
The Short Circuit



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President's Corner

George Becker KC6UVM

Happy New Year and welcome to 2022. At first impression, one could have thought we would have started to move forward and onward. Looking back on 2021, the outlook on the last year was things were improving and life was improving for all. Then during the beginning of the new year, it would seem like Public Health Emergency (PHE) took two steps backward.

The December 2021 club party had a good turnout, everyone had a good evening and we brought in a few membership renewals. Just a reminder, for those that have not renewed your membership yet, the time to do so is now.

This month's meeting will feature your club president with a state of the club. I promise, I will do my best to avoid doing my Ben Stein impression during my presentation. Hi, hi.

About the meeting location, there has been a change in venue for our January 27, 2022, club meeting. The last board meeting was via Zoom. The board decided at its last meeting, to move the January 2022 club meeting back to a Zoom format due to the COVID and its current variants. The board has NOT made any changes to the Club's meeting location for February or later (yet). The next board meeting will be on Zoom. One other thing, there are no face-to-face test sessions until further notice. Be sure to check into the Wednesday night net on Hauser Repeater for the latest news and updates. Wishing everyone a Happy New Year and stay well.

73,

George KC6UVM



Meeting Notice

This month's meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 27, 2021 at 7:30PM**, via the Zoom online video app. Current members should have received the meeting invitation link via the email announcement of the December newsletter. If you are not a Zoom user, installation instructions can be found at: <https://zoom.us/signup>. Sign up for the free account, and it will then lead you to download and install the necessary plug-ins to join our meeting. If you are a guest or former member, please send an email to meeting@k6ox.club, stating your name, callsign (if any), and interest in the Club, and we will send you the meeting invitation link.

This month's meeting will feature AVARC president, **George Becker KC6UVM**, who will give the annual "State of the Club" address. Mark your calendars, as you won't want to miss it. See you there!



George Becker KC6UVM

From the Secretary's Desk



Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club
General Meeting and Christmas Party
December 17, 2021 18:00 hrs at The
Blend' Christian Church 1702 E. Ave. J,
Lancaster CA. 93535 in person/Zoom
hybrid meeting.

Those present;

President George Becker
KC6UVM Vice President Andrew Gip-
petti W2AJG

Treasurer Matt Stewart K6MES Secre-
tary Loretta A Smalls AJ6HO

Board Member David Haberman
AK6DH Board Member Dan Sherwood
W6DAS

Short Circuit Editor Adrienne Sherwood
WA6YEO Trustee Keith Hoyt K6GXO
Ex Officio Mike Beckers K6YQO Spe-
cial guest speaker Diana Feinberg
AI6DF.

Also present;

Tom KN6GLI the tall guy Betsy
AJ6AF Frank N6FOD Brian N6CVO
and Claudia KJ6CPU

Jon N6NQ Larry KI6BKP Mark
WW6ML and Kathy Allan
KJ6ZYQ John KN6VL.

Set up began at 16:30 hrs at the Blend
Church. Many many thanks to those who
helped both with set up and tear down,
and for leaving the church in good condi-
tion afterwards. Our President George
Becker KC6UVM manned the member-
ship table at the entrance pretty much the
entire evening. Thank you George for
handling all of that, and many thanks to
Dan W6DAS and the church for allowing
us to have our gathering there.

We began our December meeting/
Christmas party at 18:32 hrs with a flag
salute followed by a prayer by Dan
W6DAS. The potluck included tasty
items such as tortilla soup, tri-tip, fried
chicken, cheese cake, cookies, fresh
brewed coffee, and much more. We had a
very nice gathering, and what could top it
off better than a fun and fascinating presen-
tation by ARRL SW division Section
Manager Diana Feinberg AI6DF.

Diana's presentation title: "The lighter
Side of amateur radio". There are not

enough words to describe how much we
appreciate Diana's wisdom and humor at
our Christmas gatherings. She drives all the
way from Palos Verdes, sometimes during
inclement weather to speak to us and we
cannot say enough how much we adore
her. Thank you Diana once again for an
awesome, fun, clever presentation, they are
always the highlight of our holiday gather-
ing. Thank you from all of us Diana
AI6DF.

*We continued with the introductions of
our new officer and board member line
up.*

President George Becker KC6UVM, Vice
President Andrew Gippetti W2AJG, Treas-
urer David Haberman AK6DH, Secretary
Loretta A Smalls AJ6HO, Master at Arms
(yet TBD) any takers? Board Member Dan
Sherwood W6DAS

Board Member Larry Mock KI6BKP,
Trustee Keith Hoyt K6GXO

Ex Officio Mike Beckers K6YQO, Short
Circuit Editor Adrienne Sherwood
WA6YEO

Historian Bob Holland KG6DHQ

Condolences to Mike K6YQO for the loss
of Diane Beckers K6DER now a silent key.
The raffle tickets were drawn for the door
prizes which included two sets of the
ARRL Operators Manuals and other ARRL
books, gourmet popcorn, Baofang radios,
and one Yaesu 2 meter transiever, and
other prizes. All were pretty awesome and
no one walked away unhappy. Very nice
choices, thank you to all who brought in
the raffle prizes, a job very well done.

