Orlando Amateur Radio Club

The Listening Post

Dedicated to Community Service and All Central Florida Hams June 2026

President's Message

Greetings!

I'm happy to report that the Board of Directors has decided NOT to have our members sign the Liability Waiver that the Beardall Senior Center asked everyone to sign in lieu of paying for the facilities on our meeting nights. We will continue to pursue being granted the fee waiver, as we have been for many years in the past. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the short survey on this subject.

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OARC MEETING

Wednesday, June 3, 2026, 7:30pm

William Beardall Senior Center
800 South Delaney Avenue,
Orlando, Florida 32801
License Exams: 5:30pm
For information & Updates
See www.oarc.org

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OARC REPEATERS

Call	Freq	Shift	PL
KB4UT	146.760	-600	103.5
K1AA**	147.015	+600	103.5

** Wires-X Gateway

D-Star

K1XC C*	146.820	-600	
K1XC B	443.275	+5MHz	
K1XC A	1275.00	-12 MHz	Voice
K1XC A	1255.00	Simplex	Digital
W4PLB C*	145.160	+600	
W4PLB B	442.300	+5MHz	

* Linked to reflector REF037C
All D-star repeaters are connected
REF037 is sponsored by OARC

ASK AN ELMER: Where you can ask questions and get respectful answers. Send your questions to: info@oarc.org

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About a month ago, the board opted to move the OARC.org and HamCation.com websites from a shared server to a virtual private server (VPS). Every year, PCI (Payment Card Industry) standards (accepting credit card payments online) get tougher. Lately, it has been nearly impossible to stay in compliance while on a shared server. By moving to the VPS, the PCI standards will be much easier to manage. While the migration of the websites is complete, you may notice some information is temporarily out of date. We are actively working on these updates and will have them completed as soon as possible.

Field Day is just around the corner! OARC will be joining the Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society, Orange County ARES, Seminole County ARES, and Radio Scouting at Central Winds Park (1000 Central Winds Dr, Winter Springs) on Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, June 28.

We will operate the following setups:

- 20m Phone Station
- 40m Phone Station
- 2 CW Stations
- Digital Station
- Satellite Station
- Get On the Air (GOTA) Station

In accordance with ARRL rules, the Satellite and GOTA stations do not count toward our official station count or bonus points. We need volunteers to operate these stations for the full 24-hour period, starting at 2:00 PM on Saturday until 2:00 PM on Sunday (weather permitting).

Please use this SignUpGenius Form to sign up for operating, setup, or teardown shifts.

Schedule Overview:

- Friday: Moving trailers to the site. If extra help is needed, we will send out an alert.
- Saturday (8:00 AM): Antenna and station setup begins.
- Saturday (2:00 PM) to Sunday (2:00 PM): Station operations. If severe weather moves in or the bands shut down early, we may begin teardown ahead of schedule to protect the gear and volunteers!

Saturday Night Dinner:

Dinner will be provided for everyone operating or volunteering onsite. The clubs will provide the main meats. Operators and volunteers are asked to bring a side dish to share. Please use this Google Form to RSVP for dinner and log your side dish.

For guests who are not operating or volunteering but would still like to join us for the meal, the clubs have instituted a $10 dinner fee. We strongly encourage everyone to sign up for an operating shift and join in the fun!

Coming up Saturday June 20th is the Orange County Hurricane Expo. The Expo will be at Oak Ridge High School, 700 W Oak Ridge Rd in the Gym. The Expo is open to the public starting at 9am until 1pm. Come out and learn more about Hurricanes, what you can do to prepare for them, talk to the experts, and pick up a free gift for attending. This event is FREE to the public.

Hope to see you this Wednesday evening at the OARC monthly meeting at the Beardall Senior Center. The meeting begins at 7:30p. Don't forget our test session starts at 5:30p at Beardall also. The evening program will be "High Efficiency Mutli-band Wire Antenna Design" by Gary Baker, K7EMF.

73,
John Knott, N4JTK

HamCation® 2027

Connecting Generations - 80 Years and Counting

(By Michael Cauley, W4ORL, General Chairman)

HamCation® 2027: Connecting Generations - 80 Years and Counting

Since its inception, Orlando HamCation® has grown from a small local gathering into the second-largest amateur radio convention in the world. As we look toward **February 12-14, 2027**, we celebrate a monumental milestone: **80 years** of community, innovation, and technical excellence.

The theme for 2027, **"Connecting Generations - 80 Years and Counting,"** honors our rich history while keeping a steady eye on the horizon, it also serves as both a tribute to our legacy and a roadmap for our future. This isn't just an anniversary; it's a celebration of the "Ham Spirit" that bridges the gap between the vacuum tubes of the past and the satellite-linked SDRs of the future.

Bridging the Past and Future

Amateur radio has always been about more than just technology - it's about the people behind the mic and the key.

- **The Pioneers:**
  We honor the "Old Timers" who built the foundation of this hobby, from the early days of AM and CW to the development of the repeaters we use today.

- **The Modern Era:**
  We embrace the digital revolution, from FT8 and satellite tracking and software-defined radio (SDR).

- **The Next Generation:**
  By focusing on youth engagement and STEM, we welcome the digital native youth operators and makers who are pushing the boundaries with LoRa, mesh networking, and AI-integrated communications. HamCation 2027 ensures that the torch is passed to a new generation of makers and operators.

- **The Bridge to the Next Generation**
  At HamCation 2027, we are connecting the Pioneers of amateur radio with the Modern Era operators to the Next Generation of Hams that is using the world of coding, AI, and networking to take Amateur Radio to the next level in the next 80 years.

