



Ham Shack

A PUBLICATION OF THE RIO HONDO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Founded March 8, 1976 By WA6GEV & WA6WFC

President's Message

It is March, and spring is in the air. We are seeing the famous Southern California weather, at least part of the time, green things are sprouting and the birds are sharing their songs. New things are happening with the club, as well.

Over the next few weeks we will be offering two new activities. On Saturday, March 18th we will be holding our first New Hams Workshop, four hours of practical information to help our newer hams get on the air with confidence in a better understanding of the things not covered in the license class, such as programming their radios and understanding all of the new terms. Then the first weekend of April we will be offering our first General class for those wanting or needing a slight push to upgrade. Please contact Dave Haring K6CJZ or me for more information on the workshop, and Dave or Josh Henderson K6PNP about the General class.

Please remember that the March club meeting is always the celebration of the club's birthday instead of a regular meeting. Again it will be at the Sizzler, 15252 Rosecrans Ave, La Mirada (between La Mirada Blvd. and Santa Gertrudes Ave.) at the special time of 6:00pm Family and friends are welcome.

We have a busy few weeks ahead of us, and I hope to see all of you at those events that apply.

73, Rick WM6M

Join the Rio Hondo ARC Net every Wednesday evening at 8 PM on any of our Repeaters: at 146.175 MHz (+), PL 156.7 Hz; at 223.94 MHz (-), PL 100 Hz; or at 445.560 MHz(-), PL 100 Hz. All Hams are invited!

Important Dates

March

- 1st RHARC NET
- 8th RHARC NET
- 13th RHARC Picnic**
6pm @ Sizzler 15252
Rosecrans Ave, La
Mirada, CA 90638
(714) 228-0153
- 15th RHARC NET
- 22nd RHARC NET
- 27th RHARC BOARD**
Meeting 7PM @ 11139
Washington Blvd.
Whittier, CA 90606
- 29th RHARC NET

April

- 5th RHARC NET
- 10th RHARC Meeting**
- 12th RHARC NET
- 18th TAXES DUE!**
- 19th RHARC NET
- 24th RHARC BOARD**
Meeting
- 26th RHARC NET

May

- 3rd RHARC NET
- 8th RHARC Meeting**
- 10th RHARC NET
- 17th RHARC NET
- 24th RHARC NET
- 29th Memorial Day /**
RHARC BOARD
Meeting
- 31th RHARC NET

2017 RHARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Dino Darling (KX6D)**
Repeater Committee

Board Meetings are held at IHOP on the last Monday of the month at the IHOP Restaurant on Washington Blvd in the Santa Fe Springs Market Place Shopping Center, at 7:00 PM.

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HamShack's are brought to you by
Donald Ocampo (KJ6RXV)
Ret. Secretary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS BORN IN THE MONTH OF MARCH



3/20~John Johnson (KM6EXO)
3/21~Don Barrett (KA6DJK)
3/25~Michael McKay (KM6AXX)
3/28~Eric Anderson (KK6MWW)
3/31~Carlos Ontiveros (KM6EXR)



For Sale:
Icom ID-880H compact dual band 50 Watt mobile, FM and D-STAR, with programming cable, missing power cord \$200. Please Contact Rick Norton (WM6M) Info is below



**RHARC W6KAT Estate Auction
Items Remaining**

12/5/2016

Brand	Model	Description	Bid	Amount	Sold To
Heathkit	SA2060A	HF Antenna Tuner	\$ 232.50		
Heathkit	SB-610	Monitor Scope	\$ 95.63		
Mirage	C106	220 10-60 Watt Amplifier	\$ 82.50		
Motorola	Micor	100 Watt 6 meter trunk mount radio - All accessories	\$ 75.00		
Motorola	Micor	100 Watt 6 meter trunk mount radio - No Accessories	\$ 45.00		
Unknown	Unknown	Dual band J-Pole - 2m/220	\$ 22.50		
Hallicrafters	R42	Speaker (Classic!)	\$ 75.00		
Unknown	4E27A-125B	Tube 300 Watts	\$ 67.50		



As most of you know, longtime member and good friend to the Rio Hondo Amateur Radio Club Don Olejnik, W6KAT, became a silent key last August 23rd. He was kind enough to remember the club in his estate planning, and left the bulk of his ham gear to the club to be auctioned. His desire was to help the club in moving forward with repeater and antenna upgrades and improvements. Much of the gear has been sold both at our auction and through after auction sales. In this newsletter is a list of the remaining items. The starting bid prices are shown, however the club will consider all reasonable offers, which will be presented to the board for approval. You may contact Rick Norton, WM6M for further information or to place a bid. He can be contacted at Rick@RNorton.com or 562-698-7758. Remember, this is to benefit the club as we upgrade our repeaters, so your bid helps. Thanks for your support.

Highlight: Emergency Scenario presentation, ARRL and HamCon issues.

17.38 Rick Norton, WM6M, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

17.39 Officers Present: Rick Norton WM6M President, Josh Henderson K6PNP V.P., Tom Calderwood AA6TC Secretary, Clay Camaro K6VMC Treasurer, Dave Haring K6CJZ Past President, John Johnson KM6EXO Board Member at Large.

