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Next General Meeting:
Face-to-face:
Tuesday, June 16th 7:00pm

A Message from Club President John Otte, K6JRO

Welcome to another edition of *The Readout*.

The long wait is over. Field Day is here!

ARRL Field Day is the United States and Canada's best-known on-the-air event. Each year, on the fourth weekend of June, over 31,000 amateur radio operators come together—with clubs, groups, and friends—to operate our stations in remote locations and in adverse conditions (well, truth be told, we'll be up in the Sierra Nevada mountains at the old FD site in my new RV!). So, are you ready?

Field Day is more than a contest. It is amateur radio's time to shine. This is the event that gathers the most people and thus interest. From curious youth to public officials, our skills and technology are on full display.

With this in mind, Field Day always presents both logistical and technical challenges, which serves as a motivation to improve for the next year. In fact, I will begin planning for FD 2027 on Monday after FD.

Field Day is also a time to foster friendship, and memories. As many of you know, my entire childhood is filled with the memories of Field Day. Memories are the invisible threads that weave our past, present, and future together and Field Day is the day to create those lasting memories.

So, get your gear in order. Make your final preparations and make Field Day 2026 memorable. As Dr. Seuss said, *sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory.*

73 de K6JRO
John Otte
SARA Club President
Readout Editor

Minutes:

MAY face-to-face meeting

Write for The Readout:

If anyone has information that they want included in *The Readout* please submit to the editor
k6jro@arrl.net.

Please try and have the information or articles to the editor by the 30th of each month.

Minutes from the May meeting

Stanislaus Amateur Radio Association
P.O. Box 4601 Modesto, CA 95352

www.saraclub.net

May 20, 2026

Club Meeting Minutes

(Meeting held at 3705 Oakdale Road Modesto, CA)

Attendance (via sign in sheet)

Scott, KN6OOV	Roy, KK6OQP	Paul, W6UHF
Dick, W8AAL	Cheryl, KK6GJM	Scott, WB3KJX
Robin, KG6ZYQ	Eva, KM6BIP	Linda, W6MUT
Scott, KN6RKY	John, K6JRO	Alex, KO6HPZ
Lucian, KF6NPG	Randy, KF6RJS	Scott, N6CIC
Mark, N6ARP	Richard, W6DU	Patty, W6PV
Adam, K6ALR	Brian, KN6QFF	Robert, KD6BNY
Vicki, KJ6RCV	John, W6PY	Richard, WE6V
Jason, KA6TIO	Mark, KI6HOB	Ed, KF6FIR
Greg, KO6GJL	James, KK6ILV	
Art, KN6SSP (guest)	Katie, KJ6HHA (guest)	

President John, K6JRO, had to leave the meeting early and handed the gavel over to Vice-President Brian, KN6QFF. Brian welcomed everyone and asked Robin, KG6ZYQ, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 29 members and two guests present according to the sign-in sheet. Brian asked members and guests to introduce themselves.

Reading of Minutes: Secretary Scott, N6CIC, said the minutes from last month's meeting were presented in the READOUT sent out prior to the meeting. There was a correction to the April ending bank balance which should be \$11,396.62. With that correction, Scott, KN6OOV, made a motion to approve the minutes, with a second by John, W6PY. The club approved the minutes unanimously.

Treasurer Scott, KN6RKY, reported we have an ending bank balance of \$11,396.62. The Treasurer's report ends on the last day of the month, so it was available for review in the Readout. Greg, KO6GJL, made a motion to approve the report, and with a second, by Mark, N6ARP, the club voted to approve the report.

President John, K6JRO, see Vice-President's report below.

Vice-President: Brian, KN6QFF, asked Greg, KO6GJL, to report for the 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee. Cathy, KO6LST, is working on designs for the patch and coin. He also noted Riverbank will let us rent the gazebo in Veteran's Park at a rate of \$100 for six hours.

Brian listed upcoming presentations:
May-Lucian, KF6NPG, Discone Antennas.
June-Field Day
July-Field Day recap
August- Greg, KO6GJL, Icom IC-7300 MKII.
September-open.

Joining SARA:

We are taking membership applications for 2026

One-year dues are \$30.00 for individuals, or \$45.00 for a family. To join, fill out the registration form in this newsletter and bring it to any SARA meeting.

