



# *The Short Circuit*

The September meeting of the United Radio Amateur Club will be held Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7 pm in the break room of the Los Angeles Maritime Museum, located at Berth 84, foot of Sixth Street in San Pedro. Parking is available in the lot adjacent to the Acapulco Restaurant just south of the Museum. There is limited handicapped parking on the street across from the museum. The entrance to the break room is through the gate on the north side of the museum (towards the bridge and the Iowa). There will be a greeter on the gate.

***Program: Rarotonga vacation/DXpedition 2017: Bruce, AD7MM / E51BAS***





## ***QST de President Doug, W6HB...***

Bruce, AD7MM, will present on his vacation and mini-DXpedition to the Cook Islands at the URAC meeting on September 22. Come see the beautiful island of Rarotonga and hear what is heard from that end of the pile ups.

Thanks to all who supported the annual URAC picnic at Friendship Park. Food was plentiful and calories abundant!

K6AA was active from the Point Fermin Lighthouse from 1700 PDST on August 18th through 1659 PDST on August 20th for the 2017 International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. Participation from URAC was minimal but over 300 Q's were made.

To date URAC has only a qualified Treasurer on the slate of officers for 2018. Unless the members desire to see URAC cease as a valid 501(c)7 and local radio club we must fill the ballot by October 20. If you are "qualified" and willing please let the 2017 BOD know ASAP.

Hamcon 2017 closed out on September 17 as probably the best I have ever worked through the years. A major thanks once again to Ingo, KG6EWK, and Homer, K6HKT, for working with me to handle the biggest prize pool ever for all three days. Also thanks to Janet Meeks, Ana Echeverria, Steve Mandich, Gina Mandich, Scotty Butler and John Rockwood for selling raffles tickets. If I have missed someone I apologize in advance.

The October 20 meeting will be URAC's second White Elephant Sale to fund the prizes for the December holiday party scheduled for December 15 at the Think Cafe. Start rounding up your goodies now.

## ***73 - Doug - W6HB***

## September First Saturday Breakfast



NOTE: I did not receive any notes from the September First Saturday Breakfast, BUT a little bird told me that an extremely interesting discussion was had by all on the future of the club and the station and what we might do to make them both fun and viable. Please continue this discussion and let the rest of us in on it...

Faithfully submitted  
Scotty Butler, K6ZNL, temporary gossip guru

### DX OPERATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2017 per NG3K

Algeria, 7Y94I: Is now operating thru 9/10/2017. QSL via 7Z2DD.  
St Lucia, J68HZ: Is now operating thru 9/16/2017. QSL via K9HZ.  
Mauritius, 3B8: Is now operating thru 9/22/2017. QSL via PA3HGT.  
Morocco, CNM2: Is now operating thru 9/13/2017. QSL via TA1HZ.  
French Polynesia, FO: Is now operating thru 10/1/2017. QSL via DF1YP.  
Botswana, A25AL: Is now operating thru 9/15/2017. QSL via IW5ELA.  
Liechtenstein, HB0: Is now operating thru 9/15/2017. QSL via DL2SBY.  
Dodecanese, SV5: Is now operating thru 9/22/2017. QSL via HB9OAU.  
Zimbabwe, Z21NRT: Is now operating thru 9/29/2017. QSL via G4NRT.  
Cocos & Keeling, VK9CGJ: Will be operating from 9/12 thru 9/28/2017. QSL via W7GJ.  
Niue, E6AG: Will be operating from 9/13 thru 9/25/2017. QSL via VK5GR.  
Galapagos, HD8M: Will be operating from 9/14 thru 9/21/2017. QSL via WB2REM.  
Svalbard, JW: Will be operating from 9/15 thru 9/20/2017. QSL via OM6TC.  
Botswana, A25: Will be operating from 9/15 thru 9/25/2017. QSL via RM0F.  
Mauritania, 5T5OK: Will be operating from 9/16 thru 9/28/2017. QSL via OK1BOA.  
St Pierre & Miquelon, FP: Will be operating from 9/17 thru 9/23/2017. QSL via M0WUT.  
Palau, T88XA: Will be operating from 9/20 thru 9/26/2017. QSL via JA3KIO.  
Fernando de Noronha, PY0F: Will be operating from 9/22 thru 9/27/2017.  
Micronesia, V63:n Will be operating from 9/27 thru 10/2/2017. QSL via JR1FKR.  
Burkina Faso, XT2AW: Will be operating from 9/28 thru 10/30/2017. QSL via M0OXO.  
Temotu, H40GC: Will be operating from 9/30 thru 10/20/2017. QSL via LZ1GC.

