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Miss the last meeting????

Pat Bunsold WA6MHZ brought most of the radios you see in this picture to our last meeting, and presented a top notch program. Pat went over the history of many of these units dating back many years. Some of the “old time” amateurs may have actually had one of these rigs in their personal shack. Look close, do you recognize any of them?

General Membership Meeting ⌚ Wednesday, February 12, 2003 7:00 PM
La Mesa Masonic Lodge - 4731 Date Avenue, La Mesa

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From the President

Pat Bunsold WA6MHZ

**HAPPY
GROUND HOG DAY!!!**



Spring should be just around the corner if our favorite furry rodent misses seeing his shadow! And Spring can't come to soon!

Hope all made it through the terrible winds we had and your towers are OK. One of mine bent pretty bad and pushup masts are usually unrepairable.

Did everyone enjoy the January program? That was A LOT of radios to bring in, 28 in all, but they needed to be dusted anyway. My goal is to make each meeting exciting and memorable for the membership. And keep the yak-yak business portion held to a minimum. What kind of program do you want? We need a video projector to show some of the better Ham videos, but the club doesn't have one. Any one help? Perhaps you know of a wonderful speaker who can mesmerize the audience. Give us a try!

Only a few months left till the AUCTION!!!! The day has been set for April 9th. This is where you can bring all those radios and boxes of junk that have been collecting dust for decades and let SOMEONE ELSE drag them home! Though winter is still upon us, its not too early to start planning what you would like to run on Field Day. Our club Picnic will be in August. And lets have a big turnout this year for the November Homebrew Contest! YOU can build it, if you only try. We are still hashing out where and when the Christmas Party will be. Maybe we will try a potluck this year if the catering falls through. WE NEED IDEAS!!! From these success grows.

**Don't let
Yesterday
take up too much of
Today.**

Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, Inc.
General Membership Meeting Minutes.
Wednesday, January 8th, 2003



Call to Order: 7:00pm. by Pat Bunsold, WA6MHZ. After Rich Beisigl, N6NKJ led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, Pat Bunsold, WA6MHZ started the presentation on the History of 2 meter.

At 7:30pm hrs we broke for coffee and cookies. The coffee and cookies, which were provided by Vong Bunsold, KB6RCT and Ben, WA6BEN. Elaine Gerbrand, KG6KVY also provided some of the goodies.

At 7:50pm hrs the business section of the meeting was commenced

President's Report: Pat, WA6MHZ welcomed every one and introduced the new officers and board. Pat also announced that at the meeting on April 9th he is planning to hold an auction. This will be the first auction held by the club in about 21 years.

Secretary's Report: Stogie, KG6JCW: The December General meeting Minutes were approved as published.

Vice President's Report: Jeff, KG6JRM stated that he planned to start a Technician Class on the 18th of February from 7-9pm at the El Cajon Fire Station. Jeff also asked the membership for input as to what type of speakers they would like at the meetings. Several ideas were presented. Contact Jeff at 619-698-1144 on the class or any suggestions.

Treasurer's Report: Susan, KF6WXA read the Treasurer's report and it was approved by the membership to be filed for audit.

Public Service: Rich, N6NKJ mentioned that the San Diego Section Breakfast would be at the Spice House on Clairmont Mesa Blvd at 7:00 AM on the 2nd Saturday. Followed by Section Training at the EOC at 8:30 AM. The training this month is the first section of ARRL's Communicator I course and will continue for the next six months on the 2nd Saturday. Glenn, WM6B stated that the first 20 who sign up and pay \$10 would be certified. You may call Glenn for details at: 619-590-0130.

In addition Rich, N6NKJ stated that ARES Central District training was being moved to the 3rd Saturday at the Kearny Mesa Rec Center at 10:00 AM You may contact Al, W6WYN at: 858-278-2826 for details.

SMUGGLERS RUN 50 Mile run from Lake Morena to the Border and back will be held on Sat. March 1st. They are looking for a minimum of 10 operators, but could use 25. Operators will be using HF bands and NVIS Antennas. There are four aid stations and the start-finish line. Contact Dennis Peck by email at KA6DUH@arri.net.

Hillsdale Middle School Update:

Rich, N6NKJ stated that he had talked to Caroline Smith and that she was appreciative that the club would be retaining ownership of all the equipment and placing it on long term loan to the school. This means that the club would maintain the responsibility for repair and would also have the equipment insured. The purchase of the antenna has yet to be approved by SANDARC. This process should start during the January, 30th meeting. We will also be loaning a TS-130 to the Coronado School system after it has been looked at.

SANDARC Report: Mike, N6OPH Stated that SANDARC was currently looking for people to run for Secretary and Treasurer. They are also looking for a Convention Chairman for the 2006 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention. SANDARC next regular meeting will be 7:00pm on January 30th at the Kearny Mesa Rec Center. Contact Mike at mastroleo@mindspring.com about any of the positions.

MEMBERSHIP: Joni, KF6MPB There are currently 265 paid members. Two new members were present and introduced to the club Ed, KF6ROE and Ted, KF6LCV. Joni also stated there were approximately 5 more new members.

