



The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon's

Counterpoise



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From the President

"Stogie" KG6JCW



As many of you know Mary Cordle, N6KHR the wife of John Cordle, KF6XY passed away this week. She will be greatly missed. Stay tuned to the nets for additional information.

The nets are becoming a problem. We currently have one Net Control. He is looking for additional people to be Net control operators. Please contact David, KG6QCO by email at KG6QCO@cox.net. The second issue is the lack of participation in the nets. The WAMO (Worked All Members Once) Nets on Wednesday and Saturday are for the new members and old alike. For the new member it provides a chance to practice and become acquainted with contesting. Awards are given for various number of contacts made. It has been suggested that we go to one WAMO Net a week. I have resisted this but if we do not have more members check in this may happen. Currently we have 6 or 7 members check in and they are always the same people. I check in and make club announcements at every meeting I can make. I would like all member that can make the Net's please check in and check out what is going on.

Last is field day. This will occur on June 25, 26, and 27. On the 25 we are looking for people with trucks and trailers to help move equipment to the camp. The same goes for the 27 to return equipment to the shed. The club meeting on the 10th of June will be dedicated to Field Day. We still need to chose band captains for each of the bands we will be operating and decide what those bands will be. I am still looking for a Safety Officer for the operation. If you wish to volunteer contact David, KG6QCO by email at KG6QCO@cox.net.

General Membership Meeting



Thursday, June 10, 7:00 PM

Santee Baptist Church - 9320 Prospect Ave, Santee CA

"The Colophon" 2004 Officers

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It is with great sadness that we speak of the passing of Mary Cordle N6KHR. Mary has been a long time member of the club, and a friend to many.

Mary's services are:

May 29th at 11am at
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church
2766 Navajo Road
El Cajon (Navajo Road and Fletcher Hills and
125).

No flowers please. The family has requested
donations to the San Diego Hospice.

Mary and John Cordle had been married for
54 years.



AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF EL CAJON General membership meeting 13 May 2004

The general membership 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 alliance visitors were welcomed.

The **program** was presented by Tom, KC6NXZ. He spoke about NTS training and related topics.

SECRETARY'S report was read by Mike, N6OPH. It was approved as read.

TREASURER, Susan, KF6WXA gave the treasurer's report. It was approved as read and filed for audit.

Tuck, NZ6T the **Southwestern Division Vice Director** presented the ARRL Special Service Club certificate to the club, thus continuing the club tradition of service to the community.

PRESIDENT Panger reported that the WAMO and other nets has been very poor turnout. New members/hams need to be trained and that is one of the reasons for the net. President is looking for people to help haul the equipment up the hill and to return down the hill for Field Day. There are a great many antennae and other equipment as well as food. Special Olympics will be held 5-6 June. We need at least 13 operators for the Sunday operations of the Olympics. Stogie asked the club members to support the prize table.

VICE PRESIDENT Tom, KC6NXZ reported that the program will be a presentation on this year's field day operation at the Al Bahr Shrine. Our field day chairman David, KG6QCO will be the speaker. Tom is also taking the names of those who wish to man the booth during the Del Mar Fair.

PAST PRESIDENT Pat, WA6MHZ reported on an upcoming disaster drill for 27 May.

MISCELEANEUS REPORTS: Mike, N6OPH reported that the next class will be CW which will be taught by Jeff, AB6NE. This class will start the third Tuesday in July at the El Cajon Firehouse at Lexington and Magnolia. This class should last six weeks.

The Special Olympics needs at least 13 operators for both Saturday and Sunday. The El Cajon Club usually hosts this event on Sunday. Contact Ken (Kazuo) Tagami, WA6BCC at 858-453-1829. Ask for Ken Jr. This event will occur on 5-6 June at San Diego State and Kroc Center.

Signups for the Del Mar fair are being requested for club days at the fair. The El Cajon Club will be hosting the SAN-

June Birthdays

DARC exhibit from 11 to 14 June. There are three shifts per day. It is requested that at least two people work each shift with one being a general or higher license class.

