

June 2017

The Newsletter of the Alford Memorial Radio Club



My Big Step Into The Past Obtaining My Grandfather's Call Sign



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Help us setup and take down at Field Day.



June 2017 President Notes-Field Day

June means Field Day. The AMRC will be participating in the ARRL event on July 23rd-25th in Stone Mountain Park at the events meadow. It is sure to be a blast with radio contesting, camping, picnics, a dessert contest, homemade ice cream, games, and all sorts of fun.

Field day will have all kinds of radio activities. There will be a GOTA station, SSB voice where any visitor can try amateur radio with station captain Beau KM4YMI. The other two SSB voice stations will be captained by Allyson AB4YL and Greg KM4RKT. There will be 2 CW stations and they will be captained by Al Hughes and Kevin Wood. Our digital stations will include FLDIGI and PSK31.

Please participate in field day this year. To sign up click here. You can sign up for the 23rd through the 25th. We will need people on Friday for set up and Sunday for tear down in addition to participating in the event.

Drinks & BBQ will be provided. Club members and guests are asked to bring a side dish. This year we will be having an old fashioned "dinner on the grounds". Please fill in the items you plan on bringing for lunch and for supper. As a rule of thumb, bring enough for your family plus one. There is a fee to entering the park unless you already have a parking sticker for the year.

A Special Calling of the World-Famous <u>Turnip</u> <u>Truck Net</u> will be held at field day on June 24th. We will have a special guest from the old days on the Net with fun stories from the past.

Al Hughes, NZ4A will be our field day chairman. He will prepare us at our June meeting. If you have specific questions about Field Day contact Al at rudyahughes@gmail.com and he will be happy to assist you. Click here for ARRL information on Field Day.

Next month the Annual Peachtree Road Race will take place on July 4th and volunteers will be needed. It takes more than 3,500 volunteers to support the AJC Peachtree Road Race and its

60,000 participants! They need 31 ham radio volunteers as of print time this year. For more information Click here!

Stone Mountain Hamfest monthly meetings will begin starting in July and will continue through October, TBA. The Hamfest is our money maker that financially supports all other club activities along with equipment storage and repeater management. Please consider being active in the planning and volunteering for the yearly Hamfest.

November we will have our popular home brew show and tell meeting. You won't want to miss it. Come show off your projects that you have been working on.

The May 13th Turnip Truck Workshop was a great success. We made 13 power gate kits, helped 3 people get their radios programmed, and gained 3 new members from this event. We'll do this again. Thanks to Zargon, WB2PSB, Greg, KM4RKT, John, KM4UJP and Pat, N4MPC.

If you're not signed up to receive messages through the Alford Memorial Radio Club Yahoo Group or Facebook page, you should click here to stay informed and post your response. Our TOTR newsletter, Club meeting minutes, pictures, club financial reports, as well as some presentations will be available under "Files and Attachments".

We'll see you at the club meeting, 73

Mike Smith, KK4KHS



AMRC June Meeting Program

Thursday, June 8, 2017 7:00pm

Field Day Operations 2017: Planning For A Successful Field Day

Al Hughes NZ4A, Field Day Chairman

The Alford Memorial Radio Club 76 Repeater is located on top of Stone Mountain, approximately 110 ft. up the TV transmission tower. Echolink is sometimes available on this repeater.







In

February of 2015 the old Micor 145 and 444 repeaters and the cabinets associated with that equipment were replaced with brand new Kenwood commercial grade repeater equipment.



Located at Exchange Park, up and running beautifully,

Up and Running at Exchange Park.

JULY 2017 PROGRAM

TO BE DETERMINED



AMRC Membership

AMRC Membership

As of June 1, 2017

Total Memberships=139

Welcome New Members
Steve Wisenburg KM4CVU
William Wisenburg KM4ONE
Allen Hicks KM4BYB
Matt Hicks W4QMH
Richard Canova KN4CGJ
Russell Prevost KN4CGO

AMRC MEMBERSHIP

To become a AMRC member, or to renew your AMRC membership, please visit our website

http://totr-radio.org/membership/memapp.htm

To make changes to your AMRC membership (moved, new email address, new phone number, etc.), please email the Membership Chairman-steve.n4tty@gmail.com

You can **renew or update** your Amateur Radio license information with the FCC at their website for free

http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/index.htm?job=home

To update your ARRL information, please visit their website - http://www.arrl.org

Membership Chair: Steve Garrison, N4TTY

Club Dues Help Support Our Repeaters and Club Activities

HADDY BIRTHDAY!!

