

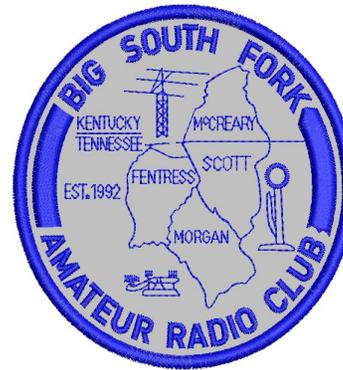
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Volume 34 Number 3- March 2026

## **The Modulator**

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 open it fully or you will be automatically dropped from our mailing list in 6 months.



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

**ARES**



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 Affiliated 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.



ARRL has announced free membership for full-time students aged 21 and younger.

**ARRL Membership**

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ARRL America250 Worked All States

**A Year-Long Worked-All-States Operating Event Celebrating the 250th Anniversary (Semiquincentennial) of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.**



While the object of the America250 WAS event is to make as many contacts with W1AW/portable states as possible, on as many bands and modes as possible (except 60 Meters), all operators are encouraged to explain celebrating America's 250th anniversary with the ARRL America250 WAS Award to the degree that your operating time allows.

**Summary:**

- The America250-WAS begins as a **Basic Worked All States Award** by contacting all 50 States in 2026.

**Endorsements:**

- Contacting W1AW/Portable stations in all 50 States.
- Contacting ARRL Affiliated Club Call Signs in all 50 States.
- Contacting all 50 States on CW and Phone and Digital for a 'TRIPLE PLAY'.

**Working All States toward achieving your America250 WAS by contacting W1AW/Portable Stations:** There will be week-long activations of portable W1AW/portable stations in all 50 states, and potentially in several US Possessions/Territories, that will generate on-air activity to achieve this unique WAS Award. For this operating event, ARRL will provide a listing of all W1AW/portable stations, who will each operate for 7 days (from a Wednesday through the following Tuesday) for 2 separate weeks in the year (an early week between January and July, and a late week between July and December). A few weeks will be listed as non-W1AW/portable weeks due to contests and ARRL Field Day.

**- There will be three (3) specialty Endorsements, including:**

- Earn WAS by contacting W1AW/portable stations in all 50 states (applying for this endorsement will become possible sometime into July or thereafter when the first wave of 50-state activations is completed and the second wave of state activations is underway - ending December 31, 2026).
- Earn WAS by contacting ARRL Affiliated Club stations in all 50 states (see the ARRL [Club Search web page](#) to determine the locations and call signs of ARRL Affiliated Clubs). *As an affiliated club we count for those making contact with us under the club's call sign of W4BSF.*
- Earn WAS Triple Play by contacting all 50 states *on all three modes* (CW/Phone/Digital)

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**W1AW Operating Upcoming Schedule:**

4-1-2026: California, Mississippi & North Carolina  
4-8-2026: Washington, Missouri & New Mexico  
4-15-2026: Delaware & Idaho  
4-22-2026: Iowa & Wisconsin  
4-29-2026: New Hampshire, South Dakota & Pennsylvania  
5-6-2026: Maryland, Nevada & Ohio  
5-13-2026: No activations

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**Volunteers Needed for W1AW/4 Tennessee!!**

IF as a club we want to operate as W1AW/4 here in Tennessee our window of opportunity is closing fast. Tennessee has been assigned June 10th through the 16th and September 16th through the 22nd for the WAS 250 event. We have to let the state coordinator know by May what our preferences are IF we are going to help out. This includes what time slot(s) we could operate within and what modes we can do. Time slots are as follows:

Early morning 6am-9am EDT

Morning 9-noon EDT

Afternoon noon-3pm EDT

Late Afternoon 3pm-6 pm EDT

Evening 6pm-9pm EDT

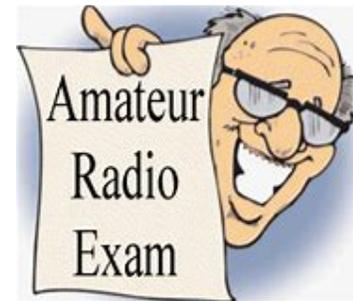
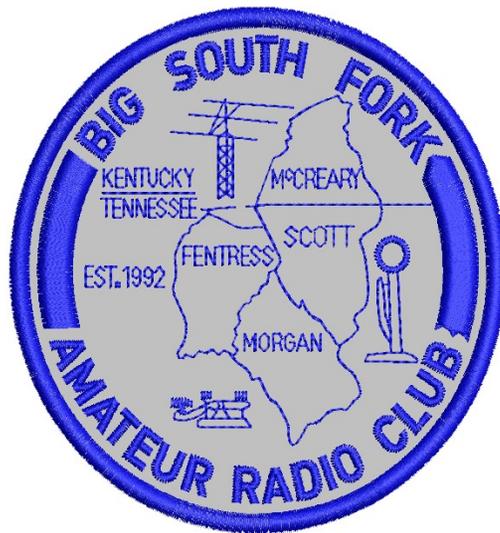
Night 9pm-Midnight

Overnight Midnight-6am

FULL Overnight 9pm-9pm EDT

Be sure to be at the next meeting on April 9th so that we can firm up who our coordinator will be and who our volunteers are.

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

## [Local and In-Person Exams](#)

## Club Bi-Monthly Meeting

April 9, 2026

Our next regular club meeting will be held on April 9th - 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 the 2nd Thursday of each month. Our agenda will include planning of special events and training sessions for 2026.

## Club Bi-Monthly Training Session

May 14, 2026

Our training will be held on May 14th - 2026 at 7:00pm Eastern at Roane State Community College in Huntsville TN. Topic to be discussed at the April Meeting.

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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

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 using 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 and with the ARRL youth program they will reimburse the youths that fee! We will work with you to schedule an exam in your area at a convenient time. No more waiting, long drives or trying to take an on-line test with multiple cameras. We 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.***

The National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) Question Pool Committee (QPC) has removed two questions from the General Class question pool and one question from the Extra Class pool from use. Due to recently published FCC rule changes affecting the 60-meter band (see previous ARRL News story), General Class questions G1A04 and G1C09 are no longer valid were removed from use on examinations.

Extra Class question E4D05 were also removed because it contains more than one correct answer. Our VE team is using the most current question pool to help ensure the integrity of this program.

LICENSE EXAM

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## Calendar of Events 2026

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.




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## Club Apparel



4/9/2026	BSFARC Meeting/Meet & Greet
4/11/2026	Radio Active Mid-South Expo - Memphis TN
4/18/2026	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 Training/Meet & Greet
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 Meeting/Meet & Greet



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!

6/13/2026	Knoxville Hamfest/ARRL convention
6/27/2026	ARRL Field Day
6/28/2026	ARRL Field Day
7/9/2026	BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet
7/11/2026	Greater Nashville & Middle Tennessee Hamquest
7/18/2026	MCARC (McMinn) Ham Fest
7/18/2026	POTA Support Your Parks Weekend
7/19/2026	POTA Support Your Parks Weekend
8/13/2026	BSFARC Meeting/Meet & Greet
8/22/2026	Huntsville AL Hamfest
8/23/2026	Huntsville AL Hamfest
8/23/2026	Cedars of Lebanon Hamfest – Lebanon, TN.
9/11/2026	Endurance Horse Ride
9/12/2026	Endurance Horse Ride
9/6/2026	Tennessee QSO Party
9/10/2026	BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet
9/19/2026	W4DXCC by SEDCO Pigeon Forge
9/19/2026	Big South Fork Haunting in the Hills Story Telling Festival
10/8/2026	BSFARC Meeting/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

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# Annual Spring Planting & Music Festival

BSFARC will NOT be  
participating this year.

April 25, 2026



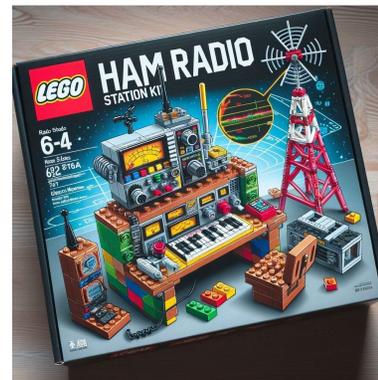
Everyone is still invited to step back in time at the 26th Annual Spring Planting and Music Festival as crafters demonstrate traditional skills you don't see every day, like blacksmithing, basket-making, hand-spinning, weaving, woodcarving, and even herbal garden traditions and paling fence-building.

