



# TASMA NEWS

**Two-Meter Area Spectrum Management Association**  
*Frequency Coordination and Spectrum Management for Southern California*

## Annual Meeting – Saturday, December 5, 2015

### Chairman's Message David Elder, KA6TBF

**November 2015**

TASMA members:

I would like to update everyone on how our outreach efforts are progressing and on our upcoming December elections. Since August TASMA has participated in 3 different events in support of our outreach program. The ARRL South West Convention, the Western Amateur Radio Association meeting and the Fullerton Radio club meeting.

With the help of Diana Feinberg, AI6DF, the Chairman of HAMCOM 2015, we were able to meet and talk with multiple organizations. (What better place to network but at the convention). The goal was to meet with different individuals and amateur organizations to explain who we were and to offer our assistance in regards to coordination questions and or issues. I would like to thank Sean Reigle AJ6B (Treasure) and Chuck Messel, N6GY, (Tech Chairman), who spent most of the day assisting in this effort.

On Monday, October 5th, 2015, we were invited to speak at the Western Amateur Radio Association (WARA). I co-presented with Tony Gawel, KJ6UFG. The meeting went very well with lots of questions and answer time for the members of the organization. TASMA thanks Carolyn Jacob, W6VNI President, and Gene Thorpe, KB6CMO for coordinating the visit.

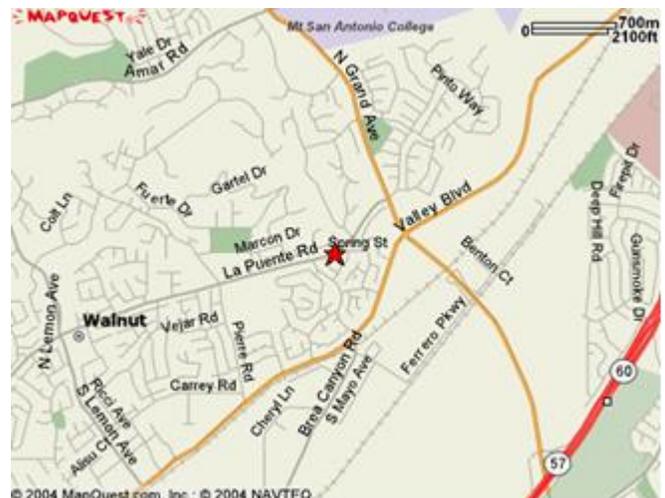
On Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, we were invited to speak to the Fullerton Radio Club at the Chapman Activity Center in the city of Fullerton. This one I did solo as TASMA chairman. The question and answer session went very well with members being very impressed with the technical aspects of managing the spectrum. TASMA would like to thank President Albert Solomon, AG6OF and Gene Thorpe, KB6CMO for inviting us.

Lastly, the annual general elections will be held at the December 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The meeting will be at the Walnut Library in Walnut CA. See below for directions and address. We encourage you to review the candidate statements. We will be using the new online electronic voting system, or you may nominate and/or you can vote at the meeting in person.

See you there!  
David Elder, KA6TBF  
Chairman

**Next Meeting: Walnut Public Library on  
December 5, 2015**

TASMA's Annual meeting of 2015 will take place on Saturday morning, December 5, at the [Walnut Public Library](#) at 21155 La Puente Road next to City Hall in Walnut, a few miles northwest of the 60/57 intersection. From 57 north, exit at N. Grand and proceed north; turn left and proceed approximately ½ mile.



Please arrive at 10:00 AM to take care of renewing your membership and avoid disrupting the meeting. The meeting will start promptly at 10:30.

**Agenda for Tasma Annual Meeting  
December 5, 2015:**

1. Registration
2. Call to Order
3. Introductions
4. Approval of Previous Minutes
5. Treasurers Report
6. Correspondence
7. Committee Reports
8. Unfinished Business
9. Election of Officers
10. New Business
11. Next General Meeting is April 2, 2016.

**General Meeting Minutes**

**Saturday, August 1, 2015**

Walnut Public Library  
21155 La Puente Rd  
Walnut CA 91789

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1. Attendance: KG6CVC, WB6HRO, N6ISY, KB6CMO, KA6TBF, K6YXH, W6TNA, W6DVE, AJ6B, KE6MVS, K6LB, KD6DDM, N6GY, WQ9P, N6JO, KJ6UFG, KB6MHK
2. Call to Order: With quorum present, meeting was called to order at 10:30am.
3. Introductions: All in attendance introduced themselves and the group(s) they represent, if any.
4. Approval of Previous Minutes: Joe WB6HRO motioned to approve minutes from April 4, 2015 with no corrections, passed unanimously.
5. Treasurer's Report: Tina W6TNA gave financial report, current bank balance is \$7886.06.

