

# TRINITY COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## **Next Meeting**

The next TCARC meeting will be June 14, 7:30pm at the TCOE Conference Room, 201 Memorial Drive in Weaverville.

## **Disaster Preparedness Fair**

June 10 was the Red Cross Disaster Preparedness Fair. Numerous agencies were set up at the Weaverville Long's Drugstore parking lot to show and talk about their roles in Disaster Preparedness. TCARC was there with the ECU set up and various modes operating. Contacts were made via 2m packet and Jim, N6TKY, checked in on the Jefferson Noon Net (7.244MHz, every day at, well, noon.)

Members participating were John, KI6GR; Greg, WB6FZH; Bob, WD6AIA; Evelyn, N6TKX and Jim N6TKY. Robert, KB6YTD dropped by for a while and Johnny, WA6BXN dropped by from his post at the Masonic Lodge's Child ID station.

Note to remember - The ECU should use the club callsign, K6SDD, at events.

## **Field Day**

The weekend of June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> is Field Day! We used to have a lot of fun doing Field Day as a club so we're planning to do something this year. The Harrigans, N6TKX and N6TKY, have invited the club out to their ranch at Corral Bottom for the event. They have plenty of space, battery power, water and, um, "necessary facilities" to support a large group. Their ranch is several miles South of Big Bar along decent paved and dirt road.

As another possibility, Robert, KB6YTD, has secured permission from the Beans family to have a group up on their property on Oregon Mountain, about 4 miles out of Weaverville. It is at about 3400 feet elevation with clear shots to the upper Sac valley for any interested in VHF work. It is a site with NO facilities (we'd have to bring food, water, some form of "porta-potty" etc) and up about a half mile of steep dirt road through the 2001 fire. It was no problem in my Blazer in 2wd but a 2wd pickup would not find it an easy trip.

We will discuss this at the June meeting and report out on the Thursday night nets between the meeting and Field Day.

## **Annual TCARC Picnic**

Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup> should see the annual TCARC picnic at the Carpenters', KD6QBS and WB6JZN, on 5 Cent Gulch Road in Weaverville starting at 5pm. This meeting is the Swearing In of our new slate of club officers, which by the way, bears a striking resemblance to our old officers.

## **Lewiston Disaster Drill**

August 5th Red Cross is putting on a disaster drill at Lewiston school, complete with appropriately oozing bandages. They would like to have Radio Club/ARES participation for this, and again have promised frequencies with operators at the other end for message sending. It would be a great opportunity to work on our emergency skills, so please save the date on your calendar and plan to participate.

## **Late Newsletter**

My apologies for the tardiness of the newsletter! Too many things going on all at the same time around the Editor's Shack – or lack thereof as the case seems to be. I've recently moved to a different home in Weaverville and little by little I'm getting radios and computers back in operation. 2m/440 voice and 2m packet are back online, not much else radio-wise is yet.