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10/24/2026	NB 100 Race
11/12/2026	BSFARC Training/Meet & Greet
12/5/2026	Skywarn Recognition Day
12/10/2026	BSFARC Meeting/Meet & Greet
12/12/2026	ARRL 10-Meter Contest
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## LOCAL HAM FESTS 2026



4/11/2026

## Radio Active Mid-South Expo

**Location:** Memphis, TN

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Delta Club

**Website:** [Expo](#)

Admission and parking is free! The BSFARC board has decided NOT to have our club exhibit this year.

You'll also find plenty to do throughout the day, including:

- Children's activities
- Interpretive talks
- Fun run
- Bird watching
- Vendors demonstrating and selling handmade goods
- Food for purchase

We will evaluate our calendar of events for next year and work to get a chairperson signed up more in advance..

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## Museum Ships On The Air Weekend June 6-7th

## 04/18/2026 - Greeneville Hamfest

**Location:** Greeneville, TN

**Type:** ARRL Hamfest

**Sponsor:** Andrew Johnson ARC

**Website:** <http://greenevillehamfest.com>

[Learn More](#)

## 06/13/2026 -

## Knoxville Hamfest, ARRL Tennessee State Convention

**Location:** Knoxville, TN

**Type:** ARRL Convention

**Sponsor:** Radio Amateur Club of Knoxville

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

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## State QSO Parties





Thanks to Buddy W7BSF as he has volunteered to chair this event. Buddy will need an assistant and of course lot's of volunteers. Please reach out to W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG if you can help in anyway as time is short and we would hate to have to cancel this event and let others take it over.

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Here is a link to a YouTube video about state QSO parties: [LINK](#)

April 4-5th: Louisiana

April 4-5th: Mississippi

April 11-12th: New Mexico

April 11-12th: Missouri

April 11-12th: Georgia

April 11-12th: North Dakota

April 18-19th: Michigan

April 18-19: Ontario Canada

April 25--26th: Quebec Canada

April 25-26th: Florida

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October 23-24, 2026



## BSF Endurance Horse Ride

September 11-12, 2026

This two day event is held near the Bandy Creek visitors center in Big South Fork and is celebrating its 32nd year. While details are forthcoming they typically have a 25 and 50 mile endurance horse ride starting early on Friday morning. The rides are then repeated on Saturday. Ken N4KAP has been involved for many years and will once again help coordinate radio operators. Our role will be to call in rider status (as they pass your location) and any health and welfare traffic. There are

***First a big thank you for the recent donation we received from the No Business 100 event.***

The race is on as they have opened registration which was sold out in a matter of hours. This year being even the course will be run in a counter clockwise direction. That means that our normal aid-stations will be active Saturday during the day. Our chairperson for coordinating communication volunteers is once again Joe N4YLA. This is a great way of not only giving back to the community but also practicing your emergency radio skills. No prior experience is necessary and if needed we can pair up unlicensed volunteers with a radio operator. We will be providing health and welfare communications in addition to participant information such as drops and those in need of transportation. More to come but reach out to Joe and let him know that you are able to help support this event. You can also drop us an email at [W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG) if you can help in anyway with this event.

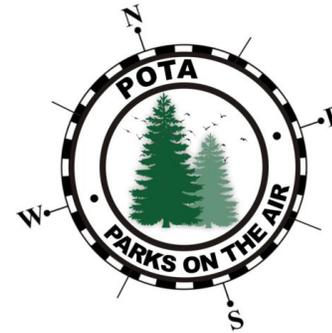
The BSFARC web page is a work in progress and the link is below:

**No Business 100  
Information**

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NO aid stations and we may be the only person the rider sees on the course. All locations can be driven to. More to come but reach out to Ken and let him know that you are able to help support this event. You can also drop us an email at [W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG) if you can help in anyway with this event.

