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#### The Modulator

Newsletter and happenings of the Big South Fork Amateur Radio Club Serving the Big South Fork Region Since 1992

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#### Meeting Minutes

We publish the club's meeting minutes every month and they are all posted in the member's only section of our web site. Only current club members will receive the minutes electronically.

#### Field Day June 25-26



The last weekend in June is always the ARRL Field Day. Think of it as a ham radio open house where more than 40,000 radio operators setup portable/temporary stations in public areas to demonstrate ham radio's science, skill and service to our local communities. We will be operating from the parking lot across from the Bandy Creek visitors center. Setup is about 08:00am eastern time and we hope to be active around 09:00am until around 4:00pm. We will not be competing in this contest but will have a POTA station and a GOTA station. Unlicensed or need more HF airtime come out and join us! MORE INFORMATION

# Next Regular BSFARC Meeting

Calendar

We missed you at our last club meeting! Our next club meeting will be July 14th @ 7:00pm ET in room 101 (room may change) at:

Roane State Community College 410 W.H. Swain Boulevard Huntsville, TN 37756



The Morristown office of the National Weather Service is only offering virtual SKYWARN training at this time. It has been 2 years since we last held an inperson class so most of us need to recertify. MORE INFORMATION

The Nashville office will be resuming inperson training in October 2022. Contact Krissy Hurley at (615) 754-8500 or <u>email</u> for more information



Parks on the Air SM (POTA) is an ongoing program. It encourages amateur radio operators in developing their skills, fostering community and demonstrating the hobby to the public. Being located next door to Big South Fork National Wild and Scenic River (K-0686) and Obed National Wild and Scenic River (K-0685) it gives us the chance to activate a remote station in a beautiful setting. The club's call sign W4BSF has been registered as an activator/hunter for this program. Other locations include state parks, state forests and state natural areas such as Rugby. Jamie N4XJS at last count had 185 parks in his log! MORE **INFORMATION** 



PLEASE CHECK THE WEB SITE FOR ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES BEFORE HEADING OUT!

We will have our talk-in on the 145.350 repeater as well.

No Business 100 Oct 14-15th, 2022



The planning for the No Business 100 endurance race has begun! John W4FBL is heading up the effort and looking for help staffing each aid-station with radio operators. Reach out to him at 931-863-3442 for more information and to volunteer.



This year the BSFARC will be celebrating our 30th anniversary as a club. Stephen (KI4NG) is starting to form a committee to help plan the year-long celebration. He needs your suggestions and some help to make it a sucess.



#### EMCOMM/ARES Net

We are looking for volunteer NCS operators for all counties as this is a great way to practice copying call signs and handling traffic. No experience required and scripts are available!!

Fentress ARES NET is on Tuesday nights at 8:00pm CT/9:00 ET is now on the 443.625 repeater (PL 100 suggested).

Please don't forget that the Morgan County ARES NET happens every Monday at 7pm ET on the 147.255 repeater system (PL 94.8 optional).

Come and join the Scott County ARES NET on the 145.350 repeater system (PL77 Hz) on the 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th



TNPOTA (Tennessee Parks On The Air) was just announced. Details are forth coming but it will be held the weekend of July 30th (both Saturday and Sunday). It would be great if we could activate the majority of the parks in our area. Jamie N4XJS will discuss this more at the next meeting and about doing a POTA training day at a local park for those interested. MORE INFO

#### Activations in our area:

K0686 Big South Fork 42
K6239 Colditz Cove 1
K2938 Cove Lake State Park 28
K2948 Frozen Head State Park 16
K0685 Obed 11
K6265 Rugby State Nat Area 6
K2966 Pickett State Park 4
K5498 Pickett State Forest 3
K5500 Scott State Forest 1
K2976 Sgt Alvin York State Park 3
K6272 Twin Arches State Nat Area 1

So where will you activate?



Come and join the YL's (Young Ladies) as they have their own dedicated NET every Tuesday at 7pm (Eastern) on the 145.350 repeater system. Ladies of all ages are welcome to join in Check out the YL page on the club's web site,

#### **Amateur Radio Tests**



# Technician Exam questions to change 6-30-2022!!

Time is running out quickly if you plan to sit for your technician test.

