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# Counterpoise



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## In Memory of



## Seth Collier WA6CDD

General Membership Meeting



Thursday, January 8, 7:00 PM

Santee Baptist Church - 8836 Prospect Ave, Santee CA

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From the President  
"Stogie" KG6JCW



We have had a hard year and need to recover from it. Due to the loss of equipment to the Firestorm and our need to replace that equipment, we will need your help. I foresee that we will recover from this tragedy and move forward, but we need your help. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. We have recently purchased a tri-band antenna and placed the 2 meter repeater in operation at a temporary location until Crest is rebuilt. This is our first step in the rebuilding process. The second good news is that we have received a working radio containing the boards required to rebuild the 220 repeater. As we move on with the rebuilding process, I will keep you informed as to the progress.

We need to improve our membership numbers and the meeting attendance. The first move has been made. This was done by moving the general membership meetings to the second Thursday of the month. The attendance at Field Day and the Club Picnic has been decreasing in the recent past. I believe that we can turn this trend around, but this can only be done with your help. We also need to grow our membership base. The growth in membership will help us in several ways. First, I am planning to start an active recruiting program so the club can grow. This will bring in new members to participate in club events and functions. Second, the board will reevaluate the current events and see how they can be improved. By having more active members to support our functions, we will reduce the load on any one person. I encourage you to participate in the events that we do organize as much as possible, as the club needs your support.

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## **Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, Inc. General Membership Meeting Minutes. Wednesday, December 10, 2003**

**Call to Order:** 7:00pm. by Pat Bunsold, WA6MHZ. After which he led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We then held the club elections, after which we broke for coffee and cookies. The coffee and cookies, which were provided by Vuong Bunsold, KB6RCT and Ben, WA6BEN. provided some of the coffee and goodies.

**President's Report:** Pat, WA6MHZ Reported on the Christmas party.

**Secretary's Report:** Stogie, KG6JCW The General meeting Minutes were approved as published in the Counterpoise.

**Vice President's Report:** None presented.

**Treasurer's Report:** Susan, KF6WXA read the Treasures report into the record. Stogie, KG6JCW moved that the report be accepted. Mike, N6IEF seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Education Report:** Mike, N6OPH announced that a Tech Class would start on January 13, 2004 at the El Cajon Fire Station.

**SANDARC Report:** Larry, AE6AV No report.

**Repeater Status Report:** We have a temporary site in Fletcher Hills for the repeater. The first attempt to bring up the 2 Meter repeater has run into some difficulty. There seems to be some sort of interference that is keying the transmitter. Once this problem is fixed the 2 Meter repeater will be put on the air.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Joni, KF6MPB reported that there were currently active members

**Welcoming:** Mike, AE6CQ reported that there were 34 members present and that we had no visitors.

**Health & Welfare:** No report given

### **Old Business:**

**Christmas Party:** The Christmas party will be held on Friday December 12, 2003 6:00 PM at the El Cajon Elks Lodge. The prize is an ICOM T-7H.

**Annual Elections:** Doug Konishi, KN6CB, Bob Nowak, KG6NNU and Rich Klitzke, KG6QPN were

selected as tellers. They counted the ballots and the results of the election is as follows:

Pres: Mike (Stogie) Panger KG6JCW

VP: Tom Caudle KC6NXZ

Sec: Mike Maston N6OPH

Treas: Susan Kochel KF6WXA

Board Members:

Rich Beisigl N6NKJ

Bill Callier KD6QB

Joni Cranmore KF6MPB

Ed Felter AI6O

Carl Ferree WA6PPG

Larry Plummer AE6AV

All candidates received 34 votes each.

Joni, KF6MPB, collected votes for Ham Of The Year. The winner will be announced at the Christmas Party. Stogie, KG6JCW made a motion to destroy the ballots after 30 days. The motion was seconded by Rich, N6NKJ. The motion was passed.

### **New Business:**

New Antenna: Susan, KF6WXA made a motion to pay HRO \$179.89 for a new antenna to replace the one lost on Crest. Motion was seconded by Tom, KC6NXZ. The motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike "Stogie" Panger, KG6JCW  
Secretary, ARC of El Cajon, Inc.