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## Mountain Laurel Festival- Wartburg TN May 16, 2026

Looking to see if there is any interest in participating as a demonstration booth at the 11th annual festival. In the past we have operated an HF radio station from the courthouse grounds as a POTA station. There is no cost to the club but we need to provide

## Support Your Parks Weekend April 18-19, 2026

Each quarter POTA holds a special event where they encourage both activators and hunters to participate. If you are interested in activating a park using the club call sign or maybe joining in a multi-park rove let us know as we are putting together an informal roster to help coordinate your activities for that weekend. Ideally we would like to see some stations on the 10-meter technician portion of the band or have some guests get on the air at a fixed location. Please join us for either an hour or the entire weekend of being on the air. Drop us an email at [W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG) if you are interested in joining with us in some way or simply hunting from home.

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our own table/chair and of course radios. This is another great opportunity to demonstrate our hobby to the general public. Drop us an email at [W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG) if you are interested in supporting this event as we need to register for it soon.



## 10-Meter Contest Raw-Scores



While not official as the ARRL is checking all the log submissions we at least have an idea of how we did as the raw scores have been released for the 2025 contest.

KF4TY - Bill: 37,296 points for single operator-high power-phone was enough for 2nd place in Tennessee. He missed first place by about 100 points.



By Dudley Pitts KM4IYQ

Mentoring has long been the backbone of Amateur Radio. While technology constantly

evolves, the human interaction between hams will not be replaced and will always remain one of the hobby's strongest traditions. As licensed hams we are all ambassadors of Amateur Radio and we should always be looking at ways in which we can welcome newly licensed hams and project a positive image that will attract others to ham radio. We've all been there as a "newbie" in amateur radio and having a Mentor is a real game changer and, in most cases, determines if a newly licensed ham gets frustrated or continues to learn, grow, and advance.

K4IDB - Dave: 4,420 points single operator-low power-phone earned him a 7th place finish for Tennessee.

KI4JAV - Kelly: 2,494 points single operator-low power-phone put her right behind K4IDB for 8th place in Tennessee.

W4BSF - (Buddy): 2,016 points single operator-low power-phone put her right behind K4IDB & KI4JAV for 10th place in Tennessee.

There are no results for the club competition. Looking forward to having more participants next year. There were 76 stations from Tennessee that submitted logs so you can be in the top 100 with a single contact!!.

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## NASA Selects Participants to Track Artemis II Mission - NASA

The Artemis II test flight will launch NASA's Space Launch System (SLS) rocket, carrying the Orion spacecraft and a crew of four astronauts, on a mission into deep space. The agency's second mission in the Artemis

Mentors are also needed in the classroom settings. A Mentor is someone dedicated to helping other amateurs expand their knowledge and skill in Emergency Communications and other technical subjects important to the amateur community. It's a very important role in education.

Mentors are also expected to keep themselves current with the course material as it is

updated over time, but this doesn't mean that you have to know every detail. When a student asks a question, you can look up the answer in your own course material or ask for

assistance from other mentors to make sure you're delivering the right answer. Teachers have known for years that the best way to learn something is to teach it. Mentoring is the next best thing since you get questions about the material you may never have thought about. Mentoring is sure to stretch your knowledge in ways you never expected.

[Learn More](#)

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campaign is a key step in NASA's path toward establishing a long-term presence at the Moon and confirming the systems needed to support future lunar surface exploration and paving the way for the first crewed mission to Mars.

While NASA's [Near Space Network](#) and [Deep Space Network](#), coordinated by the agency's [SCaN \(Space Communication and Navigation\) program](#), will provide primary communications and tracking services to support Orion's launch, journey around the Moon, and return to Earth, participants selected from a [request for proposals](#) published in August 2025, comprised of established commercial service providers, members of academia, and individual amateur radio enthusiasts will use their respective equipment to passively track radio waves transmitted by Orion during its approximately 10-day journey.

