



Smoke Signals

Newsletter of Fullerton Radio Club

May 2010

FIELD DAY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The club is making final plans for these activities and need **YOU** to show up and be a part of the activities.

The next club meeting (May 19) will focus on providing information about the event, discuss plans for antenna “clinics” and installation, and will provide an opportunity for **YOU** to sign up.

Bill Preston KZ3G (FD Coordinator) and Dennis Kidder (W6DQ) will be making the evening presentation on who, where, when and how the event will be carried out. The why has already been decided, as we will be focusing on this as a FUN, LEARNING EXPERIENCE, and if we earn a bunch of points then that’s all the better.

Come to the meeting (visitors are welcome): 7:00 PM, Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at the Fullerton Senior Center, 340 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton.

GET READY FOR
FIELD DAY

Learn To Be An Amateur Radio Operator

A three-day program leading to a Technician Class License will be sponsored by Alta Los Angeles Hospitals, Inc., and hosted by Downey Regional Medical Center, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday May 14 – 16. Classes will be held at Downey Regional Medical Center, 11500 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90242.

Times: Friday, May 14, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday, May 15, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday, May 16, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

YOU MUST ATTEND ALL THREE DAYS.

Cost: \$20.00, which includes refreshments, all materials and F.C.C. examination fee.

Participants must register by no later than May 3, 2010. Attendance is limited to 40. Register by calling Henry Fromenta at (562) 904-5458.

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Show –and–Tell

Bring something of interest to the meeting to show and share your story. Something old, new, or just of interest to hams.

Web site: www.FullertonRadioClub.com

DonateLife Run/Walk 2010

There were some major changes in the layout of the event but much was the same as the previous 7 years. There were speeches & doves, songs & stories. The course was the same as last year. Many of the people were the same. There were teams, families, friends, individuals. Runners and walkers, and some who just came to watch; young to old. Some who have benefitted from receiving organs, others who have donated an organ, some who are families that made the decision upon losing a loved one to save other's lives, and others who just wanted to support the cause. Mayors and council members from various cities. And then there were volunteers: registering participants, handing out T-shirts, providing food, handing out water on the course, cheering on the participants, as well as other activities, and of course amateur radio operators providing communications along the route and with some of the committee members. With an estimated 8000-9000 participants (the final count has not been determined yet), an event like this would not happen without volunteers. Our radio team was instrumental in finding 3 lost children and getting medical aid to 2 minor incidents.

So once again a big THANK-YOU to those who gave up their normal Saturday routine/activities to come out and provide a service to the public. FRC was well represented by: Gene Thorpe KB6CMO, Cheryl Thorpe KE6TZU, Robert Doidge KI6KYW, Shelley Doidge KI6WUJ, Robert Gimbel KG6WTQ, Alex Valdez K9BLK, Paul Broden K6MHD, Bill Kohlenberger W6ZJE, David Curlee KE6IPY, Tom Gaccione WB6LRH, April Moell WA6OPS, Joe Moell K0OV, Bill Preston KZ3G, Robby Preston KI6KYX, Albert Solomon KI6WRU & previous member Anderw Adamson KG6WRV. From other places: Todd Oishi KF6SRW, David Oishi KF6QIA, Amanda Oishi KF6SRO, Kathleen Hall KG6WWB, Dick Barch W1MII, Phil Pacier AD6NH, Mark Zdunich WA6BRD, David West KI6EPI, Christian Chapman KI6WRA, & Douglas Iford KI6WSA.

Also, thank-you Robert Zeigler KF6EVX. Did any of you hear announcements Robert made about the DonateLife run/walk on any of the following nets: Monday 7pm Public Safety Net, Monday 7:30pm ARC net, Tuesday 7:30pm Tri-City net & others over the past couple of months? Now the announcements will be about the need for help at Airport Day. These are made by our member Robert Zeigler KF6EVX. Robert does not get to most meetings but actively monitors various repeaters each day & participates in several nets. The board would like to take this opportunity to thank Robert for his enthusiasm for getting the word out about our public service events.

PUBLIC SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

May 22; Airport Day at the Fullerton Airport. ARO's are needed from 7am to 4pm.

JUL 03; La Palma Fun Run. 5K run in La Palma. ARO's needed from 6am to 9am or so.

God Bless and Take Care of You

Gene Thorpe, KB6CMO

Antenna Tower Offer

Ted NB6N has a US Tower MA-40 tubular crank-up tower installed at his home in Yorba Linda and would like to dispose of it. It includes the MARB-40C concrete rotor base (thrust bearing and rotor located at the bottom of the tower), co-ax arms and the MAF-40 raising fixture. The tower requires a 4-foot deep reinforced concrete pad with four anchor bolts. This tower is in excellent condition and presents a narrower profile than a triangular crank-up tower. The extended height is nearly 40 feet. Please contact Larry W6FUB for further information and availability.

