

SANDARC COUNCIL MINUTES
May 29, 2008

At 7:00 p.m. the Chairman Mike Maston N6OPH called the meeting of the San Diego County Amateur Radio Council to order. A quorum was present. After the Pledge of Allegiance, visitors were welcomed.

Secretary's Report was reviewed. **Motion** by Paul Rios KC6QLS to approve the Minutes as published, seconded by Ron Rosson N6XT and motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer, Stogie Panger KG6JCW. **Motion** to accept Treasurer's report as presented by Ron Rosson N6XT, seconded by Paul Rios KC6QLS and motion carried.

Chairman's Agenda Items:

- a. Welcome.
- b. San Diego (Del Mar) Fair report by Paul KC6QLS that the SANDARC fair booth needs volunteers.
- c. Convention Report by Mike N6OPH that the convention needs volunteers; contact Paul KC6QLS. Ron Rosson N6XT and John Musselman volunteered to be Vendor Services Chair. The convention committee dinner was 5-22-08 at 6:00 p.m. The first Convention Committee meeting will be 6-22-08 at the hotel at 7:00 p.m., but will not be a dinner meeting. All meetings will then be on the third Thursday of each month.

Committee reports:

1. Education Report by Steve Early AD6VI is attached *
2. Media Report by Paul KC6QLS that the SANDARC Tri-Fold is ready for printing. Paul distributed the SANDARC club flier for review, which so far has four clubs. The flier will include the following information on all amateur radio related clubs and organizations in San Diego: logo (if space), name, website, contact name, 3-4 sentences including meeting location, date, time, specialty area, why join the club, etc. Delegates please discuss this flier with your clubs and send the info for this flier to Paul KC6QLS at kc6qls@cox.net as soon as possible.
3. Legislative Oversight Report by Mike, N6OPH that the funds collected will soon be sent to the organization that needs them.

TASMA Report by Steve Early AD6VI that TASMA is looking for volunteers to monitor repeaters in order to determine which are in use and which could possibly be opened up and/or reassigned. Also, TASMA needs volunteers.

VEC Report by Mike Maston N6OPH that new exams for the Extra Class will begin 7-1-08. There will be a teleconference on 7-25-08.

ARRL Report by Steve Early AD6VI that Diane Bartlett is the new EMS Coordinator. SEC position is open. Meetings will be at Scripps in La Jolla at 8999 Genesee Avenue.

Club Reports:

Palomar ARC: Report by Steve Early AD6VI is attached. *

Escondido ARC: Report by Ron Rosson N6XT is attached. *

Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon: Report by Steve Weed KO4QT is attached. *

San Diego DX Club: Report by Harry Hodges W6YOO is attached. *

SANDRA: Report by Chuck Wood that he they have been trying to increase membership and have increased it by about 150.

Convair Club: Report by Steve Adams K6PD is attached. *

* Reports emailed to the secretary prior to the meeting are attached hereto.

** Reports turned in at the meeting will be attached to the Minutes and distributed at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Harry Hodges W6YOO, seconded by Ron Rosson N6XT and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Rios, KC6TBG
SANDARC Secretary

SANDARC Education Report - May 2008

General Class at the Salvation Army is full – June 7th and 21st.

One day Tech Classes forming in

El Centro – July 19th

Escondido – July 26th?

El Cajon – August 16th

Over 100 names on waiting list.

Report by Steve Early, AD6VI

PARC Report – May 2008

May program was Loren Hunt with inexpensive field expedient antennas for portable contesting.

June Program will be Write-Log

Field Day will be in San Marcos, on Santar Place.

Report by Steve Early, AD6VI

EARS SANDARC report for January 2008:

General activities:

- *Grape-day parade (Sep 8th)*. Several members of EARS took part in this Escondido annual event organized by Konrad Wallenda (N6UKO).
- *California QSO party (Oct 5th - 7th)*. This was the second time that EARS has taken part in this event. Steve Alborn (KE6PY) was again the CQP chairman. The QTH was Dixon Lake in Escondido. The score was better than last year's – with the team amassing a huge 127167 points. The 'dream-team' consisted of the following members: Steve Alborn (KE6PY), John Musselman (N6EP), Robert Fritz (WD6S), Dennis Hergert (WA6IQY), Kurt Barnhart (N6MD), Dirk Reschly (N6SUN).
- *Miramar air show (Oct 12th - 14th)*. This event is handled by ARES, and EARS members are always invited to take part.
- *San Diego Wild Fires (Oct 21st - 27th)*. During this unfortunate time - many EARS members were active in assisting of passing radio traffic. Of particular note was Harry Hodges (W6YOO) – who was active throughout the whole of the proceedings from his home in South Escondido. One unfortunate piece of news was that Dennis Hergert (WA6IQY) lost his Rancho Bernardo home to the fires, but both he and his wife Judy are OK.

- *Escondido JC's Christmas parade (Dec 8th)*. Another annual event that EARS members keenly take part in – again organised by Konrad Wallenda (N6UKO). This year's event (the 57th) was unfortunately cancelled on the morning for safety reasons – due to inclement weather.
- *First Night activities (Dec 31st)*. The last local event of the year in which EARS members take part. Superbly organized as always by Jo Ashley (KB6NMK).

