

# SUN CITY CENTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

1009 North Pebble Beach Blvd, Sun City Center, FL 33573

## KE4ZIP CONNECTOR

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### OUR PURPOSE:

To promote the hobby of Amateur Radio Communications, to provide license training and present topics of interest to all amateurs, to provide emergency communications to the Sun City Center community in times of crisis and to offer support to other organizations in Sun City Center that require communications for their projects.

### VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVE OUR CLUB:

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**Training**

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**VE Team**

Dick Marshall, K1KTK, 633-3338

**Welcome**

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Don Chinnery, WU9T, Webmaster

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**Submissions to [sccarc@verizon.net](mailto:sccarc@verizon.net)****Club Meetings**

First Wednesday of the month at 3:00 PM in the Florida Room. The meetings June through August are informal.

### PUBLICATION:

This newsletter will be published and e-mailed to members and friends the last Wednesday of each month.

Any article for publication should be emailed to: [panamacharlie@verizon.net](mailto:panamacharlie@verizon.net) at least ten days before publication.

## **THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM:**

At publication the scheduled guest speaker had to reschedule at the last moment. Hope to have a replacement soon. Will announce program on the repeater.

Bill, W1WAB Program Director

## **A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT:**

March has been a very busy month starting off with Kings Point Festival Day when we teamed up with KPARC and CERT to assist their Walk-A-Thon followed by SCC Fun Fest and St Patrick's Day theme and the opportunity of welcoming the many visitors to our Radio Room. Training is ongoing with a General Class now in session to be followed by an Extra Class in mid April.

The group which congregates in the Radio Room daily for "Eyeball QSO's" has grown. Along with this is a noticeable increase in the use of our Clubs radio equipment. All are welcome so come join in the fun.

David, N8PF

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

April 7, 2007 – General Training Class Examinations by our VE Team.

April 16, 2007 through May 12, 2007 Extra Training Class 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM in Palm Room. Contact Bob Goldberg, WA4M for information 634-8277

## **MESSAGES RECEIVED:**

Thanks to many amateurs who helped along the way, I accomplished what I set out to do in 1946. I became a General Class Amateur Radio Operator. I obtained my Technician License with this club in 1999 and in my 80's I struggled to go any further. Many a time I was ready to give up. A few of you and I won't name anyone because I sure as hell will miss someone, I would not let that happen. We will officially move to North Carolina March 2, 2007. I would like the club to keep my e-mail address on the yahoo list so I can keep up with what's going on.

73,

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Congratulations to the SCCARC VE Team and a special thanks to Don Chinnery, WU9T. After recently passing Element 2, his inspiration with my Element 3 upgrade was encouraging. He's a great teacher and mentor. I am impressed with the professionalism of the VEC Team and the genuine care given each Amateur Radio member.

Thank you

John S. Jackson, KI4TNF/AG

On behalf of those who took and passed, the General Class License tests, I wish to thank Dick Marshall K1KTK and the SCCARC/KPARC Team for conducting a very smooth and professional examination.

Thanks to all the instructors and examiners.  
73, Bill W1WB/AG  
Hello everyone,

I want to thank everyone who came to the picnic and to those who helped. It was a wonderful day. The food was good and the music Bob Hibbard played was great. The cooks did a good job and along with the nice food people brought made it a terrific time.

Thanks again, everyone.

Rita Hale, W1UZR

### **VE TEAM:**

The paperwork necessary to apply for ARRL VE accreditation is now posted on the KPARC website. Go to [www.kpars.ofg](http://www.kpars.ofg), scroll down to the links and click on VE Accreditation. You can also go directly to the paperwork by clicking on the following link:  
<http://geocities.com/kparccw3sob/ARRLVEAccreditation.pdf>.

General Class and above are eligible to become VE's. Our goal is to have all eligible in both clubs to complete the paperwork and become accredited. It should not take more than an hour of your time to fill out and mail the paperwork. The only cost is the stamp to mail the paperwork.

What are some of the benefits? Self satisfaction, the ability to give back to the clubs and help others. What if others had not become VE's? Who would have administered your examination? You will also get a nice patch that says you are a Certified ARRL Volunteer Examiner.

73, Dick Marshall, K1KTK, VE Team Liaison

## SOME PICTURES TO LONG REMEMBER

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW GENERAL CLASS OPERATORS



Left to right: George Gray, K14HIS/AG, Virgil Gibbs, KG4FCD/AG, Michael Friolet, W4MJF/AG  
John Jackson, K14TNF/AG, Phillip Harbour, K14ILN/AG, and Bill Barron, W1WAB/AG

**FUNFEST IRISH SHENNANIGANS:**

Pictures by courtesy of Michael Friolet, W4MJF



Top to bottom, as if you didn't already know. Dick Marshall, K1KTK, John Manning K4GJY

## **FEATURED ARTICLE:**

**“If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants.” Sir Isaac Newton**

**These hams led the way for others to follow:**

**George Pataki, KB2AQC No, not THAT George Pataki! This prolific traveler/writer ham is responsible for lobbying Senator Barry Goldwater to sponsor the legislation that eliminated the rule that limited licensing to US Citizens only. He also helped supply information that led to the publishing of the first CallBook, (American Flying Horse) of Soviet radio amateur Callsigns. This encouraged other Eastern European radio clubs to send their lists to the CallBook and the secrecy and prohibition was ended!**

**Paul H. Ginsparg, WA2NGB. Professor of Physics and Computer and Informational Science at Cornell University; 2002 fellow of Mac Arthur Foundation(“Genius Award”); creator of an on-line system for distributing scientific research results, widely known as “ arXiv.org; as a theoretical physicist, he has made substantial contributions in quantum field theory, string theory, conformal field theory and quantum gravity.**

**This listing was compiled by Gerry Jurrens, N2GJ and Steven Glazer, W2SG. The listing is free and, like Ham Radio, they derive no pecuniary interest from their site.**