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A CALENDAR BY ANY OTHER NAME

Oct. 27, Noon	TRW/ARC Club Meeting in R4-1041. The speaker will be from the Redondo Beach Fire Department.
Oct. 30, 8-11 am	TRW/ARC Swapmeet, NE corner of Compton and Aviation, just barely in Hermosa Beach.
Nov. 12, Eve.	Annual Awards Banquet, at Peppy's on Sepulveda in Torrance. Dinner \$7 per person. Watch for the flyer.
Nov. 24, Noon	TRW/ARC Club Meeting.
Nov. 27, 8-11 am	TRW/ARC Swapmeet.

SWAPMEET NEWS--Bill Schreck, KE6LB

The September Swapmeet drew another full-house crowd. The weather was excellent and, as usual, the lot was half full at 6 am, two hours before the official starting time. If you monitor 2 meters in the wee hours on a Swapmeet morning, you'll hear QSOs of people on their way to the Swapmeet from such far out places as San Diego and Santa Barbara. We at TRW/ARC can feel great satisfaction that our Swapmeet provides the Southern California amateur community with a super monthly event to attend.

Helping out in September were Frank Cartier (WA6RAY), Bill Rodner (K6AWS), Jim Richardson (K6PDR), and Bill Dews (K6AWO). Thanks to Dews for filling in for me when I left to go to work. Scheduled for October 30 are Mel Erb (K6GWC), John Sheppard (WA6VYX), and a third yet to be conscripted. We are still signing on "a few men" for operators, so call me at x56271. Se you all on October 30.

HAM SHACK CLEANED UP--Bill Schreck, KE6LB

For the past couple of years I've been complaining about the disarranged condition of our Bldg. 65 ham shack, and couldn't get anyone interested in helping me clean it up. Well, we finally got a five-man work party together at noon on October 14, and we got the place looking much better. We moved all of the cabinets, workbenches, desks, chairs, etc., out of the shack, swept it, and laid some used (but decent-looking) carpeting. The carpet needs a good vacuuming, so Bill Dews, one of our work party, is donating a vacuum to clean it. Other members of the work party were Bob Hume (KG6B), Bill Rodner (K6AWS), Fred Barrett (N6CRW), and myself. We got a little sweaty and dusty during this busy noon hour, but it was worth it--the shack is now presentable. Club members who haven't been using the shack should drop by some noon and check it out. In addition to good VHF and HF radio stations, we have a good library and several photo albums. We will also be setting up a satellite tracking station there soon.

WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

Paul Herbert and (with apologies for the belated welcome) Bruce Dillinger (WB6CTX).

MEETING MINUTES--Connie Gilmore, WA6SKM.

General Meeting--September 29, 1982

The business meeting was very short to accommodate a program by Al Lee, on leave from "down under." The slides shown were very interesting. Attending were 49 members, some of whom won \$50 worth of door prizes.

Executive Board Meeting--October 12, 1982

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm; attending were Dews, Dailey, Schreck, Rodner, Hume, Garrett, and the Gilmores.

The treasurer reports that the treasury is in a healthy state. He suggested that we purchase a Heathkit deviation meter for the club. The motion to do so carried. If you have any suggestions for future buys of equipment for the club, call Fred Garrett at x55872.

The Swapmeet Chairman has added a statement to the Rules and Regulations that TRW and TRW/ARC are not responsible for any injuries incurred on TRW property. The Microcomputer Club has requested that they be allowed to join in our Swapmeet. The request was granted. Bill still needs Swapmeet volunteers.

Bill Dews is doing a super job with his C17 list--Thanks Bill.

The TRW/ARC Awards Banquet will be held on November 12 at Peppy's. The dinner will cost \$7 per person, with a choice of steak or halibut. There will be a flyer out, hopefully before this was published.

As you all know, our Executive meetings are held at Salas, and they generously put up with our occasional shouting matches, bad jokes, etc. Well, Brigit Sala has donated a free dinner for two for our awards banquet drawing. I think that's really wonderful, and we all thank them very much. Support the people who support us!

The banquet entertainment hasn't been firmed up as yet, but Bill Rodner is working on it, and will let you all know on the flyer.

Ed Thornley is eagerly awaiting Nominations for our upcoming election. Call him on x50743.

NOTES HERE AND THERE

EQUIPMENT NEWS--The club now has on hand a 3AT and a 4AT, sold to us at a special "Club Price" by Radio King. Bill Dews reports they have a nice array of Amateur gear and mobile antenna replacement parts.

FOR SALE--Onan 3 KW diesel generator, with a freshly overhauled engine, \$1900. Also a Kenwood 7850, like new, \$300. Bob Pickett (N6EYV) 320-3003.

