



The Short Circuit

The January membership meeting will be held Friday, January 20 at 7 pm on Skype.. The February executive board meeting will be held on Friday the 3rd at 7 pm, also on Skype. Anyone having trouble using Skype, please [contact Tom K6IGY](#) for assistance.

Prez Sez

Happy New Year to all. Our lunch gathering in January was well attended. We meet the 2nd Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the Think Cafe.

This year we are planning another Field Day in June, following our very successful Field Day last year. Please plan to work or manage a station.

Other activities planned are our historic August BBQ and annual White Elephant Sale.

We had a fun holiday dinner last month and plan the same for this year.

We are now working our station at the Maritime Museum Wednesdays through Sundays. If you would like to operate, please contact Scotty. This is a great way to to operate HF with a good radio antenna.

We continue to communicate among our membership with our weekly Tuesday Night 2m Net (at 8:00 p.m.) and also our 3rd Friday on-line meeting (at 7:00 p.m.).

Steve Mandich, K6NT
President



The 2022 Field Day weekend was June 25, 26, 2022. Check the December issue of QST for results. We ran 3A and came out 15th in the nation for 3A and first in LAX.

K6AA Station Update

As of this writing, the station came through the recent storms with flying colors, although there were a number of issues in the Museum itself. This did limit our on air time, but we **have been live since the 16th of November and have logged 106 contacts in 2022, and 45+ in 2023** including a World Cup Station in Brazil! (10 Meters has been jumping!!)

The museum has mostly been quiet (but not dead), except for weekends, which are especially busy on Saturday afternoons. I am running out of ARRL literature again...we have been getting hams and ham wannabees on a regular basis.

We can still use operators (several of you are either in the pipeline or have said you will do so after the holidays. Why wait? See you soon.



Ham radio license class for residents & city staff

- Study the book now
- Attend four Wednesday Zoom sessions in January 2023
- Emphasis is on passing the FCC exam
- Instructors bring em-comm experience

<mailto:mchung@prodigy.net>



This book/workshop program is a proven and practical way to prepare for and pass the entry-level FCC technician ham license exam. Leader Dr. Mark Chung and his team have helped area residents earn entry-level and advanced ham radio licenses using common-sense studies and examples for the last five years.

The teaching team brings emergency communications experience from the Red Cross, ARES, and Los Angeles County Disaster Communications Service (DCS). They offer real-life context to textbook study with lectures and PowerPoints over four Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm. Once you get your license, trainers will help you get started using your first radio to help your community.

Get the basics FIRST by reading the "Fast Track" textbook. (right) Book chapters are also available as convenient podcasts. Online practice exams target questions from the actual FCC exam to help you know when you are ready to pass. Gordon West's "Technician Study Guide 2022-2026" is an alternate textbook.

Books are available on Amazon.

Register for the January workshop series#

Nominal class fees are charged for the workshop series. Reserve your seat for the January 4, 11, 18, and 25th Zoom sessions by pre-paying the \$65 registration fee online using Paypal or Zelle to mchung@prodigy.net.

Early registration paper checks may be mailed to Mark Chung at 12393 Andy Street, Cerritos, CA 90703. Email correspondence to mchung@prodigy.net.

After the workshop, when you feel ready to take the official FCC exam, guidance to American Radio Relay League (ARRL)-certified online testing is available. FCC license testing is done separately from the class.

For instance, FCC-approved testing is available through certified testers at <https://hamstudy.org/sessions/lagroup/remotetest>. They also offer information and learning tools.

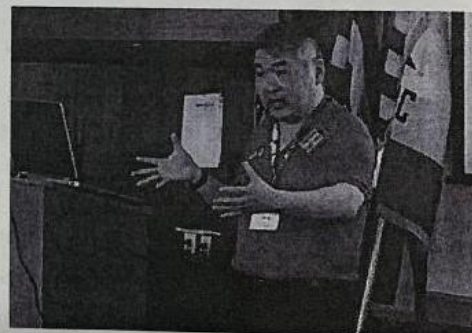
Official FCC exams are \$10, and the FCC charges \$35 for the license application itself. The applicant gets an invoice from the FCC after testing results are filed by the official "VEC" (tester) and students have 10 calendar days to pay online. Online exams are arranged by the applicant through PayPal and can be paid by credit card or PayPal account through the PayPal payment gateway. (Exam are free to students under 18 and military personnel, active or retired.)