The General exam questions are current as of July 1, 2019 and are valid until June 30, 2023. The Extra class exam is valid from July 1, 2020 and is valid through June 30, 2024.

The new amateur radio testing information page is now live CLICK HERE. Besides the answers to the test questions you will find out everything you need to know in order to take an amateur radio test. We have also been

# Fentress County ARES Meeting

The Fentress County group meets on the FOURTH Monday of each month at their E911 center at 7pm CENTRAL TIME. All are welcome to attend. Check in the Fentress County NET for the latest updates as they have re-started their inperson meetings.

# Morgan County ARES Meeting

The Morgan County ARES team normally meets the first Saturday of each month from 10-Noon Eastern at the Morgan County E911. Due to the holiday they will meet on July 9th. Check into the Morgan County NET for the latest updates.

# Scott County ARES Update

Don't forget the Scott County ARES NET on the 145.350 repeater Thursday nights at 7:00pm (other than club meeting nights).

#### **QSL CARDS RECEIVED**

For the next couple of months we will be sharing some of the QSL cards we received as part of the USS Tennessee Battleship Museum special event station.





MORE INFORMATION

approved for electronic submission of the documents which will speed up the process for new licenses.

#### Long Range Event Planner

Most of the events below have a LINK associated with them to take you directly to their web site. We are not responsible for their content.

June 18, 2022 - Knoxville Hamfest and Electronics Convention, ARRL Tennessee State Convention

June 25-26, 2022 ARRL Field Day

July 16, 2022 - McMinn County TN <u>18th</u> Annual MCARC Hamfest

July 30, 2022 - 2022 Greater Nashville & Middle Tennessee HamQuest

July 30-31, 2022 -Tennessee Parks On The Air weekend event.

August 20-21, 2022 Huntsville AL Hamfest

August 27, 2022 - <u>Cedars of Lebanon</u> <u>Hamfest</u>

September 10, 2022 - <u>Gadsden Amateur</u> Radio Hamfest (Atlanta GA)

October 14-15, 2022 Hamfest Chattanooga 2022

October 17-21 School Club Roundup

December 10-11 ARRL 10 Meter Contest



The ARRL Foundation Club Grant Program, funded by a grant from Amateur Radio Digital Communications (ARDC), will make \$500,000 available to clubs, enabling them to more easily provide and expand club projects, including those that will have a transformative impact on amateur radio, create public awareness and support for amateur radio, and have an educational and training impact. The program will provide up to \$25,000 for worthy club projects. More information about the Club Grant Program is available at <a href="https://www.arrl.org/club-grant-program">www.arrl.org/club-grant-program</a>.

#### Did you know?

The majority of this newsletter has links back to our web site which contains even more information? <u>CLUB WEB SITE</u>

#### 06/11/2022 | NSS Annual Convention

Jun 11-Jun 17, 1800Z-1800Z, K0V, Rapid City, SD. National Speleological Society. 14.285 14.050 7.195 7.050. QSL. Sam Rowe, KG9NG, 2749 Commercial Ave, Madison, WI 53704. KOV@NSSCES.ORG

## 06/18/2022 | Journey back to 1776 - Davidson's Fort -Old Fort, NC

Jun 18-Jun 19, 1200Z-0900Z, WA4TRS, Fairview, NC. The Road Show Amateur Radio Club, Inc.. 14.315. Certificate & QSL. The Road Show ARC, 57 Echo Lake Drive, Fairview, NC 28730. The first military establishment in Western North Carolina. Very effective during The American Revolution in Defeating The Red Coats. Troops where sent via The Over The Mountain Trial to The Battle of Kings Mountain! <a href="https://www.roadshowarc.org">www.roadshowarc.org</a>

#### 06/18/2022 | WHOA Weekend, Scouts BSA

Jun 18, 1400Z-2000Z, W1M, Russell, MA. Western Mass Council, Scouts BSA. 7.190 10.115 14.060 14.290. Certificate. tom barker, 329 faraway road, Whitefield, NH 03598. Monthly seasonal outdoor activities for scouts and the general public including "ham radio in the woods". Paper logging. Qsl via SASE and eqsl.

