

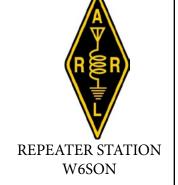
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February SCRA Update by Darryl Paule, KI6MSP SCRA President

The Club has gotten of to a great start for 2012:

At the first club meeting of the year we had two great presentations:

First was Billy Bartz, Events coordinator for the Redwood Empire food Bank. This was very informative about the specific needs of our community. For every dollar donated that equals four dollars of food. More detail in club minutes or at REFB web site http://www. refb.org/

Second Charlie KZ6T gave a great presentation on the CM79 event this past summer. The presentation really showcased the various parts of the miniDXpedition from the hike to the radio operating to the great meals that we had. Photos are available to view from Charlie KZ6T.

The BOD had its annual planning meeting at the home of Dave W6IBC. At the meeting we planned for the year. See the Web site sonomacountyradioamateurs. com calendar for details. This includes all activities for the year. There will be a few others added as soon as we are able to confirm the dates. Thanks DaveW6IBC for hosting the planning meeting.

At the BOD meeting on January 11th the Board authorized a new dimension for the club raffle. Two new items will be an HT or a rollup solar panel. See John KG6PEP's article for details.

As for the club Web site Web master Sutter KI6ZON is working on several new features. He will go over these at this month's club meeting.

On a personal note I'm now taking the Morse code class. Thanks to the support of John WB6FRZ. This will be challenging!

A lot is happening for the year 2012. See you at the February club meeting.

73 Darryl KI6MSP

Shirt and Badge Report

Ken Rawles N6PWV

2011 is over and a big thanks to our outgoing treasurer Jack Christensen - Great Job! Jack. Welcome to our new treasurer Steven Bramble. Remember that you will need to see Steven during the meeting to pay for your membership dues, badge, shirt, vest, etc. You can also pay on line through PAYPAL.

I have had a couple of you come up to me and ask about your badge? We had a few "slip through the cracks"? I want you to contact me via email or phone or in person and tell me if you had paid Jack for a club badge, but have not received it? I will put you on the honor system as to whether or not you have paid ok? I will make up an order for a new badge for you.

Thanks and "Happy Hamming". Enjoy our great hobby. 73s





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The club normally meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Exceptions are holidays or other big events.

Meeting location: Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center 2050 Yulupa Avenue Santa Rosa, CA



All are welcome!

Please join us at our next meeting. Anyone interested in Amateur Radio may be eligible for membership. A membership application is included in this newsletter.

For more information, contact any SCRA officer, director or member.

Hungry before the meeting?

Join us for dinner! We meet at Star Restaurant,
1350 Farmers Lane, Santa Rosa.

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http://www.arrl.org/Groups/view/san-francisco



Raffle Update

Hello all. John, KG6PEP here. You'll find me listed under club officals/other positions/raffle. It's a new year so I thought I'd take a minute and make some noise in our Short Skip this month. I figured that I'd tease you and get you all worked up and excited. What am I talking about??? What am I talking about!!! I'm talking about our monthly SCRA membership meeting "RAFFLE."

Now last month, a ham that will remain nameless, said that "he didn't need any more multimeters." I guess a free meter doesn't do it for everybody. So what's it going to take? Well we talked about it at the Board of Directors' meeting and your board thought that we should man-up the raffle a bit. So how would you like to win a new HT or a foldable solar charger? These are just a few of the prizes that I've ordered for our next few raffles. And there's always been a chance to leave with some pocket cash.

Now every month, we'd like to get more of you, (guests and club members alike) to come out and join us at the meetings. And don't forget about the informal get together for dinner ahead of time either. We thought that a new and improved raffle might help to build some enthusiasm and excitement to complement our already excellent meeting programs. So what do we need from you? We need all of you to come out and join us. We need more radio operators in the seats. So if you're feeling lucky on the first Wednesday of the month, come on down and join the fun. And don't forget to bring an extra few dollars to help support our raffle. Just to recap. If it gets here on time, YOU could win a new HT! 73's



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VE Sessions

Our next VE exam is scheduled for Saturday, February 25, from 9am until noon, at First American Title Company, 3333 Mendocino Ave, Suite 100. All test elements will be administered.

Please arrive by 9:15am to be signed in. Testing will begin shortly thereafter.

