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Monday – 6:45PM
145.450(-) PL 156.7

Club Nets

HF Net -Tue/Thu/Sat 8PM
3813.0 Mhz

VHF Net – Friday 7PM
145.450(-) PL 156.7

Prune Juice & BS Net

Daily (exc. Sunday) 9AM
145.450(-) PL 156.7

SARG Monthly Meetings

Second Sat. (exc. Dec.)
Kern Valley Elk's Lodge
6708 Wofford Blvd
Wofford Heights, CA 93285

The Prez Sez:

Hello All,

Hope everyone is healthy and staying cool as possible. We look forward to answered prayers for good health, cooler weather, no fires and a wet winter.

Everyone is invited to our next club meeting. It will be at our regular time and place, 9:30AM, Saturday, September 10th at the Kern Valley Elks Lodge, 6708 Wofford Blvd in Wofford Heights.

We should be considering who might be nominated to be this club's officers for 2023. The full slate of officers is up for consideration. Please consider serving and volunteer.

At our next meeting we will hand out free tickets for a door prize drawing. We'll also sell \$1 tickets for a 50/50 or HT raffle. We're continuing to sell special \$5 raffle tickets for the MFJ-948 Antenna Tuner.

We look forward to seeing you there. Come participate and join the fun!

Dale, KG6TBQ

Newlyweds

On August 18, 2022 two of our club members, Pete W6SV and Christy (our club secretary) got married. A fabulous reception was held the following Saturday at the Kern Valley Elk's Lodge. They had both lost their respective spouses in the last few years and got to know each other through the club. We wish them both a long and happy union.



For a video of the ceremony go to:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SMBHoO6DpkU>

Meeting Program

As mentioned in the *Prez Sez* our next meeting is Saturday September 10, 2022 at 9:30 at the Elk's Lodge in Wofford Heights. One of our favorite speakers, Al Price N6ALP, will be giving a slide show presentation on *A Few Historic Sites and Buildings in or Near the Kern River Valley.* This will be part 1 of a 2 part presentation that will

be concluded at next month's meeting. The main part of the program we have seen before and Al has added some new material to it. It has been long enough since we last saw it I don't think many of us will remember it anyway.

Volunteer Monitor Program Report

for July 2022

08/17/2022

The Volunteer Monitor (VM) Program is a joint initiative between ARRL and the FCC to enhance compliance in the Amateur Radio Service. This is the July 2022 activity report of the VM Program.

Notices for unlicensed operation on 2-meter amateur frequencies were sent to two logging companies in Kettle Falls, Washington.

Commendations were issued to amateurs in Poughkeepsie, New York, for work in conducting the community daily bulletin board on the 146.97 MHz Mt. Beacon repeater, and Roslyn, Pennsylvania, for work with the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, and involving the club in MESH and Field Day operations.

A commendation was issued to an operator in Columbia, South Carolina, for facilitating amateur involvement in the Richland County Emergency Operations Center and assisting amateurs in completing CERT programs.

A Technician-class operator in Martinez, California and a General-class operator in Trenton, New Jersey were issued notices for FT8 operation on 40- and 20-meter frequencies outside their license privileges.

General-class operators in Massapequa, New York, and Trenton, New Jersey, were issued notices for SSB operation on 14.201 and 21.270

MHz. General-class operators have no voice privileges below 14.225 and 21.275 MHz.

An operator in Indian Hills, California received a notice for unlicensed operation on 144.390 MHz simplex APRS during a high-altitude balloon operation. The FCC had canceled his license over a year before the flight.

The final totals for VM monitoring during June 2022 were 1,676 hours on HF frequencies, and 2,099 hours on VHF frequencies and above, for a total of 3,775 hours. —Thanks to Volunteer Monitor Administrator Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH

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Ham Radio License Exams

We continue to offer in person license exams through the Greater Los Angeles Amateur Radio Group to anyone who is interested and can travel to Weldon. We normally offer the exams on the third Saturday of the month at 11AM in the Valley Estates Community Center, 14213 Allen Ave., Weldon, CA 93283. Go to the Exam Info page at N6KRV.ORG for details and a form that needs to be filled out at least 24 hours in advance of taking an exam. A new Technician exam went into effect on July 1, 2022. If you have any questions contact Mike, KA6IYS, (760) 378-1028 or mike@n6krv.org.

Question

Do you know what happened October 1, 2013? Check next month's newsletter to find out.



As reported last month Pete W6SV and Bill N6TF faced surgery for some medical issues. They are both on the mend and doing much better. If you know of anyone under the weather let our club Secretary or Vice President know so that a card and/or flowers can be sent.



Prune Juice and Baloney Sandwich Luncheon

The lunch this month will be on the third Wednesday September 21, 2022. Check your email or the club website n6krv.org for the location. I had not been determined at the time the newsletter was being written.

Superstitions 50,000 Years Ago, Today and Beyond!
(From the Internet, L.A. Times, and books in our home library) Al Price

Superstitious beliefs, given their irrational nature, should have gone the way of the dodo with the arrival of higher education and the advent of science, but no, they are still very much a part of everyday life. I have some, and I'll bet you do too. Tens of thousands of lottery tickets are sold every day solely based upon nothing more than the persons "lucky numbers".

