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EBARC Meetings

May 8, 2020, 7:30 p.m.

This meeting, if held,
will be announced via email

EBARC meets this month at El Sobrante United Methodist Church, 670
Applan Way, El Sobrante (enter parking opposite 5156 Argyle Rd.)

The Executive Board meets monthly before each general meeting. For the date,
time, & location, contact President Jay Sparks, at rajama@pacbell.net.



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Deadline for June issue: Tues., May 26th

[Articles may be submitted by "snail" mail, by dictation over the 'phone 510-741-8227, or by e-mail to aa6xz@earthlink.net]

Temporary Meeting Place!

El Sobrante United Methodist Church
670 Appian Way, El Sobrante
Parking entrance is opposite 5156 Argyle Rd.
GPS coordinates: 37.981938, -122.294720

May 8th EBARC Meeting

If the May 8th General EBARC meeting is held, it will be announced via email or on ebarc.org.

April General Meeting Minutes Robin Spalding, N6RLS, Secretary

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, no EBARC general meeting was held in April, 2020.

Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands?

Many thanks to Michael McMillan, K6MCM, for proofreading this month's *Blown Fuse*.

Treasurer's Report March 2020 Maria Hauger, KI6ENT, Treasurer

MARCH GENERAL FUND¹

Beginning Balance\$9,729.38

Income:

Individual Renewal: N1REU\$30.00

Earned Interest.....0.01

Total General Income:.....\$30.01

Disbursements:

Total General Disbursements.....\$0.00

Ending Balance\$9,759.39

(portion as petty cash..... \$40.00)

(portion as a US Bank CD... \$5,000.00)

¹\$100 earmarked for youth scholarships

MARCH PAYPAL ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance\$96.80

Ending Balance\$96.80

EBARC's New Online "Office" Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ, 3rd VP

At the April 10, 2020 Board meeting (held via Zoom), the EBARC Executive Committee approved an "online office" for the club:
EBHam.office@gmail.com.

This account is EBARC's new public "face," and every current Board member receives a forwarded copy of email sent to it. All (and only) current officers can login to this account. The account contains the email addresses for every current member. This membership contact list will be used for "email blasts." Any officer can send a blast, which should be signed with the officer's name, callsign, and office held. Therefore, EBHam isn't spam, and the easiest way to contact all officers, is to send an email message to EBHam!

In addition to facilitating contact with our members and the public, EBHam holds important records (read/write accessible only to current officers). The purpose is as a repository for historical information (e.g. minutes and Treasurer reports). It also holds information for the “hit by a truck” succession of EBARC officers as the composition of the EBARC Board changes in the future. Examples of information held are; inventory, how to run an election, election tallies, insurance and corporation papers, how to write the newsletter, meeting topics and presenters, membership database, letterhead, Field Day documents, publicity flyers, etc. The purpose is to hold only files that might be needed in the future, organized by subject and/or function.

EBHam is a “personal” type Google account (‘cuz it works and costs \$0 that way). It has backups and a “beneficiary” in case the account’s owner is hit by a truck! EBHam’s Google Drive is not shared or synced. If you’d like to see a copy of any of EBARC’s records, ask an officer.

Our former public “face,” the Treasurer’s account, (ebarc.w6cus@gmail.com), now only stores and manages banking transactions and has been tightly secured.

Future Bay Area Events

- Current Bay Area Public Service Events: See www.ebarc.org, click on “Current Events”, then scroll to “Calendar of Bay Area Ham Radio Public Service Events.”
- EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions quarterly at 9 a.m. in the Media Room, 1605 Martin Luther King Jr. Way (at 16th St.), Oakland. The remaining test dates for 2020 are Jul 26 and Oct 25. The fee is \$15. Candidates must preregister at davidotey@comcast.net or call 510-741-8227.
- East Bay Section ARRL ARES; arrrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/eb. CoCoCo ACS Training: Details from “DJ” djovida, KJ6DJ, kj6dj@arrrl.net, (415) 215-6658, or via RACES net, 6:45 p.m., Thursdays on 145.11 MHz.

The East Bay Amateur Radio Club, founded in 1947, is a California non-profit organization of amateur radio operators in Contra Costa and Alameda counties. The club is open to anyone interested in amateur radio. Annual dues are \$30 for individual membership, \$35 for a family membership, and \$10 for students K-12. For information, send email to ebham.office@gmail.com, contact any EBARC officer, see Web page www.ebarc.org, or write EBARC, P.O. Box 1393, El Cerrito, CA 94530. You can also follow us on Twitter using @w6cus, or on Facebook's "East Bay Amateur Radio Club."

2020 East Bay Amateur Radio Club Executive Committee

Jay Sparks, KJ6HSH, President.....	384-4233
Katie Carney, KN6APB, 1 st VP - Program Chair	326-3886
Mike Camp, KI7FQ, 2 nd VP - Hospitality.....	524-0723
Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ, 3 rd VP - Membership / <i>Blown Fuse</i> Editor.....	741-8227
Robin Spalding, N6RLS, Secretary / Twitter	528-1144
Maria Hauger, KI6ENT, Treasurer / Finance Committee Chair	672-8382
Mathison Ott, KJ6DZB, Member-at-Large /Field Day Chair	701-0234
Todd Teachout, KM6HFU, Member-at-Large.....	799-6051

2020 EBARC's Other Committee Heads and Contacts

W6CUS Trustee; Jack Burris, K6JEB.....	415-305-2547
Club Station Manager; Stanton Gleason, KD6SWU.....	385-4044
Education; Ken Fowler, KO6NO.....	222-0830
Webmaster, Facebook, & Meetup	
Social & Digital Committees Chair	
RFI Committee Chair.....	
Historian	

AMATEUR RADIO NETS

NET	DAYS	LOCAL TIME	FREQ, MHZ
West Contra Costa EMCOMM Net	Thurs	1845 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
KARO/ECHO ARES/RACES(ACS) Net	Thurs	~1900 simplex	146.415
EBARC "Explore Net" (HF)	Mon	1930 (USB)	28.425
NALCO RACES/ARES Net	Thurs	1915 (PL 131.8+)	440.900
Oakland ARES Emergency Communications Net	Thurs	1930 (PL 77-)	146.880
Contra Costa Communications Club Net	Thurs	1930 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
Tech Net	Thurs	2000 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
"Over the Hill Gang" Breakfast/Commute Net	Mo-Fr	0710 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
Northern Calif. Net VHF Session (traffic)	Daily	1930 (PL 107.2-)	145.410
"QRM Net"	Tues	1930 (PL 82.5-)	224.300
9 a.m. Talk Net	Mo-Fr	0900 (PL 100.0-)	145.230
Youth Net	Sat	1400 (PL 100.0-)	145.230

ACS West CoCoCo: "DJ" djovida, KJ6DJ, kj6dj@arrl.net, (415) 215-6658.
Frequencies: #1=145.110, #2=147.570s.

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