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Newsletter of Fullerton Radio Club

September 2011

Presidents Message

Hello everyone it's September, now and the weather is changing, well at least in other parts of the country. We had a very fun HAMCON last weekend, lots of good speakers and a hall full of candy. I would also like to let you know that JOTA (jamboree on the air) is coming up in October and they could use your help to get the youth interested in ham radio. If you are interested in helping out I will be getting more information on it soon. Hope everyone has a good month and we look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Albert KI6WRU

Special Event Station K5B Plano Balloon Festival

September 16, 2011 – September 18, 2011

Celebrating the 31st annual Plano Balloon Festival, members of the Plano Amateur Radio Klub (PARK) and area amateur radio operators will be QRV as K5B during the festival. Frequencies plus or minus QRM: 7.255, 14.255, 21.355 and on the club repeater, WD5ERD on 147.180 + PL 107.2 and via Echolink at K5PRK. QSL with SASE to K5PRK .

More information formation will be available on our website at www.k5prk.net/k5b.

73,

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September Meeting Presentation

"Sun Spots, Cycle 24, Magnetic Storms and Ham Radio"

So just how much connection is there between the sun spot count and radio propagation? Come hear and be enlightened on this very interesting and important topic to all hams. Dr. Bruce Edgar, AG5BJ, will present a basic overview covering the physics of the 11-year cycle, production of sunspots, solar flares, magnetic storms, the ionosphere and HF propagation.

Bruce Edgar has worked as a Space Scientist from 1965 to 1995. He started as a graduate student at Stanford investigating the effects of magnetic storms on very low frequency radio (Whistler mode) propagation in the earth's magnetosphere. In 1973 he joined the Space Science Lab at The Aerospace Corporation in El Segundo and later transferred to the Space Test program. He passed his technician and general license exams in late 2009, receiving the call KJ6DJL and passed his extra exam on January 1st, 2011 upgrading his call to AG6BJ.

REMINDER – NEW MEETING LOCATION

Fullerton Radio Club has moved location of our regular club meetings. The new location is:

- Chapman Activity Center
- 2515 San Carlos Drive, Fullerton, CA 92831

From downtown Fullerton proceed east on Commonwealth Avenue past State College Boulevard. San Carlos Drive is the second street past State College. Turn right and look for the Activity Center in Chapman Park.

- Meeting time: 7:00 PM sharp.
- Visitors are always welcome.

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Show –and–Tell

Bring something of interest to the meeting to show and share your story.
Something old, new, or just of interest to hams.

Web site: www.FullertonRadioClub.com

September Board Meeting

President Albert Solomon KI6WRU opened the September Board meeting at 7:33pm at Marie Calender's restaurant. Additional members present included Directors Larry McDavid W6FUB, Bill Preston KZ3G, Bill Kohlenberger W6ZJE, Robert Doidge KI6KYW, and T-Hunt Chairman Joe Moell K0OV.

President Albert Solomon performed a roll call for board members and determined that a quorum was not present. The meeting was held open an additional fifteen minutes, to accommodate any late arriving board members.

President Albert Solomon surveyed the room at 7:47pm for any late arriving board members and concluded that a quorum was not present.

The meeting was closed at 7:48pm.

Submitted by: Robert Doidge KI6KYW

Community service Assistance Needed

Winter Special Olympics need amateur radio operators November 12 and 13. Contact Mark LIDIKAY at mlidikay@holdenandrew.com to sign up for this event.



FRC and HDSCS Table at HAMCON