



Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

Short Circuit

August 2010

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Simi Settlers' Amateur
Radio Club
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August 2010 Program

General Meeting

August 12, 2010 7 pm

Laser Printers and Printed Circuit Boards

What do Laser printer and printed circuit boards have in common? You'll find the answer at our next general meeting.

Jim KI6MZ will be giving a presentation on how he converted a Laser printer to print on copper clad boards to create professional looking printed circuit boards.

Location:

Simi Senior Center
3900 Avenida Simi
Simi Valley CA

SBARC Hamfest

Saturday, August 14 at Earl
Warren Showground
Exhibits open at 0800
Speakers begin at 0900
Live band closes the show at
1700

For more information go to
<http://www.sbarc.org/>

Static & Sparks

By President, Rick Galbraith
W6DQE



Well, the summer is just flying by us, hope all is going well with you and your families. I can tell you that I have managed to get in quite a few camping trips to the mountains this summer already.

Last month we held our officer elections and am pleased to announce that Frank Valdez took on the roll as Vice President, way to go Frank! All of the remaining officers will remain in their current positions. We are still looking for a few more people to fill some of our open positions so please consider volunteering for some of these open positions such as Historian, PIO, and Membership. I do look forward to working with all of you during this upcoming year.

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This month we have been invited again by our own Richard Johnson N6HJD to the Strathearn Historical Park for History Day, August 21st, 2pm-7pm. The club will be setting up a few radio stations - we look forward to seeing many of you there and operating. We will be finalizing plans for this event at our August meeting. This is a great family outing with many other great events - vintage cars and farm equipment; a magic show, kids crafts, Chumash dancers and more.

Many of us will be heading up to the Santa Barbara Hamfest on August 14th. A few of us are planning to take up items to sell at the free swap meet, any of you looking to join us please let me know and we can try and work out some car pools.

The Simi Settlers' Sunday evening radio net has really been a lot of fun. We have had some great technical round table discussions and a considerable increase in traffic since we started this several months ago. Thanks to all that have participated and look forward to hearing from you all on Sunday, at our new 8:30pm start time on the 147.180 repeater with a +600 offset and 182.6 PL tone.

I'd like to report that the club bank account looks good but don't forget to pay your membership dues so we can keep it that way! Many thanks to Jim Hutchinson, KI6MZ for spearheading the new VGA projector which really looked great last month showcasing the field day video presentation put together by Joe Partlow, W6JWP, during our last month's general meeting.

73, Rick
W6DQE
SSARC President

Welcome to our newest member, Mike Watts, KJ6HDD.

Membership Reminder

2010-2011 membership dues were due in July. The attached application form can be used for renewals, just by filling in the name/call sign and noting any changes. Or see our treasurer, Norbert W9YPM, and give him a check or cash. Club badges can also be ordered at a cost of \$11.00 each. To make them cost effective badges are ordered when there are multiple orders. Contact Norbert with the name and call you want on the badge.

Nets of Interest

Simi Settlers Sunday Evening Net 147.180 +600 pl186.2 Sundays at 8:30 pm

7.030 MHz	CW-QRP	Saturday mornings at 9am
3.908 MHz	LSB	Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday nights at 8pm
Condor Connection Monday nights at 7pm (Plays Newsline)		
223.940	-1.6 MHz	156.7 Thousand Oaks
224.720	-1.6 MHz	156.7 Frazier Mountain

Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club
General Membership Meeting, July 8, 2010

- Call to Order: President Rick Galbraith, W6DQE, called the meeting to order at 7:16 pm. Rick welcomed everyone to the meeting held at the Simi Valley Senior Center. The recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance was performed. Four Board Members were present. The total attendance was 12, with 1 guest.
- Introductions: A brief round of introductions was held. The Club welcomed our newest member, Mike Watts, KJ6HDD, who joined at this meeting. Ray Campbell, KI6LKD, has upgraded to General. The club congratulates Norbert Rehaut, W9YPM, on his 80th Birthday.
- Election: Our election of Club Officers was to have been held at the June meeting, but was delayed until this July meeting. Rick asked for nominations for the offices. The following candidates offered to serve as follows: President, Rick Galbraith, Vice President, Frank Valdez, Secretary, John Percival, Treasurer, Norbert Rehaut, and Newsletter Editor, Joe Partlow. The offices of Historian and PIO were without candidates. With no further nominations or volunteers, a motion was made by Peter Grace, AI6PG, that we elect the slate of candidates as presented, by acclamation. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous show of hands. Therefore, the Elected Officers for the Club year of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, shall be:

President:	Rick Galbraith, W6DQE
Vice President:	Frank Valdez, KI6OQ
Secretary:	John Percival, WI6O
Treasurer:	Norbert Rehaut, W9YPM
Newsletter Editor:	Joe Partlow, W6JWP
Historian:	Vacant
P.I.O.:	Vacant

Program: Our program this month was a video and picture montage of our Field Day presented using the new digital projector. The show produced by Joe Partlow, contained pictures of the antenna setup and video clips of actual on air operation at several of the N6R Field Day stations.

Break: A refreshment break was taken at 8:23, during which tickets were sold for raffle prizes that had been brought by Jim Hutchinson, KI6MZ.

Prize raffle: The raffle prize drawing was held with the winners selecting the prize of their choice. There was a special Grand Prize, a battery charger-maintainer. John Percival, WI6O, won the grand prize after all the regular prize winners' tickets went back into the drum.

Member Drawing: The progressive membership prize drawing was held and the name drawn was Jim Hutchinson, KI6MZ, who was present to win the \$5 prize. The prize fund will therefore start over at \$5 for our August 12, 2010 meeting.

