Hello and Greetings to all!

We are in the last quarter of the year, and the Club is not going to shut down any time soon... The Club’s 80th anniversary reunion party was a huge success. There were speakers, remote attendees by Skype, antique radio exhibits, food (sandwiches and meatballs), dessert, a non-alcoholic toast, and three HRO certificates for door prizes... Congratulations to Tom KJ6UFJ for winning the special drawing for the FT-817 QRP radio, and a big thanks to the whole team that made this event possible, including Costco that donated the cake decorated with the 80th anniversary logo.

As mentioned last month, we have big plans for the rest of the year with the upcoming Club Auction this month and excellent speaker for the November meeting. Speaking of the November meeting, we will have the elections for next year’s Board of Directors. This is your chance to help the Club run its daily business by becoming one of the Directors (or even President). If interested, please contact Kris KC6TOD or myself to be in the list. Any current Club member can have any position on the board. The Christmas Party date has been set for Friday December 13th. Mark your calendars early so you don’t miss it. As usual, I look forward to an eyeball contact with you all at the next General Meeting.

Nicholas
73 DE AF6CF

The next general meeting will be on:
Friday, October 18th
@ 7:00 PM
Set-up/inspection 6:00 PM
As usual, we will be meeting in the east Red Cross Building, Room 208. See you there!

Next Meeting
Friday October 18th
"Yearly OCARC RADIO AUCTION"

Instead of a normal General Meeting, the October meeting will devoted to a fun auction. The doors will open at 6PM for set-up and inspection. There is no charge to register as a buyer or as a seller!

See Auction rules and details on Page 6.
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Monthly Events:

General Meeting:
Third Friday of the month
at 7:00 PM
American Red Cross
600 Parkcenter Drive
(Near Tustin Ave. & 4th St.)
Santa Ana, CA

Club Breakfast:
Second Saturday of every month
at 8:00 AM
Jagerhaus Restaurant
2525 E. Ball Road
(Ball exit off 57-Freeway)
Anaheim, CA

Club Nets (Listen for W6ZE):
28.375 ± MHz SSB
Wed- 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Bob AF6C, Net Control

146.55 MHz Simplex FM
Wed- 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Bob, WB6IXN, Net Control

7.086 ± MHz CW OCWN
Sun- 9:00 AM – 10 AM
John WA6RND, Net Control

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http://www.w6ze.org
for up-to-the-minute club information, the latest membership rosters, special activities, back issues of RF, links to ham-related sites, vendors and manufacturers, pictures of club events and much much more.

Club Dues:
Regular Members ...$20
Family Members* ...$10
Teenage Members ..$10
Club Badge** ........$3

Dues run from Jan thru Dec and are prorated for new members.

*Additional members in the family of a regular member pay the family rate up to $30 per family.

**There is a $1.50 charge if you’d like to have your badge mailed to you.
In August, I took a trip to Japan to see my favorite Jazz music group "Casiopea" playing in the city of Nagoya.

Upon booking my trip, I asked my American travel agent (who is from Japan) to try to keep my travel costs low as I knew it could get expensive. In addition, I also asked him to give me a few days in Tokyo and Honolulu as I wanted to participate in the Hawaiian QSO Party as a guest operator aboard the retired battleship USS Missouri anchored at Ford Island in Pearl Harbor. My agent was able to get me a three leg round trip air fare, LAX to Tokyo, Nagoya to Honolulu and Honolulu to LAX for only $1100. And, good hotels in Tokyo and Nagoya for a typical $130 to $150 per night.

Upon arrival in Tokyo, the first thing that may impress you is the efficiency of services everywhere including transportation arriving and departing on time, common courtesies, and personal appearance of people. Professional attitudes abound from service workers everywhere. During my sightseeing in Tokyo, I was busy constantly with a "go get 'em", don't stop now, keep moving attitude. Much good walking combined with public transportation. I visited many districts and wards via the world famous Tokyo subway system including Shinjuku, Asakusa, Ginza, Akihabara, Tokyo Dome and others. The Tokyo subway system and the Japanese railway or "JR" lines nationwide are not hard to navigate as it seems all system maps and station signs include some essential English for world visitors. Buying a ticket may be a challenge at first from a ticket machine but it didn't take long to figure that out either. Also, it seems most all bigger train and subway stations in and around Tokyo have at least one or two ticket agents with limited Basic English. And while I was on the trains, stops where announced in English also. Food and hotels can be pricey in Japan but public transportation can be very affordable. An all-day Tokyo subway pass was only about $10 usd. McDonald's restaurants to my surprise had pricing very close to USA prices. A big Mac was only 350 Yen, about $3.68.

