

AEA ARC Meeting

July 26, 2018

AEA Amateur Radio Club Officers







President Kirk Crawford KK6KC Vice-President (Position Vacant)

Secretary Bob Lanahan KK6WYW Treasurer Joe Barger N6KK

ARRL Field Day Score

Call Used: W6AG0 GOTA Station Call: (none) ARRL/RAC Section: LAX Class: 2A Participants: 10 Club/Group Name: Aerospace Employees Association Amateur Radio Club Power Source(s): Generator, Battery, Solar Power Multiplier: 2X Bonus Points: 100% Emergency power 200 Submitted via the Web 50 Educational activity 100 Total Bonus Points 350 Score Summary: CW Digital Phone Total Total QSOs 0 0 32 Total Points 32 32 Claimed Score = 640 0

Bonus Points + Claimed Score = 350 + 64 = 414 Final Score

ARRL Field Day Score (Continued)

| Band/Mode Q | SO Breakdown: | | | |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------|--------|
| | CW | Digital | Phone | |
| | QSOs Pwr(W) | QSOs Pwr(W) | QS0s | Pwr(W) |
| 160m | | | | |
| 80m | | | | |
| 40m | | | 10 | 100 |
| 20m | | | 11 | 100 |
| 15m | | | | |
| 10m | | | | |
| 6m | | | | |
| 2m | | | 11 | 25 |
| 1.25 | | | | |
| Other | | | | |
| Satellite | | | | |
| GOTA | | | | |
| TOTAL | 0 | 0 | 32 | |

BSA – Operation On-Target Radio Support – Troop 948 – Keller Peak

Tom Essenpreis – KB9ENS



Operation On-Target Signal 50+ Miles with a mirror!!!

3rd Saturday every July & September www.bsaontarget.org



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BSA Operation On Target

What is it?: It's a high adventure Varsity Scout program activity. The basic idea is to have Scouts scattered across a particular area, located on mountain peaks or other prominences within line of sight. Using large signaling mirrors, they relay messages from peak to peak.



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Radio?:

Yup, mirrors are nice, but for real time coordination the Scouts rely on hams for communications

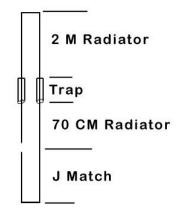
Operating Conditions:

- TH-F6 HT Speaker mic
- Slim Jim ladder line J-pole antenna
- PowerFilm Solar Lightsaver Max

Challenges:

- Long Beach Boat race on primary freq
- I was the only station that could hear and be heard by everyone; forced me to act as relay





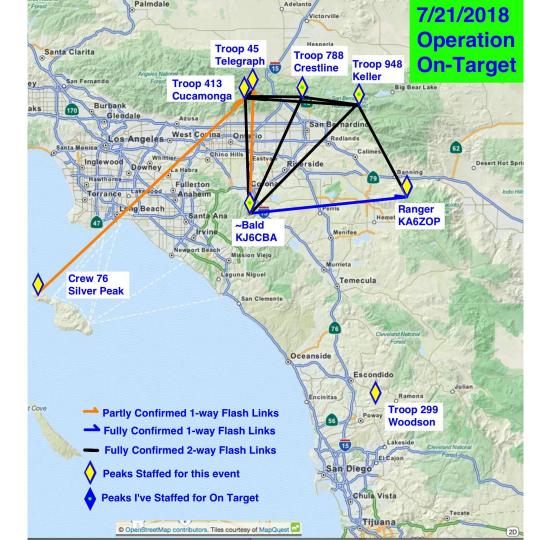
BSA Operation On Target – Setup Location



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View from Bald Peak





BSA Operation On Target – Results

| | - | Sun-Flashing Crosstable: Operation On-Target 7/21/2018, Southern CA | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|------|--|
| | From | To (number is distance in miles) | | | | | | | | |
| Unit #/Name | Peak | Keller | Crestline | Cucamonga | Telegraph | Silver | Woods | Ranger | Bald | |
| Troop 948 | Keller Peak | | 16 | 31 | 32 | 101 | | 28 | 42 | |
| Troop 788 | Crestline Water Tank | 16 | | 15 | 16 | | 87 | 39 | 36 | |
| Troop 413 | Cucamonga Peak | 31 | 15 | | 3 | 77 | 91 | 51 | 33 | |
| Troop 45 | Telegraph peak | 32 | 16 | 3 | | 79 | 94 | 53 | 36 | |
| Crew 76 | Silver Peak | 101 | | 77 | 79 | | 98 | | 63 | |
| Troop 299 | Mt. Woodson | | 87 | 91 | 94 | 98 | | | | |
| KA6ZOP | Ranger Peak | 28 | 39 | 51 | 53 | | | | 41 | |
| KJ6CBA | Bald Peak | 42 | 36 | 33 | 36 | 63 | | 41 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Legend: | | Positively Confirmed Flash | | | | | Longest Flash: | | | |
| | | Flash transmitted, Flash seen at target | | | | | 42 miles, Keller to Bald Peak | | | |
| | | Flash not Possible - No line of sight | | | | | Longest Radio Contact: | | | |
| | | Flash possible, but not achieved | | | | | 101 miles, Keller <-> Silver Peak | | | |

