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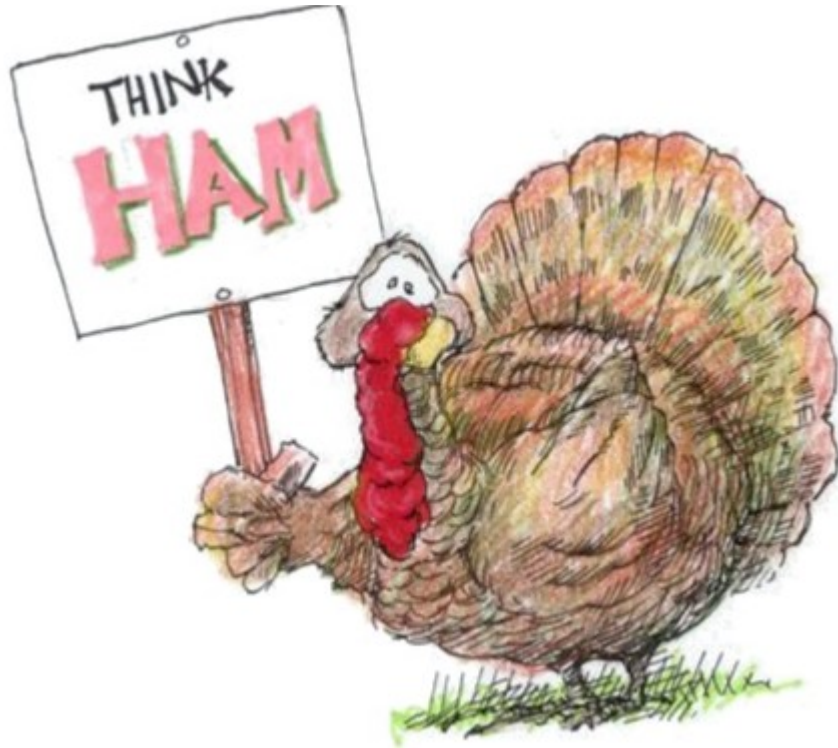
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## **The Modulator**

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

*If you enjoy reading our publication, be sure to open it fully or you will be automatically dropped from our mailing list in 6 months.*

**Happy Thanksgiving!**



Interested in emergency communications? We have team in Fentress, Morgan and Scott counties looking for volunteers.

**ARES**



We are suspending the YL NET for 2026 as we explore other ways to connect with others. If your OM is licensed, he can be your control operator for you to get on the air with us. Our LAST NET is Tuesday December 9th at 7pm EDT.

**YL NET**



ARRL has announced free membership for full-time students age 18 and younger.

**ARRL Member**



2026 has been designated by the ARRL Board of Directors as the Year of the Club, recognizing that radio clubs are the backbone of ARRL. The growth and development of amateur radio rely on our vibrant community of radio clubs. As BSFARC is an ARRL Club we are eligible to participate! This should be an exciting promotion for our hobby and could help us better focus on the needs of our members while getting the word out to others.

The ARRL is looking for submissions for a club web site contest. We can discuss if we want to participate at our next club meeting. The deadline is January 30, 2026

#### **Web Site Contest Information**

They will also have a newsletter contest! That too has a deadline of January 30, 2026, so if we are to compete, we need to get going!

#### **Newsletter Contest Information**



## Christmas Social and Elections

December 11, 2025

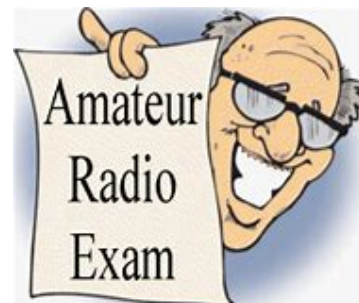
At our next gather/quick meeting we will be voting for our 2026 board of directors. Our recording secretary and treasurer will not be seeking re-election for next year. Feel free to self-nominate!

Consider bringing a small dish of snacks to share during the 'Radio Active Challenge' presentation. We will also be discussing our training sessions and how we wish to support them in 2026.

