



THE COASTSIDE COMMUNICATOR

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CARC Meetings are at 7:30pm, in the EOC Room at the Pacifica Police Station
Talk in: 146.925MHz, (-)offset, PL 114.8, WA6TOW Repeater
December 10th – CARC's Holiday Potluck Meeting

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Hello HAM's

We had a wonderful gathering at the club's election dinner at Nick's restaurant. Thank you Jon for organizing the event.

Congratulations to and thank you for stepping up to the 2026 board of directors. I have been reelected as president, Paul as vice president, Tom as secretary and George will be our new treasurer.

Steve, Antonis and I did some work at the repeater site. We moved the Yaesu repeater to UHF. The UHF system of filters and antenna are working great. The UHF frequency is 441.0750, plus offset and 114.8 CTCSS, give it a try. For the VHF repeater we installed a Motorola XPR 8400 repeater. The Motorola repeater seems to have better sensitivity and selectivity than the Yaesu it replaced. There is still much more work to be done, including replacing the VHF antenna. (Picture on Page 6 – Ed.)

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Ralph Kugler, KC6YDH
Club President

CARC NOVEMBER 15, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order - The November 15, 2025, meeting called to order at 6:55pm by President Ralph Kugler-KC6YDH, at Nick's Restaurant at Rockaway Beach, Pacifica.

Self-introductions – Introductions by members in attendance

Minutes – Motion made by Jon-N6SJF and seconded by Dave-KF6TWW to approve the October minutes as published in the November Coastsideside Communicator.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The funds provided by the Treasurer as of November 15, 2025: Motion made by Ron-WB9EGG, and seconded by George-KJ6TSX to table Treasurer's Report to the December Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Repeater Status: Current Repeater System: Two weeks ago, Steve-KN6ORM, Ralph-KC6YDH, and Antonis(sp?) went to the repeater site and installed one of the Motorola XPR8400 VHF repeater and brought up the Yaesu DR2X UHF repeater. Now we have two working repeaters, (1) VHF 2m 146.925MHz, (-) offset, PL 114.8, and (2) UHF 70cm 440.075MHz, (+) offset, PL 114.8. Everything appears to be working fine, although some audio adjustments need to be done. New antenna(s) need to be purchased and locate an authorized tower climber to install. Also settings need to be done on the controller that are not done on the repeater. A big thanks to Steve for all the work he's done on the equipment and getting it ready to install on the site.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion made by Dave-KF6TWW and seconded by Jon-N6SJF to table Unfinished Business to the December meeting. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Officers Nominated at the October CARC Meeting are: President: Ralph Kugler-KC6YDH, Vice-President: Paul Atkins-AI6BB, Secretary: Thomas Oliver-KJ6OGL, Treasurer: George Salet-KJ6TSX

As the Nominations were Uncontested, the Election shall be done by acclamation of those members present at the November Election Meeting

Election of Officers: Motion made by Jon-N6SJF, and seconded by Barbara-K6IIP to Open Elections. Motion made by Dave3-KF6TWW, and seconded by Jon-N6SJF to accept the slate of Nominated Officers. All in favor: All Yes. Motion made by Frank-N6FG, and seconded by Barbara-K6IIP to Close Elections. Elections closed.

Dave-KF6TWW congratulated newly elected officers, and Barbara-K6IIP thanked the previous years officers. Ralph thanked Steve-KN6ORM for all the work he did on the repeaters and Treasury. Now he is taking on new responsibilities as CERT coordinator and repeater Trustee. Steve stated that there needs to be more connections between CERT and HAM Radio. Pacifica CERT needs more Ham Radio operators. Thanks to Carmel-KJ6ERH and Steve for getting the new meeting location at the Pacifica PD. Thanks to Paul-AI6BB for all his work getting PayPal running on the website. Ralph thanked Tom-KJ6OGL for the work he's done as Secretary. Ralph thanked Jon-N6SJF for all the work he has done on the repeater, but also coordinating Field Day, it was successful and everyone enjoyed it, and coordinating the Election Dinner with Nick's Restaurant. Ralph thanked George for volunteering to take on the duty of Treasurer. Finally, Ralph thanked all the membership who have kept the Club going for all the years and continue to keep it going. Volunteering for the various functions the Club does. Frank thanked Roger Spindler-KF6AFT as he was the one who got it all started with getting the system up on the hill.

