

A newsletter by and for the Palomar Amateur Radio Club of San Diego, CA, USA.

Reminders

Meeting April 4th

PARC's general meeting.

Auction April 12th

The Escondido Amateur Radio Club is holding their annual auction. See page 5 for details.

Special Event Station W6P
Jun 2-Jun 3, 1300Z-0700Z,
San Diego, CA. Sponsored
by KI6FDN and W6NWX.
Hale Telescope on Palomar
Mountain dedication
anniversary. 14.260 7.260.
QSL. Michelle Thompson,
W5NYV, 5379 Carmel Knolls
Dr, San Diego, CA 92130.



For the March meeting, compliments of Jerry Kostro, we had two door prizes.

1. 2006/2007 ARRL repeater directory – won by David Doan, KC6YSO
2. gift certificate/coupon for a Nifty Accessories radio guide – won by Conrad Lara, KG6JEI and Mike Harris, KG6ZUW (guest)



Letter from the President

It is now April and spring has sprung. The clocks have all rolled forward for local Daylight Savings Time so many of our HF Nets have changed by one hour (isn't Universal Coordinated time grand!).

Our March Meeting was "How to Get the Most Out of Your Hand-Held Transceiver" by Jerry Kostro, AK6QJ.

This is the kind of topic that is in great demand by newer hams, as attested to by the 20, or so, first-time visitors to a PARC meeting. As predicted last month, Jerry was able to present additional techniques and solutions to common hand-held operational problems. If you know anyone that has a hand-held, or is likely to buy one, please tell them about this program, as it was recorded and should be posted on the PARC website in the near future.

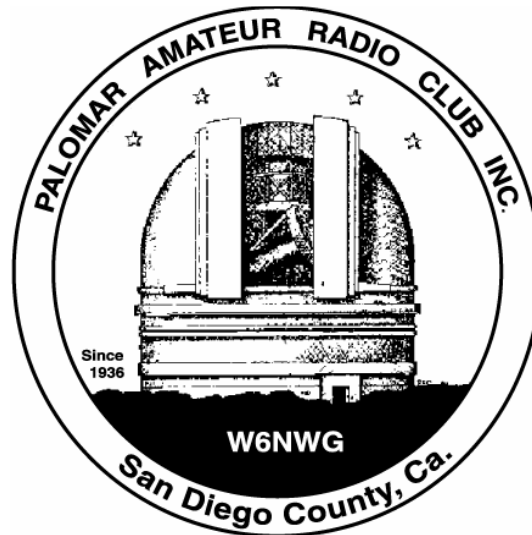
The April 4th program topic will be on SteppIR / MonstIR Antennas, presented by Howard White, KY6LA.

Looking down the road: April through August - Repeater site refurbishment work parties. Watch the website for details.

The May 2nd Program will be Gordon West, WB6NOA. Gordon always puts on a good program, so tell your friends.

On Saturday Morning, May 19, from 8:00 AM to noon, PARC will be sponsoring a "Get On The Air" Seminar for new and returning hams. We will cover such subjects as

1. What To Buy (And Why)
2. Basic Radio Connections That Enable Field Operation
3. Basic Radio Functions
4. Programming The Radio
5. How to talk on the radio



We are tentatively scheduled for the Carlsbad Safety Center, so keep an eye on <http://www.palomararc.org> for an up to date schedule

In June, we are very busy!

On June 2nd (from 6 am to midnight PDT), The Palomar Amateur Radio Club, with the Palomar Mountain Volunteer Fire Department Radio Club (KI6FDN), will sponsor a Special Event Station (Callsign: W6P) on Palomar Mountain. This event commemorates the 59th anniversary of the June 3, 1948 dedication of the Hale Telescope at the Palomar Mountain Observatory and will be held in the communications center of the Palomar Mountain Volunteer Fire Department. Operators are needed for this event. Everyone is welcome. Shifts of 2 to 4 hours (or more if so inclined). If interested, please contact Michelle, W5NYV, at (858) 229-3399 or w5nyv@amsat.org

Also on June 2nd and 9th (and finishing June 9th), The Palomar Amateur Radio Club is offering a 2-day General upgrade class at the Carlsbad Safety Center

See the Scope or website for the schedule.