From All of Us at AMRC

Birthdays by, K4GZZ

6/2 Harvey K4HAP

6/4 Michelle KM4FPO, Bob KM4BHK

6/5 Gillian KM4DEY

6/6 Bob W4ETN

6/11 Mike KC4YCF, John N8UR

6/15 Jeri N6OTU, AI NZ4A

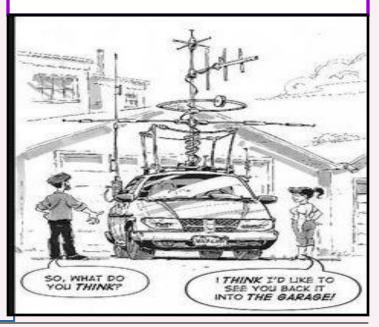
6/16 Larry KE4TUW

6/18 Susan KM4FMT

6/25 Alejandro KJ4VV

6/29 Mac WB4OZV

6/30 Jim N4BFR



Arthur Godfrey K4LIB

Famous HAM of the Month

Arthur Godfrey became an icon to us with his success in early 1940s-50s broadcast radio and television both on NBC and CBS. Godfrey helmed two weekly series and a daily 90-minute television mid-morning show ,but by the early 1960s, his presence had been reduced to hosting the occasional TV special and his daily network radio show, which ended in 1972. Godfrey was no stranger to radio even before his career in broadcasting.

Godfrey was a very well-known and highly regarded Ham Radio Operator with the station call K4LIB. When he died in March 1983 from lung cancer, his much sought after QSL Card seems to have disappeared with him. We know he was heard chatting regularly on the 40 and 80 meter bands. Many old HAMS say they heard him or talked to him, but so few of his cards were ever received it is very difficult to find one. Unfortunately, to receive one from him must have been a rarity.

He was well suited in his uniform as a young seaman having served in the United States Navy from 1920 to 1924 as a ship board radio operator on a number of Naval Destroyers. Returning home to care for his family after the death of his father, duty to do the right thing mapped his journey.

Additional radio training became available to him during his service in the US Coast Guard from 1927 to 1930. During a brief stint while stationed at Curtis Bay Yard near Baltimore, he appeared on a local talent show. He became popular and landed his own brief weekly radio program. It would appear that our young "Red" (as he was known affectionately) and his broadcasting career was born.

Even though Godfrey spent many hours each week using radio and TV professionally, he found amateur radio a relaxing and enjoyable hobby. Even on his hunting trip to Africa he brought along some gear and kept in touch with the folks back home in Virginia.

By: Karl Phillips K4GZZ



UP-COMING PROGRAMS FOR ALFORD MEMORIAL RADIO CLUB

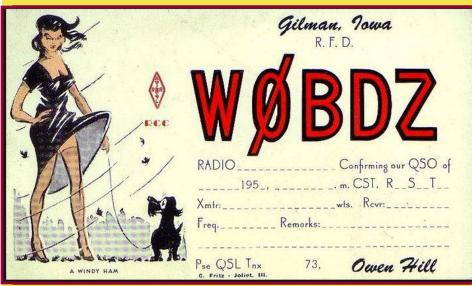
Join us for our weekly breakfast gathering at 7AM most Saturdays at: Metro Café Diner

1905 Rockbridge Rd. Stone Mountain, GA 30087

Field Day 2017 June 24-25 Stone **Mountain Events** Meadow



Vintage QSL Card



Merchandise from Alford Memorial Radio Club

Stop by the Merchandise table at the next AMRC meeting and order your Ham vest, check out the new AMRC polo shirts with club logo and your call sign.

See Richard Dickson, W4WRD or email him at richie707@aol.com with questions about items, or size and cost.

2017 AMRC Officers. **Committee Chairs**

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AMRC TIP OF THE MONTH BY Pat Deloe N4MPC

Power Pole Test Adapter

Power Pole adapter will let you know if there is power and correct polarity at a Power

Pole outlet. The LED will light with proper power and polarity. Probes can also be inserted to test voltage.

