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# THE BLOWN FUSE

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## EBARC Meeting

January 14, 2011  
7:30 p.m.

Program to be Announced



The East Bay Amateur Radio Club meets this month at the  
El Sobrante Library, 4191 Applan Way, El Sobrante.

The Executive Board meets the Monday before each general meeting at 7:30 p.m.  
at the W6CUS club station, 3200 Macdonald Ave. Richmond.

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## January 14<sup>th</sup> EBARC Meeting

We'll meet in the community meeting room at the El Sobrante Library, 4191 Appian Way. Enter through the back door.

### Treasurer's Report November 2010

**John Wood, N6JDW, Treasurer**

#### NOVEMBER GENERAL FUND<sup>1</sup>

10/31/10 Beginning Balance ..... \$3,292.07  
 Regular Renewals: NU6W, KF6HEX,  
 N6JDW, W6DEI, W6QNT, KJ6ELO,  
 K6MCM, KD6WNM, AA6XZ,  
 KJ6HSH, KE6ZWO, AB6VB,  
 KE6RS, W6DOB, KW8JSN,  
 WB6VEX, WI7N, K6YV, NJ6T,  
 N6SPY, KJ6EZB, W6WTJ, K6LHP,  
 KG6VMA, WS6V, K5EJL ..... 650.00  
 Family Renewals: KI6KOU/KI6KOV,  
 KI6EMD/KI6ENT ..... 60.00  
 Bank Stamp (donation by N6JDW) .... 41.36  
 Earned Interest ..... 0.61  
 (Income Subtotal: \$751.97)  
 Blown Fuse Printing (Dec. issue) ....-\$17.78  
 Blown Fuse Postage (Dec. issue) .....-11.00  
 4Cs/EBARC Picnic.....-187.56

Equipment Insurance ..... -225.00  
 P.G.&E. .... -19.06  
 (Expense Subtotal: \$460.40)  
 11/30/10 Ending Balance .....\$3,583.64

<sup>1</sup>\$100 earmarked for youth scholarships.

#### NOVEMBER STATION FUND<sup>2</sup>

10/31/10 Beginning Balance .....\$4,297.00  
 11/30/10 Ending Balance .....\$4,297.00

<sup>2</sup>\$1,169 earmarked for W6CUS Roofing Fund.

Total November Income .....\$751.97  
 Total November Disbursements.....\$460.40

## General Meeting Minutes

**December 10, 2010**

**Randy Jenkins, KA6BQF, Secretary**

Before the meeting, an election committee was selected to tabulate the ballots for the 2011 officers. The committee consisted of Ron Smith, Don Hamma, and Peter Hoffman. When completed, the results were given to President Fowler. A game was provided for the rest of the assembled company, and refreshments were available.

The meeting was called to order at 20:01 hours by President Ken Fowler. There was a sign-in sheet available. 12 members and guests signed the roster.

The normal order of business was suspended. President Fowler announced the results of the election committee tabulation for 2011 officers as follows: President, Ken Fowler; Treasurer, John Wood; Secretary, Randy Jenkins; 3rd VP, Sharon Primbsch; 2nd VP, Jay Sparks; 1st VP, Jack Burris. These 2011 officers were then installed. Thanks were expressed to the tabulators and to the ballot mailers (AA6XZ and N6JDW).

48 renewals have been received to date.

The next meeting is January 14, 2011.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 20:12. A silent auction of equipment was held; and results of the game were announced, with door prizes awarded.

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## EBARC Ballot Counts

Here are the official vote counts of the 2011 EBARC ballots:

### President

Ken Fowler, KO6NO (49)

### 1st VP/Program

Jack Burris, K6JEB (36)

"Texx" Woodworth, KG6ATH (12)

### 2nd VP/Hospitality

Bob Bowling, K6ZLG (1)

Jay Sparks, KJ6HSH (49)

### 3rd VP/Membership

Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ (48)

### Secretary

Randy Jenkins, KA6BQF (46)

Peter Hoffman, W6DEI (2 write-ins)

### Treasurer

John Wood, N6JDW (49)

Fifty ballots were returned (of about 72 mailed). That's about a 70% turnout – much better than our local and national elections! Thank you for your participation. If you have any suggestions for how we might run the EBARC election better next year, please contact an Executive Committee member.

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## Oops!

Last month, Ye Olde Editor incorrectly identified Jay Sparks, KJ6HSH, as "Jan," on the ballots and elsewhere. Sorry Jay!

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Questions that haunt me: Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money into binoculars to see things on the ground?