Some famous people and their superstitions:

- Napoleon feared black cats.
- Socrates – the “evil eye”.
- Julius Caesar dreaded his nightly dreams.
- Henry VIII claimed it was witchcraft that trapped him into marrying Anne Boleyn.
- Peter-the-Great feared crossing a bridge, and avoided them if he could.
- Samuel Johnson entered or exited buildings always with his right foot forward.
- Lucille Ball's father died, then a bird flew into the room. She carried an unusual fear of birds for the rest of her life. She wouldn't even stay in a hotel or eat in a restaurant if they had pictures of birds on their walls.
- Serena Williams ALWAYS wears shower shoes onto the court, then changes into tennis shoes, but wears the same pair of socks in her shoes until the tournament is over, no matter whether it is one day or one month long. Plus, she ALWAYS bounces the tennis ball exactly 5 times before each serve.
- John Wayne would go ballistic if someone left a hat, any hat, on a bed. He said it was a sure sign of bad things to come.
- Judi Dench found a penny on the steps just before accepting an academy award. So, she carries that penny with her every time she goes to an awards ceremony.
- Taylor Swift was born on the 13th, turned 13 on Friday the 13th, her first album went gold after 13 weeks, and she will sit in the 13th seat, in the 13th row when she goes to the theater.

Archaeologists identify the Neanderthal, from 50,000 years ago, as the first to produce superstition or spiritual beliefs when they buried their dead with food for the body, weapons, and even charcoal to use for fires in the next life. Today, there is no good or logical reason to break a wishbone for luck, or to carry a rabbits foot ---- (it wasn't good luck for the rabbit or turkey, was it?) but many still do it. A student

writes a really good paper for school, and now he or she has “a lucky pen”. A bettor at the horse races wins big with a horse that ran in the rain, so from then on, he bets really big only on rainy days. A bull rider wears the same cowboy shirt every day, until he gets bucked off, then it goes to the Goodwill Store. Go figure!

Though we now have provable and re-provable scientific explanations for many of our “once-mysterious” phenomenon, there are still things “unexplainable” that happen to us in our daily lives, that, especially in times of “misfortune”, we again turn to attributing them to superstitions --- to account for the unaccountable. So, “thumbs up”, “cross your fingers”, and we will be able to figure out the UN-figure-able today ---- I cross my heart! Every day I carry a Walking Liberty 50 cent piece in my pocket that I found with a metal detector over 30 years ago! My “Good Luck Charm” --- Hey, I found Jayne didn't !!

STRANGE HEADLINES

- Homicide Victims Rarely Talk to Police
- The Majority of Americans, 4 out of 10, Say They Hate Math
- Breathing Oxygen Linked to Staying Alive
- Thief Found in Violin Case
- Statistics Show Teen Pregnancies Drop Significantly After 25
- Marijuana Decision Sent to Joint Committee
- China May Be Using the Sea to Hide Submarines
- Federal Agents Raid Gun Shop, Find Weapons
- Diana Was Still Alive Hours Before She Died
- Man Kills Himself and Runs Away

- A Nuclear Explosion Would Be A Disaster
- World Bank says, "Poor Need More Money"
- One-Armed Man Applauds Kindness of Strangers
- Bridges a Big Help to Cross Rivers
- Mississippi's Literacy Program Showing Improvement
- Northfield Plans to Plan Strategic Plan
- Rooms with Broken Air Conditioners are Hotter Than Others

[Thanks to N6ALP for these gems – editor]

The woman dragged her finger over the knickknack shelf, then held it up for her husband to take a look at. Then she asked, "Do you think it's time to dust?" "Nope" her husband said, "I think it's time to plant!"

A senior citizen had been to his doctor the previous week. Today he called his doctor and said, "Doc, didn't you say I was sick and had to take the new medication that you prescribed for the rest of my life?"

"Why Yes, that's what I said" replied the doctor, "What's on your mind? What's your concern?" he asked.

"Well Doc, I'm just wondering how serious this illness is? The bottle you gave me says "No Refills"

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My husband has a "favorite shirt" ---- It's been a long time since that shirt has been washed, but he insisted on doing that washing himself.

He NEVER does any washing, but I saw him wander into the laundry room.

Next thing I heard was, "What setting do I use on this washing machine?"

"That depends," I replied, "What does it say on the shirt?"

"University of Florida".

My lady friend and I went to our favorite Chinese restaurant for dinner.

There was a family of seven sitting at the table next to ours.

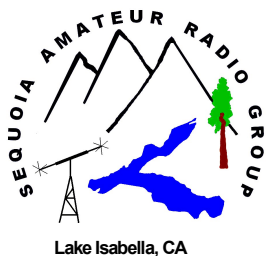
After their dinner was served, the father looked around and said, "Matthew, I think it's time for you to say the blessing."

Matthew was about six years old, he and everyone at his table bowed their heads.

Then the little boy began, "Jingle bells, jingle bells ---- "

I went to a Catholic Elementary school. One day we were all lined up to enter the cafeteria for lunch. We grabbed our trays and went through the front door of the cafeteria and saw a big bowl of fresh, juicy apples --- behind it was a sign that one of the Sisters must have made which read, "Take ONLY ONE --- and remember, GOD IS WATCHING". We took only one, then moved along and each of us picked out what we wanted, chicken, ham, beef, some various vegetables, then at the end of the serving line was a big tray of chocolate chip cookies. One of the students had scribbled this message and placed it on the tray, "Take all that you want ---- God is watching the apples!"

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