- 1. Wrap solid 14 gage wire 4 or 5 times around DMM probes then remove probes.
- 2. Solider straight end of wire to power pole connectors and insert into power pole

housing.

3. Solider leaded LED in series with 2.2 K Ohm resistor across the terminals. Check

that the LED will light when inserted into a powered Power Pole.

4. Wrap small amount of Scotch tape around the coiled end of the wires to prevent

hot glue from entering into DMM test socket. Cover the exposed part of test adapter with hot glue.

5. Clear test socket openings for DMM test probes.



W1MKW- My Big Step Into The Past

When my husband Greg KM4RKT received his technician license in Amateur Radio a little over a year ago, I was proud of him and also amazed, not to mention, concerned, at how fast his shack grew. Sharing the news with my parents, my mom excitedly stated that he could get her father's call sign. Greg shook his head and stated KM4RKT was a great sign and his, and he was not interested in applying for a different one. My mom backed down gracefully.

I decided I could get my license and obtain my grandfather's call sign, while I join my husband in his hobby. I set out to study, reading about Ohm's Law and FCC regulation, I was mysteriously driven. I opened that study guide and started my journey into amateur radio. When you take on someone's call sign who you loved it is more than a 1x3. It starts with the story of my maternal grandfather, Robert Ernest Joseph West, "Bob", WIMKW. It continues with my quest to take on his radio identification and connect intimately with a man I limitedly knew until now.

Born in Brookline, MA, June 15, 1920, an only child to Reuben and Eleanor West, both from hard working but wealthy families, Bob, was the apple of his mother's eye. His father was a stern man, a world traveler, and when he was often emotionally distant. Bob attended Culver Military School where he excelled in science, music, rowing, sailing, and navigation. He went onto study engineering at Georgetown University.

In 1938, he came to Cape Cod, MA as the Chief Engineer for the radio station WOCB, where he started a career doing what he loved. On the way home riding his motorcycle one night he was hit by a car full of intoxicated sailors who failed to stop at a four way intersection. My grandfather spent the next six weeks in a coma at the Cape Cod Hospital. A surgeon from Boston was visiting and drilled holes into his skull to relieve the pressure, and he survived. In the mid 1940s, before the age of health insurance he lost his job due to his injuries and long absence, from work. With a wife and two young daughters to support and \$10,000 in hospital bills, he cleaned out the chicken coop and started to fix radios for money. He flew the coop after he took a mail order class in TV repair. He had two stores, and was the first TV repairman on the Cape. He did well, slowly paying back his father-in-law every penny of that hospital bill he helped settle.

He was a musician and a charter member of the Cape Cod Symphony playing the flute. An amazing guitar player, he played for town dances and in bands with friends. His favorite song was the Wabash Cannonball, a song about a train, his favorite way to travel. Teaching boating, seamanship, and celestial navigation, he was an important member of the Cape Cod Power Squadron.

Bob was a lifelong Amateur Radio Operator, belonging to the Brewster Radio Club with the call sign W1MKW. Although my mother is unsure of when HAM radio became a hobby of his, she does recall him contacting DX stations by CW and Voice. As a musician he really had an ear for CW, and did CW ship to shore. He held watch on the air, like a lighthouse keeper, as he reported emergencies and mostly rag chewed with those at sea.

In February 1952, my mother remembers listening to the rescue of the SS Pendleton Crew over the radio, where a four man Coast Guard Crew went over the Chatham Bar in a Nor'easter Storm to rescue the 33 surviving sailors of the T2 tanker that had been trapped on the outer bar and broke into two pieces. They brought 32 men back safely on a small boat, whose capacity was for half of the men it carried that night. It is said in reenactments to this day, they can't fit the same number of men on the same type of vessel. A miraculous event was witnessed over the air in a cozy little seaside home, via a National radio. Now it can be witnessed in the comfort of your home, via DVD, The Finest Hours.

My mother states he would bring the neighborhood kids in around Christmas and let the kids talk to Santa on the radio. This is her fondest memory as a child of her father and his radio.