Steve-KN6ORM stated that he and Frank-N6FG will be on Pacific Coast TV Town Hall

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9PQxCo8SUG>

Frank N6FG will be on PCT Honors on 11/22/2025

<https://pacificcoast.tv/>

Adjournment

Motion made by Jillian-KN6PIV and seconded by Dave-KF6TWW to adjourn the meeting at 7:15pm. Meeting adjourned. Approved.

Present at the Meeting:

Officers: President: Ralph Kugler-KC6YDH, Vice-President: Absent, Secretary: Thomas Oliver-KJ6OGL, Treasurer: Stephen Austin-KN6ORM

Members: Dave Lawrence-KF6TWW, Dennis Kafka-KN6QER, Barbara Erbacher-K6IIP, Frank Erbacher-N6FG, Gary Barnes-KI6HIG, Dave Griesbach-K1AAD, Carmel Gallagher-KJ6ERS, George Salet-KJ6TSX, Jon Lancelle-N6SJF, Jillian Alderson-KN6PIV, Ron Perser-WB9EGG.

Guests: Jacquie Lawrence, Julie Lancelle, Kathy Salet, Wendell Hanna, Judie Oliver

Submitted by: Thomas Oliver-KJ6OGL,
CARC Secretary

NEWS

2025 ARRL Board of Directors Election Results

The [results of the 2025 ARRL Division elections](#) were announced on Friday, November 21.



In the ARRL Pacific Division, current Director John Litz, NZ6Q (1,270 votes), of Stockton, California, was declared the winner, defeating Bob Vallio, W6RGG (960 votes).

In the Southeastern Division, current Director Mickey Baker, N4MB (1,596 votes), of West Palm Beach, Florida, was declared the winner, defeating Tom Schaefer, NY4I (928 votes), Jim Kvochick, K8JK (774 votes), and Northern Florida Section Manager Scott Roberts, KK4ECR (529 votes).

In the Southwestern Division, current Director Richard Norton, N6AA (1,392 votes), of Topanga, California, was declared the winner, defeating Arizona Section Manager Rick Paquette, W7RAP (1,388 votes). John Kitchens, NS6X (1,623 votes), of Somis, California, who is the Santa Barbara Section Manager, was declared the winner, defeating David Ginsberg, N3BKV (1,162 votes), for the position of Vice Director.

In August, the following incumbents and candidate were [declared elected](#) without opposition: In the Pacific Division, current Vice Director Carol Milazzo, KP4MD. In the Rocky Mountain Division, current Director Jeff Ryan, K0RM, and Mel Parkes, NM7P, who ran uncontested for the position of Vice Director. In the Southeastern Division, current Vice Director Andrew Milluzzi, KK4LWR. In the West Gulf Division, Director John Robert Stratton, N5AUS, and Vice

Director Lee Cooper, W5LHC — both already serving in these positions.

Winners will assume their roles for terms beginning January 1, 2026.

Members voted online or could request paper ballots. The election was conducted by third party Election Services Co., of Melville, New York — the same company that has conducted ARRL elections since 2022.

ARRL is governed by its Board of Directors. Elections are held for five of the 15 ARRL Divisions each year, for terms of 3 years.

Ham Radio—There's Still Magic In It. Ask 3 Million People

Many believe that the hobby of ham radio is dying with all of the modern communications technology. Not so. There are currently three million hams around the world, a quarter of them in America.

With all of the easy ways to communicate internationally now, many ask whether amateur "ham" radio still has relevance. Some call the hobby, which is communicating with other hams via radio waves, a dying breed of old fogies who haven't fully embraced new technology such as email and social media.

