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Sonoma County Radio Amateurs, Inc.



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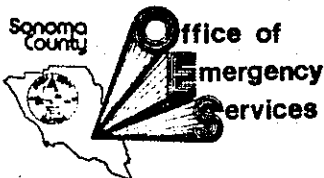
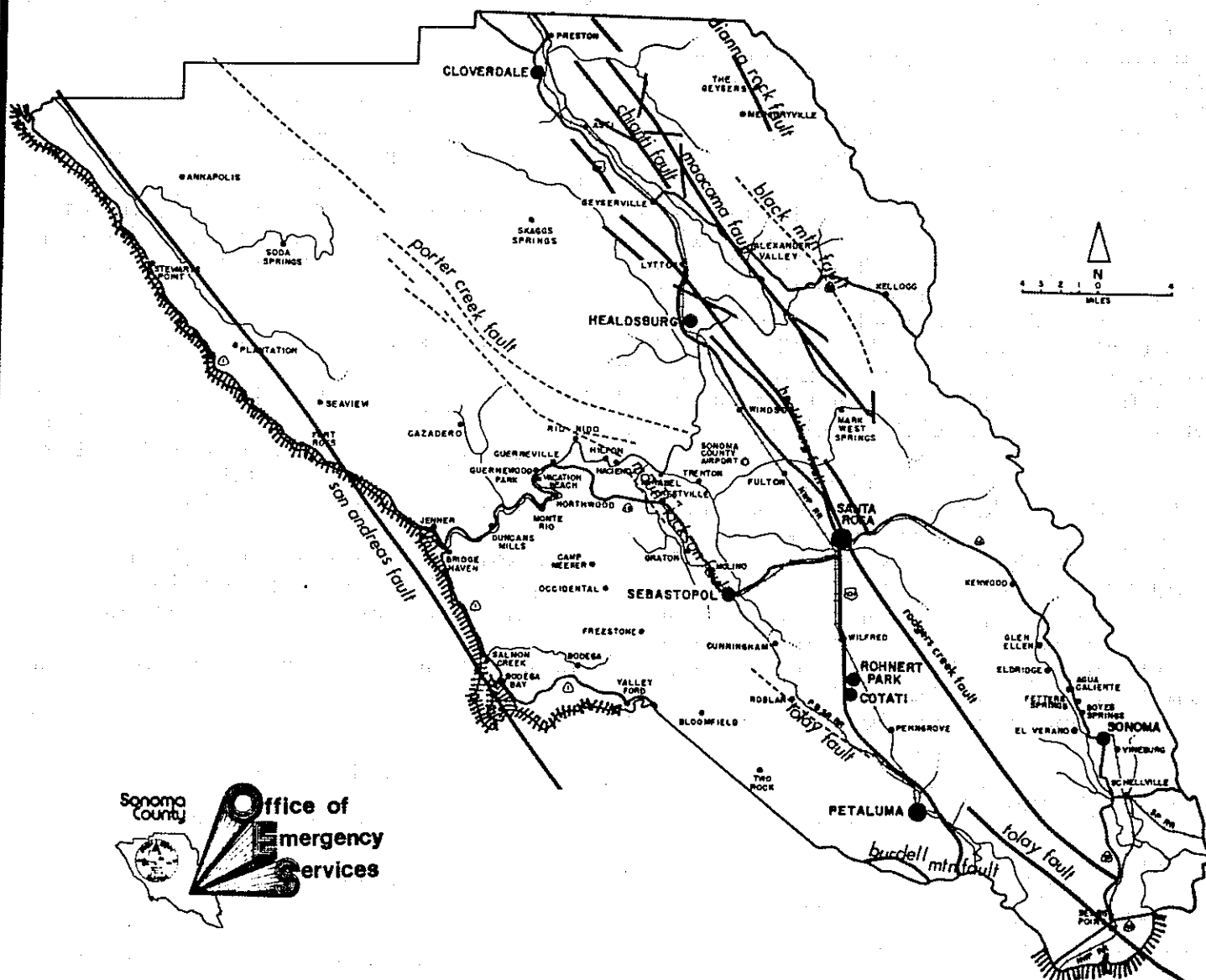
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Santa Rosa, CA 95402

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--SONOMA COUNTY RADIO AMATEURS, INC--