Pop adjusted his directional antenna on a long pole in the backyard. He had a crank inside the house that allowed the antenna to rotate. He has some mishaps including coming halfway through the ceiling when he missed his step while retrieving some equipment in the attic. Once he fell off the roof of the house when adjusting an antenna, he lost his footing. He landed in some bushes that seemed to break his fall. He was an Elmer to many young people in the hobby, including his nephew. When it came to radio, he like many of you was a fish in water.

My inspiration to become licensed was in the memory of this man I called "Pop" and saw two times a year. Before I obtained his call sign, he was the man who left at the age of fifty to go and live alone in a small smoky trailer with a cat. He was a man who had nothing and wanted less. The old guy who would trip his grandkids as we ran by him. He without fail wore two different kinds of plaid daily, and despite his good sight, wore them together. He drank Old Milwaukie Light beer, and if you brought him a cold one you would have to put a warm one in the refrigerator to replace it. And FYI Turnips, he called this beer rule, "the law of the woods." He liked his hot tea in the same mug and like a cast iron skillet, he never washed it, believing the stain added to the flavor of the tea. He always looked younger than he was, and was insanely brilliant, but mostly he was kind to people.

Club members often tell me they wish their family would take an interest in amateur radio and want their call sign. They express how special it is to take over a call sign of a relative. I concur with this statement. It feels like love to me. Some will argue that it is sad my grandfather does not know his call sign is once again on the air and cherished by his granddaughter. Those of you who know me well, understand my belief that there is very little distance between us here and those who have passed on. I will argue from a personal perspective stating that I have never felt as connected and loved by my grandfather, as I do now that we share this amateur radio identity. I would not be surprised if he orchestrated this entire thing. So, my advice to you is there is always time, and it is never too late to influence your kin. As I wholeheartedly believe my Pop did.

73, Gretchen Mann-WIMKW

Steps I took to obtain Pop's call sign:

- 1. I passed the test! I couldn't apply for a call sign replacement without having a technician license. I checked to make sure W1MKW was available by looking it up on the FCC database. If the call sign is stated as inactive or expired, it is available.
- 2. At first, Pop's call sign was inactive but not expired, and I had to apply that the call sign be cancelled. This was done by faxing to the FCC his death certificate. I had to prove he was a silent key before I requested the call sign. (This took a month—there is only one person in the FCC that does this job.). If it is expired, you can go ahead and request it. Expired means it is no longer the person's call sign who had it before.
- 3. Once it was expired, I submitted a request for the call sign W1MKW, and again waited a month as the same person was still the only on at the FCC doing this job.
- 4. I checked the database daily for my new call. Sign until it was listed under my name.
- **There is no longer a fee to receive your loved one's call sign.

TOTR Front cover, Gretchen's current QSL card, honoring Robert EJ West, W1MKW Other Pictures of Bob West on page 10.

If you have a special HAM radio journey, please share your journey. Send your stories and photos to gretchelby@gmail.com



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RACING AND RADIOS: HOW MY FAVORITE HOBBIES COLLIDE

Greg Mann, KM4RKT

I have two great hobbies – attending automobile racing events and amateur radio. Once a year I get to combine those two hobbies over the Memorial Day weekend at the Indianapolis 500. About 6-7 of my friends who are also into auto racing, travel to some common friends house in Pike Township, Indiana located around 10 miles northwest of the speedway. We usually all arrive by sometime Thursday night, filling up the guest bedrooms and laying out the air mattresses in the living room. Friday is Carb Day, the last practice session before the 500 on Sunday. There is also the Indy Lights race, a pit stop competition, and an infield concert usually by a well known group (Steve Miller Band this year!). Saturday is the Indianapolis 500 Parade through the streets of downtown Indy, featuring many floats, marching bands, and the race drivers



riding in convertible Chevrolet Camaros saying hello to the crowds. Sunday is race day!

The drivers communicate with their spotters, crew chiefs and engineers via two way radios in the UHF band. They are not scrambled or encrypted, so anyone with a UHF capable HT or scanner can listen in. All you have to do is get a scanner frequency listing, which can be found at sites like http://www.racingelectronics.com. You can then program your HT or scanner with your favorite driver(s) and listen in on the action. Also in the UHF band are the Indy-Car officials, the simulcast of the local FM radio broadcast, the track PA announcer, and the television broadcast (ABC). If you scan around UHF sometimes you can stumble onto the satellite uplink of the TV broadcast, where you can hear the TV announcers talk among themselves and the broadcast trailer during commercials. You would be surprised to hear what they say during commercial breaks - sometimes it's downright hilarious! You can also rent a scanner at the track, and they will come preprogrammed with all the drivers so all you have to do is change channels to hear the different drivers.