## Club Bi-Monthly Meeting

January 8, 2026

Our next regular club meeting will be held on January 8th - 2026 at 7:00pm Eastern at Roane State Community College in Huntsville TN. This will be our bi-monthly business meeting plus a meet & greet. We always meet



Let us know if you are ready for the exam at [W4BSF@BSFARC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSFARC.ORG) can schedule a session just for you!

## Local and In-Person Exams

The VE (Volunteer Examiner) team has made the transition to electronic submission for testing documents. While we still only do in-person testing the applicant can choose to take a paper exam or complete their test on a computer. Forms are then emailed to the applicant, ARRL and to the FCC for faster processing. The ARRL testing fee is still \$15 for adults and under the age of 18 it is only \$5. The \$35 license fee is paid directly to the FCC. Through the ARRL youth program they will reimburse the youths that fee! We are happy to work with you to schedule an exam in your area at a convenient time. No waiting, long drives or trying to take an on-line test with multiple distractions. Try to make it as easy as possible to take but it's up to you to pass!

The technician question pool will change in July 2026.

**LICENSE EXAM**

**NEW  
CLASS  
ALERT!**

the 2nd Thursday of each month. Our agenda will include planning of special events and training sessions for 2026.

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## Meeting Minutes

If you did NOT receive the meeting minutes for the last meeting you may have been dropped from the club roster. Our member only portal password has also been changed. Contact Ricky (W4NRTango at gmail.com) to check on your membership status. Our dues are still only \$10.00 per year for the first person in your household!

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Previous copies of 'The Modulator' are now on our web site. You can also subscribe to the newsletter there too.

**MODULATOR**  
NEWSLETTER ARCHIVES



## ARRL 10-Meter Contest December 13-14th

**IMPORTANT UPDATE!!**

## ARRL Introduces New LIVE Online Course Ham Radio Licensing

ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio® has introduced a new, fully-interactive two-day online course for ham radio licensing. The [ARRL Technician Class LIVE Video Course](#) includes everything you need to prepare for the FCC Technician Class amateur radio license exam. Enrollment is open now for the inaugural course which will take place December 20 - 21, 2025.

Join ARRL Education Specialist Wayne Greene, KB4DSF, for this new interactive online class. “We’re going to have fun!,” said Greene, “I will guide you through operating your first ham radio to how to communicate through amateur radio satellites. We are going to be fully immersed in every question and answer with the info you need to pass the test!”

In addition to live instruction, course participants will receive the popular Technician Class prep book authored by ARRL National Instructor Gordon West, WB6NOA, which has helped thousands of new hams get licensed with fast results. One-year of ARRL Membership is also included, ensuring these new hams will have quick access to all ARRL benefits, services, and programs.

Course Includes:

- Two days of LIVE instruction with expert ARRL Education Specialist Wayne Greene, KB4DSF
- Technician Class prep book by Gordon West, WB6NOA
- One-year of ARRL Membership

Those who remember ARRL’s recorded video courses of the past will recall how valuable it is to see and hear lively video instruction. This new course will ensure students have an even more personal, interactive experience. Greene will present the material in bite-sized sections, demonstrating just how much fun amateur radio is!



Buddy W7BSF is once again hosting an open-house (make that an open ham-shack) for the contest. He will have various radios and antennas for you to use. Some members will be activating from their home QTH so we can even contact each other! We encourage you to find an Elmer if needed to help get you on the air. Check with Buddy W7BSF or Bill KF4TY if you need help activating for the contest.

BSFARC 10-METER  
CONTEST

### Club Apparel



The club has ordered some extra t-shirts and currently has 7 medium, 3 large and 8 XXL shirts available. Let Kelly KI4JAV know if you want and she will bring them to the next meeting. They are only \$7.00 each thanks to Rugby Screen Printers as we are able to purchase at a discounted rate. Show your support for BSFARC and Rugby Screen Printers by ordering yours today!