Bottom Line: It is not hard to get around Tokyo as an American. Do not be intimidated!

Akihabara (Electric City) or "Radio Row" as many use to call it, is still home to many electronics shops including a few Ham shops. Today, the area has hundreds of electronics shops, ranging from tiny one man stalls specializing in a particular electronic component to large electronics retailers lining the main Chuo Dori street and the crowded side streets around Akihabara. They offer everything from the newest computers, cameras, televisions, smart phones, electronics parts and ham gear to second-hand goods and electronic junk. There is however less presence of analog electronic devices today. Digital devices abound throughout.

Since I last visited 27 years ago, Akihabara has developed into a center of Japanese otaku and anime culture, and dozens of stores specializing in anime, Manga, retro video games, figurines, card games and other collectibles which have filled the spaces between the electronics retailers. In addition to shops, various other animation related establishments have become popular in the area, and manga kissaten ("comics cafes"), a type of internet cafe where customers can read comics and watch DVDs in addition to having access to the internet.

Fig 01: One of the main streets in Akihabara. Note the Anime and comic characters on the sides of buildings.

Since around 2000, cafes called "maid cafes" have opened in Akihabara. In maid cafes, typical manga-style maids serve tea and cakes. When a guest comes to the cafe, maids say "Welcome home, Master" even if it is the guest's first time there, because the maids play the role of maids belonging to the guest's mansion. Similarly, they say "Have a nice day, Master" when the guest leaves. During the Masters stay at the cafe, a good time is had including entertainment, eating, drinking and pampering the guests. The purpose of the Maid cafe is to make the guest feel at home and relaxed. There are no sexual overtones in Maid cafes and the maids in the cafe fill a similar roll as the Geisha -- they are both entertainers.

While I was walking the side streets of Akihabara looking for Ham shops, I came across several lovely young ladies dressed in French Maid attire, on the street corners, handing me maid cafe literature and pointing me the way to the cafes. Maid cafes. I will return next year for green tea with Yuki perhaps.

A word here about buying Ham gear in Japan. Most if not all gear is sold with a Japanese domestic warranty, meaning if it goes bad, you would have to send it back to Japan and pay the freight. Also, most all VHF UHF transceivers are sold with the Japanese band plans in them (144/430 MHz). Where you might be interested in Ham gear purchases would be in the solid state amplifiers, small to medium size antennas, and any other accessories not available in the USA that you could tote with you back on the airplane or in your luggage. My
travel agent suggested I could bring back up to $800 worth of gear without paying customs.

Upon completion of my time in Tokyo, I took the Japanese "Bullet train" or "Shinkansen" to Nagoya. This famous train reached speeds over 160 MPH and again like so many other things in Japan, a real class act! The rail bed was smooth all the way to Nagoya. It reminded me of an airplane ride with stewardess like girls going down the aisles serving drinks and snacks complete with fold down tray tables in the seat in front of you.

I arrived in Nagoya, had a great time there also, including my music concert and 3 days later departed for Honolulu. Arrived in Honolulu just in time to help the Hams of the Battleship Missouri radio club run Pearl Harbor for the Hawaii QSO party. It was a lot of fun and they welcome visitor Hams every year to assist them operating during the contest held during the last weekend in August. If you need info for this please contact me via email (club roster) or Bill KH6OO.

Looking back on this, my regrets are not brushing up on my Japanese prior to travel. I hope to return to Japan next year to take in more of Tokyo and also see perhaps Osaka and Kyoto. As hams, if you decide on a trip to Tokyo try to time it with the Tokyo Hamfest also on the last week of August.
Fig 05: The IC-7700 is a good example of a radio ready for use in the USA. It has no Japanese banding issues since it is HF and 6 meters. It likely comes with an Instruction manual that has English and it is not a low power version. Only one BIG problem...it costs $7,700 USD, about $1000 more than what you could buy one here in the states. Japanese only warranty also.

Fig 06: You are better off buying it in USA.

Fig 07: One of the typical buildings in Akihabara.

Fig 08: One of the many shops in the indoor swapmeet style of shops. This one specializes in capacitors.

