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The Prez Sez:

Many thanks to Ed Sherman and Mark Drake for bringing us "Wild" Bill Wiederhold, WB6BFG and his very interesting presentation on amateur radio and the 2003 San Diego fire. Bill's presentation generated a lot of discussion about getting GTARC back in the business of emergency communications. As many of you know, emergency communications is one of the primary functions of amateur radio as a whole and an important reason why we still retain frequency allocations from the FCC. Many of our members have been or are currently active in R.A.C.E.S., S.A.T.E.R.N. or other radio service organizations, but as a club, we are not. What interested me most about Bill's presentation was the success of his "ad Hoc" info net and the benefit it provided to the more formal emergency radio services affiliated with R.A.C.E.S. and the Red Cross.

The GTARC board as a whole feels strongly about the need to get involved with our community and to develop our emergency radio skills. Bill's "info net" seems like a great way to make this happen. Although I would encourage everyone (myself included) to get involved with a formal emergency organi-

zation, there is really no reason not to form our own "info net" that could be called upon by other emergency groups when needed. There are many events that take place locally that would be ideal training opportunities. The Wine and Balloon Festival, the Rod Run, and the 4th of July and Christmas Parades are just a few. With many of our members already experienced in emergency communications, it shouldn't be too difficult to get the rest of us up to speed. Look forward to more discussion and action on this subject as we begin our planning efforts for 2006.

73, Alan, KG6TGF



How about including a GTARC emer-

gency communicator in each balloon flight? This would be a new and novel extension of amateur radio services! [Personally, I pass. ED.]

! WANTED !

GTARC Board Position Open

With the retirement of Gordon Wyne from the Board, we are looking for a replacement Director. If anyone would like to volunteer to fill out Gordon's term (1 year, 2006) or would like to nominate someone else, please contact Alan Cook, KG6TGF at group.one@verizon.net or any other board member. We have a very motivated board this year and would like to see as much participation as possible as we develop our action plan for 2006.

GTARC Planning Session

When: April 8, 2006, 10:00AM until 2:00 PM

Where: Country Garden Restaurant and Bakery, 29000 Old Town Front Street, Temecula. Phone: 9512-695-2421.

Food: Yes, "No Host Lunch"; order from menu.

Every GTARC member is invited to our 2006 planning session. Our goal is to take a look at some of the ideas and programs that we can develop to regenerate interest and participation in club activities. We need as much participation as possible and our goal is to come away with an action plan that will

give our club a shot in the arm. Everything is open to discussion and topics already suggested include: club car-pools, fox hunting, emergency services, more field day events, net, and contests, technical training sessions, youth involvement to build membership, educational classes, more social events, and many others. If you would like to see your club grow and develop stronger programs, then make it a point to be there, we need your ideas! For more information contact Alan Cook/ KG6TGF at group.one@verizon.net or by phone at 951-676-8980.

73, Alan Cook/KG6TGF

AMATEUR'S CODE

CONSIDERATE...never knowingly operates in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.

EDITOR'S COLUMN

Thanks for all the articles received to enliven the Triangulator. Each one is appreciated!

And don't forget to help Ed Sherman, Program Chairman, find likely speakers or reveal your individual talent that may be added to the mix of exciting future programs. I believe he still has room for a few more presentations [ED].

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IN THE TRIANGULATOR FIVE YEARS AGO

This issue also provided a list of 88 members, all with call signs. Approximately 40 on this list are continuing members of GTARC. This seems to indicate a fair amount of turnover even in the relative short term (we currently have 79 members with call signs).

IN THE TRIANGULATOR TEN YEARS AGO

It was fun to review the member list of the March issue where 103 members with call signs were represented, and to note that approximately 30 of these members remain members to this day. Of course, one wonders what has happened to the some 70 who are no longer members. While some have become Silent Keys, other have not. Some have moved away and others ?

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS

Please contact the Editor if you come upon information that is new or incorrect of interest to the membership. You are all eyes and ears of the Triangulator, so please pass on anything you feel is of interest to: nu6e@arrl.net. Thank you.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Kenwood TM-742A Tri-band UHF/VHF Transceiver. FM operation on 144, 220, & 440 MHz. 100 memories on each band.

Yaesu FT-990 HF Transceiver with

SSB and CW filters installed. It was checked at Yeasu a few weeks ago for updates and proper operation.