Directions: From Hwy 101 (heading north), take Bicentennial Ave east toward Mendocino Ave. Turn right onto Mendocino Ave, Take the first right (one block south of Bicentennial) Turn right immediately into the parking lot. First American Title is at the corner nearest the intersection of Mendocino and Bicentennial Avenues.

Candidates should bring the following:

- One (1) photo ID or two (2) non-photo ID
- Social Security Number (if not currently licensed) or FCC Registration Number (FRN, if licensed)
- Original and photocopy of your current amateur radio license (if licensed)
- Original and photocopy of any valid CSCEs (if applicable)
- #2 Pencil and eraser
- \$15.00 exam fee. Checks may be made payable to "ARRL-VEC"

Calculators may be used, but it must be demonstrated that all memories and programs have been erased. The calculator function in a cell phone or PDA may not be used! If you have any special needs, please contact Brian Torr, N6IIY in advance.

Good Luck!

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Membership Meeting

Sonoma County Radio Amateurs, Inc. Santa Rosa, California

January 4, 2012 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Darryl Paule KI6MSP.

Members introduced themselves.

Billy Bartz of the Redwood Empire Food Bank gave a presentation. He thanked the Club for its donations over the past two years. The Food Bank serves 78,000 people per month. It acts as the central center for 149 partner agencies which do much of the actual distribution. 13 million pounds of food were distributed last year of which approximately ½ is fresh and ½ is nonperishable. The Food Bank had a \$47,000 reduction in Federal funds last year and operates on a very small overhead. 60% of funds come from individual donations.

Charlie Sikes KZ6T gave a presentation on the CM79 mini-DXpedition last August. He showed photos of the location and operations. 19 contacts were made with the furthest being to Alaska. Charlie noted that the mosquitoes were thick up there!

At the suggestion of John Chavez KG6PEP, Dave Harrison W6IBC moved and Saraj Cory KU6F seconded that the Club's portion of the 50/50 go to the Food Bank this one evening. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to have the Club's portion of 50/50 go to the Food Bank at all future meetings was tabled for Board review by consensus.

Jack Christensen K6ROW gave the treasurer's report. Income for 2011 was \$11,562 including larger-than-expected donations and receipt of funds from the sale of donated estate items. Expenses were approx. \$6,100. The budgeted income was approx. \$6,700 and budgeted expenses were approx. \$6,600. The Club's cash balance was approx. \$16,000 at 12/31/2011.

Jeff Tonelli KI6PBF reports that a Code Class is beginning.

Jim Draeger KI6REK reports that refreshments are going fine.

Mike Von der Porten AD6YB reports the Club has in excess of 115 members.

Rich Freitas FK6SZA was not present for an ARES report. Darryl KI6MSP reported that a Saturday version and a three-Monday-night version of ARES-101 has been scheduled and these are open to any amateur radio operator: contact Rich.

Brian Torr N6IIY had no director's report.

Sutter Laird KI6ZON reports that he's updating the purchasing process on the website. Users should log in using www.sonomacountyradioamateurs.com – not www.socoham.org – to use the payment features.

The minutes were not in Short Skip, so no approval was sought from the members.

John Chavez KG6PEP is still seeking to make contact for the body repairs on the club trailer.

For net control, the volunteers are

1/10/2012	Saraj Cory KU6F
1/17/2012	Darryl Paule KI6MSP
1/24/2012	Frank Oddy N6QE
1/31/2012	Sutter Laird KI6ZON

Jack notes that Dave Harrison W6IBC and Al Bloom N1AL both had articles in the recent issue of QST. That's quite an accomplishment for our Club members.

The 50/50 raffle resulted in a \$31 donation to the Redwood Empire Food Bank.

The meeting was adjourned by consent at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Von der Porten AD6YB Secretary



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Board of Directors Meeting

Sonoma County Radio Amateurs, Inc. January 11, 2012 Minutes

Attending: John Felton KE5RI, John Chavez KG6PEP, Jack Christensen K6ROW, Sutter Laird KI6ZON, Steve Bramble KI6TUR, Pat Coyle KG6JSL, Charlie Sikes KZ6T, Brian Torr N6IIY, Jim Draeger KI6REK, Darryl Paule KI6MSP, John Breckenridge WB6FRZ, Dave Harrison W6IBC, Dave Santori KF6CLG, Mike Von der Porten AD6YB.