Visit the ARRL Shop to complete the [paid enrollment](#) for a special introductory price of \$99. Registrants will receive a follow-up email with instructions for registering for the live video course after completing your order. If you have any questions regarding the course, please contact the ARRL Education and Learning Dept at 860-594-0285 or email [ead@arrl.org](mailto:ead@arrl.org)

### Calendar of Events for 2025



|            |                              |
|------------|------------------------------|
| 11/13/2025 | BSFARC Meeting               |
| 12/6/2025  | Skywarn Recognition Day      |
| 12/11/2025 | BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet |
| 12/13/2025 | ARRL 10-Meter Contest        |
| 12/14/2025 | ARRL 10-Meter Contest        |

The skywarn recognition day for 2025 has been cancelled by the NWS. Maybe next year we can get a small group to travel to MRX and activate the station as part of the event.

### Calendar of Events 2026 (Tentative) Dates in yellow have NOT been confirmed yet.

|           |                                 |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| 1/8/2026  | BSFARC Meeting                  |
| 1/17/2026 | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend |
| 1/18/2026 | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend |
| 1/24/2026 | Winter Field Day                |
| 1/25/2026 | Winter Field Day                |



## UPDATE



Thanks to all the radio operators who assisted this year. While we may not like the overnight shift which was long and cold it was a great event and a chance to practice passing real health and welfare traffic. We received accolades for our efforts as we were able to handle all the communications at our aid-stations which allowed others to take care of the runners. Some of us ended up using a back-up radio at sometime during the event but that goes to show how we were prepared for the unexpected. A special thanks to Joe N4YLA for helping coordinate our effort.

## Radio-Active 2025

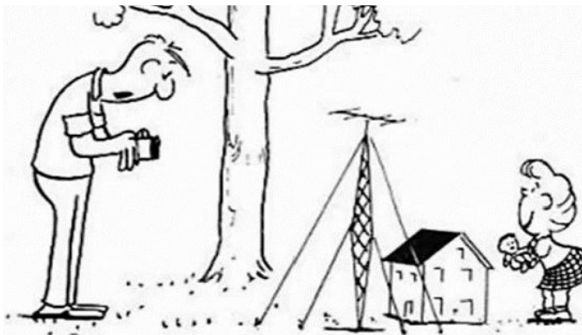
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| 2/13/2026 | HamCation Orlando FL                          |
| 2/14/2026 | HamCation Orlando FL                          |
| 2/15/2026 | HamCation Orlando FL                          |
| 2/12/2026 | BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet                  |
| 3/8/2026  | International YL Day                          |
| 3/13/2026 | MTARS Tullahoma Hamfest                       |
| 3/14/2026 | MTARS Tullahoma Hamfest                       |
| 3/12/2026 | BSFARC Meeting                                |
| 3/22/2026 | West TN Hamfest Trenton                       |
| 3/15/2026 | Sevier County 2025 Hamfest                    |
| 4/9/2026  | BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet                  |
| 4/12/2026 | Freefest Bartlett Swap (Memphis)              |
| 4/19/2026 | Greenville TN Hamfest                         |
| 4/18/2026 | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend               |
| 4/19/2026 | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend               |
| 4/25/2026 | Big South Fork Spring Planting Day Festival   |
| 5/14/2026 | BSFARC Meeting                                |
| 5/15/2026 | Hamvention Dayton OH                          |
| 5/16/2026 | Hamvention Dayton OH                          |
| 5/16/2026 | TN Mountain Laurel Festival                   |
| 5/17/2026 | Hamvention Dayton OH                          |
| 6/6/2026  | KY QSO Party                                  |
| 6/6/2026  | Museum Ship Weekend SES                       |
| 6/7/2026  | Museum Ship Weekend SES                       |
| 6/7/2026  | KY QSO Party                                  |
| 6/11/2026 | BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet                  |
| 6/13/2026 | Knoxville Hamfest/ARRL convention             |
| 6/27/2026 | ARRL Field Day                                |
| 6/28/2026 | ARRL Field Day                                |
| 7/9/2026  | BSFARC Meeting                                |
| 7/19/2026 | Greater Nashville & Middle Tennessee Hamquest |



We are in the home stretch and hope you are collecting points still. Please send your tally sheets to Bill KF4TY by December 1st so we can prepare the certificates accordingly. Certificates will be presented at the club meeting/Christmas Social on December 11th.

**Link Radio-Active 2025  
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## Get a load of this...



Angela, could you please move?  
I'm taking a picture for my QSL card.