~ September 2017 ~						
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					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> URAC First Saturday Breakfast, 8 am, Think Café, San Pedro
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Labor Day	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> URAC 2 Meter Roundtable, 8 pm, 145.510	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Patriot Day	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> URAC 2 Meter Roundtable, 8 pm, 145.510	<b>15</b> HAMCON, Torrance Marriott	<b>16</b> HAMCON, Torrance Marriott
<b>17</b> HAMCON, Torrance Marriott	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> URAC 2 Meter Roundtable, 8 pm, 145.510	<b>22</b> Fall begins (Northern H.)  URAC Membership Meeting, 7 pm Los Angeles Maritime Museum, San Pedro	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> URAC 2 Meter Roundtable, 8 pm, 145.510	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

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# California QSO Party

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">52nd Running Of The CQP!</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">1600 UTC <b>October 7, 2017</b> to 2200 UTC <b>October 8, 2017</b></p> <p style="margin: 0; color: red;">16 : 18 : 50 : 53 Days Hrs Mins Secs</p>	
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## Welcome!

The California QSO Party (CQP) is held every year on the first weekend of October. The first CQP took place in 1966. Since 1974, the Northern California Contest Club (NCCC) has sponsored CQP. CQP has traditionally opened the annual contest season by providing an opportunity for contesters to prepare for the ARRL November Sweepstakes since the format is similar.

Stations outside of California, worldwide, work stations in California only. The 58 counties of CA are the [multipliers](#). California stations work all stations in or out of CA. The 50 US states and 8 Canadian areas are the multipliers. Stations outside of Canada and the US add to one's QSO total but do not count as multipliers. See the full set of [CQP Rules](#) for more details.

On this site you will find lots of information, so peruse the index above and learn all about the California QSO Party! Also, be sure to visit the [NCCC](#) website for the latest scoop on a super contest club.

- **Before CQP:**
  - Review the current [County Operating Plan](#) for CQP 2017
  - Please "[Register-Your-County](#)" (county listing of active stations and form for CA stations to input their county plans)
  - [Read The 2017 Rules](#) (will be updated in June 2017)
  - [Read CQP Operating Strategy](#), by K6RB
- **After CQP**
  - **Send In Your Log Before The Deadline: 23:59 UTC MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017**
  - **Start [HERE](#)** (link will be posted in October after the contest ends)
  - NOTE: See the [Rules](#) page for submitting via email.
  - After you submit your log, you can check to be sure it's listed on the CQP server: [HERE](#) (link to be provided)
  - **CQP T-Shirts** - Like the wine, each year's T-shirt is a special vintage. All entries qualify for the special CQP T-shirt -- no minimum number of QSOs needed. The 2017 CQP T-Shirt color will be **TBD**. Place your order for a T-shirt by sending an email to [shirts@cqp.org](mailto:shirts@cqp.org) stating the sizes and quantities for each size (M/L/XL/XXL), the call sign of the CQP operation, the call sign of the person placing the order, and the address to ship to. Send payment, \$15 (\$20 for DX entries), either via PayPal [using this email address: [paypal@nccc.org](mailto:paypal@nccc.org)] -- or a check to: **NCCC, c/o Dick Wilson K6LRN, P.O. Box 273, Somerset, CA 95684-0273. All orders are due by December 15, 2017.**

### Contest Logs

Please refer to the [Rules](#) web page for the preferred way to submit your log.

### Documentation

- [Rules PDF](#), or visit the [Rules](#) web page.

CQP Home Page

- [Multipliers PDF](#) - list of valid multipliers and common logging errors
- [CQP Records](#)

### Contact Information

Many NCCers contribute to making the CQP a success. Feel free to contact any of the following members for additional information or comments:

Rules, Awards, Questions & General Information: CQP Chairman, John Miller, [K6MM](#)







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**\*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTES \*\*\***

**K6AA Station** We can still use more operators for our K6AA station. See Doug, W6HB, and or Scotty, K6ZNL, for training and checkout.

Check out the special events page on [k6aa.org](http://k6aa.org) for the latest from arrl and e-ham net.

*Additional Calendar Notes*

**Club Roundtable**

Held weekly on  
Thursdays at 8pm  
145.510 Simplex

**Club Meeting**

Held monthly on 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month (except August and December)

**No Host Breakfast**

Held monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 8:00am. Location: Think Café on 5<sup>th</sup> Street in San Pedro

**“VE/CE Session for Amateur and Commercial Licenses**

Monthly on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday **by appointment**. Go to [k6aa.org/licensing-exams/](http://k6aa.org/licensing-exams/)

Also available most Wednesdays, again ... **by appointment**.

If no one schedules an exam, there won't necessarily be an exam team or exam material available.



The Museum is at the Foot of 6<sup>th</sup> Street. To get to the Break Room, walk past the main entrance around to the north end (nearest the Iowa) until you see the gate. There will be a greeter at the gate to the Break Room.