Programming your HT to listen in on the action is as easy as programming for simplex. Most HT models will also allow you lockout transmit as well. You can have the car number as the channel number, and the driver's name as the channel label. Even if you were to key down by accident, the radios the drivers and crews use have tones in them to keep out the accidental transmission. A good head-set is mandatory for a great listening experience!

I always program the Indianapolis 2 meter repeaters in too. There is always a lot of chatter on the repeaters race weekend, and valuable information such as weather and real time traffic conditions can be heard. This year on Friday night after Carb Day, some major weather moved in to the Indianapolis area. As the weather started moving in on us, I started scanning the repeaters and a SKYWARN net was kicking off. Spotters from all over were calling in weather reports in a very calm and orderly manner. The net was well run and the information was able to be disseminated to the proper agencies.

The race usually ends around 3:30, and depending on where you parked you might have a bit of a hike to get to your car. We parked in a neighborhood fairly close to the track so our walk was only 10 minutes. As is custom with massive traffic in the neighborhoods around the track, everyone just got out the camp chairs and waited for the traffic to clear, usually taking an hour or more. Those not driving were partaking of post race celebratory beverages, and everyone was talking about the great event we all just witnessed. About 4:00 the skies grew very dark and lightning was streaking across the sky. Soon the rains came. Hard. Front yards filled with cars and trucks and people out in the open, not a good situation to be in. Luckily our group was able to get in our cars to get out of the weather. The HT still had a good amount of battery left so I started scanning the repeaters and a SKYWARN net was active once again. Thankfully the storms blew through in 30 minutes and we were finally able to make our way back to Pike Township.

W9IMS is the special event station of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Amateur Radio Club, and they are on the air during three events: The Grand Prix of Indianapolis held in early May for IndyCar, the Indianapolis 500 held the Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend for IndyCar, and the Brickyard 400 in July for NASCAR. They have over 30 operators working race weekends on 160M through 6M, as well as 2M sideband and simplex. Work all 3 races in one year and you can get a very nice certificate. Work just one or two and you are eligible for one of their signature QSL cards. Learn more about W9IMS on their QRZ page.

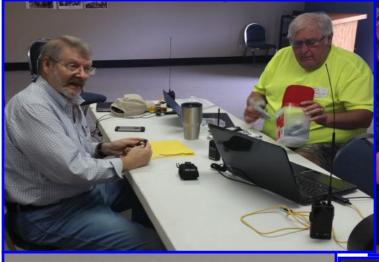


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Turnip Truck
Workshop gets
things done...
(despite
being Turnips).
Results!

Results!
13 power gate kits built
3 new members
3 radios programmed











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EXTRA! EXTRA!

EVENTS:

Ares State Net Listings:

Georgia State SECTION HF NETS!!!!!

- Georgia ARES Statewide 3975 KHz 2200 UTC Sunday K4GK Net Manager
- Georgia ARES Digital 3583 KHz 2100 UTC Sunday K4GO Net Manager
- Georgia Single Sideband Net 3975 KHz 7 PM Daily KE4VPD Net Manager
- Georgia Traffic & Emergency Net 3982.5 KHz
 7:15 Daily KI4NGD Net Manager
- Georgia Cracker Net 3995 KHz
 7 AM M-Sa & 8 AM Sun AF4XZ Net Manager
- Georgia Traffic Net 7287.5
 KHz (3587.5 Alt) Mon-Sat; WA0CGZ Net Manager
- Georgia Training (CW) Net 3549 KHz slow speed CW; 9 PM Daily; KG4FXG Net Manager
- Georgia State Net (GSN) 3549 KHz 7 PM & 10 PM Daily; K4GK Net Manager

Georgia ARES Web Site, Check it out!!!

https://gaares.org/index.php

- ARRL Field Day (Alford Memorial Radio Club) June
 24th, 25th (set up 23rd) - Stone Mountain Park Events Meadow.
- 3. The Peachtree Road Race, July 4th, Atlanta, GA.



