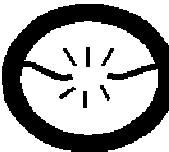


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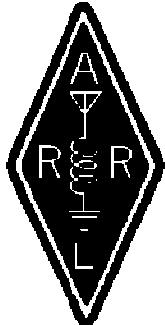
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## EBARC Meetings

October 9, 2015, 7:30 p.m.

To Be Announced



The East Bay Amateur Radio Club meets this month at the  
El Sobrante Library, 4191 Appian Way, El Sobrante.

The Executive Board meets monthly before each general meeting. For the date,  
time, & location, contact President Jay Sparks, KJ6HSH, at 384-4233.

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## **October 9<sup>th</sup> EBARC Meeting** **Peter Hoffman, W6DEI**

**We'll meet in the community meeting room at the El Sobrante Library, 4191 Appian Way. Enter through the back door.**

Our scheduled October speaker, Phil Hoyt, AG6FU, needed to reschedule to a later date. Stay tuned! At press time, the October program has not yet been arranged. Check later at [ebarc.org](http://ebarc.org), and click on the "current events" link to see what's up.

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## **2016 EBARC Officers' Election**

EBARC needs YOU to step up and stand for election to one of the Executive Committee positions. So far, the 2015 officers have all agreed to run again for 2016. Please contact President Jay Sparks if you'd like to be on the ballot also. Nominations will be accepted at the November meeting and ballots will be mailed in November (to be returned before the December meeting).

If your postal address has changed since last year, please send your new address in an email to [aa6xz@earthlink.net](mailto:aa6xz@earthlink.net).

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **August 2015**

#### **Randy Jenkins, KA6BQF, Treasurer**

##### **AUGUST GENERAL FUND<sup>1</sup>**

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance .....       | \$5,526.08   |
| <u>Income:</u>                |              |
| Returning Member: WB6VEX..... | \$15.00      |
| Refreshment Kitty.....        | <u>19.85</u> |
| Total General Income:.....    | \$34.85      |

##### **Disbursements**

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Blown Fuse (July).....           | \$27.99     |
| Postage - Treasurer .....        | <u>9.80</u> |
| Total General Disbursements..... | \$37.79     |
| Ending Balance .....             | \$5,523.14  |
| (portion as petty cash.....      | \$65.05)    |

<sup>1</sup>\$100 earmarked for youth scholarships.

##### **AUGUST STATION FUND**

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance: ..... | \$2,512.38 |
| <u>Income:</u> .....     | 0.00       |

##### **Disbursements:**

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Storage Costs .....  | <u>\$80.00</u> |
| Ending Balance ..... | \$2,432.38     |

Notes from the Treasurer:

The General Fund balance includes the \$226 Balloon Project money donated in June by EBARC members (to be augmented by \$150 from the General Fund).

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## **Philip K. Saxton , N6ASB, SK**

Phil was an EBARC member until 2003 and a 4Cs member until 1987. He passed away on July 29<sup>th</sup> at age 89. Starting in 1944, he served in the Naval Armed Guard aboard merchant ships. Phil retired from truck driving in 1986 after 30 years. His contributions to the City of San Pablo and its senior center were the hallmarks of his retirement years.

## Ham Gear for Sale

This equipment is for sale by Lito Postadan, AA6ZP. Contact him for a list with full details, including prices: cell 510 367-1614, email [rito.postadan@gmail.com](mailto:rito.postadan@gmail.com).

1. Icom IC-746 HF Transceiver with Icom HM-36 mic
2. Icom IC-706 HF Transceiver
3. Alinco DR-600T 2M/440 FM mobile or base station rig + accessories
4. Tri-Ex model LM 237 37' crank up tower + Force 12 C-4SXL 4-band antenna
5. YAESU G-800SDX antenna rotator
6. Astron RS-35A power supply
7. Pyramid Phase III regulated power supply, for parts
8. KAM Plus all-mode TNC, version 8.0
9. Icom SM-20, unidirectional electret desk microphone
10. Icom SP-21 external speaker
11. MFJ Versa Tuner III, model MFJ-962C
12. SWR Analyzer, MFJ -249 HF/VHF, covers 1.8-170 MHz
13. DAIWA CN 410-M SWR/power Meter- 3.6-150 MHz, 150 watts
14. low pass dummy filters

15. dummy load
16. High Sierra mobil HF antenna
17. 6M and 2M Cushcraft dual-band multi-element Yagis
18. Other stuff

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

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## Future Bay Area Events

- Pacificon 2015 is October 16-18 at the San Ramon Marriott Hotel, 2600 Bishop Drive, San Ramon. Advance registration closes Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. For more information, see [www.pacificon.org](http://www.pacificon.org).
- Current Bay Area Public Service Events: See [www.ebarc.org](http://www.ebarc.org), click on "Current Events", then scroll to "Public Service."
- 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 16<sup>th</sup> St.), Oakland. The remaining test date for 2015 is October 25. The fee for 2015 is \$15. Info: 510-918-4627 or 510-741-8227.
- CoCoCo RACES Training: Details from [mcmillan50y@yahoo.com](mailto:mcmillan50y@yahoo.com) 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, contact any EBARC officer, see Web page [www.ebarc.org](http://www.ebarc.org), or write EBARC, P.O. Box 1393, El Cerrito, CA 94530. You can also follow us on Twitter using @w6cus.

## 2015 East Bay Amateur Radio Club Executive Committee

|                                                                                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Jay Sparks, KJ6HSH, President.....                                                      | 384-4233 |
| Peter Hoffman, W6DEI, 1 <sup>st</sup> VP - Program Chair / Webmaster.....               | 525-0694 |
| Stanton Gleason, KD6SWU, 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP - Hospitality / Club Station Mgr.....       | 385-4044 |
| Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ, 3 <sup>rd</sup> VP - Membership / <i>Blown Fuse</i> Editor..... | 741-8227 |
| Ron Antaki, KK6NDJ, Secretary.....                                                      | 375-3756 |
| Randy Jenkins, KA6BQF, Treasurer / Finance Committee Chair.....                         | 526-4089 |
| Robin Spalding, N6RLS, Member-at-Large.....                                             | 528-1144 |
| Member-at-Large .....                                                                   |          |

## 2015 EBARC's Other Committee Heads and Contacts

|                                          |              |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Jack Burris, K6JEB, W6CUS Trustee.....   | 415-305-2547 |
| Field Day Chair, KO6NO, Ken Fowler ..... | 222-0830     |
| Silent Key Chair .....                   |              |
| Awards Chair.....                        |              |
| 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 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   |

RACES, West CoCoCo: Mike McMillan, K6MCM, [mcmillan50y@yahoo.com](mailto:mcmillan50y@yahoo.com), phone 510 223-3052.  
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