On to club business; A motion was made to
approve the minutes from last month as
printed in the November Short circuit was
made by Mike K6YQO and seconded by
Frank N6FOD. All members approved and
motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Matt Stewart K6MES
on Zoom. Matt is recovering from a frac-
tured foot and we wish him a speedy recov-
ery. The treasurer's report will be tabled for
now and the spreadsheet will be sent to the
new Treasurer.

Announcements:

The L.A Marathon is looking for volun-
teers. Raymond Hart KN6DPI, who is a
very avid supporter shared this with us so
here is the link; [https://
www.titanvolunteers.com/volunteers/
sign_up_individual/466-Los-Angeles-
Marathon-2022](https://www.titanvolunteers.com/volunteers/sign_up_individual/466-Los-Angeles-Marathon-2022) Raymond advises us to
register as H1 Amateur Radio Operator.
Short Circuit articles are due by January 12,
2022.

Next exam is Saturday January 8, 2022 at
0900 at The Blend Church 1702 East Ave. J
across from the Wal Mart. This will be im-
mediately followed by the AVARC board
meeting and all are welcome to attend.

Our next club meeting will be January 27,
2022 at the Quartz Hill Library at 5040
Ave. M-2 in Quartz Hill. Eyeball QSOs at
19:00 hrs followed by the meeting at 19:30
hrs. President George Becker KC6UVM
will be giving our state of the club address.

Future Presentations:

January 27 George Becker KC6UVM state
of the club address..

February 24 Margie Hoffman KG6TBR
Baker 2 Vegas.

March 24 We got Steve Molo KI4KWR
back for another try at our zoom meeting.
We lost him the last time, and still not sure
how it happened but he graciously agreed
to give it another shot to talk to us about
Antenna Analyzers.

April 28 Baker 2 Vegas discussion and pos-
sibly a 10GHz project demo.

May 26 still waiting on a response from
someone to give a presentation about Radio
Jove and getting more young people inter-
ested in amateur radio.

June 23 Our club meeting will be a week
before Field Day so we will no doubt be
going over our GOTA table, and club call
sign etc...

We are open to suggestions on presentation/
speaker ideas.?

Other Items;

Members that joined us tonight 20
Motion to adjourn made by Frank N6FOD
and seconded by Mike K6YQO and ap-

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Secretary's Desk...

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approved by all. Motion carries and meeting adjourned at 20:48 hrs.

A sincere thanks to all who helped with setting up and then the clean up afterwards, and to all who brought a dish. Everything was wonderful especially the fresh brewed coffee.

73 everyone and Happy Holidays.

ANTELOPE VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB/K6OX BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 3, 2022 19 :00 hrs Via Zoom

Those present: President George Becker KC6UVM Vice President Andrew Gippetti W2AJG

New Treasurer David Haberman AK6DH Secretary Loretta A Smalls AJ6HO

Board Member Dan Sherwood W6DAS New Board Member Larry Mock KI6BKP

Trustee Keith Hoyt K6GXO

Meeting was called to order by President George Becker KC6UVM at 19:04 hrs.

Minutes from previous board meeting were tabled due to Short Circuit articles delayed from scheduling conflict. Both December 13 and January 3 board meeting minutes will be posted together in the January Short Circuit.

Treasurer's Report: D a v i d Haberman AK6DH

Treasurer's report also tabled while our new Treasurer gathers data for the spreadsheet from Matt K6MES, our previous Treasurer. We do have 21 members that are currently paid up, including life members.

Old Business:

We still need to choose a date for newly elected officers to go to the

bank and make the changes on the account. The best time is probably sometime after the January 12 newsletter comes out so that the documents reflect the official election results. The bank will actually need this documentation during the signing.

Discussion about our reservation at the Quartz Hill Library for our in person meetings resulted in the reluctant but prudent decision to cancel our in person meetings. We will resume our virtual meetings via zoom not just because of COVID, but mostly due to the unreliable internet. We will re-evaluate in April for our library use, but many of our zoom meetings require reliable internet for many of our speakers, especially when accomodating our long distance guests.

Motion to cancel the Quartz Hill Library meeting room through March was made by Board Member Larry Mock and seconded by Secretary Loretta A Smalls AJ6HO approved by all. Motion carries Secretary will notify Daria about the cancellation until further notice. We are also not against looking for another venue to have our in person meetings.

New Business:

We will be checking in on Gary Mork, WA6WFC our previous Master At Arms to see how he is doing. He also has the P.O Box key which he needs to mail to one of us, or someone can retrieve from him along with the information on our box rental due date.

Field Day is in June and we need to go ahead and get our spot at Rawley Duntley Park for the entire weekend. We can always cancel like we did last year when we decided to do just the one day. We will have further discussions about our GOTA station, and our call sign. Last year it was incredibly hot at the park and so our event did not go as well as it

could have. This year we will plan better for the heat, try to stay longer to make more contacts and we must remember to take photos.