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM by President Darryl Paule KI6MSP.

IBC moved and Steve seconded to approve the minutes of 11/9/2011 with two corrections. Motion passed unanimously.

Charlie Sikes KZ6T – vice president - nothing to report

Mike Von der Porten AD6YB – secretary - nothing to report

Steve Bramble – treasurer - KI6TUR reports meeting with Jack Christensen K6ROW regarding the transfer of treasurer's duties. Records have been passed along. A new signature card is required. Moved by Dave Harrison and seconded by Steve to have Darryl, Charlie and Steve only (removing outgoing treasurer Jack Christensen) on the signature card. Motion passed unanimously.

Dave Santori – past president - nothing to report

John Felton KE5RI – repeater – will be out of town January 23 to February 7.

Brian Torr N6IIY – Volunteer Examiner Program – planned dates

- Sunday, February 12, 3pm to 5pm (place TBD; in conjunction with Technician class)
- Saturday, February 25, 9am to noon, 3333 Mendocino Ave, Suite 100 (First American Title Co.)
- Saturday, May19, 9am to noon, 3333 Mendocino Ave, Suite 100 (First American Title Co.)
- Sunday, August 26, 3pm to 5pm (place TBD; in conjunction with Technician class)

John Breckenridge, WB6FRZ – education – reports that there will be a Tech class February 10, 11, 12. Jeff Tonelli KI6PBF will work with Steve Bramble KI6TUR on the location.

Mike Von der Porten AD6YB – membership – reports that we have in excess of 115 members.

Darryl Paule KI6MSP reports that he will continue to work on a new member pack that can include the new stickers and membership booklet.

Darryl Paule KI6MSP reports that he and John Felton KE5RI went to the two repeater sites to inventory assets. Craig Gaevert K6XLT has provided photos of equipment in his possession for public service work. Darryl will continue to pull this together.

Charlie Sikes KZ6T will continue to work on the bylaws with Pat Coyle KG6JSL and Craig Gaevert K6XLT.

Pat Coyle KG6JSL has ordered ARRL vests as ordered by members. There is a problem with the medium sized vests being out of stock.

Sutter Laird KI6ZON showed several new improvements to the website. Now members can order shirts, badges, etc. Redundant entries by users have been removed. The process for badges is that Ken Rawles N6PWV gets the information from the treasurer before ordering badges. Club presentations can be added under the "resources" webpage. Sutter is willing to record some of the Club presentations, so the audio can be added to the visual materials. The homepage has been simplified. The original homepage can be retained as an option for users. The store needs to be reviewed with Ken. Sutter was thanked for his extensive work on our website.

The distribution methods for Short Skip were discussed. It was noted that receiving the current copy of Short Skip is the only tangible benefit many members receive for their dues so the Club decided previously that only past copies would be available on the open website. It was decided that the current Short Skip will be distributed as an attachment on the monthly email and provided behind a password-protected location on the website.

The creation and distribution of the Club Roster



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was discussed. There is a timing difference in which renewals due March 1 run into July, so the membership data is not "good" until August, yet the officers list changes January 1. The fiscal year starts March 1. There is concern that if the membership list is behind a single, common password on the website, that would not be adequate security. It was noted that much of the information is already available on the FCC and QRZ websites. There is concern that putting member information on the website has not been authorized by the members. There is a consensus that handing out the Club Roster once a year continues to be a good idea. The Club Roster will not be put on the website at this time. The issues of when memberships renew and when the fiscal year should start are referred to the By-Laws Committee.

Dave Harrison W6IBC moved and Steve Bramble KI-6TUR seconded that the following committee chairs be elected to serve for the 2012 year:

- Jeff Tonelli KI6PBF Education
- Rich Freitas KF6SZA EmComm
- Brian Torr N6IIY Field Day
- Lee Dibble KE6EAQ Legal
- Mike Von der Porten AD6YB Membership
- Charlie Sikes KZ6T Programs
- Craig Gaevert K6XLT Public Service
- John Chavez KG6PEP Raffle
- Jim Draeger KI6REK Refreshments
- John Felton KE5RI and Jack Christensen K6ROW Repeater Co-chairs
- Ken Rawles N6PWV Shirts and Badges
- Brian Torr N6IIY Volunteer Examiners Liaison
- Donald Laird WE4MOO Short Skip Editor
- Sutter Laird KI6ZON Webmaster

The vote was 6 ayes, Charlie Sikes KZ6T voted no, 0 abstentions: motion carried.

