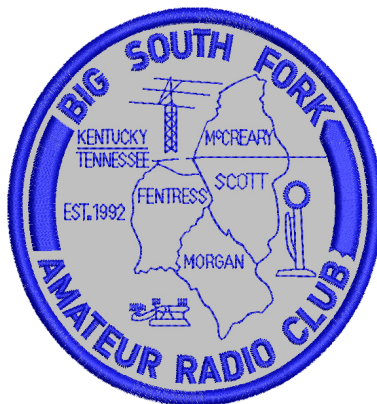


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Newsletter and happenings of the Big South Fork Amateur Radio Club

Serving the Big South Fork Region Since 1992

If you enjoy reading our publication **be sure to fully open your emails or you will automatically be dropped in 6 months from the email list.**

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.



10 Meter Contest

December 10-11th, 2022



We are heading back to Buddy's W7BSF home QTH for this year's contest. Here is your chance to get on the air in a learning environment. We will have various radios available and a choice of antennas as well. Rumor has it we may even have a kilowatt amplifier on the air as well. Light refreshments will be available for a small monetary donation. Help is needed for setup Saturday morning and for the demobilization on Sunday,

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. [MORE INFORMATION](#)

POTA Activation sites in our area and the number of activations to date:

K-0686 Big South Fork 53 up 3

K-6239 Colditz Cove 2 no change

K-2938 Cove Lake State Park 38 up 3

K-2953 Indian Mountain State Park 27 up 4

Next Regular BSFARC Meeting

Calendar

We missed you at our last club meeting!
Our next club meeting will be November
10th @ 7:00pm ET in room 101 (room
may change) at:

Roane State Community College

410 W.H. Swain Boulevard
Huntsville, TN 37756

*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 Update!

K-2948 Frozen Head State Park 21 up 3

K-0685 Obed 16 up 2

K-6265 Rugby State Nat Area 7 no
change

K-2966 Pickett State Park 9 up 1

K-5498 Pickett State Forest 4 up 1

K-5500 Scott State Forest 2 no change

K-2976 Sgt Alvin York State Park 4 no
change

K-6272 Twin Arches State Nat Area 3 up
1

So where will you activate?



Come and join the YL's (Young Ladies)
as they have their own dedicated NET
the **second Tuesday** of the month at
7pm (Eastern) on the 145.350 repeater
system. For November it will be on the
8th. Ladies of all ages are welcome to
join in. Check out the YL page on the
[club's web site.](#)



Thanks to all the volunteers the No Business 100 mile ultramarathon was a success. While we did have a couple of small issues to overcome the amateur radio team was able to keep pace and many went the extra mile to provide health/welfare communications across the entire course. Looking forward to the 2023 event already.



EMCOMM/ARES Net

We are looking for volunteer NCS operators for all counties as this is a great way to practice copying call signs



We have started our second session (10-12 through 12-14) for the STEM & Amateur Radio enrichment class at Oneida Middle School. The first session was a success with lots of positive feedback. About 1/3rd of the students polled would be interested in an amateur radio club at the school which is a higher ratio than we had expected.

One student said "I really enjoy ham radio and hope to use it again! We definitely need a ham radio class" while another commented "Please continue this in the future". The curriculum was been modified slightly to include more

and handling traffic. No experience required and scripts are available!!

Fentress ARES NET has MOVED to Thursday nights at 7:00pm CT/8:00 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 with a PL 94.8 which is now required.

Come and join the Scott County ARES NET on the 145.350 repeater system (PL77 Hz) on the 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm ET.

Fentress County ARES Meeting

Due to scheduling conflicts throughout the summer the Fentress ARES team will only be meeting during their weekly NETs. Check into the NET for updates and for additional information.

Fentress County EMA Director

Mr. James Bilbrey
116 Justice Center Drive
Jamestown, TN 38556

time for demonstrations and hands-on activities for the second session.

Thanks to our fine YLs (Kelly, Carol and Diane) who helped with our student contacts on the repeater on the 26th.

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.

November 5-6, 2022

[Stone Mountain Hamfest - ARRL Georgia Section Convention \(Lawrenceville GA\)](#)

[December 10-11 ARRL 10 Meter Contest](#)

February 25. 2023

[Dalton Hamfest \(Dalton, GA\)](#)

[March 4, 2023 Cave City Hamfesr \(Cave City KY\)](#)

April 15, 2023

Greenville Hamfest (Greenville TN)

Email: fentressema1@gmail.com

Work: (931) 879-5075

Morgan County ARES Meeting

It was announced that Willard Hendrickson has resigned from the Morgan County ARES EC position. the team will need some support as they work to strengthen their volunteer group. The Morgan County ARES team normally meets the first Saturday of each month from 10-Noon Eastern at the Morgan County E911. With all the summer scheduling conflicts in-person training sessions will resume later this fall. Check into the Morgan County NET for the latest updates.

