



# Mt. Vaca Radio Club, Inc.

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## 4th Quarter Activities

NOV 15 - BOARD MEETING  
DEC 20 - BOARD MEETING/ CHRISTMAS PARTY  
JAN 21 - REGULAR MEETING

### MT VACA TRUSTEE REPORT:

NARCC is scheduled to meet sometime this month and their biggest item of business will be the 20KHz plan for 450MHz being implemented by the Southern Calif. organization (SCRRBA). They are still in the transition period.

The move was to be completed by May 1, 2000. But, the web page has not had any update since Oct. 24,1999. Things like this happen slow---. Their web site, scrrba.org, goes into some detail on the mplementation of this project.

NARCC is planning for a representative from the SCRRBA group to be at the October meeting to cover their progress and feasibility. Hope this happens so we can get information on this transition. I'm sure NARCC won't move on this idea until they(SCRRBA) have it working.

I will report on this at the October general meeting if NARCC meets prior to.

We need more participation for our Monday night net. Without the participation it will dry up and blow away-ugg.

73's Trustee George



Read about the Blah Blah of July campout - pg 3

## General Meeting

Sunday, Oct. 15th, at 3:30 p.m.

SudWerk Bar & Grill

1375 Exposition Blvd.

(across from Cal Expo)

Dinner follows...approximately 5:30 p.m. (If you can't make the meeting, just come to dinner!!!) Besides having Lager beers, they have a menu of Soups & salads, Pastas, Wood oven Pizzas, and many other Grilled food dishes.



**Dues are past due now, please pay now.  
We have a new PO box so please send your check to:**

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### MVRC operators help make American Lung Association bike ride a success.

MVRC operators were a part of the yearly bicycle ride sponsored by the Emigrant Trails (Sacramento) Chapter of the American Lung Assn. (Sept. 9-11). This is a major fund raising event that includes approximately 400 riders who ride for 40 miles each day. This year's route covered parts of Sacramento, Amador, and El Dorado Counties. Ham radio support is vital to keep emergency medical and support personnel in contact along the route. Use of several repeaters is dicatated by the terrain and the base camp (net control station) that are relocated each day. Hams supply communications from checkpoints, mobile sag patrols, and shadows for event officials.

Thanks to Marc , Don , and Glenn who staffed checkpoints while Doris was the shadow for the ride director. Mike drove the route to deliver water and support the riders.  
73 Ken

## MVRC helps on Whitney Classic Bike ride.

John, N6SEX, and I (W6TEE) arrived at Lone Pine on Fri Sept 15 to work on the Whitney Classic bike ride with the Sam's Radio Hams. The ride started at Badwater, Death Valley at 3 pm Sat with a temperature there of 122.5 F. John returned home on Sunday, while I stayed with my trailer for the 3 day Sam's monthly campout at the Boulder Creek RV Resort, a Vaca favorite.

## Another Train & 4WD Trip - Les, W6TEE

Here's the quick version of our recent informal trip, minus frequencies, repeaters, and SSB skeds.

For the next part with other MVRC folks, I left Lone Pine on Thu morning. Jim, WB6ZII, and Marsha, KD6TTS, left Auburn on Fri with their trailer, while Marc, W6MAR, (no trailer) and Ed, KE6AFB, and Sunny, KE6AFA, with their trailer, left the Sacramento area on Sat. Ross, W0XJ, and Helen, WA6KHD, left Kansas on Sat also. We all wound up in Durango, CO by Sun night, Sept 24. The trailer folks and Marc stayed at Hermosa Meadows RV Park, while Ross and Helen were at the Rodeway Inn.

On Mon, the CA contingent went to Mesa Verde, while Helen investigated the quilt shops. On Tue, we all rode the train to Silverton and back, and enjoyed dinner at Francisco's. On Wed, Ross and Helen left to visit friends in Montrose on the way home, while the rest moved to Montecello, UT. After setting up, we visited the Hovenweep indian ruins. On Thu, the remaining six took a day trip to Canyonlands over Elephant Hill in Ed and Marc's vehicles. We had lunch in Devils Kitchen, our favorite campsite, viewed the confluence, and returned. On Fri, Ed and Sunny visited Arches, while ther rest of us went to Natural Bridges. We rejoined near Salina, UT, where Jim and Marsha turned south on I-70 to continue their own trip. The remaining four of us spent the night in Delta UT and returned home the next day, Sat Sept 30.

## Words to the Wise....



### and Otherwise.

The best way to stay informed about MVRC happenings is to tune in and check in to Monday night's 7:45 p.m. net..

Please check the roster for correct information.



*Please join us for dinner after the meeting - a wonderful meal is being prepared.*

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## A note from the Pres:

I want to thank those memebers that have been helping on public service events. This is one of the clubs primary interest. We are also wanting to keep rack of the hours club members spend working on public service activities so please report your time to Wayne (WA6APX).



The next few months are quite for us as far as public service but we do have technical work to get done. Call Mike (WA6RWR) to see how you can help.

Thanks Bill - WA6ACF

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Notice our model with the new Public service hat. These are being sold by the club, see A.B. - WA6CNE for yours. While the paper photo is not color you will notice the color of the hat when you see it and it has Amateur Radio printed on the front.



## BUCKS LAKE CAMP OUT - A,B. WA6CNE

The Annual Summer Camp Out took place over the weekend of July 22. Doris, Mike, Les, Mark, Lew and AB left after breakfast on Friday and after several stops to collect up everything Mark had forgot to bring, eventually arrived at Bucks Lake. Camps hastily set up, Mike & Doris headed off to Quincy and the Barnards, joined at lake side by Mark & Les, launched their sea going vessel (Miss Lucy). That evening a large furry thing was heard in camp but no damage done since we had been warned of his visits by the camp host. Sat. morning Lew, Les and AB hiked the Mill Creek trail and met Mark who had 4-wheeled in for a bite of lunch. On the return hike there was another bear encounter on the trail but he ran off as we approached. While Mike was maintaining order in camp, Doris went off to visit a friend at the local knit shop in Quincy. Returning to camp we found Bill and Anita had joined the group for the evening. The GCP (Group Chili Pot) was prepared and as is now almost tradition, there is always a surprise ingredient.... as usual, the Chili was extraordinary. So now its campfire and time to share stories. Unfortunately, with this group of mostly senior campers, the most often heard phrases were, What was that guys name who played in blah blah blah? or What was the name of the lake we camped by when blah blah blah? or Who was it that got lost on the trip blah blah blah? Appears the details aren't all that important to the memories of past events because everyone was having a great time recalling parts of every story!! Sunday, everyone went on a 4-wheel trip to Three Lakes ... flowers all along the route were spectacular. Returning to camp we packed up ending another great camp out. For those who didn't make the trip, see if you can guess the answers to the following.



1. Who is the pixil nazi?
2. Who forgot tent stakes, zorries, silverware, etc etc etc?
3. Who was Howie Morris?
4. Who earned his scout badge for hiking on the Pacific Crest trail?
5. Who drove all the way to Bucks Lake for a bowl of chili?
6. What was the secret ingredient Doris put in this years chili?
7. Who high centered his Jeep on a little rock in the middle of the road?
8. Who didn't catch fish for dinner again?