-----1985 OFFICERS-----

PRESIDENT: Chuck Sabin N6DDK 795-2371
 VICE PRES: Bob Olsten WD6DPE 546-5593
 SECRETARY: Brian Torr N6IYY 865-2234
 TREASURER: Rudy Mappus N6KLU 664-1978
 ACTIVITIES: Bob Phillips KB6EOC 542-5209
 REPEATERS: Jim Boyett WB6UBA 544-7943
 MBR-AT-LRG: Geo. Shadore KS6W 526-3233

SHORT SKIP: Alan Bloom N1AL e:538-7115
 1578 LosAlamos Rd SR 95405 d:577-3981
 SWAP SHOP: Hank Davis W6DTV 823-7885
 RACES LIAS: W6DTV & WB6UBA (See Above)
 ARRL LIAS: Alan Bloom N1AL 838-4524
 ASST. DIR: Chuck Sabin N6DDK 795-2371
 PUB. RLATN: Kathi Boyett WB6UAZ 544-7943

-----ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE-----

CHAIRMAN: Bob Phillips KB6EOC 542-5209
 REFRESHMENTS AT MEETINGS: Bob WD6DPE
 GREETER AT MTGS: May Kobold N6GZV
 RAFFLE: Lyman WB6SMY, N6GZV, Terry WA6RNF
 QSL MANAGER: Doug Bender WA6JRB

VOL EXAMS: W6DTV WA6ACX K6ANP N6BLN
 WB6FRZ KF6FX WA6JRB WA6LLY WB6UBA
 EDUCATN: KS6W WB6UBA W6DTV WA6ACX AG6C
 PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: ---OPEN---

HIDDEN XMTR HUNTS: Don Osborne WA6ACX
 XMAS PRY: N6GZV, WB6UAZ
 WALKATHONS: N6KLU, N6KUS, N6GZU, N6GZV
 MBR-OF-YEAR COMMITTEE: W6DTV 823-7885

-----REPEATER COMMITTEE-----

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 Hoppy Bravin WD6CKP (Westlink b'cast)

CLUB MEETINGS

7:30 PM 1st Wed of each month at the
 Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

NEXT CLUB MEETING: November 6, 1985

PROGRAM: Elections!

Meetings open to all, member or
 not. Need not be licensed to join.
 Full voting membership for licensed
 Amateurs only. Dues: \$12.00 per year
 plus a one-time \$8.00 initiation fee.
 (Includes call-letter/name badge.)

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! Court! EOC!	! Bicentennial
! House!	! Way
Ventura Ave	
Mendocino Ave.	

ARE YOU NOT AN SCRA MEMBER?

IF SO, then this is a complimentary
 copy. Our club is into almost every
 aspect of amateur radio: repeaters
 (13/73), Field Day, license classes
 (novice/upgrade), volunteer exams,
 emergency communications (RACES),
 DX programs, packet radio, hidden
 transmitter hunts -- you name it.
 For the next two months we have a
 special deal on membership:

SAVE \$2.00 if you join SCRA and
 renew your ARRL membership thru the
 club at the same time. If you are
 not a current ARRL member (Since
 Jan 1), you SAVE \$5.00. SCRA dues
 are at the bottom of the previous
 column. This offer runs out Dec
 31, so come to our next meeting or
 send your check to Box 116 now!

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

December 14

Windsor Mobile Country Club
 Starts 8 PM (Attitude Adj. at 7PM)
 Refreshments: cake, ice cream, etc.
 No charge to club members & family.
 (More details on inside page)

SHORT SKIP ADVERTISING RATES:

Printed Ads: \$10 First 1/4 Column
 \$5 Add'l 1/4 Column
 Photocopy Ads: \$15 First 1/4 Column
 \$6 Add'l 1/4 Column
 Pre-printed inserts: \$45 per sheet

Guaranteed circulation: 200/month
 (approx 90 member households, 110+
 Sonoma Co. hams on rotating basis)

Ad deadline: 15th of previous month

RADIO SHACK

Store Nr. 3855

Zane Bates, Manager

510 Farmers Lane Telephone
 Santa Rosa, CA 95405 546-8423

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF SCRA, OCTOBER 2, 1985

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-----THE FORUM-----

To the Editor,

I have given some serious thought to what happened with the planning of this year's Christmas Party, and I have come up with a few suggestions I have sent to the Board and would like to propose to the Club membership as a whole for consideration. I am writing this as an open letter to the general Club membership. Perhaps you could include it in the next Short Skip as room permits.