17.40 Members introduced themselves.

17.41 Main Presentation: John Cvjetkovic, Dept. Emergency Coordinator, L.A. County, Public Social Services (johncvjetkovic@dps.lacounty.gov) gave a presentation about disasters, the kinds of events we can expect beyond earthquakes. (Floods, fires, rain, hurricanes, tornadoes, hail, snow, dam failures)

17.42 Officers Presentations

17.42.1 **President** – Rick Norton

17.42.1.1 Proposal from The Sunset Group, donation of their 220 repeater.

17.42.1.2 Tom Polley, WA6GEV, one of the founding members of the club is now Silent Key.

17.42.1.3 Chino Hills 440 repeater is co-channelled with us and is also a System Fusion repeater. They are using Digital Code 2, we are not changing. You may see or hear traffic on your radio because of this.

17.42.1.4 Membership renewal reminder. A membership roster will be distributed.

17.42.1.5 Encourage members to join or renew their membership in the ARRL.

17.42.2 **Vice President** – Josh Henderson

17.42.2.1 Future programs: Club birthday party will be held in March at the Sizzler in La Mirada at 6 p.m. instead of our regular meeting location/time.

17.42.2.2 We will be back (in the big room) at the Parnell Park Community Center. The speaker will be from a solar panel/battery company for backup systems.

17.42.2.3 Shirts: will have more info at the next meeting

17.42.2.4 Field day coming up. Should see movement in March for volunteers.

17.42.3 **Secretary** – Tom Calderwood

17.42.3.1 Three sets of minutes was distributed for January: A called board meeting, the general meeting, and the board meeting. They were reprinted in the newsletter.

17.42.4 **Treasurer** – Clay Camero

17.42.4.1 38 membership renewals

17.42.4.2 Cutoff date for club deposits will be the following general meeting.

17.42.4.3 California and federal filing is complete

17.43 Committee Reports and Announcements

- 17.43.1 Dave Haring K6CJZ – 4 Technician Class classes to be held, 1 next month, then every three months after. Class for the General Class license may be in April.
- 17.43.2 Dave Haring K6CJZ and Rick Norton WM6M – Planning on an intermediate class between March tech and April general class on helping people new to ham radio, specifically about getting a radio set up and getting on the air.
- 17.43.3 Dave Haring K6CJZ – Public Service – Shelters Right Hand run/walk on April 22nd. Another run/walk in Whittier called “Walk and Roll” on July 16th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will be looking for volunteers to help in communications along the route for these events.
- 17.43.4 Dino Darling KX6D – Attended the LAACRAC: L A Area Council – council of clubs. Passed on info about what is going on with the ARRL. A statement will be coming out about what the clubs response is to what is going on in the ARRL.
- 17.43.5 Dino Darling KX6D – HamCon: Will be in September. RHARC has been excluded from participating. This will issue will be “re-addressed”. Before we are allowed in, we need a “firm commitment from the club”, meaning club members need to participate.
- 17.43.6 Donald Ocampo KJ6RXV – Newsletter and web site: Class list and membership form is up on the web site. Newsletter is also up on the web.
- 17.43.7 Hospitality team: James and Lucinda: Plea to the club members that they need to keep up donations.

17.44 Old Business

- 17.44.1 Encourage people to go onto the ARRL.org to fill out a survey for a new Novice license class.
- 17.44.2 Look in to creating a membership certificate for the club members.

17.45 Adjournment: John Johnson KM6EXO motions to adjourn, **Vi seconds**, approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tom Calderwood

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RHARC Board Meeting IHOP Restaurant Feb 27, 2017

