



# *The Short Circuit*

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## **January URAC Speaker**

The speaker for the January club meeting will be URAC's own Jim Jerzycke, KQ6EA.

Jim will give a talk on "DSP For Rank Beginners" and will show a different way of thinking about DSP that doesn't give you a headache from all the advanced Mathematics which even he admits gives him fits.

Jim was first licensed in 1964 as WN9THB, and received his General ticket just in time for the 1965 Field Day event with the Joliet Amateur Radio Society.

Jim also holds a General Radiotelephone License with a Ship Radar endorsement.

## Message from the President:

*QST QST QST de W6HB...*

As URAC starts what most see as it's 85<sup>th</sup> year, it looks like we are off to a good start. Most of the committee chairs have been filled and appointments made. We have some good technical talks scheduled and the new Elmer program should provide some good support for newbie's needing startup help or old timers looking to learn something new.

Per the survey, meetings or designated monthly events will remain at 1900 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month. Special sessions such as hands on workshops, antenna parties, T-hunts and the like will be scheduled and communicated, as they become known.

The K6AA Operations Manual is being reviewed to better incorporate the City of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks volunteer program requirements. In the interim, please contact me with any questions or if you desire to become cleared to access station K6AA in the LAMM. For those cleared for access you may contact Dale – W7IXL, Scotty – K6ZNL, Neal – N6NW or Tom – K6LQI to get check out and signed off for operational authority.

The URAC monthly no-host breakfasts continue at the Think Café on the first Saturday at 0800 on most months. We look forward to seeing you there to share a great meal with lots of camaraderie and technical banter.

An events calendar should be forthcoming both on the [www.k6aa.org](http://www.k6aa.org) Web site and in the Short Circuit. Be on the lookout for it.

Many thanks to all who supported the HAMCON convention that was held at the Torrance Marriott in September. URAC has received their share of the profits, which adds a tidy sum to the treasury.

Continue to let us know what you desire from your club. Bring your ideas and body to as many of our functions to share the fun.

*73 – Doug*



The Club's No-host Breakfast is held 8:00 am on the First Saturday of each month at the **Think Cafe** at 302 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA

Saturday, January 7, 2012

The United Radio Amateur Club held its monthly breakfast at Think Café on Saturday, January 7, 2012.

In attendance were: Don Putnick-NA6Z, David Reid- W6KL, Homer Meek-K6HKT, John Rockwood- WA6SDK, Jim Jerzycke-KQ6EA, Bruce Edgar-AG6BJ, Ana Echeverria-Dowds-XYL, Doug Dowds-W6HB, Andy-N7KFC, Scotty Butler-K6ZNL, Jack Reeves-K6JWR, Mary Hochman-XYL, Martin Hochman-N6UB, Dale Kind-W7IXL, Sam Lollar-K1SL, Ivan Mikulich-KB6ATT, Steve Mandich-K6NT

John (WA6SDK) – a friend and he went to the Newport Beach Christmas boat parade. He recommends it highly for any who are interested and haven't seen it. It is one of the best boat shows in the country. He also went to the Christmas Eve holiday show in downtown L.A. Free show, free parking, etc. Also recommended, although he notes it is down to about 3 hours from somewhere around 6 hours just a few years back. Still worth it however. It is also being shown on PBS.

Jim (KQ6EA) – brought in his new portable Hercules DJ console. A guy in Germany has software that installs in PowerSDR that allows the console to be used as a control for a Flex radio. He showed it as a counter to those who say a Flex radio doesn't have any knobs. Using this console he gets a bunch knobs and sliders – and lights. He is holding off on getting his FDX-5000 until after Dayton. He claims Kenwood is going to get out of ham radio.

Don (NA6Z) – at the November club meeting, the idea of having an Elmer group came up and Don has volunteered to organize the concept. Anybody who wants to be an Elmer on any topic should send it to Don. He'll build a data-base and post it in the members-only section of the web site. In the public area will be a list of the topics. Anybody who wants to contact an Elmer will send a post a message, and the designated Elmer(s) for that topic can choose to respond (or not).

Bruce (AG6BJ) – not a lot to report. Cleaned up a bunch of the antennas at his place (with his son's help). Claimed his biggest achievement over the holiday was watching his two alumni Stanford and Oklahoma State's bowl game.