Fig 09: Maid cafe advertisement on side of building in Akihabara
ANNUAL RADIO AUCTION

Friday, October 18, 2013

Auction Rules

The OCARC Annual Auction will take place on Friday evening, October 18th, 2013, at 7:00 PM at the American Red Cross facility located at 600 N. Parkcenter Drive, Santa Ana. The room will open at 6:00 PM to allow registration, set-up and viewing. All buyers and sellers are welcome. The following rules for the auction will be in effect:

1. Only ham radio or electronic equipment / items will be auctioned (i.e.: no fishing equipment, etc)
2. Buyers and Sellers must register at the door with the OCARC Treasurer. There is NO registration fee.
3. Sellers should number each item in their lot. A tag should indicate the minimum bid they expect.
4. Only 3 items from a Sellers lot will be auctioned during each turn. After auctioning 3 items, the auctioneer will move on to the next lot. After the first 3 items from every lot have been offered for bidding, the auctioneer will start the second round of auctioning with the next 3 items in lot #1.
5. Auction bidding will take place as follows:
   a. $0.00-to-$5.00 bidding will take place in $0.50 increments.
   b. Over-$5.00-to-$50.00 bidding will take place in $1.00 increments.
   c. Over-$50.00-to-$100.00 bidding will take place in $5.00 increments.
   d. Over-$100.00 bidding will be in $10.00 increments.
6. Rules 4 and 5 may be changed at the auctioneer's discretion to expedite the auction.
7. Payments for purchased items are due at the end of the auction and shall be by cash or check with the appropriate ID. No two-party checks or credit cards are allowed. Disbursements to the Sellers will be by OCARC check, only. Sellers will be charged 10% of the selling price for items sold by OCARC.

A special table will be set up for donated items. The proceeds of donated items will go to the OCARC.

The American Red Cross
George M. Chitty Building
600 Parkcenter Drive
Santa Ana, CA.
Second Floor, Room 208*
(Enter from the West Side.)

Note: The door locks after 7 PM. If no one is there to let you in call W6ZE on the talk-in frequency for admittance.

TALK-IN 146.55 MHz Simplex

* Room is subject to change.
Corey's Emergency Favorites
by Corwin "Corey" Miller KE6YHX

Ever try to use up your emergency food because it was getting old? Did you find yourself turning to fresher or more palatable food? Or it just wasn't convenient enough? Here is a list of long-shelf-life food items that are quick and easy to prepare, and that taste nearly as good as, or better than, slow-cook or frozen items. As they say, "store what you eat, eat what you store…"

Canned Food:

Amy's Chunky Tomato Bisque Low Sodium
*** Excellent, all natural ingredients, no added salt; light, sweet "tomatoey" flavor.  
(has organic cane sugar)  
Shelf-Life: 30 months.

Mary Kitchen Corned Beef Hash
** A good source of protein.  
Fry in butter for 5 to 7 minutes to make crispy.  
Best with barbecue sauce to cut the oiliness.  
Shelf-Life: 35 months.

Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup
** Pour over toast (do not add water) and heat with frozen peas.  
Shelf-Life: 16 months.

Campbell's French Onion Condensed Soup
* A different taste, not bad.  Good when smothered 
with the milder flavor of a toasted slice of baguette and melted cheese.  
(I recommend against using processed cheese product; they have flavorings to cover their processed taste that overpower this soup.)  
(high in sodium)  
Shelf-Life: 23 months.

Campbell's Tomato Condensed Soup
* Good taken up with a grilled cheese sandwich.  
Shelf-Life: 23 months.

Princella Cut Sweet Potatoes - 15oz
** Good heated and mashed with lots of melted salted butter.  
(has plant fibers like spaghetti squash) (contains sugar)  
Shelf-Life: 23 months.

…All of these canned items will fit in a standard can rack…

Backpacker's Meals:

Mountain House Freeze-Dried Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
*** The flavor is wonderful.  The ground beef is a little chewy.  
Shelf-Life: 80 months.

Enertia Trail Foods Wind River Cheesecake
*** One of the best. Quick and easy to prepare; uses only 4 ounces of cold water.  
Comes with dried blueberries to mix in.  
(contains sucrose)
Creepy Bug Buns

Yield: 12 bug buns
Prep 30 mins Rise 10 mins Bake 15 mins

Ingredients

- 1 1/4 cups shredded mozzarella cheese (5 ounces)
- 1 14 1/2 ounce can pizza sauce
- 1 16 ounce package frozen white roll dough (12 rolls), thawed
- 1 egg white
- water
- Sesame seeds
- 36 pretzel sticks
- 12 pretzel nuggets

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper; set aside.

