

# VALLEY HAM NEWS

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## **2022 CLUB OFFICERS**

Pres.: Daniel Weber, KM6RHC  
Vice Pres.: Steve Shepard, KN6IJD  
Secretary: Linda Maas, KK6SOZ  
Treasurer: June McJunkin, N6JEY

## **2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Joe Visalli, N9BD  
Chris McLain, KK6VZD  
Mike Morris, KK6ISQ  
Paul Hyatt, W6PNH  
Robert Kelly, K6VNR  
Herb Puckett, W6HBU

## **REPEATER TRUSTEE**

Dave Gartner, WD6AXM

## **LIAISONS**

ARES: Neil Bossard, N6CNY  
ARRL SM: Carol Milazzo, KP4MD  
VE Liaison: LeRoy Smith, KJ6DKM

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

2022

04 Jan – Board Meeting  
08 Jan – VE Session  
18 Jan – General Meeting  
  
01 Feb – Board Meeting

15 Feb – General Meeting

## **YSARC Weekly Breakfast**

Wednesday mornings – Cancelled  
until further notice

## **Local Nets**

Monday night at 7:00 P.M. – weekly  
net (146.085+) PL 127.3 with swap shop  
and help sessions.

Monday night at 8:00 P.M.: **Butte  
County ARES net** (145.290–), PL 110.9  
Tuesday night at 8:00 P.M.: **GEARS  
Club net**, (146.850–), PL 110.9

Thursday night at 7:00 P.M. weekly:  
**ARES net** (146.085+) PL 127.3.

Sunday nights at 2000, **YL Net**,  
(146.970- MHz) PL 123.0.

Third Thursday of each month at  
7:30 P.M.: the ARRL Sacramento Valley  
Section (VHF) Net, on the WD6AXM  
repeater followed by an HF Net on 3987  
kHz LSB.

Sunday night at 8:00 P.M.: **OARS  
Net** (146.655-), PL 136.5.

Other nets (From the GEARS  
Radiator Newsletter)

Sac Valley Net: 7:00 P.M., 2nd Wed  
of the month (146.850–), PL 110.9

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440 Wed. Night Net: 8:00 P.M. each Wednesday, 440.650 MHz.

Golden Bear Net: 7:00 P.M. daily 3975 kHz.

Willie Net: 8:00 P.M. Mondays, 1930 kHz.

CA Traffic Net: 3906 kHz nightly at 6:00 P.M. for traffic listing and 6:30 P.M. for roll call.

California TALARC (The American Legion Amateur Radio Club) net: Sunday at 1:00 P.M. weekly on 7278 kHz.

## **CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Lee's Restaurant



Jeannie & Santa



Door Prizes: Handmade Items,  
Honey & More!



Plenty of Food & Fun



Door Prizes: Ham Radio Equipment,  
Gift Certificates, & Tools



Judy & Santa

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## CLUB STORE

The club has the following items available for purchase at cost:

1. PL295 Coax connectors, 29 each. Cost is \$1.84 each.
2. RG8X reducers, 86 each. Cost is \$0.64 each.
3. Power Pole connectors, 25 red/ black pairs. Cost is \$1.00 per pair.
4. RG8X strain relief boots, 5 each. Cost is \$0.50 each.
5. RG8X Black Coax, 1 spool 185 feet, 1-spool 210 foot feet. Cost is \$0.39 per foot.
6. BNC Female to SMA Female Adapter, 7 each. Cost is \$3.50 each.
7. Red/Black Power Cable, 45 feet. Cost is \$1.38 per foot.
8. LMR240 Double Shielded Coax, 584 feet. Cost is \$0.26 per foot.
9. RCA Male to BNC Female Adapters, 5 each. Cost is 2.00 each.
10. BNC Male Crimp 20 each. Cost is 2.00 each.
11. BNC Male-to-Male Adapter 3 each. Cost is 3.00 each.
12. SO-239 to SO-239 4 each. Cost is 2.00 each.
13. TNC Male Crimp 10 each. Cost is 2.50 each.
14. BNC Male to RCA Female Adapter 7 each. Cost is 2.00 each.

If you are interested in purchasing any of these items contact the club store manager, Curtis (KF6VFP) at (530) 743-

3003, by email at [KF6VFP@arrl.net](mailto:KF6VFP@arrl.net), on the air, or at one of the club meetings.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022!



## GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

At the next general meeting, Dave Gipson (KC9EI) will give a presentation about a 20-meter band pass filter that he designed.

## ARRL LEARNING NETWORK WEBINARS

From the December 16, 2021 ARRL Letter

“Visit the ARRL Learning Network (a members-only benefit) to register, check on upcoming webinars, and to view previously recorded sessions

Have an interesting topic you want to share? The ARRL Learning Network is a series of online webinars presented by member-volunteers for members. Presentations should be short -- 30 minutes plus an additional 15-minutes for Q&A.