- "Mr. Nelson...I'm afraid you will have to leave the air for a while during this procedure."
- ◆ Monthly club meeting is the 2nd
 Thursday of the month at 7:00pm
- Every Sunday at 7:00 pm: AMRC Sunday Night Net on the 146.760 repeater.
- Every Sunday at 8:00 pm: DeKalb ARES Net on the 145.450 repeater.
- Every Saturday at 7:00 am: AMRC Weekly Breakfast, Metro Café Diner, Stone Mtn, Ga.
- <u>Turnip Truck Net</u> at 11pm Saturday Night

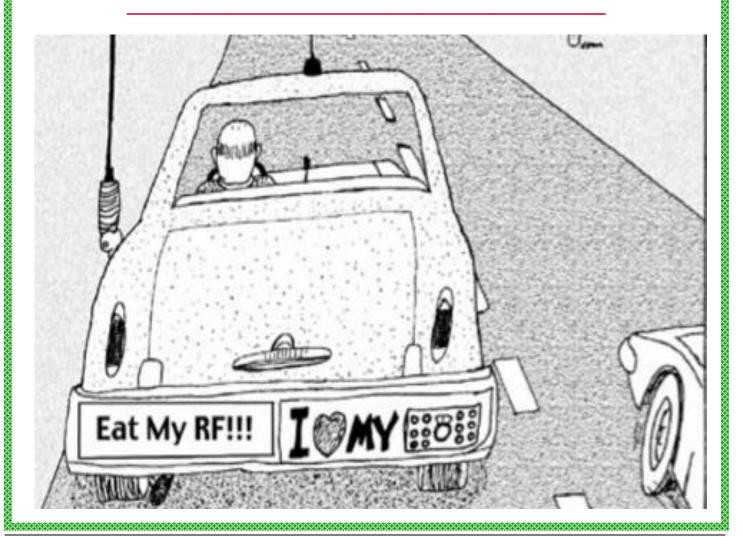


\$\$ Buy Sell or Swap \$\$

For Sale !! \$100 Astron RS-35A Power Supply for a widow whose husband is now a silent key. Brand new, or close to it, no wear. (35 amp peak, 25 amp continuous). It is great for running DC output from an AC wall outlet. It is heavy duty – weighs 25 lbs. Amazon sells it for \$205, see below ad. Call Brian Siegmund KF4MWI @ 678-639-1212







May NETS REPORT

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	May 28	30	May 28	10	4/5	May27	15

AMRC CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR June 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						3 7am Breakfast at Metro Café Diner 11pm Turnip Truck Net
4. 7pm AMRC Sunday Night Net 8pm DeKalb ARES NET	5.	6	7.	8 Alford Memorial Radio Club Meeting 7pm Raspberry Pi	9	10. 7am Breakfast at Metro Café Diner 11pm Turnip Truck Net
11. 7pm AMRC Sunday Night Net 8pm DeKalb ARES NET	12.	13.	14.	15	16.	17. 7am Breakfast at Metro Café Diner 11pm Turnip Truck Net
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Upcoming Amateur Radio Activities (metro Atlanta/north GA)

<u>Nets</u> (A net is an on-air opportunity for folks with common interests to chat and exchange information with each other. You don't need a license to listen in but you do need one to transmit.)