6. Technical Committee Report: Chuck N6GY gave report of technical committee activity. Please see the report in the newsletter.

7. Tasma Database Report: Sean AJ6B gave report about the ARRL changes that are coming.

8. Secretary Report: Sean AJ6B gave report, reviewed minutes are posted on website after meetings.

9. Board Member at Large Report: Dave KD6DDM gave report about power point presentations that are available to have Tasma as a speaker for your club.

10. Vice Chairman Report: Dave W6DVE gave report about booth at HAM JAM at HRO and conversations that he had with other Amateurs in the community.

11. Chairman Report: Dave KA6TBF thanked everyone for their work.

12. Old Business: a. None.

13. New Business:

a. Director Nominations

i. KD6DDM nominated for Board Member at Large by W6TNA.

ii. W6TNA nominated for Treasurer by WA6TBF.

iii. AJ6B nominated for Secretary by KD6DDM.

iv. W6DVE nominated for Vice-Chairman by KB6CMO

v. KA6TBF nominated for Chairman by W6DVE.

14. Next General Meeting is December 5, 2015. Location will be announced prior to meeting.

15. Adjournment: Joe N6JO motions to adjourn, unanimously passed at 10:39am.

**Secretary's Report**

We will be sending renewal notices electronically to members 45 days before expiration. Please use our new electronic system to renew your membership!

Also, the ballot for next year's Board of Directors will be sent electronically about 2 weeks before the next meeting. Make sure to check the website and make sure you are an active paid member so you may vote!

### Treasurer's Report

Starting Balance July 2015	\$7,813.94
Deposits	\$ 75.00
Expenses	\$ 2.88
Ending Balance July 31, 2015	\$7,886.06
Starting Balance August 2015	\$7,886.06
Deposits	\$ 115.00
Expenses	\$ 24.60
Ending Balance August 31, 2015	\$7,976.46
Starting Balance September 2015	\$7,976.46
Deposits	\$ 0
Expenses	\$ 0
Ending Balance September 30, 2015	\$7,976.46
Starting Balance October 2015	\$7,976.46
Deposits	\$ 0
Expenses	\$ 245.00
Ending Balance October 31, 2015	\$7,731.46

### Database Administrator's Report

The ARRL new repeater format is coming out in 2016.

If you are running any digital modes and are not listed as such in our database, please let us know.

If you have not updated your repeater entry in the last two years, please send us an update! See the website at [www.tasma.org/coordination/forms](http://www.tasma.org/coordination/forms) to download a request for coordination (update) form.

### Vice Chairman's Report

Due to recent changes in my health and additional commitments on my personal schedule, I have tendered my resignation from the Board of Directors of TASMA. I will continue as a regular member of the group and wish the Board and Technical Committee the best of luck in the coming year.

Dave Bremer – W6DVE

### Technical Committee Report

2015 has been a busy year for Tasma and the technical committee.

I am happy to say that there have been several additions and changes to the technical committee and they have contributed to the skill set of the committee. The current members of the committee are:

Tony Gawel	KJ6UFG
Chuck Messel	N6GYG
Sean Reigle	AJ6B
Keith Kaisin	AI6BX
Greg Madden	WQ9P

The technical committee has been quite busy lately.

Our meeting on July 11th was quite long with:

- \* 29 cases to review
- \* 23 of the cases being new business.

Our last meeting on October 24th had:

- \* 9 cases that were continued from prior meetings
- \* 13 new cases and multiple interference issues to be studied.

Interference complaints:

- \* The Trend is user bases interfering with adjacent repeaters, rather than actual issues between the repeaters. Repeaters that are on the same frequency, separated by distance and co-existing well, are still subject to interference by roaming users. A majority of our recent complaints have been about users interfering, and not interference from the other repeater.

Using a PL on the input of a repeater does help keep users for keying up an adjacent repeater, but the signal is still present on the receiver and tends to cause an issue with the sensitivity of the receiver.

Tasma is taking a closer look at this issue and will take this under consideration when reviewing future "requests for coordination".

- \* "Off the air": We rely on you to help be our eyes and ears, especially in areas outside the LA/Orange County area. Reporting repeaters that are off the air is a great way to help us open up

frequencies. It is also a good way to find a frequency pair for yourself or your club.

\* The latest topic has been the new Fusion Digital / Analog repeaters. We have had quite a few questions on these new repeaters.