The **Fast Track** to Your Technician Class Ham Radio License

by Michael Burnette, AF7KB

with
Kerry Burnette, KC7YL

Covers Exams July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2026



Dr. Chung at LB Red Cross Chapter.

Two Free Amateur Radio Courses

The Hesse Park facility no longer requires a mask

FCC "Technician" course (entry level)

FCC "General" course (2nd level)

Each course is 2 sessions

The sessions will be on 4 and 11 February 2023

Technician 9:30 AM to 1:15 PM both Saturdays (bring your lunch)

General 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM both Saturdays

The FCC tests will be 10:00 AM to noon on 18 February 2023

At the start of the 4 February Technician course, a member of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will give a 30-minute presentation on how to get further involved in amateur radio.

**The class location is at Fred Hesse Community Park,
29301 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275
Confirm your attendance to Walt, K1DFO at wfordway@juno.com**

I charge no fee for either course. Taking the FCC test is \$15. After passing the Technician test the FCC will send you an e-mail for paying its \$35 license fee and then they will post your call sign.

Optional Material (sold at cost)

Gordon West books with all the FCC test questions,

\$30 for the Technician and \$26 for the General


Paper copy of Walt's Power Point charts,

\$28 for the Technician and \$24 for the General


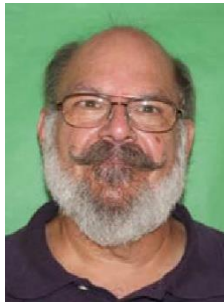





For courses sponsored by the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club, students thru grade 12 who pass their examination at a PVARC VE test session will, upon application to the Club, be eligible for reimbursement up to a maximum of \$50 to cover the cost of materials and the examination fee.

Everyone who obtains their first ham radio license through a PVARC VE test session, regardless of age, will receive a free membership in the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club for the remainder of the current calendar year.

~ January 2023 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2	3 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	4	5	6 URAC BOD meeting, Skype, 7 pm.	7
8	9	10 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	11 Human Trafficking Awareness	12 URAC Luncheon, Think Café, San Pedro, 1:30 pm	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King	17 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	18	19	20 URAC Membership meeting, Skype, 7 pm	21
22 Chinese New Year	23	24 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	25	26 Australia Day	27	28
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~ February 2023 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Groundhog Day	3 URAC BOD meeting, Skype, 7 pm.	4
5 Super Bowl	6	7 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	8	9 URAC Luncheon, Think Café, San Pedro, 1:30 pm	10	11
12	13 Presidents Day 	14 Valentine's Day URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	15	16	17 URAC Membership meeting, Skype, 7 pm	18
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IMPORTANT NOTES

K6AA Station While access to the Museum is temporarily closed, once operations are approved, we will need more operators for our K6AA station. When manning the station is again possible, please see Doug, W6HB, and or Scotty, K6ZNL, for training and checkout.

Check out the special events page on k6aa.org for the latest from ARRL and e-ham net.

Additional Calendar Notes

Club Roundtable

Held weekly on Thursdays, at 8pm, on the
W6AM Repeater
145.480 MHz PL100 Hz

Club Meetings

**1..Lunch meeting at the Think Café,
2nd Thursday 1:30-4 pm**

2. Virtual meeting held monthly on
the 3rd Friday of the month, 7:00 pm,
via Skype. Link sent by Tom K6IGY; if
having difficulty, [contact Tom K6IGY](#).

“VE/CE Session for Amateur and Commercial Licenses

By appointment. Go to <http://k6aa.org/licensing-exams/> If no one
schedules an exam, there won't be an exam team or exam material
available.

The Museum is at the Foot of 6th Street.
The museum is open Wednesday through
Sunday 12 to 5. K6AA is open when
the museum is open. To be cleared to
operate the station, please contact Scotty,
K6ZNL at k6znl@arrl.net.

