N6AIN	13.8
WA6CYY	25.4
K0OV Unofficial	

Bob Miller N6ZHZ showed up at the restaurant afterwards. He wasn't on the hunt because his well-equipped vehicle had just been totaled in an accident. Fortunately he and his gear weren't hurt, so we expect him to be competing again soon.

73,
Joe Moell K0OV

Officer Installation

Club officers for 2014 will be installed at the dinner meeting on Friday, December 13. Officers are: President; Bill Preston KZ3G Vice President, Richard Belanski KG6UDD Secretary Linda Endsley KJ6IHB Treasurer Gene Thorpe KB6CMO Board Member at Large: Larry McDavid W6FUB Robert Gimbel KG6WTQ Mike LeFevre WD6AQH Paul Broden K6MHD

2014 Arizona Section Convention

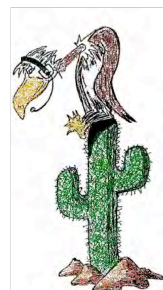
10th Annual

Yuma Hamfest

Yuma, Arizona

Feb. 14 & 15, 2014

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



www.yumahamfest.org

Check the Website for Additional Information

Gates Open for Camping Thursday, 2 pm Vendor Setup Friday, 7 am - Noon	Event Hours Friday, Noon - 5 pm Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm	Buzzard BBQ & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm
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Vendors & Exhibitors
Consignment Sales
License Testing
Hourly Door Prizes
On-site RV Camping
Famous Buzzard BBQ
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: 146.840 (-) PL 88.5 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

FRC Regular Club Meeting

Third Wednesday of each month
Chapman Activity Center
2515 San Carlos Dr.
Fullerton, CA

Next Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 15, 2014

Dinner before the meeting at 5:00 PM at:
Coco's Restaurant, 1011 N. Harbor Blvd.

Meeting time: 7:00 PM

FRC Board Meeting

Open to all members

Marie Callender's Restaurant
126 Yorba Linda Blvd., Placentia
First **Thursday**: due to Wednesday holiday.

Next Board Meeting
January 2, 2013

QSO and dinner; 7:00 PM

Meeting: 7:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL / APPLICATION

Fullerton Radio Club
PO Box 545, Fullerton, CA 92836

(Please Print)

Name #1 _____

Call: _____

Class: _____

Name #2 _____

Call: _____

Class: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Phone #1: _____

Email #1: _____

Phone #2: _____

Email #2: _____

ARRL Member ☐ Yes ☐ No

Special Amateur Radio Interests: _____

Dues are \$20 per member, or \$25 per family. Students (full time) \$10

Bring your application and dues payment to the next meeting or mail to the above address.

Smoke Signals is in need of your assistance. As you have probably noticed, the newsletter has been a bit scant in detail in recent months, and you may be able to assist the club with provision of something of interest to club members for publication. It doesn't have to be directly applicable to radio, although that should be a primary consideration, but should be of general interest to club members. Articles for consideration must be submitted no later than the second Wednesday of the month for review and acceptance for that month's Smoke Signals.

Thanks