Our Club is Growing – New Members and Birthdays

(By Rick Peron, KM4KQQ, Membership Chairman)

KR4IZX Matthew Luby/General
KR4MAP Kevin Schneider/Tech
KR4MAB Paul Sorce/General
KR4MBK Donald Pierce/Tech
KR4MOA Alexis Flores/Tech

Birthdays this Month

AC1FS Conrad Benulis
AK9TX Cliff Bills
K4RPP Ralf Pemsel
KE2DBQ Richard Mastrocola
KG4BUT Grayson Butler
KJ4UZM Ramon Alicea
KN4IJA David Potashnick
KO4VEJ Diana Coffman
KR4CKS Chris Wolf
KR4FWU Kealan Frost
KR4JAU Bruce Bryson
N4PPR Charlie Santana
W4RSR Randy Richardson
WQ8P Nathaniel Smith
KQ4SIA Oscar Palau
KR4EHI John Carter
KR4FWV Cindi Gee
N2DB Barry Isbelle
N4ZZN Gregory Geist
W5DID Louis McFadin
AF4ZI Kenneth Christenson
K4KMJ Kevin Jeffers
KC3UPA John Gillette
KG4BDL Michael Bivins
KI4KNC Dennis Veselka
KK4VFO Stephen Berger
KN4YB Donald Whitlock
KR4AJE Nathaniel Pagel
KR4FWT Anthony De Rosa
KR4GON Bryce Maschino
N4EWH Evan Hoffman
W2AJT Anthony Testa
W7ICI Robert Lupo
WW4JC Joe Cordeiro

New ARRL Memberships and ARRL Renewal Memberships

OARC is an ARRL Affiliated Club and can receive a commission for every new ARRL membership and renewal submitted to ARRL Headquarters.

All membership dues are sent to ARRL to be processed, and the club receives a commission payment directly from ARRL. OARC could earn money while promoting the many benefits and programs of ARRL to ensure that amateur radio is protected and continues to be strong.

Pick up an application from Rick Peron, KM4KQQ, at any meeting.

HOW ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN OARC?

Thank you for being a part of the Orlando Amateur Radio Club (OARC). Can you believe that it's been such a short time since you first joined or last renewed your club membership? We hope you've been able to enjoy all the benefits of your OARC membership these past months.

RENEW NOW

If you have any questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Rick Peron KM4KQQ at Membership@oarc.org to see how we can meet your needs. We'd love to hear your feedback!

Membership is vital for the survival and continued functioning of the Orlando Amateur Radio Club, a nonprofit organization.

Membership in OARC includes:

- A monthly meeting with educational programs/current information about club activities for the amateur radio hobby,
- Camaraderie with others who enjoy the amateur radio hobby,
- A monthly newsletter with current information on a variety of amateur radio topics,
- Voting rights in annual elections of leadership positions within OARC,
- Connectivity through weekly local radio nets and social media.

By renewing your membership, you will help OARC continue to provide you with local amateur radio support you may need as you grow in the hobby.

Membership renewal is simple. Fill out the membership form found near the end of this newsletter and return to the address listed or bring it with you to the next monthly meeting of OARC and drop it off with the Membership Chairperson.

Expiring 6/30/2026	**Expiring 7/30/2026**	**Expiring 8/30/2026**
First Name Last Name/Call	**First Name Last Name/Call**	**First Name Last Name/Call**
Beatriz Berriz-Castro/KR4EJZ	Robert Benson/W4RJB	Josh Beecham/KR4FWS
Robert Boyett/KJ4ECW	Chris Brown/KR4FLG	Conrad Benulis/AC1FS
Robert Brooks/AG4RB	Nicholas Butler/N4BUT	Dick Camnitz/N4ORQ
John Carter/KR4EHI	Jim Carten/KN4VVG	Paul Colton/KV4NE
Trey Chandler III/KR4EJB	Alphonse Combs/KR4FBH	Nicholas Cosmidis/KR4FWR
Cathy Cutler/KR4EIM	David Corral/W9TAX	Arthur Cromwell/KR4GEP
Dennis Lynch/KO4RID	Melissa Devine/KI4KYB	Anthony De Rosa/KR4FWT
Trista Lyons/	Cathy Devine/KI4BUG	Kealan Frost/KR4FWU
Kenneth Lyons/KN4MDJ	Michael Devine/KF4LTF	Cindi Gee/KR4FWV
Henry Mercado/KR4EHL	Abigail Lentz/AA4ZM	William Gee/
Maria Monroe/KR4EIG	Jesus Marrero/KP4WR	Daniel Gee/KO4HDB
Joseph A Nixon/KR4CAN	Armando Mastrapa/N4AFM	Patrick Gee/KE4FMY

Gabriel Palau/KR4EHZ
Jacob Rosene/KR4EJW
Yuan Sierra/KR4EOW
Jay Summet/KR4EIY
Gary Van Wagner/KZ4TQ
Luther Pollok/KB4LHP
George Presley/K4RSV
Ajay Purohit/KM4WZC
Michael Kooiman/WY1E
Steve Thomas/KO4FEK

Volunteer Examiner Report

(by Aaron Morrison, AE4KO / Bob Cumming, W2BZY)

The Orlando Amateur Radio Club VE Team congratulates the following people who earned new or upgrades to their amateur radio licenses during the recent session before the OARC meeting:

EXTRA CLASS*

GENERAL CLASS*

Alexis Flores/KR4MAO
Donald Pierce/KR4MBK
Kevin Schneider/KR4MAP

TECHNICIAN CLASS **

Matthew Luby/KR4IZX
Paul Sorce/KR4MAB
Mark Watkins/KR4MWW

* Congratulate these hams on their upgrades and listen for them in the new bands/frequencies they now have privileges to use.

** Listen for these new hams to "get on the air" once their license is in the database. Be sure to welcome them to a wonderful hobby and a whole new world!

The Orlando Amateur Radio Club holds a Ham Radio License Exam Session the first Wednesday of each month just prior to our club meeting. Testing begins at 5:30pm. You can always check out our website at OARC.org for the latest information.

The Volunteer Examiners for this session included:

AE4KO Aaron Morrison	K2KIQ Paul Kronenwettr	N4UMB Joe Patti	WR4RW Rich Wilson
NE4H Ed Thralls	W2BZY Bob Cumming	W4VBK Rod Cavin	KT3S Den Ardinger
NT4K JC McCormick	W9TAX David Corral		

*** **FROM THE EDITOR**: There have been several changes at the FCC such as requiring that your FRN contact information be updated within 10 days of a change. You must use the Commission Registration System (CORES), not just the LICENSE MANAGER SYSEMS. If this is your first time attempting to use the CORES system, it

can be challenging but not impossible. The articles near the end of this newsletter may be helpful as you meet the challenge.