Net	Target Group	Day & Time	Sponsoring Organization	Frequency
AMRC Sunday Night Net	All licensed Amateur Radio Operators	Sundays, 7:00 PM	Alford Memorial Radio Club www.totr-radio.org	146.70 MHz, 107.2 Hz PL
Sunday Night	All licensed Amateur Radio Operators	Sundays, 8:00 PM	Atlanta Radio Club www.W4DOC.org	146.820 MHz, 146.2 Hz PL
DeKalb ARES Emergency Practice Net	All licensed Amateur Radio Operators interested in ARES activities	Sundays, 8:00PM	DeKalb County ARES www.dekalbares.org	145.45 MHz, 107.2 Hz PL
NFARES (North Fulton ARES Net)	All licensed Amateur Radio Operators interested in ARES activities in the North Fulton area	Sundays, 8:30 PM	North Fulton Amateur Radio League www.nfarl.org	147.06 MHz, PL 100 Hz PL Echolink N4SBD-R
WSIN	Want, Sell and Information Net	Monday 7:30pm	Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society www.GARS.org	147.075 MHz, Echolink W4GR-R
Atlanta ARES	All licensed Amateur Radio Operators interested in ARES activities	Mondays, 7:30 PM	Atlanta Radio Club www.W4DOC.org	146.820 MHz, 146.2 Hz PL
TechTalk	People who have questions about ham radio equipment and techniques	Mondays, 8:30 – 9:30PM	North Fulton Amateur Radio League www.nfarl.org	145.470 MHz, (-) 100 Hz PL Sweat Mountain repeater, Echolink node # 560686. Chat room: http://nfarl.dodropin.org
Know it All Net	Operating information Q&A	Wednesdays 8:30pm	Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society www.GARS.org	147.075 MHz, EchoLink W4GR-R
YL Net	Women interested in ham radio	Thursdays, 8:00 – 9:00 PM	North Fulton Amateur Radio League www.nfarl.org	Echolink ALARA Conference Node 286905 or use the 145.47 MHz, (-) 100 Hz PL repeater.
AMRC Turnip Truck Net	All licensed Amateur Radio Operators	Saturdays, 11 PM	Alford Memorial Radio Club www.totr-radio.org	146.70 MHz, 107.2 Hz PL

Metro Atlanta Amateur Radio Clubs You Might Like to Visit/Get Involved With:

Alford Memorial Radio Club www.totr-radio.org Atlanta Radio Club www.w4doc.org

Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society www.gars.org North Fulton Amateur Radio League www.nfarl.org

Activities

Date	Event	Website	Location / Notes
Monthly	Club Meetings	First Thursday of Month → Second Tuesday of Month → Second Thursday of Month → Third Tuesday of Month →	Atlanta Radio Club www.atlantaradioclub.org (Atlanta) Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society www.gars.org (Lawrenceville) Alford Memorial Radio Club www.totr-radio.org (Stone Mountain) North Fulton Amateur Radio League www.nfarl.org (Alpharetta)
Second Saturday of the month	North GA QRP Club meeting	www.nogaqrp.org	This small, but growing, group of amateur radio enthusiasts, most of whom are within 90 miles (and more) of Atlanta, are interested in promoting the development of low power amateur radio known as QRP. Meetings are normally held at the Shepherd Center , 2020 Peachtree Rd., NW Atlanta, GA 30309
Second Sunday of the month	Sunday Tech	SecondSunday.tech	2:00 – 5:00 PM at the DeKalb Peachtree Airport . This is a monthly hands-on technical session for hams and people interested in Amateur Radio activities. Check website for any changes in location
		Dekalb ares site	
May 19-21	Dayton Hamvention	http://hamvention.org	Dayton, OH. This is the world's largest convention dedicated to Amateur Radio.
May 13th	Hands on Building Project	www.totr-radio.org	
May 29	Satellites in the Park	www.gars.org	We'll set up a satellite station and practice for Field Day. Lots of fun helping set up for satellite contact. Bogan Park in Buford, GA. 1 PM
June 3	Atlanta Hamfest	https://www.atlantahamfest.org/	Jim R Miller Park in Marietta. Sponsored by the Atlanta Radio Club and the Kennehoochee Radio Club. Will have a special "YouthFest" area for young people interested in ham radio topics.
June 24-25	FIELD DAY	www.nfarl.org www.totr-radio.org www.gars.org www.atlantaradioclub.org	Field Day is the largest demonstration and celebration of Amateur Radio of the year. Pick a club and join them during any or all of this 24 hour event! You will be welcome!
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Interested in learning CW? (CW = Morse code) Go to the website, www.cwops.org, click on the CW Academy Tab to sign up for the next available class. It is key, critical, and required that prospective CW students commit to practice daily, and to have the keyer and paddles before class starts. (You can buy your own keyer and paddles or borrow them from someone in a local club.)

What is Ham Radio? http://www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio

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Right: The survivors of the SS Pendleton Disaster stand @ Chatham Light the day after the rescue.



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http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar

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