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Membership Meeting.

SUN Oct 16 - MVRC Meeting - Denny's Meeting Room, We have a reservation for the meeting room at Denny's, on Auburn Blvd at Watt Ave, immediately South of both Capital Freeway and I-80. Denny's is on the East side of the corner Shell station at Auburn and Watt.

Arrangements are that we will eat FIRST at 4 PM. If just coming for the meeting, that will start at 5 PM. Meals (light or otherwise), sandwiches, soft drinks, or breakfasts are available any time we are there.

Interested visitors are welcome.

Activity Calendar Oct 16 - MVRC Meeting - Meeting at 5 PM, visitors welcome, Dinner optional at 4 pm

DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS PARTY - TBA -

JANUARY - MVRC MEETING - TBA

See details of events on web site or call Les.

A Reminder that the **Club Dues were due** July 1st. The club dues are \$48 for full membership. The DX dues are still \$18 for a year.

Please check the roster and if your dues date has expired or will in the next few months please make your membership current.

Thanks.

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Time to plan our Christmas Dinner party. If you would like to host please let Bill WA6ACF know.

see you at the meeting.





Our annual Ham Campout was July 25-29 at Olema Ranch RV Park, near Point Reyes, on the coast instead of the mountains, and midweek instead of with a weekend. Bill, WA6IVI, made all the arrangements.

The following took RVs: Les W6TEE & Matthew W6KDJ, Bill WA6IVI & Marilyn, Jim WB6ZII & Marsha KD6TTS, Lew WA6ESA & AB WA6CNE, Peter WA6VAQ & Jane N6UHT, Bill N6MSI & Linda, Jim KT6W & Linda N6ZFB. Marc W6MAR had a tent among the RVs. All are veterans of these campouts.

George W6GWB & Sue, and Phil N6QCA & Mary had to cancel at the last minute.

The group enjoyed the cool weather for hiking, biking, and driving day trips, mostly to Point Reyes. Discussions for next year's campout were all about other coast locations, such as Casini Ranch.



Photos by Marc Reitzell



The following Vaca folks helped out on the 135 mile Whitney Classic overnight charity bike ride from Death Valley to the Whitney Portal trailhead at the end of September. Jim WB6ZII & Marsha KD6TTS at Badwater (start) & Furnace Creek, Lew WA6ESA & A.B. WA6CNE at Scotty's Jct, Bill WA6IVI at Stovepipe Wells, Marc W6MAR at Hillcrest (West rim of Panamint Valley), and Les W6TEE & Matthew W6KDJ at Darwin Jct. Eight other locations had mostly Sam's Radio Hams members from So Cal, the lead Ham group. MVRC and friends have helped with operators since 2000 and repeaters since 2001.



The photo of my Jeep with the antenna is a view to the west. The rest of the photos are views to the east (toward the Panamint Range and Death Valley beyond that). Before the sun completely set, thunder could be heard almost constantly. - Marc



see you all at the meeting!