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**"Ground-based radio transmitters...
provide the only indication of
intelligent, technological life on Earth."**

Sagan et al., 1993, "A search for life on Earth from the Galileo spacecraft,"
Nature, vol. 365, 21 October, p. 720.

Welcome to the [Naval Postgraduate School](#) Amateur Radio Club, located in Monterey along California's Central Coast. Find out about our club, and come join us during our public service activities. Below is a listing of the club's repeaters, packet radio bulletin board, various events, and other information concerning Amateur Radio.

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What's New?

- **From the Bridge** NEW
 - June's final [From the Bridge](#) by Club President, Russell Coile.
- **NWS supports Watsonville Air Show!** NEW
 - [Amateur Radio provided weather data](#) without using a telephone from inside the National Weather Service in Monterey.

Important Notes

Santa Clara Valley Section ARRL-Sponsored Hot Line Numbers:

- ARRL License Class Hotline: (408) 456-0702
- ARRL Exam Info: (408) 984-8353
- Sunnyvale VEC Exam Info: (408) 255-9000

The Next NPSARC VE Exam date:

- **June 14, 1997**
 - You **must** pre-register by email before the event: parker@ece.nps.navy.mil, or contact Andrew Parker at the next club meeting.
 - Exams are every third Saturday, even months.
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Repeater Information

- K6LY [repeater](#) information
 - Repeater information if you are [traveling](#) on the Monterey Peninsula.
 - [Local frequencies](#) for around the Monterey Bay.
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Club Information

- [Monthly meetings](#).
 - How to [join](#) the NPSARC.
 - About our newsletter, the [Scuttlebutt](#).
 - Free amateur radio [classes](#).
 - Previous [speakers](#) at our monthly meetings.
 - Our [club roster](#).
 - Our [email roster](#).
 - [Amateur Radio Books](#) available at the Seaside Public Library.
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Press Releases

- **NEW** [The Role of Amateur Radio in Emergency Communications](#) was presented at the Disaster '96 Internet Conference in June. Here were their [themes](#).
- [To Sur With Love](#) - Amateurs Make the Marathon (**Coast Weekly**, 1996)
- The **Campus News**, the Weekly Newspaper of the "Navy's University," featured the Naval Postgraduate School's Amateur Radio Club on 25 AUG 95. Read [Radio Club More Than a Bunch of Hams](#) by Dale Kuska.
- The ([Space Systems Academic Group](#)) **Web Ground Station** was featured in the **Amateur Satellite Communication** column written by Steve Ford, WB8IMY. Read about it on page 99 of the August 1995 QST.

- Read the June and July 1995 issues of **QST** for more information about Amateur Radio and the World Wide Web, including an introduction and a glimpse into the future of packet radio.
- March 26, 1995 - The **Monterey County Herald** writes: [On The Air!](#), by *Dave McIntyre*
- [Press Clippings from the March '95 Flood](#) - A collection of newspaper articles and letters to the editor concerning the activities of Amateur Radio Emergency Service during the flooding of the Carmel River. Also, a description of past [incidents](#) around the Monterey Peninsula that [ARES](#) responded to.
- January 22, 1995 - The **Monterey County Herald** writes: [Ham Radio Enthusiasts Gather At MPC](#), by *Judy Hammond*
- Travel to Peter-I Island with Robert Schmieder 3Y0PI/KK6EK, DX'pedition member to one of the most sought after DX sites in the world. Robert gave a fantastic talk to the NPSARC in November 1994; here's the press release from the **Monterey County Herald** - [Ham radio buffs get to hear about Antarctic adventure](#).

Packet Radio Information

- K6LY [Packet Bulletin Board System](#).

Club Activities

Weekly

- K6LY Club Net, ARES Net, NTS Traffic Net

Monthly

- Club Meeting, Club Breakfast, VE Examinations

Annual Events

- On New Year's Day in Carmel CA, we provide communications for the [Rio Resolution Run](#), an alternative to football games and drinking profusely.
- In late March we provide backcountry communications for the Sea Otter Mountain Bike Classic on the old Fort Ord.
- The first Tuesday in April is a statewide earthquake drill, and we provide communication support to the City of Pacific Grove.
- Winding up Highway One south of Carmel, the [Big Sur Marathon](#) in April is NPSARC's most challenging communications event.
- In May, we provide emergency communications during the [Monterey County Special Olympics](#) at Monterey Peninsula College.
- Amateur Radio's yearly test of 24-hour emergency communications, [Field Day](#), last year at Fremont Peak State Park in June.
- The Monterey County Fire Training Officers request our communications assistance during Fire School on Fort Hunter Liggett (contact Jeff [N6GAI](#) for more information).
- The City of Monterey requests our skills during the parade and fireworks display for their [Fourth of July](#).
- At the end of July comes the [Feast of Lanterns](#) in Pacific Grove.



- In September, Lover's Point is the site for the [Triathlon at Pacific Grove](#) and then the 10 km [Run For The Beacon](#).
 - Each October, Amateur Radio operators participate in a scenario involving a major disaster in their area, or a Simulated Emergency Test, or [SET](#).
 - The Velo Club of Monterey tours the Monterey Bay in October with our help in the annual [Ride Around The Bay](#).
 - Amateur Radio is in tune for the [Pacific Grove Marching Band Festival](#).
 - Finishing the year, we join Pacific Grove on Candy Cane Lane to bring in the Christmas season.
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Public Service

- Amateur Radio Emergency Services [ARES](#), serving cities and disaster relief agencies around the Monterey Peninsula.
 - ARES at the [National Weather Service](#), a full-service amateur radio station for dissemination of weather data during telecommunications emergencies.
 - Military Affiliate Radio System [MARS](#), passing messages from ship to shore via dedicated civilians and retired military.
 - National Traffic System [NTS](#), sending and accepting outgoing welfare messages from inside disaster areas.
 - Amateur License [Examinations](#) for all range of license classes -- morse code and written exams.
 - Free amateur radio [classes](#) for all interested people held every Tuesday evening at the Naval Postgraduate School.
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Other Amateur Radio information on the Web

Search the QRZ Data Base

Callsign:

- The [Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society](#) home page.
- The [Dutch Naval Radio Amateur Club](#) home page. **NEW**
- [Other](#) Naval/Ham links. **NEW**
- The [ARRL Pacific Division](#) home page.
- Check out the [World of Internet Amateur Radio](#), the birthplace of Amateur Radio information on the web (maintained by KE4ARM of North Carolina State University).
- Learn more about the [Shuttle Amateur Radio EXperiment](#) (SAREX), where Amateur Radio flies on selected Shuttle flights and you can talk with the astronauts.

- **Here's a link for the current [solar forecast](#).**

- Learn about other [Amateur Radio Clubs](#) on the Web.
 - Tour The World Wide Web Virtual Library: [Amateur Radio](#) page.
 - On Yahoo: [Entertainment:Radio:Amateur Radio](#).
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Comments?

Send us your thoughts or reciprocate newsletters!

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This project was begun in the summer of 1994 as an attempt to showcase the club in a way we had never imagined. It resulted in a two-part article for **QST** magazine in June and July 1995 and a greater awareness of our club activities that we never thought possible.

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