

# LARK NEWS January 2026



Livermore Amateur Radio Klub LARK is an ARRL affiliated club dedicated to Public Service Volunteer Emergency Communications.  
Meetings are once a month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 9:30AM

**VENUE: City of Livermore Meeting Hall**

**1016 S. Livermore Ave., Livermore CA 94550**

**Available live via zoom by invitation only. Visitors Welcome**

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*Holiday Refreshments by Brian KA6ZED*



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# Presidents Message

I want to thank **Brian KA6ZED** for making the coffee and picking up the refreshments for monthly meetings. I would like to have someone help him if possible, please let me know. This effort is appreciated by all who attend the meeting.

I wanted to let you know that the Events Chairperson (me) is following the upcoming events for 2026, and I have an update. The following events will be happening:

- **Race to the Flagpole - January 31<sup>st</sup>**
- **Livermore ½ Marathon - March 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **Cinderella Bike Ride - April 11<sup>th</sup>**
- **Devil Mountain Double Century - April 25<sup>th</sup>**
- **Devil Mountain Run - May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

We are in need of volunteer radio support for all events and any level of experience is welcome.

As more events are confirmed you will be kept advised. Make sure to sign up on the LARK website for these events for which LARK supports.

The yearly LARK elections will be at the **April LARK meeting** so if interested in serving as an officer or board member please let me know asap.

I wanted to thank **Ron AD6KV** and **VE Team** for continuing to provide a way for hams to get their testing completed.

**Ian W6TCP** continues to work on enhancing the repeaters for use by all of us so please report any issues to Ian by email.

I encourage you to check in with the LARK Monday, Wednesday (10.10 Windfarms Net), and Thursday night nets, held every week. There are other nets available, and they can be found on the LARK website. It is good experience getting on the air.

I want to thank **Ed AE6D** for coordinating the weekly nets. By participating in the nets, you'll hear what is going on in our Ham community.

We are meeting In-Person at the Livermore City Meeting Hall each month on third Saturday, and we are also offering the meeting on Zoom for those who prefer that way to attend.

Wishing you all stay healthy and stay safe.

**George KG6GEM** (kg6wiu1 at comcast dot net)



# Notes from the Editor

Thank you to **Santa Ron AD6KV** for MCing the LARK Christmas gift exchange.

Also, **Brian KA6ZED** for the festive refreshment assortment.

A big thank you to:

- **Nate N8MOR** and **all net control operators** for the Thursday night net. They help new (and old) HAMs get on the air and learn.
- **All members** that have contributed articles and pictures for the newsletter this last year.

Reminder of **Peter AI6RG** announcement regarding checks to the club. They need to be made payable to “**Livermore Amateur Radio Klub**” as the bank will no longer accept checks payable to LARK. Any checks received payable to LARK will be rejected.

The website has been updated to reflect the correct payable details.

Wishing all members Happy Holidays.

Thank you for all that have sent articles, pictures, and feedback. The newsletter is a collaborative process, please keep sending me your articles and ideas.

**Gregory KN6RUQ** editor at *livermoreark dot org*



# Monthly Meeting Minutes



## **LARK General Meeting | December 20, 2025 | Minutes**

### **Call to Order**

1. Meeting called to order by George KG6GEM at 9:31am.
2. George started introductions, first of in-person attendees and then Zoom attendees.
3. In-person: 34 / Zoom: 3 / Guests: 1 = 38 Total of attending the meeting.

### **Minutes**

1. Minutes from the November meeting were approved unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report**

1. All checks written to LARK need to be made payable to "Livermore Amateur Radio Klub" as instructed from the bank.

### **Events – George KG6GEM**

1. Signups are on the LARK Website for upcoming events including Race to the Flagpole in January, Livermore Half Marathon in March, Cinderella in April, DMD in April, and the Devil Mountain Run in May, so please volunteer.

### **Presentation**

1. George introduced Ron Kane AD6KV as Santa Ron for LARK's Annual Gift Exchange.
2. Peter AI6RG won the Brick!
3. Jim KK6SVK won the obnoxious Holiday Ornament gift!