Please contact Steve Early at ad6vi@cox.net or 619-461-2818, if you are interested in upgrading to "General".

June 6th - PARC General Membership Meeting

June 22, 23, 24 - Field Day
Last year, we had over 100 participants and visitors. This year, as was the case two years ago, we are actively looking for a new Field Day site, as last year's site is scheduled for construction.

We are looking for a fairly flat lot, about 1000 feet across, with good public access and with a good RF view to the northeast (for HF) and to the northwest (for VHF). If you can think of any, please let our Field Day Chair, Conrad Lara, know at kg6jel@amsat.org

I hope to see you on April 4th. Bring a friend! *

QSL Card Design Competition

For the Hale Telescope
Special Event Station June
2-3, 2007

The Palomar Amateur Radio Club invites you to participate in an Art Competition, organized on behalf of the special event station celebrating the 59th anniversary of the dedication of the 200 inch Hale Telescope at Palomar Mountain.

The competition is open to all forms of art.

Entries will be judged for their popular appeal as well as which one is best suited for use as a QSL card.

A QSL card is confirmation of a communication between two amateur radio stations. A QSL card is the same size and made from the same material as a postcard (3.5 x 5.5 inches).

The 200-inch (5.1 m) Hale Telescope (f/3.3) was one of the world's largest telescopes for 45 years (1948 - 1993). It is still an important scientific instrument and is used almost every night of the year in a wide variety of astronomical studies.

For complete rules on the design competition, please visit www.palomararc.org

The Board of Directors of the Palomar Amateur Radio Club will judge the entries. Prizes will be awarded to the winner and two runners-up.

2007 International DX Convention

The 2007 International DX Convention will take place April 27, 28 & 29, 2007 at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center in Visalia, California. This is an ARRL sanctioned convention that is sponsored this year by the Northern California DX Club. It is expected to draw visitors from around the World and will feature programs from recent DXpeditions and contest operations.

The Convention theme this year is, "Elmering New DXers is Job Number One!"

Accordingly, a portion of the programming will be devoted to helping new DXers learn about how to be noticed in a pile-up, snag a "new one" and get that elusive QSL card.

Other Convention offerings will include: DX, Top Band and Contest Forums, technical talks, many door prizes, both Friday and Saturday evening "attitude adjustments", Saturday Barbecue Lunch, Saturday night banquet, Sunday morning "power" breakfast, Vendors Exhibits and QSL card checking.

Current information and registration forms are available on the Convention web page, which can be found at www.dxconvention.org. Additional registration information can be obtained by contacting Convention Registration Chairman, Dick Letrich, W6KM via Email at dlw6km@aol.com.

If you're interested in DX or DXing, the Visalia International DX Convention is the place to be. We hope to see you there. *

San Diego Orienteering Club Event

Supported by ARES

By Jim Egerton W6SST

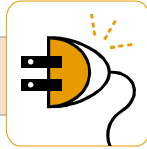
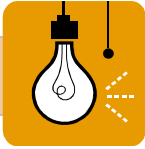
On January 13, 14 and 15, 2007, ARES supported an San Diego Orienteering Club event in Anza Borrego Desert State Park. For those of you who are not familiar with orienteering it is a race where you find your way from check point to check point with no more than a compass and a topographical map. There were close to 150 participants in several different competitions handicapped in age and experience categories. Our job was to stay as close as possible to the participants and provide emergency communications if needed. The course covers a two square-mile area in the Anza Borrego Desert called Borrego Mountain that contains geological wonders such as "The Slot" and Hawk Canyon. From the East Butte of Borrego Mountain you can see the Salton Sea. It was freezing at night and in the 50s during the day. We first started out with the PAPA System UHF repeater on

Toro Peak and it worked flawlessly. Thanks Cecil! We also had the RACES repeater to call in paramedics if needed. Ed Hasselmann and Andre Hansen set up on top of the East Butte and devised a method of cross banding UHF simplex to VHF simplex. This gave us a 700 foot tower that could simplex into Borrego Springs approximately 15 miles away. Even from Hawk Canyon, completely surrounded by high cliffs, you could still communicate. This type of quick thinking and experimentation is key to deploying and setting up communications in emergency situations. Bill Gookin of the Orienteering Club of San Diego asked me to thank all of the ham community for supporting his club, especially the following amateur radio volunteers:

David Doan KC6YSO rover for 1 day
Jo Ashley KB6NMK net control for 1 day
Ed Hasselmann KF6NXY cross band for 2 days

Andre Hansen K6AH cross band and Winlink experimentation and NVIS antenna demo for 2 days
Jerry Kostro AK6QJ net control for one day
Don Johnson WD6FWE rover for one day
Tom Martin KG6RCW rover for one day
Bob and Sue Kruger K6DEX and K16FKB food and shelter for three 1/2 days and 3 nights. Without their fifth wheel we would have suffered the elements. Sue's tasty sandwiches, soup, and coffee were wonderful. Bob also was net control.
Preston Butler W6ASP rover for 1 day
Jim Cooper NE6O rover for 1 day
Ralph Smith AE6SV rover for 1 day
Mark Robinson KG6PSK net control for 1 day
Howard White KY6LA observer, critic, and rover 3/4 day

How many times do you get to be outdoors in a beautiful area, brave the elements, learn something new, establish a communications plan and help a group of grateful people if they need it? This is amateur radio at its best. *



Club Classified Ads

Personal equipment ads are free to members and could be bumped after 3 months. Make up your ad like the ones on this page and send to SCOPE@PALOMARARC.ORG. Commercial ads in big boxes: \$2/col. inch/month. We will squash your ad copy to the number of inches bought.

(4.1) EF-610 Force-12 6-element 10m beam - condx: good, on the ground, \$60. A-50-5S Cushcraft 5-el 6m beam - condx: bent boom and bent 2 elements, fixable, on the ground, \$25. Parts for TX472MDP Tower: M-15R mast, TRX-80HD tower raising fixture with K2550 winch, and new HD T-Base. \$60 for all. Miscellaneous aluminum tubing from Sommer beam: come and get it. Peter KQ6AA potifar@pacbell.net or 760-917-2264

(2.5) Wanted: Rotators for AZ-EL Microwave dish project: Need two antenna rotators: AR-22, 5-wire Alliance, TR-44, etc. Do not need control boxes, just the rotators. Repairable "AS-IS" OK. WB6IQS@amsat.org, 760-727-3876.
Wanted: Alinco DJ-560 battery for HT. Broke my battery, need replacement 12 volt battery for Alinco HT. NiCad battery condx not important, just need the housing. WB6IQS@amsat.org, 760-727-3876.

(1.22) Avenger 4000 Alarm System. 8-PIR's, 2 Sirens, Numerical Keypad, 5 Zones. \$60.00 OBO contact Dennis K7DCG@arrl.net or (858) 748-9046

(1.22) 3 Kenwood TM-211's 2 meter transceivers. 20 watts, Digital encoded squelch w/manuals \$70.00/ea or \$180.00 for all three. w/SS32 PL's. Contact Dennis K7DCG@arrl.net or 858-748-9046

(1.22) Homebrew copper pipe 220 MHz J-Pole Antenna \$10.00 OBO, contact Dennis K7DCG@arrl.net or 858-748-9046

(1.22) Cushcraft 11 element beam, can be set up for Horizontal or Vertical Polarization. \$20.00 OBO, contact Dennis K7DCG@arrl.net or 858-748-9046 *

Photos from the Orienteering Club Event. Article page 2.



KF6NXY and WD6FWE at "The Slot".



KF6NXY's solar panels supplying cross band repeater.

