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Coachella Valley Amateur Radio Club

Field Day is here (June 28th & 29th) and we are in need of operators on 40, 80, 160, 2 m. If you are interested in joining us you must attend this month's CVARC Meeting on Tuesday, June 10th at 7:00 p.m. At this meeting you will be provided with all the details and map location.

Are you a new ham? Come to Field Day and get on the air and see what it is like to talk around the world. Do you have Friends who are interested in ham radio? They are welcome to join us and get on the air. This year we will be at Hemet Lake so bring your fishing pole as well as your radio.

There will be a small charge of \$3.00 to get in, but it will be money well spent . If you need directions please come to the meeting.

73, **Tom AE6WL**, President



Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society

No Desert RATS meeting until the Fall. Please visit our web site at: <http://desertrats.x.am> for all club information and other Desert RATS news.

ENJOY THE SUMMER WHATEVER IT IS YOU DO BEST





Coachella Valley R.A.C.E.S.

The monthly meeting was held at Civic Yard, Palm Springs on Thursday 8 May 2008 with some 54 attendees. Thanks once again to PS City Fire's John Hardcastle for his support, for making the necessary arrangements and for bringing Mrs Kim Hardcastle along as a visitor.

After the Pledge of Allegiance members and visitors introduced themselves. Ken W6NEL struggled beyond a faulty PA microphone to tell the meeting that he had received praise for the professionalism of RACES members at the recent hospital drill.

Randy K6YFE, AEOC Station Manager is to conduct a simplex test on 146.025 on Thursday 22 May. Remember – simplex is Tx and Rx on the same frequency. No PL required and be prepared to relay signals from stations which cannot make it to Indio on simplex. He intends to send out a message advising of the start of this exercise. As the Cactus Repeater on 146.025 is temporarily down for repair his message will likely go out on the Edom repeater 146.94 so get scanning on that receive frequency too.

After break members participated in a message handling drill, thus proving conclusively that we need to have some more practice at that.

Maureen K6BSC reminds all members of the potential for a busy fire season and that some will be asked to do Red Flag work. Members are reminded of the huge amount of information contained on the County RACES website: <http://www.rivcoraces.org/>. This site gives links to the FEMA website with links in turn to the two compulsory training schedules ICS100 and IS700. Pass receipts should be emailed to Ken for updating records. All members are encouraged to check those sites out before the next meeting which is scheduled for **Thursday 11 September 2008**.

Regular nets will continue in this period. Incidentally although we are dark for the summer months this does not preclude a drill event in that period – there was some support for having a Saturday morning drill to enable as many members to take part as possible. This will be valuable preparation for 'Golden Guardian' in November. Of course EMERGENCIES CAN HAPPEN in between times, so a regular reminder to keep your portable battery and a spare fully charged

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(Article Submitted by David W6OPS)



*No more QCWA Luncheon Meetings until the Fall.
Wishing everyone a Safe and "Cool" Summer!*

**QCWA
Chapter 154
DREEP's Droppings**

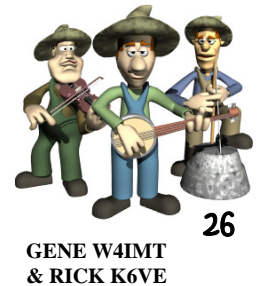
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June 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 7 pm CVARC VE Testing Red Cross (42nd & Corporate Wy)	5 7 pm CV RACES NET	6	7
8 8:30 am RACES NET	9 7 pm RATS NET	10 7 pm CVARC Mtg Cathedral City Fire Dept, 32100 Desert Vista Rd 	11	12 7 pm CV RACES NET	13	14 8:30am Ham Breakfast sponsored by the RATS @ Hometown Buffet (Hwy 111 & Fred Waring) 
15 8:30 am RACES NET	16 7 pm RATS NET	17	18	19 7 pm CV RACES NET	20	21
22 8:30 am RACES NET	23 7 pm RATS NET	24	25	26 7 pm RACES COMM. TEST 146.025+ pl107.2	27	28 FIELD DAY 
29 FIELD DAY 	30 7 pm RATS NET					

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NET(s) FREQUENCIES: Sundays 830 hrs - RACES Net (3.945 MHz)
 Mondays 1900 hrs - Desert RATS Net (146.940-, 107.2 pl)
 Thursdays 1900 hrs - Coachella Valley **RACES** Net (146.025+, 107.2 pl)