How to Renew Your License Online

(QST Magazine October 2023, pp 62-63)

FCC to Require Two Factor Authentication for CORES Users

(The ARRL Letter for March 21, 2024)

FCC Requires That FRN Contact Information Be Updated Within Ten Days of a Change

(The ARRL Letter for February 19, 2026)

OARC Meetings and Events 2026
Important Meeting Information

2026	
June 3, Wednesday	License Exams 5:30pm Meeting 7:30pm at the Beardall Senior Center Program: "High Efficiency Mutli-band Wire Antenna Design" by Gary Baker, K7EMF
June 26 – 28, Friday - Sunday	Field Day Location: Central Winds Park, Winter Springs
July 1, Wednesday	License Exams 5:30pm Meeting 7:30pm at the Beardall Senior Center Program: "Close Encounters of the Microcontroller Kind" by Glen Popiel, KW5GP
August 5, Wednesday	License Exams 5:30pm Meeting 7:30pm at the Beardall Senior Center Program: "Ask and Elmer" by OARC Board of Directors

September 2, Wednesday	License Exams 5:30pm Meeting 7:30pm at the Beardall Senior Center Program: "Off Grid Communication with LoRa and Meshtastic" by Tom Graham, WX8TOM
October 7, Wednesday	License Exams 5:30pm Meeting 7:30pm at the Beardall Senior Center Program: "Near Vertical Incident Skywave (NVIS) Antenna for EmComm" by Gary Spangenberg, KF4GGK
November 4, Wednesday	License Exams 5:30pm Meeting 7:30pm at the Beardall Senior Center Program: "10 acres for Antennas Where my Wife Doesn't Live: Building a Remote Station" by Bruce Perens, K6BP
December 5, Saturday	Holiday Party

ASK AN ELMER

Where you can ask questions and get respectful answers.
Send your questions to: info@oarc.org

Hams in the Park – June 6, 2026

(by Joe Marsh, KQ4AID)

* June 6, 2026 8am-12pm
* Red Bug Lake Park
* 3600 Red Bug Lake Rd, Casselberry, FL 32707 :
* https://maps.app.goo.gl/HnUyqBRyDJoMEkYW6

Suggested to bring (only if you have, no worries if not):

- HF radio(s) and cables
- Antenna(s)
- Portable power (battery, solar)
- VHF/UHF radio(s)
- Portable table
- Popup canopy
- Camp chair

- Drinks, snacks of your choice, and lunch if you like

We look forward to seeing you there.

SKYWARN Spotter Training
August 13, 2026
Must Register to Attend
www.weather.gov/MLB/SKYWARN

STEM On and Off the Air

(The ARRL Letter for May 7, 2026)

The Garden School Amateur Radio Club in Jackson Heights, New York, K2GSG, was started in September 2016 as a way to implement the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) standard at the school.

Currently the ARRL Affiliated Club has 13 members ranging from 4th graders to 12th graders.

Well, last week they got a big surprise...they were on television...in Chicago!! CBS News in Chicago aired a short feature that showed the students using amateur radio to make contacts and then transmitting weather reports on the air to a SKYWARN training net!

You can watch the video at **www.cbsnews.com/chicago/video/students-learn-how-use-ham-radio**.

Their reaction to seeing the video, "They loved it!" said their teacher, John Hale, KD2LPM.

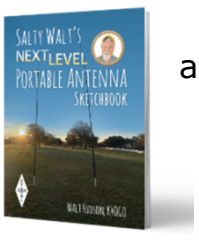
Hale said students are learning more than just how to push buttons...they are learning how to talk on and off the air! One student said he really did not know how to speak correctly but amateur radio was helping him improve his speaking, reading the station IDs and reading those weather reports. The group may participate in ARRL Field Day later this year.

Hale has been selected for the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology (TI) for an upcoming session on Long Island this summer. TI is a donor-funded professional development program designed to help classroom teachers elevate their STEM programs using wireless technology.

Garden School was founded in 1923 to meet the need for a high-quality, independent school in Queens.

Salty Walt Goes "Next Level" with New Portable Antenna Sketchbook

(The ARRL Letter for May7, 2026)



For many hams, portable operating starts simply: a wire in a tree, a folding chair, and the lure of making memorable contacts from a favorite spot. For Walt Hudson, K4OGO — better known to many as "Salty Walt" from YouTube's Coastal Waves & Wires — that spirit of the outdoors has always been the point.

Now Walt is back with a second collection of antenna projects, *Salty Walt's Next Level Portable Antenna Sketchbook*, expanding on the easygoing, field-tested style that made his first book a favorite among radio amateurs.

Where *Salty Walt's Portable Antenna Sketchbook* focused on beachside builds and creative wire antennas, the new volume ventures into even more concepts while keeping the designs approachable. Readers will still find practical, deployable antennas designed for parks, beaches, and backyard operating, but this time Walt explores ideas like phased arrays, beam-forming, and higher-gain directional arrays — all presented in his familiar notebook-sketch style.

"Designing, building, improving, and learning about antennas never ends — it evolves," says Walt. "This book is meant to take antenna building to the NEXT LEVEL."

The 17 projects range from relatively simple builds, such as a three-element vertical Yagi-Uda and half-square antenna, to more sophisticated designs including portable rhombics, bobtail curtains, and co-phased vertical arrays.

Throughout the book, Walt keeps the emphasis on learning-by-doing, with the same entertaining teaching style and relaxed voice that fans have come to expect. "I referred to my first book as the Jimmy Buffett of antenna books," Walt says. "Well, this is the second album, where the songs are only getting better."

Alongside the antenna projects, Walt shares radios from his personal collection, and operating tips to help amateurs get the most from their stations, whether running QRP or operating at 100 watts. The book also explores military-inspired antenna systems and streamlined wire antenna designs that can be deployed with minimal equipment. The result feels less like a technical manual and more like riding along on another operating adventure.

Salty Walt's Next Level Portable Antenna Sketchbook is published by ARRL. Find it now through the ARRL online store and ARRL publication dealers. ARRL Item No. 2370, ISBN: 978-1-62595-237-0, $27.95 retail, $24.95 ARRL member price.

For builders looking for a quick weekend project to start out, ARRL offers an End-Fed Half-Wave Antenna Kit as an accessible introduction to portable wire antennas. To order by phone call 1-888-277-5289 (toll-free in the US), Monday through Thursday, 8 AM to 7 PM, and Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM Eastern Time. Outside the US, call (860) 594-0200.

