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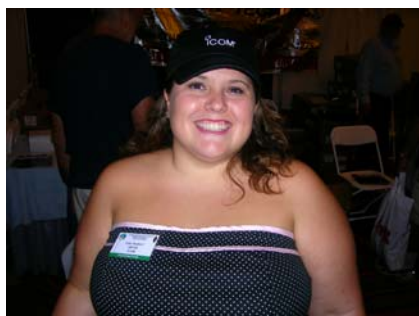
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The Prez Sez.....

By Kristin K6PEQ



I cannot believe it is already March. Time sure flies when you are having fun! We are heading into the time of conventions and field day! The sunspots are just around the corner!!!! What could be better?!? We had a great 2nd meeting for Field Day and we have band captains for all bands except UHF/VHF. If you are interested in helping out let Willie, N8WP, know. We have been having terrific turnouts at the meetings and board meetings. I want to encourage all of you to keep inviting friends and fellow hams. We have many people becoming new hams or upgrading and this is a great chance to be-

come an Elmer. I know that when I first became a ham I definitely needed help in knowing the correct exchanges in contests, etc. on the air. I hope you have a great month of March and I will see you at the meeting!

73,

Kristin, K6PEQ

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DonateLife 5K / 1K Fun Run

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ATTENTION: ALL
AMATEUR RADIO
OPERATORS
UPCOMING PUBLIC
SERVICE EVENT
DonateLIFE 5K / 1K FunRun
Place: CSUF (California
State University - Fullerton)
Saturday March
28, 2007
Time: 07:00 -> 10:00 a.m.
Needed: 20 Amateur Radio
Operators
Contact: Gene Thorpe
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God Bless and Take Care of
You

March Meeting

The March OCARC General meeting speaker will be Mick Stwertnik KB6JVT of NCG Company, who will give a presentation on the latest and greatest products from NCG, Comet Antenna, Maldol & Daiwa.

Comet Antennas and more...

The next general meeting will be:

**Friday, March 16th
@ 7:00 PM**

We will be meeting in Room 208
In the east Red Cross Building

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Monthly Events:

General Meeting:

Third Friday of the month
at 7:00 PM
American Red Cross
601 N. Golden Circle Dr.
(Near Tustin Ave. & 4th St.)
Santa Ana, CA

Club Breakfast:

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

**Club Nets (Listen for
W6ZE):**

7.086 ± MHz CW **OCWN**
Sun- 9:00 AM – 10 AM
Rick KF6UEB, Net Control

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

VISIT OUR WEB SITE

<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 January thru Dec
and are prorated for new mem-
bers.

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

**There is a \$1 charge if you'd like
to have your badge mailed to you.



Upcoming OCARC Events!!!

(Check the club website for updates and additions
<http://www.w6ze.org>)

March 16th (Friday 7:00pm)

Mick Stwertnik KB6JVT of NCG Company will give a presentation on the latest and greatest products from NCG, Comet Antenna, Maldol & Daiwa. Here is your opportunity to ask Mick questions regarding his great line of products!



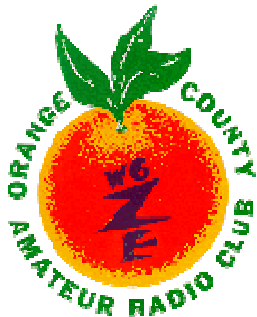
April 20th (Friday 7:00pm)

April Moell WA6OPS of the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System is scheduled to give a presentation. Details to come!



June 22nd, 23rd & 24th (Friday, Saturday & Sunday)

OCARC's annual ARRL Field Day effort from the Los Alamitos Air Station. Come join us for some fun and friendship!
Details on the OCARC website.



The Orange County
Amateur Radio Club "OCARC"

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Web: <http://www.w6ze.org>

Email: ocarc_info@w6ze.org

Baker to Vegas

A chance to use your Communication Skills

The 23rd Annual Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay
is April 21 - 22.

This is a law enforcement relay race run on foot from
Just north of Baker, CA to Las Vegas, NV.

We laughing refer to it as the largest police foot pursuit in the world.
This year we are expecting around 230 teams of law enforcement to
Participate. **To provide the necessary support communications.**
We need a minimum of 250 Ham Radio Operators.

