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REGULAR MEETING

Friday

7:30 p.m.

Rooms 15-17, Menlo Park Recreation Center, Civic Center, Alma at Mielke Drive
Menlo Park

AMATEURS AND RADIO TOWERS

by

Emery Boring W6IIF

Emery is a Sales Engineer for W. J. Purdy representing Rohn Towers. Topics discussed will be location, structure, types of towers, wind loads, rules and regulation of structure. Illustrated with slides.

CIRCLE THE DATE

May 1

In the future: Board Meeting May 6; EMARC Flea Market May 9, Meeting June 5, Field Day Work weekend June 19—21, Field Day Set-up June 26, Field Day June 27—28....

TO THOSE WITH RED DOTS ON THEIR MAILING LABEL: There is no record that your 1981 dues have been paid. PAST CORNER: Dave, KB6WP, opened the meeting with much table pounding to break up conversations that were underway. When seats were taken, some were left standing. So additional chairs were brought in to make all 59 attendees comfortable.

Guests were introduced, including Marc Oeschger, (NC) from Palo Alto, Walter Murray, (NC), Mountain View, Doug Thompson, (NC), Santa Clara, Patty Winters, N6BIS, and Steve Greenberg (NC), Menlo Park, and Henry Makler, KA60JI, from Los Altos Hills. A good crew of guests who were given a warm welcome.

Mac, N6YV, told of the woes of setting a picnic date and opted for April 26, admittedly a short fuse and a challange to PAARAgraphs to meet a delivery date in to time to reach the membership. A show of hands indicated a good turnout and a map waspromised for inclusion in the paper.

Gerry, WBNIR, reported on flea market activity—the next in line is for EMARC, May 9, at Foothill College, and then at Rancho Cordova on May 31.

John, KA6CUG, gave a report on the Post 599 450mHZ repeater which seems to be progressing in a professional way at an amateur rate. Look for it soon.

Fred, K6YT, took the floor with an interesting gadget in hand—a double compound tool post supposed—ly to be used to turn down (smooth) the armature of the exciter to the "new" Club alternator. Lamenting his temporary loss of a machine shop, he volunteered drawings to someone who would volunteer to make the rack for it to fit the generator frame. Frank, WA6QPV raised his hand and got the job. Relief was written all over Fred's face at that turn of events. Fred then distributed Club badges to those who recently ordered them and nicely fielded complaints from those who either had, or thought they had, ordered them.

Dave, WP, started a report on interesting operating events during the recent past. His comments were shaded by those of Nolan, KB6LT and Loren, WA6ENC. Tom, KH6DZB, reported John, KA6FRC, wasn't doing much operating but was studying to upgrade.

The meeting broke for coffee, chocolate, cookies, and a 180° phase shift in seating so those who were in the back were in the front for Gordon's, W6PCP's discussion to follow ragchewing sessions.

Gordon gave the history of SSTV in a few minutes and then chalk boarded block diagrams of two systems to go with: a \$6000 model or a \$145 model—the latter even if you have no gonk you can utilize in the shack. The development of the flying whatchamacallit was interesting and the demonstrations convincing. By golly SSTV does work.

After a raffle of goodies the meeting broke up about 9:45, with shouts from the back table: "See you at the picnic—next meeting MAY DAY".

BOARD CORNER: Bob, K6SEM, wound and set the bulkhead clock in the Club trailer about 7:25 and the meeting started exactly at 7:30 p.m. Around the conversation pit sat George, GIJOEN, Gerry, WAGLNV, Gerry, W6NIR, John, KA6CUG, Ed, W6AIN, Kevin, WA6FHC, Bob, K6SEM, and Mac. NGYV.

Hangfires included a report from Bob, SEM, that the Club insurance program was well founded and that a new understanding between the carrier and PAARA had been reached.

Mac, N6YV, reported that the only Sunday dates available for a picnic at Huddart Park between now and next fall were Memorial Day and the 4th of July—except for April 26, which he reserved for PAARA.

Dave, KB6WP, indicated all his choices for speakers for the May meeting were a little elusive but he had no great concern that he would reach one.

New business centered on Field Day activities. Bob, SEM, suggested that with 299 (or more) stations in the 4-A class with more than 5000 operators out to "get" PAARA this year we had work to do. Cam, K6RU, is spending evenings reworking antennas, and Fred, YT, is making sure generators, towers, and all the rest is ready to be loaded on trailers for the big day.