### **Adjournment**

1. George KG6GEM adjourned the meeting at 11:27 AM

Minutes submitted by:

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Ryan Mahoney (W6RAM) – LARK Secretary

# Board Meeting Minutes



## **LARK Board Meeting | December 15, 2025, | Minutes**

**Attendees:** George KG6GEM, Ryan W6RAM, Peter AI6RG, Nate N8MOR, Roger KK6RD, Bernie NJ6W

The meeting was called to order by George at 7:35pm.

**Treasurer's Report from Peter** - No significant updates reported.

**Charity Registry update from Peter** - no report

**Repeaters update** - planning to install new batteries at ODP on 12/29/2025

**Activities update** from George – December monthly meeting is the annual White Elephant Gift Exchange; January is member's Show-n-Tell; February is the presentation and demo of the new San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District communications support unit CS-131.

**Events update** from George – January 31<sup>st</sup> is Race to the Flagpole; March 1<sup>st</sup> is the Livermore ½ Marathon; April 11<sup>th</sup> is the Cinderella Bike Ride; April 25<sup>th</sup> is the DMD; May 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Devil Mountain Run; July 4<sup>th</sup> is the Fun Run in Livermore; August 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Patterson Pass Road Race; October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Pacificon LARK Booth; October 18<sup>th</sup> Pacificon Swap Meet

**Membership 2026** from Bernie – coming in slowly, will start a push after the holidays.

**LARK Annual Holiday Gift Exchange** from George – we have all of the gifts purchased for LARK members for the exchange

**Attorney's Letter** from George - discussed the necessary 501c3 actions to take

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

Minutes submitted by:

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Ryan Mahoney (W6RAM)– LARK Secretary

# Community Activities

We NEED You!  
Sign Up NOW



LIVERMORE GRANADA BOOSTERS ANNUAL

## *Race to the* **FLAGPOLE**

**Race to the Flagpole - Saturday, January 31, 2026**

**Signup** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AEAD28A6FA7-race>

This is the Livermore Granada Booster's main fundraiser of the year, and all proceeds go towards the Livermore Granada Boosters Olympian Scholarship program. This event is open to all ages and abilities. We host this event to encourage awareness and appreciation for fitness, as well as to foster community pride.



**Livermore 1/2 Marathon - Sunday, March 1, 2026**

**Signup** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AEAD28A6FA7-livermore>

Experience our event and course, with postcard views and a synchronized queue of our amazing wildlife, you'll enjoy a full sensory moment, as you pass through gorgeous vineyards, lush hop vine fields, mature olive groves and so much more.



**50<sup>th</sup> Cinderella Bike Ride - Saturday April 11, 2026**

**Signup** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AEAD28A6FA7-cinderella1>

The Cinderella Classic, Challenge and Short rides are 65/100/35-mile recreational bicycle ride (not a race) for women & girls only.



**Devil Mountain Double Century - Saturday, April 25, 2026**

**Signup** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AEAD28A6FA7-2022>

The event is 200 mile, one day, bike ride for about 50 riders. LARK's help is requested for the Mines Road segment (where cell phones don't work) starting South of Livermore to the summit of Mt Hamilton.



**Devil Mountain Run - Sunday, May 3, 2026**

**Signup** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AEAD28A6FA7-devil1#>

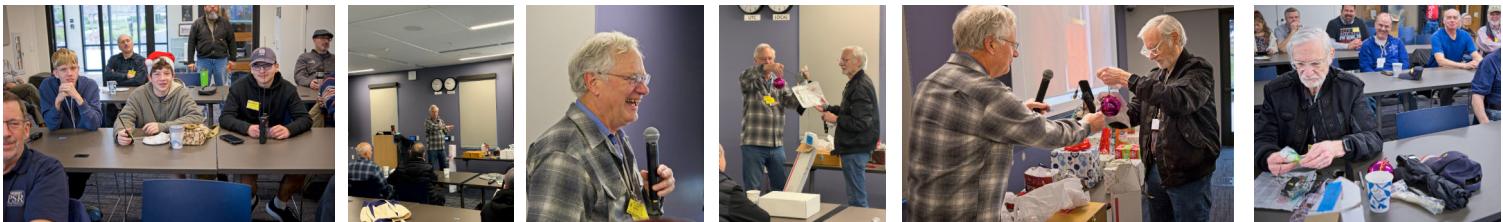
This event takes place in downtown Danville and is a foot race - 5K, 10K, and One Mile fun run.

