

Goat Notes
December 2021





The Santa Net is held every evening between Thanksgiving and Christmas on 3.916 MHz at 7:15PM Central Time.

Tri-City Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) FCC Licensing Exam





Dec 02, 2021. 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Gotahams Craig, KM6EIC and Kathi, KD6CAF participated as Volunteer Examiners (VE) on December 2, 2021, at the All-Risk Training Center, Station 174, Jersey and Milliken, Rancho Cucamonga, CA Testing started promptly at 1830. There were 27 individuals registered for the exam and 16 individuals took the exam passing to achieve Technician, General and Amateur Extra license.

Gotaham, Sheila, KM6KNO, studied and passed her Amateur Extra test with a perfect score.

November 2021 Claremont Amateur Radio Society (C. A. R. S.) Swap Meet

During November Gotahams had two events on November 20, 2021. The day began at 5:30am when we arrived at the Granite Creek Community Church, 1580 N Claremont Blvd, Claremont, CA with the Gotahome. It was dawn and radio operators were out with their flashlights looking in boxes and truck beds being unloaded with radio and electronic treasures. Gotahams Ken, KC6WOK; Kathi, KD6CAF; Mark, KM6AHY and Jack, KM6UNQ set up canopies, put up tables and began brewing coffee. Donated donuts and coffee were appreciated by the swap meet Lokey Loos. During the morning we were visited by Kurt, KK6WGT who decided to stop by on his bicycle and Gotaham friends, Bob Brehm, AK6R, Palomar Engineers and Kevin Zanjani, Kl6DHQ, Bioenno Power.



Bob, AK6R

Kurt, KK6WGT





Left to right Kevin, KI6DHQ; Bioenno Power, Jack,
KM6UNQ, Gotahams Treasurer, Ken,
KC6WOK; Vice-President; Jim, KE6FVN and
David, KE6OPK; Mark, KM6AHY, Gotahams
President



Ken, KC6WOK in Gotahams Lounge

Radio In the Park - Gotahams "Getting on The Air"





The afternoon of November 20, 2021, Gotahams were at Cedar Creek Park, 6709 Cedar Creek Rd, Eastvale, CA to enjoy the sun and get together with friends of Dan, K6YIC, radio operators from the USS Iowa radio room restoration team.

There were 9 HF Radios with several antennas on different frequencies transmitting across the US.



Bob Brehm, AK6R, Palomar Engineers, was testing the "Mini-Bullet". Kevin Zanjani, KI6DHQ, brought Bioenno Power batteries and Gotaham Scott, KG6ABF helped tune the radio to test the Mini Bullet for the best radio reception.



David, KE6OPK; Jim, KE6FVN



Mark, KM6AHY; Lew K2VGE



Left to Right Mark, KM6AHY; Bruce, KM6WBI; Ken, KC6WOK with Grace, K6FS and her family

Sheila KM6KNO with her brother Michael, KJ6RIH with their mom Sarah





Michael KN6HHW & Michele KN6HHV





Dan, K6YIC and his friends from the USS lowa radio room came to the park with their radios and antennas. He cooked up a delicious BBQ hot dog lunch.

Membership Meeting (Hybrid on Zoom Video)

Our Next General Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month, December 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm. This month is our Holiday Party. We are at Casa Jimenez Restaurant 921 W. Foothill Blvd. Claremont. Come join us for food and fellowship with like-minded amateur radio enthusiasts. All are welcome, members and non-members. We hope to see you

there!!!



We will also have a Zoom link available. Contact our club secretary, Kathi, by email to receive monthly meeting information, events and news. kd6caf@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving 2021 at Bolsa Chica State Beach



Gotahams Ken, KC6WOK and Kathi KD6CAF joined Gordon West, WB6NOA; wife Suzy N6GLF; Chip Margelli K7JA wife Janet, KL7MF and Josh Nass, KI6NAZ with his sons at Bolsa Chica State



Beach on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021.



Gordon West makes contacts on the HF radio using a Tri-Beam secured into the sand.



He experimented with reception using a loop antenna.