Morgan County EMA Director

Mr. Ethan Webb

P.O. Box 1247

274 Ralph Hamby Lane

Wartburg, TN 37887

Email: emermgmt@highland.net

Work:(423) 346-1003

Scott County ARES NET



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 www.arrl.org/club-grant-program.

Round 1 was completed earlier this year and a total of \$270,000.00 was awarded. We will be submitting our application prior to the cutoff (November 4th) for a 'go-box' that would be shared amongst the counties we serve. The club voted to submit the grant application at the October meeting and now we are awaiting a response..

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

Tennessee Senate Joint Resolution 1646 recognized the contributions that the 19,846 licensed amateur radio operators in Tennessee make to the communities they serve. The club and Scott ARES team will be presented with the resolution during the Scott County Commissioners meeting on November 21st. Everyone should support this effort by attending their meeting.

Scott County EMA Director

Ms. Wendy Walker

P.O. Box 151

Huntsville, TN 37756

Email:

scottcounty.ema@scottcounty.com

Work: (423) 663-2337

Tennessee QSO Party

sponsored by the
Tennessee Contest Group



Tennessee QSO Party UPDATE!

The Tennessee QSO Party was held on Sunday, September 4 and Monday, September 5, 2022 and to date they have had 336 logs submitted. No results

Sevier County ARES

The Pigeon Forge Half Marathon and 5k race will be held on December 10th starting at 7:30am. The Sevier ARES team is looking for additional radio operators to help out. Contact KN4EIG Cletus Grissom at 865-566-8912 or kn4eig@sevierares.org for more information or to volunteer.



Introduction to CW or morse code

RESCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER

Come and join us at the Big South Fork Amateur Radio meeting on October 13th where Virgil W4OME will provide an overview on morse code as we hope to see hear more members utilizing this mode of operation.

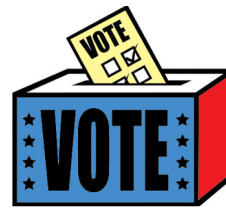
have been posted yet but we hope to learn more soon. [MORE INFORMATION](#)

Volunteers Needed!



We are looking for help in creating content for 'The Modulator' newsletter. Just need to produce simple copy on what's happening in the Big South Fork region.

Annual Elections



The BSFARC elections are held each December as we elect our board members. Please consider the opportunity to serve and help direct the future of our club. Our board members consist of President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Recording/Membership Secretary.

Did you know?

The majority of this newsletter has links back to our web site which contains even more information? [CLUB WEB SITE](#)

Special Event Station Opportunities

10/29/2022 | Spruce Goose 75th Anniversary of Flight

Oct 29-Nov 6, 1700Z-2359Z,
W6HA/W6HA/7, Torrance, CA. Hughes
and McMinnville Amateur Radio Clubs.
SSB: 3.833 7.233 14.233 21.333
28.333; CW: 3.533 7.033 14.033 21.033
28.033; 445.620 PL 127.3; 146.52 on

11/11/2022 | Burlington Amateur Radio Club 50th Anniversary

Nov 11-Nov 12, 1400Z-2300Z,
VC3CJ50, Burlington, ON. Burlington
Amateur Radio Club. 14.320. Certificate.
Leo Guidolin, 704 Rambo Crescent,

146.550. QSL. Brian Johnson, AB6UI, 5207 Lillian St, Torrance, CA 90503. Wednesday, November 2, 2022 is the 75th Anniversary of the Flight of the Hughes Aircraft Company's Hercules H-4 Flying Boat aka The Spruce Goose. W6HA stations will be near Culver City and/or Long Beach Harbor where the craft was built, assembled and flown. W6HA/7 stations will be near McMinnville, Oregon where the aircraft is now displayed in the Evergreen Aviation and Aerospace Museum. W6HA near Culver City/Long Beach, CA; W6HA/7 near McMinnville, OR. www.w6ha.org

10/30/2022 | 47th

Anniversary, Sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald

Oct 30-Nov 13, 0000Z-2359Z, W8F, Livonia, MI. Livonia Amateur Radio Club. 14.260 14.040 7.260 7.040. Certificate. Mike Rudzki N8MR, 14071 Fairway St., Livonia, MI 48154. Sat. Nov. 5, 1600-2030 UTC, W8F will operate from Dossin Great Lakes Museum, Detroit MI, and POTA K-1487. <https://livoniaarc.com>

10/31/2022 | Boo To You

Oct 31-Nov 1, 0000Z-0400Z, KC5BOO, Cleburne, TX. Club KC5NX. 14.278

Burlington, ON L7R 2L3, CANADA. eCertificate will be emailed to email address indicated on QRZ.com barc.ca

