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THE JUNE MEETING OF PAARA WILL BE ON THE THIRD AT 7:30 PM
at the Menlo Park Recreation Center. The Friday meeting will highlight
another VE3FZK extravaganza, which at the present time remains a secret.
Stay tuned to the PAARA nets for further details.

(Next month's meeting will have Frank Glass, K6RQ, who will discuss antennas with us... a nice down to earth technical topic for your edification....)

Also featured with the above, will be a dynamic dissertation on the relative merits of Field Day from Fred, K6YT, our President-Emeritus and 1977 Field Day Character. He will fully amplify (43.7 dB gain) the tom-foolery on the following two pages of this journal.

And of course, you will be treated to the normal amount of fine foods and fine fellowship and the world renowned PAARA raffle. Bring a friend.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL HOLD AN ADJOURNED MEETING
at the abode of W6YPM, by his invitation. The date is Saturday June
the 11th at 4 PM. The only bad thing about that is that there is
no opportunity to make a stupid mention of the archaic RAARA timeline.

STRANGE AS IT MAY SEEM... there are still those who have not gotten the word on the recently renamed PAARA Intercontinental Communications System. (Your executing editor would prefer Telecommunications, witnessed by the QRM level on 20 meters.) By any name, it meets at 9 AM local time on Saturday mornings on 21.393 MHz or if this is poor, on 14.245. Next month, for the first time, the details on the fabulous PICS transceiver. If you haven't shelled out for that new TS-820, wait til you see this unPAARalleled piece of gear!!!!

Don't forget the ever-popular PAARA two meter nets. AM at 8:15 PM and FM at 8:30 PM. Both are on Mondays. AM frequency is 145.24 MHz and the FM frequency is 147.45 MHz.

AT LONG LAST THE MUCH HERALDED PAARA OFFICIAL CALLBOOKS !!!!!
The books have been purchased, both the US and DX editions, and are at present in the possession of Steve, K6FS. He will be happy to fill your request for that elusive address. Catch him on the nets or you may call at a reasonable hour. The books will be raffle prizes at our annual Christmas party in December.

PAARA 1977 FIELD DAY

An event that you won't want to miss at a new location!!!!!!

June 25th and 26th is the weekend for Field Day this year, with the contest period extending from 11 AM Saturday until 2 PM on Sunday. Since we will be setting up ahead of time, we can operate only for twenty-four hours out of the 27. The only major modification to the rules for this year is the deletion of the bonus for a "natural power" contact. Publicity and Oscar bonuses are still available, as are those for message handling and origination. The rule regarding 2 points per CW contact has been made permanent, so operators that feel at home with a key are in great demand, especially Novices (which include Technicians as well).

The site this year is at Cooley Landing at the Palo Alto Boat Works. Thanks to Carl Scheuve and his wife, the resident owners of the land, we will have the use of this excellent location with a semi-infinite salt-water ground plane directly east of our antennas. Cooley Landing is a natural deep water harbor at the northeast corner of East Palo Alto. Lest you be worried, Carl assures us that he never has any problems of any sort, and the location is well separated from the residential areas to the west.

To get to Cooley Landing, from the north take the Willow Road exit (Dumbarton Bridge) from 101 to the first signal, right off the freeway. This is Newbridge. Turn right on Newbridge and go a few blocks until it intersects Bay Road. Bear left (ever so slightly) and follow it to its end, and proceed through the gates onto the Boat Works property.

From the south, take the Embarcadero Road exit east to the traffic light at the Bayshore frontage road and proceed north to the signal near the Exxon station at Pulgas Avenue. Turn right here and go down until it intersects with Bay Road and turn right.

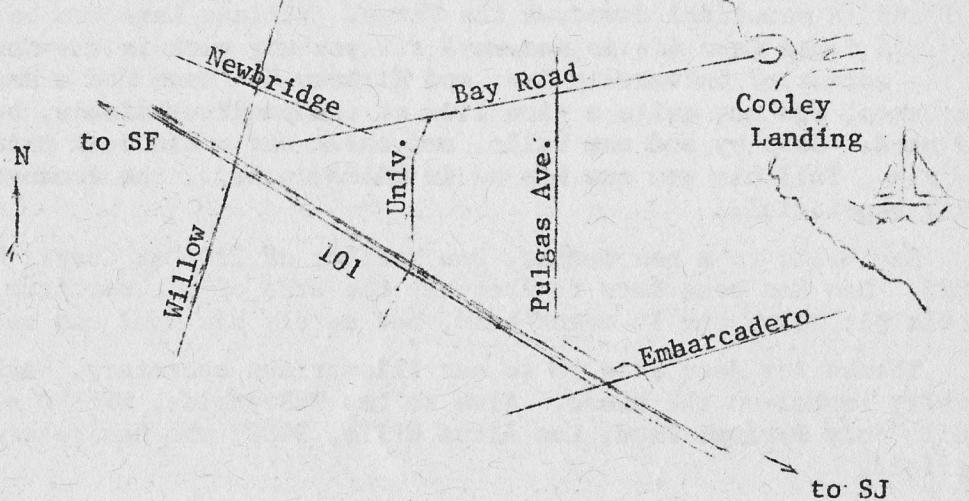
See the map, which hopefully will reproduce, on the next page.

Please park your vehicles off the road to the right when you reach the site. Don't fill up the regular parking area right in front of the main building. Someone should be there to help you find the right place to park.

Come early, from 7 AM onward, to help take care of last minute set up details. Then you can hang around until noon Sunday!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MAP TO FIELD DAY SITE

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If the above cartography is inadequate in guiding you to the site, you can obtain assistance on the PAARA 2-meter frequency of 147.45 MHz.

