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Amateur Radio Club of Alameda Newsletter

Alameda's Weekly Disaster Preparedness Net

Each Thursday at 1900 on
146.880 MHz (PL 77)

Net Control:

Nov. 1: Doug **KI6BZT**

Nov. 8: Bruce **KI6CYT**

Nov. 15: Ron **KF6LSY**

Nov. 22: (no net)

Nov. 29: Michael John **KF6YRG** /
Tom **KG6MAC**

ARRL Continuing Education Course Information

Registration remains open through
Sunday, November 18 for these
online courses beginning on **Friday,
December 7**: Technician License
Course (EC-010); Amateur Radio
Emergency Communications Level I
(EC001); Radio Frequency Interfer-
ence (EC-006); Antenna Design and
Construction (EC-009); Analog
Electronics (EC-012), and Digital
Electronics (EC-013). To learn more,
visit the [CCE](#) Course Listing page or
contact the Continuing Education
Program Coordinator at [ARRL.org](#).

What's ARCA Up To

The following are some of the items
that ARCA and its members are
considering and/or involved with:

Shop Nights; Elmering (mentoring)
of new hams; a schedule of one Shop
Night per month was adopted
(instead of two as in the past.) It'll be
held on the first Monday of each
month; and practical hands-on activi-
ties following the monthly technical

program, where appropriate. The
Yahoo Group list will also be used to
announce the changes to Shop Night.

EMCOM: Sandy **KO6JF** is working
out the final details for the MOU
(Memorandum of Understanding)
with the City of Alameda. One item
that has been identified is the need
for more Amateur volunteers trained
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Holiday Dinner, Friday, Dec. 14th

Pier 29, 1148 Ballena Blvd
Alameda (Ballena Bay)
(510) 865-5088

No-host cocktails 6 p.m.—Dinner 7 p.m.

\$30—choice of three+ entrees

A \$30/person *prix fixe* gets you a choice of three entrees (or a Vegetarian
alternative): Charbroiled NY Steak, Chicken Marsala or Salmon in lemon
butter caper sauce. All entrees are served with tossed green salad or New
England Clam Chowder, baked potato, fresh steamed vegetables and roll
and butter.

Cut off the convenient reply coupon on page 2 and either pay at the Nov.
16th meeting, Shop Night on Dec. 3rd or mail your check payable to
ARCA, (see coupon on pg. 2) noting your entrée choice(s).

Please RSVP and pay by Monday, Dec. 3rd.

ARCA Calendar

- Friday, November 16th at 7:00 p.m: regular month meeting at the club location, 431 Stardust Place, Alameda (note - this is the third Friday of the month, not our usual 4th Friday meeting date)
- November 17 - 19: ARRL SSB Sweepstakes Contest
- November 30 - December 2: ARRL 160 Meter Contest (CW) (ARCA participation planned)
- December 3: Shop Night - 431 Stardust Place, Alameda
- December 8 - 9: ARRL 10-Meter Contest
- Friday, December 14: Annual Holiday Party at Pier 29, 1148 Ballena Blvd., Alameda - Social Hour - 1800; Dinner - 1900 (reservation coupon on page 2.)

2008 ARRL Contest Calendar

Date(s)	Contest
January 1	Straight Key Night
5 - 6	ARRL RTTY Round-Up
19 - 20	ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
February 16 - 17	ARRL International DX Contest (CW)
March 1 - 2	ARRL International DX Contest (Phone)
June 14 - 16	ARRL June VHF QSO Party
28 - 29	ARRL Field Day
July 12 - 13	IARU HF World Championships
August 2 - 3	ARRL UHF Contest
16 - 17	ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
September 13 - 15	ARRL September VHF QSO Party
20 - 21	ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest
November 1 - 3	ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)
15 - 17	ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)
December 5 - 7	ARRL 160 Meter Contest
13 - 14	ARRL 10 Meter Contest

Source: www.arrl.org/contests/calendar/html

Motorola to Buy Yaesu

Motorola USA has announced its intention to launch a tender offer to acquire a controlling interest in Vertex Standard Co, Ltd. Vertex Standard is the parent company of Yaesu. Motorola will own 80 percent of Vertex Standard; Tokogiken, a privately held Japanese company, controlled by current president and CEO of Vertex Standard Jun Hasegawa, will retain 20 percent, forming a joint venture. The total purchase for 80 percent of the outstanding shares on a fully diluted basis will be approximately US \$108 million.

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YES, please sign _____ me up for the ARCA

Holiday Dinner:

Name/call _____

Number attending _____

Entrée choices: ___ Charbroiled NY Steak

___ Chicken Marsala ___ Salmon ___ Vegetarian

Send your check payable to ARCA (\$30/person) to:

Bruce Gillis (ARCA Treas.) 38 Purcell Drive

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What's ARCA Up To

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in Emergency Communications.

Registration for the ARRL Emergency Communications Class (EC-001) beginning December 7th remains open through November 18. Details and enrollment information can be found on the ARRL Website (www.arrl.org).

General Class: a General licensing class began October 30th. The class is being held at 431 Stardust Place, Alameda. The VE test will be held following the class at the same location at 7:00, Tuesday, December 4th. For more information contact David Haycock, **KI6AWR** at ki6awr@arrl.net.

