



The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon's

# Counterpoise



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## From the President "Stogie" KG6JCW



*I would like to congratulate Pat, WA6MHZ on his new job, San Diego ARES Section Manager. He will need all the help that he can get to rebuild the section. We as a club need to stand behind him as he tries to do the rebuilding. Let us all help him and Rich, N6NKJ who will be the DEC for the Eastern District rebuild the San Diego Section.*

*For those who don't know there will be a Chili Cook Off on the 20 of March at La Mesita Park in La Mesa. We need you to come and support the event. There will be a \$25 gift certificate from HRD to the winner. Let's see if some one in the club can win.*

*I am very encouraged at the turnout for the club meetings. I would like to see more people attend. If any one has any suggestions, please contact me at 619-263-4439 or [ARCEC PREZ@mjpgdan.com](mailto:ARCEC_PREZ@mjpgdan.com).*

*It appears that we have a caterer and location for the Christmas party. If any one has suggestions for decorations or anything else we can do to improve the party I would like to hear it.*

General Membership Meeting



Thursday, April 8, 7:00 PM

Santee Baptist Church - 9320 Prospect Ave, Santee CA

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**Tuck Miller at:**

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3122 E. 2nd St., National City, ca**

Deadline is the **Sunday after the General Meeting.** For further information, please call (619) 434-4211

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<http://www.qsl.net/wa6bgs>



## AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF EL CAJON

### General Membership Meeting

**11 March 2004**

The general membership meeting of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon was called to order by club president Michael "Stogie" Panger, KG6JCW at 1900hrs. After the pledge of allegiance, visitors were welcomed.

**SECRETARIES** report was approved as published in the *Counterpoise*.

Tuck Miller, NZ6T offered the program for this evening's meeting. He showed a new ARRL video featuring Walter Cronkite KB2GSD. After the break, the meeting continued with:

**TREASURER'S** report was given by Susan, KF6WXA. It was approved and filed for audit.

**FINANCE** Chairman, Mike, N6OPH gave the auditors report.

**MEMBERSHIP** Chairman reported 43 members and 3 visitors in attendance. The club has a total of 256 members.

**PRESIDENT** Stogie, KG6JCW stated that Cupid Catering will do the Christmas party. They will do the dual menu of turkey and roast beef. It was moved and seconded that the club pay a \$300 deposit. Motion was carried. The club will need to purchase cavities for the repeater. The rest of the equipment can be had by other means. There is no date from the water district as to when the building will be rebuilt.

**VICE PRESIDENT** Tom, KC6NXZ spoke about the chili cook off which will be held on 20 March at La Mesa Park. A \$25 gift certificate from HRO will be given at this event. The event will start at 1100hrs.

**PAST PRESIDENT** Pat Bunsold, WA6MHZ had no report.

**EDUCATION REPORT** was given by Mike, N6OPH. He stated that there are only two students in attendance. Mike stated that he would cancel the class if there wasn't better attendance. He also gave the tentative class schedule for the remainder of the year.

**SANDARC** Report was given by Larry, AE6AV. The

logo contest for the 2006 convention will end around April or May. The SANDARC election process has begun with the appointment of a nominations committee. The council met at it's new location at the Kearny Lodge. The election will be held in April, 2004.

**SOCIAL:** Xemi, KD6PRV has volunteered to be the social chairman.

**PUBLIC SERVICE** chairman Rich, N6NKJ stated that Kazuo, WA6BCC has resigned from his duties with CDF and the Special Olympics. Eric, N6SUB will be in charge of the Special Olympics and Rich, N6NKJ will be the CDF back-up person.

**SITE COMMITTEE** chairman Mike, N6OPH reported that the site selection committee has started their preliminary work and should have a report in the following months.

The meeting was adjourned at 2049hrs.

Respectfully Submitted  
Michael P. Maston, N6OPH  
Secretary  
Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon

# April Birthdays

387	KD6QB	Bill	Callier	April	1
1297	KE6PMS	Louis	Dunn	April	2
1441	KF6QXO	Irene	Lewis Haag	April	3
21	K6DS	Harley	Gabrielson (L)	April	5
734	NY6J	Bob	Helt	April	10
710	AC6RZ	Dick	McCready	April	14
1291	KE6TPO	Betty	McCready	April	14
		Mike	Rienzo	April	15
676	N6YBK	Galen	Kelm (L)	April	15
1475	WA6VEY	Robert	Dalzell	April	20
1630	KE4HTW	Walter	Slusher	April	21
6	WA6BJM	Fred	Moffett (L)	April	23
931	KD6CJY	Bryan	Packwood	April	29



## Tuck NZ6T Flying over San Diego

# San Diego County Fair

Fair dates 11 June-5 July 2004

(Dark days July 7,14,21,28,2004)

The fair is a chance to show the Public what hobby and emergency service is about. The fair will run 25 days. There will be two radios, one HF, and one tri-band, a general is nice because they operate the HF and fill out the QST cards and SANDARC will send them out. All for free.

There will be 3 shifts per day Fair will be close on all Mondays except July 5

- 10:00am-2:00pm
- 2:00pm-6:00pm
- 6:00pm-1:000pm

Things to do have some fun, inter act with other hams that stop by, recruit for your club or other clubs those are closer to them. Hand out pamphlets yours, and other clubs to. In addition, have some fun at the fair see the fair with family and friends, before, or after you shift, show up early and stay **All day**. However, be on time for your shift. Reminder we are always talking recruiting, recruiting now is the time to do it So sign up now, see your club scheduler now. Or ask your club president.