Highlight: Discussed club goals and dates, discussion on Angeles Crest run

- 17.46 Present:** Rick Norton WM6M President, Josh Henderson K6PNP Vice President, Tom Calderwood AA6TC Secretary, Dave Haring K6CJZ Past President, Paul In KI6EL Board Member at Large, John Johnson KM6EXO Board Member at Large, Bob Ahrens NT5A, Wes Hoffmaster KK6YBS, Russell Alpern KI6ZMX, and Donald Ocampo KJ6RXV. K6VMC Clay Camero (treasurer) was not able to attend due to illness.
- 17.47** Rick called the meeting to order at 7:01
- 17.48** Moved to give non-board members voice but no vote, approved
- 17.49 President's Report:** Nothing to report.
- 17.50 Vice President's Report:**
- 17.50.1 March meeting will be at the Sizzler at 15252 Rosecrans Ave., La Mirada, to celebrate the birthday of the club.
- 17.50.2 April meeting will be a representative from Bioenno Power to talk about batteries, solar, emergency, etc.
- 17.50.3 Email from Dino - Proposal for Aug for possible club event. Angeles Crest Run support to be determined if it can be supported as a club event.
- 17.51 Secretary's Report:**
- 17.51.1 Need to distribute board minute to board before it goes to the newsletter for accuracy.
- 17.51.2 Because of the poor response to the question to the membership of who reads the newsletter, the President will propose to the group to delegate to the board to approve the general minutes.
- 17.51.3 **Motion:** To bring a vote to the club to delegate to the board approval for general meeting minutes approval. Paul moved, John seconded. **Approved unanimous.**
- 17.52 Treasurer's Report:** (Clay not present, he did pass information to Rick)
- 17.52.1 Checking account balance: \$2042.13. Savings account balance: \$918.60. Total in the bank: \$2960.73
- 17.52.2 Income: 39 membership renewals. \$16.67 in the coffee kitty.
- 17.52.3 Expenses - \$848 (\$684.90 remote controller from Dino, \$162 for coffee supplies [\$54 for pots, \$59 for initial supply stock]. Paid city \$78.51 for repeater site rental. California Secretary of State Statement of Information fee: \$20. \$190 to Arcom for the controller for 2nd repeater interface.
- 17.52.4 Dealt with the federal taxes. Had to file a tax statement. Found there was also a state form - form 199N. The last time it was filed was in 2012. There is a letter from 2015 stating fees and penalties, but it is no longer current. Clay will bring the status of the club to current state.
- 17.53 Committee Reports:**
- 17.53.1 Josh - Weekend of March 3-4-5 will be the tech class. Testing on the 5th.

- 17.53.2 Josh - March 18: Practical Class – a class to show what to do next for newbies. \$5 class fee. Will be at Whittier PD.
- 17.53.3 Josh - Working on dates for a General Class - April 7-8-9
- 17.53.4 Rick proposes to purchase Baofung radios to supply to newly licensed amateurs at cost. Will discuss at a later date.
- 17.53.5 Dave - Shelters Right Hand 5k is on April 22nd. The club will be supplying route communications.
- 17.53.6 Dave - Got a letter from AA6ED Edward Bronejko on Feb 21st. Ed's website is www.edsradio.com and lists nets that are held in the So Cal area. Dave drafted a response, put before the board for approval. Board supplied feedback, Dave will take input and respond.
- 17.53.7 Donald - newsletter, discussion about minute formatting.
- 17.53.8 Donald - Web site - need info for upcoming activities
- 17.53.9 Paul - membership - need info from Clay about new membership applications (can't open ZIP files)
- 17.53.10 Rick - Net - roll call formatted now. Membership forms have been turned in, and the club membership is now at 42 (plus VI and Don). Rick will cull the membership section from the previous 82 to the current 42.
- 17.53.11 Hospitality - working good.
- 17.53.12 Dave - Mentor Team - no new info
- 17.54** 100k Angeles Crest run - Aug 5-6. Looking for club support. Ham operators would supply voice communications on 2m and packet info on 220 at specific points along the route. Need 5-6 volunteers. Josh motions to make it a club function, John seconds. 4 ayes, no nay, one abstain.
- 17.55** Discussion about goals list that Rick has created up for the club and officers.
- 17.56** Motion made and approved to adjourned the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tom Calderwood

MEMBERSHIP!

Attention all members of the Club, your membership renewals should have been received by our Treasurer at this point in time. If you have not renewed, please use the attached Member Application and send it in to our Treasurer, RHARC, P.O. Box 1781, Whittier, CA 90609. Thank you.

**Paul In (KI6EL)
Membership Chair**



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WHITTIER, CA 90609

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION or RENEWAL for Year _____

Name: _____ Call: _____ Class: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Calif. Zip: _____

Phone-Res.: _____ Cell: _____ Occupation: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Birth Date: (Month-Day Only) _____

I hereby apply for membership/membership renewal in the Rio Hondo Amateur Radio Club and agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules of the Club.

(Applicant Signature) Date _____

I am a member of: ARRL ___ ARES ___ DCS ___ MARS ___ RACES ___ Other _____

Full/Associate Membership

Full Year	\$20.00	Repeater Donation	\$10.00
After July 1 (new member only) . . .	\$10.00	Club Badge w/pin	\$ 11.00
Family - Amateur	\$10.00	Club Badge w/magnet.	\$ 13.00
Family - Non Amateur	\$ 5.00	Patch	\$ 5.00
Associate (Unlicensed Individual)	\$12.00		

FEES ENCLOSED

Club Membership for 2016. . . Full \$20 after July 1 (new member only) \$10 . . \$ _____
 Family - Amateur - Name: _____ Call _____ (\$10). \$ _____
 Family - Non Amateur - Name: _____ (\$5). \$ _____
 Associate Member - Name: _____ (\$12) . \$ _____
 Badge: Print Name/Call _____ Specify Type _____ . \$ _____
 Patch \$ _____
 Repeater Donation \$ _____
 Total Enclosed by Check _____ Cash _____ . \$ _____

APPLICATION ROUTING (Please do not write in this area)

Treasurer _____ Date _____
 Mailing List Update _____ Date _____
 President _____ Date _____
 Vice-President _____ Date _____
 Secretary _____ Date _____
 Certificate _____ Badge _____ Patch _____ Roster _____

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