

SANDARC COUNCIL MINUTES
September 25, 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.

Attendance: 13 total (4 clubs represented)

Officers:

Chair: N6OPH
Vice Chair: KC6QLS
Secretary: KC6TBG
Treasurer: KG6JCW

Clubs:

ARCEC: K5WFW; KO4QT; AE6AV
Convair: K6PD
SD DX: W6YOO; N6VS
SANDRA: WD6APP
SIX SHOOTERS: KG6TDP
ARRL SM: AD6VI

Visitors: None

Secretary's Report was reviewed. **Correction:** Bob Boehme's call sign should read "W2IRI". **Motion** by Paul Rios KC6QLS to approve the Minutes as corrected, seconded by Harry Hodges W6YOO and motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer, Stogie Panger KG6JCW. **Motion** to accept Treasurer's report as presented by Paul Rios KC6QLS, seconded by Leon Helms N6VS, and motion carried.

Chairman's Agenda Items:

a. Welcome. SANDARC received a donation check from North Shores ARC in the amount of \$200.00 from Robert B. Smith. A thank you letter will be sent.

b. Convention Report by Mike N6OPH that the next meeting will be October 16, 2008 at Denny's located at 4280 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., in the Clairemont Square Shopping Center. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. The logo contest is in progress and entries may be submitted to the Committee Chair Mike N6OPH. The Tijuana Club, XE2BC, will have their amateur radio convention in Tijuana on October 16, 17, 18, and 19, 2008. The Arizona Convention was September 12, 2008. There is no date set yet for the 2009 Riverside Convention, but as soon as the Chair has more information, he will let us know.

c. Ham Radio Roundup: Steve Early AD6VI reported that there will be no Roundup due to venue issue.

Committee reports:

1. Education Report by Steve Early AD6VI that SANDARC needs a new Education Chair.

2. Media Report by Paul KC6QLS that SANDARC display at the Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Branch Library will be taken down at the end of September. Photos of the display were passed around. Discussions are underway to move the display to some other libraries, and it will be at the Mission Valley Library in March 2009. The convention was discussed briefly, and Paul emphasized the need to be positive and talk up the San Diego Convention. It was suggested that the logo contest be held open until January 2009 and that Paul send out a notice to all clubs regarding the logo contest. It was noted that Delegates have been reporting the logo contest to the clubs. The logo contest will be discussed at the meeting on October 16, 2008 by the convention committee.

3. Legislative Oversight Report by Mike Maston N6OPH. The \$370.00 SANDARC collected for the Palmdale Defense Fund will be donated to the Attorney Leonard J. Shaffer. There was a request that SANDARC look into the need to donate the money at this time due to the status of that lawsuit, and the Chair indicated he would look into that.

TASMA Report: None

VEC Report by Mike Maston N6OPH that the North Park Test Site needs help. If you are a VE and can help out on the third Saturday of the month, please contact Mike N6OPH.

ARRL Report: Report by Section Manager Steve Early AD6VI. There will be no Round Up due to venue issue.

Club Reports:

PARC: No Delegate present, but the President of PARC, Steve Early AD6VI, reported that the September meeting was on D-Star. The October meeting will be the Annual PARC Auction at the Carlsbad Safety Center.

Escondido ARC: No Delegate present to report, but club info previously provided is attached. *

Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon: Report by Larry Plumber AE6AV See report attached. *

San Diego DX Club: Report by Leon Helms N6VS that the meeting was last night at the Sizzler on Aero Drive. A total of 33 attended plus 3 new members joined. Program was Construction of 3 element 80m beam, Jamaican Contest Presentation.

SANDRA: Report by Chuck Wood WD6APP that the auction for the Albright estate was last month. SANDRA's nominations are in progress.

Convair Club: Report by Steve Adams K6PD. See report attached. *

Six Shooters: Report by Mike Oberbauer KG6TDP. See report 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 Paul Rios KC6QLS, and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Rios, KC6TBG
SANDARC Secretary

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

**Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon
Meeting of September 11, 2008**

Paul Rios, KC6QLS described the new SANDARC exhibit Located at the Serra Mesa Library on Aero Drive in San Diego.

The 2009 Membership Drive would begin with this meeting. For the Membership Drive, membership renewals would be accepted during the meeting of September, October, and November of this year. All memberships are now due on 1 January 2009. There will be a drawing at the December meeting for early renewal.

A nominations committee was formed to provide candidates for the officers and board members for 2009. Elections will be held during the December annual meeting.

The program was Kit Building given by John Graf WQ6L.

The Christmas party will be on December 16, 2008 at the El Cajon Hometown Buffet. Dinner at 1800 hours and meeting starts at 1900 hours.

The Open House at Fire Station #6 will be on October 4 and the ARCEC tower will be on display.

The Extra theory class is progressing and has 5 students.

Submitted,

**Len Fulbright, K5WFW
Delegate**

Convair/220 Amateur Radio Club
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September 25, 2008

Subject: Convair/220 Club SANDARC Report for September 4, 2008 General Meeting

1. The September general meeting was held at the KM Rec. Center. The program was a PowerPoint slide show of the Convair/220 Club 2008 ARRL Field Day held in the park area of the KM Rec Center. Comments were requested and made on how to improve things for 2009 Field Day.
2. The next meeting will be on Thursday, October 2, 6:30 PM at the Kearny Mesa Rec Center. The program will be a presentation by San Diego Section Manager Steve Early, AD6VI on the direction ARRL and ARES is taking in the San Diego Section.
3. The Club 220 MHz repeater is working well..

Submitted by Steve, K6PD, Convair/220 Club delegate.
September 25, 2008, SANDARC meeting.

The Contrails newsletter is attached as a PDF file.

San Diego Six Shooters ARC General Membership Meeting

Monday, September 15, 2008 19:00 Ranch House Restaurant
Santee, California

Type of Meeting

Monthly General Membership Meeting

Meeting Called by

Joe, N6SIX, President at 19:01 and ended at 19:46

Attendees

Attendance Log Maintained by Errol, KE6CBJ, Treasurer

Topics

Number	Topic		
1.	Open September 2008 SDSSARC Meeting	Joe (N6SIX)	5 min
2.	Presentation Video about HF Digital Voice Comms.	Joe (N6SIX)	20 min
3.	Announcements from SANDARC	Mike (KG6TDP)	10 min
4.	OPEN FORUM (New Business)	open to attendees	5 min

Additional information

Notes

- #2 Video Shown about HF digital comms. and questions were answered by various members
- #3 Mike, KG6TDP announced that SANDARC is looking into a Handie Hams Scholarship
- #4 Paul, KC6QLS announced that the Serra Mesa Library has 4 different Ham Radio station display setups