I really think some thought needs to be given to establishing a set amount to be spent on each of the various events and activities the Club holds throughout the year (Field Day, Picnic, Flea Market, Christmas Party, etc.). This would then give the different committee members an idea of what they have to work with. Also, there needs to be some guidelines as to what the Committee's responsibilities are and what they are expected to do. There needs to be records of past Committee work for each event that are available for the present kCommittee to review and use. I do feel there definitely needs to be more communication and understanding between the Board and the Committees that work on the different events during the year. If the Committee is supposed to report to the Board, then they need to know about it and deadlines need to be set.

Also, I feel that it would be good to set a maximum on the amount of money that should be left at the end of the year for the next year's officers to use. I personally feel that what is earned in a specific year should be spent that year. Perhaps a set amount could be put aside at the beginning of the year as a fund to be used to start the following year off with. This would be a more equitable plan than leaving it up to the different personality of each year's Board.

Another recommendation would be to establish and publish a yearly budget at the beginning of each year. Specific amounts could then be allocated to the different Club events at the beginning of the year. The Committees working on these events would then have to work within their set amount. This would also allow the general Club membership to see of things were being handled as planned throughout the year. If not, corrective steps could be taken.

My last suggestion would be to make all the different entities of the Club submit their bills to the Treasurer each month. If the bill was not submitted, then they would forfeit the right of reimbursement. That way we wouldn't have a back log of bills and the Treasurer's Report would be a more true representation of the financial condition of the Club. Also, along with the Treasurer's Report at each Club meeting would be a summary of the bills presented to him/her that night.

Perhaps some consideration can be given to these suggestions and a better, smoother-run Club will emerge from what has happened. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and please do give it some thought.

Sincerely, Kathi Boyett WB6UAZ

ELECTIONS!

December is Elections month. The Nominating Committee has a fine slate of candidates, but nominations will also be taken from the floor. So if you have someone in mind, or would like to run yourself, come to the Dec meeting or forever hold your peace!

KE6LF Pete Spruance of Eureka has been appointed Section Emergency Coordinator for SF Section. W6DTV was appointed ATC for this area.

W6FPL and Wife KA6UFO are producing an educational program on KORK-FM 91.5 on cable in Sonoma. The 4-min-long shows, which run twice weekly, are on most any educational subject.

NOTES ON SONOMA COUNTY & THE RADIO AMATEUR

Notes on the Address by Pete Peterka, Office of Emergency Services

1. Before he can think of public service, any volunteer must see that his family is cared for and supplied with food & water for at least FIVE days. Make sure your family knows what to do and where to go.
2. Amateur Radio operators are used as back-up personnel for many public service organizations. Be familiar with their operation.
3. Many government units cannot talk to other units (except fire & medical): there are no common frequencies. This is another place where the Amateur can help.
4. Some of the things the County needs to know in an emergency:
 - A. Direction & control of traffic flow.
 - B. Location of traffic hazards.
 - C. Law enforcement agencies' needs.
 - D. Fires: condition, scope, personnel needs.
 - E. Medical Support Zones & hospital needs, conditions, work loads.
 - G. Welfare and shelter facilities: requirements for supplies, numbers & identities of refugees.
 - H. Rumor control and coordination of information within an intelligence center for the County.
5. Availability of Amateur personnel:
 - A. Will need multi shifts to cover 24 hour operation. This means lots of operators to avoid the "iron man" syndrome.
 - B. Need to update personnel lists with phone numbers.
 - C. A special frequency for Amateurs to report for duty/assignments.
 - D. DO NOT REPORT DIRECT to the EOC or other location unless directed. This is to maintain your County insurance protection.
6. Amateur radio operators need training the same as any other units of public service.
 - A. This training must be done long before the emergency.
 - B. A list of key personnel should be made and furnished to the radio op. The list should be posted in the EOC radio room.
 - C. Know standard ARRL and Special County message forms.
 - D. Penmanship! Make the finished message legible.
 - E. Speed is important. Know proper phonetics. Know how to break for checks by the receiving op & pace yourself to his speed.
 - F. Register at the County EOC as soon as possible. This covers you by state compensation during drills and emergencies. (See 5-D.)
 - G. Every Amateur should have damage assesment training as some of us will be travelling extensively.
7. Shelter Communications: This may be covered by Red Cross, but Amateurs are also needed as the Red Cross radio network is not that large. Traffic includes Health & Welfare, supplies, sleeping accomodations, and locating families.
8. There will be over 100 first-aid stations in the County that will need radio communications. Each Midical Support Zone will need operators for inter- and intra-zonal communications. Within each zone, there will be casualty collection points collecting patients for transport elsewhere. This all requires radio coordination.
9. Each club or zone should have an operation plan. This should be printed and in the hands of each Amateur.
10. There should be a County-wide Board of Directors for RACES who will have the duty to select a Radio Officer & an assistant. These two will work with the Board for better communications and training. The board should be composed of two members from each club in the County.