For information or questions

Please, check the b2v.org website or contact
Joy Matlack, KD6FJV at rbvcom1@b2v.org

Joy Matlack, KD6FJV/Com 1
Communications Director
Baker to Vegas
Challenge Cup Relay
Amateur Radio Expo Co-Chair
www.b2v.org

Great opportunities are available in the ARRL Orange Section.

Q. Who can apply?

A. Everyone can apply for any of these positions

On April 1 2007, a new group of volunteers will start a two-year adventure, to serve ARRL members, Amateur Radio operators, and other groups: i.e. family radio, react, and CERT.

My current board has successfully completed two years and is welcome to apply for their current position or for a different position.

The election of a new section manager was advertised in QST and I was the successful candidate for another two years. I once again have made the commitment to assist the amateur radio community and to serve the community. It has always been my policy to open all positions within the orange section cabinet. The field organization is the responsibility of the section manager to recruit, deploy members of his team to aid local hams and others, and to maximize our enjoyment of the hobby. If you are interested in any of the cabinet positions please see below:

- The ARRL field organization: why do we need this organization?

The members are the ARRL, with this in mind; the field organization provides a valuable service to the local members and feedback to headquarters.

Although the buck stops with the Section Manager, the station-level appointees and program functions listed above are normally managed by a "cabinet" appointee called a **Section official**, under delegated authority of the SM. For example, the [Section Traffic Manager](#) (STM) manages the [National Traffic System](#) activity in the section, and appoints [Net Managers](#) (NM) and [Official Relay Stations](#). Similarly, the [Section Emergency Coordinator](#) (SEC) implements the section's [ARES](#) plan and appoints [District ECs](#), [ECs](#) and [Official Emergency Stations](#). There's also an [Official Observer Coordinator](#), [Technical Coordinator](#), [Affiliated Club Coordinator](#), [Public Information Coordinator](#) and [State Government Liaison](#). After you've gained experience as a station-level appointee, perhaps you'll find yourself in one of these leadership roles.

Sign up for an official ARRL appointment! There's a place for everybody: New ham or veteran, young or old, Novice or Extra, athlete, couch potato, or tech weenie. Click on the appointments you're interested in, and then apply using the easy [on-line application form](#). For the appointments in Dark bold blue e-mail me with your interest to wu6d@arrl.org.

[Assistant Section Manager](#) <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/asm.html>

[Section Traffic Manager](#) (STM) <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/stm.html>
Manages:

[National Traffic System](#) <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/pscm/sec2-ch1.html>

[Net Managers](#) (NM) <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/nm.html>

[Official Relay Stations](#). <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/ors.html>

Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) implements the section's **ARES** plan
<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/sec.html>

District ECs, <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/dec.html>

ECs <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/ec.html>

Official Emergency Stations. <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/oes.html>

Official Observer Coordinator
<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/ooc.html>

Official Observer <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/oo.html>

Technical Coordinator, <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/tc.html>
Technical Specialist <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/ts.html>

Affiliated Club Coordinator, <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/acc.html>

Public Information Coordinator <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/pic.html>
Public Information Officer <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/pio.html>

State Government Liaison. <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/sgl.html>
Local Government Liaison <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/lgl.html>

Q. Do the field organization positions require membership in the ARRL?

- A. Yes, during your term of service you are required to be a member of the ARRL, exception to this is an assistant emergency coordinator who works under the EC. (This person could be with an agency, react team, CERT, neighborhood watch group etc)

Applications must be in by March 19, 2007 for review by current Assistant Section Managers and me.

Decisions will be made the week of March 23.

The applicant will then be contacted and ready to begin on April 1, 2007. We will arrange for a Get-acquainted meeting sometime soon after April 1.

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ATTENTION ALL HAM CLUB'S

THE ORANGE COUNTY FAIR IS COMING

JULY 6 — 29, 2007

We need sign up's starting * * * NOW * * *

Your club or group can have a Special day at the Fair !
Just let us know what day you would like to be YOUR day

And

We will put you in on that date
(we recommend breaking the day down into 3 shifts)

Please Contact

Gordon West WB6NOA Coordinator

At wb6noa@arrl.net

Or

Cheryl Day - KI6AFL

At ki6afl@arrl.net

Or

Susan Roatch - KF6VBO

At kf6vbo@yahoo.com

OCARC General Meeting Minutes 2007-02-16

The OCARC General meeting was held at the Red Cross complex in Santa Ana at 7PM on Friday evening, Feb 16th. There were a total of 37 members and visitors in attendance. There was a quorum at the meeting with all ten of the club directors present.

