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Dedicated to providing service to the community while combining the two hobbies of motorcycling and ham radio.

Special points of interest:

- April Meeting Date Change: 4/7/2018
- New Net Frequencies
- Two rides in April

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From the President’s Desk

I am definitely feeling better than I did this time last month. I had a bout of vertigo and was again dealing with elevated blood pressure. Both conditions are now under control. Thus I have been able to get the motor out for a ride or two. I have made a couple of trips to the local American Legion hall, a trip to the VA hospital in Loma Linda, CA, and a trip with eight friends on motors to see the Wall That Heals (the moving Viet Nam Veterans Wall) in San Dimas, CA.

A reminder that we have moved the MARC meeting to the first Saturday in April, the 7th. This is due to the fact that the Tour de Cure for San Diego will be on the 14th. I hope you are ready. Check your gear and make sure that you don't forget your MARC safety vest. Insure that your motor/vehicle is ready for the ride. Today I found out why I was having difficulty hitting the repeaters from my motor. I just happened to remember that, in the past, the antenna connector on the radio could come loose due to vibration. Well, a quick rummage through the trunk revealed that the cable was no longer

connected to the radio body. No wonder I had no outgoing signal. With the antenna connector now securely connected to the radio I can bring up both the 440 and 2 meter repeaters that show on the faceplate. Problem solved.

While on the subject of radios and frequencies, the MARC net will be on 4 April, still Wednesday, at 7:30 PM. As I announced at last month's meeting, I am going to try to use Burt Brink's repeater for the net. So dial in 145.440- 136.5. The N6USO web page says there are two 440 machines linked to Burt's system. So if you have difficulty hitting the 2 meter machine try either 445.480- 131.8 or 449.880- 146.2, not all repeaters have a courtesy tone so you might hear a "Kerchunk" as Ray Davis, KD6FHN, says.

In this month of April we, MARC, will need all the help that we can get to support the Tour de Cure for San Diego and the Tour de OC.

On 21 April, we will participate in the Tour de OC to benefit abused children. Scott, K6IXQ, has worked with the

Tour de OC (Ride for Abused Children) to organize this ride. Please join us to provide all the assistance that he needs to keep the riders safe and well for this event. There is a new route and the ride has been shortened to a metric Century (about 62 miles). If you can only volunteer to work a morning or afternoon, that is acceptable. Come out to support this ride and MARC. Help is needed motorcycle mobile, SAG, and at net control. Please come to the April MARC meeting to sign up or contact Scott at scott@farthingdevelopment.com.

In March Chris Kanzler became a silent key. We lost a beautiful lady and a great MARC member to cancer. Please join me in letting Mark, KE6ZRP, know how much we will miss Chris and, that if he needs any help, to let us know. MARC is a family and we care deeply for our members and when there is a loss, it is felt by all.

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New Net Frequencies

The monthly net is moving to Burton Brink's (N6USO) repeater. This repeater is linked to two others. Please program your radios and test your programming before the net.

- Primary Frequency: 145.440- 136.5 - Sunset Ridge
- Alternate Frequency: 449.880- 146.2 - Sunset Ridge
- Alternate Frequency: 445.480- 131.8 - Santa Anita Ridge (above Arcadia)

My “New” Honda VTX 1800 – The Saga Continues...

By John Beckwith, N6JCB

Last month I wrote about my “new” VTX 1800. At that time I was just trying to do the minimum to be able to support the MS-150 coming up later in the month. To that end I just ran power and antenna to the front of the bike and mounted my old FT-90 (what’a trooper!) on the handlebars and ran a speaker wire to my helmet or a separate headset. I did all that and was ready to go. However.....

Read the full article on the website <http://marc-hq.org>

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From the Webmaster

by Michael Rickey AF6FB

No major changes to the website this month. There are some new articles to check out, please visit <http://marc-hq.com> to see them.

As you can see, we have a new newsletter format. I hope everyone is enjoying it. I did this first one, Mark Kansler will be editing the newsletter going forward. We are open to suggests, send them to Mark.