Ana – reported that 2011 was a bad year, but 2012 is going to be better. One of her students reports that 2011 was the year of the monkey, so every body had a "monkey on their back". 2012 will be the year of the Black Dragon. The oriental dragons are benevolent, so this could be good.

Doug (W6HB) – noted the Christmas party was a good time (Homer's daughter's seemed to have had a Really Good Time – causing a lot of discontent and thievery). He will publish (in the Short Circuit) a spreadsheet of events the club plans to participate in during the year – and those people who have volunteered to organize them.

A second thing is that Doug has gotten an email from a DF8DX who has done a lot of islands and wants to go do an expedition on Catalina. He offered to give a talk to local clubs, so he might do a presentation in January. Otherwise, Jim is the speaker for January.

Based on a question – Doug described what is going on with the cruise ships. Most of them are transitioning from one route to another over the next few weeks. In particular he talked about how Disney has canceled December 2012 cruises and may even pull out of the west coast completely.

Desert rat hamcon is coming up (see the Short Circuit). Next month is the convention in Yuma. Hamcon distributed a check to us for our help.

Bill Heather will not be here for field day this year. He has gotten a \$100 for the trailer – which he says will cover all what he needed to do to it. Otherwise the status of the trailer is unknown. Bill has recommended a number of enhancements – tool box, storage for antenna, and radios. Doug mentioned another club's trailer which has these items. Basically crank it up and get on the air.

Andy (N7KFL) – nothing. He bought a new auto tuner (toy). He really didn't want to talk about it – but Doug made him. First station he heard was a V5 and he worked him on the first call.

Scotty (K6ZNL) – happy new year. She noted that her daughter got an 'A' on her senior project – this semester. She is looking for some help for her daughter to help figure out the radio installation for the Europa spacecraft. It needs two radios, one microwave and one 440MHz. The group promptly noted that she needs to do a link budget. Dale used to do that for a living – and may (or may not) agree to help.

Jack (K6JWR) – Has done a little bit of work on his link – got an antenna, but otherwise stalled over the holidays.

Ivan (KB6ATT) – after 6 months of having his folded dipole lying on the ground he got the new wire and rebuilt it. Just as he was about to climb on the roof to put it back up, his granddaughter begged him not to. She was didn't want him to fall, because if he did, who was going to protect her. Anyway, he got it back up and now it is working great. He was asked about the "Willie Nelson" look. He is planning to see if the will let him in or out when he goes to Canada.

Sam (K1SL) – he decided to build a "super computer". He got a Dual 6 core Dual something or other from Intel (I7), 2 TB hard drive, etc. It is not any faster than his old P4. He spent some time at the drag strip. He got a Christmas present, they fixed his rear-end under warranty. He then says he needs some internal work – everybody thought he was talking about cardiac work, but wasn't.

Mary – mentioned they have seen a couple of really good movies lately (they don't go often). One is The Artist. It is B&W (and has an adorable dog). The other is Hugo. They saw it in 3D and Martin says it isn't gimmicky. (Doug mentioned "The Fall" – he and Ana loved it).

Martin (N6UB) – he passed.

Dale (W7IXL) – noted that on Thursday the left computer was beeping; there had been a power failure, and it did not come back up (no UPS at the station). The guy who has the nice boat came by the station. He is a ham, but has never "hammed". He may become a new member (if we don't scare him off). Dale waxed elegant about the hand carved mahogany switch covers.

He noted that he often has problems acting as net control when propagating conditions make it difficult for him to hit to the repeater. The general consensus (expressed by Martin): "get more power".

Homer (K6HKT) – showed some pictures of a diesel locomotive. These are down at the Orange Empire railroad museum. His daughter lined up an hour of driving one of them. He says it was a lot of fun. He noted that steering was real easy, and even the throttle was not complicated. Jim has some experience working on the converters of an electric train engine. He described how it is similar on a diesel-electric locomotive. The throttle is a bunch of notches, which Jim says changes paths in a transformer – it is not infinitely variable.

David (K6KL) – not much.

Steve (K6NT) – nothing either

Steve won the breakfast.