# LARK Gift Exchange

*Holiday Refreshments, George KG6GEM, Ron AD6KV, Ryan W6RAM, Rand W6TRM, and Roger KK6RD*



*Rand W6TRM, Josh KO6KRK, John KI6DMD, Kole KO6CES, Lucas KO6LBA, Ron AD6KV, and Jim KK6SVK the Lucky Ornament Winner!*



*Roberto K6KM, Peter AI6RG custodian of the "Brick", Mikhail KK6BQX, Nate N8MOR, Mark KK6UKU with Emergency Comms*



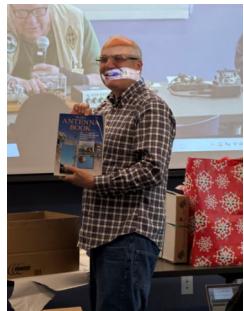
*Aaron N6ACA, Brian KA6ZED, Aidan KK6SKX, John KI6DMD, Bernie NJ6W, George KG6GEM*



*Josh KO6KRK, Greg KN6RUQ, John WX6G, Keith KC6JHF, Lucas KO6LBA, David K6WOO*



*Kole KO6CES, Mel W6BNG, Neil KM6FIV, Rich AD6X, Ryan W6RAM*



*Roger KK6RD, Rich KN6HSR, Jerry N5KA, Bill AJ6UU*



*Club Guests and Jim AA6F*



# Crossword Puzzle

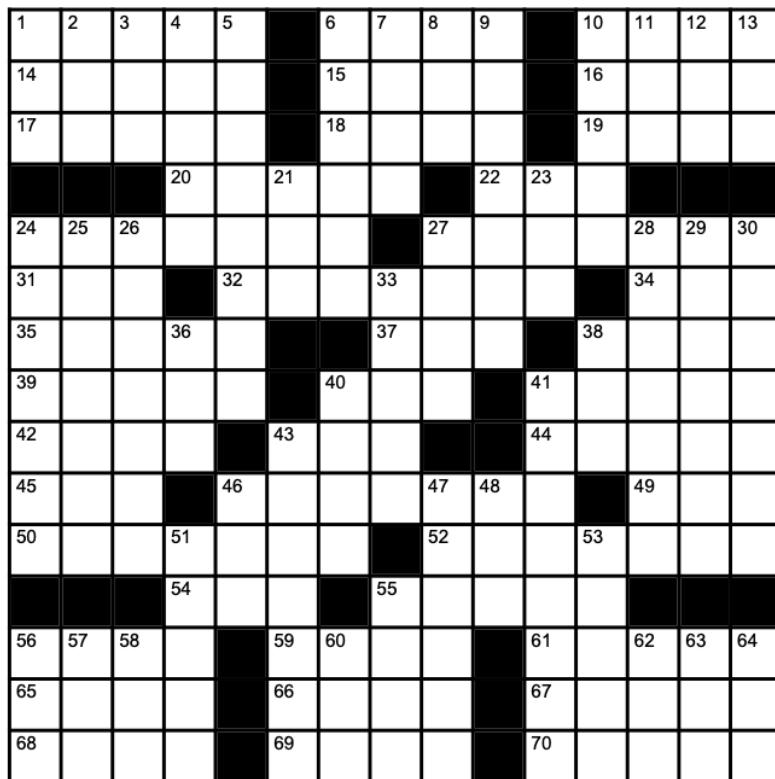
by Chris Codella, W2PA

2/10/2009

## Radiogrammer

### Across

1. Rock band Los \_\_\_
6. Polite XYL title
10. Cooper maker
14. Amplifier connector label, say
15. Light beige
16. Coax elbows
17. Loop type
18. Apple competitor
19. Phony DX
20. Sign in a radio station
22. Packet ckt.
24. NTS rock band?
27. Clues
31. Bamboozle
32. SV letter
34. B4, of yore
35. CW shorthand item
37. Single- or multi-, in propagation
38. Gator's cousin
39. Knight's need
40. NTS unit
41. Type of feed
42. Globe \_\_\_ transmitter
43. ARRL volunteer official
44. Prefix with -single
45. Good report, using 35-acrosses
46. W7 city
49. 76, 77 and 78 maker
50. Expressionless
52. Illicit rendezvous station?
54. Area net for 55-across
55. Region net for 12-down
56. Staff
59. Brain wave
61. Soldering tools
65. OOTC members
66. Jamaica