#### 06/24/2022 | Field Day 2022

Jun 24-Jun 26, 0000Z-2359Z, N6R, Simi Valley, CA. Ventura County Amateur Radio Society. 21.320 14.255 7.260 3810.0. QSL. Peter S. Heins, N6ZE, 1559 Norwich Ave.E, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360. Commemorating the Lives of President Ronald & Mrs. Nancy Reagan. N6R will operate from the Grounds of the Reagan Presidential Library. Due to Covid-19 history, full inoculations and N-95 masks required for visitors. Please check website for possible updated information. www,qrz,com/db/n6r

## 06/25/2022 | 150th Anniversary of Home on the Range

Jun 25-Jul 7, 1200Z-2300Z, K0R, Athol, KS. Smith County Amateur Radio Club. 14.336 7.265 3.930. Certificate & QSL. Michael G. Saft, KB0QGT, 220 E Kansas Ave., Smith Center, KS 66967.

#### 06/25/2022 | Daleville Area K2DAL Field Day 2022

Jun 25-Jun 26, 0000Z-2359Z, K4D, Daleville, AL. Daleville Area Amateur Radio Service (K2DAL) 14 295 7 295

# 07/06/2022 | 100 Years of Thales Nederland B.V.

Jul 6-Dec 31, 1000Z-2359Z,
PA100THALES, Many cities,
NETHERLANDS. PA100THALES Team.
all bands, all modes. QSL. Email,
pa100thales@qsl.net, for information,
NETHERLANDS. This is an operating
event. www.gsl.net/pa100thales

# 07/07/2022 | World Games - 2022 Birmingham

Jul 7-Jul 17, 0000Z-2359Z, W4G, Birmingham, AL. Birmingham Amateur Radio Club. 7.2 MHz. QSL. Birmingham Amateur Radio Club - W4G, PO Box 603, Birmingham, AL 35201. Look for W4G on various spotting sites. We will be operating all bands and modes - including satellites. w4cue.com/w4g

### 07/09/2022 | RMRA 50th Anniversary Celebration

Jul 9, 1700Z-2100Z, W9BCC, Wausau, WI. Rib Mountain Repeater Association. 14.315 7.282 146.820 146.730. QSL. Eqsl or Rib Mountain Repeater Association, 1810 Perry Drive, Schofield, WI 54476. https://rmra.club

#### 07/12/2022 | Bladensburg World War I Peace Cross

Jul 12, 1800Z-2200Z, N3TAL, Lanham, MD. American Legion Post 275 ART. 7.275mhz +/- 5 khz. QSL. American Legion Post 275 ART, 8201 Martin Luthor King Jr. Hwy, Lanham, MD 20706. wa3dvo@verizon.net

## 07/13/2022 | Celebrating 149th Annual Old Soldiers and Sailors Reunion

Jul 13-Jul 18, 0600Z-2200Z, K0E, Erie, KS. W0SDK. 14.250 7.250. QSL. Shannon Kofoid, W0SDK, 226 N. Grant, Erie, KS 66733.

### 07/19/2022 | Warrick County 4H fair

Jul 19-Jul 23, 1800Z-2000Z, W4H,
Boonville, IN. Warrick ARES/RACES.
14.320 SSB. QSL. Steve Connaughton,
7677 Jenner Rd., Chandler, Chandler, IN
47610. Celebrating the Warrick County
Indiana 4H fair. Additional frequencies
modes may be used depending on band
and weather conditions. Operating times
will be mostly late aftermoons and
evenings. <a href="https://www.warrickaresraces.org">www.warrickaresraces.org</a>

# 07/20/2022 | Apollo 11 Moon Landing Commemoration

Jul 20, 1330Z-2000Z, K2CAM, Garden

3.895. QSL. Kevin Turley, Daleville Area Amateur Radio Service (K2DAL), P.O. Box 724, Daleville, AL 36322. www.daleville.us