October-Jason, KA6TIO, Vicki, KJ6RCV, Debrief on the 50th Anniversary celebration.

November-open.

Sergeant at Arms Robin, KG6ZYQ, said There will be a 50:50 raffle followed by an equipment raffle. Scott, N6CIC, donated a VHF-UHF SWR meter with cable and Yaesu hand microphone. She brought snacks and water to enjoy during the break.

Club Trustee: Lucian, KF6NPG, gave the following Repeater Committee report:

- The 2-meter, 440, GMRS, and 145.110 repeaters are working well.
- The 220-transmission radio is at Maxon radio repair depot.
- The new 6-meter repeater is ready for installation on next trip. The old repeater is working intermittently.
- Solar is working well. We paid \$10.00 for connection charge plus \$1.31 electrical use from our work on Mt. Oso in April.

We were able to establish remote monitoring through the tunnel of Ed mesh. It gave us readings for about a week, and the PT computer stopped working and it probably needs to be reset for some reason.

Unplanned PGE power outage on 5-10-2026 for about 30 minutes 0028 to 0100.

Unplanned PGE power outage on 5-17-2026 for about 2 hours from 0429 to 0622.

PSPS (Public Safety Power Shutdown) due to dry conditions and high winds for about 24 hours from 5-17-2026 at 1134 and power on 5-18-2026 at 1234.

Mark was in ARES room recently and Ruben saw him. He said they had some grant money available. We ordered a few HT's (two are GMRS for events for non-hams) and some for C4FM Fusion. Also, we were able to get another battery for Mt. Oso. This will complete our build out of our solar project.

Note: thanks to the Repeater Committee members for their dedicated work keeping the club's repeaters in excellent condition.

ARES/Community Events: Ed, KF6FIR, reported the Regalado Road Race on May 30 is fully staffed. The Walk to End Alzheimer's is on September 19. The next ARES meeting is on Saturday, June 13, and plans are to build 40-meter NVIS antennas.

Board Members: Mark, N6ARP, Dick, W8AAL, Cheryl, KK6GJM, and Scott, KN6OOV, were present. There were no reports except Scott, KN6OOV, got his power supply back from Roy.

Field Day Coordinator: Paul, W6UHF, reported next month we will assign band captains for each Field Day band. We have numerous raffle prizes for the barbecue and everyone who shows up will get a free ticket. So far 21 people have said they plan to attend.

Weather Officer Randy, KF6RJS, reported the current temperature is 88.2 degrees and warmer weather is expected later in the week.

Old Business: None

New Business: John, W6PY, asked if anyone is making name badges for club members? Mark, N6ARP, has a list of vendors who have made name badges in the past and he will get the list to Scott, N6CIC, for sending to the club members.

Break: There was a 15-minute break. The evening's split-the-pot raffle winner was Alex, KO6HPZ. The raffle raised a total of \$150 with \$75 going to the winner. Congratulations Alex! The winner of the VHF/UHF SWR meter and Yaesu mic was Scott, WB3KJX. The equipment raffle raised \$25.

Note: Thank you to all members and guests who donated and who continuously participate in our monthly fund-raising raffles. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Presentation: Lucian, KF6NPG, gave an interesting slide presentation on operating the discone antenna at the Titan Missile Museum in Green Valley, AZ. Green Valley is about 25 miles south of Tucson. This museum is all that remains of the 54 Titan II missile sites that existed in the USA from 1963 to 1987. The Titan II rocket had the largest nuclear warhead (9 megatons) on any US missile.

Lucian presented an interesting video tour of the museum and missile facilities including crew living quarters.

Amateur radio operators are free to operate the giant discone antenna during museum opening hours. The antenna, built by Collins, is 80 feet tall, and is broad-band with an SWR of less than 2:1 from 6 MHz to 30 MHz. Lucian made four contacts on 20 meters with 100 watts to the antenna as band conditions were not ideal.

Meeting Adjournment: Brian, KN6QFF, adjourned the meeting at about 8:14 PM after a motion by Ed, KF6FIR, and a second by John, W6PY. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 16, 2026 (7:00 pm to 8:00 pm) and will be a face-to-face meeting. The location is the Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services, 3705 Oakdale Road, Modesto, CA.

Minutes by Scott, N6CIC, Club Secretary.