Bob gave a time-table for the events and stressed a need for help the Friday before F.D. June 19 and on Saturday and Sunday, June 20 and 21 to help organize the transportation of gear.

Bob, SEM, will be the phone "captain" while Cam, K6RU, will lead the CW crew. Those interested in operating should contact either for assignments. Those who want to learn, or back-up operators, will be used as checkers. Ed, W6AIN, alluded that checking was often more difficult than operating.

New blood will be needed for the knockdown Sunday afternoon, June 27. Removal of equipment is not backbreaking, but when operators, checkers and support crews are bone weary from the 24-hour program their stumbling could cause a problem.

Dave, WP, asked if anyone had heard of entries in the PAARA contests. Gerry, NTR, said if no one had entered, he would. He claims two phone patches in 26 seconds. That outdid Bob, who had somehow talked to Doug, KADDQR, approaching the English Channel. Of course, no one considered Cam, K6RT, would come near winning. Logs of confestants should be brought to the May meeting for judgment—both ARRL DX Contest and the 173 WPX Phone Contest.

Mac, N6YV, got back to F. D. discussion suggesting a sign-up list be available at the next meeting. Figure out when you can be available, what you want to do, what you can do and what you don't want to do, and then sign up at the May meeting.

The meeting broke up about 8:45 with some going down the winding road to refreshments while others went home to finish Masada. The next effort by the Board will be May 6. Any and all are invited to the Club trailer, just inside the Guard Post at SRI. 7:30.

NEW MEMBER CORNER: Kemneth R. Allen, WB6BCV, first licensed in 1962 now holds an Advanced Class license. Ken operates on 10, 15 and 40 meter phone and CW, but CW only when the mood strikes him. He is working toward getting a 2-meter rig on the Club net frequency of 145.45 mHZ simplex so he can join the rag chew at 8:30 Monday evenings. Look for Ken on the HF bands and we're waiting for a new checkin on the Monday night gathering.

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Ed Camp William Frye Vance Wardlow, W6FLE, is one of the longest term PAARA members, dating back to 1936. Licensed since 1926 makes Vance an old timer; he holds an Extra Class license. An eleven year Editor of PAARAgraphs, Vance always encouraged members to PARTICIPATE (as Vance would print it) in Club activities. He largely succeeded; success which has shown in PAARA growth.

A. W. Stainback, WAGGVP, was first licensed in 1959 and holds a General Class license. His "Classic Drake" station keeps 15, 20 and 40-meters busy.

John Gordano, K6JJU, was first licensed in 1956 as a General Class licensee. He's pretty well supplied with both HF and 2-meter gear though not yet heard on the Monday night session of the PAARA group. He works 40-meters phone and CW, is active enough on 6-meters to have WAS there, and also uses 2-meters effectively. His interests are DX, cont ests, and FD—and VHF. John has a preference for technical talks at the meetings and if movies can accompany them he likes them more.

We've no past Club history on John, so he turns out to be our "new" member this month. Look for him at the May meeting while you reacquaint yourselves with Ken, Vance and Al.

CUT AND PASTE CORNER: The above are included in the May roster. Look for lots of entries next month when all the mistakes are unveiled.

WALKERS CORNER: On April 4th about 150 walkers and joggers, supported by churches and other groups and individuals traversed an eleven mile circuitous route through Palo Alto, Menlo Park and East Palo Alto.

This walk was monitored by seven of our members, 2-meter mobile control by WA6FSQ, W6AIN, W6BFH, K6EHS, N6CHL and by K6FS on bicycle. W6KJI monitored base to furnish immediate telephone service if required.

The exercise was an unqualified success and raised an estimated \$7500 to \$10000 to help hungry and needy people in our area through the numerous food closets of the Ecumenical Hunger Program.

All those returning at the end of the walk were greeted with hot soup, home made bread and a program of music by the Stanford Research "Instituoters" and the Stanford Gospel Choir.

Many thanks for a job well done.

