

HAM Training for Beginner's "How-to" and "what's that"

The Manteca and Tracy Amateur Radio Clubs are offering a free beginner's "how-to" and "what's that?" class for new and recently-upgraded hams.

When: Saturday, April 18, 2009. 9am-1pm or so. The Technician Class will end before Noon.

Where: Manteca Fire Station #1, 290 S. Powers Ave., Manteca, CA. This is the usual meeting location.

Talk-in: Manteca repeater 146.985 - PL 100.0 or the Tracy repeater 146.655 - PL 100.0

No question is too simple for this class, which will cover topics such as:

How does my handie-talkie work? What's a repeater? How do I talk on one? How do I program my radio? What is a "net" and how do I participate in one? (For new Technician licensees -- if you have a radio, bring it).

and

How does HF work? What does my General license allow me to do? How do I make an HF contact? (For new General licensees)

For everyone, we will help configure new CAHAN emergency notification accounts and will test the system.

The goal is to help new hams become comfortable using their (or somebody else's) radio. The class will be taught by Mike K6MDS, John AF6JP, Steggy WY6E, and Jim KO6UW. David N5FDL will be programming radios with the UPDATED ARES frequency plan. You need not own a radio to participate as the instructors will bring several (dozen, probably).

If you wish to RSVP for the class or have questions, please contact John AF6JP at john@pimmer.com.

We still need additional instructors for this class.

Please share this announcement with anyone who might be interested.