Membership: ARCA is ending the year with 33 paid members. \$12.00 Annual Dues for 2008 are coming due. Why not include your 2008 dues with your check for the **Holiday Party**. Both can be paid either in person at the Nov. 16th meeting, Shop Night on Dec. 3rd or payable to ARCA and mailed to Bruce Gillis, ARCA Treasurer, 38 Purcell Drive, Alameda, CA 94502.

Financial Goals: Financial goals were determined to be: (a) repeater and associated equipment, such as a tower to service primarily Alameda, and (b) a more practical HF antenna. The BOD believes that the HF antenna is a more realistic short term goal which would be located at 431 Stardust.

CERT Radio Training: ARCA members David **KI6AWR**, Fred **KI6BES** and Bruce **KI6CYT** held a training class in the use of FRS (Family Radio Service) radios for 16 CERT Trainees, on Sat., Oct 27th.

ARCA Members CERT Graduates: On Sunday, Oct. 28th, new Alameda Fire Chief, David Kapler, swore in ARCA members, David **KI6AWR**, Sandy **KO6JF**, Fred **KI6BES** and Bruce **KI6CYT** as graduates of the Alameda **Community Emergency Response Team**.

Net Control Operators Needed

Dec. 6:	Jan. 3:
Dec. 13:	Jan. 10:
Dec. 20:	Jan. 17:
Dec. 27:	Jan. 24:
	Jan. 31:

Members can sign up for Net Control at a regular ARCA meeting or email ARCA's Secretary if you want your name filled in for one or more of these dates at: secretary@arcacalifornia.org



The Amateur Radio Club of Alameda



Email: secretary@arcaham.org
Online: <http://www.arcaham.org>

Membership Application / Renewal Form

New Membership / Renewal

Membership Type: Please Check the Appropriate Box:

Full - \$12.00

Youth (Under 18) - Free

Family - \$25.00

Please print all information:

Name: _____ Callsign: _____

Last

First

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leave blank if not applicable

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone No.: (____) _____ Business Phone No.: (____) _____

Cellular/Other Telephone No.: (____) _____

Email Address: _____ Alternate Email: _____

License Class: _____ License Expiration Date: _____

Date of Birth (optional): _____

Please answer the following:

ARRL Member? Yes No If not, would you like to join ARRL through ARCA? Yes No

ARES/RACES Member? Yes No

How did you hear about the Amateur Radio Club of Alameda? _____

List Amateur Radio activities that you are interested in: _____

I hereby apply for/renew my membership in the Amateur Radio Club of Alameda, and agree to abide by the bylaws of the organization.

Signed: _____ Date: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Internal Use Only

Approved

Not Approved

Certified: _____ Date: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Certified: _____ Date: _____

ARCA Secretary

ARCA Treasurer

ARCA

November Meeting: Friday, Nov. 16th

December Meeting: Holiday Party

Friday, Dec. 14th

Monthly EB Radio Club Events

1st Saturday	ORCA Monthly Meeting - Oakland OES 9:00 a.m.
1st Sunday	Livermore Swap Meet (closed in winter)
2nd Friday	East Bay Amateur Radio Club
2nd Saturday	Electronics Flea Market in Sunnyvale (closed in winter)
3rd Friday	Hayward Radio Club
3rd Friday	Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club
4th Friday	Amateur Radio Club of Alameda

Amateur Radio Club of Alameda meets 7:00 PM at 431 Stardust Place on Alameda Point.

East Bay Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 PM at the Salvation Army, 4600 Appian Way, El Sobrante.

Hayward Radio Club meets at 7:30 PM 1401 West Winton Ave. in Hayward behind Hayward F.S.#6, next to the Hayward Air Ntl. Guard Base.

Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 PM at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette.

Oakland Radio Communication Assoc. meets 9:00 AM at F.S.# 1 at Martin Luther King @ 17th St., Oakland

EB Weekly Nets

Thursdays	Alameda Emergency Preparedness
7:00 PM	146.88 MHz minus PL 77
Thursdays	Oakland ARES/RACES Net
7:30 PM	146.88 MHz minus PL 77
Wednesdays	ACSCT Net
7:00 PM	147.240 MHz & 442.20 MHz
Thursdays	NALCO ARES/RACES
7:15 PM	440.9 MHz plus PL 131.8
Mondays	EBARC
7:30 PM	10M "Explore Net" 28.425 MHz, USB
Sunday	VHF NTS Net
7:30 PM	145.110 (-) PL82.5

ARCA Officers

President:	Allen Sweet	KG6HM
Vice Pres.:	David Haycock	KI6AWR
Secretary:	Joe Springer	KC6ZZT
Treasurer:	Bruce Gillis	KI6CYT

Ex-Officio Directors:

CERT Liaison:	Fred Blas	KI6BES
RACES RO:	Sandy Lavine	KO6JF

ARRL Pacific Division Officers:

Bob Vallio **W6RGG** - w6rgg@arrl.org
Vice Director: Andy Oppel **N6AJO** - n6ajo@arrl.org
East Bay Section Manager: Ti-Michelle Connelly **NJ6T** - nj6t@arrl.org

The ARCA Newsletter is published every other month. Any articles can be used with attribution. Articles, news and photos submitted make for a more interesting newsletter; thank you!

Please submit materials for the next issue by Dec. 21st to Bruce **KI6CYT**, KI6CYT@arrl.net. Thanks again!

**ARCA on the
web:**

**arcaham.org and
groups.yahoo.com
/group/arcaham/**