After all, rather than purchase expensive electronic equipment, get an FCC license and be captive to the whims of the ionosphere and sunspot cycles (ham operators will know what I mean), they can easily call up folks in distant lands on the Internet.

Surprisingly, there are still an estimated three million ham operators worldwide, a quarter of them in America. In fact, the category is growing at a reported 1% annually. Part of that is due to the waiver of the Morse Code license requirement. In 1968, I learned Morse Code and took a written FCC test on radio theory, and obtained my novice-class radio license, call sign WN3JID. For a few years, I conversed with countries around the globe on all seven continents. At age 15, I took another FCC test and upgraded to general class (WA3JID), which allowed higher transmission power and more radio frequencies.

Concurrently, a friend in my hometown had also obtained his ham license - he was 12 - and as boys we competed to see who could reel in the most countries. We worked into remote places like Siberia (yes, the USSR did allow hams to operate during the Cold War), Africa's Seychelles Islands, Antarctica, the Marshall Islands, Greenland, Australia - you name it.

There was not only a thrill with finding each new place, but a crash course in geography and science. Too bad that concept seems to be lacking in today's early-education institutions.

By the time I was 16, I had contacted more than 100 countries and received confirmation cards from them. That qualified me for the coveted DXCC - an exclusive club of hams supported by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL).

Many ask why I became interested in extreme adventure, my main beat at Forbes. I honestly believe part of it was contacting these exotic places and receiving "QSL" cards from them, many with strange stamps attached. My yearning - driven by boyhood imagination and wonder - ultimately became to visit these places.

Still being licensed, I have actually done so on a few occasions. One was to the Amundsen Scott Station at the geographic South Pole, which I had contacted back in 1971. In fact, in 2005 after our expedition had skied in, I immediately found the station's ham radio rig and fired it up with the intent of giving others the same thrill I had had when I contacted the remote place.

I did so again when I visited the strange country in the very center of Asia called Tuva, a favored destination of Nobel Laureate physicist Richard Feynman. My most prized contact has been with the International Space Station, though I haven't been up there yet.

There is a magic in hearing the echoes, pulsed fading and static as short-wave radio signals travel through the air waves that one can't get on email - and in knowing that you built the contraption and antenna that allowed you to do so. There is also the challenge of finding random rare stations on the air in "pileups" - huge waiting lines of other ham operators - and getting through.

In a recent conversation with The Monkees sole surviving band member, Micky Dolenz, he confessed he had always wanted to pass the ham license test, but couldn't master Morse Code. Since the code requirement has been waived, he says he is now considering it. So don't be surprised if one day you find Dolenz calling "CQ" (ham jargon for seeking a contact) on a high-frequency ham radio band. Now wouldn't that be da bomb?

FCC Extends Renewal Filing Deadline; ARRL VEC Ready to File 2,500+ Ham Radio License Applications

[ARRL News](#) reported that the FCC has extended the filing deadline to March 5, 2026, for amateur radio licenses that otherwise were due to expire from October 1, 2025, to March 5, 2026. The announcement is included in an FCC Public Notice ([DA-25-943](#)) released on Monday, November 17, 2025.



The news follows the recent reopening of the federal government on November 13, following a 43-day shutdown. Since reopening, many federal agencies, including the FCC, have resumed activities, though reducing backlogs and rebounding to full operations may take some time.

This includes continued delays in filing amateur radio license applications.

During the shutdown, the ARRL VEC urged its Volunteer Examiners to continue giving ham radio exam sessions. “We have over 2,500 license applications ready to file as soon as the EBF system becomes available and fully operational,” said Somma. “ARRL VEC is prepared to submit the backlog of sessions and applications to FCC for issuing licenses.”

To read this complete story and the latest updates, and for instructions **For ARRL VEC exam candidates**, visit <https://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-vec-ready-to-file-2-500-ham-radio-license-applications-fcc-extends-renewal-filing-deadline> (ARRL News 11/18/2025).