ARRL will host Salty Walt at the 2026 Dayton Hamvention®, May 15 – 17. Walt will lead a portable antenna forum on Friday, and sign books throughout the weekend.

USCG Adopted by the Barnstable Amateur Radio Club

(The ARRL Letter for May 14, 2026)

The Barnstable Amateur Radio Club (BARC) in Massachusetts has "adopted" a Cape Cod Coast Guard station for what is hoped to be a new amateur radio initiative.

ARRL New England Division Assistant Director Rob Leiden, K1UI, said the process all started early in 2025 with the club's Technician License in a Weekend class at the US Coast Guard (USCG) station in Chatham.

"We began testing at USCG Station Chatham, but at that time no Coast Guard members were involved," said Leiden. "However, during the February 2026 Cape Cod blizzard, there was a breakdown in normal communication and an extended loss of power. Local amateur radio repeaters, using emergency power generators and large capacity battery banks, provided a lifeline for snowed-in hams, shelter operations, and National Weather Service reports."

Coast Guard members showed an interest after they became aware of the contributions of Cape Cod ARES to the emergency response operations coordinated by the Regional Emergency Planning Committee.

On April 25 - 26, 2026, the first class was held for Coast Guard enlisted personnel and was unique in two ways. As part of the most recent initiative, and in recognition of their service and the temporary lack of funding for the Department of Homeland Security, all FCC and ARRL VEC exam fees were underwritten by BARC, and all ARRL Technician License Manuals were provided by ARRL Eastern Massachusetts Section Manager Jon McCombie, N1ILZ, at no cost to the students. Eight enlisted petty officers at the station attended the Technician course and all successfully passed the exam. A second licensing class, planned for early June, will include additional enlisted personnel.

"For most of my crew, this was their first experience with a loss of all the utilities that we barely give a moment's thought to until they are lost," said Chatham Coast Guard Station Officer-in-Charge, Ross Comstock, KE5BM. "Now, the crewmen who have successfully earned their licenses are exploring all the different paths of amateur radio."

In the spirit of ARRL's "Year of the Club," BARC hopes that other clubs will adopt local military installations and hold license classes, both to show appreciation for the service provided by these young men and women and to attract new, young people into amateur radio.

"This type of relationship is what we talk about all the time," said ARRL Emergency Communications and Field Services Director Josh Johnston, KE5MHV. "Relationships are one of the keys to healthy clubs, ARES groups and amateur radio as a whole."

SteppIR Communications is Serving the Ham Radio Market Once Again

(The ARRL Letter for May 14,2026)

According to the SteppIR Communications website, their Urban Beam, BigIR, and SmallIR verticals, and three- and four-element Yagi antennas are available for online purchase. Their DB-series products are available but must be scheduled to fit within the production schedule of their commercial operations.

CEO John Mertel said in a recent Groups.IO post: "We never left ham radio because we wanted to, we did it because what we had been successful at for many years in the ham market was not working any longer and we were trying to be too many things to too many people and taking a lot of (deserved) heat in the process from our ham customers. We knew for certain that something had to change and while we did not know how this was all going to turn out, we were always hoping for some kind of rekindling of the ham radio consumer market. Now a year later, here we are; we have a stable, growing commercial business platform, key commercial partnerships, and we feel we can responsibly start going back to our original roots — our ham radio customers.

We're still not a perfect company by any means, for example we've got work to do on making the user experience a better one — albeit through more modern means of communication and support." ARRL spoke with Mertel recently: "Though we're not exhibiting at the Hamvention, we have donated an UrbanBeam to the grand prize pool. You can find our products online at our website, along with parts for all our products."

Thanks to ARRL Contest Update Editor Brian Moran, N9ADG, for the information contained in this story.

Report from the World's Largest Hamfest

(The ARRL Letter for May 21, 2026)

Radio amateurs from around the world descended on Xenia, Ohio, last weekend for Hamvention® 2026. The three-day event featured five indoor exhibit halls for vendors and organizations, four parallel tracks of forums, and a massive flea market that filled the infield of a horse racing track and spilled over into surrounding areas. In addition, Hamvention served as the anchor for a variety of outside events, from deep-dive conferences to both formal and informal dinners for hams with shared operating interests.

Setup at the Greene County Fairgrounds and Expo Center began on Thursday, May 14. Nearby, Contest University drew hundreds of beginners and advanced contesters for a full day of training and knowledge sharing taught by veteran contesters, and QRPers networked at the Four Days In May conference. ARRL hosted its annual Donor Recognition Reception, thanking those who have generously supported the association and invested in the future of amateur radio. This year's reception had a red, white, and blue theme reflecting ARRL's participation in the nationwide celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence – and the contributions of radio amateurs to the American story. "Even at 112 years old, ARRL embodies a distinctly American tradition: free individuals, driven by curiosity and service, advancing the art of radio for the benefit of all," said ARRL Director of Development Kevin Beal, K8EAL, in his address to the guests.

When the fairground gates opened on Friday morning, Hamvention was jammed with enthusiastic hams, some looking for bargains in the flea market, some coming to see the newest offerings from both large and small manufacturers, and others looking to learn from experts at the dozens of forums offered throughout the weekend. For example, Jim Winfrey, KJ4SBG, of Jacksonville, Florida, said "I want to talk with AMSAT and see what's up with satellites," while Brian Steinebach, W8KHZ, of Kingsley, Michigan, noted that "I spend all my time in the flea market, looking for antiques." Roy Ashkenaz, K2RMA, of Morganton, North Carolina, said his motivations for coming are "seeing a bunch of people, seeing the big vendors, seeing the new radios, getting away for a few days." Hamvention is also a major social event, as Angel Vazquez, WP3R, the former head of telescope operations at the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico, explained. "Friends," he said. "I can see all the stuff on the internet. It's just seeing all the friends I've made over the years."

In the sprawling ARRL Expo area, attendees interacted with program representatives, Field Organization volunteers, and leadership officials, including ARRL CEO David Minster, NA2AA, and President Rick Roderick, K5UR. Emergency Communications and Field Services Director Josh Johnston, KE5MHV, and several volunteers promoted ARRL's "Year of the Club" program, sponsored by Icom America, and the

organization's participation in America250. Visitors were invited to share the variety of ways their radio clubs help to grow amateur radio.

