

## June 2020 Foxhunt

After a two-month hiatus due to the coronavirus pandemic, the monthly foxhunt was held Saturday, June 6th. Bob, WB6ODR, was the fox.

There were five teams for this hunt:

Pete, K6VVR, and Jerry, KF7FPD
Jeff, WB7RFY and John, WB9VGJ
Robert, WA6FBA
Don, KI7IOM and Sherwin, WB7NFX
Mike, N7IEP and Steve KG7SDY

The results of the hunt were:

Finish	Team	Time
1	K6VVR and KF7FPD	12 min.
2	WA6FBA	17 min.
3	WB7RFY and WB9VGJ	24 min.
4	N7IEP and KG7SDY	35 min.
5	KI7IOM and WB7NFX	1 hr. 48 min.

WB6ODR hid the transmitters in Peppertree Park, a small park at the southwest corner of Tamarack Lane and W. Delano Ave. This was not very far from the starting point. The first four teams found the transmitter in a relatively short time.

WB7RFY and I drove past the park twice without noticing that was where the transmitters were. We were close to it in all directions as we hunted. I was using the SigTrax app on my cellphone to take bearings in order to locate the transmitter. As you can see in the screenshot of it in the pictures (link below), we got bearings in the general direction from several locations. The signal was very strong near the park, but dropped significantly just a few blocks away. This was a lesson to always use one's eyes when foxhunting instead of focusing 100% on the signal strength. On our third time going past the park, we did use our eyes and saw WA6FBA and WB6ODR sitting at a picnic table in the park.

It was a very good hunt after not having one for two months. We had a good turnout and every team was able to find the transmitters. The weather was a bit breezy, but sunny and pleasant, a near perfect day for a foxhunt.

You can see pictures of the hunt here.

<https://tinyurl.com/YARCFoxhuntJune2020>

The participants had the usual after hunt socializing session. Due to wanting to practice social distancing, we went to In-N-Out Burger after the hunt. We ordered inside and ate at the well-spaced tables outside on the patio.

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John, WB9VGJ