New ARRL Technician Class Live Video Course for Ham Radio Licensing

Do you have family, friends, or neighbors eager to get on the air? Introduce them to the new [ARRL Technician Class LIVE Video Course](#)! The course includes everything needed to prepare for the FCC Technician Class amateur radio license exam. Enrollment is open now for the two-day course, which will take place December 20-21, 2025.

Join ARRL Education Specialist Wayne Greene, KB4DSWF, for this interactive online class. “We’re going to have fun!” said Greene. “I’ll guide you through operating your first ham radio to how to communicate through amateur radio satellites. We are going to get fully immersed in every question and answer with the info you need to pass the test!”

In addition to live instruction, course participants will receive the popular Technician Class prep book from ARRL National Instructor Gordon West, WB6NOA, which has helped thousands of new hams get licensed with fast results. One-year of ARRL Membership is also included, ensuring these new hams will have quick access to all ARRL benefits, services, and programs.

Course includes:

- **Two days of LIVE instruction** with expert Education Specialist Wayne Greene, KB4DSF
- **Technician Class prep book** by Gordon West, WB6NOA
- **One-year of ARRL Membership**

Those who remember ARRL’s recorded video courses of the past will recall how valuable it is to *see and hear* lively video instruction. This new course will ensure students have an even more personal, interactive experience. Greene will present the material in bite-sized sections, demonstrating just how much fun amateur radio is!

Visit the ARRL Shop to complete the [paid enrollment](#) for a special introductory price of \$99. Registrants will receive a follow-up email with instructions for registering for the live video course after completing your order. If you have any questions regarding the course, please contact the ARRL Education and Learning Department at 860-594-0285 or email ead@arrl.org.

Images from Space Celebrate 25 Years of Ham Radio on the ISS

[Amateur Radio on the International Space Station](#) (ARISS) will mark two major milestones this month with a special slow scan television (SSTV) event aboard the International Space Station (ISS). From November 12 through November 20, the station will transmit a series of 12 commemorative SSTV images, pausing only for a scheduled educational contact

The “SSTV Spacetacular” will highlight both the recent World Scouting movement’s [Jamboree-on-the-Air](#) (JOTA) and the 25th anniversary of ARISS ham radio operations on the ISS.

ARISS first went on the air on November 13, 2000, when the ISS Expedition 1 crew made the inaugural ham radio contact using an Ericsson VHF radio. That same year, the first scheduled school contact linked ISS Commander Bill Shepherd, who had call sign KD5GSL, with students at Luther Burbank School in Burbank, Illinois. Since then, ARISS has connected an estimated 200,000 students, educators, and enthusiasts each year with astronauts living and working aboard the orbiting laboratory.

For this month’s event, scouts, educators, students, and amateur radio operators worldwide are invited to receive and decode the transmitted images. Participants may upload their received pictures to the [ARISS SSTV gallery](#) to earn a commemorative electronic award certificate.

In ARISS’s most recent SSTV campaign — held in early October to celebrate World Space Week — nearly 9,000 images were submitted by more than 3,600 participants on all continents, including three from Antarctica.

For the latest SSTV schedules, frequencies, and event details, follow ARISS on [Facebook](#), [X](#), and [Instagram](#).

Thanks to ARISS for the information in this news release.

In Brief....

Amateur Radio Digital Communications Funding Opportunities

If you or your club are developing projects that advance amateur radio or digital communications, now’s a great time to apply for [Amateur Radio Digital Communications](#) (ARDC) grant funding, with the next application deadline on February 1, 2026. The foundation has been awarding grants since 2019, supporting a wide range of initiatives that strengthen and expand the amateur radio and digital communications communities.

ARDC’s priority areas for funding reflect the organization’s broader vision and strategy for supporting experimentation, education, and open technology within the amateur radio and digital communications communities. They are especially interested in projects that align with these three areas:

Learn more about these priority areas and ARDC at

ARDC.net.

