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June 2021 issue

**Valencia County
Amateur Radio
Association
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HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS TO:

JOHN CRESAP KD5MHO,
GINGER ELDRIDGE KC5MTI,
PERRY PIERCE KG5RIU,
JOHN SCHAAF K8JWS,
CHRIS SCHAAF KG5WVC,
DANIEL SMITH KE5SBF,
KENNETH SMITH KE5LZY

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

VCARA Members,

ARRL Field day is approaching fast, June 26-27.

We are in need of a volunteer to be a Safety Officer. This person will be responsible for making sure cables, towers, guy wires and other tripping hazards are marked.

On June 19 Members will be meeting at the club to organize and pack the equipment that will be needed for field day. If you are able to show up and assist please do so as help is always appreciated and we are not relying on a couple people to do all the work.

On June 26 we will need a few members with trucks/trailer to arrive at the club house and load / transport the needed supplies to the Bosque Farms community center, 950 N Bosque Loop, Bosque Farms NM 87068. We have use of the facility from 0800 on June 26 through 1400

June 27th. At 1200 on the 27th another organization will be showing up to start bring their equipment in. This has been the working arrangement for past events at the community center.

Big change for this year is that the Yucca Little league will be holding a tournament at the park next door starting June 23 and ending June 27th. Rose has asked that we leave a couple tables available for the umpires from the tournament to come in and rest. They will also be using the bathrooms to change their uniforms. The biggest challenge that may affect us is parking. Rose will put out signage but there is no guarantee that the people from the tournament will not park at the community center. This may create a challenge during setup and take down.

Attached to newsletter is a checklist of items that are handled during the event. I look forward to seeing everyone at field day.

*Kevin Welander K5ZOO
VCARA President.*

VCARA MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 25, 2021

The General VCARA meeting for May 25th commenced at 19:00 local time on Zoom and at the clubhouse. In attendance at clubhouse were officers; Kevin K5ZOO, John KB5ENN, Greg

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KG5OCW, Charlie NM5CL, Earl KB5UEW and Ralph NM5RC. Others that attended via zoom included the following: Chris W5CSG, Ralph KB0OYZ, Glenn KG5CVG and Fred KF5DTU.

Officer's Report:

- 1. **President K5ZOO Kevin** -
 - a. Working on getting internet for the shack. Prefers cable (\$40 a month with contract). DSL may be cheaper.
 - b. Vote to keep current officers
 - c. Preliminary discussion on field day planning. Volunteers needed.
- 2. **Vice-President KB5ENN John** - No announcements.
- 3. **Secretary KG5OCW Greg** - No announcements.
- 4. **Treasurer NM5CL Charlie**
 - Beg. Balance 18341.52 (April)
 - Debits 51.88
 - Credits 305.48
 - Bank Balance \$19344.54
 - Beg. Balance 19344.54 (May)
 - Debits 4589.80
 - Credits 2829.50 (includes SK Sales)
 - Checkbook balance 19344.54
 - Bank Balance \$19344.54 (expect reduction from SK sales to widow)
- 5. **Past President KB5UEW Earl** – Board meeting status – needed for Builder Club?

- 6. **Special Events Coordinator NM5RC Ralph** – no announcements.
- 7. **ARES Chairman W5CSG Chris** - Church is please with club donation. Still waiting for an audience with church members for an antenna demonstration.

Old Business:

- 1. Field Day. June 26 June 27. Volunteer needed to head up effort. Check off list is available. Safety officer needed. Labor needed for loading/unloading etc.
- 2. Builders Group is still in progress. Project to use one mic for multiple radios. Don't need to know electronics to be part of the builders club.

New Business:

- 1. Officers are up for renewal. Members can keep current positions. Nominations ceased (no new nominations).
- 2. Fiscal year is renewing. Club dues are due at the end of June.
- 3. Working on getting internet setup at the clubhouse (will allow repeaters to be linked more easily).
- 4. Working with church to demo the need for the tower.
- 5. Radio Direction Finding training event on the 5th of June. Contact VP for details.
- 6. Equipment for sale at the clubhouse.

Meeting was adjourned at 19:44 local time. Net was turned over

to normal traffic. Respectfully submitted by

*Greg Mershon, KG5OCW
VCARA Secretary*

Events Calendar

**Wed, June 15, 2021 8pm
VCARA Net 145.430 mhz**
See Net Operator schedule.

**Thu, June 16, 2021, 7:30pm
Tri-County Net 146.96mhz**
Emergency scheduled net.

**Sat, Jun 18, 2021, 9 - Noon
Breakfast @ clubhouse**
BYOB. Masks and social distancing is strictly enforced.

**Mon, June 21, 2021 7pm
Builder's Club Meeting**
Click on the link below:
<http://bit.ly/KC5OUR-BC>.



**Tues, June 22, 2021 7-8pm
Monthly Mtg @ clubhouse**
Members NOT comfortable with attending in person may join the meeting on Zoom @ <https://zoom.us/j/97115355215>
Meeting ID: 971 1535 5215
Passcode: VCARA.