CLUB BADGES--You get a free door prize ticket if you wear your TRW/ARC badge to club meetings. If you don't have one with your current call on it, drop Bill Dews a check for \$2.00, along with your name and call. Wear them at Swapmeets and picnics too.

PERSONALIZED CLUB QSL CARDS--Club QSL cards are available from: Hawthorne Typesetting Co., 4736 West El Segundo Blvd., Hawthorne, CA 90250. Phone: (213) 679-8677. Club cards personalized in silver ink are \$22.00 for 100, plus \$4.00 for each additional 100 cards. Five or more orders (with different calls etc.) are \$18 per 100 (with the \$4.00 each extra hundred of the same card). Allow one week for delivery. Other styles of cards are available, such as the "business card" type.

CQ QST--Please cut out your ARRL address label and sent it to Dews, M2-2155, so that he can keep a record of club members who also belong to ARRL.

CLIP COUPONS!--Send your cents-off coupons for coffee and related supplies to the Swapmeet Chairman for use at the meet.

HELP WANTED--Ed Thornley is anxiously looking for volunteers to run for office in the club. The pay is lousy, but the benefits are great. Check out the back page and see what looks good, then call Ed on extension 50743.

BECOME A FAMOUS WRITER--I'll print almost anything, as long as it's printable and reasonably accurate. Humor, technical corner items, news notes, want ads, columns, you name it: what big-city paper would guarantee you a by-line?

FREE CROSSTALK--Bill Dews says he'll send free samples to interested TRW employees, for the mere asking. Send names and badge numbers to him at M2-2155, or call 53392.

HOW TO KILL AN ORGANIZATION

(Borrowed from a presently unknown publication, who got it from the June 1981 NASMD Newsletter.)

Don't participate beyond paying your dues--let "them" handle things--then complain that the members have no voice in management.

If appointed to a committee, don't work--then complain because the group has stagnated.

If you do attend meetings, don't initiate or volunteer new ideas--then you can play "devil's advocate" to those submitted by others.

Don't rush to pay your dues--"they're too high" anyway--then complain about poor financial management.

Don't read the newsletters--it's not important---then complain that you're not being kept informed.

Don't volunteer your talents (?)--then complain that you're never asked, never appreciated.

If by chance the organization grows--in spite of your "contributions"--grasp every opportunity to tell others how tough it was and how hard you worked in the old days to bring the organization to its successful status.

SOME NOTES FROM THE W5YI REPORT

The FCC is proposing a new way of specifying power limits. It's been proposed before, but it has always been tacked onto losing proposals: that limitations be placed on peak envelope power, or the output to the antenna, rather than the input to the final amplifier. Presently, the proposed limits at 200 watts PEP output in the Novice frequencies and 1,500 watts PEP output elsewhere, except where otherwise restricted.

The famous "Callbook" now has competition, and it seems to be cheaper. Jack Speer, N1BIC, is the publisher, and he has also prepared a geographical index and a name index. His Call Directory sells for \$12.95. If you'd like more information, call your editor.

The FCC has authorized the use of any digital code on amateur frequencies above 50 MHz, except those on which only A1 emission is permitted. There are some specific restrictions (there always are), and interested parties might check with Long Beach for more information.

THE LATEST VERSION OF THE RULES COMES FORTH

(We especially ask other Southern California ham clubs to take note and share the new rules.)

1. Each seller must sign this rules sheet and display same on his vehicle windshield. Seller shall use only one parking space to display his goods.
2. Items, offered for sale or trade, must be amateur radio related. No written or recorded matter containing obscenities or profanities can be displayed, or offered for sale or for free.
3. TRWARC reserves the right to refuse entrance to anyone it deems necessary.
4. No commercial sellers permitted on swapmeet site.
6. Each seller must clean up his general area prior to leaving swapmeet.
7. The TRW AMATEUR RADIO CLUB and TRW INC. disclaims all responsibility for:
 - o The validity of claims made by sellers or swappers regarding equipment age, origin, or condition; for prices set; or for any financial transactions entered into at this swapmeet.
8. Notice: In consideration for the permission to the undersigned by TRWARC to participate in the TRWARC swapmeet, the undersigned hereby release and holds harmless TRW, INC., TRWARC, and TRWARC members from any, and all liabilities for personal injury, property damage, etc. arising on TRW premises.
9. It is suggested that buyers carefully inspect and check-out equipment before purchasing. When check-out is not possible, make arrangements with the seller for later communications to discuss any problems encountered. Any complaints should be brought to the attention of TRWARC at club booth.