Mike also reminded the club that a committee was formed in February to determine the possibility of relocating the Field Day site in 2005. Mike reported that he went to Rohr Park and Sweetwater Park. Rohr Park is much too small and does not allow any overnight camping. Sweetwater Park also does not allow overnight camping. Sweetwater would accommodate motor homes or campers. Mike pointed that would be fine for those who own motor homes or campers. Since this would preclude many club members. The committee will accept any suggestions from the membership. However, Mike stated that the committee would not make a recommendation until the location has been observed by Mike or other committee member. The committee will offer its report at the June meeting.

NET MANAGER David, KG6QCO looking for volunteers to help out with the various nets and needs people to participate during the net. This net meets every Wednesday and Saturday at 2000hrs. At the present time only about six club members check into this net.

SOCIAL chairman Xemi, KD6PRV is looking for cooking volunteers during field day. Please contact him at his home telephone at 619-574-0720. He would like at least two volunteers.

PRIZE Chair needs donations for quality prizes. The prize table is about \$22 in the hole. The quality of prizes has slipped greatly.

MEMBERSHIP chairman Joni, KF6MPB reported 216 members and the last WAMO is 1635. This number is lower than last months figure of 224 due to the fact that memberships now expire a year to date instead of 1 January.

TECHNICAL chairman Bob, W6RHHV needs a site to place the repeaters. He is in the process of getting the systems up and running. There is still a need for cavities for the 220 machine.

SANDARC delegate Larry, AD6AV reported the election results. The slate was re-elected. He also reported that the USS Midway Association is not interested in a civilian amateur radio station aboard the ship at this time. Any radio station is about a year off. He also reported the Del Mar Fair signups are needed by the May SANDARC meeting. Kazuo, WA6BCC was awarded a plaque by SANDARC for his 20+ years service to amateur radio and the Special Olympics. Mike, N6OPH will be attending the NCVEC conference in July. The 2006 convention will be held the second weekend of September. Sybil, W6GIC has retired from SANDARC. She and her husband, London, W6SLF founded SANDARC in August of 1958.

Mike Lebo has asked that those members who can not attend the El Cajon Club Field day to attend his field day site near Montgomery Field.

The meeting was adjourned at 2020hrs.

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

311	WB6POW	Gordon	Ripley	June 1
1625	KG6QCO	David	Cyr	June 2
1346	KF6CVG	Robert	Lang	June 7
785	N6WHK	Phil	Pedigo	June 11
1339	KF6CSY	John	Durante	June 12
478	W6RHHV	Bob	Boehme (L)	June 12
		Lucille	Kelm (L)	June 13
1404	KF6MLK	Carl	Scavo	June 15
1232	NX6Q	Mel	Dunn	June 20
1384	KE6QCA	Allan	Ingram	June 22
1558	W6PEA	Patrick	Allen	June 22
1271	WA6YWC	Frank	Ratty	June 26
69	WB6ODR	Bob	Smith	June 27
1265	KE6QVF	Bill	Geiler	June 29
55	K7SD	Steve	Bertalan	June 30



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Tuck Miller at:

E-mail: nz6t@arri.org or

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

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

WEB SITE:

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

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.

Cal KG6FBV says.....

Thanks to Mason's Saw and Lawnmower Service, Inc. for servicing the club generator. It is ready for Field Day!