Treasure report from the May meeting



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Treasury Report May 31, 2026

May 1, 2026 to May 31, 2026

BEGINNING BALANCE: \$11,396.62

INCOME:

Membership Dues - (cash/check)	\$30.00
Member Donations (cash/check)	\$0.00
Split-The-Pot	\$100.00 Alex KO6HPZ
Radio/Equipment Raffle	\$25.00
Square - Auto Deposit - Dues	\$57.42 (net of Square fees)
Square - Auto Deposit - Donations	\$0.00 (net of Square fees)

TOTAL INCOME:	\$212.42	Square - Auto Deposit	\$57.42
		Deposit Tri-Counties Bank	\$155.00

EXPENSES:

Moeller Mt. Oso Communications	\$80.00	(Ck # 1202) - Monthly Site Rent (5-1-2026)
PG&E \$11.31 - \$15.35 CA Climate Credit	\$0.00	(EFT) - Mt Oso Utilities-May 2026 31 days
Verizon	\$11.62	(EFT) - Mt Oso Solar Remote Monitoring (5-12-2026)

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$91.62

**** Tri-Counties Bank**

Ending Bank Balance: \$11,517.42 as of May 31, 2026

Field Day Fund:	\$1,459.03	(included in ending bank balance)
Equipment Fund:	\$3,569.91	(included in ending bank balance)
General Fund:	\$6,488.48	(included in ending bank balance)

Treasurer:

May 31, 2026

2026 Membership - 79 Members

Weather
Report,
Randy, KF6RJS

Weather report from Randy, KF6RJS

The following report was filed by SARA club weather officer Randy, KF6RJS. Data was collected from his home QTH in North Modesto:

Our raining is almost over. It will end on June 30th, 2026. As of right now for May I ended the month with 0.41" and a yearly total of 12.73". So, for 2025/26 we beat Seasonal total by 0.56". I did miss a couple days because of my weather station was down. Our new raining season will run from July 1st of 2027 thru June 30th of 2028. The weather for this week: Monday the 15th thru Friday the 29th the highs are going to be 88 to 97. Lows in the 59 to 64. I Hope that Field Day 2026 will be nice for everyone going.

73
Randy Spindler, KF6RJS.
Weather Officer

ARES

Wally, KK6CPN
Emergency
Coordinator,
Stanislaus County

Stanislaus County ARES Report

Hello everyone.



Last month we supported the Regalado Road Race. There were no incidents to report from the race. This month we had training on NVIS antenna along with a practical exercise building a 40m wire dipole antenna. After the monthly meeting we also tested each built antenna with the help antenna analyzers. We look

forward to Field Day and hope to see many of you there. As the weather warms up, please remain aware of hazards from heat. Stay hydrated and use sunscreen when outside. Also make sure your battery and go kits are in order, just in case the need arises. I would like to remind all SARA members you are welcome to attend our ARES meeting and training courses on the second Saturday of the month.

Thanks,
Ed KF6FIR

Stanislaus County ARES AEC-Administration
Ed Hanna, KF6FIR



ARES® operates under the authority of the Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services (OES), and the Stanislaus County Assistant Director for OES. ARES® is organized under the auspices of the American Radio Relay League, the San Joaquin Valley Section Manager, and the San Joaquin Valley Section District Emergency Coordinator. Operational control is under the Stanislaus County OES.

If you are interested in joining Stanislaus ARES, go to the Stanislaus ARES website (www.stanares.org) and click on the Join ARES tab. There is formation on how to join and the membership forms to complete are available there. Please check in on the ARES voice radio net very Wednesday at 7:30 pm on the 145.390 – pl. 136.5 S.A.R.A. repeater. There is also an unproto Packet radio net during the voice net on 144.910 via the SARA node. The monthly training meeting is at 10:00am on the second Saturday of the month at 3705 Oakdale Road Modesto, CA. Meeting dates and times can change due to operational needs. Please check the web site for updates.



Field Day

Field Day:

SARA Field Day 2026 UPDATE

Field Day fast approaches on June 27 - 28, 2026 at Lake McClure, McClure Point Campground Area 'C'. Thus far I have 23 people signed up for the Saturday afternoon Barbecue and looking to confirm a head count. Please let me know if you plan to attend so I can have enough food for everyone. Additionally, we will have some great raffle prizes including HRO Gift certificates, HT's, coax and lots more. I will be at the SARA meeting on June 16 to answer any questions or concerns.