For more information, email ARRL Education and Learning.

More webinars are coming soon!

ARRL members may register for upcoming presentations **and view** previously recorded Learning Network webinars. ARRL-affiliated radio clubs

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may also use the recordings as presentations for club meetings, mentoring new and current hams, and discussing amateur radio topics.

The ARRL Learning Network schedule is subject to change.”

## **GO BOXES**

From the River City Amateur Radio Club newsletter for December

“This presentation was recorded during a monthly club meeting for the W6JW Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club.

In this video, you will see a presentation by James Lea, WX4TV, about "Go Boxes" or in another name "Shack in a box".

It can be very useful in lots of situations (Emergency, Field Days, etc.), and besides that, it is interesting from the technical side so you can get interesting ideas if you plan to do something similar.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MKxY5LfXLQ>

More details about Shack-in-a-box: <https://shack-in-abox.com/>”

I watched part of the YouTube video and found the presentation to be interesting. The entire presentation is 1:20:00 minutes long.

## **QSO TODAY VIRTUAL HAM EXPO**

The QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo will return on the weekend of March 12th, 2022.

The key to the "Expo's" reach and influence is the wide variety and scope of presentations and speakers that

come to the Expo. From the thousands of messages that I have received since starting the Expo, in August 2020, your presentations make a difference in the lives of the amateurs that attend and view them, and they open the minds of amateurs to the possibilities that our amazing hobby offers to everyone young and old.

Unlike other conventions, meetings, and hamfests, the QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo has the ability to offer more opportunities for amateurs to make presentations that will be seen and shared by thousands of hams that come to the Expo.

For more information about being a speaker and making a presentation at the Expo, and to apply, please click on this link:

<https://www.qsotodayhamexpo.com/speakercall.html>

Thanks for your consideration. See you at the Expo!

73,

Eric Guth, 4Z1UG  
QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo  
QSO Today Podcast

## **MONDAY NIGHT NET CONTROL**

To date, Manna has the following hams volunteering for 2022. Thanks to all who signed up at the November meeting. **We still need 3 volunteers for 2022.**

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2022		
Jan	Chris McLain	KK6VZD
Feb	Grant Mitchell	W6JIB
Mar	Steve Shepard	KN6IJD
Apr	Manna Whelchel	KA6ETB
May	Karla Hyatt Paul Kyatt	K6KDS W6PNH
Jun	Chris McLain	KK6VZD
Jul		
Aug	Neil Bossard	N6CNY
Sep		
Oct	Manna Whelchel	KA6ETB
Nov		
Dec	Neil Bossard	N6CNY

If you wish to volunteer for 2022 let Manna know.

Thanks to all who have volunteered.  
Manna (KA6ETB)

## VE TEST SESSION

The next VE session is scheduled for Sat. Jan. 08, 2022 at 715 King Ave., Yuba City at 9:00 A.M. VE's are needed to administer the exam. The elements for Technician, General, and Extra class will be offered.

The exam requires two forms of ID. At least one of them must be a picture ID. A fee of \$15.00 is required.

A calculator may be used as long as it has had all of its memories cleared and there are no built in or preprogrammed formulas.

Upgrades to a higher class also require two forms of ID. At least one of them must be a picture ID. Also, bring your license and a photocopy of the license.

If you take an exam and pass, you can take the next higher class exam for no additional cost.

If you do not pass and wish to try

again an additional fee will be required.

**Please Note: You must use a FCC Federal Registration Number (FRN) to take an exam, for any transactions with the FCC. You will need this number for the forms you'll complete. A FRN can be obtained at:**

<https://www.fcc.gov/licensing-databases/commission-registration-system-fcc>

Good luck to everyone taking exams.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It is getting to be that time of year again when we remind everyone to renew membership for 2022. Dues can be paid at any meeting by giving your application and dues to Linda Maas (KK6SOZ), by mailing or via PayPal.

You can also make a donation to the repeater fund at the same time if you are so inclined.

A copy of the club application form can be downloaded on the club website: ysarc.net.

## JANUARY QSO AND OTHER CONTESTS

01 Jan – Kids Day; Phone  
08 Jan – ARRL Rookie Roundup; Digital  
15 Jan – North America QSO Party; CW  
15 Jan – ARRL January VHF Contest; CW, Digital, Phone  
15 Jan – Malaysia DX Contest; Phone



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15 Jan – Hungarian DX Contest;  
CW, Phone

22 Jan – North America QSO Party,  
SSB; Phone

29 Jan – Winter Field Day; CW,  
Digital, Phone

Many other contests can be found at:  
[http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Contest  
Corral/2022/January 2022 Corral.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ContestCorral/2022/January%202022%20Corral.pdf)

## BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting will be held  
on January 4 at 1900 (7p.m.) via zoom.  
Details for the zoom meeting will be  
emailed later.