Club meetings for 2007:

- Aug – Getting youth interested in amateur radio. A 'round-table' discussion by Carl Gardenias (WU6D) on ideas and activities aimed at getting young people interested in amateur radio.
- Sep – ARRL dignitaries' night. A PowerPoint presentation on ARES by 'Mitch' Mitchell (K6BK) and Jim Cammarano (KG6R). The presentation included a Q&A session, plus a 'show-and-tell' with a Win-Link 'Go' kit.
- Oct – A DXpedition DVD/Video evening, generously provided by Harry Hodges (W6YOO).
- Nov – An impromptu talk & discussion about the recent wild fires in San Diego led by Kurt Barnhart (N6MD). The talk included first hand experiences from the club members, and discussions about what went well, and what could have been done better.
- Dec – Annual EARS Christmas party held at the residence of John & Lynn Belstner (W9EN) in Valley Center. A good time was had by all those who attended (especially the 'white-elephant' gift exchange). Numbers were down a little from last year, but it is believed that this was due to the weather.

Club meetings for 2008:

- Jan – ARRL Section Manager Candidate forum. The two candidates for the position of ARRL San Diego Section Manager (Pat Bunsold (WA6MHZ) & Steve Early (AD6VI)) answered questions from the audience on why they should be considered for the position. Both candidates did a great job of presenting themselves and answering many questions from the audience. There were 14 EARS members in attendance, and 13 non-EARS guests (mostly from Palomar club. Note that this position is currently held by Harry Hodges (W6YOO) on interim basis until the results of the February election are known.
- Feb – We have Vince Sheetz (KI6CFW) who works for Intel, and will be giving an overview of wireless data technologies - including WiMAX & WiFi.
- Mar – Our club president Steve Venner (W6TAN) will be giving a presentation on the manufacture of cellular telephones. It will also include some practical activities for the audience.
- Apr – Annual club auction. This annual event will be held in the gymnasium at the Salvation Army building in Escondido. The auctioneer is once again Art McBride (KC6UQH), and the event is open to all local clubs.

Finally - EARS will be holding its 35th birthday celebration in 2008.

Further details of club's latest news and the planned events for the coming year can be found on the EARS website: <http://www.earsclub.org>

Steve Venner (W6TAN).

EARS president.

C/O Ron Rosson
Sandarc Delegate

ARCEC Report May 2008

The program at our May meeting was put on by Miguel Miller from the National Weather Service who gave weather spotter training. A total of 9 members of the Club signed up with Miguel to be spotters.

Also, we had our annual "Field Day" t-shirt contest. There were 2 entries; one included a pirate, the other a Big Green Spider for WA6BGS or WA6 Big Green Spider, the Club call sign. The BIG GREEN SPIDER won.

Our June meeting will be twofold. It will include a 10 minute talk by Roxanne Provaznik from CAL Fire about VIP Red Flag Patrol, which will be followed by a discussion and final preparation for Field Day as well as a hands on demo of our Field Day logging software.

June will be a busy month for the Club. June 7th and 8th will be the 100 mile endurance run at Cuyamaca State Park; June 14th and 15th will be our SANDARC booth days at the Del Mar fair; June 21st will be our Kids Best booth at the fair and June 27th thru 29th will be Field Day setup and operation.

Report by Steve Weed, KO4QT
Delegate ARCEC

San Diego DX Club Report

The San Diego DX Club held its regular monthly dinner meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 2008 at the Sizzler Restaurant, Aero Drive and Murphy Canyon Road. There were 30 members and guests present. In anticipation of the June election of officers, the following were nominated:

President: Glenn Rattmann, N6NA

Vice President: Wayne Zimmerman, NN6R

Secretary/Treasurer: Leon Helms, N6VS

BOD:

Dennis Vernacchia, N6KI

Tom Myrick, N6JOJ

Tom Martin, KG6RCW was voted into club membership.

The evening's program was a video presentation of the 2007 Five Star DXpedition Groups' operation from Saint Brandon Island ad 3B7C.

Paul, WN6K will not be at the meeting tonight as he is in route to Mexico to provide communications for the Baja 500.

Report by Harry Hodges, W6YOO

Delegate, SDDXC

Convair/220 Amateur Radio Club Report

Convair/220 Amateur Radio Club
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May 29, 2008

Subject: Convair/220 Club SANDARC Report for May 1, 2008 General Meeting

1. The May general meeting was held at the KM Rec. Center. The program was a PowerPoint presentation by Don N6CEO, on digital modes of communications including PSK-31 and the Digipan program. Included was input from N6PC & W6OYJ.
2. The next meeting will be a slide show of our 2007 Field Day and a PowerPoint presentation by Paul N6PC on the use of N3FJP's Field Day logging program. Also making plans for implementing Field Day at the Kearny Mesa Rec Center park area.
3. The Club re-applied for and received ARRL affiliation.
4. The Club will man the SANDARC booth on Wednesday , June 18.
5. The Club 220 MHz repeater was reported to be working well.

Submitted by Steve, K6PD, Convair/220 Club Delegate.
May 29, 2008, SANDARC meeting.

Attached: June Club newsletter.