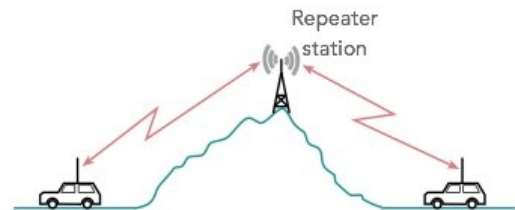
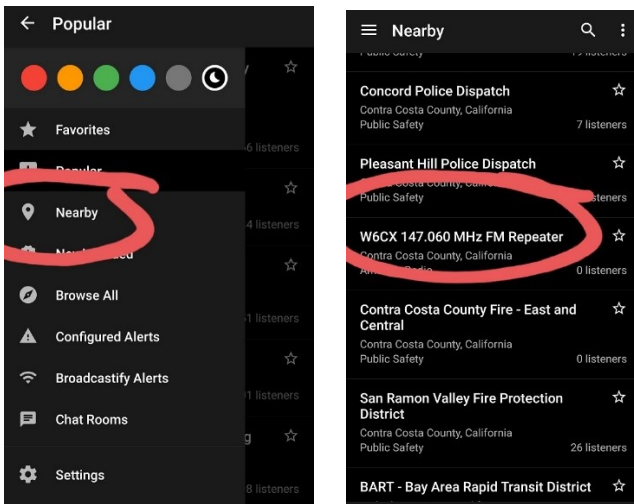


A tip to listen to how “Nets” go (network check-ins)

You can download a scanner app like Scanner Radio Pro. Yes, you can also listen to any channel that is streaming there. Brentwood PD is encrypted, so you’re not able to listen to them, but Contra Costa Fire and other stations can be heard.



Check for Nearby stations, then pick the W6CX repeater (it’s on the top of Mt. Diablo)



Then listen in to a few nets...folks check in. Usually there is a “roster” or roll call, in order by the SUFFIX. So in a Call Sign like mine, KM6SJO, the suffix is SJO and I am called toward the end of the alphabet. Also “no traffic” means you have nothing to report and you turn it back over to the person running the net. Guests are invited to check in after the roll call. After a few check-ins, you can be added to the list and then you’ll be called each week, alphabetically by suffix. Also remember “73” is a short “have a great day / take care” kind of sign off.

A few nets to check out using the Scanner Radio Pro app:

Mondays 8 p.m., SATERN Net (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network)

Wednesdays 7 p.m., SkyWarn Net (weather and check-ins)

Thursdays, 7 p.m. – MDARC (Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club) net.

Thursdays at 8 p.m., following the MDARC net, is the Amateur TV net, with video streaming online: <https://www.w6cxatv.MDARC.org> and view with HTML-5 in your browser.

73 to all,

Mr. Holmes, KM6SJO