In the ARRL Lab booth, Senior Lab Engineer Rick Ciervo, W1CIE, tested handhelds for spurious emissions while Digital RF Engineer John McAuliffe, W1DRF, demonstrated the new *QST* Product Review Comparison Tool that — starting June 1 — will allow ARRL members to access Lab measurements on various aspects of reviewed radios and amplifiers online and compare them with each other. The Lab staff also highlighted CSI, the Clean Signal Initiative, which has introduced benchmarks and standards for transmitted signals which are now reflected in the Lab's published test results.

ARRL educators treated young hams (and future hams) to supervised soldering practice, opportunities to decipher Morse code messages, and to answer the question, "What advice would you have for older-generation hams?" At the adjacent College Amateur Radio Program (CARP) booth, student leader Tyler Schroder, NT1S, and a team of volunteers, including Ally Brawner, KR4GVZ — a Ph.D. student at Clemson University — and recent Clemson graduate Cade Braxton, KO4VDX, greeted visiting college students and shared campus radio club experiences. The ARRL Youth Rally on Saturday afternoon featured a variety of outdoor activities, and even extended into Sunday, when young participants had the chance to make contact with Carlos Felix Ortiz, K9OL, as he operated parachute-mobile from above the fairgrounds.

Other ARRL booths included the VEC, Great Lakes Division, Development and Foundation, and Radiosport – supported by DXCC Card Checking volunteers. Plus, there were book signings by authors Glen Popiel, KW5GP (*Digital Networking for Ham Radio*), and "Salty" Walt Hudson, K4OGO (*Salty Walt's Next Level Portable Antenna Sketchbook*). Walt's forum drew nearly 200 fans, packing the Hamvention's largest forum room. Nearby booths were supported by representatives for the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL), the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC), and the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB).

On Friday night, ARRL Senior Director of Marketing and Innovation Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, spoke at the FlexRadio banquet, highlighting ARRL's work and that of the wider amateur radio community to encourage pathways for youth that lead to further education and careers in wireless technology. "You do not need to create a new technology to make a lasting contribution," said Inderbitzen. "Sometimes the most important innovation is simply creating an opportunity for someone else."

Saturday's ARRL Membership Forum was led by Great Lakes Division Director Scott Yonally, N8SY, with presenters President Roderick and CEO Minster. Foundation President and Delta Division Director David Norris, K5UZ, presented scholarships to several students who were present.

Hamvention 2026 ended at 1 PM on Sunday with the awarding of major prizes. Next year's show will be held in the same location on May 21-23, 2027.

See video highlights from Hamvention on ARRL's YouTube channel, ARRLHQ.

See ARRL's Hamvention 2026 Facebook photo album.

Start Packing for ARRL Field Day

(The ARRL Letter for May 21, 2026)

It's never too early to start preparing for ARRL Field Day, June 27 – 28, 2026. In fact, the Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club (GSBARC) in Babylon, New York, is doing just that!!! The club will join thousands of amateur radio operators across North America for the annual event.

"Field Day is a great opportunity for the public to see amateur radio in action," said club president John Melfi, W2HCB. "Whether it's providing communications during disasters or simply connecting with people around the world, ham radio remains a vital and exciting technology."

Field Day also highlights the role that amateur radio operators play in supporting emergency communications for local communities, including coordination with agencies such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the American Red Cross, and local emergency management organizations.

This year's Field Day theme is "Amateur Radio: A National Resource" and all of the information you need to get started can be found on the Field Day web page, including how to join the ARRL Field Day Facebook Group, where you can share your plans, tips, and tricks for a successful Field Day.

The overall objective for Field Day is to contact as many stations as possible on the 160-, 80-, 40-, 20-, 15- and 10-meter HF bands, as well as all bands above 50 MHz, and to learn to operate in less-than-optimal conditions. Many clubs choose to set up camp-style fashion with portable equipment, temporary antennas, and off-grid power sources.

Field Day is open to all amateurs in the areas covered by the ARRL/RAC Field Organizations and countries within IARU Region 2 (North, Central, and South America). DX stations residing in other regions may be contacted for credit but are not eligible to submit entries. Each claimed contact must include contemporaneous direct initiation by the operator on both sides of the contact. Initiation of a contact may be either locally or by remote.

Also check out the Field Day site locator page to help find participating stations near you. As an added incentive for anyone participating in ARRL's yearlong America250 Worked All States (WAS) Award, contacts made with ARRL Affiliated Radio Clubs all year, including during Field Day, will count toward your America250 WAS Affiliated Club Endorsement. Check out those details at **www.arrl.org/america250-WAS**. All of this, combined with the ARRL Year of the Club, provides the perfect opportunity for radio clubs to set up stations in public places and demonstrate ham radio's science, skill, and service to our communities and our nation.

Take a cue from the Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club, an ARRL Special Service Club, and start packing for ARRL Field Day 2026!

Senator Ted Cruz Praises Amateur Radio Operators for Emergency Preparedness

(The ARRL Letter for May 28, 2026)

Senator Ted Cruz, in a strong pre-Memorial Day message publicly highlighted the critical role that Amateur Radio Service volunteers play during disasters, praising and thanking ham radio operators who provide essential communications when storms and emergencies knock out power and cellular networks and communities are cut off. Sen. Cruz observed that in these emergencies it is ham radio operators who step forward, bringing with them the tools, expertise, and the commitment to reconnect people when it matters most. He noted this dedication was clearly demonstrated in 2017 when Hurricane Harvey's catastrophic flooding devastated communities across Texas and that it was demonstrated again more recently in the horrific Camp Mystic floods. He emphasized that as the Nation prepares for yet another summer storm season, ham radio's role remains just as vital as ever.

Stating that while future emergencies will come, Sen. Cruz pointed out that so would Amateur Radio — ready to respond, ready to serve, and to make a difference. He ended his statements, thanking ham radio for its courage and commitment, noting that Amateur Radio's work strengthens our communities.

Senator Cruz is Chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. His comments align with the ARRL's ongoing efforts to strengthen and protect Amateur Radio's role in emergency preparedness and public service communications.

His comments also reflect growing Congressional recognition of the value Amateur Radio Operators bring to communities across the country. ARRL continues to advocate for legislation that protects and strengthens Amateur Radio's role in emergency preparedness and public service communications.