Announcements: Al Febraro, W6AAX, spoke about interest in SSARC Club logo shirts, similar to the VCARS shirts. He will look into pricing quotes. There was interest expressed by the members present.

Board Meeting: The next Board meeting will be held on July 29, 2010, 7:30pm at the home of Norbert Rehaut, W9YPM. All members are welcome to attend.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

Submitted by: Secretary, John Percival, WI6O

August 2010

Events

Tuesday, 7:05 pm , every Tuesday ACS Net (ARES/RACES) beginning at 7:05 pm on our local repeater 147.930 – pl 127.3, and then continuing at 7:30 pm on the county repeater at 146.880– pl 127.3.

Friday, August 13, 2010 7:30pm VCARC / K6MEP club meeting

The American Red Cross of Ventura County Chapter House

2355 Portola Road, Ventura CA.

<http://www.qsl.net/k6mep/>

Thursday August 12, 2010 7:00pm Simi Settlers General Meeting

Simi Valley Senior Center

3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

note start time – we must be out by 8:55pm.

<http://www.simisetters.org/index.htm>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SimiSettlersARC>

Saturday & Sunday, August 21-22, 2010

Next Fox-Hunting Event: A two-day "training camp" at Mt. Pinos, near Frazier Park. For e-mail notification of these events, you can [join the southern California ARDF mailing list](#).

More info at:

<http://homingin.com/joemoell/ardfinla.html>

Wednesday, August 18, 2010 7 pm W6JW Santa Clarita Club General Meeting

Santa Clarita Senior Center

22900 Market Street Santa Clarita, CA 91321

<http://www.w6jw.org/>

Thursday, August 19, 2010 7:30 pm, CVARC General Meeting

East County Sheriff's Station (ECSS) 2101

East Olsen Road Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

<http://www.cvarc.org/>

Saturday, August 28, 2010 7 am W6TRW Swapmeet (7am) and Exam Session (10am) Redondo Beach, CA

<http://w6trw.com/swapmeet/swapmeet.htm>

Thursday, Sept. 1, 2010 7:30pm VCARS General Meeting

The Cameron Center 288 Greenmeadow Dr. Newbury Park, CA 91320

<http://www.vcars.org> – and join

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/VCARSdiscussion/> to stay on top of developments.

Sunday, Sept. 29, 2010, 8:30am Ham Radio License exam session at

Ventura County Sheriff's E County Station

2101 E Olsen Rd (Between 23 Hwy & Reagan Library);

Community Room, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Walk-ins-Allowed. **Contact:** Jeffrey M Reinhardt (818) 706-3853

History Day, August 21, 2010 2pm to 7pm

Strathearn Park, Simi Valley

<http://www.simihistory.com/History%20Days.htm>



Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) October 16-17, 2009

<http://www.arrl.org/jamboree-on-the-air-jota>

Simi Settlers' Leadership				
President	Rick Galbraith	W6DQE	(805) 433-4513 cell	Rick@keymaterial.com
Vice President	Frank Valdez,	KI6OQ		ffvaldez@dslextrreme.com
Secretary	John Percival	WI6O		percivaljohns@cs.com
Treasurer	Norbert Rehaut,	W9YPM		nrehaut@dslextrreme.com
Committee Chairpersons				
Webmaster	Doug Dubrall	WA6RJN		wa6rjn@arrl.net
Repeater	VACANT			
ex-President	Peter Grace	AI6PG	(805) 223-0729 cell	pcg@acm.org
Newsletter	Joe Partlow	W6JWP	(805) 428-7903 cell	joe.w6jwp@gmail.com
Membership	VACANT			
PIO	VACANT			
Field Day	<i>What will <u>you</u> do?</i>			
Youth Coordinator	VACANT			
Historian	VACANT			
Elmer	VACANT			
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Advisor	Brad Rife	KI6KSY		speedy@earthlink.net
Advisor	Spencer Smith	N6IWY	(805) 583-1127	n6iwy@sbcglobal.net

Letter From The Editor

On Sunday August 1st at Rancho Tapo Community Park & Veterans' Plaza (Lemon Park) I found myself at my first antenna party. With the assistance of Rick W6DQE, Peter AI6PG and John WI6O we strung a 40 meter dipole I had assembled between a couple of trees. We connected it to my MFJ tuner and Icom IC-718 and lo-and-behold it worked.



I'm still new enough to ham radio to be just a little amazed by the whole process of building your own antennas and getting them to work. But most of all I am warmed by readiness of hams to help other hams even if it means coming out on a misty Sunday morning to throw a wire up in a tree. Next time I'll remember to bring coffee for everyone.

- 73 -

Joe W6JWP

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Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club

P.O. Box 2125 Simi Valley, Ca 93062 --- (www.simisettlers.org)
Membership Application

July 1, 2010 To June 30, 2011

Type of Application:

New Member ☐
Renewal ☐

Type of Membership:

Individual (\$15/yr) ☐
Family (\$20/yr) ☐

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: N T T+ G A E ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Alt. Phone: (____) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Additional Family Members:

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: N T T+ G A E ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: N T T+ G A E ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Name: _____ Day & Month of Birth: _____
(Omit year)

Call: _____ Class: N T T+ G A E ARRL: Yes ☐ No ☐

Badges requested: Yes ☐ No ☐ How many? _____ X \$11.00 = \$ _____

Name (s) Call(s): _____

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Application type: New ☐ Renewal ☐ Membership type: Individual ☐ Family ☐

Date Received: _____ Amount Received: _____ Database completed: _____

Badges ordered: _____