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I would like to express my thanks to the many members who participated in support of the Red Cross, CDF and Animal Rescue during the recent fires. A great job was done by all. We need to continue our support of all the groups that we provide communication services for.

I would like to thank all the members for your support of the club.

Remember the new General Membership Meeting location and time. First Baptist Church of Santee, 8836 Prospect Ave, Santee CA. The meetings will be held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM



# For Sale



## Henry 2KD

Check at this internet link for info:

[http://www.henryradio.com/amp\\_specs/2kd\\_classic.htm](http://www.henryradio.com/amp_specs/2kd_classic.htm)

Contact Fred Taylor K6FT at 465-7676

## Hey, Spread the word!!!

What? Technician Class

When? 13 January 2004

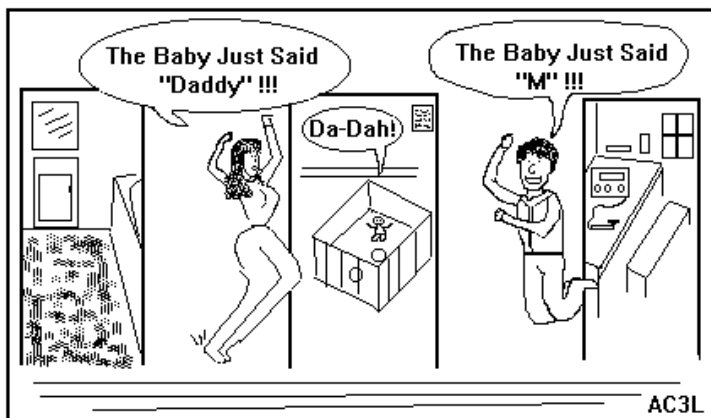
Time? 1900hrs

Where? El Cajon Fire station

Magnolia and Lexington

Instructor: Mike Maston N6OPH

Text: ARRL's Now You're Talking



# January Birthdays



**Happy Birthday!**

1439	N6LCH	Carl	Palechek	January1
1368	N6QEK	Steve	Frick	January2
1094	KD6RMG	Harland	Zimmer	January4
103	WA6PTZ	George	Kochel	January5
347	AD6O	Jim	Quinn	January6
1623	KG6OFA	Tony	Hernandez	January6
1570	WA6LNF	Edward	Redman	January7
1628	KG6NNU	Bob	Nowak	January7
809	N6WKB	Frito	Samano (L)	January7
81	W6TAI	Tam	Hodgson	January10
457	KE6PW	Roger	Brown	January11
1598	KG6JRM	Jeffrey	Davis	January14
1586	KG6GYV	Jimmy	Edwards	January15
1574	KG6FBV	Calvin	Tyler	January22
1343	KA6OTR	Al	Mercer	January22
859	KN6CB	Doug	Konishi	January25
458	WB6JDB	Howard	Cortner	January27
1581	KG6BWN	Nicholas	Utschig	January27
610	KB6HEW	Frank	Martin	January29
773	K6UMA	Joe	Mc Cormick	January29
1564	WA6PPG	Carl	Ferree	January29