ARRL's nationwide grassroots campaign supporting the bipartisan Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act has generated more than 155,000 letters to members of Congress in support of H.R. 1094 and S. 459. The legislation seeks to ensure that Amateur Radio Operators can install and maintain effective outdoor antennas at residences where private land-use restrictions might otherwise prohibit them, helping communities maintain resilient emergency communications capabilities during disasters.

ARRL Legislative Committee Chairman and West Gulf Division Director John Robert Stratton, N5AUS, said the continued outreach effort has required "long hours on the ground and an uncountable number of personal meetings with Senators, Representatives, and their staffs" to raise awareness of the importance of Amateur Radio to our country.

"The most recent proof that those efforts have, and are, increasing Congressional support for Amateur Radio is evidenced by the decision of Chairman Cruz to publicly share his personal views on the value and importance of Amateur Radio to the Nation," Stratton said.

ARRL encourages Amateur Radio Operators to participate in our letter writing campaign, located at **www.arrl.org/HOA**, in support of the Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act and to share information about the public service role Amateur Radio plays in communities nationwide.

Registration is Open for the 2026 ARRL National Convention in Huntsville

(The ARRL Letter for May 28, 2026)

ARRL and the Huntsville Hamfest will host the 2026 ARRL National Convention and Huntsville Hamfest, August 21 - 23, in Huntsville, Alabama.

The convention will kick off on Friday, August 21, with a series of day-long ARRL Training Tracks and a National Convention Luncheon at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Huntsville. Then join ARRL on Friday night for a very special National Convention Dinner under a full-size Saturn V rocket at the nearby U.S. Space & Rocket Center. Access to the

museum is included along with dinner and special speakers. Proceeds benefit the ARRL Education & Technology Program, and additional sponsorships are available.

Registration is now open for Friday's National Convention program. Registrants can select a Training Track (includes the luncheon) for $90. The National Convention Dinner at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center is $100, and includes dinner, museum, and a $25 tax-deductible donation to the Education & Technology Program. The National Convention Training Tracks are workshops providing an in-depth learning experience in one of the three Track topics. Attendees will select a Training Track when completing their online National Convention registration.

Training Track #1: Mini Contest University. This marks the first time Mini Contest University (CTU) is coming to Huntsville. Registrants will learn from some veteran amateur radio contesters. This Mini CTU will appeal to new and veteran contesters alike who are looking to hone their skills. Presenters cover general contest operations, contesting skills, and many resources and tools to get more out of contesting. The Mini CTU Track Leader is Tim Duffy, K3LR. Presenters TBD. *This training is sponsored by DX Engineering*.

Training Track #2: Emergency Communications Academy. Emergency Communications presenters will cover topics including Future Proofing ARES® — the ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Service®, PACE planning, relationship building, digital communications, emerging technologies, and other topics designed to enhance your emergency communications knowledge and preparedness. Participants will learn the skills and roles needed to become more effective volunteers.

Training Track #3: Salty Walt's Portable Antenna Workshop. This workshop, led by Walt Hudson, K4OGO, with additional presenters, will feature practical information for portable antenna-building, deployment, and operating.

The rest of the celebration continues at the Huntsville Hamfest on Saturday and Sunday, August 22 – 23, at the Von Braun Center (South Hall), which is connected by sky bridge to the Embassy Suites. Known as "The World's Friendliest Hamfest," this air-conditioned all-indoor event attracts a large list of commercial exhibitors, notable forum presenters, flea market, youth activities, and W1AW America250 Special Event Station. Tickets for the Huntsville Hamfest are sold separately and are available now.

For further details, visit the 2026 ARRL National Convention web page at **www.arrl.org/expo** and the Huntsville Hamfest website at **hamfest.org**.

Amateur Radio in the News

(The ARRL Letter for May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2026)

ARRL Public Information Officers, Coordinators, and many other member-volunteers help keep amateur radio and ARRL in the news.

"Their ability to communicate when no one else can" and YouTube video / The Brentwood Press (California) April 30, 2026 -- *Delta Amateur Radio Club and Heritage High School Amateur Radio Club are ARRL Affiliated Clubs*.

"Ham operators around the world will connect during Oswego event June 6" / Oswego County News Now (New York) May 2, 2026 -- *The Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station is an ARRL Affiliated Club*.

"Community invited to Amateur Radio Field Day" / Rocket Miner.com (Wyoming) May 9, 2026 -- *The Sweetwater Amateur Radio Club is an ARRL Affiliated Club*.

"HELPERS: Amateur radio operators wired in to help when needed" / NewmarketToday.ca (Canada) May 9, 2026 -- The York Region Amateur Radio Club.

"Dutchess to Offer Amateur Radio Exam" / The Highlands Current (New York) May 13, 2026 / The Mount Beacon Amateur Radio Club.

"Old-time hobby may be the future of cutting-edge tech" / Springfield News – Sun (Ohio) May 16, 2026 -- Dayton Hamvention® 2026.

"The art of ham radio" / The New Criterion (New Jersey) May 26, 2026 -- Drew Oliver, W1OLV.

"Echoes from the Rock exhibition marks 80 years of Ham Radio in Gibraltar" / The Gibraltar Chronicle (Gibraltar) May 27, 2026 -- The Gibraltar Amateur Radio Society.

"Highland Amateur Radio Association events" / The Highland County Press (Ohio) May 28, 2026 -- The Highland Amateur Radio Association.

Swap/Shop/Sell/Trade in *The Listening Post*

Rick Peron/KM4KQQ - 309/530-4264 or KM4KQQ@phesinc.net. Can be picked up at any meeting (let me know to bring them) or we can set up a meeting in Orlando metro area.

Item #1: SamLex Power Supply SEC-1235M
$165 (list $220)
Desktop Switching Power Supply, Dual Meters, Output: 13.8 VDC, 30 A

Item #2: West Mountain Radio Super PWRgate PG40s
$105.00 (list $140)
12 volt backup power transferring system rated at 40 amperes continuous from either a Power Supply or a Battery (not for LiFePO4).

Item#3: RigBlaster Plug and Play data jack
$90.00 (list $120)
Plug n play sound card interface for digital modes. Includes DVD instructions/programming software.