11/11/2022 | Celebrating Veterans Day 2022

Nov 11, 1800Z-2300Z, W6VET, Redding, CA. Redding Veterans Amateur Radio Club. 14.320 21.383 146.550. QSL. Redding Veterans Amateur Radio Club, c/o Michael Vancleemput K6WK, 3400 Knighton Road, Redding, CA 96002. QSL cards appreciated, no SASE required.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/w6vet>

11/11/2022 | Iron Mission Days

Nov 11-Nov 12, 1601Z-1601Z, N7U, Cedar City, UT. Rainbow Canyons ARC. 14.260 7.040. Certificate. Richard Parker, 4410 Apple Blossom Ln., Cedar City, UT 84721. Celebrating 171st anniversary of the first iron works in the Rocky Mountains. In conjunction with Frontier Homestead State Park & Museum. rrparker@netutah.com or www.rcarc.info

14.074. QSL. Judy Cox, 3701 Park Rd 21, Cleburne, TX 76033. On Halloween come say boo to me and I'll say boo to you! <https://kc5nx.com>

10/31/2022 | WØØ

Halloween FunXpedition

Oct 31-Nov 1, 1900Z-0300Z, WØØ, Frankenstein, MO. Mid-MO Amateur Radio Club. 3.538 3.980 14.038 14.340. QSL. See QRZ, for QSL, , information. Operating from Frankenstein, MO, the only known Frankenstein in the USA. QSL information via QRZ.COM.

www.qrz.com/db/w0o

11/03/2022 | Godzilla 68th anniversary of coming to the big screen

Nov 3-Nov 13, 0000Z-2359Z, W9G, Indianapolis, IN. Indiana Elmer Network. 14.074 144.174 7.074 14.060. QSL. W9G C/O Wayne Michael, 1255 Weston Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46234. November 3rd is the 68th anniversary of Godzilla coming to the big screen in the original Japanese film classic. Some QRPer's from Central Indiana are going to be operating Special Event Station W9G from November 3rd to November 13th, along with other operators in the 7th

11/11/2022 | Veterans Day Commemoration

Nov 11, 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.com/db/w5kid

11/12/2022 | Franklin Amateur Radio Club 50th Anniversary

Nov 12-Nov 26, 0500Z-2359Z, KF4RC, Franklin, NC. Franklin Amateur Radio Club, Inc.. 14.275. QSL. Howard Estes, 505 North Sugar Creek Rd., Franklin, NC 28734. FARC will celebrate its 50th anniversary of being an ARRL affiliated club on November 18th with club members operating KF4RC from the 12th through the 26th. A special QSL card will be sent, SASE please.

www.qrz.com/db/kf4rc

11/12/2022 | USS Cobia WWII Submarine Celebrating Veterans Day

region. Modes to be used will be CW, SSB, and a few digital modes like PSK, RTTY and FT8. This special event is being sponsored by the Indiana Elmer Network. QSL cards will be sent via EMAIL. indianaelmernetwork.us

11/04/2022 | Vigil at the Ottawa IL War Memorial

Nov 4-Nov 5, 2300Z-2200Z, W9TAL, Ottawa, IL. The American Legion Post 33 ARC Ottawa, IL. 7.06 7.2 3.55 3.9. QSL. Joe Tokarz TALARC Post 33, 901 LaSalle St., Ottawa, IL 61350-2017. For the 14th year, 96 military veterans, family and friends will stand guard for 15 minute segments during this period at the Ottawa IL War Memorial. kb9ezz@yahoo.com. www.ottawaalpost33.com

11/05/2022 | 2022 Remembering the Edmund Fitzgerald

Nov 5-Nov 6, 1500Z-2355Z, W0JH/W0F, Stillwater, MN. Stillwater, MN Amateur Radio Association (SARA). 3.860 7.260 14.260 21.360. Certificate. W0JH, 1618 Pine St W, Stillwater, MN 55082. QSL certificates may only be requested and sent via email address:

Nov 12-Nov 13, 1400Z-2100Z, NB9QV, Manitowoc, WI. USS Cobia Amateur Radio Club. 7.240 +/- 14.240 +/- QSL. Fred Neuenfeldt, W6BSF, 4932 S. 10th St., Manitowoc, WI 54220-9121. SASE #10 for QSL card www.qrz.com/db/nb9qv

11/12/2022 | Veterans Day (11/11/19) and USMC Birthday (11/10/1775) Commemoration

Nov 12, 1700Z-2359Z, NI6IW, San Diego, CA. USS Midway (CV-41) Museum Ship. 14.320 7.250 14.070 PSK31 DSTAR on PAPA repeaters. QSL. USS Midway Museum COMEDTRA, 910 N Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101. www.qrz.com/db/ni6iw