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Contest Calendar

Apr 3	ARS Spartan Contest
Apr 3	YLRL YL to YL Contest, CW
Apr 7	ARLHS Spring QSO Party
Apr 7	ARCI Spring QSO Party
Apr 7	SP DX Contest
Apr 7	Spain RTTY Contest
Apr 7	Missouri QSO Party
Apr 9	Low Power Spring Sprint
Apr 10	YLRL YL to YL Contest, SSB
Apr 11	NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
Apr 14	KIDX CW Contest
Apr 14	EU Spring Sprint, CW
Apr 14	Georgia QSO Party
Apr 16	Run for the bacon QRP Contest
Apr 21	TARA Skirmish Digital Contest
Apr 21	Holyland DX Contest
Apr 21	EU Spring Sprint, SSB
Apr 21	Michigan QSO Party
Apr 21	Spain QRP CW Contest I
Apr 21	Ontario QSO Party
Apr 21	YU DX Contest
Apr 28	SP DX RTTY Contest
Apr 28	Helvetia Contest
Apr 28	Florida QSO Party
Apr 28	Nebraska QSO Party

CW, SSB, RTTY, Sprints! What more could you ask for. Complete rules can be found on the WEB, and QST, CQ, NCJ and Worldradio magazines.

CU in the contest! 73, Harry, W6YOO

Repeater Information

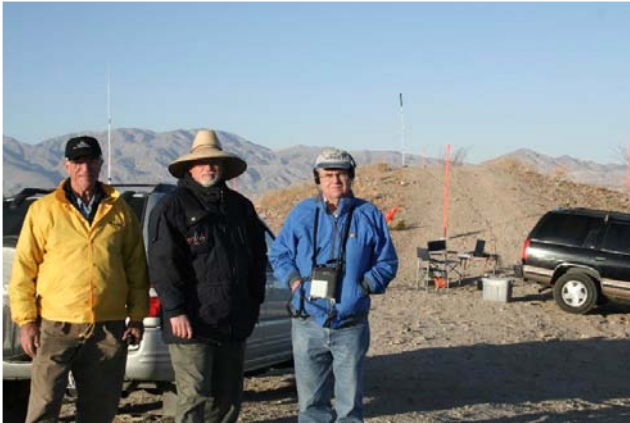
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† under repair * 107.2 Hz PL Tone

Photos from the Orienteering Club Event. Article page 2.



A group of orienteering participants approach "The Slot".



KF6NXY, K6AH and NE60 on Goat Trail East Butte.

PARC Meeting Videos

PARC meetings have been video recorded for the last year. These videos can be purchased for a cost of \$2.00 to cover expenses. The videos include:

March	I Got My License, Now What?
April	Restoring Old Radios
May	6 Meters
June	Field Day Escondido and Palomar
July	PARC Repeater Site and History
August	DXing 101
September	RF Safety
October	TAPR Digital Communications Conference Report
February	Amateur Radio Astronomy

January was a video of the Peter I Island 3Y0X DXpedition and is available from:

<http://70.103.16.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/peterone/dvd/index.htm>

Order copies through Dennis KD6TUJ at the meetings. *

Public Service Opportunities

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Club Auction

All PARC members invited to attend

The Escondido Amateur Radio Society will be holding our annual club auction on April 12th at the Salvation Army building in Escondido. The address is 1301 Las Villas Way, in Escondido. We request sellers register at 6:00pm and buyers at 6:30pm. The auction will start at 7:00pm.

-Dirk Reschly, N6SUN



Tower Take-Down Party Report

By Harv Hiller K6QK

Participants: Bruce N7TY, Harv K6QK, Tom KG6RCW, Dave N6EEG, Howard KY6LA, Tom W0NI, Ron N6XT and Bob, Sam, and Joe (calls unknown). Additionally, we were assisted by Jim K6ZH and Wayne NN6R on the afternoon of Friday, March 16th. The crew removed a TV antenna/mast, a 2m beam, a HyGain TH-7, and a Tri-Ex LM-354, three section tower and a HyGain 18HT High Tower vertical. A special thanks to K6DEX for the loan of the raising fixture and Dennis N6KI for working with the family to coordinate the removal of the station. The station belongs to Ed Carry K6ICG who is in a home and not expected to return.

Group Photo:

Front row KY6LA, N7TY, K6QK, N6XT, ????

Middle row N6EEG, W0NI, Bob (not sure of call)

Back row KC6RCW, ????*



License and Class Information

Register 5-7 days in advance for the following test sessions.

PARC Testing is in Carlsbad on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 9:30am at the Carlsbad Safety Center. Please call 619-465-EXAM for the latest contact info.