Welcoming: Michael, AE6CQ reported that we had 58 members and 1 visitor tonight. Visitors present: Jim, KA6ZVX

Let us know if you remember who the other visitors were so they can be mentioned next time.

Old Business: None

New Business: A MOTION was made by Tom, KC6NXZ and 2nd by Joni, KF6MPB to set aside \$100 a month for the prize at the Christmas party. After a short discussion a vote was taken. This motion was not approved by the membership.

Christmas Party: Pat, WA6MHZ stated that there were no current plans for the next party and that the arrangements needed to be made soon. He also stated that we needed to look into why we had a drop in attendance and what we could do to improve it. One of the suggestions was having a potluck. We also need to reserve a facility to hold the event in. Jeff, KG6JRM stated that the party was costing the club too much and that we need to adjust the ticket price accordingly to attempt to break even. Contact Gordon, WB6POW with any suggestions.

A MOTION to adjourn by Rich, N6NKJ & 2nd Jeff, KG6JRM @ 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Mike "Stogie" Panger,
KG6JCW

Secretary, ARC of El Cajon, Inc.

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KC6OSK	Peg Gentz	February	9
	Clarissa Ortiz	February	12
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KD6FKP	Tom Bryan	February	15
KA6QYE	Joe Miller	February	15
W6YJM	Bill Coleman	February	16
K6GTP	George Roullard	February	17
KG6GYT	Sam Spaeth	February	18
N3IVO	Rosie Falcon	February	18
KB6CKM	Harold Campbell	February	19
W6LKK	Erich Bennett	February	19
K6RLV	John Austin	February	19
N6NYX	Greg Smith	February	21
KD6PRV	Anselmo Ruiz	February	21
KF6XY	John Cordle Jr.	February	22
WA7JFC	Lucile Banks	February	25

**Happy
Birthday!!!!**



IC-T90 to be at the prize table!!

This very compact tri band hand held will be available at the next club prize table. This radio is practically brand new, as it was recently won by Tuck NZ6T at the club Christmas party. Here is your chance to get on the 440 band, as well as 6 and 2 meters. Make sure you are at the next club meeting, and you could win this handheld. All attendees get one ticket FREE, and you can purchase more if you like. All monies will go to the prize fund

For Sale/Wanted

WANTED!!!! Heathkit HW-20 Pawnee and HW-17 ; Clegg 22er, Hallicrafters SR-34 to complete the 2 meter AM wing of the Crest Radio Museum. How about a CONELRAD alarm? WW2 Radios? Other boat anchors too. (but not too heavy!) Non-working preferred. Surely someone must have these stashed in a garage or attic and would like to be rid of them! Reasonably priced please. Thanks, WA6MHZ. At 619-593-1111

Can you find Robin??

Fellow club member Robin Elkerton KC6LEA is one of the fans portrayed in this mural found on the back of the scoreboard at Qualcomm stadium. Can you spot her? May not be as easy as you might think.



Here
Is
Robin
now...



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www.qsl.net/wa6bgs

For any suggestions to the web site, contact the webmaster at kc6nxz@arrl.net

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The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon e-mail reminder list that is. We have set up an e-mail reflector that will not only remind you of our upcoming meetings, but will also send you a notice when the latest edition of the Counterpoise is online. To get these reminders, just send an e-mail to elcajonarc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

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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 in January!!

VEC Testing Sites

1st Saturday:	El Cajon	El Cajon Central Fire Station, 160 E. Lexington Avenue (in Rear), El Cajon, 10:00 a.m.
2nd Saturday:	Carlsbad	Carlsbad Safety Center, Orion Way, Carlsbad, 10:00 a.m.
3rd Saturday:	North Park Recreation Center	4044 Idaho Street San Diego, CA 92104 Testing time will start at 1000hrs.
4th Saturday:	Chula Vista	Salvation Army, 643 Third Avenue, Chula Vista, 9:00 a.m.
5th or last Saturday:	Escondido	Escondido Chamber of Commerce, 720 North Broadway, Escondido, 10:00 a.m.

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- 1—RECIPES
- 2—FOOD
- 3—RADIO
- 4—ANT

- 5—GARDENING
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FRITO, N6WKB

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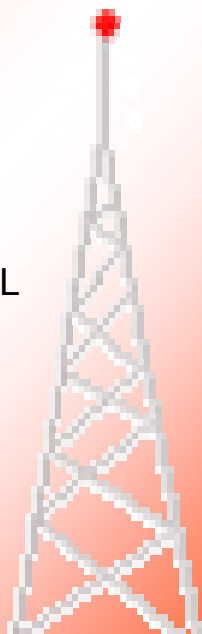
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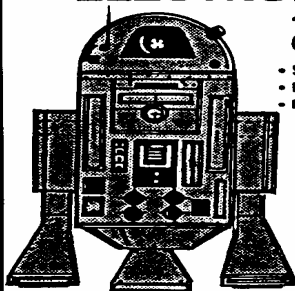


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(May we list) ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. Date of Birth (year optional)

10. e-mail address

11. ARRL Member

☐ Yes ☐ No

12. ARES Member

☐ Yes ☐ No

12. RACES Member

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13. Other Interests

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