Ground-mounted verticals are all the rage these days in portable HF operations. This is particularly true in POTA activations. We all like to get extra mileage out of our verticals in terms of their frequency range and efficiency, no?

|            |                                                                                                                     |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7/19/2026  | MCARC (McMinn) Ham Fest                                                                                             |
| 7/18/2026  | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend                                                                                     |
| 7/19/2026  | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend                                                                                     |
| 8/13/2026  | BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet                                                                                        |
| 8/16/2026  | Huntsville AL Hamfest                                                                                               |
| 8/17/2026  | Huntsville AL Hamfest                                                                                               |
| 8/24/2026  | Cedars of Lebanon Hamfest – Lebanon, TN.                                                                            |
| 9/5/2026   | Endurance Horse Ride                                                                                                |
| 9/6/2026   | Endurance Horse Ride                                                                                                |
| 9/6/2026   | Tennessee QSO Party                                                                                                 |
| 9/10/2026  | BSFARC Meeting                                                                                                      |
|            | <a href="https://overmountain-rally.com/volunteer-positions">https://overmountain-rally.com/volunteer-positions</a> |
| 9/19/2026  | Big South Fork Haunting in the Hills Story Telling Festival                                                         |
| 10/8/2026  | BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet                                                                                        |
| 10/17/2026 | Big South Fork Blue Heron Ghost Mine                                                                                |
| 10/17/2026 | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend                                                                                     |
| 10/18/2026 | POTA Support Your Parks Weekend                                                                                     |
| 10/23/2026 | NB 100 Race                                                                                                         |
| 10/24/2026 | NB 100 Race                                                                                                         |
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## LOCAL HAM FESTS 2025-2026



One method is to add an inductor to the radiating element to extend what its length looks like for RF resonance. Some versions of this are to bottom-load the vertical (Wolf River Coils does this with their Sporty Forty coil) as well as center-load it (as does Chelegance does with some of their JPC line of verticals). There are top-loaded designs, too.

An issue the portable HF operator might face if they create their own vertical antenna system is determining the value of the inductor coil. I'll walk through this briefly to illustrate one problem that many vendors create for them in their product offerings.

[Learn More](#)



## Handwritten notes, HAM radio help rescue mother, son lost in California forest

by: [Josh DuBose](#)

A 49-year-old woman and her 9-year-old son who found themselves stranded deep in



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## [Charlotte Hamfest](#)

**Location:** Concord, NC

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Mecklenburg ARS

**Website:** <http://charlottehamfest.org>

[Learn More](#)

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## [Knoxville Hamfest, ARRL Tennessee State Convention](#)

**Location:** Knoxville, TN

**Type:** ARRL Convention

**Sponsor:** Radio Amateur Club of Knoxville

**Website:** <http://www.w4bbb.org>

## FCC Announces Intent to Delete Minor Provisions

As part of a [much larger overhaul focused on deleting almost obsolete wireless regulations](#), the Federal Communications

the dense Stanislaus National Forest late last week left a trail of handwritten notes that helped their rescuers locate them, officials announced this week.

On July 11, the pair traveled from the Sacramento area to Camp Wolfboro for an overnight camping trip, officials with the Calavera County Sheriff's Office said.

During their excursion, the 49-year-old was using a GPS unit that offered alternate routes to their destination along with more common ones. When the GPS unit lost its signal, the mother and son were already well inside a remote area of the forest and were unable to retrace their route back out.

Rescue efforts unfolded on July 12 after a person reported that the woman and her son had not returned or called as expected.

"A deputy was dispatched to initiate a missing persons investigation, and the search and rescue team was deployed to begin search efforts," officials said. "The reporting party also provided a location

Commission (FCC) has announced plans to delete or modify minor provisions of Part 97.

ARRL's Washington Counsel has reviewed the proposal and said that the deletions are to obsolete rules and will have no impact on today's modern Amateur Radio Service. One of the [deletions suggested by ARRL](#) as part of an earlier FCC request for public comment on rules ripe for deletion.

The proposed regulatory changes are to:

1. **Delete § 97.27.** This provision relates to the FCC's right to revoke station licenses. The Commission rationale for deletion is that it duplicates Section 316 of the Communications Act. Its deletion will result in no substantive change to the right of the FCC to modify a station license.