**Wed, June 23, 2021 8pm
VCARA Net 145.430 mhz**
See Net Operator schedule.

**Thu, June 24, 2021, 7:30pm
Tri-County Net 146.96mhz**
Emergency scheduled net.

CALENDAR – CONTINUED

Sat,-Sun Jun 26-27, 2021, **Field Day @ Bosque Farms Community Center, 950 N Bosque Loop**, Masks and social distancing enforced.

Wed, June 30, 2021 8pm **VCARA Net 145.430 mhz**
See Net Operator schedule.

Thu, July 1, 2021, 7:30pm **Tri-County Net 146.96mhz**
Emergency scheduled net.

Sat, July 3, 2021, 9 - Noon **Breakfast @ clubhouse**
BYOB. Masks and social distancing is strictly enforced.

Mon, July 5, 2021 7pm **Builder's Club Meeting**
Click on the link below:
<http://bit.ly/KC5OUR-BC>.

Wed, July 7, 2021 8pm **VCARA Net 145.430 mhz**
See Net Operator schedule.

Thu, July 8, 2021, 7:30pm **Tri-County Net 146.96mhz**
Emergency scheduled net.

Sat, July 10, 2021, 9- Noon **Breakfast @ clubhouse**
BYOB. Masks and social distancing is strictly enforced.
VE Testing by appointment
(Contact Chris @505-450-7447 or email: csgillespie@msn.com)

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

LSU National Center for Biomedical Research and Training (NCBRT) has the following courses available to your organization at no cost. A FEMA Student ID is needed for registration. Find your **FEMA SID** [here](#).

AWR-122-C: Law Enforcement Prevention and Deterrence of Terrorist Acts - Customized (4 hours)
Thurs, July 15 10am – 2pm CST
Course ID: 28169, Access Code: NCBRT122 [Register](#).
Mon, Aug 16 10am – 2pm CST
Course ID: 28170, Access Code: NCBRT122 [Register](#).

AWR-219-C: Site Protection through Observational Techniques - Customized (4 hr)
Friday, July 16 10am – 2pm CST
Course ID: 28184, Access Code: NCBRT219 [Register](#).
Wed, July 28 12pm – 4pm CST
Course ID: 28185, Access Code: NCBRT219 [Register](#).
Friday, Aug. 13 9am – 1pm CST
Course ID: 28186, Access Code: NCBRT219 [Register](#).
Thurs, Aug. 19 10am – 2pm CST
Course ID: 28187, Access Code: NCBRT219 [Register](#).

AWR-324: Biological Incidents Awareness: COVID-19 (4 hrs)
Tues, July 13 10am – 2pm CST
Course ID: 28222, Access Code: NCBRT113 [Register](#).
Tues, July 27 10am – 2pm CST
Course ID: 28219, Access Code: NCBRT113 [Register](#).

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

The National Disaster Preparedness Training Center (NDPTC) at UH added these courses that are currently open for registration, please note the time zones listed for each:

AWR-331 Winter Weather Hazards: Science and Preparedness: Dec 1 - 2, 2021
1pm - 5pm (Central) [Register](#).

AWR-356 Community Planning for Disaster Recovery: July 7 - 8, 2021
12pm - 4pm (Hawaii) [Register](#).

AWR-362 Flooding Hazards: Science and Preparedness:
June 23 - 24, 2021 8am - 12pm (Hawaii) [Register](#)
July 21 - 22, 2021 8am - 12pm (Hawaii) [Register](#).

MGT-461 Evacuation Planning Strategies and Solutions:
Sept 8 - 9, 2021 1pm - 5pm (Central) [Register](#).

If you're interested in attending or scheduling this or any of our courses for your agency or organization, please feel free to contact us for more information.

Felecia A Schreier
DHSEM
476-9633

**KC5OUR Repeater &
Net Operators**
Every Wednesday at 8pm

VHF repeater - 145.430 MHz
Negative 600 KHz, 100 Hz tone
UHF repeater - 442.700 MHz
Positive 5 MHz & 100 Hz tone

- Jun 16 – Gene, KI5BZI
- Jun 23 – Elvira, KD5UJQ
- Jun 30 – John, K8JWS
- Jul 07 – Earl, KB5UEW
- Jul 14 – Russ, KD5UJR
- Jul 21 – Ralph, NM5RC
- Jul 28 – Greg, KG5OCW
- Aug 04 – Al, W5ACW
- Aug 11 – Gene, KI5BZI

If you can't run the NET when scheduled, please find a sub.

VCARA Club Contacts

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but the class of the Amateur that holds the license.*



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