Steve Bramble KI6TUR presented the budget. The only changes from the planning meeting were to add \$3,000 for the repeaters and to add \$120 for membership costs including printing and mailing the Club Rosters. Dave Harrison W6IBC moved and Charlie Sikes KZ6T seconded to approve the revised budget. The motion carried unanimously. The budget will be presented to the membership to approve.

The matter of what portion of the Club's assets should be held in reserve was discussed. Amounts ranging from \$10,000 to \$5,000 were discussed. Options for earning a better return on these funds were discussed. Dave Harrison W6IBC moved and Darryl Paule KI6MSP seconded that \$6,000 be held as an emergency reserve.

As forwarded from the membership meeting, the matter of the Club supporting other, non-related charities was discussed. Some members thought such support was inappropriate and that the focus of the Club is amateur radio, not general community welfare. It was suggested that funds be used for membership scholarships, extended amateur radio education, etc. It was suggested that an occasional appeal to members (rather than any Club funds) could be made by individual Club members. It was noted that for one or two years many years ago, rather than have raffle items at the Christmas Party, a donation was made to Toys For Tots. The Bicycle Club does provide funds to non-related charities, but likely has a different charter. The matter was tabled.

The United Way / California Public Employees Combined Fund form was presented for review. After seeing that the form required indemnification from the Club, the proposal to have the Club sign up was withdrawn.

John Chavez KG6PEP presented an opportunity for the Club to participate in Earth Day activities between the Boy Scouts and the Regional Parks District. The date is April 21, 2012 and nine or more amateur operators would be needed. John will take this to the members at the next membership meeting.

John Chavez KG6PEP asked whether the Club wanted to enrich the raffle so that more money might be made and the interest in the raffle would increase. John showed a low-cost, flexible solar panel system that's available through the Boy Scouts. Harrison W6IBC moved and Steve Bramble KI6TUR seconded that John be authorized to spend up to \$120.00 on raffle prizes that can be used in the next several raffles. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Von der Porten Secretary





CONTEST CORNER by Kevin Alt, K6BSG

Hello contesters. Lots of contest activity to while away those cold winter evenings in February. Highlights include the ARRL International CW DX Contest as well as the CQ WW 160 meter DX contest. Happy DX'ing!

3 Feb – **SNS and NS Weekly Sprint** – CW, 160-20 meters. See: www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html.

4 Feb - **FYBO Winter QRP Field Day** – SSB/CW, 160-10 meters. See: www.azscqrpions.org.

4 Feb – **Minnesota QSO Party** – all modes, all bands. See: www.w0aa.org.

4 Feb – **Straight Key Party** – CW, 80 meters. See: www.agcw.de.

4-5 Feb – YLISSB QSO Party – CW, 160-10 meters. See: www.ylsystem.org.

4-5 Feb – **EPC WW PSK Contest** – PSK, 80-10 meters. See: www.epcwwdx.srars.org/index.php/contest-rules.

4-5 Feb – **Vermont QSO Party** – all modes, 80-2 meters. See: www.ranv.org.

4-5 Feb – **Ten-Ten Winter Phone QSO Party** – Phone, 10 meters. See: www.ten-ten.org.

4-5 Feb – **Black Sea Cup International** – SSB/CW, 160-10 meters. See: www.bscc.ucoz.ru.

4-5 Feb – **British Columbia QSO Party** – all modes, 160-10 meters. See: orcadxcc.org.

4-5 Feb – **Delaware QSO Party** – all modes, all bands. See: www.fsarc.org.

4-5 Feb – **XE Int'l RTTY Contest** – RTTY, 80-10 meters. See: www.fmre.org.mx.

5 Feb – **North American Sprint** – CW, 80-20 meters. See: www.ncjweb.com.

7 Feb – **ARS Spartan Sprint** – CW, 80-10 meters. See: www.arsqrp.blogspot.com.

8-9 Feb – **CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test** – CW, 160-10 meters. See: www.cwops.org/onair.html.

10-12 Feb – **YL-OM Contest** – all modes, 160-10 meters. See: www.ylrl.org.

