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ARES Net

Monday – 6:45PM

146.550 Simplex

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 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,

Well, it was cooler for a while, now it's hotter again, while we're all getting ready for the holidays and winter.

At our Saturday October 12th meeting we will nominate club officers for next year. We'll vote to confirm the officers at our November meeting. The October meeting will feature a "No-Host" Breakfast at Nelda's patio at 9:30AM. We look forward to a good time and good conversation and to seeing everyone there.

Dale, KG6TBQ

Upcoming Programs

November – Nomination of Officers 2025

October Program

The October program will be a meet n' eat at Nelda's Diner, 5128 Lake Isabella Blvd., Lake Isabella, CA 93240. Arrival time is targeted at 9:30AM. Over breakfast we can talk about we did this summer and try to find out who is interested, or won't object too loudly, to being an officer of the club for 2025.

Ham Radio License Exams

The club provides exams for new licenses and upgrades on a monthly basis, except December, at the Valley Estates Community Center, 14213 Allen Avenue, Weldon, CA 93283. The sessions are normally held on the third Saturday of the month at 11AM. You must preregister at least one day in advance. The forms and instructions to preregister are on the club website at <https://n6krv.org/exam-info/> . The exam fee is \$10 and there are waivers available as detailed on the webpage. The Federal Communications Commission also has a fee and, in most cases, it is \$35 and is not generally waived. We do not collect the FCC fee; they will provide payment directions after they receive and process your paperwork.

If you plan to take the Amateur Extra examination, please be aware a new question pool took effect July 1, 2024. You can find the question pools on our website or at <http://www.ncvec.org/> .



Get on the air! Join us every morning on the Prune Juice and Baloney Sandwich Net on the Rocky Point Repeater, 145.450(-), 156.7 Tone, 9AM. We discuss the weather, recent events and anything else that may cross our minds. If you don't have anything to add, just check in and let us know you are listening.

We also have a net every Friday night at 7PM on the same repeater. Amateur Radio Newline is played just after the net for those that desire to keep up with ham radio in the news.



Sickness and Distress

Torin, KK6YAB, is facing surgery for colon cancer. By the time you get this it may have already happened. Chuck, K16GOG, is having recurring intestinal problems. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Bill, N6TF, and Mike, KA6IYS, both had positive results from their doctor visits last month.

If you know of anyone that should be listed here, please let the editor know at editor@n6krv.org



And now an Excerpt from AR Newsline . . .

FREE ONLINE STUDY GUIDES AVAILABLE FOR US TECH, GENERAL LICENSE

JIM/ANCHOR: If you're looking to upgrade your license - or to simply make a start as a Technician - a new online resource has become available, and it's free. We hear the details from Stephen Kinford N8WB.

STEPHEN: Hopeful candidates for the US Technician and General amateur radio licenses can now turn to a free, self-paced study guide being made available on the educational platform known as SuperKnova. The courses were developed by the National Radio Astronomy Observatory with the help of a grant from Amateur Radio Digital Communications. Both the Technician course and the upgrade to General Class focus heavily on the fundamentals of the electromagnetic spectrum and the basics of radio waves and propagation. The observatory said that this makes the material valuable for those in disciplines outside amateur radio too, such as individuals involved in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math careers. The coursework makes use of license study materials from the ARRL.

Jesse Alexander, WB2IFS, the project instructor, said in a press release that [quote] "This is a great opportunity to share amateur radio with a new generation of potential ham radio enthusiasts. We've designed this course to introduce learners to the electromagnetic spectrum while developing radio skills and knowledge." [endquote]

This is Stephen Kinford N8WB.

(ARDC)

<https://superknova.org/lms-introduction/>

A "DIFFERENT TYPE" OF CALIFORNIA HISTORY

(From "Little Known Tales in California History", by Alton Pryor; from the "Weird California" Internet Site, and my own sick brain!)