[Learn More](#)



## TN ARES Open Positions

Our club has been and continues to be a big supporter of emergency communications and TN ARES. We can continue that support by helping them to recruit a amateur radio operator to take on the role of Emergency Coordinator as we have vacancies in Fentress and Morgan counties. Joe N4YLA has submitted his application and awaiting a response for the Scott EC position. As a club we would also like to update our roster of ARES volunteers in order to help out the new ECs develop their teams. Drop us an email at [W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSAFRC.ORG) if you are interested in emergency communications.

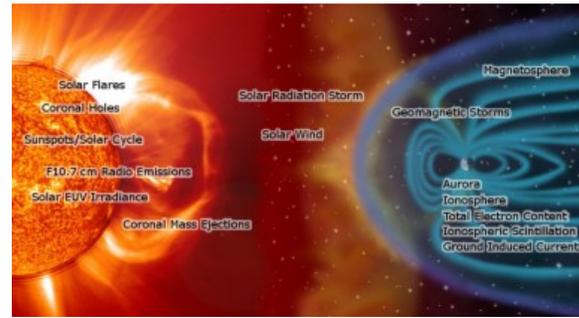
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## Solar Cycle 25



## 2026 ARRL Field Day June 27 - 28

ARRL Field Day is a radio communications event that brings together amateur radio operators (also called “hams”) within your community. The theme for 2025 Field Day is “Radio Connects” – highlighting the many ways that wireless technology connects people across distances near and far. The event is part picnic, campout, practice for emergencies, informal contest, and most of all, fun! ARRL Field Day is the most popular ham radio activity held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend in June each year, more than 31,000 hams get together with their radio clubs, schools, or friends to operate from remote locations.



By Dudley Pitts KM4IYQ

So far, Feb. 22nd and Feb.23rd have had completely blank suns. There have been no sunspots on the solar disk, breaking an uninterrupted 4 years of non-stop sunspot activity. What does this mean? It's an early warning of Solar Minimum, the low point of the 11-year solar cycle. During years around Solar Minimum, whole months can go by without a single sunspot, racking up dozens of spotless days in a row. Between 2018 and 2020 (the last Solar Minimum) there were more than 700 spotless days in total. Solar Cycle 25 still has years of life left in it. However, these spotless days tell us that the current cycle is waning. Sunspots will be back—probably tomorrow—but this past few weeks of February is a preview of things to come.

[Learn More](#)

For many radio clubs, ARRL Field Day is one of the highlights on their annual calendar. A typical Field Day site will showoff many aspects of amateur radio and its many roles.

Some groups use Field Day as an opportunity to practice their emergency communications readiness. ARRL Field Day is an annual demonstration and invites the general public and organizations to see how amateur radio can serve in an emergency, When All Else Fails®. Hams are well-known for their communications support in real disaster and post-disaster situations. Despite the development of very complex, modern communications systems – or maybe because they are so complex – ham radio has been called into action, again and again, to provide communications in crises when it really matters.

Amateur radio also inspires the next generation of technical leaders by providing a hands-on sandbox where students gain experience in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

For those with a competitive spirit, Field Day stations compete to make radio contacts with as many other stations as possible while

learning to operate radio equipment in challenging situations and less-than-optimal conditions. These same skills are used by hams who volunteer to help with large, preplanned, non-emergency events such as marathons and bike-a-thons; fundraisers such as walk-a-thons; celebrations such as parades, and exhibits at fairs, malls, and museums.

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## JOTA October 16-18, 2026

Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is an annual Scouting event that connects Scouts around the world with the use of amateur radio. Short-wave radio signals carry their voices to virtually any corner of the world. The use of amateur radio techniques offers an extra educational dimension for Scouts. Many boys and girls grasp the opportunity to discover the world of wireless radio techniques and electronics.

Thousands of Amateur Radio operators will assist the Scouts over the JOTA-JOTI weekend with their knowledge, equipment, enthusiasm and ethics. In some countries, Scouts may speak over the air themselves; in others, special permission can be obtained for Scouts to speak on the radio themselves during the JOTA weekend.