PROGRAM:

The January program was presented by Carl Gardenias, WU6D, ARRL Section Manager for the Orange Section. Carl talked and demonstrated techniques and to attract teenagers to ham booths at Fairs and Expos. Carl also explained the coming opportunities for clubs and ham radio as more codeless hams migrate towards the HF bands. He suggested some "Do's and Don'ts" on treating this new hams.



Guest Speaker Carl-WU6D talks on attracting young people into Ham Radio and lets Kristin K6PEQ and Cathy K6VC demonstrate some tools that can be used.

GOOD OF CLUB:

It was reported that Dino K6RIX had been elected President for the Orange County Council of Amateur Radio Organizations (OCCARO) for 2007. OCCARO is an organization composed of representatives of most of the local radio clubs. Kristin K6PEQ had been OCCARO president in 2006.



Carl WU6D, the ARRL Orange SM, on left and Fried WA6WZO, past ARRL Director and past ARRL Vice President chat during a break. Both of these ARRL Professionals have worked hard for the ARRL and for hams-in-general.

Submitted by Ken W6HHC – Secretary

For Sale

20M 4-ele Hygain monoband Beam



From estate of Kei W6NGO - \$100

It is already laying on the shack-roof, ready for you to disassemble and haul away.

Contact Bob AF6C (AF6C@W6ZE.org) or Ken W6HHC (W6HHC@W6ZE.org)

Time to Order your OCARC "Field Day" Polo Shirt

Name _____ Phone # _____

Order _____ Men's (#K455) Polo Shirt, Seafoam Green with OCARC Logo with "Field Day" above logo (Cost \$26.00) (See photo below)

Order _____ Ladies (#L455) Sport Shirt, Seafoam Green with OCARC Logo with "Field Day" above logo (Cost \$26.00) (See photo below)

Add my call sign _____ and First name _____
To the right side of shirt front. (Add \$3.00 cost)

Order size _____ Men's Sizes: XS-6XL, LT-4XLT (Beginning with XXL, add \$2.00 for each added X)
Ladies Sizes: LS-XXL, plus X1 and X2

TOTAL COST:	Shirt (\$26.00)	\$28.00 includes tax
	Added Call Sign and first name	\$3.23 includes tax
	Cost for larger sizes (\$2.16 per X)	_____

Your OCARC monogrammed FD polo shirt directly from i.initial, located at 145 E. Main Street, in the city of Tustin, Ph# (714) 573.2552. The i.initial store is located on Main Street near El Camino Real.

Questions? Call Beverly Helmick
(KI6APH) at (714) 343-4277

Allow Three Weeks for ORDERS

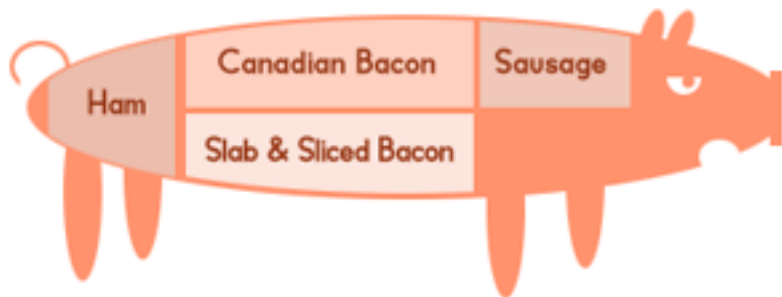


LADIES



MEN





Ham Cuisine

Dan Dankert N6PEQ
n6peq@dxer.com

Ham Wrap!

Ingredients:

3/4 pound thinly sliced ham
1/3 cup reduced-calorie Italian dressing
1 teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
4 large (10-inch) flour tortillas
4 romaine leaves
3 sweet bell peppers, any color, seeded and cut into strips

Directions:

In shallow dish, toss ham with dressing and pepper. Top each tortilla with a romaine leaf, some peppers strips and ham; roll up and serve immediately. YUM!!!!

Thanks to "The Other White Meat" website for this tasty recipe!



