



Mt. Vaca Radio Club, Inc.

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SUN Oct. 26 - MVRC Meeting Denny's Meeting Room at Denny's, on Auburn Blvd. at Watt Ave, immediately South of both Capital Freeway and I-80. Denny's is on the East side of the corner Shell station at Auburn and Watt.

Arrangements are that we will eat **FIRST** at 4 PM. If you are just coming for the meeting, that will start at 5 PM. Meals (light or otherwise), sandwiches, soft drinks, or breakfasts are available any time we are there. **Interested visitors are welcome.**

The Club Dues for 2014-2015 **were due July 1**. The club dues are \$24 for full membership or DX dues are \$18.

Payments can be made online at www.mvrc.org or by mailing your check to:

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If you have already submitted \$48, we can either credit two years or refund half, your choice. Other rates have not changed.

Activities: Always verify at <http://www.mvrc.org/activity.html>

MT. VACA 80 & 2 m SAT NIGHT NETS - 2 m 7:45 PM
K6MVR rpt, 80 m 8 PM 3918.5 kHz SSB, open, informal

SUN OCT 26 - MVRC MEETING

NOV - *MOBILE RUN - Family outing. Optional breakfast at McDonalds meeting place. Everyone welcome.

DEC 6 - CHRISTMAS PARTY at Yoders 6 PM - Potluck dinner. Everyone welcome.

JAN - *MVRC MEETING

FEB - *CHILI PARTY - Potluck dinner. Everyone welcome.

*Dates and Details to follow



20 years ago (1994):
New member:
Marc Reitzel, N6NOV, Elk Grove

Our present club autopatch started as a private patch run by some of our members from a member's home. We had the home numbers of all paid users programmed in, toll or not. It was for mobiles to call home, or other members.



Wayne WA6APX is retiring from selling 2-way Radios.

President's Column

The quarterly MVRC meeting is coming up. I enjoy the 4 PM optional dinner, not because of the food, but that is when we get to visit and talk. There is no obligation to order anything, or maybe a soft drink, so come at 4 PM and see what is going on besides the 5 PM club business.

This time last year, I started going camping with a long established RV club that meets in my neighborhood park. MVRC / Mobileer activities were fewer and Sam's Radio Hams campouts were often too far. But since joining this other club, some of my old connections have come alive and it seems I am always on the road and even had to pass up some good trips. I barely had time to schedule this meeting after getting back from Utah. It was Oregon the month before.

Here are the MVRC activities coming up. Some may have a date by the time this is printed, but they all need to be discussed at the meeting, 4 or 5 PM, or both. A Mobile Run (sight-seeing caravan picnic) in November. A Christmas pot luck in December. The next meeting in January. A Chili Party in February. We will also discuss changing the Club P.O. Box location.

We failed to elect a Secretary at the last meeting due to the lack of a consenting nominee. Any volunteers can be appointed, meeting by meeting, or for the term. The Secretary can be a Member or Associate (Family) Member. Both categories are licensed Hams. If you haven't renewed, note the new reduced dues listed elsewhere.

See you and any friends at the meeting at 4 PM. Always get on our K6MVR 147.00 repeater on the way.

Les W6TEE



Answer to July's newsletter puzzle: *Two Way Radio*

REPEATER LORE

Why we simplex when caravanning and not use the repeater. When transmitting on a repeater, we produce a strong signal to nearby receivers on a frequency different than the one they hear you on (the repeater). This blocks (silences) the close receivers. For the same reason, do not talk on another repeater when caravanning. Also, simplex is a more efficient use of frequencies when possible. - W6TEE