

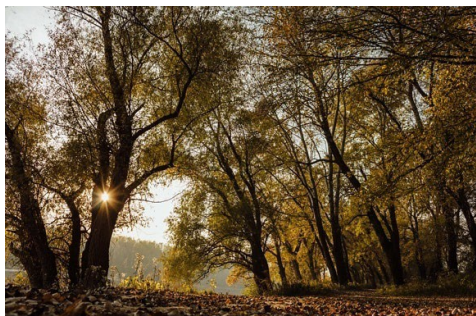


The Short Circuit

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The General Membership meeting will be held virtually, on Friday, September 19th, at 7 pm. The August executive board meeting, scheduled for September 5th will also be virtual. Links to the meetings will be sent out by e-mail.

The Prez Says

For those working our station at the Maritime Museum, we regularly make contact with other countries and DXpeditions. When conditions are not so good, we make contact with stations in the USA, including POTA, SOTA, SST, Museum Ships, and other events and contests.

We receive many requests for QSL's, several each week.

Operating our station is fun, with its big directional antenna, and modes of SSB, CW, and digital. We have internet, which lets us see a station's information as we log them. And having Ham Clock on its own full-sized monitor which makes operating even more fun.

Please become a station operator. We have days and hours available. This is a huge benefit to our membership. Take advantage while the solar cycle is still active.

Steve Mandich, K6NT
President

Greetings from the Maritime Museum!

I am pleased to introduce our newest employee, Dante Flores.

Dante comes to the museum with a background in customer service, having worked at the Griffith Observatory, one of the city's most visited attractions. He is now the museum's Sunday lead, and also assists with our busy school tour program. Dante has a knack for interacting successfully with all personality types, while remaining calm and professional, and these skills have served him well as the staff lead.


Dante is studying architecture in college, and he is currently assisting with creating an inventory of all of the building plans for our historic 1941 ferry terminal / maritime museum. Thanks to his efforts, we are having a much easier time retrieving information any time there is a repair or renovation underway.

When not at work, Dante enjoys line dancing, rodeos, and spending time in the beautiful state of New Mexico. Please be sure to welcome Dante the next time you are operating the station!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day 	2 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	3	4	5 URAC BOD , Zoom, 7pm	6
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14	15	16 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	17	18	19 URAC General Membership Meeting, 7 pm, Zoom	20
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12	13 Columbus Day	14 URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz	15	16	17 URAC General Membership Meeting, 7 pm, Zoom	18
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Free Amateur Radio (HAM) Training Courses



Two Free Amateur Radio Courses

November 1 and November 8, 2025

Technician Class License (entry level) 9:30 AM to 1:15 PM both Saturdays (bring your own lunch)

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

The FCC tests will be 10:00 AM to noon on November 15, 2025

Whether for emergency communication, communicating around the world, or learning a bit about electronics, there's nothing else like amateur radio (also known as "ham radio"). Amateur radio operators have long provided communications "when all else fails" during disasters. With a short course they can join over 710,000 men, women, and children in the United States from all walks of life who are license to operate ham radios. At the start of the Technician license course, a member of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will give a 30-minute presentation on what ham radio is all about and what the many benefits of being a "ham" are.

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








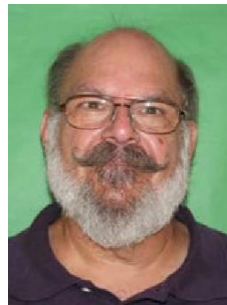

Walt charges no fee for either/both course(s). Taking the FCC test is \$15. After passing the Technician test the FCC will send you an e-mail for paying its \$35 license fee and then they will assign you your amateur radio call sign and you're good to go!

Optional Materials (sold at cost) Gordon West books with all the FCC test questions, \$30 for the Technician and \$33 for the General. Paper copy of Walt's class Power Point charts: \$30 for the Technician and \$28 for the General.

Everyone who obtains their first or upgraded ham radio license through a PVARC VE test session will receive a free membership in the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club for the remainder of the current calendar year (or the next calendar year if test is passed in November).

For courses sponsored by the PVARC, students through grade 12 who pass their examination at a PVARC test session will, upon application to the Club, be eligible for reimbursement for up to a maximum of \$85 to cover their cost of class materials and the examination fee.

URAC 2025 Executive Board

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

Additional Calendar Notes

VE Session for Amateur Licenses by appointment or as listed at hamstudy.org. Go to <http://k6aa.org/licensing-exams/> If no candidate schedules an exam, there won't be an exam team or exam material available. Exams use ExamTools.org for testing and processing. You will need an account and FRN number.

Club Roundtable

Held weekly on Tuesday URAC 2 meter Roundtable, W6MEP Repeater 147.240 +600, PL of 67 Hz at 8 pm

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

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](#).

