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Emcomm Links

California ARES
EMMCOMM.ORG

Local Ham Radio Clubs

Amateur Radio Club of
Anderson

SWAP, SELL, BUY SECTION

Check the end of our newsletter each month.

New Director

Bob Blank, KI6MGK is the newest STARES director. Thank you, Bob for volunteering for this important position!

STARES and ICS

STARES is adopting the ICS group format so associates can take leadership roles in the organization. Thank you to all the volunteers in these vital positions. Opportunities for volunteers are noted below:

- Operations Chief and Main Liaison - Carl Seguin KJ6C (there are still individual client/station liaisons)
- Public Information Officer - Bob Belongie, KI6SUN
- Safety Officer - Mac McCulley, W6MAC
- Finance Officer - Larry Cardoza, N6HDC
- Planning Officer - **VOLUNTEER NEEDED** (includes such duties as planning events and trainings)
- Logistics Officer - **VOLUNTEER NEEDED** (includes such duties as scheduling trailer maintenance, compiling lists of equipment and serial/model numbers from liaisons, and communicating with repeater owners)

Communications Trailer

Updates provided at the June STARES meeting:

- Insurance has been purchased for the trailer.
- The trailer will be in the Burney July 4th parade.
- Folks are checking for better deals on cartridges for the Dell printer. A couple of ideas stated at the June STARES meeting were to get them refilled or check Lexmark.

Client News

- NORCAL EMS

Shasta Cascade Amateur
Radio Society

Inter Mountain Amateur
Radio Club

Western Amateur Radio
Repeater & Echolink
Association

STARES E-Letter Archives

STARES Website

<http://www.st-ares.org/>

**Contact STARES Emergency
Coordinator**

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Don Lafferty, N6ATE submitted this photo of Bill Bogenreif, KI5UNP, doing the 3rd Wednesday check in at NORCAL EMS. Bill is very good on the computer using Packet and is getting very proficient on the radio gear.

- Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) of Far Northern California - Bob Blank, KI6MGK advised at the June STARES meeting that MRC seeks to become a STARES client. MRC provides backup pharmaceuticals and hospital supplies during emergencies, working collaboratively with other agencies.
For additional information on MRC-RNC, here is a web link:
<http://www.medicalreservecorps.gov/detail.asp?id=322&State=6>
This is the unit's web site:
<http://www.mrc-fnc.org/>
- Red Cross is moving from Park Marina to the old Belltone building by K-Mart.

STARES Yahoo! Groups Web Site

STARES has an unused resource in its member only discussion website. Members can post questions or post activities that may be of interest to the rest of the group. This website has been dormant for years and needs reviving. Again it's a members only discussion group. Once you've joined you can specify how you want to be notified about posts made by other members. If you have any questions please give Al Peña a call or send an email.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/stares/>

STARES Legalities

Dick Cloyd, WO6P reported that our pro-bono attorney has reviewed various STARES documents and prepared a report for the officers and Board members to review. The attorney suggested a sit-down session with all parties to review the report and implement recommendations to reduce various liabilities. The Special Board Meeting will be **June 15, 2009, 6:30 p.m.** at Mac McCulley's house.

Node News

Equipment to go on Hainey Mountain. John will test the equipment at 144.950; if that isn't viable, he'll use 145.050. The alias will be "Hainey" and the callsign W6-STA. It will be set up the same as the previous node.

STARES Meeting - June

At the June STARES meeting, Dave Grossman, KF6VAN, discussed how STARES fits in with Incident Command System (ICS).



ARCA T-Hunt Report

Al Peña, KQ6YW reports that the June 4 T-hunt was fun for the five people who were willing to get out on a nice mild early June evening. Al Peña, KQ6YW met those interested at the Kmart parking lot, briefed Bob and Brenda Belongie KI6SUN-KI6SUM, Don Lafferty, N6ATE and Al Pantelone AF6P on T-Hunt basics. The participants had two hours to find Al Peña, KQ6YW who was transmitting from a small parking lot behind the Redding Convention Center near the river. Al Pantelone, AF6P, an old hand at t-hunting found Al in twenty minutes. Bob and Brenda tracked Al down after an hour or so and soon after Don N6ATE joined the group. They all had a lot of fun and talked about the experience and swapped old T-hunt stories. Hope to see more people involved next time.

Amateur Radio License Exams - June 13, 2009

AND HAM CRAM! NEW LOCATION FOR JUNE!

A special HAM CRAM is scheduled for June 13, 2009 at our [regular meeting place](#) on Avtec Parkway beginning at 8 a.m. There is a \$25 fee for the HAM CRAM (includes cost of course and testing). Testing for crammers and other testers will begin around 3 p.m. at the same location. The "test only" fee is \$14. Please call Mac McCulley W6MAC at (530) 244-6456 for more information.

Pandemic Flu Drill - June 18, 2009

The June 18 Drill has been scaled back at all levels as the state supports believe they gained sufficient practice with the spread of the N1H1 flu. However, there are several local agencies that still want to participate in the drill. Carl Seguin, KJ6C advised there will be one scripted voice message and one packet message to be transmitted. There will be a briefing net Wednesday night **June 17 at 8 p.m.** on the 145.150 repeater, to answer any last minute questions participants may have.

ARRL Field Day - June 26-28, 2009

Plan to join fellow ham radio members for this year's [ARRL](#) Field Day at the

beautiful Hat Creek Campground on Highway 89/44 near Old Station. All operators are welcome to participate in the contest event. The public is invited to see ham radio operators in action and the creative field units set up.

Everyone is welcome to come to the pot luck on Saturday night; bring a side dish.



Burney Basin Days Parade - July 4, 2009

John Redmond, WB6YZF advised he needs one more **volunteer** for traffic control at this year's Burney Basin Days Parade.

Third Wednesday Client Net

The next client net is June 17, 2009. Anyone is welcome to check in at 11 a.m. (HF) on 3.987 and/or 11:10 a.m. (VHF) on 145.350 (pl 107.2). Packet operators can check in anytime to W6STA-1. If you want to participate at one of our client sites, contact Al Peña KQ6YW at kq6yw@sbcglobal.net.

STARES Monday Night Net Control Operators

June VHF Net control Stan Smith, Sr. KE6SLX

July **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

August VHF Net control Bob Blank, KI6MGK

STARES Meetings & Nets

Meeting:

The second Monday of each month

Time: 7 p.m.

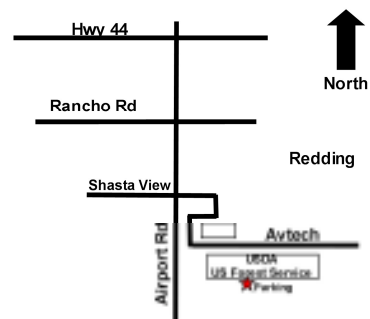
Location: 3644 Avtech Parkway,
Redding, CA 96002

Talk-In: 145.150 pl 107.2

Nets: Mondays, (HF 3.987-7:45pm)

(VHF 145.150 pl 107.2-8pm)

Packet: 144.950 W6STA-1 BBS



Newsletter Contact

If you have information you'd like included in our newsletter, please contact Elaine Grossman KG6ZCE at kg6zce@yahoo.com



SWAP, SELL, BUY SECTION - Something New!

Wanted: J-38 key. Contact Dick Karpinen at k6ljc@clearwire.net

Email Elaine Grossman KG6ZCE at kg6zce@yahoo.com if you have items you want listed in this section. Please include contact information in your e-mail and the text you want pasted into the newsletter. Thank you.