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CNARC FIELD DAY

de Perry-AE6GQ

Last June, on the weekend of the 23rd and 24th, CNARC participated in the 2007 ARRL Field Day. The ARRL report in the December issue of QST reports CNARC operated as a class 2F station (2 transmitters at the EOC), 7 participants, 218 QSOs, and ending with a score of 786. This ranked us 58 out of 69 2F stations nationwide. Our QSO breakdown by band was 109 on 80M, 48 on 40M, 54 on 20M, and 7 on 15M.

While our score was not all that high, we were not trying for a high score, but rather used the event as a shakedown for the EOC equipment and operators. This was our first large-scale test and, in that respect, it was a great success for both the EOC and CNARC.

The Field Day operators were Norm-KN6CV, Larry-KI6DCG, Dick-AF6F and Perry-AE6GQ with moral support from Lloyd-W6HXS, Frank-KE6NZZ and Frank DeBoer, Battalion Chief of the Norco FD. The Fire Department provided pizza Saturday night for all – plus cots and sleeping bags for overnight operators.

Next year's Field Day will be on the weekend of June 28th and 29th, and we hope to introduce all of our new members to Field Day and possibly have enough operators to work in assigned shifts. Maybe we will even move up within the 2F class. Who knows?

THE JANUARY T-HUNT

The December hunt was cancelled due to the weather. Our next T-Hunt will be on Saturday January 5th at 10:00AM at St. John's Church. Everyone is welcome to hunt or to ride along with one of the hunters.

The hidden T will be Norm-KN6CV, and the eager hunters: Perry-AE6GQ and Fred-W6TKV and, Joe-K06XB.

Why not come to the starting point and ride along to see what it is all about? The price is right, so why not join us?

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Annual Christmas Party will be held at 6:00 PM on Monday, December 3rd at the Norco Senior Center on Clark Avenue in Norco.

On Hamner, between 3rd and 4th Streets (both have traffic lights), you will come to Market Street (also a traffic light), from the north, turn right onto Market – from the south, it is a left turn. Drive to end of Market Street and turn left onto Clark Avenue and then take an immediate right into Senior Center.

Santa and everyone will see you there!!!

CLUB REPEATER

Repeater – 147.060/- MHz, PL-162.2 Hz

WebSite – <http://www.qsl.net/w6pwt/>

Our next regular meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Monday, January 7th at the Norco Firehouse.

NEW EOC CONTACT

Jim Avery is our new EOC contact at the Norco Fire Department. He was appointed by Mike Norris, Battalion Chief, and we all look forward to meeting and working with Jim.

ARRL SSB SWEEPSTAKES

de Fred-W6TKV

Decided to get into the Phone Sweepstakes this year and managed to log 219 QSOs in 64 of 80 Sections on 15M, 20M and 40M. Of the 50 states, I missed five – Maine, Delaware, Kentucky, West Virginia and North Dakota. I worked 3 of the 6 Canadian Provinces - the Maritimes on the east and British Columbia on the west – plus Alberta. My total score was 28,032 points.

The exchange in this contest is one of longest of all. Each exchange from and to my station included a) the serial number, b) the operating class, c) my/his callsign, d) the year first licensed, and e) the ARRL Section. So, my last report given this year was 219 – A – W6TKV – 52 – ORG and that's quite a mouthful no matter how you say it.

All contests involve a specific data exchange. Check the Contest Rules at www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.php.