SKYWARN Recognition Day 2025 Cancelled

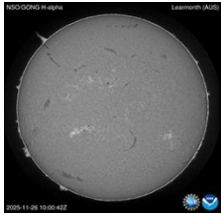
NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS) has announced the cancellation of **SKYWARN™ Recognition Day (SRD) 2025**.

The necessary time and resources required to plan a comprehensive national event for SKYWARN™ Recognition Day 2025 are not available this year. Thus, the difficult decision was made to cancel this year's event by the NWS.

The NWS will work with ARRL and SKYWARN™ spotters to brainstorm ideas to redevelop a spotter appreciation event in 2026.

The ARRL Solar Report

11/21/2025



11/26/2025: Solar flare activity has been at low levels this week with only C-class flares observed.

Region 4291 remains the most complex region on the disk but has been relatively quiet. Region 4290 was also responsible for a few flares while experiencing overall decay. Region 4292 exhibited evolution as it gained intermediate spots with rudimentary penumbra and developed asymmetric penumbra around its trailing spot. There were no Earth directed CMEs in available coronagraph imagery.

Flare probabilities remain low with a 15% chance for M-class (R1-R2, minor-moderate) and a 1% chance for X-class (strong), but may slightly increase in the next 24 hours given the current development observed in AR 4292.

Solar wind parameters were enhanced throughout the period due to the arrival of a co-rotating interacting region (CIR) and its associated coronal hole high speed stream (CHHSS). Solar wind parameters will remain enhanced through November 27 due to the continued influence of the CHHSS.

The 10.7-centimeter flux: November 26, 130; November 27, 135; November 28, 140; November 29, 145; November 30, 155; December 1, 155; December 2, 150; December 3, 155.

Predicted sunspot numbers: November 26, 125; November 27, 119; November 28, 131; November 29, 116; November 30, 136; December 1, 125; December 2, 120; December 3, 131.

11/20/2025: Solar activity has remained low this past week. The largest flare was a C9.9 on November 19 from a region just beyond the NE limb near N17. Region 4284 grew slightly in the early part of the period, but was in decay after November 19. New Region 4287 was numbered. A Type II radio sweep (est 695 km/s) was observed on November 19 at 2215 UTC, likely associated with a B9.0 flare from just beyond the east limb. No Earth-directed CMEs were observed. Solar activity is expected to be at low levels, with slight

chance for moderate levels (R1-R2/minor-moderate), November 19 -21.

Solar wind parameters were at nominal levels. Solar wind speed ranged from 346 - 421 km/s. Total field ranged from 4-8 nT while the Bz component was between +8/-2 nT. Phi angle was predominantly negative. By late November 20, a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) is expected to become geoeffective, causing a minor enhancement in the solar wind. HSS activity is expected to continue into November 21 and wane through November 22. Solar wind speeds in the 450-550 km/s range are likely based on recurrent values.

The 10.7-centimeter flux: November 20, 115; November 21 - 22, 110; November 23, 105; November 24 - 26, 110.

Predicted sunspot numbers: November 20, 125; November 21, 119; November 22, 131; November 23, 116; November 24, 136; November 25, 112; November 26, 143.

A weekly, full report is posted on ARRL News.

Coming Events

The **Silicon Valley VE** group is holding online amateur radio exam sessions on the first and third Saturday morning of every month. More information can be found at <https://www.svve.org>, or by emailing Morris Jones, AD6ZH at ad6zh.mj@gmail.com.

Arv's - WA6UUT (SK) Wednesday Ham Radio Luncheon

Our 18th Year! >> Since May 2, 2007 <<

Black Bear Diner - 415 East El Camino Real, Sunnyvale, California, (Just "North" of South Fair Oaks Avenue on El Camino Real) - 11:30 AM ~ 3:00 PM

Website: www.blackbeardiner.com. Every Wednesday – Not a Club, Closed Group or Clique: Amateur Radio Operators & Friendly People Are Encouraged To Attend! Call in on the N6NFI Repeater – 145.230MHz, PL 100Hz.

QCWA NorCal Chapter 11 - Lunch at Harry's Hofbrau 3rd Wednesday of every month, 1909 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA. No host. 11:00AM to 1:00PM (approx.).