Item#4: PreppComm MMX Multi-band Morse Code Transceiver
$435.00 (list $597)
QRP multi-band capable transceiver. It has the MMX bundle which is the tri-band MMX plus

Item #5: Comet GP6 Antenna
$128 (list $170)
VHF/UHF Dual Band Base Antenna

Send your items to be posted to James Deuel, N0XIA (jdeuel@oarc.org) before the 20th of the month. All lists received after the 20th of the month may be held over until the following month. The items will appear in The Listening Post newsletter around the first of each month and will continue to be posted for three months.To make it easy, send listings in this format:

Name, Callsign, Contact information (phone number and/or e-mail address)

Item #1: (Description)
Asking price: $
additional comments
Item #2: (Description)
Asking price: $
additional comments

Or

Looking for (description) and willing to pay up to $

EXAMPLE:

Ima Ham, WX4XYZ, Ham@gmail.com

Item#1: Looking for hand microphone for Kenwood TS-520 transceiver
Willing to pay up to $25, including shipping

Remember - KB4UT, Wayne Nelson's Trader Net held every Tuesday night at 8:00 PM, on the KB4UT 146.760 repeater.

If you don't hear what you want on the net, check The Listening Post.

The Fine Print: Listings must be of a non-commercial nature. Pictures of the items should not be included in the email listing but the member offering the items might have them available for anyone who may be interested. OARC will not be responsible for any claims that are made in the postings and reserves the right to reject a submitted item if the item is deemed to be inappropriate.

Local Area Amateur Radio Club Contact Information

Club Name	When	Where	Contact
Orlando Amateur Radio Club (OARC)	1st Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm License Testing at 5:30pm	Beardall Senior Center 800 S. Delaney, Orlando, FL	Bob Nocero, W4KBW at info@oarc.org
Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society	1st Thursday of each month at 7:00pm	Winter Springs Civic Center - 400 North Edgemon Avenue, Winter Springs, FL	Joe Marsh, KQ4AID at LMARS.ARC@gmail.com
Bahia Shriners Amateur Radio Unit	2nd Wednesday of the month	Perkins Restaurant 215 W. SR 436 Altamonte Springs	Rod Cavin, W4VBK w4vbk@arrl.net
Quarter Century Wireless Club (QCWA)	2nd Thursday of the month	**Even Numbered Months:** City Buffet: 100 Live Oaks Blvd. Casselberry **Odd Numbered Months:** Perkins Restaurant 6425 University Blvd., Winter Park	Rich Wilson, WR4RW at N707rw@gmail.com
Bill Church-and-Christy Moore-CERT Team 62	4th Thursday of the month at 6:00pm	Recreation Hall, 3000 Clarcona Rd., Apopka FL	Christy Moore, KN4MDM (407) 921-9555
Osceola County ARES	Last Monday of the month at 6:00pm	Osceola County EOC, 2586 Partin Settlement Rd, Kissimmee, FL	Kq4afy@osceolacountares.org
Central Florida Repeater Association (CFRA)	Last Wednesday of each month Arrive around 6pm for some food and chat. Meeting starts about 7:00pm	Perkins Restaurant 6425 University Blvd, Winter Park, FL	Bob Nocero, W4KBW at W4kbw@cfl.rr.com
Solavita Radio Club	Last Thursday of the month at 7:00pm	Gator Room, Solivita, 404 Village, Dr, Poinciana, FL	operator@kq4afy.xyz

Radio Scouting WB4SA	Annual meetings, Quarterly events	Camp La Noche, 41940 Boy Scout Rd, Paisley, FL	Ken Lyons, KN4MDJ kn4mdj@gmail.com info@RadioScouting.us

Weekly Radio Networks

Mon @ 19:15	147.285 MHz	Seminole VHF Traffic Net - Except – First Monday of the month (147.555 Simplex)
Mon @ 20:00	147.090 MHz	Seminole ARES Net – Except – First Monday of the month (146.460 Simplex)
Tues @ 19:00	145.350 MHz	Osceola ARES Net
Tues @ 19:30	147.195 MHz	Quarter Century Wireless Association
Tues @ 20:00	146.760 MHz	Wayne Nelson Trader's Net
Wed @ 19:00	147.300 MHz	Disney Emergency Amateur Radio Service
Wed @ 21:00	432.090 MHz	Florida Weak Signal Group
Thur @ 19:00	443.050 MHz	Orange County ARES Net
Thur @ 20:30	432.090 MHz	Florida Weak Signal Group
SUN @ 20:00	147.285 MHz	LMARS Rag Chew & Learning Net

Propagation Beacons

(Florida Weak Signals Society – W4FWS)

Frequency	Power (Watts)	Antenna	Location
144.277 MHz	20	Horizontal Loop	EL98HN
222.056 MHz	10	Horizontal Loop	EL98HN
432.307 MHz	12	Horizontal Loop	EL98HN
902.400 MHz	10	Egg Beater	EL98HN
1296.030 MHz	25	Egg Beater	EL98HN
~~2304.050 MHz~~	~~12~~	~~Alford Slot~~	~~EM80MI~~ (A)
~~3400.180 MHz~~	~~6~~	~~Alford Slot~~	~~EL98HN~~ (B)
~~5760.120 MHz~~	~~8~~	~~Wave Guide Slot~~	~~EL98HN~~ (A)
10368.015 MHz	3	Wave Guide Slot	EL98HN
24192.035 MHz	0.150	Wave Guide Slot	EL98HN

(A) Off the Air for Rebuild
(B) Off the Air for Frequency Change
Antennas are horizontally polarized and reasonably omnidirectional
Information current as of November 10, 2025
For more information, contact the Florida Weak Signal Society.

*** **FROM THE EDITOR**: There have been several changes at the FCC such as requiring that your FRN contact information be updated within 10 days of a change. You must use the Commission Registration System (CORES), not just the LICENSE MANAGER SYSEMS. If this is your first time attempting to use the CORES system, it can be challenging but not impossible. The following articles may be helpful as you meet the challenge:

How to Renew Your License Online

(QST Magazine October 2023, pp 62-63)

Maria Soma, AB1FM, the ARRL VEC Manager, provided the following instructions on how to file a renewal application and make a payment via the FCC's new **CO**mmission **RE**gistration **S**ystem (**CORES**)

"Before you renew your license, you will need to create a new FCC **CORES** username account, and then link your FCC Registration Number (**FRN**) to your new **CORES** account. As of April 2022, the FCC charges a $35 fee to renew amateur radio licenses. You must create a new **CORES** account to pay the fee. Follow the steps below to create a new **CORES** account, and then after you complete the license renewal application, the License Manager system will automatically direct you to the **CORES** system. Log in and pay the fee."