#### 06/25/2022 | Amis Mill Historic Site

Jun 25, 1000Z-1800Z, N2A, Rogersville, TN. Hawkins Hancock Amateur Radio Team. 7.017 7.018 7.019 7.020. QSL. Hawkins Hancock Amateur Radio Team, P.O Box 356, Rogersville, TN 37857. Home of the oldest stone dam in Tennessee, this property was constructed by Thomas Amis in 1780. Captain Amis hosted many famous figures; including John Sevier, James Robertson, Andrew Jackson, Daniel Boone, Bishop Francis Asbury, Andre Michaux, and numerous revolutionary heros.

https://www.tnvacation.com/local/rogersv ille-thomas-amis-historic-site

#### 06/25/2022 | MDARC Field Day Event

Jun 25-Jun 26, 1800Z-1800Z, W6CX, Concord, CA. Mt. Diablo Amateur Radio Club (MDARC). 147.060 MHz, + offset, PL100.0 Hz. Certificate. None, None, None. No certificates or QSLs will be sent. info@mdarc.org or <a href="https://www.mdarc.org">www.mdarc.org</a>

# 06/25/2022 | Reopening of Yerkes Observatory

Jun 25-Jun 26, 1500Z-2359Z, W9Y, Williams Bay, WI. Walworth County ARES/RACES. 20, 40, and 80 meters. Certificate. Elijah Larson, K9ILJ, 113 South 3rd St. W., Fort Atkinson, WI 53538.

06/30/2022 | Granite Mountain Hotshots - Wildfire Loss of 19 Granite Mountain Hot Shots June 30, 2013

Jun 30-Jul 1, 1500Z-0100Z, N7GMH, Prescott Valley, AZ. Yavapai Amateur Radio Club. 7.219 14.319 18.119 21.319. Certificate. Donald Bauer, WB7TPH, 7150 E. Acre Way, Prescott Valley, AZ 86315.

www.qrz.com/db/n7gmh

# 07/01/2022 | Iowa Railroads on the Air IRROTA

Jul 1-Aug 31, 0000Z-2359Z, W0DBQ, Dubuque, IA. Great River Amateur Radio Club. 14.347 14.340 7.280 7. 250. Certificate & QSL. IRROTA c/o the Great River ARC, P.O. Box 1384, Dubuque, IA 52004. For details see IRROTA on the Event drop-down menu at W0DBQ.org. Celebrating lowa's rich railroad history clubs and individuals will be activating as many of the 387 remaining railroad

City, NY. Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. 14.240 7240. QSL. LIMARC, P.O. Box 392, Levittown, NY 11756. Remembering the 1969 Moon Landing of Apollo 11. It recognizes the contributions of the aerospace industry on Long Island. Located at the Cradle of Aviation Museum. K2CAM will be operated by the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. Will be operating SSB, PSK31, and FT8. www.qrz.com/db/K2CAM or www.limarc.org

## 07/21/2022 | 70th Anniversary of 7.3 Earthquake

Jul 21-Jul 22, 1400Z-0200Z, K6E, Bakersfield, CA. N6AJ. 14.275 18.100. QSL. Sharon Godley, 2701 Fordham St, Bakersfield, CA 93305. Remembering the 7.3 in Bakersfield and Tehachapi, California in 1952 We be on different bands and modes. Special QSL card Updates on QRZ (N6AJ). n6aj@arrl.net or www.qrz.com/db/n6aj

# 07/22/2022 | Long Beach Catalina Ski Race

Jul 22-Jul 24, 0000Z-0000Z, K8S, Long Beach, CA. Long Beach Boat and Ski Club. 449.78 449.180 146.895. Certificate. Rod La Rocque, 340 El Rancho, Moose Pass, AK 99631. rodneyd44@yahoo.com

### 07/23/2022 | 100th Anniversary of Three RI Broadcast Stations

Jul 23, 1400Z-1700Z, N1EPJ, East Greenwich, RI. Massie Wireless Club at New England Wireless & Steam Museum. 7.058 14.058 7.25 14.30. QSL. Massie Wireless Club N1EPJ, P.O. Box 883, East Greenwich, RI 02818. WJAR, WEAN, and WKAD NEWSM.ORG