73

Paul W6UHF

SARA Field Day Chairman

Swap Shop

Swap Shop: Ham Radio related equipment for sale

The image below was sent to me by Beth Murphy (formally KD6CRD) a friend of Jim Sheetz, K6KBA who passed away on January 2nd. He has a great deal of equipment his wife is selling and wanted to let the SARA club know about all of it. If you have any interest, please let her know at rncde928@yahoo.com



Cushcraft R5 vertical antenna good working condition. This antenna covers 20, 17, 15, 12, and 10 meters and does not require radials. It comes with an instruction manual. It is missing one mounting bracket, but that does not affect operation. Asking \$150. If interested, call or text Scott, N6CIC, at 661-753-7144 or email at scottandalene@msn.com.

Comet M-24B mag mount antenna with BNC connector - \$40. If interested please contact Mark Carter, KI6HOB at carter1956@att.net

\$\$\$ REVISED EQUIPMENT FOR SALE.

TERMS

1. CASH IN \$20 BILLS, no warranty, you pick up. Demo operation if desired.
2. *****CALL ME AT 209-857-2755*****.

73, CHIP W7AIT

1. **TRANSCEIVER - KENWOOD TM-981**, FM, 15 WATT 902 MHZ HAM BAND TRANSCEIVER. WITH PT T MIC, DC POWER CABLE. ADD POWER AND ANTENNA. RADIO SOFTWARE MODIFIED FOR 902 REPEATER FREQUENCIES. **PRICE \$40.**
2. **COMPUTER - 2 EACH DELL DESKTOP TOWER** PC QUAD I7 PROCESSOR WITH DISC DRIVE 1 TERABYTE, WINDOWS 7, O.S., KEYBOARD, MOUSE: **PRICE \$10 EACH.**
3. **TVI FILTERS - BENCHER YA-1** 500 WATT, 1.8 TO 30 MHZ PASS BAND, 70 DB REJECTION ABOVE 35 MHZ. 5 EACH. WILL SELL INDIVIDUALLY. **PRICE \$10 EACH.**
4. **POWER LINE PROTECTOR** - RACK MOUNT GROUND FAULT STATUS DETECTOR, PROTECTION UNIT 1RU. 2 EACH. **\$20 EACH.**
5. **PROTOTYPE - 3 RU PROTOTYPE RACK PANELS.** CURRENT CONFIGURATION: LEFT SIDE- 3 BNC FEMALE CONNECTORS, CENTER PANEL BLANK, RIGHT SIDE 3 BNC FEMALE CONNECTORS. **\$40.**
6. PROTOTYPE - 1 RU PROTOTYPING PANEL WITH VARIOUS SWITCHES, INDICATORS. **\$20.**
7. **RECORDER - RACK MOUNT, 1 RU- DENON DN-650R SOLID STATE ANALOG / DIGITAL STEREO RECORDER.** LOADS OF FEATURES. TR S AND XL R INPUT CONNECTORS. **\$120.**
8. *** **PRICE CUT *** HP 8494A STEP ATTENUATOR** - PRECISION HP ATTENUATION 8494A 0-11 DB, DC TO 18 GHZ. WITH MANUAL. **\$60.**
9. *** **PRICE CUT *** HP 8496A STEP ATTENUATOR** PRECISION HP ATTENUATOR 8496A 0-110 DB, DC TO 18 GHZ. WITH MANUAL. **\$60.**
10. **SWEEP SIGNAL GENERATOR - ELENCO GF8056** FIXED OR SWEEP GENERATOR. **\$60.**
11. **POWER SUPPLY - PYRAMID MODEL PS-12KX**, OUTPUT 13.8 VOLTS AT 10 AMPS. **\$40.**
12. **HOME BREW DIGITAL ARDUINO VOLTMETER/AMMETER.** **\$10.**
13. **RACK 7 RU**, 44 INCH HIGH, 20 INCH WIDE, 19 INCH DEEP. BY MIDDLE ATLANTIC. **\$60.**
14. **SANYO ANALOG COLOR TV SET 13 INCH WITH REMOTE** - **\$20.**
15. **ACTIVE ANTENNA, 20 KHZ TO 300 MHZ, BONI-WHIP. GREAT FOR SDR RECEIVERS.** INCLUDES MINI WHIP ELEMENT, ACTIVE ANTENNA UNIT, BIAS TEE ASSEMBLY, BNC F/F CONNECTOR, POWER SUPPLY CONNECTOR, AND DC CONNECTOR WITH DC CABLE. YOU