W6TRW Swap Meet

W6TRW Amateur Radio Club Swap Meet reopened in August 2021. It meets the last Saturday of every month at One Space Park, Redondo Beach



Christmas Day: December 25^{th,} 2021

I hope you have all been nice this year and Santa brings you all the goodies that you've been patiently waiting for.



New handheld radio to be released

Something exciting for all the Icom radio lovers out there. They finally have a release date on the IC52A. I was eyeing this radio for a long time. I waited and waited but it never came. So, I ended up with an FT3DR. I do like my yeasu but this Icom radio looks pretty neat. If you are interested in the specs click here for the Icom website. Price point is at \$649.00 at HRO. Hopefully we can see these start shipping in time for Christmas. So I've been watching this and have not seen any of the dealers put a date on shipments.



Yaesu M-70 Microphone



As some of you may already know from my Facebook post, I purchased a new Yaesu M-70 Microphone. So far, I am really enjoying this new addition to the ham shack. I really enjoy that it has a "lock" button so that I can transmit without holding down a push to talk button. This makes conducting the nightly nets a lot more comfortable. It also makes a longer conversation on the radio much more comfortable. When I used the hand mic or my HT, I find myself pushing harder and harder the longer I would transmit. If you have a favorite item in your ham shack that you would like to share with the group, please email me a photo along with a small outline on what it is and why you like it. Ke6lkv@gmail.com

Gotahams member, Erik, KN6NRQ thought you might enjoy reading this article titled: The FBI's shortwave Radio Messages from Honolulu following the attacks on Pearl Harbor

To read this amazing story, please click on the link below:

https://fbiography.com/pearl-harbor-radio/

Influenza Pandemic of 1918 to 1920, espionage, sabotage, terrorism, Prohibition, the Gangster Era, or the wrenching economic effects of a stock market crash and the Great Depression all had taken place. The Nation was badly shaken but still stood strong, things were improving for many people, and prospects looked better than they had in a long time. Advances in technology, inventions, medicine, the New Deal, the reelection of a President for an unprecedented third tour-year term.



Yet, there was some sense of uneasiness. Nothing could be certain. Europe already was engaged in a brutal war and had been for over a year, but the conflict was an ocean away. Tensions and warfare were rising in Asia, but that also was located another ocean away. There was hope that the United States would not be drawn into another overseas conflict anywhere at any time.

Nonetheless, the FBI, as well as the military and other government agencies, were mindful of threats. Its intelligence and investigative personnel were active and on alert.

Lionel the Lizard by Kathi KD6CAF



Lionel is an alligator lizard. He lives in the mountain foothills among the evergreen trees and silver-tasseled scrub bushes.

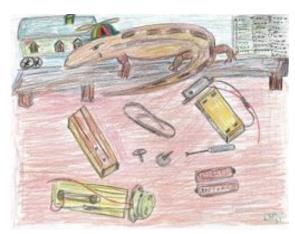


His home is an old, abandoned telegraph shack. A copy of the Morse Code alphabet hangs on the wall next to a tattered photo of Samuel Morse. A decorative railroad car sits outside his telegraph shack. Lionel and Sally Salamander ride the railcar to adventures exploring new places. During the Covid pandemic everyone is asked to wear a mask, so Lionel sits in his ham shack with his mask over his face using his long lizard snout to tap out his message while his friends are on Zoom chat.

CQ CQ CQ This is L6ZRD Lionel, QSL?

He receives a message from the Barnhouse morse code station. It is the Boy Scouts, Troop 411. Lionel learns the scouts are working on their radio badge, he receives an invitation to help them learn morse code.

He gathers his supplies for a morse code key. He decides to use a block of wood, paper clip, screws, battery pack and buzzer.



Lionel and Sally arrive at the Troop 411 meeting place with everything they need to construct a Morse Code key. He climbed on the table and showed the scouts a morse

code key he consulted. Soon everyone was finished and began typing out dits and dahs spelling words.



When they arrived home. Lionel typed out a message to his friends telling of the big adventure to visit the Barnhouse and Boy Scouts Troop 411.

CQ, CQ, CQ, this is L6ZRD, Lionel, QSL?



If you have any stories, photos or activity info send to Mike, KE6LKV at ke6lkv@gmail.com Goat Notes, Editor