67. Bigger than picos

68. Bosses on 40-acrosses

69. Small dwellings

70. Isle of Man prefix

### Down

1. Needer of too many fills

2. New year's nr

3. Traffic handling award

4. Words before band, on an FCC citation?

5. W6YX

6. Noble I-land family name

7. Tennis whiz

8. Characters before seventy three

9. Entry class

10. Early radio parts maker

11. 9RN place

12. A 30-down, in W2-land

13. An end to perfection?

21. Ready follower?

23. Transistor type

24. Long haul 52-across

25. Common preamble item

26. Where a radiogram enters the ether

27. Fox or turkey follower

28. Guy wire hardware items

29. \_\_\_ back

30. ARRL unit

33. Word count

36. Batt. term. label

38. 7 MHz timer

40. Pre-LED amber light

41. Spreading, as with cream cheese

43. EA talk

46. Health resort

47. Forever

48. Humor newspaper nameplate middle

51. Places to find antenna restrictions

53. Filter maker

55. RTTY conveyance

56. Area net for 11-down

57. RX ckt.

58. Old video game inits.

60. Was CR8, once

62. Band breaker

63. Dahdit, in F-land

64. Dir. from W2 to LU

## Crossword Solution



# Training

## **MDARC Amateur Extra Class**

Beginning January 6, 2026, Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club is offering a 8-week Technician Class License course. There will be two Get On The Air (GOTA) sessions following the course. Course cost is \$15.

**When** Starting January 6, 2026 - February 24, 2026 7-9pm, 8 sessions

**Where** Clayton Valley Presbyterian Church  
1578 Kirker Pass Rd.  
Clayton, CA 94517 or via Zoom

**Questions** See <https://www.mdarc.org/education-and-testing/class-details>  
for more information.

# Swap n' Shop Cave

There are many items available in the cave. Below are a few items. If interested please contact the shop keeper, **Mark KK6UKU** via email ***mkshbow2 at gmail dot com*** or phone **925 339 4212**.

- President HR2510 Transceiver
- Bearcat Scanner
- Kenwood TM-281
- Ameritron ALS-600 Amplifier
- Heathkit CW Transceiver



# January Calendar

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
			1 <b>Holiday</b>	2	3	4
5 <b>Net</b>	6 <b>10-10 Net</b>	7 <b>HH Net</b>	8 <b>Tech Net</b>	9	10	11
12 <b>Net</b>	13 <b>10-10 Net</b>	14 <b>HH Net</b>	15 <b>Tech Net</b>	16	17 <i>LARK Meeting</i>	18
19 <b>Net</b>	20 <b>10-10 Net</b>	21 <b>HH Net</b>	22 <b>Tech Net</b>	23	24	25
26 <b>Net</b>	27 <b>10-10 Net</b>	28 <b>HH Net</b>	29 <b>Tech Net</b>	30	31	

**LARK MONDAY NIGHT NET**  
**147.120 MHZ + offset, PL 100 AD6KV**  
**Every Monday 7 PM local time**  
**Visitors welcome to join in**

# Net Control Operator Schedules

## Monday Night Net Control Operator Schedule

### January

Date	Net Control
1/5/2026	Jon / WB6AEA
1/12/2026	EOC
1/19/2026	Ron / AD6KV
1/26/2026	Ed / AE6D

### February

Date	Net Control
2/2/2026	John / WB6ETY
2/9/2026	EOC
2/16/2026	Jon / WB6AEA
2/23/2026	Ron / AD6KV

### March

Date	Net Control
3/2/2026	Ed / AE6D
3/9/2026	EOC
3/16/2026	John / WB6ETY
3/23/2026	Jon / WB6AEA
3/30/2026	Ron / AD6KV

EVERYONE is invited to check in to the net. Please contact AE6D ae6d@sbcglobal.net if you need more information or would like to become a Net Control Operator. After the net please call Ed AE6D with the AC/DC statistics or send him the information by email.