Test sessions may be cancelled if no one pre-registers.

EARS Testing is in Escondido on the Last Saturday of the month at 9:00 am at 9:00 a.m. at the LDS Church.

The address is 1917 East Washington Avenue , Escondido , 92025.

Contact Harry W6YOO (760) 743-4212 or W6YOO@amsat.org.

"The ARRL Technician Class Course for Ham Radio Licensing" Course No. EC-010 \$99 ARRL members / \$139 non-members. Courses begin on the first and third Tuesday of each month. For more information, email cce@arrl.org or via regular mail to ARRL CCE, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111.



Mentors and a Mentor Coordinator Needed

PARC is looking for persons interested in help others to become better Amateur Radio Operators.

We are looking for individuals that might be available the second Saturday afternoon of each month from 12 noon to 2 PM to help work with those that have either just earned their license or an upgrade.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact me at ad6vi@cox.net, or 619-461-2818.

Steve Early AD6VI.

www.ac6v.com

This wonderful ham radio website, run by Rod AC6V, is a fantastic online resource for amateur radio information. With 700 topics, 6,000 links, and 132 pages, it weighs in at the top of the scale as one of the best topical indices of ham radio webpages. The site gets well over 1,000 hits a day. Readers from 127 countries

have visited www.ac6v.com which been in operation since 1997. Unlike many sites that post reams of links, only to let them rot over time, Rod sees that the links at his site are checked monthly. This removes one of the most irritating things about resource sites – the dreaded 404 Page Not Found.

Thanks to Rod, things are easier to find on the ever-growing and often chaotic Internet. Thanks Rod, for doing such a great job and providing such a wonderful service to the ham radio community! *

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Overheard On The Repeater

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Repeater Site Refurbishment

As mentioned in the January Scope, PARC will be refurbishing the repeater site this spring and summer.

A refurbishment fund has already been started, with a substantial donation from Richard Krist, W6KTE (*call sign corrected from March SCOPE -W5NYV*).

We will be in need of volunteers to do several tasks, including, but not limited to **tower climbers** to clean/paint the tower and change out hardware, and **grounds crews** to assist the climbers and for working on refurbishing the grounds, and buildings.

Building refurbishment projects include sealing, preparing and painting the buildings, removing excess materials, and general site clean-up and fire mitigation

Keep an eye on the Scope for a detailed plan. If you want to help, please contact me at ad6vi@cox.net, or 619-461-2818.

Steve Early AD6VI. *



147.130 Repeater Report

The 147.130 repeater was reported as being down during the last week of February. During the trip up to the mountain on Saturday, March 3, high winds were encountered at an estimated steady speed of 25 mph with gusts up to 50 mph. There was snow in the shaded areas and the daytime high was 45 degrees. With those conditions, it was hoped that the repeater trouble was inside the equipment building and not outside on the tower! The problem was a dead RF power module in the transmitter's PA assembly. This particular module had cracked once before and had been successfully repaired and returned to service. PARC has gotten several years of use from this repaired module! This time though, we decided to replace it, as well as machine the heatsink and chassis for flatness. Fred K6ISS did a great job milling the heatsink and chassis, while Art KC6UQH made the electronic repairs. As the PA assembly had to be completely stripped for the milling work, Art had access to the harmonic suppressor and the bandpass filter which are buried deep within the chassis and therefore not regular maintenance items. Art found the suppressor had an insertion loss of 1.5 dB. He replaced it with a spare that had an insertion loss of 0.5 dB. The bandpass filter tuning was touched up as well. The repeater was returned to operation on the hill on Saturday, March 10. Thank you Fred and Art for your great work getting the 147.130 repeater on the air!

Dan K6NKC
Repeater Tech Chair *

Fair Volunteers Needed!

June is fast approaching, and the San Diego County Amateur Radio Council is asking for PARC participation in the SANDARC exhibit at the San Diego County Fair in Del Mar. The Fair will run June 8th, through July 4th, but will be closed June 11-12, 18-19, and the 25th. Shifts are 10 AM to 2 PM and 2 PM to 6 PM. We need two people per shift. This is a good opportunity to present amateur radio to the general public and answer questions for those that are interested. In previous years, there have been some very enthusiastic (about radio) children and parents, as well as plenty of people that simply need directions to the bathroom. In both cases, volunteering provides a very useful service.

