



# Trinity County Amateur Radio Club

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## Newsletter

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### Health and Welfare

#### Silent Key

It is with sadness I report the passing of John Warren, KG6HXW. He fought a noble and lengthy fight against lymphoma but succumbed to the disease on June 13.

John did a lot of work with Greg, WB6FZH, experimenting with different modes and means to get communication into the North Lake area. Along with his TCARC activities, John was active with Coffee Creek Volunteer Fire Department as their communications officer and made many improvements in the communications capabilities in the area. A potluck in his honor was held at the CCVFD fire station Thursday July 6th and their antenna tower was dedicated in memory of John.

#### Another passing

Jeanette Rapinac, XYL of Rick Rapinac, KF6WLL, died June 30 after a lengthy illness. Services will be at their home in Douglas City Saturday July 15 at 5pm. The club meeting scheduled for the same time has been pushed back to 6pm to allow members to drop by to visit Rick and family.

#### Illnesses

Keep Club Prez Greg, WB6FZH, in your thoughts and prayers as he's going through some of his own medical meanderings.

Bob, KA6ZVR, is also still having troubles with his arm working right after some neck trouble earlier this year.

Some good news from the household of Johnny Weil, WA6BXN. Daughter Kathy had surgery in mid-June and came through it with a great outcome.

### Club Events

#### July Meeting

The July meeting will be at the Carpenters', Vi, KD6QBS and Ed, WB6JZN, starting 6pm Saturday, July 15. It will be a picnic and a short meeting to include the swearing in of the new slate of officers.

#### Field Day

The club had no official participation in Field Day this year after all. Illnesses, prior commitments and unexpected events caused several of those planning to lead a club effort to not be able. I would be interested in hearing of individuals' reports if any members would drop me a line.

#### Lewiston Disaster Drill with Red Cross

Originally scheduled for August 5 has been rescheduled to sometime in September due to scheduling conflicts with Red Cross personnel.

### **Preparedness thoughts**

How well stocked are your “go kits?” Are you ready for 3 days of self-sustained operation? Remember basic survival items such as food, water and toiletries. We often focus on having all our communication ducks in a row that we forget people (meaning ourselves) communicate better when they’re not hungry, thirsty, battling biting bugs etc. By all means check that batteries are up, flashlight bulbs are good, rubber ducks haven’t cracked apart, etc, but don’t forget to make sure you have supplies to keep your most important asset, your body, functioning well.

### **Scene Operations**

When you’re operating the ECU (or otherwise as a club function) remember to use the club callsign. That makes for less confusion when field units are trying to get in touch with base. Rather than having to remember who’s at base or keep track of changes at base as relief crews come and go, field units just have to remember one base call: K6SDD.