SUMMARY & COMMENTS, NOVAD/NORCAL MEETING, SAN FRANCISCO, CA, OCTOBER 8th

The theme of the meeting was stress and how it relates to both disaster worker (Amateur) and victim in a disaster. The Radio Amateur will be working under stress from many sources during an incident of any magnitude. Start with your own family -- The Amateur must have the home situation under control before any help can be given, since worry over the family will affect the Amateur's performance in a critical situation.

Nowadays many public emergency service units provide a person to check on and provide help to the family of the public service worker. This covers such units as fire, police, etc.

Members of the ARRL field organization will be working in and under stress both from the Amateurs' own organization as well as those he is working for, and the people he is trying to help. A little advanced knowledge of stress, and how it can be managed would be a very valuable asset to all amateurs.

Stress is definitely manageable -- many forms of coping behavior can help reduce the negative effects of stress.

"Human Response to Disaster", a new videotaped lecture series was produced by the State of California Dept of Mental Health, in collaboration with FEMA and NIMH. This will be a valuable tool for the Field Service.

-- W6DTV

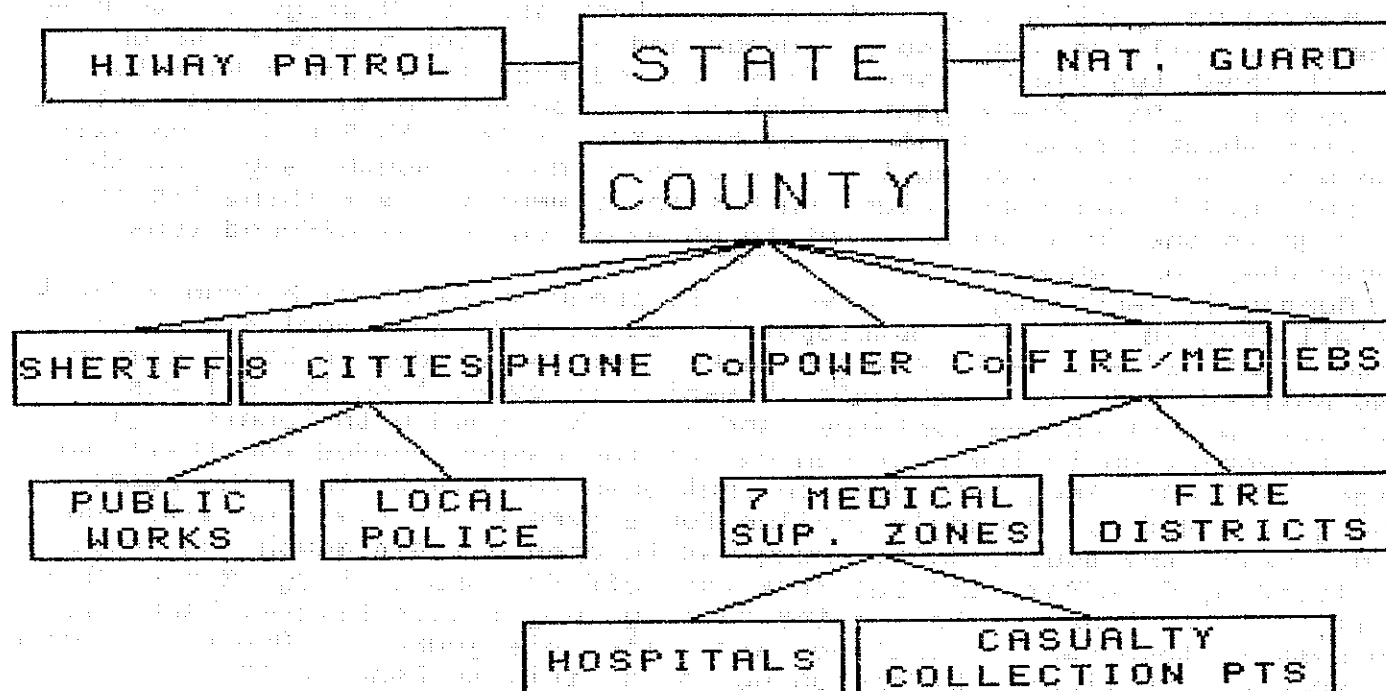
At the last FCC-VEC exams, Earl Aggeson, 80 years young, upgraded to General Class license.