W6FUB

Fullerton Fly-N-Float Day Saturday May 22, 2010

Folks, It is that time again. Fun Time at the Fullerton Airport Day, Saturday, May 22, 2010.

Please save this date.....You're help is needed for this FUN Event. Please send me your info. ASAP. If U know someone who would like to help out, Please

pass this info on. Hours: 0730 hrs. ~1600 hrs.

Thanks,

Gene Thorpe, KB6CMO

FRC T-Hunt Results

Dave Balgie N6MJN put his hidden transmitter on the edge of civilization at the end of East Orange Grove Avenue in Hacienda Heights, near Oil Well Canyon Road. This area is just east of Rose Hills Cemetery. Dave ran five watts into a horizontally-polarized four-element quad, pointed at Mount Baldy to get a good signal bounce. That fooled at least one of the hunters, but the winners found him in less than an hour.

<u>Team</u>	<u>Odo</u>
<u>Calls</u>	<u>Miles</u>
N6AIN/WA6PYE	20.1
N6ZHZ	23.5
KF6GQ	26.9
N6UZS	45.0

73, Joe Moell K0OV

May Board Meeting Minutes

President Robert Doidge KI6KYW called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Other members present included VP Albert Solomon KI6RWU, Treasurer Gene Thorpe KB6CMO, Secretary Paul Broden K6MHD, Board Members Larry McDavid W6FUB, Bill Kohlenberger W6ZJE, Robert Gimbel KG6WTQ, and members Cheryl Thorpe KE6TZU and Bill Preston KZ3G.

Paid club membership is now at 54. We have lost one member (SK) and gained one.

An error was discovered in the April edition of Smoke Signals. Robert Doidge was erroneously listed as the contact point for Airport Day when the actual contact is Gene Thorpe.

Treasurer's report: Checking \$1,862.55; Savings \$1,690.26.

Upcoming Activities: Fullerton Airport Days will be held on Saturday, May 22. Gene has 8 ARO's signed up, and needs ABOUT 10 more. Parking will be available at Buena Park High School (Magnolia Ave., 3 blocks south of the airport) with shuttles back-and-forth. ARO participation at the event will begin at 7:00 AM and end at approximately 4:00 PM. Call Gene (714) 680-4258 if you can participate. Field Day will be held in June 26 & 27. Update information will be presented at the May club meeting.

Past events: DonateLIFE run/walk was held on Saturday May 1. We handled traffic for 2 first aid patients, 3 lost children (found by one of our hams), and need for security with a hostility incident. A suggestion was made that in the ARO stationed with the ambulance should accompany the ambulance crew for on-foot first aid calls to improve communication links.

The club booth at Railroad Days was set up on both Saturday and Sunday by Robert Gimble KG6WTQ. Other club participants at the booth included Albert Solomon KI6RWU, Bill Preston KZ3G and Robby Preston KI6KYX. Public interest in the club seemed good this year, and we ran out of club brochures. A suggestion was made that next year we should have Morse code demonstrations similar to the booth at the fair. A special thanks goes out to Robert KG6WTQ for all the time and effort spent on the RR-Days booth.

An observation was made that the club is involved in numerous community relation's events, but member participation limited to a small number of the same hams. The club needs to "pump-up" member interest in becoming a part of these activities. Methods for doing so will be discussed. Special efforts will be made to include photos of future events in Smoke Signals.

New business: OCCARO has accepted a total of 6.5 days at the amateur radio booth at Orange County fair. FRC will be in charge of booth activities on Friday, July 23. Contact Larry McDavid if you would like to be included. Names must be submitted to the fair for check against the Megan's Law requirements in order to be at the booth.

The club's IRS tax-exempt status will be reviewed by Bill W6ZJE and Larry W6FUB, with e-file update as necessary.

A request has been for the provision of a membership list to all club members. It was decided that permission should be received from members for their name to be on a released list.

NB6N has a crank-up tower for disposal. See Larry McDavid W6FUB for details.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM

Paul Broden K6MHD, Club Secretary

FRC Regular Club Meeting

Third Wednesday of each month
Fullerton Senior Center
340 W. Commonwealth Ave.
Fullerton, CA

Next Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Dinner before the meeting at about 5:30 PM at:
Coco's Restaurant, 1011 N. Harbor Blvd.

Meeting time: 7:00 PM

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FRC Board Meeting

Open to all members

Marie Callender's Restaurant
126 Yorba Linda Blvd., Placentia
First Wednesday of each month

Next Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 2, 2010

QSO and dinner; 7:00 PM

Meeting: 7:30 PM

FRC Tuesday Net

8:00 PM – 147.975 (-) PL 114.8

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Email #1: _____

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Email #2: _____

ARRL Member Yes No

Special Amateur Radio Interests: _____

Dues are \$20 per member, or \$25 per family. Students (full time) \$10
Bring your application and dues payment to the next meeting or mail to the above address.