## EBARC Roster Update

- **NEW MEMBER:** Curtis Ardourel, WA6UDS, has a General license. You can reach him at 6021 Christie Ave, Emeryville, 94608, and at 510-595-3494.
- **NEW MEMBER:** Michael Rossi, KJ6IWQ, has a Technician license. He lives at 122 Highland Blvd., Kensington, 94708. His phone is 510-526-8548. He's a general contractor who likes sailing (and marine ham radio).
- **NEW MEMBER:** Lisa Hotchkiss, KJ6IWO, has a Technician license. She lives at 122 Highland Blvd., Kensington, 94708. Her phone is 510-526-8548. Her interests are tennis, writing, and marine ham radio.

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## Oops Again!

Last month, Ye Olde Editor incorrectly identified the two nets added at the bottom of the officers & nets page. The Mon - Fri net is the "9 a.m. Talk Net," not a second youth net.

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## Future Bay Area Events

- Current Bay Area Public Service Events: See [www.eastbayarc.org](http://www.eastbayarc.org), click on "Current Events", then scroll to "Public Service."
- Livermore Swap Meet, 1st Sunday of each month at Robertson Park, 7 a.m. to noon, all year. Talk-in 147.045 MHz. Info: [www.livermoreark.org/swap/swap.html](http://www.livermoreark.org/swap/swap.html)
- EBARC, ORCA, and ARCA sponsor joint ARRL VEC Amateur Radio Test Sessions quarterly at 9 a.m. in the Media Room, 1605 Martin Luther King Jr. Way (at 16<sup>th</sup> St.), Oakland. The tests for 2011 are; Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>, Apr 17<sup>th</sup>, Jul 24<sup>th</sup>, and Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. The fee for 2011 has still not yet been set. Info at 510-846-1587 or 510-741-8227.
- CoCoCo RACES Training: Details at [www.cc-races.org](http://www.cc-races.org) or via RACES net, 6:45 p.m., Thursdays on 145.11 MHz.

The East Bay Amateur Radio Club, founded in 1947, is a California non-profit organization of amateur radio operators in Contra Costa and Alameda counties. The club is open to anyone interested in amateur radio. Annual dues are \$25 for individual membership, \$30 for a family membership, and \$10 for students K-12. For information, contact any EBARC officer, see Web page [www.eastbayarc.org](http://www.eastbayarc.org), or write EBARC, P.O. Box 1393, El Cerrito, CA 94530. The East Bay Amateur Radio Club maintains a club station, W6CUS, at 3200 Macdonald Ave., Richmond.

## 2011 East Bay Amateur Radio Club Executive Committee

Ken Fowler, KO6NO, President ..... 222-0830  
 Jack Burris, K6JEB, 1<sup>st</sup> VP - Program Chair..... 415-305-2547  
 Jay Sparks KJ6HSH, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP - Hospitality Chair ..... 384-4233  
 Sharon Primbsch, AA6XZ, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP - Membership / *Blown Fuse* Editor..... 741-8227  
 John Wood, N6JDW, Treasurer - Finance Committee Chair..... 967-8685  
 Randy Jenkins, KA6BQF, Secretary / Education Chair ..... 526-4089  
 Stanton Gleason, KD6SWU, Member-at-Large - Club Station Manager . 385-4044  
 Russell Wikander Jr., KI6CEZ, Member-at-Large ..... 847-3583

## 2011 EBARC's Other Committee Heads and Contacts

Jack Burris, K6JEB, W6CUS Trustee..... 415-305-2547  
 Peter Hoffman, W6DEI, Webmaster, Publicity Chair..... 525-0694  
 Joe Lee, W6DOB, Silent Key Chair..... 724-0533  
 Awards Chair.....  
 Social & Digital Committees Chair.....  
 Legislative Affairs .....  
 RFI Committee Chair.....  
 Historian.....

## AMATEUR RADIO NETS

NET	DAYS	LOCAL TIME	FREQ, MHZ
West Contra Costa County ARES/RACES Net	Thurs	1845 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
EBARC "Explore Net" (HF)	Mon	1930 (USB)	28.425
KARO/ECHO ARES/RACES Net	Thurs	~1900 simplex	146.415
NALCO RACES/ARES Net	Thurs	1915 (PL 131.8+)	440.900
Oakland ARES Emergency Communications Net	Thurs	1930 (PL 77-)	146.880
Contra Costa Communications Club Net	Thurs	1930 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
Tech Net	Thurs	2000 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
"Over the Hill Gang" Breakfast/Commute Net	Mo-Fr	0710 (PL 82.5-)	145.110
Northern Calif. Net VHF Session	Daily	1930 (PL 107.2-)	145.410
"QRM Net"	Tues	1930 (PL 82.5-)	224.300
9 a.m. Talk Net	Mo-Fr	0900 (PL 100.0-)	145.230
Youth Net	Sat	1400 (PL 100.0-)	145.230

RACES, West CoCoCo: Mike McMillan, K6MCM, [mcmillan50y@yahoo.com](mailto:mcmillan50y@yahoo.com), phone 510 223-3052.  
 Frequencies: #1=145.110-, #2=147.570s, [www.cc-races.org](http://www.cc-races.org)