The station set up this year will be very much like the previous year, with two SSB stations, one on 20 & 80 and the other on 15&40 meters. There will be a CW station which will roam the bands and the Novices will pound forth on the brass, too. Oscar points will be made with a special station dedicated to that purpose, manned by Ed, WB6CFW.

Captains for the event will be

CW K6YT Fred Canham Novice ... WB6STW Dan Curry
15/40 SSB .. K6SEM Bob Wheeler 20/80 SSB .. WB6GRZ Terry Conboy

If you desire to volunteer to work at one or more of these stations, do not hesitate to call any of the above gentlemen. Last minute volunteers are always welcome... just come to Cooley Landing and pitch in! We need operators, loggers, checkers, set-up and take-down people are always in demand.

Further details will be forthcoming at the June club meeting and on the weekly PAARA nets. Participate... The fun you have will more than compensate for the sleep that you lose! You too may become a field day addict like K6YT and other un-named personages!!!

WELCOMES AND THANK-YOU'S

Welcome to Shaver Radio, a new advertiser in PAARAGraphs. Dave can be found in beautiful downtown Los Gatos. Village Lane can be reached only off Santa Cruz (it is one-way) but you may park in the Sambo's lot on the corner of University Ave. and Highway 9. Dave has a small but cozy shop, and has quite a nice line of equipment available, both new and used. Stop by and say hello, and check out a discount price on that new rig. Tell him you saw his ad in PAARAGraphs... the feedback is quite beneficial.

Say hello to a new member, Dan Marling of 220 Oak Court, Menlo Park, 94025. Dan has been know to frequent the area of the spectrum just a little bit below the 10 meter band, but surely his soul can be saved.

Thanks for dues paid go to our illustrious secretary, WA6LNV, who finally forked-up the bread. Also to Les McReynolds, WB6RNO of 12051 Moody Springs Road, Los Altos Hills, 94022 who has returned to the fold.

RANDOM REALYS AND QUIESCENT ORM

Word from Dave, K6DTX, is that there is an active Amateur Television repeater located in the Almaden Valley. Input is 437.25 and output is at 426.00 MHz. Audio is on FM simplex at 145.98 (an IC-22S will work there). Bob, WB6RAE has further dope if interested. (Sounds of mournful vacuum cleaner hoses in the distance.....)

The SCCARA Flea Market will be held on Sunday, June 12th in the parking lot at Quement from 10 AM until 3 PM. Sellers spaces are \$3 or two for \$5.

Andy, VE3FZK, notes that his address appeared incorrectly in the PAARA roster. His correct adr is 504 Lakemead.

Bulletin FE number 25 is available from the FCC. It outlines the causes and cures for audio rectification interference. Tnx to the Marin Amateur Radio Club... QSA-5.

If you have ham news of national or regional appeal, call the "Ham News-line" at the ARRL at (203) 667-0138. April QST has more info.

Next month's PAARAGraphs deadline is the 20th. Don't miss a big issue featuring the stargazings of Hal, W6DEF; the amazing PICS xcvr; and the normal array of journalistic ephemeralism.

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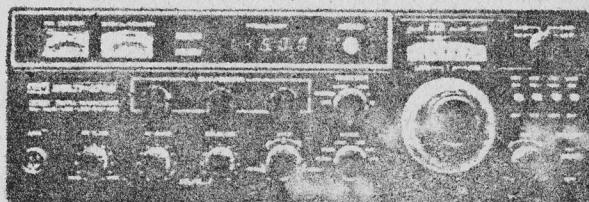
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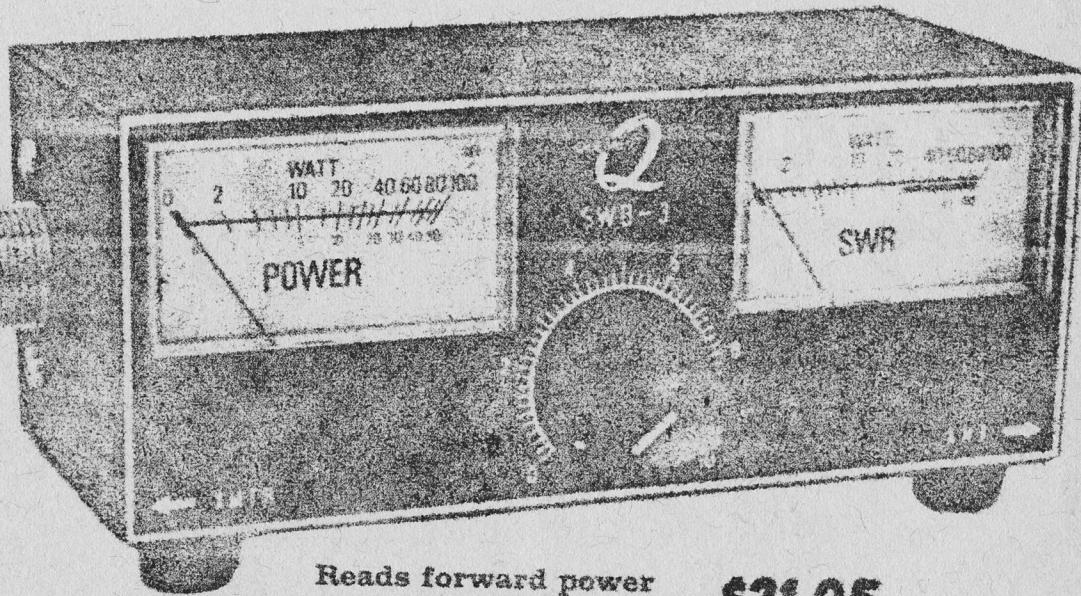
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