



There is a lot that can be said about Radio Pioneer John Reinartz K6BJ. Reinartz expired at age 70 in 1964 and left a legacy.

I recently ran into Wayne Thalls, engineer, writer and historian of Santa Cruz, Ca. Wayne was very familiar with John Reinartz and wife Gertrude K6MJH, as they both resided locally and were members of the local Santa Cruz

California Amateur Radio Club. Their memory continues on in the fact of the preservation of John's call sign. We were proud to obtain it, Thalls said. Pictured is the radio club's QSL card, featuring the Reinartz Tuner schematic in green.

I've written a lot about K6BJ John L. Reinartz in previous articles concerning his visits to Cambridge, Ohio and speaking with the local and regional faithful Radio Boys. His 1930's visit to the Cambridge A.R.A Ham-fest and again 10 years later in 1947 at the Hotel Berwick. A regional and statewide crowd gathered and a wonderful time was had by all!

Reinartz the holder of 28 patents in the electronics realm. Contributor to his country's history, is Memorialized by constantly reminding us of his personal radio call "K6BJ" each time the repeater ID is heard over the Santa Cruz Amateur Radio Repeater.



Pictured the improved version of the Reinartz receiver shown in March 1922 QST Magazine. Thanks to Wayne Thalls KB6KN for his input for this article. W8SU 2005