## Calendar of Events!!

January 1: New Years Day

January 3: Swap Meet, Santee Drive in, 6:30 am

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

January 6: Board Meeting

January 8: General Meeting

January 17: Swap Meet, Santee Drive in, 6:30 am

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

January 19: Martin L King Birthday

January 31: County Wide T-Hunt



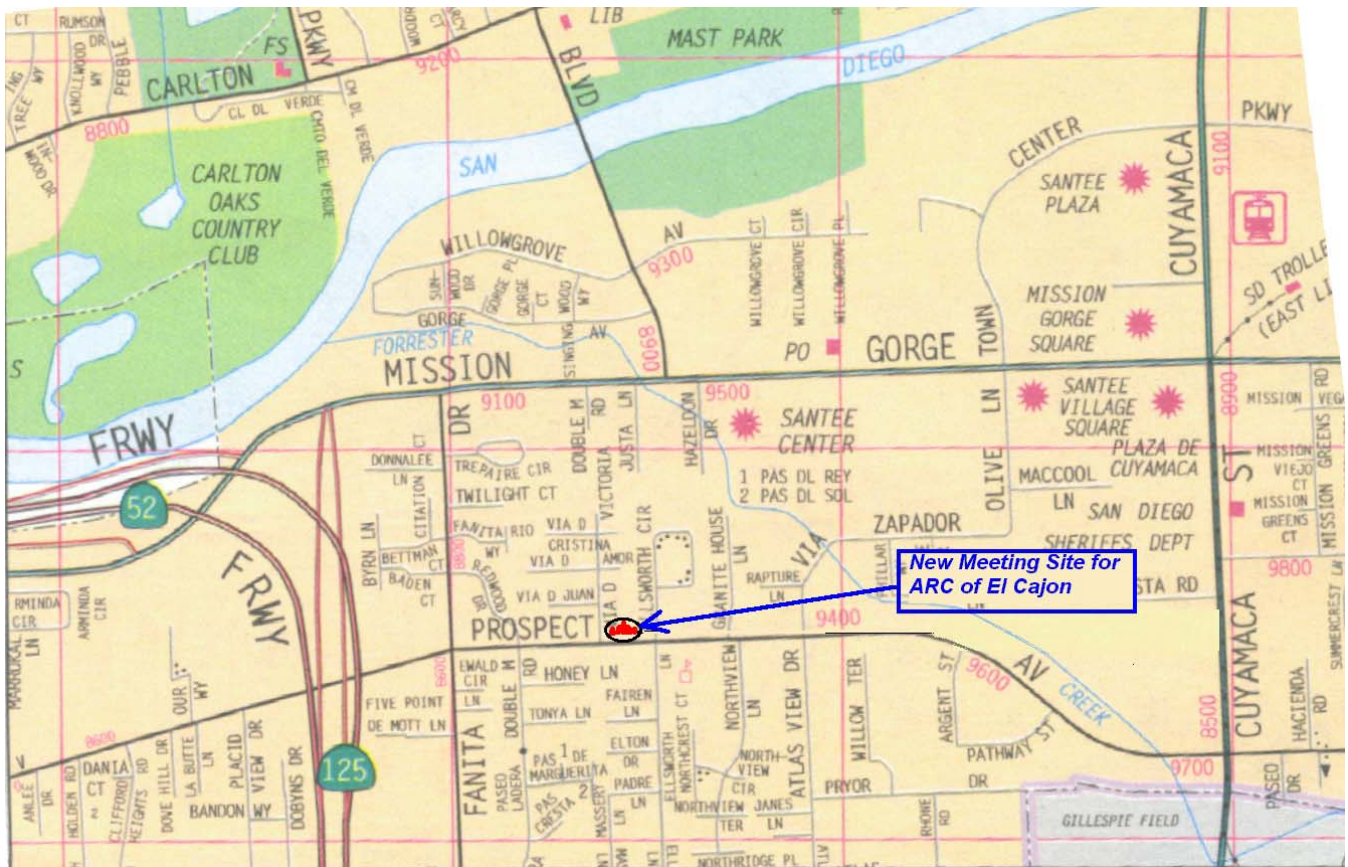
# We Have a NEW Meeting Site!!!!

**First Baptist Church**

8836 Prospect Av

**Santee, Ca**

**And back on Thursdays!!**



# 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**

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How 'bout when the latest edition of the Counterpoise  
is online? Join the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon's e-  
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Newsletters online have more color than the  
mailed copy in your hand!!!

# 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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ration date in **RED**? Does it say **EXPIRED**?  
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Sales Manager

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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@arrl.net](mailto:kc6nxz@arrl.net)

## Change of Address

Moving??

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Call \_\_\_\_\_ WAMO! # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**New Address:**

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Send to Membership Chairman:**

A.R.C.E.C., P.O. Box 50, El Cajon, CA 92022

## 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 ☐

WAMO!! No. \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate Issued

Computer Database Updated

Paid Cash ☐

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

Check ☐

## 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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