## LEANER, FASTER, SMARTER JANUARY 22, 2012 MAILING SERVICES PRICE CHANGE

### BACKGROUND:

Prices for most Postal Service mailing services will change on January 22, 2012. Mailing services includes First-Class Mail, Standard Mail, Periodicals, Package Services and Extra Services. Prices for shipping services will also change on January 22. We will provide customers the new shipping services prices later this fall.

While actual percentage price increases for various products and services varies, the overall average price increase across all mailing services is capped by law at 2.1 percent, the rate of inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

### FIRST-CLASS MAIL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Letters (1 oz.) – 1-cent increase to 45 cents. This is the first increase in the price of a First-Class Mail stamp since May 2009.
- Single-piece letters additional ounce rate – unchanged at 20 cents.
- Postcards – 3-cent increase to 32 cents
- Letters to Canada or Mexico (1 oz.) – 5-cent increase to 85 cents
- Letters to other international destinations – 7-cent increase to \$1.05
- The second ounce will be free for First-Class Mail Presort pieces weighing between one and two ounces.

### ADDITIONAL PRICE ADJUSTMENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- The price increase for Standard Mail Letters is slightly below the overall average at less than 1.9 percent
- A new 3-month pricing option will be available to rent PO Boxes for people on the move and others that need a PO Box for a shorter time period.
- Delivery Confirmation will be free for several parcel products as the Postal Service continues to make tracking an integral component of parcels mailed at commercial rates.

### PERCENTAGE OF PRICE CHANGE BY CLASS OF MAIL:

Class	Percent Change
First-Class Mail	2.133
Standard Mail	2.124
Periodicals	2.133
Package Services	2.133
Extra Services	-0.663*

\*With the exception of Delivery Confirmation and Confirm, most Extra Services prices increase at about 2.1 %. Adding Delivery Confirmation and Confirm services as included services for some parcels results in the overall price reduction for Extra Services.

### ROLE OF THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION:

The new prices were filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission on Oct. 18, 2011. The Commission has 45 days to review the prices to verify they comply with the overall 2.1 percent price cap for each class of mail. The new prices will go into effect on Jan. 22, 2012.

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# PICTURES OF THE 2011 CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE THINK CAFÉ!



**John Linder and his father**



**Doug Dowds**



### More Pictures from the Party...



**2012 Club Officers**

### URAC 2012 – LOSER’S PRIZE WINNERS



**Nick, Gina and Jim**

## ARRL – PALM SPRINGS HAMFEST 2018 – JANUARY 28, 2012

We have over 30 Vendors and groups attending. One main focus of our event is live Demos that will go on throughout the Day. Presenters like Gordon West, Clint Bradford / AMSAT , San Bernardino Microwave Society, The Fast Scan TV Group from Los Angeles, D-STAR, and others!

See our web site or Forum for all the details <http://desertrats.x.am>. WE have just received word Yaesu is coming ....that adds to ALINCO ( with some new products to view and hands on trying out ) and Elecraft who are manufacturers of Ham products. Kenwood will be in attendance to discuss their line but will not have a display of their products. Raffles all day long! Great food ...cooked home style by our volunteers and YL's. YUM

SWAP MEET space free for sellers so bring along your stuff ...make money... and buy some new stuff to play with and *this Winter is the perfect time to build something ...as it says on the cover of QST !*

It's all about having fun and camaraderie like the good old fashioned Hamfests of bygone days! Remember the old burger joint hangout! Like Palm Springs of old it's all about nostalgia. Time to grease up the old duck tail or rats nest hairdo, dress 50's - 60's! Our Hamfest is the Desert RATS Club's gift to all Hams and all about Ham Radio + . Meant to be a fun place to spend the day. Come in your RAT ROD! Bring a friend that has one..or vintage / classic stock gem, or custom chopped and channeled beauty! I wonder if we will have more Fords than Chevies? An Event where it didn't cost you an arm and a leg to attend. \$2 is all it is (and that's our cost to get you clean state of the art biffies. hi hi ) The air waves are already aBUZZ about Palm Springs on January 28. Handicapped friendly with a shuttle service from car to event and back.

