



# Mt. Vaca Radio Club, Inc.

July 2013  
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**SUN July 28 - Annual MVRC Meeting 5 PM.** 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.

*Interested visitors are welcome.*

*The July meeting is our Elections meeting, Please attend.*

## President's Report:

If you were on the MVRC Board in the last 25 years, you remember what I am going to say. I've periodically suggested ideas to get the club on track. They have either been voted down as unnecessary or not understandable, or passed and ignored by the next meeting.

I got partial credit for the recent idea to share or sell the repeater, but I was only keeping my eye on things. But recent events have changed things again. Members wanted the traditional 30 sec timer restored which had not been on since the Kenwood repeater was installed. Although this cleared the heavy use blamed for member inactivity, I haven't seen any use by the members that wanted it.

As Activities Chairman, my interests in the club are obvious, and they don't require a repeater. We have had good participation in two Mobile Runs this year, and another is scheduled next month. The campout would have downsized this year, but it is surviving until we find what people want next year. The weekly 75 meter net is an interesting experiment with some non-members who could become members of a more focused club. We have not taken the lead on Public Service events recently, most are too big for any one club. We suggest which ones we can support, and will continue doing that. This brings us back to one of my favorite vetoed plans, calling ourselves a Mobile Club. We certainly aren't a Repeater Club, judging by activity.

On the technical side, Marc, W6MAR is going to tell at the meeting what he is doing to reinstate IRLP and install a 900 MHz repeater.

Les W6TEE

**SEE YOU ALL AT THE MEETING!**

*Check our Activity page on our web for latest updates.*  
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## Activities:

EVERY SAT - Mt. Vaca 75 m Sat Night SSB Net - 8 PM 3918.5 kHz, open, informal - See [www.mvrc.org/act/75net.html](http://www.mvrc.org/act/75net.html)

SAT JUL 20 - TEVIS CUP - Public Service - See <http://comm.wstrail.org/>.

SUN JUL 28 - MVRC MEETING - Dinner 4 PM, Meeting 5 PM - Denny's, Auburn at Watt, Sacramento, by Shell. Everyone welcome. Food optional.

SUN AUG 18 - PICNIC - Mobile Run to cool Black Chasm mountain cave tour near Volcano, \$14.95, followed by Sierra stops best for group. Bring lunch. Meet 10 AM McDonald's SE corner Sunrise and White Rock, or 9 AM for breakfast, or join moving group at Rancho Murietta signal at 10:15. Everyone will be on 147.555 simplex. Important, must read explanation of Mobile Run below.

MOBILE RUN is an on the air caravan of Ham mobile operators and families. The RAMS and MVRC have had Mobile Runs since 1955, but on recent revivals some don't understand how it has to work. Be on frequency to accept directions and stay with the group. Light conversation explains the trip. Anyone who cannot do this must advise the leader before start.

SAT AUG 24 - TAHOE SIERRA 100 - Mountain Bike Race - Public Service - See KE6RKX.

SEP 23-27 - HAM CAMPOUT - Lone Pine, Tuttle Creek BLM. Reservation not required. See <http://qsl.net/w6tee/camp13.pdf>. Subscribe to Mobileer group.

SEP 27-29 - WHITNEY CLASSIC - Lone Pine - Public Service - See W6TEE.

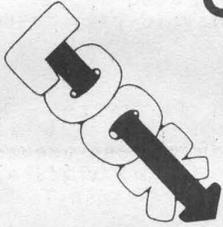
The Club Dues for 2013-2014 were due July 1. The club dues are \$48 for full membership or DX dues are \$18.

Payments can be made online at [www.mvrc.org](http://www.mvrc.org) or by mailing your check to:

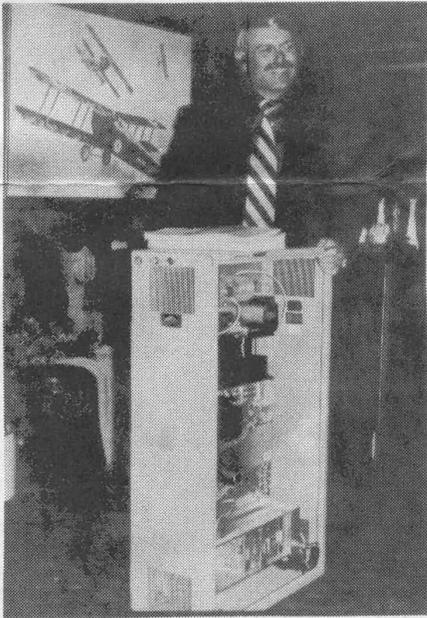
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In 1980 we were privileged to obtain the latest and greatest.

**Coming Your way...**



**It's HERE...  
It's NEW...**



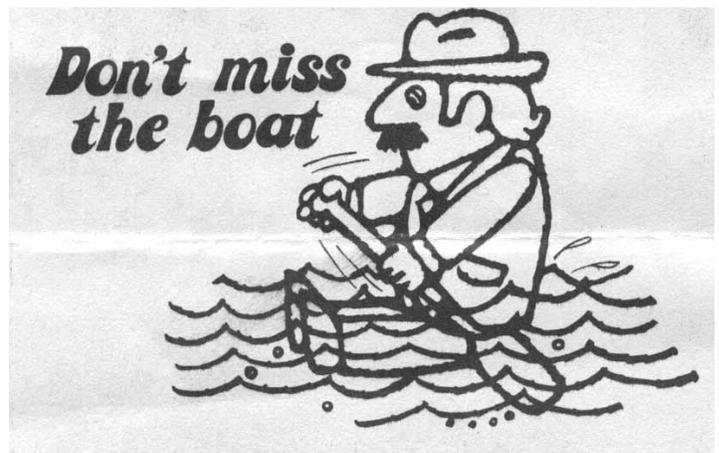
Fred Fern here...er...a...that is, Wayne Minick, WA6APX with the new UHF repeater.



Speaking of 1980 look at the size of those HTs, no wonder their nickname was "Brick"

**July 2012 through June 2013 Officers and Appointments:**

- President - Les Cobb, W6TEE, Sacramento
- Vice President - Bill Harrington, N6MSI, Roseville
- Secretary - Lee Rominger, W6LFR, Sacramento
- Treasurer - Bill Williford, WA6IVI, Sacramento
- Director - Bob Olson, W6BO, Yuba City
- Director - Kim Scheidel, KE6RKX, Pleasant Grove
- Trustee - George Besley, W6GWB, Woodland
- Technical - Bob Olson, W6BO, Yuba City
- Editor, Roster - Bill Yoder, WA6ACF, Loomis
- Membership - Dolly Rominger, KC6ZWR, Sacramento
- Activities - Les Cobb, W6TEE, Sacramento
- Other appointments in effect until replaced.



***Stay on board by paying your dues.  
Your club needs your support.***

**Operating Guide for Repeater usage**

The MVRC repeaters are equipped with 30 second timers in response to the membership's desire that transmissions be short, direct and to the point like face-to-face conversations. The MVRC system is a large party line that should be kept open for use by as many users as possible. When entering a conversation in progress, identify using your **call sign** only. The use of the word BREAK is discouraged. Give your call sign in the time period between when one member of the conversation stops transmitting and the courtesy tone occurs.

When the system is being used for Public Service please give that traffic priority.

All Amateurs are welcome to use the open repeaters and in open contacts which do not impede the use by others.