As a club we have a unique opportunity to introduce amateur radio to the next generations of hams. Ideally, we need a volunteer to lead this effort. With about 200 days before the event time is getting short as we should register a special event station for the weekend in the QST magazine and on the ARRL web site. We also need to plan for a couple of training sessions to get the scouts ready for on the air contacts. It truly takes a village to make something like this happen. The question is there enough interest to approach one or more scout troops to see if we can team up together? Let us know at the next club meeting or send us an email at [W4BSF@BSFARC.ORG](mailto:W4BSF@BSFARC.ORG).

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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 provide 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 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.

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## April 2026

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### 02/23/2026 | Republic of Texas SES

Feb 23-Apr 21, 0000Z-2359Z, WA5DTK, Montgomery, TX. TX History Operators Club. 7.030 7.230 14.040 `4.260. QSL. Barry Brewer, 10519 Bilsing Ct, Montgomery, TX 77356.

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### 04/01/2026 | Cyphercon

### 04/16/2026 | Wilbur Wright 159th Birthday Event

Apr 16, 0900Z-1600Z, W9W, New Castle, IN. Henry County (Indiana) Amateur Radio Club. 14.340. QSL. Dave Peters, 3517 Hampton Ct, New Castle, IN 47362. Henry County Amateur Radio Club - W9OB will be operating a special event station using the call W9W to celebrate the 159th birthday of Wilbur Wright. We will be operating from the Wilbur Wright Birthplace Museum in Henry County Indiana. We will also

Apr 1-Apr 3, 1500Z-2300Z, W9C, Milwaukee, WI. NA. 18.100 14.074. QSL. Jake Barbieur, PO Box 481, Richland Center, WI 53581.

<https://cyphercon.com>

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## 04/03/2026 | Tater Day 2026

### - Yam It Up

Apr 3-Apr 6, 0000Z-2359Z, KI4HUS, Benton, KY. Marshall County ARA. 3.820 7.250 14.325 28.350. QSL. Steve French KM4JZJ, 3640 Olive Hamlett Rd., Benton, KY 42025.

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## 04/04/2026 | Las Vegas

### Radio Amateur Club 65th

### Birthday

Apr 4, 1700Z-2300Z, N7L, Las Vegas, NV. Las Vegas Radio Amateur Club. 14.250. QSL. Paul Talbot, 2201 Barbers Point Place, Las Vegas, NV 89134. [lvrac.org](http://lvrac.org)

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## 04/05/2026 | 335th Mission

### Tumacacori Anniversary

be doing a POTA activation from US-4232, Wilbur Wright State Fish & Wildlife Area. Please send an SASE if you would like a commemorative QSL card. QSL requests should be sent to W3DKP. The address is good in QRZ. W9OB@yahoo.com or

<https://w9ob.org>

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## 04/17/2026 | Florida State Parks on the Air Contest

Apr 17-Apr 20, 1200Z-2359Z, W4AC, Nokomis, FL. Tamiami Amateur Radio Club. 14.337. Certificate. Tamiami ARC, PO Box 976, Nokomis, FL 34274. [fspota.org](http://fspota.org)

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## 04/18/2026 | K5LRK

Apr 18-Apr 19, 0000Z-2359Z, K5LRK, The Colony, TX. Lake Area Amateur Radio Klub. 14.040 MHz, 14.175 MHz 7.040 MHz, 7.175 MHz 21.040 MHz, 21.275 MHz 146.580 MHz. Certificate. Ken Rainey, 529 Kenilworth Ave., Little Elm, TX 75068. <https://www.k5lrk.org>

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## 04/18/2026 | MERT-22

Apr 5, 1700Z-2200Z, WE7GV, Sahuarita, AZ.  
Green Valley Amateur Radio Club. 14.242  
14.244 14.246. Certificate & QSL. Tom Lang,  
1085 West El Toro Road, Sahuarita, AZ 85629.