2. **Delete § 97.29.** This provision specified the procedure to receive paper licenses. The FCC stopped producing paper licenses at the end of 2020, having implemented a system that allows any licensee to download license originals using the password-protected area of the FCC's ULS computer database system that is web-accessible. ARRL proposed deleting this section in comments filed earlier this year.

3. **Delete § 97.315 (b)(2).** This provision grandfathered HF antennas purchased before April 28, 1978 by an amateur radio operator at that operator's station and also grandfathered those manufactured before April 28, 1978 for which a marketing waiver was issued. The applicability of this rule has long passed.

4. **Delete § 97.521(b) and Appendix 2.** This rule and appendix relate to VEC regions, which were based on the traditional amateur radio areas. The FCC no longer limits VECs to regions and there is no reason for doing so given the nature of remote exams.

"Direct Final Rule" proceedings such as this are limited to rules that are no longer applicable because they have sunset by operation of law; govern an expired event; regulate an obsolete technology; regulate virtually a null set of FCC licensees; regulate an outdated market structure; or otherwise are no longer used in practice or otherwise in the public interest. The deletions will become effective

obtained from a location-sharing app they previously used with the missing persons.”

A command post was established in a recreational area off Highway 4 where team members began “assessing the terrain and the complex network of interconnecting, labyrinth-like roads” to establish search parameters.

During the early part of the rescue effort, a Forest Service Law Enforcement Ranger responded to a 911 text from a camper around Black Springs and Winton roads who said they’d seen a vehicle matching the missing persons report at around 4 p.m. the previous day.

“This information, along with data provided by the reporting party, confirmed that the teams were searching in the correct area,” officials said.

While stranded with no GPS or cellphone signal, deputies said the pair took actions to increase the likelihood of being rescued, including using the vehicle’s hazard lights at night. The 9-year-old also utilized an international signal for help by

days after publication in the Federal Register unless the Commission finds that adverse comments filed within 20 days of publication raise significant issues that merit additional consideration.

ARRL will continue to engage with the FCC in the regulatory and rulemaking process as part of our mission to promote and protect the art, science, and enjoyment of amateur radio, and to develop the next generation of radio amateurs.

[Learn More](#)

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## Right Band, Right Mode and Right Time?

By Bill Green KF4TY

Have you wondered how reliable is the band condition prediction graphic on QRZ.COM? How can they possibly tell if the bands are good or just fair without knowing where you are at? I personally have been very successful when QRZ suggested that the bands were poor or fair. I recently came across a free web site that not only takes into account SFI, and A/K indexes but goes one step further and predicts the band conditions down to a particular square. As we know from real estate it's all about location- location. A band or mode is good someplace may not be quite the same where else. Give it a try and let me know if you think their predictions are better than the graphic on QRZ.

[DX Look \(External Site\)](#)

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## Ham Radio Day Ignites STEM Curiosity In Northwest Ohio

From "The Village Reporter"

periodically using his whistle in three short bursts.

Then there were the mother's handwritten notes.

Full Article

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## Novel Amateur Radio Drill Aids in Emergency Communications at Paducah

-Contributor: Dylan Nichols

Original Article

**PADUCAH, Ky.** — The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) [Office of Environmental Management](#) (EM) [Paducah Site](#) has incorporated amateur radio into a drill for its emergency management program — a first in the nuclear cleanup complex that demonstrates the site's ability to maintain backup communications in the event of widespread equipment failure or telecommunications service loss during an emergency.

In the drill, local [Amateur Radio Emergency Service](#) team members mobilized at the Paducah Site [Emergency Operations Center](#) where they established a portable transmission station. Instead of relying on traditional internet connection, they relayed drill messages as emails over radio waves to the DOE headquarters location in Washington,

Clubs from the very corner of northwest Ohio held a "very open" Ham Radio Open House event outside of Northwest State Community College's campus in Archbold.

Standing by a tent erected on the college lawn, Stan DeGroff, W8SRB, enthusiastically addressed a group of students saying, "Amateur radio is a world of career choices! It can lead you in so many directions."