Both radios are in perfect operating condition and like new appearance.

Please contact Brent Foster/WA6BFW at 951-600-9950 or wa6bfw@arrl.net

IECARO NEWS

GTARC has two representatives to IECARO: Allen Fletcher/AE6QN (now Secretary of IECARO) and Bill Smith/KG6HKJ who replaces Norb Dean/AD6F, former President of IECARO (2005), and who is currently 1st Vice President of GTARC.



Bill reports that Fred Roberts/W6TKV invites everyone from GTARC to attend the RCARA meeting Thursday, March 9, 2006 at 7:30 PM where Charlie Spetnagel/W6KKK will describe the Kure Island Dxpedition.

As announced at the last GTARC meeting, IECARO is firming plans to raffle some high-end equipment only to members of clubs supporting IECARO!

Directions to the meeting place follow: From the I15 north turn right onto the 91 east. Exit at Pierce Street (the 2nd exit from the I15). Turn left onto Sierra Vista Ave. and turn right at the next traffic light (Pierce Street) and almost immediately turn left onto the Seventh Day Adventist Church parking lot and go into the meeting in the ground level

building entrance next to the church.

SATERN NEWS

Duane Arnold/KD6MVW, Bill Smith/KG6HKJ, and Harm Wijma/AC6VN all attended the SATERN meeting where frequencies used and training class opportunities were described. Bill indicates that he will be joining the organization and provide further information in the future.

Peter One DXpedition Ends

Our own member of the adventurers to the Island of Peter One, Bob Grimmick/N6OX should be at home by now and we look forward to hearing about his adventures and seeing the many photos he has of the trip. Congratulations!

Quite a few of our members were able to contact the 3Y0X group during their radio active days and will receive commemorative QSL cards to attest to that fact.

See Bob in situ below!



Minutes of GTARC Board Meeting February 7, 2006

A copy of the approved minutes has not been received in time to publish, so this column is empty.

CLUB NEWS ITEMS

Don't forget, January 1, 2006 is the time for GTARC Membership Renewal!

Individual membership is \$25, Family member (licensed or unlicensed) is \$9, and Associate member (unlicensed) is \$9.

Please send your dues to the Club address on the Masthead. Thank you!

There are 16 members who have not renewed their membership for this year (2006) as of February 26, 2006.

As a reminder only they are: Kerry, Ian, and Nathan Clark; Jeffry Glahn Bob Grimmick; Charles Gyenes; Bill Kearns; Ron Jackson; Frederick McDonald; Mark Monroe; Stanley Samuelsen; Dick Schmieter; Joe Terrazas; Leroy Tucker; Jack Watkin; and Eddie Lake.

Last Meeting Happenings

"Wild" Bill Wiederhold/WB6BFG provided a dynamic presentation regarding casual (i.e. informal) net communications in support of emergency services such as the Red Cross, Fire Departments and Police and provided handouts which included "DO" lists, radio frequency list and "GO BAG" content list. Bill is a member of the Palomar Amateur Radio Club (PARC) and his experiences during the 2003 fires in San Diego County.

A very interesting program, Bill. Thank you!

Progressive Drawing

Robert Seigle/K6QA was drawn for the \$5 prize, but he was absent from the meeting, so the next month it will be \$10! You must be at the meeting to win.

50-50 Drawing

Ed Sherman/K6ERS was drawn and he received \$21 which he promptly donated back to the Club's General Fund. Thank you, Ed!

VE Testing

Chris Patterson/KQ1Z and Frank McCallum/AE6Q will host a VE testing opportunity on April 22nd 2006, from 9:00 AM until 12:00 Noon at the Salvation Army Facility, 40270 Los Alamos Road, Murrieta. If you know anyone who might be interested, please let them know. Please contact Chris Patterson/KQ1Z for additional information at kq1z@yahoo.com.

Future GTARC Meeting Presentations (19:30)

The guest speaker for March 27 is Bob Glass/KE6YWS. He will present: "Bloodhounds for Search and Rescue". He is a bloodhound trainer and has been one for 10 years. He is a volunteer with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department. He has been involved in approximately 300 search and rescue cases. He has searched for criminal violators, lost children, adults and aged. He has been a commercial aviator for 40 years.