--- by AI Price N6ALP

1. 1943 TO 1950 if you were travelling Hwy 58 through the Mojave Desert and you saw the Muroc Maru --- What were you looking at? ANS: A 650 foot long, chicken-wire and 4 x 4 replica of an Imperial Japanese Navy Takao Class cruiser, complete with a Rising Sun flag on its mast, surfing the sand --- This was a bombing target during WWII.
2. How did the town of Muroc get its name? ANS: A family by the name of Corum moved to this area of the Mojave Desert in 1910 (near where Edwards AF Base is now). They petitioned the Post Office to name the town Corum, but there was already a Corum, California. The petition was denied, so they turned it around and spelled their name backwards, that one was accepted, and by 1933 there were all of 44 people living in Muroc!
3. In 1955 he made a Public Service announcement/commercial for the National Highway Safety Commission, where he said "Take it easy driving. The life you save may be mine." Two weeks later, this same fellow was driving his new Porsche, named the "Little Bastard" down Hwy 46 and was killed in a crash at the intersection of Hwy's 46 & 41, Sept. 30, 1955. Who was he? ANS: Actor, James Dean.
4. How did Buttonwillow get its name? ANS: A lone "buttonbush" or Buttonwillow tree (now a California Landmark, #492) was used for years as a meeting place for the local Yokut's. In the mid to late 1800's this served as a kind of Post Office for local cowboys. They would hang cans containing messages for other cowboys/travelers on the tree.

5. He is said to have camped with his crew on San Miguel Island in 1542, was severely injured in an Indian raid while on the island, died and was buried in a lead casket, dressed in a suit of armor, and buried with his jeweled sword. (He was also rumored to have been buried on Santa Cruz Island, and in the mainland now somewhere near the town of Goleta). Who was he? ANS: Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo.

6. The shelling of this town in California, by a Japanese submarine, on Feb. 23, 1942 was a major factor in President Franklin D. Roosevelt authorizing the establishment of the WWII Internment Camps. Ten centers/camps were set up in seven states, two of them in California. In what California town did this shelling take place? ANS: Goleta

7. Where was the State of Jefferson? ANS: In October of 1941, counties in the southern part of Oregon and the Northern part of California were appalled at the conditions of their roads. The counties in those areas decided to secede from their respective states and form a new state. A \$2 prize (yes, only two dollars) was offered for someone to come up with a new name for this new state, and the name Jefferson, after Thomas Jefferson was chosen. The new state had no property tax, no sales tax, no liquor tax, and no income tax. The state would be funded primarily from their "Red Light districts and their gambling halls. Strikes were outlawed, and so were slot machines because they took unfair advantage as compared to the stud poker industry. It ultimately failed because it needed the approval of the U.S. Congress, and of both the States of California and Oregon.

8. The ghosts of Alfred Harrell, a security guard, and a newspaper editor are said to walk the halls of what building in downtown Bakersfield? (Hint: It is located near 17th and Eye Streets). ANS: The Bakersfield Californian Newspaper Building.

9. Who is buried in Grant's tomb, and who else is buried in Grant's tomb? ANS: Ulysses S. Grant and his wife Julia Dent Grant.

10. 1939-1959 there was a Western movie-set in the hills of Simi Valley where serials such as Fort Apache, The Lone Ranger, the Cisco Kid, and Have Gun – Will Travel were filmed. It was also open to the public (for a fee of course). What was the name of this site? ANS: Corriganville.

11. At one old restaurant chain in California (8 restaurants in the L.A. area), when your parents went up to the register to pay, kids were invited to dig their hands into a "Treasure Chest" and get themselves a toy. What Restaurant was this? ANS: Clifton's Cafeteria.

12. Down along the coast in Long Beach there used to be an amusement park that had a huge wooden roller coaster that extended part of it out over the ocean. What was the name of this amusement park? ANS: Nupike.

13. U.C.I. (University of California Irvine) is built upon land that once was a? ANS: Buffalo Ranch and Indian Village tourist attraction.

