



# Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club

# Short Circuit

March 2019

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## Static & Sparks

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### March Program

Bill Woods - AB6BW

### The VOTE is IN

**40 YES - zero NO**

Thank you all for voting. We now have an updated set of Constitution and By Laws with change tracking all archived by our super Secretary, John Percival. SSARC has 54 current members.

### Special Election

At our March meeting on the 14th, we will be electing a president to fill out the current term just vacated by Mike Hassenfratz. Mike resigned due to health issues. Thank you Mike for leading us and we hope to see you back with us soon.

### Remember - NEW MENUS

We have migrated across the streets from TGI Fridays to the **Macaroni Grill** for our pre-meeting Dinner With The Speaker.

We had a good turnout at Toppers Pizza (NE corner of Cochran and Erringer) last month and will repeat this month. Look for us in the back left corner after ordering at the front counter. Early arrivals are encouraged to help secure the party room.

Thursday, March 14 7:00 PM

Mark Weiss K6FG

### Remote controlled radio.

Mark is a well known and very active DXer. He was first licensed as KN6PBI which was way back when novices had KN call signs.



### Upcoming Programs

April 11; Bill Woods  
"FT8 Digital Radio How To"

May 9; Eric Oberg  
"BitX SSB QRP how it works"

June 13; Lea Veronica  
"Living aboard a Sail boat with a Ham (operator)"

July 11; Stewart Sheldon  
"New Antenna Design"

### Dinner with the Speaker

**Where? Macaroni Grill**

**NE corner of Alamo & Tapo Cyn**

**When? 5:15 pm**

**Join our Mark and your club members for dinner before the club meeting.**

General Meeting  
Time: 7:00pm  
Location: Simi Valley Senior Center  
3900 Avenida Simi  
Simi Valley, CA 93063

## Nets of Interest

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>LSB Net</b> 8pm 3.908 MHz  <b>SSARC 2 Meter Net*</b> 8:30 pm SMRA-ERN Repeater 146.805 -0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 - 5.0MHz PL100.0	<b>Condor Connection</b> 7pm (Plays Newslines) Frazier Mountain 224.720-1.6 MHz PL156.7	<b>LSB Net</b> 8pm 3.908 MHz  <b>ACS Area 1</b> Simi Valley SMRA-ERN 7:05pm Repeater 146.805 -0.6MHz PL100.0 or 445.580 -5.0MHz PL100.0  <b>ATN-CA Net</b> 7:30pm <a href="http://atn-tv.org/netnight.htm">http://atn-tv.org/netnight.htm</a>	<b>Channel Islands chapter 10-10 International</b> 28.34 MHz at 10AM and 6PM  <b>Mesh IRC Net.</b> 6-10 PM  <b>Mesh VOIP Net</b> 8pm 2.4/5.8 GHz Mesh	<b>LSB Net</b> 8pm 3.908 MHz		<b>SSARC SSB HF Net</b> 8:30am 7.240 (+ or - QRM/N) 40 meter  <b>CW-QRP</b> 9am 7.032 MHz  <b>Quad Squad net</b> 1PM on 21.365 MHz's

Additional information on local nets can be found on the CVARC web site at: <http://www.cvarc.org>

## Sunday Night Net Control Operators

Thanks to our fine Net Control Operators: Steve, KE6WEZ; Rick, W6DQE; Ray, KI6LKD; Jay, AG6JF, Brian KM6MIN and Dante, KK6JCQ.

## ACS/ARES Corner

We are always looking for ACS members that would like to become Net Controllers. You will receive hands on training at the Simi Valley PD (where we normally conduct the Weekly Net). It is both fun and at times challenging. You will gain valuable experience in running a controlled Net as well as becoming more than just familiar with the equipment in the Radio Room at the PD. If you would like to volunteer for this, let me know - [ke6wez@gmail.com](mailto:ke6wez@gmail.com)

If anyone is interested in how to setup your own packet station, RMS Winlink station, or a Mesh Node, let me know and we can get you started in the proper direction.

**NOTE:** Please be advised that we hold the Tue. countywide net at 19:30 (7:30PM) on the Sulphur Mountain WD6EBY repeater 145.200, minus 600 KHz offset, CTCSS of 127.3. Until further notice, this will be our standard frequency for countywide communications.



- Steve King KE6WEZ ([ke6wez@gmail.com](mailto:ke6wez@gmail.com))

## Upcoming ACS/ARES Events:

1. NBEMS Net will start at 1800 vice 1730 from now on.
2. Sunday, 3 March 2019: Area 2 Crop Walk. Contact Zak n6pk@arrl.ne for assignments.
3. Monday, 4 Mar 2019 ACS District meeting at the Oxnard EOC.
4. Tuesday, 12 March: 2019: NBEMs practice at 6:00pm
5. SATURDAY - 16 MARCH, 2019 - MALIBU CLASSIC BIKE RIDE. CONTACT ZAK, N6PK FOR MORE INFO
6. TUESDAY- 2 APRIL, 2019 - OPERATIONAL READINESS TESTING (ORT) NIGHT

## Events

**Thursday, March 7, 2019, 6:00pm SSARC Pizza Night**

Toppers Pizza, 2408 Erringer Rd , Simi Valley

**Thursday, March 14, 2019, 7:00pm SSARC General Meeting**

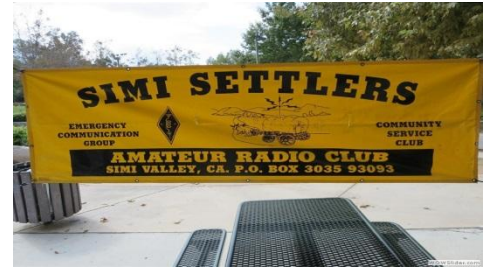
Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

**Thursday, March 26, 2019, 7:00pm SSARC Board Meeting**

Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

**Saturday, May tbd, 2019, SSARC Spring Picnic**

Probably My 4 at Jimmy and Lea Veronicas' home.



