The Heterodyne

Newsletter of the West Valley Amateur Radio Association

MONTHLY MEETING Wednesday November 17

Club Meetings Begin at 7pm at San Jose Red Cross 2731 N First St, San Jose (SW corner at Plumeria Dr)

How's the Sun?

From ARLP041 Propagation de K7RA on November 12, 2010:

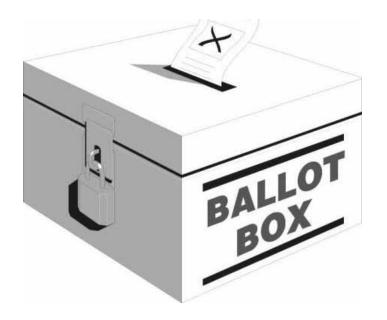
Average daily sunspot numbers and solar flux increased over the past week, with sunspot numbers up 7.4 points to 33.1 and solar flux up 2.1 points to 84.2. Four new sunspot groups appeared since November 4. For some reason NOAA is currently showing a sunspot number of zero for Thursday, November 11, yet there are spots visible. In fact, the total sunspot area increased by 57% from November 10 to 11, and the sunspot number on November 10 was 55. On early Friday morning a peek at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DSD.txt shows the zero sunspot number for yesterday, but perhaps by the time you read this, it will be corrected.

The latest forecast shows predicted solar flux at 85 on November 12-13, 84 on November 14-15, and 83 on November 16-18. Predicted planetary index for November 12-21 is 10, 10, 8, 8, 7, 5, 5, 20, 15 and 10.

Editor's Note

There has been lots of DX activity on the 15 meter band lately. Mike, K6MKF worked Vietnam using PSK31 with low power at 21.071 MHz.

Maybe this could be our "money band" at Field Day!



November Meeting

"Adventures With The Tower Trailer" by Dean Wood, N6DE

A presentation of Dean's experiences with the tower trailer we use at Field Day

Elections for 2011
Officers and Directors

Wednesday November 17, 2010 Ballot for Elections of 2011 Officers and Directors

President	Jim Peterson, K6EI	
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Club Net

WVARA's club net is on the W6PIY repeaters each Tuesday at 8:30 pm. All repeaters are linked together during the net. The net script can be found at http://www.wvara.org/net.html.

WVARA Repeaters (W6PIY)			
Band	Frequency	PL	Status
6 Meters	52.580- MHz	151.4 Hz	Operating
2 Meters	147.39+ MHz	151.4 Hz	Operating
1.25 Meters	223.96- MHz	156.7 Hz	Operating
0.70 Meter	441.35+ MHz	88.5 Hz	Operating
0.23 Meter	1286.2- MHz	100 Hz	Operating

ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, Phone Nov 20, 2100Z to Nov 22, 0300Z

Bands: 1.8-28 MHz. Exchange: Serial, category, call, check, ARRL section. Logs due: Dec 8.

See rules and other information at http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes.

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