Here are some "Bonus Questions" -----

14. Why do they put Braille dots on the keypad of drive-up ATM's?

15. Why do we sing, "Take me out to the ballgame" when you're already there?

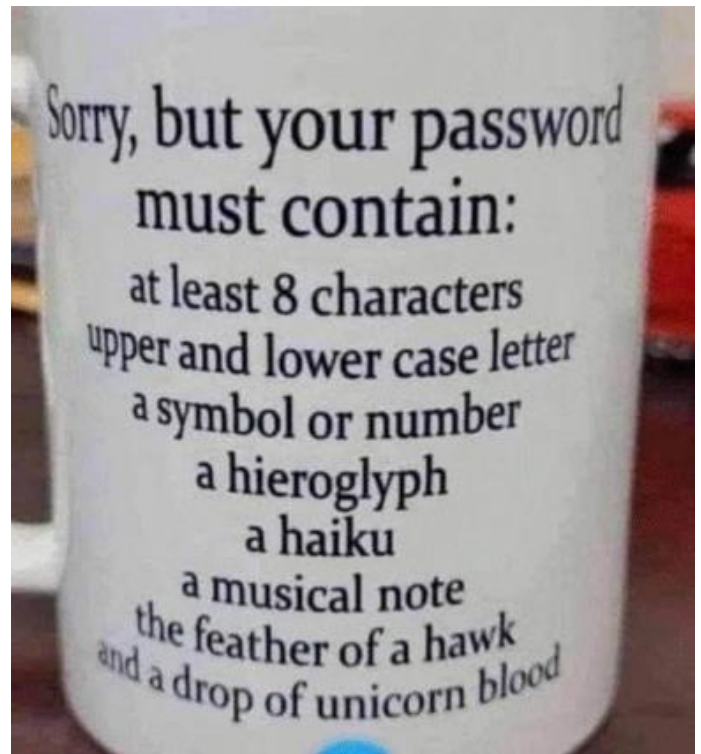
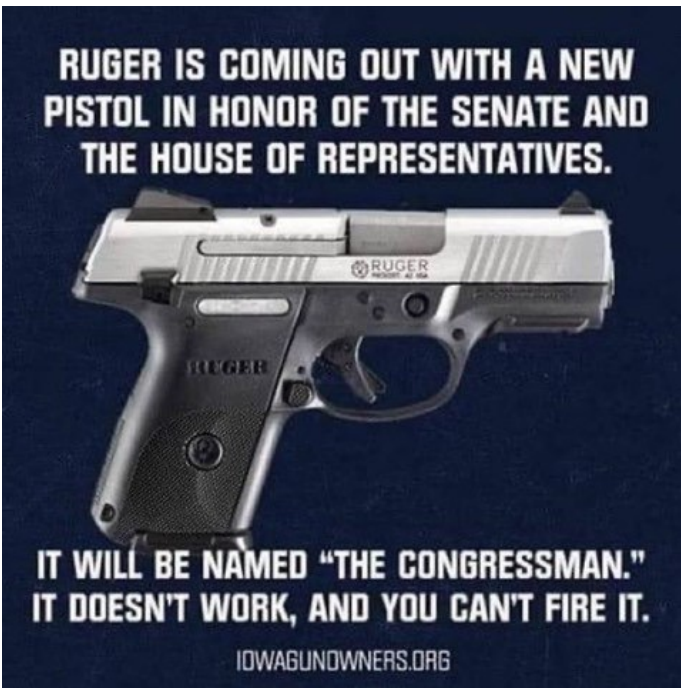
16. Why does "Slow down" and "Slow up" mean the same thing?