## COMMENTS

✓YSARC's web page is: [ysarc.net](http://ysarc.net).

The web page is currently updated.  
All of the past VHN's are available on  
the club's website.

Thanks to our webmasters, Kevin  
Conde, K1KMC & Joe Visalli, N9BD.

Click on the upper right-hand icon on  
the club's homepage to join the our  
**Facebook** page.

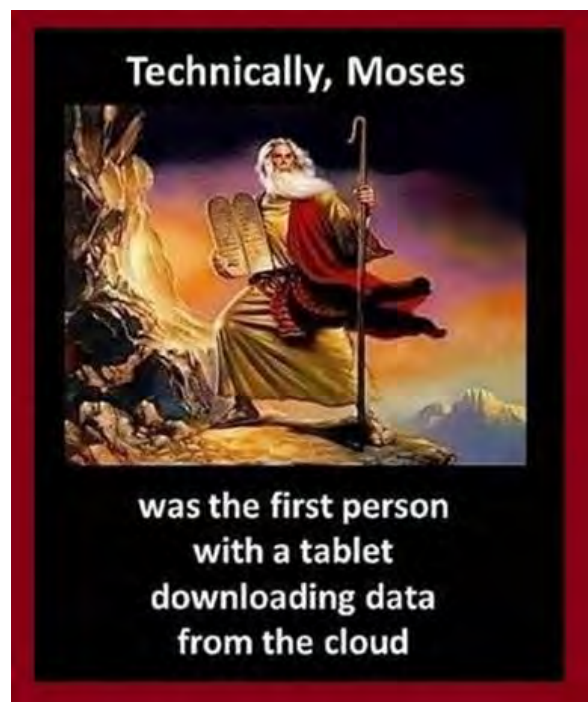
✓Check out the [New England ARES  
Academy](#) channel on YouTube for a  
series of excellent ARES training videos.

✓Send your ham related articles and  
pictures to share in your VHN. Pictures

(antenna parties, field day, Bike Around  
the Buttes, etc. are appreciated. Send  
them to [KI6CSN@arrl.net](mailto:KI6CSN@arrl.net) or  
[KF6FVP@arrl.net](mailto:KF6FVP@arrl.net)

✓If anyone has ideas/suggestions for  
club activities that we can do online or  
virtually please contact any club officer  
or board member or email your  
suggestions to [board@ysarc.net](mailto:board@ysarc.net).

## HUMOR



Bob McClard (N6BOB)

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## Yuba-Sutter Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 2, 2021 Held on Zoom platform, hosted by June



Meeting called to order by Director Joe Visalli N9BD at 19:01 hours.

### Officers and Board Members present unless noted<sup>1</sup>

President: Daniel Weber KM6RHC -  
absent

Vice President: Mike Morris KK6ISQ -  
absent

Secretary: Linda Maas KK6SOZ

Treasurer: June McJunkin N6JEY

Director: Joe Visalli N9BD

Director: Chris McLain KK6VZD

Director: Neil Bossard N6CNY - absent

Director: Brandon Guthrie KM6JID

Director: vacant

Members and Guests present: LeRoy Smith KJ6DKM, Claire Schloenvogt KI6VWG, Brenda Gipson KC9EIO, and Dave Gipson KC9EI.

### Treasurer's Report:

- Motion to approve financial reports for November 2, 2021, Joe/Brandon, passed.
- Motion to reimburse Kevin Conde K1KMC \$167.76 for annual bill for website & domain name "ysarc.net" which he already paid, Joe/Brandon, passed.
- June renewed our liability insurance.

### Secretary's Report (emailed ahead of meeting):

- Motion to approve minutes from October 5, 2021 as written, Chris/Joe, passed.
- Motion to approve 3 new Full memberships: Valerie Carr KI6CSM, Donald Campbell KN6IJE, and Eric Walton KN6QQT, Chris/Brandon, passed.

### Old Business

- Elections - the November 17 club meeting will be in-person, not on Zoom. With 25 voting members needed for a quorum, it was decided to offer an incentive for members to attend. Motion to approve purchase of two \$50 gift cards for a drawing at the November club meeting, Chris/Brandon, passed.
- LeRoy reports the next test session will be Saturday November 6 at 715 King Ave, Yuba City.

### New Business

- Veterans Day Parade – It looks like we have enough volunteers as long as they all show up. Additional volunteers are always welcome.
- Winter Field Day will be mentioned on upcoming nets, but the club will not be sponsoring a get-together.

Motion to adjourn at 19:28 hours, Chris/Brandon passed.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Maas KK6SOZ, YSARC Secretary