



Tri-County Amateur Radio Association

Post Office Box 75 Claremont, CA 91711

COVERS: Los Angeles / Riverside / San Bernardino counties



Next Regular Club meeting is January 11 at 1930Hrs (7:30 PM)

An Invitation from TCARA



As the New Year gets under way, the Tri-County ARA is gearing up to be your local link to the amazing world of amateur radio. Throughout this coming year, we will bring you information on the many facets of this hobby/service, we'll share the resources of our many very experienced members and provide you the opportunity to meet face-to-face with friends and specialists in different areas of amateur radio. All with the goal of making your ham radio experience very special.

The January meeting will kick off with a unique program sure to expand your knowledge of the bands. See the description on the front page.

Most of all, YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THIS WONDERFUL GROUP. Come to our next meeting to start your Amateur Radio Year off right. The Invitation has been extended. Feel free to bring a friend – licensed or just thinking about becoming a ham. All are welcome.

Programs for the months ahead:

- **January 11, 2012:** Speaker, Brian Thorson - AF6NA will present to us his: "Intro to Amateur Microwaving - Building your Own 10 GHz Radio?"
For more in-depth detail, click <http://www.tcara.org/pages/Programs/2012Jan11Speaker/BrianThorsonBioMWradio.pdf>
- **February 8th:** Speaker, Walter F. Ordway will present to us his "Digital Cinema Presentation." Check out Walter's **Biography** at: <http://www.tcara.org/pages/programs/2012Feb08Speaker/WOshortResume25.pdf>

CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2012

- President: Brad Rachielles, KC6NNV
- Vice President: Bruce Bolton, KJ6QCM
- Past President: Charles Brewer, NU6Z
- Secretary: Bob Mueller, K6ASK
- Treasurer: Alvin Banman, W6EKZ
- Programs Chairman: Jay Jones, WB9FPM
- Publicity Chairman: Ken Berglof, K6SRU
- Emergency program: Clint Stone, KQ6NJ

CLUB MEETING INFORMATION

Please join with us at our next club meeting at Brackett Field Airport 1615 McKinley Ave., La Verne, CA 91750. We meet in the Pilots lounge -ADM building.

We meet on the second Wednesday of every month starting at 7:30 PM, except for December which is our Christmas Party. The Christmas party is held at another location. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING

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<http://maps.google.com/>

Brackett Field Airport-administration building-pilots lounge.
1615 McKinley Ave., La Verne, CA 91750.

NET INFORMATION

Tri-County also holds a weekly 2-meter net for general club information.

The net is held on the 145.440 Repeater. All amateurs are welcomed to check in. This repeater is located on the highest of the Sunset Ridge peaks, so those with beams should point to just north of Claremont.

It is a high level machine with great coverage and should afford us all of the benefits.

Sergeant Burton Brink with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is the repeater owner and has our thanks. So please load this frequency AND PL into your rigs and join the net.

The Frequency: 145.440MHz, (-) PL136.5Hz.

Check out Burton's website at www.n6uso.com

73, Brad Rachielles, KC6NNV – President of TCARA

NET FREQUENCY AND TIME

Our Sunday Net starts at 1900Hrs (7 PM), Freq - 145.440 MHz (-) PL 136.5Hz, the repeater website: www.n6uso.com

TIME LINE FOR THE NET

ARRL News, DX Report, General Information, Check-ins from Board Members, General Membership, Visitors. Visitor check-ins, are always encouraged.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Individual \$20 a year; is due January 1st of each year.

Membership enables you to receive membership prizes, vote, Place FREE FOR SALE ads in the QRM, receive the QRM, and run for an office, It's open to any persons licensed and unlicensed. Members participate in a number of activities in the Amateur Radio community.

Activities include club meetings, projects, special events, and any ARRL events.

QRM NEWSLETTER

TCARA has archived the QRM Newsletters for viewing on the Internet. All files are saved in a PDF portable document format, and viewing requires the Adobe Acrobat Reader program. A Free download is available at: <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>

If you would like to add an article to the clubs monthly Newsletter, please send it to Ken Berglof, K6SRU at e-mail address k6sru@arrl.net. You need to send it before the 22nd of each Month. Early submissions are always appreciated. TCARA QRM Newsletter Editor Ken Berglof, K6SRU

LIC TESTING SESSION FOR AMATEUR RADIO

The ARRL VE testing session is held at the Administration building in the pilots lounge at Brackett Field Airport, 1615 McKinley Ave., La Verne, CA 91750. VE Testing session is held on the last Saturday of the Month. No VE session

(Testing) in December. The testing session starts at 1:00 P.M. (1300) sharp.

It is located at the same place where TCARA has their Club meeting.

To find your way, use Google Maps at: <http://maps.google.com/> or add the address above to a map of your choice.

The testing will be for Technician through Extra Class.