2. In a small bowl combine mozzarella cheese and 1/3 cup of the pizza sauce. Using a rolling pin or your fingers, roll or stretch one of the dinner rolls to a 4-inch circle. Spoon a slightly rounded tablespoon of the cheese mixture on top of the dough round. In another small bowl whisk together egg white and the water; brush the edges of the dough circle with the egg white mixture. Gather the dough edges together and pinch to make a ball. Place, seam side down, on the prepared baking sheet. Repeat with the remaining rolls and cheese mixture to make 12 balls.

3. Brush dough balls with egg white mixture; sprinkle with sesame seeds. Halve each pretzel stick. For legs, push three pretzel stick halves into dough on one side of each ball and three on the other side of each ball. For head, place a pretzel nugget on top of each ball. Let rise in a warm place for 10 minutes. Bake in the preheated oven for 15 to 18 minutes or until golden. (Bug buns may leak cheese and sauce onto parchmentthis makes them look creepy.)

4. Meanwhile, in a small saucepan heat the remaining pizza sauce over medium heat until heated through. Serve warmed pizza sauce with bug buns.
Orange County Amateur Radio Club
80th Anniversary Polo Shirt Order

Port Authority® - Pique Knit Polo with Pocket, K420P
We garment washed our pique knit polo for softness and added a pocket for pens and more.
- 7-ounce, 100% ring spun combed cotton
- Double-needle stitching throughout
- Flat knit collar and cuffs
- Locker patch
- Horn-tone buttons
- Side vents
Adult Sizes: XS-6XL

Port Authority® - Ladies Pique Knit Polo, L420
A favorite year after year, these polos are known for their exceptional range of colors, styles and sizes. The soft pique knit is shrink-resistant and easy to care for, so your group will always look its best.
- 7-ounce, 100% ring spun combed cotton
- heavyweight pique (preshrunk)
- Garment washed for softness
- Double-needle stitching throughout
- Traditional, relaxed look
- Flat knit collar and cuffs
- Reverse placket
- Horn-tone buttons
- Locker patch
- Side vents
Ladies Sizes: XS-4XL

Price $36.00. Includes sales tax and shipping

TERRI NICKS
EMBROIDERY IN MOTION
3834 WACKER DRIVE
MIRA LOMA, CA 91752
(951)360-9388
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President Nicholas AF6CF (R) began the 80th Party with a talk about the “State of the Club” – Tim N6GP is operating Skype back to N8AE and N8UZE in the background.

There was a great crowd with “standing room only”

A long-ago “trumpet speaker”, a one-tube radio, and OCARC historical records were on display

Ken W6HHC presented an “OCARC History Moment” on early club member, Kei Yamachika W6NGO

Bob AF6C (L), Nicholas AF6CF, and Ken W6HHC present a panel discussion on “Future of Ham Radio”

Chip K7JA (L) and Joe KE6ZMG sit in background of the OCARC “Time Capsule”. The Time Capsule was “buried” in the garage of Dan N6PEQ in 2008, to be opened at the OCARC’s 100th Anniversary
A very special-looking OCARC Anniversary cake was enjoyed by all.

Jack Hollander N6UC (a past president 1970) on the right is joined by his son Dave N7RK (previously WB6NRK) who was a previous club member and traveled to our Party from Arizona. Dave earned his ham license when 11 years old, and three years before his father got his license.

[Club History Note: Dave was given his Novice Test by Shelley Trotter W6BAM who was one of the founding hams of the OCARC in 1933]

Past president Ron Cade W6ZQ (R) traveled in from Arizona is with Fried WA6WZO (also a past president), Sandi WA6WZN and Ron’s wife Mary Ann WB6IRR.

One of the newer members of the OCARC and a relatively new ham, Tom KJ6UFJ was the lucky winner of the Anniversary Drawing for an Yaesu FT-817.
OCARC’S 80TH ANNIVERSARY TOAST

Our President led a toast with all present to the next 80 Years of the Orange County Amateur Radio Club
The OCARC Board meeting was held at the JägerHaus Restaurant, 2525 East Ball Road, Anaheim, and called to order to order by President Nicholas Haban AF6CF on Saturday, September 14, 2013. Called to order at 8:13 am and all directors except Kris - KC6TOD and Paul – W6GMU were present.

**DIRECTOR REPORTS**

**Treas** – Ken - W6HHC current surplus of about $500, but still need to purchase radio for September drawing. Also, expecting other costs related to September Reunion. (see new Business for details)

**Secr** – Tim - KJ6NGF requested suggestions for putting together a document of Field Day guidelines that can be referenced for future Field Day events. Ken – W6HHC presented a copy of the ARRL Field Day Handbook for reference. Several members suggested sitting down with Bob – AA6PW and a tape recorder to hear his detailed ideas of what is needed for a great Field Day.