If you only have a few items you want to sell off we have our very successful 2nd Hand Store where our expert Club members will sell it for you for a slight commission of 10% no hassle for you and you can enjoy the day. For complete details go online but here is a list of some of the attendees to wet your appetite:

ARRL  
Carl Gardenias, WU6D  
Dick Norton, N6AA  
Bill Prats K6ACJ

A Better Tomorrow --Ham Clothing and Apparel  
Laura Seitlinger

Alpine Antenna Co.  
Wes Ogilvie, KA6EL

Alinco Electronics, amateur radio's value leader, sells high quality hand held and mobile transceivers.

AMSAT Satellite contacting - Demos  
Clint Bradford, K6LCS

Bud's Engraving  
Merle (Bud) Young

Byonics  
Byon Garrabrant

CQ Magazine  
Chip Margelli

DX Store  
Jim Shryne, N6DHZ

EDS Emergency Pack  
Kelly Guthrie

Elecraft

Fast Scan TV Demos  
Amateur Television Network  
Tom WB6HYH

Gordon West WB6NOA Wagon master  
Quartzfest to Palm Springs Hamfest Convoy  
January 27  
146.520

ICOM D-Star Demos  
Gene Swiech

Ham Radio Outlet  
Janet Margelli, KL7MF

Hi-Tech Liquidators

Impulse Electronics  
Marvin Munster, W6MJM

Kenwood Special guest

NiCad Lady Company  
Jeffrey Lloyd

Nifty Accessories  
Bernie Lafreniere N6FN

RF Stuff  
Kathy & Art Bross  
N7AYR & KC7GF

Gordon West School, W5YI  
Gordon West WB6NOA

MARS  
Corky Elliott WE6COP  
Tom Mackay, W6WC

Old Military Radios ( Museum collection)  
Michael Brennan

Quality Power Batteries  
Kyle Underhill

San Bernardino Microwave Society - Demos  
Dennis Kidder, W6DQ

W5YI Gordon West's School  
Ham Courses WB6NOA

Yaesu Amateur Radio-- Division of Vertex Standard  
coming back for their second year

Riverside County ARES  
Evan DeRouen KI6WNF

Riverside County RACES  
John Polak NF6N

Civil Air Patrol  
Squadron 11

Desert RATS Club of Palm Springs  
Glenn Morrison WB6RLC

Special Events Station  
Tom Avarett WD6RAT

Chip Wallace W6POO  
Emmy & Golden Mic Award Winner  
Special Guest - Announcer

Daily NETS 8AM 12PM 6PM  
Thursday 6PM- Saturday 6PM  
and **talk in station** 146.940 -PL107.2

-- Where else can you go these days for under \$10 ...go to an ARRL sanctioned Hamfest, buy your lunch or snacks, buy a Raffle ticket ; entry fee ; get change and meet your 'on air' buddies for an eyeball chat!

Now that's a good old Hamfest... Be there or be square !

location is at the following Map link on our web site

<http://desertrats.am/pshamfest2012.html>

or here : 4193 Matthew Drive  
Palm Springs, CA 92264

talk in 146.940 - PL107.2

Join in our Hamfest Information NET Daily beginning Thursday 6PM & Friday - Saturday at 8AM 12 PM & 6 PM on same frequency

73 Peter VE7REZ /w6

Forum ... <http://desertrats.x.am>

Website: <http://desertrats.am>

# The Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society

invite you to attend the 3rd annual \* \* \* Palm Springs HAMFEST!

**Special event station on 14.251 and 7.251 from 0300z to 1200z**

**Saturday, January 28  
9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.**

Talk-in frequency:  
146.940- PL 107.2  
WD6RAT Desert RATpeater  
Daily Nets Thursday thru Sat.  
8 A.M. - Noon - 6 P.M.

**ONLY \$2**

Bring your ham gear to sell, no fee charged for selling if you bring own table and chairs. Or bring it to the club table ( small commission to the club) ...we'll handle the sale.

Email us for more info:  
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~Check ze Tweets @hamradio  
@RivCoARES

Check the website for directions and vendor updates!

<http://www.desertrats.am>

An official  Sanctioned Event

## HAMFEST!



**Jan 28, 2012 follow the rat @desertrats.am**

**FOOD! FUN! PRIZES!**

Raffle tickets only \$1

**Ham Radio talks by  
Clint Bradford and Gordon West**

Old Military Radio collection on display by  
Michael Brennan KA6PGN

### Vendors

Alinco YAESU DX Store  
Ham Radio Outlet

Buds Engraving Alpine Antennas  
Byonics ARRL W5Y1 RF Stuff  
EDS Emergency Pack Impulse Electronics  
Rouend Comm with ABR Industries Coax  
CQ Magazine Quake Safe Kits  
And a great SWAP MEET!