11/17/2022 | 2022 Hammarlund Radio Hullabaloo

Nov 17-Nov 18, 1200Z-2359Z, W4H, Mars Hill, NC. High Appalachian Mountain Amateur Radio Society. 14.050 14.240 7.050 7.210. QSL. HAMARS, P.O. Box 366, Mars Hill, NC 28754. Celebrating the Hammarlund Radio factory that was located in Mars

W0JH22Fitz@outlook.com. W0JH (Phone & Digital at Split Rock only) and WØF (Phone & Digital at Club Member QTHs in the Minneapolis/St. Paul area). There will be multiple stations simultaneously using these call signs, on different bands. IMPORTANT: ONLY W0JH contacts qualify for POTA K-2524, K-8095, ARLHS USA 783 validations and submission to LOTW. This is the 18th consecutive year, the club has conducted this Special Event. Visit www.radioham.org and QRZ.com (W0JH) for more details. This year marks the 47th year since the famous iron-ore carrier was caught in a fierce fall storm on Lake Superior.

www.radioham.org

11/05/2022 | Carrollton Festival at the Switchyard

Nov 5, 1500Z-2359Z, KB5A, Carrollton, TX. Metrocrest Amateur Radio Society. 14.235 Voice/14.070 Digital 7.155 Voice/7.070 digital 21.305 Voice. QSL. See website, for QSL, information, TX.

<https://www.kb5a.org>

11/06/2022 | Mill Mountain Star

Hill, NC, in the 1950s and 60s.

hamars.club

11/17/2022 | NRA's 151st Birthday Party

Nov 17, 1500Z-2359Z, K7GST, Prescott, AZ. Yavapai Amateur Radio Club.

21.335 14.040 14.250 7.250. Certificate.

Go to, <http://w4gkf.com/k7gst/qso.htm>, for certificate. See website for details.

www.w7yrc.org/nrabirthday

11/19/2022 | November Bug Roundup

Nov 19-Nov 21, 0000Z-0000Z, W6SFM, Sacramento, CA. Samuel F. Morse Amateur Radio Club. 14.045 MHz. QSL. Bob Kehr, 13989 Sutter Highlands Dr, Sutter Creek, CA 95685. W6SFM – The Samuel F. Morse Amateur Radio Club, a Sacramento, California based CW enthusiast club wanted a special time to bring bug operators together on the air. In the same spirit as ARRL's Straight Key Night, participants are encouraged to make simple, conversational, "chewing-the-fat" QSOs using their bug type key. This is an opportunity to exercise, share and exhibit your personalized fist. This is NOT a contest. Call "CQ BR" so folks know you are a

Nov 6, 1400Z-2000Z, W4CA, Roanoke, VA. Roanoke Valley Amateur Radio Club. 14.265 7.265. QSL. Roanoke Valley ARC, P.O. Box 2002, Roanoke, VA 24009. Commemorating the Roanoke Star on Mill Mountain. Shining its light on the city below since November 1949 and giving the nickname "Star City of the South" to Roanoke, Virginia. Send SASE for QSL card. w4ca.com/special-events

11/10/2022 | Stuart Air Show

Nov 10-Nov 13, 1400Z-2200Z, N4A, Stuart, FL. Martin County ARES. 14.280 21.280. QSL. MC ARES, P.O. Box 2769, Stuart, FL 34995. www.mcaraweb.com

11/11/2022 | Activation from the Strategic Air Command and Aerospace Museum

Nov 11, 1500Z-2200Z, K0AIR/K0GRL, Bellevue, NE. Strategic Air Command Memorial Amateur Radio Club. CW: 7.112; SSB: 7.275 14.275; RTTY 14.085. QSL. SACMARC K0AIR/K0GRL, 1413 Saint Joachin Ct., Bellevue, NE 68005-4937. www.sacmarc.org

Bug Roundup Participant. Grab that bug, clean those contacts, and let'er fly! Let's hear that "Banana Boat / Lake Erie Swing" or that commercial KPH/WCC quality fist. Switch off that keyer! Fill the ionosphere with home grown digital music, and have some Fun!

<https://w6sfm.com/bug-roundup>

11/19/2022 | Western Mass Council BSA WHOA Saturday

Nov 19, 1400Z-2000Z, W1M, Russell, MA. Western Mass Council Scouts BSA. 7.190 10.115 14.060 14.290. QSL. Tom Barker, 329 Faraway Road, Whitefield, NH 03598. QSL available for a SASE.

11/26/2022 | The First Pilgrim Landing at Plymouth

Nov 26-Nov 27, 1300Z-1900Z, NI1X, Plymouth, MA. Whitman Amateur Radio Club. 3.860 7.260 14.260 18.160 EchoLink: WA1NPO-R, IRLP:8691 . Certificate. Whitman ARC, P.O. Box 48, Whitman, MA 02382. Times Are Daily www.wa1np0.org

*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 self-addressed, 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.*

Calendar November 2022

Click the calendar which is [LINKED](#) 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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