11 Feb – **FISTS CW Winter Sprint** – CW, 80-10 meters. See: www.FISTS.org.

11 Feb – **Asia-Pacific Sprint** – CW, 40-20 meters. See: jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt.

11-12 Feb – **CQ WW RTTY WPX** – RTTY, 80-10 meters. See: www.cqwpxrtty.com.

11-12 Feb – **Dutch PACC Contest** – SSB/CW, 160-10 meters. See: www.dutchpacc.com.

11-12 Feb – **Louisiana QSO Party** – all modes, 80-10 meters. See: laqso.w5yl.org.

11-12 Feb – **OMISS QSO Party** – SSB, 80-10 meters. See: www.omiss.info.

11-12 Feb – **New Hampshire QSO Party** – all modes, 160-10 meters. See: www.w1wqm.org.

11-12 Feb – **RSGB – First 1.8 MHz Contest** – SSB/CW, 160 meters. See: www.rsgbcc.org.

12 Feb – **North American Sprint** – SSB, 80-20 meters. See: www.ncjweb.com.

12 Feb – **Classic Exchange** – Phone, 160-2 meters. See: www.classicexchange.org.

12 Feb – **Milwaukee FM Simplex Contest** – FM, 6 meters – 70 cm. See: www.w9rh.org.

12 Feb – **Maine FM Simplex Challenge** – FM, 2 meters. See: www.qsl.net/ws1sm/contest.html.

13-17 Feb – **School Club Roundup** – all modes, all bands. See: www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup.

14-15 Feb – **PODXS Valentine Sprint** – Digital, 160-40 meters. See: www.podxs070.com.

15 Feb – **NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint** – CW, 80-20 meters. See: naqcc.info.

15 Feb – **Semi-Automatic Key Evening** – CW, 80 meters. See: www.agcw.org.





17-18 Feb – **Russian WW PSK Contest** – Digital, 160-10 meters. See: www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/384.html.

18 Feb – **Feld-Hell Annual WAS Sprint** – Digital, 160-10 meters. See: www.feldhellclub.org.

18-19 Feb – **ARRL Int'l CW DX Contest** – CW, 160-10 meters. See: www.arrl.org/contests.

18-19 Feb – **AM QSO Party** – Phone, 80-20 meters. See: www.antiquewireless.org.

24-26 Feb – **CQ WW 160 Meter SSB** – Phone, 160 meters. See: www.cq160.com.

25 Feb – **Pennsylvania FM Sprint** – FM, 6 meters – 70 cm. See: www.harcnet.org.

25-26 Feb – **REF Contest** – SSB/CW, 80-10 meters. See: www.ref-union.org.

25-26 Feb – **UBA Contest** – CW, 80-10 meters. See: www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules.

25-26 Feb – **Mississippi QSO Party** – Phone/CW, 80 meters – 70 cm. See: www.arrlmiss.org.

25-26 Feb – **North American QSO Party** – Digital, 80-10 meters. See: www.ncjweb.com.

26-27 Feb – **North Carolina QSO Party** – SSB/CW, 80-10 meters. See: www.w4nc.com.

27 Feb – **CQC Winter QSO Party** – Phone/CW, 80-20 meters. See: www.cqc.org.

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Are you interested in the 2012 edition of Mini-DX? It is scheduled for July 13, 14, & 15. Where you say? Thats yet to be determined. To sign up, figure out where, and learn more, go to: www.mini-dx.com

Membership meeting programs for 2012

January

- CM79 Mini-DX recap presented by Charlie Sikes KZ6T
- February

Software Defined Radio presented by Ed Slingland N2WD

What is SDR? How does it work? What the benefits of using it? the drawbacks? Describe various methods of implementation. Briefly look at what's likely coming in the future. A demo with Flex-1500 SDR. Show and tell at the break, including Ed's Flex-1500 and Dave's (W6IBC) SoftRock.

March

• Simple kit building exercise presented by Jeff Tonelli KI6PBF.

April

 KPH history including the rebuilding of its transmitter. Presented by Greg Farrell K6SON and Bill Ruck W6VSY

May

APRS

June

- Field Day presented by Brian Torr N6IIY
- Movie Night

July

Program to be determined

August

Boat Anchor / Homebrew Night

September

• Radio Telescope presented by Keith Payea AG6CI

October

Digital Modes

November

• Club Elections, Game Night

December

No Program, Holiday Party



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