For the news letter it would be nice to have articles from the event coordinators and other chapters.

What other forms of communications might you be interested in? Let us know.

Upcoming Rides

Tour de Cure: San Diego.....April 14, 2018

Del Mar Fairgrounds
2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd.
Del Mar, Ca 92014

Time: 0600—1400

Ride Coordinator

- Jim Banks KD6REA

Tour de OC.....April 21, 2018

Newport Mesa Church
2599 Newport Blvd
Costa Mesa, Ca 92626

Ride Coordinators

- Scott Farthing K6IXQ
- Kim Farthing KI6MRQ

Bike MS: Los Angeles..... June 3, 2018

Ride Coordinators

- John Edwards KC6ZOZ

Tour de Cure: Los Angeles. October 14, 2018

Ride Coordinators

- Mark Kanzler KE6ZRP
- John Beckwith N6JCB

Bike MS: Bay-to-Bay October 20-21, 2018

Ride Coordinator

- John Edwards KC6ZOZ

Calendar

April

- 4 MARC Net 1930 on
- 7 MARC Breakfast Meeting @ Hometown Buffet 0800
- 14 Tour de Cure: San Diego
- 21 Tour de OC

May

- 9 MARC Net 1930
- 12 MARC Breakfast Meeting—26th Anniversary

50/50 and Door Prizes

By Mijo Reynolds KF6BEB

Net Drawing Winner

- Julie KC6ZDS

50/50 Winners

- Jim KD6REA \$35
- Mike N6QZT \$35

Huntington Honda Gift Certificate Winners

- January Billy N6EDY
- February Scott K6IXQ
- March Alvin KD6UZM

Door Prizes Donated by MARC

- Tool Logic won by Billy N6EDY
- 5 PC Reach-Around Wrench won by Bill K6WBD
- Bicycle Light won by Alvin KD67ZM
- Furniture Movers won by John W5JFR
- Mini Scentifier won by Alvin KD6UZM
- S'Mores Maker won by John W5JFR
- Bar Mix won by Billy N6EDY
- Roadside Reflectors won by Jeff KB6SUP

**Tour de Cure:
San Diego on
April 14th**

Install: Icom IC-2730A on a Victory Vegas

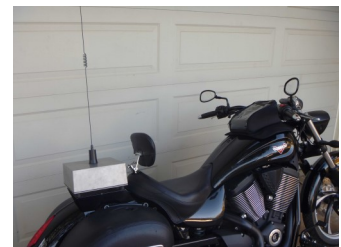
By John Kristian KM6LQZ

I have a 2m/440 mobile radio on my Victory Vegas. I enjoy using it for public service at athletic events and chatting with my riding companions.

The radio runs behind the saddle in an aluminum weather-proof box. I use a Sena SR10 to bring the audio into my helmet wirelessly. I also created a switch box so I can use either

the Bluetooth or a local speaker and microphone. This allows me to operate the radio without my helmet.

For more details see the article at <http://marc-hq.com>



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Business Tagline or Motto

Classified Listings

Gordon West training tapes. These are all cassettes - and are "out of date" with the current exams - but the material probably hasn't changed much.

- Novice Element 2 (2 copies - don't know what happened to Element 1?) - 2 tapes (x2 = 4)
- Technician Class - Element 3A - 2 tapes
- General Class - Element 3B - 2 Tapes.
- Extra Class Morse Code - 12-24 wpm - 2 tapes.
- 2002-2006 Extra Class - Element 4 - Audio Theory (unopened) - 6 tapes

More tapes:

- Code - 10-13wpm.
- Code - 5-10 wpm - 2 tapes (copied from....)

CD's

- Code - 5-10 wpm - 2 CD's (probably same as above.)

Ram Mount for laptop (etc) holder (not sure of model)

<https://www.rammount.com/part/RAM-234-3> -or- <https://www.rammount.com/part/RAM-234-3FL>

All items listed by John Beckwith, N6JCB

Classified listings will run for one month. You must submit an updated listing for each issue.

Sponsors

Please support our sponsors with your business. When you visit their stores be sure to mention you are a MARC member.

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