His presentation is about search and rescue dogs. He will discuss the selection and training of dogs for search missions. Bob will describe some of the operations he has experienced in conjunction with law enforcement and fire agencies and he will also explain the use of ham radio during search and rescue activities.

HELP!

Our Club Historian, Lenita Arnold, asks if anyone has any articles, pictures (such as Field Day, or any other items involving GTARC members that could be included in the History Scrap Book for 2005? Please call Lenita at 951-304-7321.

Thursday Luncheon Locations

Mar. 16: Hungry Hunter, 2600 Jefferson, Temecula

Mar. 23: Oscar's on the Pond, Rancho California and Ynez Road, Temecula

Mar. 30: Penfold's, Jefferson (Front St.) and Moreno Rd., Temecula

April 6: Mexico Chiquito, near Penfold's, Old Town Temecula

April 13: Daphne's Greek Café, Tem. Mall near Edward's Theaters, Tem.

April 20: Valentino's, Winchester and Murrieta Hot springs Roads. In Albertson Center, Murrieta

April 30: European Deli, Mercedes Rd. in Old Town Temecula

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2005 Treasurer's Report

Balance (12/31/05)	\$4926.17
INCOME	
50/50 Drawing	28.00
50/50 Winner Donation	28.00
Donations to General Fund	75.00
Interest	2.50
Member Dues	656.00
Lanyard Sales	10.00
Sub Total	\$799.50
EXPENSES	
Liability Insurance	342.00
IECARO Annual Dues	12.00
Progressive Drawing	75.00
QSL Club Listing Donation	25.00
Sub Total	\$454.00
Balance (1/31/06)	\$5271.67
Dedicated Funds in above	\$2230.36
Net Spend able Funds	\$3041.31

G.T.A.R.C. INFORMATION SHEET**LOCAL REPEATER INFORMATION**

Repeater Frequency: **146.805 PL 100.0 Call Sign: W6GTR**

Simplex Frequencies: **146.550 and 446.000**

Nation-Wide FM Simplex: **50.525, 146.520, 223.500, and 446.000**

Repeater Trustee: **Dave Donnelly/KF6XA**

Emergencies: **Please make a general call on 146.805 for assistance.**

The Fallbrook ARC repeater operates on the following frequencies:

146.175 (+600) PL 107.2 Red Mountain

146.175 (+600) PL 103.5 Fire Station

445.600 (-5000) PL 107.2 Red Mountain

The Temecula Fire Station #84 repeater operates on **445.300 (-5000) PL 127**

G.T.A.R.C. MEETING DATES/TIMES & NET FREQUENCIES

G.T.A.R.C. MONTHLY MEETING FOURTH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH 7:00 pm (Social),
7:30 PM (Meeting) at Rancho California Water District, 42135 Winchester
Rd., Temecula

G.T.A.R.C. BOARD MEETING FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH 7:00 PM (Rancho Springs Medical
Center Executive Board Room, 25500 Medical Center Dr., Murrieta)
[Members are always welcome to participate]

G.T.A.R.C. WEEKLY LUNCHEON EVERY THURSDAY 11:30 AM (See Future Luncheon Locations for Venue)

G.T.A.R.C. VHF NET EVERY THURSDAY 7:30 PM ON 146.805 MHz (Repeater Output)

G.T.A.R.C 10 METER NET EVERY WEDNESDAY 8:00 PM ON 28.360 MHz (+/- QRM)

G.T.A.R.C. ANNUAL DUES

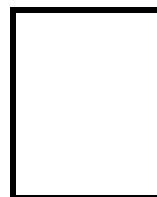
\$25.00 per year (January through December) for the first regular membership; **\$9.00** for each additional member residing at the same address. **\$9.00** per year for "Associate" membership (non-Ham). Dues after July 1st are prorated (\$12.50/\$4.50).

ARRL MEMBERSHIP DUES

The Board of Directors of GTARC encourages membership in ARRL. If you are not currently a member (or have allowed your membership to lapse for two or more years) and want to rejoin through the Club, GTARC will receive \$15.00 of your first year's dues and \$2.00 of renewals, but the cost to you is the same and you will receive all the privileges of ARRL membership. Please discuss your situation with the Club Treasurer or the Club ARRL Representative for additional details.

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