Event Coordinators Gary Boskovich KD6QLT and Susie Boskovich KD6QVO 760-328-9662 [sboskovich@dc.rr.com](mailto:sboskovich@dc.rr.com)

RSVP: RV Dry Camping reservations for vendors: [sboskovich@dc.rr.com](mailto:sboskovich@dc.rr.com) Vendor Set-up time 7:00-9:00 AM

Hotel Nearby: Quality Inn of Palm Springs 760-323-2775 check early to get reservations!

## The URAC Elmer Project ... Don NA6Z

Remember that Elmer who helped you get started in amateur radio? One way of paying tribute to him or her is to pay it forward instead. There are prospective and new hams who could use our help. And there might be a few old dogs who want to learn new tricks. You can help out by joining the brand new URAC Elmer Project.

According to Rick Lindquist N1RL, "The term "Elmer"--meaning someone who provides personal guidance and assistance to would-be hams--first appeared in *QST* in a March 1971 "How's DX" column by Rod Newkirk, W9BRD (now also VA3ZBB). Newkirk called them "the unsung fathers of Amateur Radio." While he probably was not trying to coin a term at the time, here's how Newkirk introduced "Elmer" in his column and, as it turned out, to the rest of the Amateur Radio world: Too frequently one hears a sad story in this little nutshell: "Oh, I almost got a ticket, too, but Elmer, W9XYZ, moved away and I kind of lost interest." We need those Elmers. All the Elmers, including the ham who took the most time and trouble to give *you* a push toward your license, are the birds who keep this great game young and fresh."

The first step is for you to volunteer. All you need to do is send me an email with the topics you want to mentor. It can be as general as "mentoring new hams" or as specific as "teaching high-speed Morse Code with a straight key." I'll collect all the mentors and topics and we'll publish a Mentor Spreadsheet in the "Club Documents" section of our website [www.k6aa.org](http://www.k6aa.org). We'll also publish just a list of mentor topics (without your personal information) in the public section, with instructions on how to contact me.

The second step is when someone contacts me looking for help with a topic. I'll forward their information to you. That way we can ensure your privacy until you decide to make contact. Of course, if you're a club member interested in learning about a topic, you can go to the Mentor Spreadsheet and contact the mentor directly.

Best regards and Happy 2012  
Don Putnick NA6Z  
NA6Z@arrl.net

## *January BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS*

Donna Day W6DLD



John Linder KC6JHV  
John Rogers KF6TTR

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### **Links of Interest**

Check out ARRLHQ's Channel – YouTube

<http://www.youtube.com/user/ARRLHQ>

Check out W5KUB.COM

<http://w5kub.com/>

Morse code jewelry for the HAM lady in your life

<http://www.etsy.com/shop/allisonhiltonjones#>

Check out Ham Radio in Hollywood: Comedian Tim Allen stars as radio amateur

<http://www.arrl.org/news/view/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-comedian-tim-allen-stars-as-radio-amateur-on-new-tv-show>

Check out Journey 2: The Mysterious Island Trailer (No. 1) - IMDb

<http://www.imdb.com/video/imdb/vi4230192665/>

Check out HAM Radio in Hollywood: Amateur Radio a Plot Point in Major Motion

<http://www.arrl.org/news/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-amateur-radio-a-plot-point-in-major-motion-picture>

Check out WA7BNM Contest Calendar: Home

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html>

Sampson parking now lost -- any ideas from URAC members at large?