If you would help out, please contact Jim Cooper, NE6O, at ne6o@amsat.org *

VEs Needed

After 18 years of dedicated service as the SANDARC Carlsbad Volunteer Examiner (VE) Team Leader, Rusty Massie, AA6OM, has tendered his resignation, as team leader, to the San Diego County Amateur Radio Council VE Coordinator. Assi Friedman is serving as Interim Team Leader, pending identification and appointment of a permanent VE Team Leader for the site. If you see Rusty, please thank him for all his years of dedication to the VE program. In the meantime, Rusty and Assi have both said there is a need for more VEs at the Carlsbad site. Amateur Extras are preferred, but Advanced and General Class operators may serve as well.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact me at ad6vi@cox.net, or 619-461-2818.

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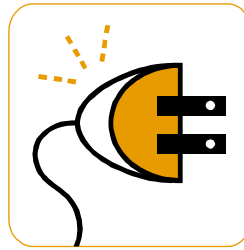
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Sun	2045	147.075	MARA ES	Glenn Jones KG6JDF@amsat.org
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Mon	2100	146.730	Microwave Net	Kerry B.
Tues	1900	147.130	Red Cross Net	Ted thompson@sdlarc.org
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Reports from the Board

March meeting goodie-givers were Tom KG6RCW, Conrad KG6JEI.

March Issue Fold & Staple Crew were Merle KR6BT, Sonny WA5ACE, Jo KB6NMK, Harry W6YOO, Al W6GNI & Kathy, Art KB6YHZ, Rich KE6DUG.

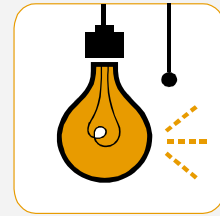
New Members Joining PARC: KI4OHS, KD6LDI, KI6FXO, K6JWP, KI6DBL, and K6EDY. In addition, two past members reinstated their membership. Of course we welcome all members, new and "old", even "new" old timers. The Board is seeking helpers to encourage membership in the club, and to help retain the members we have when renewal time comes about.

In Other News

"Quiet Before the Storm"

http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2006/10mar_stormwarning.htm

Tom KG6RCW reports "On the day before the tower take-down party (see page 6) we went over to a fellow ham's house in North Park who became a silent key a short time ago, Stanley Cichy W6GGL. The PARC board was contacted a few weeks ago regarding his things. Paul, his son, did not want his father's things to end up in the landfill, but to pass them on to someone who could use them. So a few of us went over and picked up a small tower as well as a truck load of items including books, parts, 3 boxes of tubes and a tube tester. That will go in the club's tube bank. Also, some old transformers and boxes of things I have no idea what they are. But, they all need a good home. They will be set aside and saved for the next club Auction. Thanks to all that helped out on this job! Photo at right.



FREE TUBES

Club Members ONLY! The PARC has a tube bank that includes many 6 & 12 volt receiving tubes (and some transmitting types) for use by club members to repair their own personal equipment. Not for commercial use or resale. If we have your requests, I will pre-check and deliver them to the next club meeting. Contact WB6IQS@amsat.org, -John



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This month's General Meeting will be held on April 4th, 2007 (the first Wednesday of each month) at the Carlsbad Safety Center. Talk-in on 146.730 MHz repeater. Meeting starts at 19:30. Ridesharing and coordinating for dinner beforehand often occurs on the repeater on Wednesday afternoons. Everyone is welcome!

The Palomar Amateur Radio Club serves the Amateur Radio community of San Diego County California with repeaters located on Palomar Mountain. The club has monthly meetings, Field Day festivities, an annual auction, and many other fun and interesting functions. All are welcome at our club meetings and on-the-air interactive radio nets which now feature discussion groups on hiking, microwave, off-roading, as well as traditional message traffic and emergency communications nets (RACES - ARES - MARA).

73 and hope to CU you on the air! -NN3V (past president of PARC)



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