By the way, the VE Team's report to ARRL was error-free and a great report. Congrats to N6BLN and the whole team.

-- W6DTV

EMERGENCY SERVICES THAT REQUIRE COMMUNICATIONS:

(NOTE: Virtually none of these groups can talk to each other by radio)



JOURNAL OF THE LOWER-POWERED HAMS
or: TVI WHILE CAMPING or: THE GOLD RUSH THAT DIDN'T

The leaves are turning in color and dropping from the trees -- DX is a forgotten word -- Cobwebs on the old rig -- So the next best thing is for the LPH's to take a camping trip.

Sarah (N6FAX) and Irma (KF6FX) went through the AAA camping book and came up with Sierra City on Hiway 49: The only park that would take care of Rudy and Marie's (N6KLU/N6KUS) 31-foot camping trailer.

Hank (W6DTV), Sarah, Rudy & Marie left town under heavy fog on Friday heading South to throw off the suspected onlookers. We reached camp late that afternoon. It took Rudy a little effort to get his rig in the space they provided, but he made it. The next morning all juice (AC) in Sierra City was nil. How did they hear that we were to be there several days?

Looking around, we wondered how Ham Radio was going to make it from here. 8000 ft. rock pile on the North, nearly the same on the South, 6400 ft. plus to the East, so West young man was the only way to go radio-wise. 2 meters was good for stations outside Sonoma Co.

The rest of the LPH's got here Saturday about 1 PM after many pit stops. Soup was ready as we had heard them on 2 meters via 49 some 20 miles down the line, so we were ready when they pulled in & registered.

On Sunday, things started popping -- several took the home-made sluice box and went down to the Yuba River. Gold results were not too good (most of it in the jewelry stores) as the vacuum boys were there early in the summer. Rudy, Marie, Sarah, Don, Irma, Lyle N6BLN, Pam N6MHU, Doug WA0JRB, & Pam took a ride around the area. There's some very interesting places to see around Sierra City and Downeyville. Lots of things to spend your money on too. Don ran into a friend of Gary Davis WB6PMN.

Later on, the argonauts tried again -- The lucky one was Doug: he perched on a roc and with a spy glass and a tweezer tried to find his gold. Results (?) he found a sample of a Dinosaur egg. Well, it looked like one. He plans to take it home and paint it gold, like the one from the goose. Well, it is near supper time and the LPH's never miss a meal.

Monday was another day -- three cars took off for Downeyville to play tourist. All the junk shops, museum and other stores seem to be on one street about two blocks long. Items varied from less than a buck to \$1500 for a one-ounce nugget and chain. Sarah got in an argument with a jeweler about a nugget that looked home-made (I'm with Sarah). He said she was libeling his products -- on & on -- No-one bought anything there.

Lyle had to get some return on his investment for a fishing license, so down to the Yuba again -- but to no avail so he was offered tuna sandwiches for lunch.

Monday is RACES day back home, so by prearrangement with Connie N6FYV we all checked into the Sebastopol frequency and had a real high score than night (3908). Well someone looked out the window in Don's camper and noticed that the neighbor's TV went nuts every time the PTT was pushed. We pulled the curtains, and as Hank signed with Connie, Lyle was still peeking while the rest ran out of the camper headed for their own rigs. TVI NO! They left Hank to shut down the rig & close the camper. The gang ended up in Rudy's trailer for a game of Trivial Pursuit. Who won? Well, the boys didn't. Rudy had to open his big mouth and help.

