# BayCom 2019

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#### Lots of areas for grpers

- 1. Operating
- 2. Building
- 3. Digital Modes
- 4. Contests
- 5. DX
- 6. Sota
- 7. Conventions

#### **EQUIPMENT**

1. COMMERICIAL
Elecraft KX1, KX2, KX3
Steve Weber Designs (LNR)
RADIO LABS – Hans Summers
QCX, QSX

MFJ
PackTenna
Various Chinese Companies on Ebay

### **Kit Companies**

QRPGuys
Pacific Antenna
QRPME
4States QRP Club
G QRP Club

# **Build or Buy?**

Kits are Cheaper Non Kits are ready to go

Example: Packtenna Untenna vs. QRPGuys Ununtenna. The same product, both are excellent. Up to the user.

#### **Activities**

- 1. Building
- 2. Contests
- 3. Portable
- 4. Sota
- 5. Digital Modes
- 6. Vacation Operation
- 7. Hiking and Camping

Sota Chasing: My Setup

Radio: KX2

Battery: Bienno 6AH LiFePho

**Antenna: Ununtenna from QRPGuys** 

- 1. Radiator is 17'
- 2. Support pole is Chinese 720mm
- 3. Husky LED Worklight Tripod

Mic: Elecraft

Paddle: Homebrew designed by W6IPA

Coax: 25' RG174 from Wireman Pen, 6x9 Clipboard, 3x5 Notecards

#### CW vs SSB vs Data

- 1. All of them work
- 2. CW is the easiest (Caveat)
- 3. Sideband needs good propagation
- 4. Data is capable of World Wide QSOs

## Bay Area QRP Events

- 1. Pacificon
- 2. California QRP Club
  - Calqrp@groups.io
- 3. Field Day
- 4. Sota Chasing and Activation NaSota@groups.io
- 5. QRPops@groups.io