DeGroff, who is president of the Williams County Amateur Radio Association (WCARA), reminded them that so many facets of amateur radio can lead to fascinating careers in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics. He explained how his own interest in amateur radio and computer programming led him to some interesting applications in his career.

The students were there to meet with area ham radio operators as a part of an open house in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day.

One of the club members, Mike Kwiatkowski, KE8YUJ, an instructor at the college and a recent graduate of the ARRL Teacher's Institute, has been working with other WCARA club members to plan experiences that can generate more interest in young people about amateur radio.

After getting the go-ahead from the college to hold the Ham Radio Open House on April 22, the group set up a tent with some working radios, antennas and remote solar-powered equipment.

Kwiatkowski also spoke with a colleague, Matt Geiger, WB3AK, an instructor at the Four County Career Center, which is next door to the college, and said he would bring over a couple of classes of his high school students to the tent.

Since the students from both schools are largely from Williams, Fulton, Defiance and Henry counties, the club also put out the word to some members of the neighboring county amateur radio clubs to see if they would like to come that day.



D.C., and the [Portsmouth Paducah Project Office](#) in Lexington, Kentucky.

The unique drill highlights how EM draws from innovation to ensure safety excellence while working to meet DOE's legal cleanup responsibilities.

"This drill highlights our commitment to preparedness and innovation when dealing with emergencies," Paducah Site Lead April Ladd said. "By incorporating amateur radio, we've added another layer of resiliency that can keep vital communication lines open, even when traditional methods are down."

Historically, operators of amateur radio — commonly known as ham radio — have provided critical support during emergencies, including recent natural disasters affecting western Kentucky communities. Their participation in the Paducah Site drill underscores the important role community partners play in supporting DOE's mission, such as [mutual aid agreements with local law enforcement](#) and [outside first responder agencies](#).

Four Rivers Nuclear Partnership (FRNP), the Paducah Site deactivation and remediation contractor, coordinated the innovative exercise. FRNP is tasked with conducting cleanup in accordance with the [Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act](#).

"Strong partnerships between DOE, contractors and the community are at the

Gretchen Arno, KE8OKA, secretary of the Fulton County Amateur Radio Club, made an impactful presentation as she contacted a man who was contacted by his radio in a Parks On The Air contest in New Jersey.

It opened up a slew of questions about how amateur radio operators make contacts, participate in contests, what equipment they use, how it helps the community, and more. Randall Schadt, WZ8Q, president of the Defiance County Amateur Radio Club, also stopped by during the day.

[Full Article](#)

heart of the emergency management program at the Paducah Site,” FRNP Program Manager Myrna Redfield said. “Exercises like this not only enhance our preparedness but also strengthen ties with local responders who share our commitment to protecting people and the environment.”

The drill shows amateur radio can bridge communication gaps when cell phones, landlines or internet service are unavailable, giving first responders a powerful tool to ensure critical connections continue during a crisis.

While the Paducah Site maintains several communications systems, the addition of amateur radio provides a proven, low-cost and reliable alternative when conventional infrastructure is unavailable, site officials say

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

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### Special Event Stations

Contact these stations and help commemorate an historical occasion or other special event. Many special event stations offer a special QSL card or certificate.

**Certificates and QSL cards:** To obtain a certificate from any of the special-event stations offering them, send your QSO information along with a 9x12 inch self-addressed, stamped envelope to address listed in the announcement. To receive an event QSL card (when offered), be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped business envelope along with your QSL card information.

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# December 2025



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12/01/2025 | QCWA

## Anniversary Special Event

### Activity

Dec 1-Dec 7, 0000Z-2359Z, W2MM, Sandpoint, ID. Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc..  
3.540/7.035/14.040/21.050/28.050 CW  
3.810/7.244/14.262/21.365 SSB 28.325 MHz  
SSB Standard FT8/FT4 frequencies.  
Certificate. QCWA Activities Manager , 1613  
Poplar St, Sandpoint, ID 83864-2081.