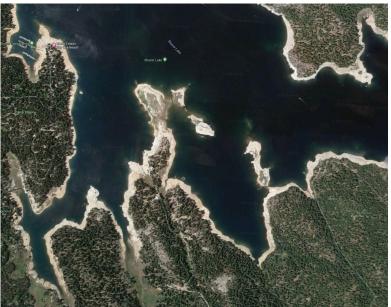
BSA Operation On Target Cucamonga Peak to Bald Peak Flash



Save the date, the next event is Saturday September 15, 2018

Kirk (KK6KC) Summer Activities

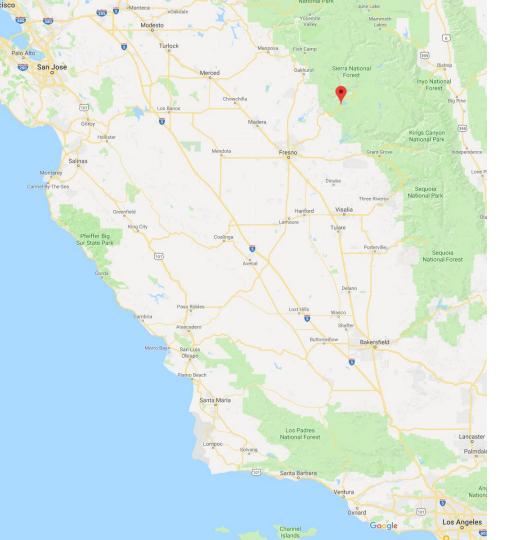
- July 1-7, Shaver Lake, CA(Camp Chawanakee BSA Camp) with my son, Grid: DM07ic
- 20 Meter Band Hopper Inverted V
- Fiberglass Push Up Mast
- 20 Watt Solar Panel
- 2 Batteries charged by Solar
- Raspberry Pi computer system
- ~2 hours of FT8 each night
- 5-15 Watts to conserve power
- 40 contacts including 5W to Australia, Canada, Hawaii, USA.











Tomorrow, Lick Observatory for a week

- James Lick 1888 Observatory
- Grid: CM97ei
- Mount Hamilton, West of San Jose
- Same Inverted V Band-Hopper
- FT8 in afternoons and nights depending on work/weather



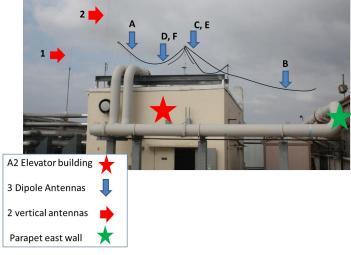
AEA Showcase

- Gives Club Exposure Hand Out Flyers
- Tue 31 Jul & Thur 2 Aug Lunchtime A3 Cafeteria
- Bob likely can attend, One More?
- Bring laptop, run SDR Dongle
- Arrow Antenna
- Need power for larger LCD display
- Bring Extension Cord

A2 Shack Plans

- Equipment
 - Functional HF and UHV/VHF radios & Antennas
 - Aerospace networked computer
 - RF plan approved, RF testing are we done?
- Future
 - Aerospace Computer Create generic log-in
 - Install digital software (winlink, FT8, PSK-31)
 - 2nd Signalink box for UHF/VHF radio
 - Repair and/or sell non-functioning HF equipment
 - Sell Army Code trainer
 - Approve plans, buy and install better HF antenna
 - Not likely that 1000 watt transmitter power will be approved

A2 Shack – Operational Equipment



Aerospace Networked Computer

- Borrowed LCD display
- Keyboard and Mouse

Signalink USB adaptor for Digital Mode

Yaesu FT-736R 70 cm and 2 m (good working order)



Yaesu FT1000

HF (good working order



Non-functioning Equipment

Kenwood TS-940 LSB. USB. CW not working



ICOM IC-735 Tuner knob not working



Yaesu – FRG-7700

Tuner knob not working



Army Code Trainer

Army Code Trainer AN/GSC-T1 Serial #1720 McElroy MFG Corp Order # 1046-PH-45-25

Sell on Ebay





1950s US ARMY Signal Corps CODE TRAINING SET McElroy AN/GSC-T1

\$49.95 Buy It Now



WWII US Army Signal Corps Morse Code Training Set (AN/GSC-T1)

\$160.00 or Best Offer

Signal Corps US ARMY Code Training Set AN/GSC-T1 #3256 McElroy Mfg Corp

\$274.99 Buy It Now



Buy It Now Free shipping

A3 Shack Plans

Jason,

HF antenna replacement (was removed at some point probably due to roof work)

- 1) Antenna: GAP Eagle DX Antenna
 - http://gapantenna.com/shop/antennas/eagle-dx/ \$419.95
 - This is will mount to a 10 ft mast that will be mounted to the same location as the original.
 - Here is one for \$23.02, but I think it could also be sourced locally https://www.3starinc.com/ez10-16_galvanized_antenna_mast_10_foot_by_1_25_inch_od_16_awg.html

2) Guy wire and clamps to mount the mast to the existing structure.

3) Radio could use an automatic tuner but I need to get back to you with the specs for that.

- Could use the antenna without a tuner on some of the bands (and to start)

4) Digital mode, we need:

- External sound card for the radio. Here is the necessary item:
- <u>https://www.dxengineering.com/parts/tgr-slusb13k-p</u> \$129.95.
- Computer to run digital software

AEA Budget

- Due Soon (7/31)
- D8 controllable Amplifier
- A2 Tower and Beam antenna
- Any Items that we need to add, portable, emergency?

Christmas Party

Proud Bird deposit has been made!

Save the date!

Thursday, December 13 at lunch!