- PROVIDE 12-15 V DC, RG 58 COAX FROM ANTENNA TO SHACK.
ACTIVE ANTENNA ASSEMBLY DESIGNED FOR OUTDOOR USE- \$120.
- 16. HEIL HEADPHONES:** HEIL PRO SET 3. BRAND NEW BUT NEEDS REPAIR OF LEAD - IN CABLE. ALSO, TWO DETACHABLE CABLES MISSING. **SOLD AS IS-** \$60.
- 17. MONITOR, COLOR TFT LCD** 12 INCH HD, WITH BUILT IN SPEAKER, CONNECTORS HDMI, VGA, TABLETOP OR WALL MOUNT. YOU SUPPLY REMOTE- \$40.
- 18. LOG PERIODIC ANTENNA,** PCB TYPE - 400 MHZ TO 1000 MHZ BY WA5VJB, WITH SHORT SMA CABLE- \$40.
- 19. LOG PERIODIC ANTENNA,** PCB TYPE -900 MHZ TO 2600 MHZ BY WA5VJB, WITH SHORT SMA CABLE- \$40.
- 20. BENCH TYPE, **FIXED POWER SUPPLY **,** ASTRON BRAND MODEL RS-35M, METERED, 0 TO 15 V DC, 40 AMPS. PRICE -\$200.
- 21. BENCH TYPE, **VARIABLE POWER SUPPLY**,** ASTRON BRAND MODEL VS-35M, METERED, 0 TO 15 VDC, 40 AMPS. PRICE -\$200.
- 22. SDR RECEIVER** SDR PLAY DUO RECEIVER. YOU PROVIDE DC POWER, RF ANTENNA / ADAPTERS, AND SDR PLAY OPERATING SOFTWARE (FROM SDR PLAY WEBSITE). \$140.
- 23. CABLES, VARIOUS VERSIONS, LENGTHS.** EXAMPLE TRS, BNC / BNC, SMA / SMA, PL259 M/M, PL259 F/M, USB/ USB, TEST ALLIGATOR CLIP TO ALLIGATOR CLIP ETC. PRICE \$ 1 (ONE) DOLLAR EACH.
- 24. HP-774D, 4 port coupler** 215- 440 MHz, 40 db directivity, with manual. \$40.
- 25. NARDA, 3 port coupler** 920- 2200 MHz, 20 db directivity, with manual. \$60.
- 26. YAGI Antenna, 16 element** 1240 MHz to 1300 MHz, 16 dbi gain, 100 watts, N connector. \$40.

Featured Article

Featured Article: *The Magic of Field Day: Where Community and Science Collide*

By John Otte, K6JRO

At the end of every June, the airwaves crackle with the “magic” of electromagnetic energy. Field Day has stood as the premier event for ham radio operators across North America (and indeed the World) for over 90 years. But to the uninitiated, it is much more than just a hobbyist contest; it’s a mesmerizing blend of emergency preparedness, off-grid ingenuity, and worldwide camaraderie.

At its core, Field Day simulates the ultimate communications crisis. One imagines a scenario where hurricanes, wildfires, or earthquakes have wiped out the commercial power grid, cell towers, and the internet. How does one call for help? On Field Day, participants answer that question by leaving their comfortable, climate-controlled “shacks” at home. They set up temporary, portable stations in parks, public squares, or remote hilltops. Crucially, they operate entirely off the grid—relying on batteries, solar arrays, or portable generators. It is an amazing, 24-hour exercise in both equipment endurance and human stamina.

The magic truly comes alive in the antennas. Operators string wires high into the trees, erect portable masts, and tune delicate equipment to bounce high-frequency (HF) radio waves off the ionosphere. They aren’t just calling a local repeater; they are using natural atmospheric conditions to reach

thousands of miles away.

As they twirl the dials, they “break pile-ups” listen for a faint voice or a rhythmic pulse of Morse code cutting through static. Successfully swapping their “exchange” (call sign, section and other information) with an operator hundreds—or even thousands—of miles away. It provides a surge of adrenaline that no smartphone app can replicate!