Call, Frank Westphal, K6FW (coordinator for the ARRL VEC session) at 909-628-8661 for reservations. Leave on the answering machine the class of the test you want to take, and your name address and telephone number. Bring your current original license and a copy, and any CSCE's with copies of same and a picture ID.

There is a \$15.00 testing fee.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

For Health and welfare information, please call Bob Embrey-KD6DKV at 626-339-3402

LOCAL SWAP-MEETS

(Local swap-meet hours are usually 7 A.M. to 11 A.M.)

Third Saturday of each month

CHINO HILLS HIGH SCHOOL ELECTRONICS SWAP MEET - is held on the third Saturday of each month at the Chino Hills High School Parking Lot.

The address is 16150 Pomona Rincon Rd., Chino Hills. Hours are 6:30 AM - 11:30 AM (rain or shine).

Buyer's free. Sellers are \$10 a space.

For more information, go to: <http://www.chhsmusic.com> then click on FUNDRAISING.

Here is a flyer to print out at:

http://web.me.com/chinohillsband/CHHSMusic/Fundraising_files/ElecShowFlyer.pdf

DIRECTIONS:

If your travel South on the 71 Freeway between 91 and the 60 Fwy, take the Soquel Canyon Rd. off ramp, then turn right on Soquel Canyon Rd.

Now turn left at the next signal light which is Pomona Rincon Road.

Travel about 2 1/2 blocks then look to your right, and drive right in and enjoy.

Last Saturday of each month

TRW SWAP MEET - is located in Manhattan Beach, on the Northwest corner of Marine Ave., and Aviation Blvd., and South of LAX, and West of the 405 FWY. Take the 105 FWY West to Aviation Blvd., then go South on Aviation 2.5 miles to Marine. The talk-in Freq. is 145.320, - input, PL114.8

ARRL - Palm Springs Hamfest 2012 January 28

EVENT DATE: January 28, 2012 (Sat)

Location: Palm Springs, CA

Type: ARRL Hamfest/Convention

Sponsored by: Desert RATS Club of Palm Springs

We have over 30 Vendors and groups attending. One main focus of our event is live Demos that will go on throughout the Day.

Presenters like Gordon West, Clint Bradford / AMSAT , San Bernardino Microwave Society, The Fast Scan TV Group from Los Angeles, D-STAR, and others!

For more information! Click on the two page flyer at:

http://www.tcara.org/pages/pdf_Hamfest-Conv/ARRLPalmSpringsHamfest2012January28.pdf

This small flyer can be added to your newsletters.

http://www.tcara.org/pages/pdf_Hamfest-Conv/PalmSpringsHamfestConv2012.png

Website: <http://desertrats.am>

Learn more at:

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/palm-springs-hamfest-2012-1>

The Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society
invite you to attend the 3rd annual

An official  Sanctioned Event **HAMFEST!**


Palm Springs California **WD6RAT**

Jan 28, 2012 follow the rat @desertrats.am

Saturday, January 28
9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. **Talk-in frequency:
146.940- PL 107.2**

Email us for more info:
Peter VE7REZ ve7rez@desertrats.am
<http://www.desertrats.am>
Check ze Tweets @hamradio



8th Annual Yuma Hamfest 2012 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention

EVENT SET FOR: February 17-18, 2012 (Fri-Sat)

**2012 ARRL Southwestern Division
Convention 8th Annual Yuma Hamfest
and Emergency Preparedness Show** is
located in Yuma, Arizona on February 17-
18, 2012

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>

LOCATION: Yuma County Fairgrounds,
2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona
85369.

Click on link: <http://mapq.st/jusyP9>, for
direction to the Convention.

Flyer update: http://www.arca-az.org/image_files/hamfest_flyers/12SWDivConvYumaHamfest.pdf

Website: www.yumahamfest.org

2012 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention

8th Annual

**Yuma Hamfest
& Arizona State Convention
Yuma, Arizona
Feb. 17 & 18, 2012**

Yuma County Fairgrounds
2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona

www.yumahamfest.org

Check the Website for Additional Information
and a Current Schedule of Activities and Seminars

Gates Open for Camping Thursday, 2 pm Vendor Setup Friday, 7 am - Noon	Event Hours Friday, Noon - 5 pm Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm	Buzzard BBQ & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm
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Vendors & Exhibitors
Consignment Sales
License Testing
Hourly Door Prizes
On-site RV Camping
Famous Buzzard BBQ
ARRL Forum
\$5.00 Admission

Tailgating (Swap Meet)
Full Seminar Schedule
DXCC Card Checking
Grand Prizes worth \$10K
Emergency Preparedness
iPad 2 Admission Prize
Hospitality Area
Antenna Clinic & T-Hunt

Hamfest Talk-in Frequency: 146.840 (-) PL 88.5 Hz

Email Contact: info@yumahamfest.org



We are proud to have the Amateur Radio
Council of Arizona (ARCA) as a sponsor of
our event.

The Yuma Hamfest is an American Radio
Relay League (ARRL) sanctioned event.

Presented by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization



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