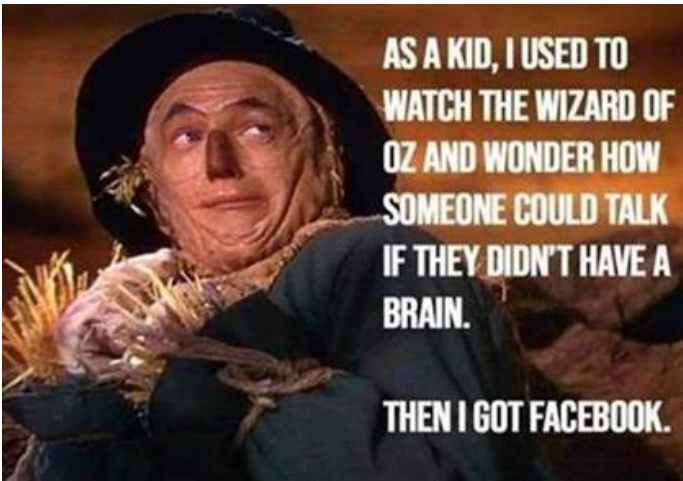
17. If he is a "disgruntled employee", what is a "gruntled" employee?

18. Why is Mickey Mouse bigger than his dog Pluto?

19. If Olive Oil is made out of olives, what is baby oil made from?

20. Why is there an expiration date on Sour Cream?





By replacing your morning coffee with green tea, you can lose up to 87% of what little joy you still have left in your life.





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The people who make fitted sheets need to sit down with the people who make mattresses and get on the same god damn page. Making the bed shouldn't be like putting a swimming cap over a fridge.

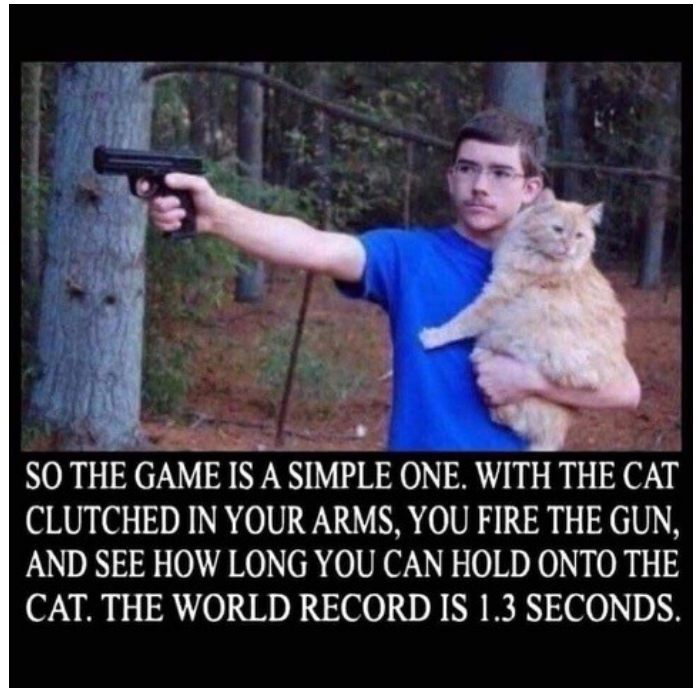
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**MY NEIGHBOR JUST YELLED
AT HER KIDS SO LOUD THAT
EVEN I BRUSHED MY TEETH
AND WENT TO BED.**

Everyone talks about leaving a better planet for our children.

Why doesn't anyone try to leave better children for our planet?



It costs \$20,000 per football game to broadcast the yellow line.

Founding fathers Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and James Monroe all died on July 4th.

A violin contains seventy different pieces of wood.

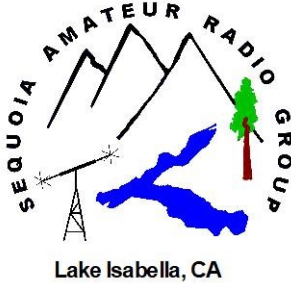
Sixty-seven percent of dog owners buy holiday gifts for their pets.

Newborn babies cry but they have no tears. Their tear ducts aren't formed until they are a month old.

In Oklahoma, it's illegal to wrestle a bear.

The most abused drug in the world is caffeine.

Flamingos are born with gray feathers, which turn pink from their diet of shrimp.



October 2024

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