Tuesday, Doug/Pam, and Lyle/Pam took off for home. Rudy, Marie, Don, Irma, & Sarah took off to see the country they missed before. Hank stayed in camp to take care of the dogs and write this journal. One of the gang passed her Tech license before going on the trip to Denmark (Karen TerSarkisoff). After noon the sky looked bad, so Hank and Sarah packed up and took off. The nearer we got to Sacramento, the harder it rained. Don and Irma & Rudy and Marie came home the next day. -- de W6DTV

N - E - W - S of Amateur Radio

FCC WILL BACK REPEATER COUNCILS' actions, but first must accurately determine which councils are legit. Since no single entity is willing to become a national "clearing house" of repeater coordinators, FCC plans to rely on regional bodies to certify individual councils. (Westlink)

AMATEUR RADIO AND NEWS BROADCASTING: "The Commission's Rules generally permit rebroadcasts of transmissions of [Amateur] stations...but prohibit the use of [Amateur] stations... to transmit communications intended for broadcasting." -FCC

In an 18-page Report and Order, BC Docket 79-47, FCC has revised several sections of Part 97, Amateur Rules & Regs. The new rules specifically prohibit commuter traffic reports, weather reports, or any information intended for broadcast on a commercial radio station. FCC feels that some of the newsgathering and business-related traffic during the Mexican earthquake was not of sufficient "Emergency" nature to be legal under the rules. (ARRL)

OLD 610 FORMS NO GOOD after Jan 1, 1986. Any forms submitted with a Rev. date before June 1984 will be returned without action. (ARRL)

30-DAY WAITING PERIOD ELIMINATED. Effective Nov 8, VE teams may re-examine an applicant at any time, with no waiting period. FCC did retain the requirement for public announcement of all upgrade exams, even those set up for a single handicapped individual. In this case, the public announcement must mention any limitation on the number of applicants. (ARRL)

LIMITED FEDERAL PRE-EMPTION of local antenna restrictions has been adopted by FCC. The ruling says state & local governments cannot arbitrarily prevent effective amateur communications by means of antenna restrictions. Regulations "based on health, safety or aesthetic considerations must reasonably accomodate amateur

communications and represent the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish the purpose..." (W5YI)

WHO SUPPORTED PRB-1? The American Red Cross, the Dept of Defense, city & county CD groups, and the QCWA as well as the original petitioner, ARRL. Opposed were subdivision associations, the Nat. Assoc. of Counties, American Planning Assoc., and the Nat. League of Cities. (ARRL)

NO COUNTRY STATUS FOR PRIBILOE Islands, the ARRL Awards Committee decided on Sept 17 by a 7-0 vote. This is because the Pribilofs are less than 225 miles from the Aleutian Islands, which are part of the "Governing Area" of Alaska. Note that the sponsors of country status plan to appeal the decision to the Board of Directors. (W5YI)

SAREX, "The Shuttle Amateur Radio EXperiment" is the title of a new ARRL film covering the most recent shuttle flight. It premieres at the ARRL Pacific Div convention in Las Vegas on Nov 1. Contact ARRL for screening arrangements. (Westlink)

SPACELAB "CHALLENGER" with European hams on board will take off Wed, Oct 30 at around 1700Z. (ARRL)

THE 902 MHz BAND became available Sept 28. Former HR Report Ed. Joe Schroeder W6JUV, plus a rep from the Japanese electronics concern NEC are trying to talk ARRL into modifying the band plan to accomodate readily-available Japanese Personal Radio Service units (903-905 MHz) (Westlink)

CALL SIGNS AS OF OCT 1, 1985: (ARRL)

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
Extra	Advanced	Tec/Gen	Novice
WM6N	KG6XX	N6MPL	KB6KAU

(It currently takes about 6 weeks from test day to the time FCC mails the new license.) (W5YI)

Thanks to the ARRL Letter, W5YI Report, and Westlink Report for permission to reprint.