Field Day isn’t locked away in a laboratory; it is meant to be a public demonstration. Every fourth weekend of June, local clubs invite the public to wander through the maze of makeshift tents and campers and watch the science in action. One can wander from station to station, eyes widening as a youngster asked, “So you can talk to someone in another country right now?”

Many clubs feature GOTA (Get On The Air) stations. This is the absolute best part of the magic for newcomers. Even if one does not hold a license, veteran operators will sit with them, hand them a microphone, and guide them through making their very first live, over-the-air radio contact. Participants instantly become part of a global network bridging vast geographical distances. Shy teenagers have blossomed into confident operators after a friendly hand on the mic and a patient explanation of how to breathe, press, and listen.

Ultimately, the magic of Field Day comes down to the people. It is a collective, generational effort where experienced Elmers teach younger generations how to operate a radio, explain wave propagation, and communicate effectively during a crisis. Many have learned as much from the veterans who show up with weathered toolkit boxes as they have from the latest software-defined radios and portable rigs. The shared knowledge is as vital as the gear.

When the sun goes down, attendees huddle around campfires with fellow operators, share meals, and “chew the fat” about antennas, radio conditions, past events, favorite equipment modifications, what worked and did not work, and what they can do better next year. It is a time when the practical becomes poetic: a profoundly beautiful element of humanity—our desire to connect, learn, and adapt to the world around us.

If anyone has ever wondered how people stay connected when the grid fails, Field Day is where that curiosity becomes a lived experience. It’s not just about moving electrons through wire; it’s about moving people through ideas, teamwork, and a shared commitment to communication when it matters most. For many, Field Day isn’t a single event on a calendar—it’s a yearly reaffirmation that, even off the grid, people are still wired together.



Community Events

Community Events:

June

Saturday 13th ARES Meeting 10a-12p
Tuesday 16th SARA Meeting 7p-8p
Friday through Sunday (26th-28th) Field Day
www.arrl.org/field-day

July

Saturday 11th ARES Meeting 10a-12p
Tuesday 21st SARA Meeting 7p-8p

August

Saturday 8th ARES Meeting 10a-12p
Tuesday 18th SARA Meeting 7p-8p

September

Saturday 12th ARES Meeting 10a-12p
Tuesday 15th SARA Meeting 7p-8p
Saturday 19th The Walk to End Alzheimer's

October

Saturday 10th ARES Meeting 10-12p
Friday-Sunday (16-18) Pacificon San Ramon Marriot
Tuesday 20th SARA Meeting 7p-8p

November

Saturday 14th ARES Meeting 10a-12p
Tuesday 17th SARA Meeting 7p-8p

December

Saturday 12th ARES meeting 10a-12p
Tuesday 15th SARA meeting 7p-8p



Local Nets

Local Nets:



S.A.R.A. operates several repeaters.
These are located on Mt. Oso in Patterson, CA:
145.390 – pl 136.5
224.140 – pl 136.5
440.225 +pl 136.5
51.800 – pl 136.5

- Digital node 144.910, digipeater name "SARA".

- 145.110 – pl 136.5 is a low-level repeater located in Modesto, CA.

All SARA nets meet on the 145.390 – pl 136.5 repeater except where noted. SARA Club net is every Tuesday (except the 3rd Tuesday) at 7:30pm.

The morning traffic and information net meets Monday through Friday from 7:00am to about 8:00am.

The Ladies Chit Chat net has moved to every Thursday at 8:00pm for YL's.

The Stanislaus County ARES net meets every Wednesday at 7:30pm. The Space net meets every Friday at 8:00pm

S.A.R.A. meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm at 3705 Oakdale Road Modesto, CA 95357. The club website is www.saraclub.net

The Stanislaus County ARES generally meets the second Saturday of the month at 10:00am at 3705 Oakdale Road Modesto, CA 95357. Meetings can be changed due to training requirements please check the web site for current information. The web site is www.stanares.org .

Turlock Amateur Radio Club (W6BXN) weekly club net meets every Tuesday (except the 2nd Tuesday) at 7:00pm on 147.030 + pl 100 or 447.700 + pl 94.8.