North County Fire Authority CERT Training – For information: <https://northcountyfire.org/home/cert-classes/>

If you have an event you'd like posted in the Coastside Communicator, please send to: kj6ogl@arrl.net

DECEMBER PUZZLER

PAUL ATKINS, AI6BB

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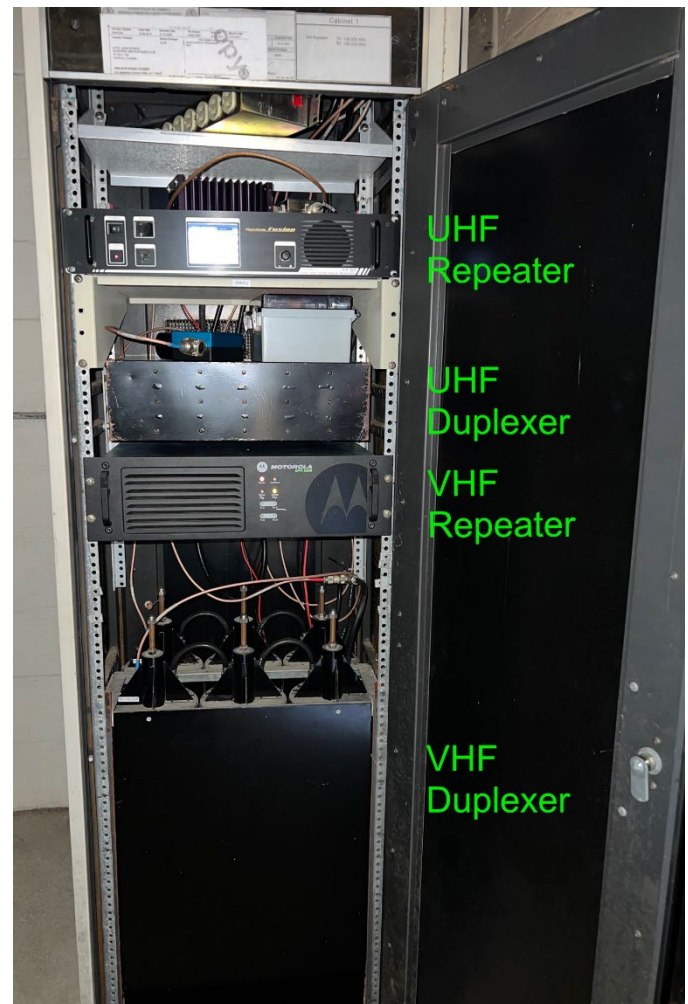
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clipping	logic	strength
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ANSWER TO NOVEMBER'S PUZZLER

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WA6TOW Repeater System UHF & VHF

CARC MEETING/EVENT SCHEDULE

Date	Event
Jan 8th	Firehouse Meeting - 2025 Event Planning
Jan 25th - Jan 26th	ARRL Winter Field Day
Feb 12th	CARC Meeting - 2025 Agenda Final
Mar 9th	Daylight Savings Time Starts
Mar 12th	CARC Meeting
Apr 9th	Pizza Meeting – Round Table Linda Mar
Apr 27th	HMBARC Dream Machines - HMB Airport
May 14th	CARC Meeting - Guest Speaker & Field Day Planning
June 11th	CARC Meeting - Guest Speaker Wayne of Elecraft - Final FD Planning
June 14th	Flag Day
June 28th - June 29th	ARRL Field Day – Skyline College Field at Parking Lot P
Jul 9th	CARC Meeting
Aug 13th	CARC Meeting
Sep 10th	CARC Meeting - Fog Fest Planning
Sep 27th - Sep 28th	Pacific Coast Fog Fest - Palmetto Ave., Pacifica - 10am - 6pm
Oct 8th	CARC Meeting – 2026 Nomination of Officers
Oct 10th - Oct 12th	Pacificon 2025 - San Ramon Marriott
Nov 2nd	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov 15	CARC Dinner Meeting - Election of Officers – Nick's Rockaway Restaurant
Dec 10th	CARC Meeting - Holiday Potluck