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PICNIC CORNER: PAARA SPRING PICNIC-SUNDAY, APRIL 36

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10AM - 2PM Admission \$2 per car

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PAARA will provide DOOR PRIZES,

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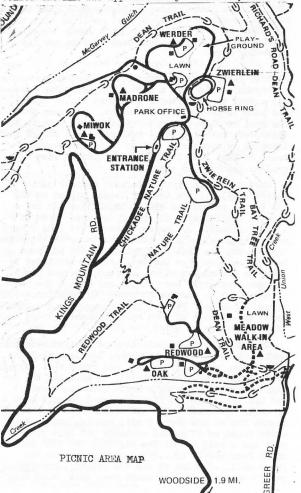
No dogs allowed in the park.

THE ANTENNA FARM: A new strong signal has been added to the list of local pileups. On Saturday, March 14, Dave, KB6WP, with the help of PAARA members, put up a KLM-34A tri-bander.

A last minute check of critical dimensions revealed the front driven elements were short by 1 1/2 inches. A quick fix and the aluminum cloud was ready. Those helping Dave, and Chief Engineer Fred, K6YT, and in the order of arrival were Swede, N6CHL; Bob, W6BFH; Doug, KA5DQR, making an exclusive trip from Texas via Baltimore; Bill, N6CHI; and Lou, K6TMB.

A near disaster occured when, with boom resting on shoulders, K6YT and W6BFH found Dave had mounted the boom plate upside down.

Four hours after initial donuts and coffee, the crew were ready for some suds and a trial run. The KLM-34A now perched at 23 feet and below a KLM-16C on the Tristao crank-up was ready. Initial efforts to load up the TS-12O with full RF failed, the culprit a dirty 10-meter band switch. After correcting the problem a signal report from Mississippi revealed the KLM was approximately 2 S units, or 12 db



below a comparison check on a converted CB PDL II two element quad.

A check of VSWR on Sunday indicated total frequencies covered, with the exception to 28.0 to 28.2 were less than 1.5 to 1. A second signal report from S. Dakota confirmed the earlier 10-meter report. However reports on 15 and 20 should be higher than previously received on the 4BTV.

Many thanks to all that participated. Anyone game for a x-rated modification?

de Dave, KB6WP.

TO CONTINUE: Ed, W6KJI, is continuing his search for material to enable him to raise his tower to its full height so he can reach out farther on the Pacific Maritime Net (Monday thru Friday, 21404mHZ, 2215Z).

AND MORE: Erv, W6YPM, is looking for a tower climber to replace a looking bolt that keeps his antenna looking in the direction the box below says it is.

FAR FLUNG CORNER: A nice little note from Gary, WØSH, with a contribution to PAARAgraphs (see below), his 1981 dues, and the news that he'll be back to our "land of milk and honey" again soon. We will be looking for more words from Gary—and to see him at a meeting soon.

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PARTIAL REINFORCEMENT CORNER:

Psychologists have a term which describes reaching a goal or achieving a goal part of the time. The term is partial reinforcement. It means that the goal or object is not realized each time it is attempted, but that it is realized often enough that learning is successful and in fact, may occur at least as fast in a learning situation as when the goal is reached and every time.

What does this have to do with amateur radio? That's easy....it's the way things happen on the air in the pursuit of QSOs. UNLESS the ham has a BIG GUN STATION with all the trimmings. Then it's almost automatic....have you ever felt like I have when I have called a DX station with my KW, big beam, tall tower, low loss feedline...and had him come back to someone else instead...and be irritated because my timing was right, my frequency was right, my operating style was good....and he had the nerve to come back to another station! Expectation = 100% return on ealls! Partial reinforcement? No...that is an expectation of 100% reinforcement. Where does "fun" figure in on this?

Now consider the possibility of partial reinforcement: Using that same big beam, low loss feedline, tall tower, proper operating, and run 1 watt output... (with solar power for example). I have had the delight recently of using a Heath HW-8 rig barefoot and had the great fun of having good DX come back to my call. I worked a UR2 the other night with a 569 report for me and there I sit, running around 3 watts input on 20 cw and probably not more than a watt and a half out of the rig into the 130' run of RG-8u foam coax. No...I did not get him on the first call...I think it was the second...but FUN... yes it was fun. I have heard hams talk about real

ORP for years, but I submit to you that you ought to try it. Let the KW mest in the corner for a while. See if you can work WAC in a week with 5 or 10 watts or less. Partial reinforcement? Yup....they don't come back on the first call...but the pleasure when they do come back is greater...at least to me it is.