## Raffle Prize!

Jim Hutchinson KI6MZ, our new raffle coordinator, has several great prizes lined up. Bring \$\$\$ !!



sent in by Charles - WB6MIO

If you're wondering "What's this all about?" then you either:

- A. Don't do HF.
- B. Have never experienced a HIGH sun spot cycle.
- C. Don't know that WD40 can cure anything (that duct tape can't).
- D. All of the above.

- **Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club**
- **General Membership Meeting, February 14, 2019**

- Call to Order: In the absence of President, Mike Hasenfratz, WA6FXT, the meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Vice President, Jim Veronica, WA6NXX. Jim welcomed everyone to the meeting, held at the Simi Valley Senior Center. There was a recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance.

- 8 Officers and Board Members/Advisors were present. The total attendance was 23, with 2 visitors.

- Announcements: Secretary John Percival, WI6O, read a letter of resignation received from President Mike Hasenfratz, WA6FXT. Citing health issues, Mike made his resignation effective this date, 14February 2019. John pointed out that Article II, Section 4 of the pending constitution calls for vacancies occurring between elections to be filled by a Special Election at the first regular meeting following a resignation. This will need to be addressed at the March 14 Club meeting.

- Constitution/Bylaws: Secretary John called members' attention to the Vote Tally sheet that Bill Woods had provided for members in attendance to mark their vote for or against adoption of the updated Constitution and Bylaws documents. Members could also see if their E-mail votes had been received and recorded. Voting will remain open until the March 14, 2019 General Meeting. A "yes" vote by 2/3 of the paid membership is needed to officially adopt the documents.

- Introductions: There was a round of introductions for members and guests. The club welcomed visitors Yoshio Nakamura, KE6ACH, and guest speaker, Kevin Maiberger.

- Program: Vice President Jim Veronica introduced our guest speaker, Kevin Maiberger, who has had a long career as a police radio dispatcher. Kevin previously worked 17 years with the L.A. Police Department, and now has been with the Simi Valley P.D. for 10 years. Kevin pointed out the big difference in the size of the L.A. P.D. with 10,000 officers compared to about 100 officers in the Simi Valley P.D. Kevin described how radio dispatching works between the dispatch center and police units in the field. Location information lets the dispatcher see where field officers are, and a video display with the city map helps to coordinate response to calls for help. Kevin said there is always a need for new people to train as dispatchers. He said most all dispatchers are civilians, and most are women. During his talk, Kevin answered questions about how dispatching works, and at the end he described a couple of the most memorable 911 calls he has handled.

- Break: A 15-minute break was taken, with refreshments provided by Bill Everett, KI6KSV.

- Member Drawing: The progressive Membership drawing was held. The winning name drawn was John Percival, WI6O, who was present to win the \$20 prize. The prize amount will therefore start over with \$10 for our March 14, 2019 meeting. Members must be present to win, and the prize grows by \$10 each month it is unclaimed.

- Prize Raffle: Jim Hutchinson, KI6MZ, our prize chairperson showed the selection of prizes for tonight.

- February Meeting: The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 14, 2019. The program will be a presentation by Mark Weiss, K6FG, who will talk about remote-control operation of a home station.

- Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

- Submitted by: Secretary, John Percival, WI6O



## Letter From The Editor

Please submit articles, pictures, etc. on things of interest to our SSARC community for publication to me at [ab6bw1@gmail.com](mailto:ab6bw1@gmail.com). Such items may discuss your recent antenna project, shack modifications, new operating modes, anecdotes from portable field operations, and so forth. A picture with a caption works. A few sentences strung together works. A few paragraphs, a few pages with detailed illustrations. . . . It's all good. I look forward (with a wee bit of trepidation) to your submissions. **Submission Deadline is Sunday night before 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday!**

73, Bill (AB6BW)

Simi Settlers' Amateur Radio Club Web Page: <http://www.simisetters.org/index.htm>

Simi Settlers' ARC Yahoo Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SimiSettlersARC>

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**Simi Settlers Amateur Radio Club**

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**Membership Application**



**Type of Application:**

New Member   
Renewal

**Type of Membership:**

Individual (\$18/yr)   
Family (\$20/yr)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day & Month of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Omit year)

Call: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ 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: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL: Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day & Month of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Omit year)

Call: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL: Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day & Month of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Omit year)

Call: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL: Yes  No

Badges requested: Yes  No  How many? \_\_\_\_\_ X \$18.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) Call(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Shirts requested: Yes  No  How many? \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) Call(s) Size(s) (Sm, Med, L, XL, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

Jackets Requested: Yes  No  How many? \_\_\_\_\_ X \$88.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) Call(s) Size(s) (Sm, Med, L, XL, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application type: New  Renewal  Membership type: Individual  Family

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Database completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Badges and Shirts ordered: \_\_\_\_\_