** All meetings are held at 7:30pm, in the EOC Room, Pacifica Police Department, 2075 Coast Hwy, Pacifica, unless otherwise posted. If possible, meetings will also have a Google Meet component.*



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**COASTSIDE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB****Join the Coastside Amateur Radio Club (CARC)**

The Coastside Amateur Radio Club (CARC) is a welcoming, ARRL-affiliated community of amateur radio enthusiasts. Since 1959, we've been serving Pacifica and the surrounding Bay Area providing vital emergency services to the City of Pacifica.

We invite you to join our monthly meetings, which are held on the **second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM** at the Pacifica Police Station, 2075 Coast Highway. Visitors are always welcome, so please stop by! We recommend checking the **Coming Events** page on our website, www.coastsidearc.org for any schedule changes.

Membership dues are \$20 per year, which helps support the club and repeater system.

CARC maintains a robust repeater and digipeater system on the North Peak of Montara Mountain (1900 ft. elevation), providing excellent coverage for the Coastside and beyond.

2-Meter (Voice) **Callsign:** WA6TOW/R
Frequency: 146.925 MHz **Offset:** -600 KHz
PL Tone: 114.8 Hz

APRS Digipeater **Callsign:** WA6TOW-2
Frequency: 144.390 MHz

70 cm (Voice) **Callsign:** WA6TOW/R
Frequency: 441.075 MHz **Offset:** + 5.00 KHz
PL Tone: 114.8 Hz

CARC/Pacifica OES VHF Simplex:
146.535 MHz PL 114.8 Hz

VHF Nets

The club sponsors a VHF net each Wednesday, with the exception of meeting nights, at 20:00 hrs. for membership check-ins, notices, and QST's.

HF Net

The club sponsors a HF rag chew net on 3.852 MHz, or the first clear frequency up/dn, on Saturday at 09:00 hrs. with an alternate frequency of 7.228 MHz.

Nets held on these repeaters must comply with the rules as set forth by the FCC, with at least two or more participants.

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65 years



of Service

55 years



Affiliation

COASTSIDE NETS

Monday

7:00 PM on WA6TOW
146.925 MHz, PL 114.8
Pacifica CERT Net

Tuesday

7:30 PM on WA6TOW
146.925 MHz, PL 114.8
Daly City Net

8:00 PM on WA6TOW 146.925 MHz, PL
114.8 and KC6ULT 146.865 MHz, PL 114.8
simultaneously, but not linked.
San Mateo County ACS Net

Wednesday

8:00 PM on WA6TOW
146.925 MHz, PL 114.8
Coastside Amateur Radio Club Wednesday
Night Check-in.

Saturday

10:00 AM on WA6TOW
146.925 MHz, PL 114.8
QCWA Ch. 11 NorCal. Net

Sunday:

7:00-7:45 AM on WA6TOW
146.925 MHz, PL 114.8
Knights of the Megahertz Net

Note: All 2m repeater traffic is recorded and
may be replayed at audiostickerburr.net.

CLUB OFFICERS		
Office	Name	Call
President	Ralph Kugler	KC6YDH
Vice President	Paul Atkins	AI6BB
Secretary	Thomas Oliver	KF6OGL
Treasurer	Stephen Austin	KN6ORM
CLUB STAFF		
Control Officer	Stephen Austin	KN6ORM
Trustee of Club Call	Stephen Austin	KN6ORM
Station Technician	Michael Herbert	WB6JKV
Field Day Coordinator	Jonathan Lancelle	N6SJF
Membership	Stephen Austin	KN6ORM
Newsletter Editor	Thomas Oliver	KJ6OGL
Newsletter Publisher	Paul Atkins	AI6BB
Website	Paul Atkins	AI6BB
Emergency Services		



Meeting Notice:

December 10, 2025, 7:30 PM – Pacifica PD EOC Room
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