PARTIAL REINFORCEMENT = 1 watt + DX = FUN
73 es DX Gary WØSH

CONTEST CORNER: Work Switzerland 1500Z April 25 until 1500Z April 26 and/or try Spain in the Trophy H. M. King of Spain Contest from 2000Z April 25 until 2000Z April 26 (but not during the Club picnic!).

For closer to home, the Utah QSO Paety will run 24 hours UTC April 25, and County Hunters SSB Contest from 0001Z May 2 until 2400Z May 3.

Then go far afield again with the Alexander Volta RTTY Contest where they give multipliers if you manage to work EXCC during the contest. And the World Telecommunications Day Contest May 9 on phone and May 16 for cw. The CQ-M Contest will let you work more Russians in an hour than you normally could in weeks from 2100Z May 9 to2100Z May 10.

But don't try to but in on the Rocky Mountain Divisée ion QSO Party because they accept only Colorado, New Mexico. Utah and Wyoming stations.

On the 30th and 31st of Ma y comes the second half of PAARA's contest, the COWN WPX Contest, cw, and the Theroamerican Contest (phone)

It would be fun to try them all QRP to see what would happen.

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UNCLASSIFIED CORNER: This space is available.

FOR SALE: Heath Digital meter (Iml210), factory assembled; \$50.

WANTED: Interested in (cheap) 450 mobile rig.
If you have or need, call Robert Taylor,
KA6NAN at 321 5089 or see him at the
meeting.

FOR SALE: Ten Tec Century 21 HF Transceiver with digital display—full break-in—full 10 meter capabilities. \$400. Rob, KA6NAN.

FOR SALE: Lafayete Short Wave Receiver. Solid state, AM-CV-SSB. HA-600A. Make offer. See Karl, KA6JIR or call 494 6468.

FOR SALE: CPI Frequency Counter, receive/transmit \$100. See Dave, KB6WP.

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The Hams at Heath have engineered the new VL-2280 to operate in all modes, too - SSB, FM or CW. IMD products, incidentally, are very low when the amplifier is used on sideband. The VL-2280 operates across the entire 144 to 148 MHz amateur 2-meter band. Broad-band circuitry maintains a stable power output across the entire band, too. This big amplifier has extra-large heat sinks to provide more-than-adequate cooling, giving you a 50% duty cycle and more "on" time. And the VL-2280 has a convenient standby/on switch so the exciter can be operated barefoot

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Kit HA-202A, Shpg. wt. 4 lbs. 59.95 HDZ-63-3, 3 ft. Coax. w/conns., 1 lb. 4.95



Kit VL-2280, Shpg. wt. 30 lbs. 279.95 HDZ-63-3, 3 ft. Coax. w/conns., 1 lb. 4.95

VL-2280 SPECIFICATIONS: Band coverage: 1.44 to 1.48 MHz. Power lapse: 1 to 10 waits SSB. FM or CW. Input VSWR: (@) 10 waits Grive. Delty Cycle: 2-0.1 or less. Power anglut; 7 Sw satts; @ 10 waits Grive. Delty Cycle: 50%. 10 minutes on, 10 minutes of. Insertion Loss: (Antenna to Society) less than 0.6 dB. IM Distortion: -2.4 dB. Power Requirement: 120 VAC at 4 ampress; 240 VAC at 2 ampress; 240 VAC at 2 ampress; 240 VAC at 2 mapress; 240 VAC at 3 mapress; 240 VDC at 11 amperes. Bimensions: 5½" H x 4%" W x 10½" D (13.97 x



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Kit VL-1180, Shpg. wt. 5 lbs. 139.95

VL-1180 SPECIFICATIONS: Band Coverage: 144 to 148 MHz. Bower Input: 110 10 watts SSB, FM or CW. Input VSWR: (at 10 watts drive) 2.0: 1 or less. Power output: 75 watts (typica). @ 10 watts drive. Buby Cycle: 50%, 10 minutes on, 10 minutes off. Insurtion Lass: SWRY EYENE 50%, LD MINITES ON, LD MINITES ON, AD MINITES ON ... MR STATEMENT CALLED A CALLED

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