TARC meets the second Tuesday at 7:00pm at the Salvation Army 893 Lander, Turlock, CA.

Merced ARES has a weekly net on Mondays at 7:00pm on the TARC repeaters. They have a monthly meeting the third Wednesday at 6:00pm at the Merced County Office of Emergency Services at the Old Castle Air Force Base 3500 Apron Ave. Atwater, CA.

San Joaquin Valley Section ARES Net every Sunday at 7:30 pm on the TARC repeaters.

TARC web site is www.w6bxn.org and Merced ARES is www.mercedares.org

Officers and Board Member

2026 SARA Club Officers and Board Members

Officers:

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Mark, N6ARP Club Past-President/committee member
Brian, KN6QFF Vice President/committee member
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Patrick, KG6AZZ Committee member
Scott, KN6RKY Associate committee member

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Local Area Frequencies

Name	Frequency	Off set	Tx Tone	Description
VHF Call	146.520	none	none	VHF Simplex
VHF Local	147.540	none	none	Local VHF Simplex
SARA Hi	145.390	- (negative)	136.5	SARA VHF Mt. Oso
SARA Lo	145.110	- (negative)	136.5	SARA VHF Downtown Modesto
MMC	146.355	+ (positive)	156.7	Memorial Hospital Modesto
TARC	147.030	+ (positive)	100.0	Turlock Amateur Radio Club Mt. Bullion
TARC	147.000	+ (positive)	100.0	Turlock Amateur Radio Club Turtle Dome Yosemite National Park
CARS	145.170	- (negative)	100.0	Calaveras Amateur Radio Society Fowler Peak
Stockton	147.165	+ (positive)	107.2	Stockton Delta ARC Sierra Nevada Mountains
Lodi	147.090	+ (positive)	114.8	Lodi Amateur Radio Club
Manteca	146.985	- (negative)	100.0	Manteca Amateur Radio Club Manteca Water Tower
TCARES	145.290	- (negative)	100.0	Tuolumne County Amateur Radio and Electronics Society Moccasin
UHF Call	446.000	No offset	No tone	UHF simplex
SARA	440.225	+ (positive)	136.5	SARA UHF Mt. Oso
TARC	444.700	+ (positive)	94.8	Turlock Amateur Radio Club Mt. Bullion
TARC	440.300	+ (positive)	94.8	Turlock Amateur Radio Club Kings Canyon Sequoia
CARS	441.0375	+ (positive)	151.4	Calaveras Amateur Radio Society Bear Valley (Mt. Reba)
CARS	441.875	+ (positive)	100.0	CARS Summit level Arnold linked to 145.170
Stockton	442.250	+ (positive)	107.2	Stockton Delta ARC Sierra Nevada Mountains
SARA	224.140	- (negative)	136.5	SARA 220 Mt. Oso
TARC	224.960	- (negative)	156.7	Turlock Amateur Radio Club 220 Mt. Bullion

As of January 27, 2023

CARS vhf frequency corrected, and Lodi added January 27, 2023

For further information please refer to each radio club's web site:

SARA www.saraclub.net

TARC www.w6bxn.org

CARS www.calaverasars.org

Stockton www.w6sf.org

Manteca www.facebook.com/groups/k6man

TCARES www.tcares.net

Lodi www.lodiarc.net

STANISLAUS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (SARA) MEMBERSHIP FORM



Check One: New Member___ Renewing Member___ Family Membership___

NAME: _____ CALLSIGN: _____

ARRL Member:(Yes) (No)

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

ZIP: _____ PHONE: Home _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS AT SAME ADDRESS:

NAME: _____ CALL SIGN: _____ ARRL: (Yes) (No)

e-mail _____

NAME: _____ CALL SIGN: _____ ARRL: (Yes) (No)

e-mail _____

NAME: _____ CALL SIGN: _____ ARRL: (Yes) (No)

e-mail _____

NAME: _____ CALL SIGN: _____ ARRL: (Yes) (No)

e-mail _____

TOTAL DUES PAID: _____ Date: _____

One-year membership dues are \$30.00 (if paid by cash, check, or money order). Family Dues are \$45 and is the same for all methods of payment.

Note: Bring membership form to SARA Meeting or Mail to: SARA Club, P.O. Box 4601, Modesto, CA 95352-4601

April 3, 2021

