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Time: 7:30 P.M.
Place: Red Cross Buiding, 333 McKendrie Street, San Jose

At our meeting June 10 John Tanner, K6EJF, our Emergency coordinator and Bob Wharton, W6OOY, will coordinate the many issues involved in Field Day to be held June 22 and 23. (Sorry about giving an incorrect date in the previous bulletin. My source proved to be unreliable.) The location of our Field Day activity is the Boy Scout's Camp above Saratoga. Directions in detail will be given at the meeting.

John and Bob have put in a lot of time and effort getting things lined up. Several of our old-timers have indicated they will actively participate. We invite all members to share in this annual exercise. Come and get involved. Attend our meeting in June and give us your ideas and suggestions. This event promises to be lots of fun.

The guest speaker at our May meeting was Ken Newcomer, WA6NQD, application engineer at Hewlett-Packard Advanced Systems Division. He showed us the workings of his company's minicalculator and demonstrated its application. A "new comer" from Southern California, Kenneth was greatly appreciated. We hope that he will join our association

Bill Stevens, W6ZM, brought two guests, Ron Keeling, WN6WBF, and Dave Whitaker, WB6DYP, to our May 13 meeting. It was a pleasure to meet them. We hope they will be with us in the future.

It would be nice if more of our active members would bring guests to our meetings, particularly new license holders who could benefit from associating with our knowledgeable members.

On July 8 our speaker will be Bill Stevens, W6ZM, one of the experts on DX-ing around the world. Remembering his presentation at a recent meeting of West Valley Radio Association, we can assure you that if you come, you will have a very enjoyable evening. You will also get some valuable tips on how to increase your success on the radio waves.

There seems to be a genera lack of enthusiasm for the wine tasting dinner in July. Unless there is a greater display of interest, the event will be cancelled.

In August there may be something more to your liking - a breakfast. Herb Brasch of West Valley is making arrangements. The cost will be nominal. More on this later.

As yet there are no definite plans for the August and September meetings. If you have some ideas or wishes, please contact Paul Wildhofer, WN6VKE, at 377-7509 and let him know.

In September, we are planning our Annual Flea Market. Start collecting your goodies for sale and fatten up your bill fold so you will have a Good Day. The location and

day of this event will be given later. Note that we have moved the sale a month ahead in order to avoid inclement weather.

In October we are going to have Stan Benson, K6CBK, who always has the most interesting talks and demonstrations with a variety of antennas and antenna problems. If we are lucky, Stan's topics will include log periodic and multiband, multifrequency antennas. In view of the interest frequently expressed in Stan's presentation, we feel fortunate to be able to secure his appearance.

We haven't had any good fortune in the matter of our Rotor and antenna. Can you help us overcome this dilemma?

Would you care to purchase an ARRL pin? According to rumors, the price will increase. Ask about it at the June meeting.

Congratulations to Roger Williams, W6WGF, who became the newest life member of ARRL from our midst. SCCARA now has ten life members in the national organization.

Are you interested in upgrading your license? Would you like to get some assistance? Frank Glass, K6RQ, is again planning to conduct training for amateur advanced and extra class licenses in addition to first and second class commercial licenses this fall. Several of his trainees in the past were able to get their ham ticket upgraded. The classes are planned for Tuesday evenings at Leigh High School. However, in order to get this program on the adult education agenda, Frank needs your help now. He must present evidence of community interest to get the class scheduled. Without commitment, please drop a postcard to Frank, and simply state that you are interested in his advanced, extra, and commercial license theory class planned for this fall. His address is Frank Glass, K6RQ, 14910 Los Gatos Blvd., Los Gatos, CA 95030. As the school programs are to be set up in the near future, it is important that you send your card expressing interest to Frank as soon as possible.

Learned through the San Jose Mercury that Hewlett Packard Advanced Systems Division introduced a new minicomputer series, HP-21MX. It has a new integrated circuit chip smaller than a dime but contains 4,096 bits of random access memory. This new machine sells for about \$17,400, in case you know somebody who wants to buy one.

Another item from a recent copy of the San Jose Mercury: R.E. Keller, electronics engineer in New Jersey, patented a remote control radio transmitter for operating power mowers. Wouldn't that be a nice Fathers' Day present? Or perhaps you have enough material in your junk box to assemble your own.

"73" de Jeannette

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