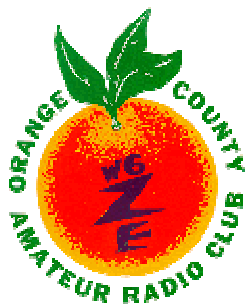
Renew Your OCARC Membership

It's that time of the year again. Time to renew your OCARC membership for 2007, if you have not already done so.

Help continue to support your growing club. There are many entertaining monthly meetings, speakers and events planned for this year. But it can't happen without your support for OCARC.

Dues can be paid at the monthly club meetings, club breakfasts or via snail mail. Regular dues are only \$20. Additional family members are \$10 (Total). Membership for teenagers is only \$10 as well. What a deal!

OCARC
P.O. Box 3454
Tustin, CA 92781



OCARC**Board Meeting Minutes****2007-03-03**

The OCARC Board meeting was held at the JagerHaus Restaurant at 8AM on Saturday, 2007-03-03. There were a total of 14 members and visitors attending. There was a quorum of club directors present, with only Steve N1AB absent.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

- **Treasurer** – Bob-AF6C reported the club had \$4,322 in the treasury.
- **Secretary** – reported that a “glitch” at World Radio prevented the OCARC from being listed in the CLUBS section. The problem has been corrected and OCARC will appear again in the May issue.
- **Activities** – Dan-N6PEQ confirmed that our March meeting will be Mick Stwertnik KB6JVT of Comet Antennas, the April meeting will be April Moell WA6OPS on the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, the June meeting will be Chip K7JA on Field Day plans and strategy, and the July meeting will on the XT2C DXpedition.
- **Publicity** – discussed plans to prepare press releases concerning Field Day.
- **Membership** – nothing to report.
- **Technical** – nothing to report.
- **Members @ Large** – nothing to report.

OLD BIZ:

- **NewsLetter Editors**
 - March is Nicholas KI6AUL
 - April is Kristin K6PEQ
 - May is Ken W6HHC
- **Baker-2-Vegas** – Rich KE6WWK reported that plans were proceeding for the

B2V relay foot race by over 200 law enforcement departments. Those interested in helping to support the City of Orange PD communication needs over the 120-mile course should contact Rich. It was noted that several board members will miss the April general meeting since the B2V activities begin Friday April 20 thru Sunday April 22.

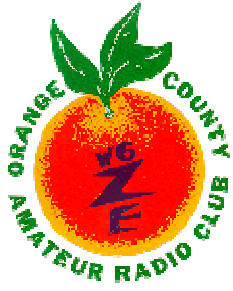
NEW BIZ:

- **Santa Barbara Field Day Trailer** – Willie-N8WP and Kristin-K6PEQ reported that the Santa Barbara Radio Club is going to be conducting a “silent auction” on a trailer loaded with an 80-ft motorized crankup tower. The board approved a motion to submit a bid for this trailer/tower for \$1,200 + any pledges received from members during the March General Meeting. This expense will be also voted on by the membership at the March General meeting. It is hoped that storage for this trailer can be obtained from Bob W6ZPL. It was noted that this bid, if successful, would replace a previous motion that allocated \$800 for the second 40-ft aluminum tower.
- **Honorary Member** – the board unanimously approved a motion to make Bob Heil K9EID an Honorary Member of OCARC in recognition of the tremendous support he has provided to the OCARC.

GOOD-OF-CLUB:

- **Club E-mail Accounts** – Bob – AF6C proposed making e-mail accounts for all OCARC board members (for example K6PEQ@W6ZE.org). The proposal was accepted and Bob will proceed.
- **BIG CONGRATULATIONS** to Nicholas – KI6AUL who just passed his test and is now a General class ham (**/AG**).

Submitted by Ken W6HHC - - Secretary

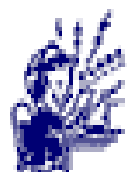


The monthly breakfast and board meeting was, as always, a great success. Latecomers had to grab a chair and sit in a corner with almost no elbowroom!

“Cero venientibus, ossa”

**Please support the companies
who support OCARC!
(see the following page)**

**Make sure to thank them for their support of the
OCARC when you order from them, or when you see them
at a convention!**



The DX Store

A Shack on the Belt Free Zone

Heil - Bird - I.C.E - Inrad - Comet
Daiwa - Alpha - DCI



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Is Believing