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MEMBER-OF-THE-YEAR

THE AEA PK64 TNC/terminal program for the Commodore 64 includes an impressive array of features. It runs CW, Baudot & ASCII RTTY, and AMTOR as well as Packet.

In Packet mode, it runs standard AX.25 version 2, and can manage up to 10 simultaneous conversations. Like the TAPR TNC2, it will "stamp" packets with the date/time, and can accept or reject packets from specific stations. It can automatically send a message to any station that connects to you. If you are away from the shack, it can sound an alarm "like a submarine claxon" when you receive a connect request. All TNC parameters can be saved to disc and recalled on command. It can receive messages in one mode (say CW) and re-transmit in another (say RTTY or Packet).

9600 BIT/S BOARDS AVAILABLE from TAPR. An "experimenter's" kit, it is intended for those who are able to troubleshoot the circuitry and share the results with TAPR. The kit contains a 2-sided 3 x 5.4 in board, a set of low-TC capacitors for the filters, a programmed EPROM for the state-machine, and documentation. Price is \$25.00. Send orders to: TAPR, POB 22888, Tucson, AZ 85734.

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NEW MEMBERS SINCE OCT:

Wayne Light W6RIA
1024 Second St.
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

From time-to-time the Club awards a Member of the Year plaque to a Club member who has made special contributions in the past year. It has traditionally been presented at the Christmas Party in December.

Hank Davis W6DTV is the committee chairman this year, and he will be accepting nominations from now until the November meeting. Criteria for selection include: Sportsmanship and good operating practices, participation in club activities, and amateur-related achievements such as ARRL appointments, public service & emergency operation, assisting new hams, and contest/operating awards.

Nominations should preferably be submitted in writing listing all the candidates qualifications. Send to: Award Committee c/o SCRA, PO Box 116, Santa Rosa, CA 95402.

EVENTS CALENDAR:

NOVEMBER:

- Nov 1/2 - ARRL Pacific Division Convention, Las Vegas
- Nov 2 - VEC Exams: Pleasant Hills
WD6G Guy Corynen 415-837-3080
- Nov 2/3 - Sweepstakes, CW
- Nov 4 - RACES Nets, 7PM/7:30 PM
- Nov 6 - Club meeting EOC 7:30 PM
- Nov 16/17- Sweepstakes, Phone
- Nov 18 - RACES Nets, 7PM/7:30 PM

DECEMBER:

(NOTE CHANGE IN XMAS PARTY DATE)

- Dec 2 - RACES Nets, 7PM/7:30 PM
- Dec 7/8 - 160 Meter Contest
- Dec 14 - SCRA Christmas Party
- Dec 14/15- 10 Meter Contest
- Dec 16 - RACES Nets, 7PM/7:30 PM

1986:

Jun 28/29- Field Day

CHRISTMAS PARTY

We now have a definite time & place for the Christmas Party: Saturday Dec 14 at the Windsor Mobile Country Club. "Attitude Adjustment" starts at 7PM with the party proper at 8.

We decided to forgo the dinner this year, but the club will provide refreshments, music and door prizes. Admission is free to club members & family only.

Cost to the club will be \$150. This is as per the 1985 budget from the beginning of the fiscal year (May Short Skip). After paying for food, the rest will go for prizes.

The place is the clubhouse of the Windsor Mobile Home Park, courtesy of KS6W. To get there, go North on Hiway 101, & get off at the Windsor exit. Turn left (West) under the freeway, then turn left again and follow the sign to "Rosie's" Cafe. Pass the Windsor Water Slide on the right, and turn into the main gate (2nd entrance) of the Park.

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SB100 with power supply, make offer.
Raymond KE6RS 528-3332.

(From the San Francisco Examiner,
Sunday Sept 29, 1985):

HAMS ON THE JOB ONCE AGAIN

Amateur radio operators, hams, as they are known, have once again made a distinctive contribution at a time of great distress; this time providing emergency communication in the Mexico City earthquake disaster.

With Commercial telephone and radio services destroyed or disrupted, a small group of Mexican hams remained on the air to send out messages from the quake area to the world outside. Their time, their talent, their willingness to serve in cooperation with their American colleagues in time of disaster have been, once again, vital to the strangers they serve.

We can think of no other hobby that contributes so much to society when trouble strikes.

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