

KAUAI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Hi, Ron --

Club members who were at the February meeting will remember that Rodney Takahashi, KH6RA, volunteered to check out VHF FM rigs for those who wish to bring them to the next meeting. He will be using a frequency synthesized tester that can check output power, modulation deviation, carrier frequency, and receiver sensitivity.

There are a couple of qualifications to this comparatively "quick-check" set-up. First, the rigs must be brought into the meeting room. This requirement is no problem for hand-helds, and base station rigs that use primary AC power. However, mobile rigs must be removed from their mountings in vehicles and brought in if they are to be checked. I will attempt to insure that an appropriate 12 - 15 VDC power source is provided but a means of connecting to the power source must be provided by the owner of the rig. Incidentally, Rodney will have the necessary connectors to connect the tester to the antenna terminals of the equipment. Second, there will be no frequency spectrum analysis this go-around; however, we should like to find out how many members are interested in learning how much "garbage" their rigs are transmitting so we can set up a spectrum analysis in the future, if desired.

On another subject, the ARRL Section Manager of our section (Pacific Section), Jimmy Wakefield, AH6CO, will be visiting us one Saturday during March. He is interested in meeting as many club members and other hams on the island as he can, since this will be an official ARRL visit, not a pleasure trip. He would like very much to eat lunch and talk with as many as possible on that Saturday noon to early afternoon time frame at a place and time of our choosing. The date tentatively selected is 9 March. I would like to hear from all who are interested in attending so that final details can be firmed up.

Lets all use the repeaters more, and check in to the KARC VHF Net on Monday nights at 8:00 pm local.

A reminder -- it is dues time. Those who have not yet paid are reminded we have the lowest radio club dues in the country, I do believe. Please give your \$12.00 check to Tracy Roth, WH6AGU.

Next meeting is set for Monday, 4 March 1985, at 7:30 pm local in the Kalaheo Neighborhood Center. Bring your VHF FM rigs ---- I'll see you there.

73, Bill

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