## Thursday Night Net Control Operator Schedule

If you would like to volunteer or learn to be Net Control please contact Nate N8MOR (nate at nateandamy dot org)

Date	Primary Net Control	Backup Net Control
1/1/2026	New Year's Day	Holiday
1/8/2026	TBD	TBD
1/15/2026	TBD	TBD
1/22/2026	TBD	TBD
1/29/2026	TBD	TBD
2/5/2026	TBD	TBD
2/12/2026	TBD	TBD
2/19/2026	TBD	TBD
2/26/2026	TBD	TBD
3/5/2026	TBD	TBD
3/12/2026	TBD	TBD
3/19/2026	TBD	TBD
3/26/2026	TBD	TBD

## Regularly Scheduled Nets

LARK/LIVERMORE NET	Every Mon	1900 local 147.120+	PL 100
RACES Net	Every MON.	1900 local	
Windfarms 10-10 NET	Every WED.	1930 local 28.485	USB
Hams Over IP NET	Every WED.	1900 Bridge 10096	PIN 7120
LARK TECH NET	Every THURS.	1930 local 147.120+	PL 100
LLNL Retiree NET	Every FRI 8:30 am	0830 local	7.2630 LSB
SWOT	Every Sun. & Tues.	2000 LOCAL	144.250 USB
THE NOON TIME NET	EVERYDAY	1200-1400 LOCAL	7.2685 LSB & 3970 LSB
RV RADIO NET	MON - FRI	0800-0930 LOCAL	7.2685 LSB

# LARK Contacts

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LIVERMORE, CA 94550-3190** Web: <http://www.livermoreARK.org>  
E-mail list: [livermoreark@groups.io](mailto:livermoreark@groups.io)

**GET YOUR HAM LICENSE OR UPGRADE.** LARK conducts all levels of license testing (upon request) at the Livermore City Council Chambers following club meetings (3rd Sat. each month). Contact Ron Kane, AD6KV (AD6KV at arrl dot net) 2 weeks in advance.

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Hospitality	Brian Zoraster	KA6ZED	ka6zed at gmail dot com	925 786 8412



Facebook—<http://www.facebook.com/LivermoreARK>  
Twitter link : <https://twitter.com/LivermoreARK>



**Special interests:** View: AREDN Mesh <http://www.aredn.org>.

**CERT NEWS:** CERT contact - Email: [cert@lpfire.org](mailto:cert@lpfire.org) or (925) 454-2361  
Meetings 3rd Wednesdays. Remillard RM 3333 Busch Rd. Pleasanton.

# LARK Membership Form



**LARK LIVERMORE AMATEUR RADIO KLUB.  
P.O. BOX 3190, LIVERMORE, CA 94551-3190**

An ARRL Affiliated Club

LARK MEMBERSHIP FORM - Print, fill out, mail in with check.

**Circle all that apply: New / Renewing / Family   Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

**NAME: \_\_\_\_\_**

**CALL SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_**

**ARRL MEMBER? Yes / No**

**Address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**PHONE: (      ) -**

**UNLISTED? YES NO**

**Enter your E-mail here and stay connected: \_\_\_\_\_ LARK NEWS featuring upcoming club events and articles is available monthly via email. <http://www.livermoreark.org/> Access the current and back issues on our website.**

**ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS (At the same mailing address, only \$2. membership per person)**

**NAME**

**PHONE**

**EMAIL**

**ARRL MEMBER**

**ANNUAL DUES #    PRIMARY (\$20.00) ADDITIONAL MEMBERS #    (\$2.00 each)**

**TOTAL: \$ MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LARK. Thank You.**

**Membership is \$20.00 per calendar year starting on Jan 1 through Dec. 31. To complete membership by mail: print and fill out this form, include a check payable to LARK, and mail to: LARK Membership Chairman, P.O. Box 3190, Livermore, CA, 94551-3190. Please be sure your complete mailing address, e-mail, and call sign are on your check. Questions? Contact the Membership Team via email: [membership@livermoreark.org](mailto:membership@livermoreark.org) You may also complete membership application and payment by: Bringing this form filled out and pay by cash or check to either the Membership Chairman or Treasurer at any general meeting. Or: pay with a credit card or PayPal account on the Club's membership page: <http://livermoreark.org/membership/membership.html>.**

**Thank you and welcome aboard from LARK and the Membership Team.**