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

June 1: Board Meeting

June 5: Swap Meet, Santee Drive in, 6:30 am

June 5: T-Hunt 6pm, Grossmont College parking lot

June 9: General Meeting

June 12: ARES Meeting

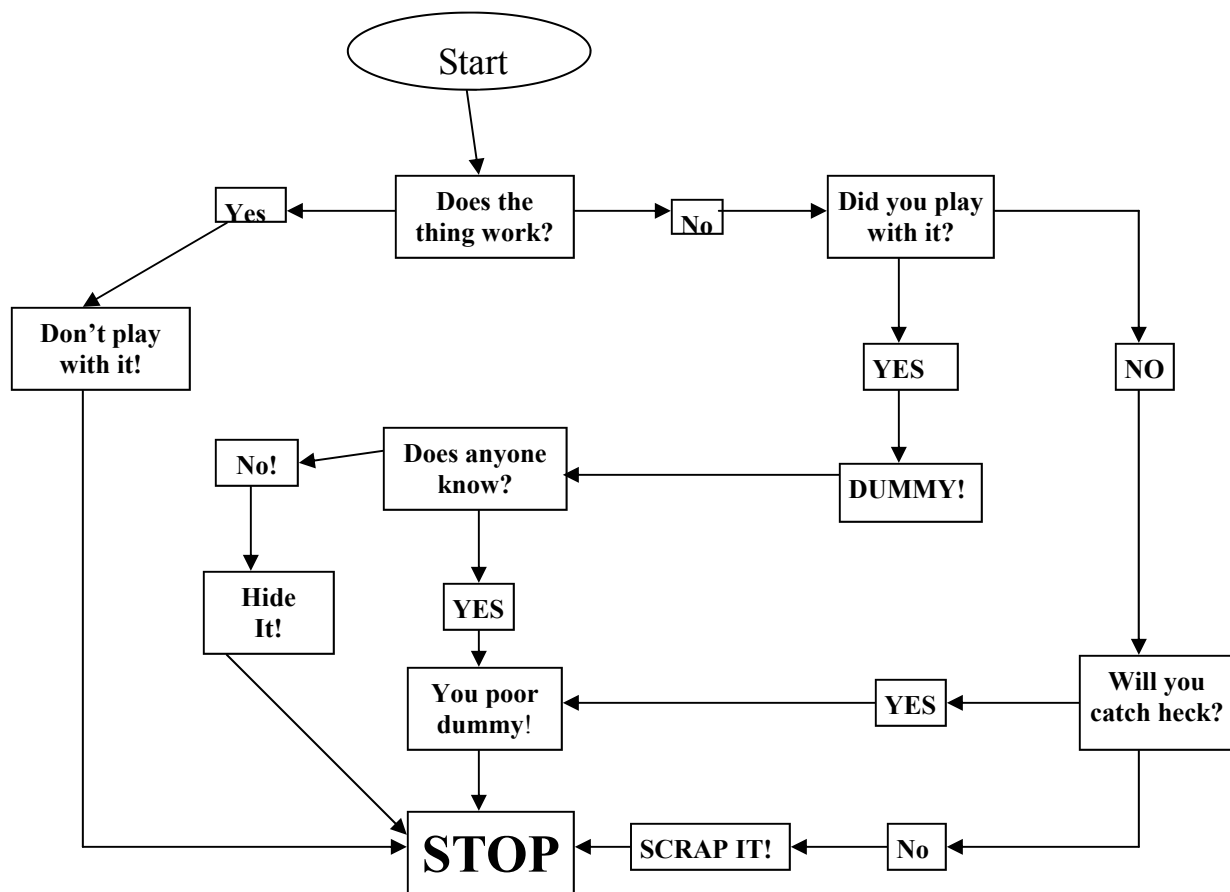
June 14 Flag Day

June 19: Swap Meet, Santee Drive in, 6:30 am

June 19: T-Hunt 6pm, Grossmont College parking lot

June 20: Father's Day





The above flow chart was created by the late Charles Roy WS6F

Uncle Chemi wants YOU!!!!



Your help is needed at this year's field day event by helping to prepare various meals for the hard working operators. If you can help, please contact Chemi at: 619-574-0720

Field Day Help Needed!!

- Operators
- Setup
- Tear Down
- ← Cooks

Contact David Cyr KG6QCO,
2004 Field Day Chair for
more info

561-2049

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.
To make advance reservations or to find out more info from the site captain, please call 465-EXAM (3926)	

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



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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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Do not miss an issue of **Counterpoise**. Change of address form from:

Call _____ WAMO! # _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

New Address:

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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

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Paid Cash ☐

Check ☐

Check No. _____

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

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