**Activities** – Doug – W6FKX will not be able to take part in either the October Board Meeting or Auction.

**Membership** – Jay – KI6WZU – Call sign of Roland - WW6RK will be corrected in club Roster.

**Tech.** – Bob – AF6C has received various messages regarding technical concerns and dealt with them. Also, was asked about being an editor on Heathkit book.

**Director at Large** – Robbie – KB6CJZ is hoping his shirt order arrives before the Reunion party.

**Old Business:**

1.) **Newsletter Editors**: Sept – N6GP; Oct – KC6TOD; Nov – W6FKX; Dec – KC6TOD.


3.) **Field Day 2014** – start putting this into planning mode.

4.) **Final FD Scores**: 21,258 points.

5.) **Field Day Repairs**

   a) **Tower Pins** - Nicholas hopes to arrange getting pin chamfering done for tower pins so that they are tapered and no longer allow binding when assembling towers. Need access to a machine shop with the appropriate equipment.

   b) **15M Beam Balun** - Bob AA6PW reported that the whole balun was damaged (lossy after many years of exposure to the weather) and had to be trashed. Bob AF6C will make a new coaxial balun and design a connector.

   c) **15M Beam Broken Element** - Ken - W6HHC reported that Bob Harrington has cleaned up the broken elements of 15M beam with one element needed to be shortened so will need to interchange parts to keep things the correct size ratios. Ken has formed a work party using Bob AF6C and Nicholas AF6CF to put the parts together sometime after October 8th to test the beam.

6.) **Mugs with Club Logo** – Did not have an update status from Paul on when Mugs will be available.

7.) **PayPal Account reestablishment** – Nicholas - AF6CF and Ken - W6HHC will organize a work session in October in order to have ready by November.

8.) **September Reunion** – Proposed Meeting Agenda reviewed. There will be no Business Meeting at this event. Bob Evans will be asked to bring a history display. Tim - N6GP will ask Dan – N6PEQ to provide a talk about what is in the 75th Anniversary Time Capsule.
Need additional computer or presentation transferred onto one central computer so that computers don’t need to be swapped out every time a different presenter talks. Tim – N6GP will try a trial run of Skype connection during the next week with some of the guests joining that way. Food is arranged and scheduled. Tim – N6GP is bringing meatballs, sandwiches and dessert. Committee is requested that a Food budget of $200 be approved. The board voted and approved a budget of up to $200 for this purpose. Another committee recommendation was that $300 be approved for raffle and door prizes with $200 for raffle and $100 for door prizes. A motion was made and the board after discussion approved this amount.

9.)Elections Committee – Kris KC6TOD was not available to provide an update status.

New Business:
1. Gordon and Suzy West honorary membership
   – Board Members agreed that an honorary membership will be presented to Gordon and Suzy West to our club for their help over the years and particularly for service during our most recent Field Day event.
2. October Auctioneer designation – Chip – K7JA has except our invitation to serve as auctioneer again at the October meeting.
3. XMAS party prizes and advertising – No decision made but this item will need to be further discussed and decisions made during the next month.
4. Editors and Speakers for 2014 – Great member interest in getting Bill Prats – K6ACJ to be part of our schedule sometime in the first quarter of 2014. RF Editors – Nicholas – AF6CF, January; Ken – W6HHC February; Tim – KJ6NGF March; Bob – AF6C April.

Good of the Club

Donations for future field day events in the form of ropes and gloves are been made after Nicholas – AF6CF and Kris – KC6TOD acquired supplies at WARC auction. We have several donated Oscilloscopes that will be included in the October Auction. DATV Express Project has ordered 100 blank boards with 10 or 15 hopefully put together before end of October for testing.

Adjourned at 9:33 am

Respectfully submitted by:
Tim Millard KJ6NGF, Secretary 2013.
NOW OFFERING
AMATEUR RADIO VE TESTING SESSIONS

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Phone Numbers: Home 562 691 7898 Cell 562 544 7373
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Sponsoring Club: N6ME Western Amateur Radio Association, Fullerton, Ca. "WARA"

Test site location:
La Habra Community Center.
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
La Habra, Ca. 90631
Date and Time:
Third Thursday of every month, @ 6 P.M. unless otherwise noted

Pre-Registration is requested and preferred.

Walk-ins are welcome.

Thursday, October 17th, 2013 – 6pm
Thursday, November 21st, 2013 6pm