Briefly, the repeater is using a 12.5 KHz wide signal, so it needs to go on a standard frequency pair. It will not fit on the 6.25 KHz channels we have set aside for narrow digital use. Additionally, the Fusion system runs on both Analog and Digital depending on the signal received. It is possible to lock the repeater into a specific mode, but this is not generally done. The big advantage of compatibility with both analog and digital users would be lost if the repeater was not allowed to automatically switch between modes.

\* The simplex Wires X nodes should probably be utilizing the "Linking and Remote Base" frequencies we have designated for that type of use. Currently we are considering the Wires X simplex nodes to fall into the same category as simplex IRLP or Allstar nodes.

\* The other question that is coming up is about the "preset search channel" in wires x. This is a channel that can be set up as a common "calling" channel. After many discussions, the consensus is that for a "calling channel" to be effective would require setting up this frequency on a national level.

Chuck Messel N6GY, Chairman -Technical Committee

**Member at Large Report**

**David Summers, KD6DDM**

Not Submitted.

**Candidate Statement For Chairman**

**David Elder, KA6TBF**

Hello everyone. I would once again like to offer my services to Tasma as Chairman.

Having served on the Tasma board in various positions, including - Member at Large, Secretary, Vice Chairman and currently the Chairman. During my

tenure as Chairman Tasma has made great strides in improving and modernizing its operation.

In addition, I have put forth multiple constructive changes throughout the year making Tasma more efficient, transparent and better in touch with the amateur community.

If elected, I will continue to work with the board, the technical committee and the amateur community to improve Tasma. I will also continue our outreach program to gain the trust and understanding of the needs of the repeater organizations and their users.

I appreciate your support and hope that I have gained your trust and that you will allow me to continue working with Tasma in this position.

Respectfully:  
David Elder, KA6TBF

**Candidate Statement for Vice Chairman**

**Delia Kraft, KR6AFT**

I have 25 years of experience in the fire and law enforcement field that includes 9-1-1 call taking, dispatching, emergency mutual aid coordination, training and supervising. For several years I served as the 9-1-1 County Coordinator for the County of Orange, and was assigned to be on the County Coordinator Task Force, a team of four, created to represent all County Coordinators in California to the State Office. My passion for communications gave me several other opportunities, including teaching the Peach Officers Standards and Training (POST) Dispatch Basic Course, and becoming one of 25 members who comprise the POST Public Safety Dispatch Advisory Council for the State.

On October 5, 2012 I joined the Orange County Sheriff's Department Communications & Technology Division, and was assigned to work with OCRACES as their Program Coordinator. Since then, I've been very involved with amateur radio and the benefits it provides. I've had my amateur radio license since 1999, and upgraded my classification during the last three years. Working with Tasma has made me appreciate the work, challenges, and dedication of the group. I would be honored to join them in their quest to provide a needed service the amateur radio users of Southern California.

Delia Kraft

**Candidate Statement  
For Secretary**

**Sean Reigle, AJ6B**

My name is Sean Reigle, AJ6B and I am looking to continue to offer my services to the Amateur Radio community of Southern California as Secretary for Tasma Board of Directors. I joined Tasma as a member in 2011 and have been participating as Secretary on both the board and the Technical Committee. The technical committee has been receiving rave reviews about its increased communication and responsiveness to inquiries and I believe that we can bring that experience to the board of directors. I also serve on the board of directors for the South Orange Amateur Radio Association as education director and have been licensed since I was 15. I would appreciate your vote for secretary.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sean Reigle, AJ6B

**Candidate Statement  
For Treasurer**

**Tina Bremer, W6TNA**

I have served as Treasurer of Tasma for the last year and have learned a lot, but I have also enjoyed the journey.

I am an Amateur Extra and have been a member of Tasma for several years. I am a volunteer examiner for the W5YI Group and a Life Member of the ARRL. I am also an active volunteer with San Bernardino County Emergency Communication Service.

I hope to continue serving the amateur radio community as Treasurer for Tasma.

Respectfully,  
Tina Bremer, W6TNA

**Candidate Statement  
For Member at Large**

**David Summers, KD6DDM**

Not submitted.

## 2016 Schedule of Meetings

<b>Year 2016</b>	Jan	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>General Meeting</b>				2 (Sat)				6 (Sat)				3 (Sat)
<b>Technical Committee Meeting</b>			5 (Sat)				9 (Sat)				5 (Sat)	
<b>Board Meeting</b>			5 (Sat)				9 (Sat)				5 (Sat)	