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The Juiciest Section

Big Bear Amateur Radio Club Celebrating 35 Years Sept 4, 2010

This year we'll celebrate the Big Bear Amateur Radio Club's 35th birthday with a club picnic on September 4, 2010, at Sugarloaf Park in Big Bear City.

We'll operate somewhere around 14.260MHz, and 29.100MHz... from 10:00am to 3:00pm local time. With special Callsign K6B.

For further information, you can contact Bill Young at: billgdyoung@earthlink.net



Links with Interest

Nebraska State Fair uses Amateur Radio <http://www.khastv.com/news/local/a-99275894.html>

Corona, CA

<http://www.ci.corona.ca.us/index.cfm?section=City%20Departments&page=Police&viewpost=2&ContentId=341&id=135>

California Amateurs

www.triplicate.com/20100724109639/Northcoast-Life/Northcoast-Life/Talking-to-the-world

www.arrl.org/news/fcc-dismisses-california-ham-s-petition-to-amend-section-97-1

ORANGE SECTION

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To Our Affiliated Clubs

If you have questions regarding your affiliation as an affiliated club with the ARRL, please feel free to contact our Affiliated Club Coordinator, Bill Prats K6ACJ and he can be reached at: k6acj-arrrl@biztek.com

Bill has some great ideas and I know he is willing to share them with your club.

Newsletter

Orange County Fair First Place Contest Winner

Today the fair is more than just pastry contests and farm animal contests, there are also booth contests. A contest on which booth can attract the most interest from the public such as the 1st place winner of this year's fair booth contest, by the Orange County Council of Amateur Radio Organization, OCCARO. The OCCARO booth has won first place for the twenty-fifth time out of thirty years that the booth competition has been



held. One of the exhibits at the booth was Amateur Television (ATV) that president of the Amateur Television Network (ATN) of California Chapter, Don Hill, KE6BXT was ready for the to demonstrate to the public the network using the Orange County Fair special even call sign, W6F. On the ATN repeater was Lee Benson, WA6FGK. For more information on ATN and repeater location throughout the southland go

to WWW.ATN-TV.ORG.

In attendance August 5, 2010 were hundreds of fairgoers with an interest in ham radio, at the ham radio booth including the following from left to right, Tom Mackay W6WC (FVRACES) (MARS), Russ Gowin N6QZV (FVRACES) (WCARS), Clint Bradford K6LCS (SATELLITE EXPERT), Jim Huff K6AAJ (FVRACES), Don Hill KE6BXT (SSATV), Gordon West WB6NOA (ARRL Trainer),





fairgoer #1, fairgoer #2, Jerry Fullerton KD6JBL (FVRACES), and David Lopez N6RI (Myself - ARRL PIC). There was also a live satellite demonstration by Clint Bradford, K6LCS and Gordon West, WB6NOA. Talking to someone from a repeater in space - that's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to some people, but for amateur radio operators today, it is as common as talking on your cell phone. Passersby asked what we were doing. What a perfect

opportunity to promote amateur radio. One of the fair's attendees was W6BP, who didn't know that there was an amateur radio booth inside the building, he recognized Gordon, holding a satellite antenna as being his technician license instructor years ago. Clint was able to make 10 satellite contacts during the short demonstration with an almost overhead satellite pass. Stations from AZ, CO, TX and even a DX contact in Vancouver Canada was made with just 5-watts of power from his handheld transceiver and the AO-51 satellite. Above, Clint displays his gear used for the satellite demonstration outside in the



open fairgrounds. To the left, Clint used an iPod Touch to determine elevation of the satellite passes.

Take a look at the wining booth below. The table displayed literature about amateur radio and how hams are used during emergency crisis. The picture to the left shows how a kid wanting to play with the keys and send his name in Morse code. The pictures show people asking questions and wanting to know more about amateur radio.





The Orange County Fair booth was a huge success thanks to the hard work and many hours of planning by the volunteers from the OCCARO organization. Clubs within the OCCARO organization divvied up the responsibilities of manning the booth, clubs such as MESAC, SOARA, OCARC, FVRSACES, FRC, CLARA, HDSCS, 78's, K6VEC ARG, WCARC, WARA, OC Redcross, COAR and SART. Thanks to the efforts of our volunteers, they were able to proudly display the Blue Ribbon on the booth. For more information in the winning booth organization visit <http://www.occaro.org/>.



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