[http://www.portoflosangeles.org/newsroom/2011\\_releases/news\\_111711\\_Watercut.asp](http://www.portoflosangeles.org/newsroom/2011_releases/news_111711_Watercut.asp)

## DX OPERATIONS FOR JANUARY 2012 Per NG3K

Reunion, FR: Is now operating thru 1/10/2012. QSL via F6CAM.  
Namibia, V5: Is now operating thru 1/16/2012. QSL via DJ2BQ.  
Sri Lanka, 4S7KKG: Is now operating thru 3/10/2012. QSL via DC0KK.  
United Arab Emirates, A6: Is now operating thru 1/10/2012. QSL via VE6LB.  
Namibia, V5: Is now operating thru 1/13/2012. QSL via DL1ZU.  
Namibia, V5: Is now operating thru 1/16/2012. QSL via DJ2HD.  
Namibia, V5: Is now operating thru 1/13/2012. QSL via DL1ZU.  
East Kiribati, T32AU: Is now operating thru 1/31/2012. QSL via VO1AU.  
Bermuda, VP9: Is now operating thru 1/10/2012. QSL via WW3S.  
Dominica, J79XB: Is now operating thru 1/31/2012. QSL via VE2XB.  
Mariana Is, KH0: Is now operating thru 1/10/2012. QSL via JE4SMQ.  
Sint Maarten, PJ7: Is now operating thru 1/16/2012. QSL via IK2QPR.  
Bonaire, PJ4B: Is now operating thru 1/22/2012. QSL via PA8A.  
Palau, T88SM: Will be operating 1/11 thru 1/15/2012. QSL via JA6EGL.  
British Virgin Is, VP2V: Will be operating 1/11 thru 1/21/2012. QSL via GM0LVI.  
El Salvador, YS3: Will be operating 1/11 thru 1/24/2012. QSL via IW2CXJ.

Bonaire, PJ4C: Will be operating 1/12 thru 1/23/2012. QSL via F5NQL.  
Tuvalu, T2HA: Will be operating 1/12 thru 1/26/2012. QSL via HA5AO.  
French Polynesia, TX6T: Will be operating 1/14 thru 1/16/2012. QSL via G3TXF.  
Cambodia, XU7: Will be operating 1/14 thru 1/22/2012. QSL via JA3AVO.  
East Kiribati, T32: Will be operating 1/17 thru 2/2/2012. QSL via VO1AU.  
Pitcairn Is, VP6T: Will be operating 1/20 thru 1/29/2012. QSL via F6BEE.  
Senegal, 6W7SK: Will be operating 1/20 thru 2/3/2012. QSL via F6BLP.  
Pitcairn Is, VP6T: Will be operating 1/20 thru 2/4/2012. QSL via FM5CD.  
Curacao, PJ2: Will be operating 1/21 thru 2/4/2012. QSL via AA9A.  
Malpelo Is, HK0NA: Will be operating 1/21 thru 2/8/2012. QSL via N2OO.  
Congo, TN2T: Will be operating 1/22 thru 2/1/2012. QSL via M0URX.  
Wallis & Futuna, FW0R: Will be operating 1/24 thru 2/23/2012. QSL via HA0NAR.  
Maldives, 8Q7HU: Will be operating 1/25 thru 2/5/2012. QSL via CX3AN.  
Fiji, 3D2HA: Will be operating 1/26 thru 1/29/2012. QSL via HA5AO.  
Mayotte, TO4M: Will be operating 1/28 thru 2/5/2012. QSL via IK5BCM.  
El Salvador, HU2DX: Will be operating 1/29 thru 2/10/2012. QSL via DH7WW.

**\*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTES \*\*\***

**K6AA Station** We can still use more operators for our K6AA station. See Doug, W6HB, and or Scotty, K6ZNL, checkout and training.

Check out the special events page on the website for the latest from arrl and e-ham net:

<http://www.k6aa.org/specialevents.html>

***Additional Calendar Notes*****Club Net**

Held weekly on Thursdays at 8pm

Primary = WA6LA repeater

(145.380; -600; PL 100)

If the repeater is unavailable, our Net will use the repeater output (145.38) on simplex.

**Club Meeting**

Held monthly on 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month (except August and December)

**No Host Breakfast**

Held monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 8:00am. Location: Think Café on 5<sup>th</sup> Street in San Pedro

**“VE/CE Session for Amateur and Commercial Licenses**

Monthly on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. **By appointment.** Go to <http://k6aa.org/index.php/menu-licenseexams>”



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 Bill Carter, W6AJ

**Appointments / Volunteers**

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium Sea Fair  
 Conquer the Bridge Chair  
 Contact VE Lead(s)  
 CROP Hunger Walk Chair  
 Field Day Chair(s)  
 International Lighthouse - Lightship Weekend Chair  
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