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## 04/10/2026 | The Titanic Memorial

Apr 10-Apr 15, 0000Z-2359Z, EG1912T, Vigo,  
SPAIN. Union Radiafeccionados de Vigo-Val  
Miñor. 14025 10105 7025 5355. QSL. Carlos  
Reboreda, Avenida das Caldas 53, 5-E,  
Ourense 32001, SPAIN. [seccion.vigo@ure.es](mailto:seccion.vigo@ure.es)

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## 04/11/2026 | Atlas Missile Silo, Oplin, TX

Apr 11-Apr 12, 1500Z-0100Z, KC5OLO, Abilene,  
TX. Key City Amateur Radio Club. 28.400  
21.300 14.250. QSL. KCARC Key City Amateur  
Radio Club, PO. 2722, Abilene, TX 79604.  
<https://keycityarc.org>

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Apr 18, 1200Z-1600Z, KG4NXO, Ocala, FL.  
Marion County Florida Emergency Radio Team  
(MERT). 443.875 reflector 30C KG4NXO 3.950  
SSB, + or - 20 7.235 SSB, + or - 20 14.275 SSB,  
+ or - 20. Certificate. KG4NXO, 7199 SW 95th  
Court, Ocala, FL 34481. [MERT-  
22@KG4NXO.com](mailto:MERT-22@KG4NXO.com)

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## 04/23/2026 | Battle of Hobkirk's Hill

Apr 23-Apr 27, 0500Z-0500Z, K4H, Camden,  
SC. Kershaw County Amateur Radio Club -  
KC4RC. 14.325 MHz 7.225 MHz 21.325 MHz  
3.825 MHz. Certificate. No QSL cards,  
eCertificates only, request from  
[info@kc4rc.com](mailto:info@kc4rc.com), Camden. [info@kc4rc.com](mailto:info@kc4rc.com)

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## 04/24/2026 | Handiham Program 59th Anniversary QSO Party

Apr 24-Apr 26, 1900Z-1900Z, W0ZSW,  
Minneapolis, MN. Handiham Radio Club.  
28.350 21.350 14.250 7.200. QSL. Handiham  
Program, 3915 Golden Valley Road, Mail Route  
78446, Minneapolis, MN 55422. [handiham.net](http://handiham.net)

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## 04/11/2026 | Shark's Tooth Festival

Apr 11-Apr 12, 1400Z-2200Z, W4AC, Nokomis, FL. Tamiami Amateur Radio Club. 14.260 14.034 28.460 28.034. QSL. Tamiami ARC, PO Box 976, Nokomis, FL 34274. [tamiamiarc.org](http://tamiamiarc.org)

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## 04/14/2026 | Sun & Fun Aerospace Exposition

Apr 14-Apr 19, 0817Z-0817Z, W4S, Lakeland, FL. Lakeland Amateur Radio Club. 14.40 7.40 18.93 28.40. QSL. Lakeland Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 90853, Lakeland, FL 33804. [info@lakelandarc.com](mailto:info@lakelandarc.com)

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## 04/15/2026 | Franklin County VA Moonshine Heritage Month

Apr 15-Apr 30, 0000Z-2359Z, W4M, Boones Mill, VA. AA4SS. 7 14. QSL. Timothy Boyd, 150 Forest Hill Ln, Rocky Mount, VA 24151.

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## 04/25/2026 | Int'l Marconi Day Official Station

Apr 25, 1300Z-2100Z, K3S, Baltimore, MD. NSSARC. 7000. QSL. Ulis Fleming, 980 Patuxent Road, Odenton, MD 21113.

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## 04/26/2026 | POTA in the Bahamas

Apr 26-May 9, 0000Z-2300Z, kc1yl, Seminole, FL. W4PRK. 7.268 14.320 3.905 28.500. QSL. LISA neuscheler, 11282 OAKRIDGE TRAIL, 11282 OAKRIDGE TRAIL, Seminole, FL 33772

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## 04/30/2026 | 2026 BEACON Exercise

Apr 30-May 1, 1600Z-0000Z, KA6OES, Eureka, CA. Humboldt County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services. 7.1920 3.9920 14.2205. Certificate. Greg Waters, 826 4th street, ATT: OES, Eureka, CA 95501. [beaconexercise.org](http://beaconexercise.org)

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04/16/2026 | Louisiana

## Purchase Special Event

Apr 16-Apr 21, 0600Z-0600Z, N5L, Gonzales,  
LA. Ascension Amateur Radio. 14.300.  
Certificate. K5ARC, PO Box 1617, Gonzales, LA  
70707. [www.k5arc.org](http://www.k5arc.org)

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