We need folks to re-up their memberships, and we will do our part to work harder to attract new members by scheduling interesting speakers for our zoom club meetings as well as interesting events such as the tour we did last year at OVRO.

Future Presentations:

Same as the Club meeting minutes. Open to ideas and suggestions.

Announcements:

Short Circuit articles are due by January 12.

Next Club meeting is January 28 via zoom only. All meetings will be strictly via zoom until further notice.

Test sessions are also strictly on line due to the Church being on shut-down. Go to <https://glaarg.org/> for a test session.

Next Board Meeting is February 7 Monday, 19:00 hrs via Zoom.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Secretary Loretta A Smalls AJ6HO and seconded by Board Member Dan Sherwood W6DAS and approved by all. Motion carries and meeting was adjourned at 20:10 hrs.



...to pay your dues for 2022

Yuma Hamfest
& Southwestern
Division Convention
Yuma, Arizona
Feb. 18 & 19, 2022

Yuma County Fairgrounds
 2520 East 32nd Street, Yuma, Arizona



www.yumahamfest.org

Check the Website for Additional Information

<p>Gates Open for Camping Thursday, 2 pm Vendor Setup Friday, 7 am - Noon</p>	<p>Event Hours Friday, Noon - 5 pm Saturday, 8 am - 5 pm</p>	<p>Hamfest Dinner & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday Night 6:00 - 8:00 pm</p>
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Two Longtime AVARC Members SK

AVARC was saddened to learn of the passing of two of our active members. **Diane Beckers K6DER** became a Silent Key in December, and **John Isles K6RJC** became a Silent Key in January.



Diane Beckers K6DER

Services for K6DER and K6RJC

Diane Beckers K6DER
 Jan 29, 2022 at 2PM
 Halley Olsen, Lancaster
 44831 N Cedar Ave. (from Google)

John Isles K6RJC
 2/12/2022 at 11:00 AM
 Faith Community Church
 39100 10th Street West Palmdale, CA 93551
 (from Google)
 Potluck Reception to follow

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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CALL _____ CLASS: T G A E ARRL: YES NO LIFE

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: HOME _____ OFFICE _____ Cell _____

EMAIL COPY _____ HARD COPY MAILED _____ (Email copy is preferred)

EMAIL _____

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: _____

CALL _____ CLASS: T G A E ARRL: YES NO LIFE

PHONE: HOME _____ OFFICE _____ Cell _____

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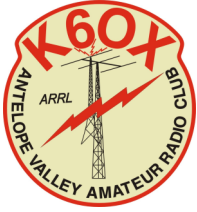
PRO RATED DUES SCHEDULE IS FOR NEW AVARC MEMBERS ONLY. NEW _____ RENEWAL _____

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	REGULAR	SENIOR (60 YR)	#	CHECK #
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL	\$20.00	\$15.00		
DEC - JAN - FEB - MAR	\$20.00	\$15.00		CHECK
APR - MAY - JUN (NEW MEMBERS ONLY)	\$15.00	\$11.00		AMOUNT
JUL - AUG - SEP (NEW MEMBERS ONLY)	\$10.00	\$8.00		\$
OCT - NOV (NEW MEMBERS ONLY)	\$5.00	\$4.00		
FAMILY MEMBER	\$5.00	\$5.00		CASH
AVARC MEMBER BADGE	\$9.00/\$11	\$9.00/\$11		\$

NOTE: NEW MEMBERS ARE PEOPLE THAT HAVE NEVER BELONGED TO THE AVARC.

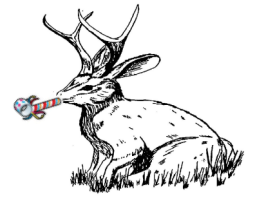
NOTE: NEW MEMBERS JOINING IN DECEMBER WILL BE CHARGED A FULL MEMBERSHIP FEE. THIS WILL COVER DUES NEXT YEAR.

NOTE: A ONE TIME SURCHARGE OF \$9.00 WILL BE ASSESSED ON ALL NEW MEMBERS FOR AVARC MEMBER BADGE. ADD \$2.00 FOR MAGNETIC PIN.



Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club 2022 Officers

President	George Becker	KC6UVM	488-6894
Vice President	Andy Gippetti	W2AJG	433-2106
Secretary	Loretta Smalls	AJ6HO	350-7039
Treasurer	David Haberman	AK6DH	917-4594
Master-At-Arms			
Board Member	Larry Mock	KI6BKP	943-6736
Board Member	Dan Sherwood	W6DAS	264-1863
Board Member	Margie Hoffman	KG6TBR	297-6567
Trustee	Keith Hoyt	K6GXO	533-4025
Ex Officio	Michael Beckers	K6YQO	805-906-9555



AVARC board meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. All members are welcome to attend, although they should let the president or another officer know that they are planning to attend, as the meetings usually include a pot-luck dinner at the home of one of the officers.

The club net is on Wednesdays at 8:00, on the Hauser repeater (146.73 MHz PL 100). The net includes Amateur Radio Newslines, and all members and guests are invited to check in.

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