**Congratulations go out to.....**

**Pat Bunsold WA6MHZ**

**San Diego's new Section Manager  
Effective 1 April 2004.**

**No kidding!!**



**Turn your clocks  
Ahead one hour on  
April 3rd.**

## **Let me remind you of the Calendar of Events!!**

**April 3:** Swap Meet, Santee Drive in, 6:30 am

**April 3:** T-Hunt 6pm, Grossmont College parking lot

**April 6:** Board Meeting

**April 8:** General Meeting

**April 10:** ARES Meeting

**April 11:** Easter Sunday

**April 17:** Swap Meet, Santee Drive in, 6:30 am

**April 17:** T-Hunt 6pm, Grossmont College parking lot

**April 23-25:** International DX Convention, Visalia, Ca

# E-Mail!!!

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**elcajonarc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com**

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## **BOGUS ARRL.NET MESSAGES STILL CIRCULATING**

(taken from the ARRL Letter 3-19-04)

E-mail messages purporting to be from the ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service <<http://www.arrl.org/members-only/emailfwd.html>>, "The ARRL.net team" or some variation continue to show up in members' inboxes. The messages, which often carry a subject line along the lines of "Warning about your e-mail account," indicate that the recipient's ARRL E-Mail Forwarding Service <call sign>@arrl.net address will be closed within three days because of an alleged violation of acceptable practices. These messages are false and did not come from The ARRL Forwarding Service. They are the result of one of the variants on a number of viruses now permeating the Internet. A file usually is attached to these messages. As always, do not open any attachments that you cannot identify. Opening the file could result in your computer being infected by a virus. This is only one of the several virus-laden messages currently propagating across the Internet.

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# VEC Testing Sites

<b>1st Saturday:</b>	El Cajon El Cajon Central Fire Station, 160 E. Lexington Avenue (in Rear), El Cajon, 10:00 a.m.
<b>2nd Saturday:</b>	Carlsbad Carlsbad Safety Center, Orion Way, Carlsbad, 10:00 a.m.
<b>3rd Saturday:</b>	North Park Recreation Center 4044 Idaho Street San Diego, CA 92104 Testing time will start at 1000hrs
<b>4th Saturday:</b>	Chula Vista Salvation Army, 643 Third Avenue, Chula Vista, 9:00 a.m.
<b>5th or last Saturday:</b>	Escondido Escondido Chamber of Commerce, 720 North Broadway, Escondido, 10:00 a.m.
<b>To make advance reservations or to find out more info from the site captain, please call 465-EXAM (3926)</b>	

## SANTEE DRIVE-IN SWAP MEET

10990 WOODSIDE AVE., North  
FOR INFORMATION, CALL 449-SWAP  
Ham Radio, Computers, Electronics  
ACRES & ACRES OF BARGAINS  
1st & 3rd Saturday of the Month  
**Gates open 6:30 AM**

## Show Your Colors!!

**You can order club t-shirts  
and jackets by contacting  
Ed AI6O to either place or  
pick up your order. Phone  
number on page 2.**

# WA6BGS NETS

## WAMO NETS:

Wednesday and Saturday Nights

**8:00 p.m. local time**

10 Meters: 28.480

**Tuesday Nite Ragchew net:**

8 PM

**Nets held on club repeaters.**

## WA6BGS REPEATERS:

Output: 147.420

Input: 146.475

PL: 107.20

224.080 — 107.20 PL

445.900 — 141.30 PL



Tom McDuffie KM6K, Manager  
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Take a look on your mailing label. Is the expiration date in **RED**? Does it say **EXPIRED**? That means it's time to mail in your yearly dues. Please take time to fill out the membership application elsewhere in this newsletter, and mail it in, or bring it to the next meeting !!

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[www.qsl.net/wa6bgs](http://www.qsl.net/wa6bgs)

For any suggestions to the web site, contact the webmaster at [kc6nxz@arrrl.net](mailto:kc6nxz@arrrl.net)

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## ARCEC Membership Application

1. Amateur Call Sign

2. Class of License

3. First Name

4. Last Name

5. Street Address

6. City, State, Zip+4

7. Home Phone:

8. Work Phone (optional)

( May we list ) ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. Date of Birth (year optional)

10. e-mail address

11. ARRL Member  
☐ Yes ☐ No

12. ARES Member  
☐ Yes ☐ No

12. RACES Member  
☐ Yes ☐ No

13. Other Interests

14. Family Membership with:

14. **Sponsored by:**

Return this form with check made payable to the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon or ARCEC for new or renewal membership. **Annual Dues \$12.00 for individual, \$20.00 for family. New members add \$5.00 per member.** Mail to Membership Chairman, **A.R.C.E.C., P.O. Box 50, El Cajon, CA 92022.** *Please write your call on the check*

New ☐ Renewal ☐

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Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Computer Roster Available

Want the roster sent to you via e-mail? Send an e-mail to Joni KF6MPB, and she will send you the database back as an attachment. She uses Excel, but may be able to convert to various formats if asked. Send you request to [kf6mpb@hotmail.com](mailto:kf6mpb@hotmail.com)

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