[activitiesmanager@qcwa.org](mailto:activitiesmanager@qcwa.org)

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12/01/2025 | W2W Pearl

## Harbor Day Commemoration

Dec 1-Dec 11, 1300Z-2200Z, W2W, Hunt Valley, MD. Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum (ARCNEM) .  
14.241 14.041 7.241 7.041. Certificate & QSL.  
ARCNEM, 338 Clubhouse Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031. Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum (ARCNEM) will operate W2W in commemoration of the anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day and the role

12/11/2025 | WX3MAS

Dec 11-Dec 14, 1400Z-2200Z, WX3MAS, Nazareth, PA. Christmas City ARC. 14265 7270 3850. QSL. WX3MAS c/o DLARC, 14 Gracedale Ave, Nazareth, PA 18064.

[DLARC.club](http://DLARC.club)

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## 12/13/2025 | Ike's Atoms for Peace Anniversary

Dec 13, 1430Z-2200Z, K3S, Port of Baltimore, MD. Nuclear Ship Savannah Amateur Radio Club. 7,14,18,21,28. Certificate. Ullis Fleming, 980 Patuxent Rd, Odenton, MD 21113. Check spotting networks for frequency. See QRZ.com info for Savannah Award

[qrz.com/db/k3s](http://qrz.com/db/k3s)

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## 12/13/2025 | Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Dec 13, 1700Z-2359Z, NI6IW, San Diego, CA. USS Midway Museum Ship. 14.320 7.250

of electronics in WWII. Primary operation will be Dec 1-Dec 7 with additional operation possible during the Dec 8-Dec 11 period as operator availability permits. Operation on 80M (3.541, 3.841) and digital modes possible during event. Frequencies +/- according to QRM. QSL and Certificate available via SASE; details at [ww-2.us](http://ww-2.us) [ww-2.us](http://ww-2.us)

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## 12/05/2025 | Tubac, Arizona Luminaria Nights

Dec 5, 1700Z-2100Z, WE7GV, Sahuarita, AZ.  
Green Valley Amateur Radio Club. 14.242  
14.250 14.260. Certificate & QSL. Tom Lang,  
1085 West El Toro Road, Sahuarita, AZ 85629.  
<https://www.gvarc.us>

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## 12/06/2025 | Christmas in Bethlehem

Dec 6, 0000Z-2359Z, W9WWI, Bethlehem, IN.  
Clark County Amateur Radio Club of Indiana  
(W9WWI) Local repeater (W9JBQ) 146.850 no  
tones . 7.2. Certificate. Clark County Amateur  
Radio Club , P.O. BOX 201, Sellersburg, IN  
47172. <https://www.clarkcountyarc.org>

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## 12/07/2025 | Pearl Harbor Remembrance USS Wisconsin on the air

Dec 7, 1700Z-2200Z, N4WIS, Norfolk, VA. USS  
Wisconsin ARC. 14.264 7.264 7.064. QSL.  
Nauticus c/o Battleship Wisconsin Radio Club

14.070 PSK31 DSTAR on Papa System  
Repeaters. QSL. USS Midway Museum Ship  
COMEDTRA, 910 N Harbor Drive, San Diego,  
CA 92101. [www.qrz.com/db/ni6iw](http://www.qrz.com/db/ni6iw)

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## 12/19/2025 | Christmas in Bethlehem, NM

Dec 19-Dec 24, 1500Z-2359Z, KC5OUR,  
Peralta, NM. Valencia County ARA. 7.183  
14.283 21.283 28.383. QSL. VCARA, P.O. Box  
268, Peralta, NM 87042. [KC5OUR.com](http://KC5OUR.com)

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## 01/02/2026 | 20th Annual Straight Key Month. K3Y/0 thru 9 plus KH6, KL7, KP4 and DX member stations in six WAC areas operating straight key, bug and cootie keys. QSL card confirms one QSO per area, up to 19 for all-area sweep. See URL for op sched/map, stats, etc.

Jan 2-Jan 31, 0000Z-2359Z, K3Y, Ellicott City.  
SKCC - Straight Key Century Club. 3.550 7.055  
14.050 21.050. Certificate & QSL. SKCC c/o  
Ted Rachwal - K8AQM, 6237 Twin Lakes Drive,  
Smiths Creek, MI 48074.  
[www.skccgroup.com/k3y](http://www.skccgroup.com/k3y)

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(N4WIS), One Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA  
23510. [n4wis.org](http://n4wis.org)

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