#### 07/23/2022 | USCG AUX/ Sea Scouts Safety at Sea Day

Jul 23, 1200Z-2100Z, N9E, Lorain, OH. USCG AUX 09E-06/BSA Sea Scouts. 14.270 14.290 7.180 7.290. QSL. CGAUX Radio Officer, CGSTA Lorain, 110 Alabama Ave., Lorain, OH 44052. W8TWL@arrl.net

# 07/25/2022 | EAA Airventure 2022, World's largest Airshow.

Jul 25-Jul 31, 1330Z-2030Z, W9ZL, Appleton, WI. Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club. 7.250 14.270 50.150. Certificate. W9ZL Special Event Station, PO Box 2346, Appleton, WI 54912. www.fcarc.club depots (active and inactive) as possible during July and August 2022. Certificates to any clubs or individuals activating five depot/stations. QSL cards for any confirmed hunter contacting an activator by sending a SASE.

W9UPK@arrl.net or www.w0dbq.org

### 07/02/2022 | Colonial Williamsburg Special Event

Jul 2, 1400Z-2000Z, K4RC,
Williamsburg, VA. Williamsburg Area
Amateur Radio Club. 7.265 14.265.
Certificate & QSL. QSL Manager, K4RC,
P.O. Box 1470, Williamsburg, VA 23187.
Celebrating the 246th anniversary of the
signing of the Declaration of
Independence in 1776. info@k4rc.net or
k4rc.net

#### 07/04/2022 | Independence Day Observance

Jul 4, 1600Z-2130Z, W5KID, Baton Rouge, LA. Baton Rouge Amateur Radio Club. 7.040 7.250 14.040 14.250. QSL. USS KIDD Amateur Radio Club, 305 S. River Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. Operation aboard the USS KIDD (DD-661). WW II Fletcher class destroyer. www.qrz.con/db/w5kid

#### 07/05/2022 | Whiskey Rebellion

Jul 5-Jul 9, 0000Z-2300Z,
NY9H/WA3COM, Prosperity, PA.
Washington Amateur Communications.
14.280 7.,280 18.160. Certificate & QSL.
Bill Steffey, NY9H, 401 Bells Lake Rd.,
Radio Hill, Prosperity, PA 15329. Event
info and background on the "Original"
Whiskey Rebellion at
www.whiskeyrebellionfestival.com &
www.wa3com.com

#### 07/25/2022 | Orleans County 4H Fair

Jul 25-Jul 31, 1200Z-0200Z, W4H,
Albion, NY. Orleans County Amateur
Radio Club. 7.030 7.175 14.074 14.275.
QSL. Orleans County Amateur Radio
Club, 14064 W County House Rd.,
Albion, NY 14411. Orleans County (NY)
4 H Fair Special Event Please QSL by
September 30, 2022 ocarc.us

#### 07/29/2022 | Indiana State Fair

Jul 29-Aug 21, 1600Z-2000Z, W9ISF, Indianapolis, IN. Indiana State Fair ARC. 7.245 14.245 18.150. QSL. Indiana State Fair ARC, 7405 E. County Road 900 N, Brownsburg, IN 46112.

Certificates and QSL cards: To obtain a certificate from any of the special event stations offering them, send your QSO information along with a 9 \* 12 inch selfaddressed, stamped envelope (three units of postage) to the address listed in the announcement. To receive a special event QSL card (when offered), be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped business envelope along with your QSL card and QSO information, \*Note: Some clubs may ask for a nominal fee to cover the cost of the certificate or QSL. Request will be made on air during the event or on the sponsoring club's website.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR July 2022

Click the calendar which is <u>LINKED</u> to our web site for a current copy The on-line calendar can also be 'filtered' to only show events in your county or which ones are hamfests! Weekly NETs are no longer shown but the information is available above. Meetings and training sessions along with special events are only shown on the calendar.



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