Setting Up Your New FCC **CORES** Username Account (before you begin, make sure you have your **FRN** number and password to that account):

1. If you haven't already created a **CORES** account, you must register a username (your email address) and a password. Visit the FCC **CORES** web page at https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do to set up your account. If you don't know your **FRN**, you may search for it on that web page. You will need your **FRN** for the next step.
2. Log in to your new account and click the first option, **ASSOCIATE USERNAME TO FRN**.
3. Enter your **FRN** and comment. An example of a comment is "Associating FRN".
4. Click **continue**.
5. If you know the password for your **FRN**, enter it now. This password will likely be different from the one used for your **CORES** username account. If you do not know your **FRN** password, click the **CONTACT TECH SUPPORT** link, which is next to the **FORGOT YOUR PASSWORD?** Option and underneath the **SUBMIT** button. **Please do not try more than twice, as you will be locked out of your account after repeated failed attempts.** You can also call the FCC at 877-480-3201 to have them reset your password for you.

6. Once you have completed these steps and your **FRN** has been associated with your **CORES** username, the site should bring you back to the main menu. **Log out**.

Apply for License Renewal

7. File your renewal application by using the FCC ULS License Manager system at https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/licManager/login.jsp. (License renewals are allowed at 90 days or less before the license expires, as well as after the license has expired while still being within the 2-year grace period.)
8. When you are logged into the FCC License Manager system and your license is in the renewal window, a box will be displayed stating **THIS LICENSE IS ELIGIBLE FOR RENEWAL**. Click the **BEGIN THE RENEWAL PROCESS** link. Follow the steps of the FCC renewal and payment process to pay the $35 application fee. Print or save the payment confirmation page, and then **Log out**. You (the license holder) will receive an email from the FCC with a link to your official license, or in rare instances, an explanation for why the renewal application was dismissed or denied. The license link will be valid for 30 days. Print out the license or down the PDF for the license to your computer.

YouTube video of this process: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DI8nmjRJjg4

FCC to Require Two Factor Authentication for CORES Users

(The ARRL Letter for March 21, 2024)

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has announced an upcoming change to the Commission Registration System (CORES) that licensees use to pay any application or regulatory fees, manage or reset a password on an existing FRN, or request a new FRN. Beginning March 29, 2024, multifactor authentication will be implemented. Users will be prompted to request a six-digit secondary verification code, which will be sent to the email address(es) associated with each username. The user will then need to enter the code into CORES before they can continue.

In a public notice, the FCC said this change will make the system more secure. "This additional layer of security will further safeguard against unauthorized access, thereby enhancing the overall integrity of information contained within the CORES system and improving the security of user data," it read.

The FCC recommends that users confirm they have access to their username account email and to add a secondary email address, if need be.

Resources are available for those who need assistance with the system. For inquiries or assistance regarding the implementation of multifactor authentication on CORES, submit a help request at https://www.fcc.gov/wtbhelp, or call the FCC at 877-480-3201 (Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 6 PM ET).

FCC Requires That FRN Contact Information Be Updated Within Ten Days of a Change

(The ARRL Letter for February 19, 2026)

ARRL reports that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted changes to its rules to require that every holder of an FCC Registration Number (FRN) update their contact information in the CORES system (email and postal addresses) within ten business days of a change.

Because every FCC licensee—including amateur radio operators—must have an FRN to file applications, this requirement applies to all licensed amateurs. FRN contact information is handled separately and apart from contact information related to a license in the License Manager System. Both records must be kept up-to-date, and each requires a separate update.

Until now, no specific deadline existed for updating FRN or license contact information. Instead, the amateur rules at sections 97.21 and 97.23 provide that a license may be suspended or revoked "if FCC correspondence is returned as undeliverable because of an incorrect address/email." These provisions remain in effect as well as the 10-day deadline applicable to FRN information.

If your FRN information is current and has not changed, no immediate action is required, but you must adhere to the 10-day rule for future changes. It is recommended to periodically check both the CORES and License Manager Systems to ensure contact information is accurate, even if no changes have occurred.

The new deadline [section 1.8002(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules] became effective on February 5 as part of a proceeding that was limited to further constraining robocalls. Although the proceeding focused on robocall issues, the 10-day update requirement applies broadly to all FRN holders. On February 6 the FCC confirmed in a Public Notice that the new deadline applies to all FRN holders. The amendment replaces language adopted in 2001 that required FRN holders to keep their contact information up-to-date but had not imposed a deadline for doing so.

Numerous requests for clarification from non-robocaller interests led the FCC to issue a Public Notice on February 6 (see also PDF) clarifying that fines imposed on those subject to the robocall rules for not keeping contact information up-to-date do NOT

apply to licensees such as radio amateurs, but that the 10-day deadline does apply to all FRN holders.

See the following resources for updating FRN and license information.

FCC Tutorial on updating FRN information:
https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/html/Update_FRN_Information.htm

ARRL information on how to update license information:
https://www.arrl.org/call-sign-renewals-or-changes

For assistance, call the FCC FRN Help Desk: (877) 480-3201 (available 8 AM to 6 PM ET).

OARC Membership Application

Make checks payable to:
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Mail to:
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3208 E. Colonial Dr. PMB 168
Orlando, FL 32803

To have your membership card mailed to you, please include a SASE with your check.

Date: __/ __/20__ [ ] Regular Member [ ] Family Member [ ] Associate Member
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Name: _____ Call _____ Class _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address (print) _____

(Home) Phone: _____ (Cell) Phone _____ Birth Month_____

Rates: Regular [ ] 1 year $15.00 [ ] 3 years $40.00 [ ] 6 years $75.00

Rates: Family [ ] 1 year $5.00 per family member Husband, Wife or Child under 18

Rates: Associate [ ] 1 year $15.00 Dues Total: _____

All Membership(s) will expire ONE, THREE or SIX year(s) from date paid.

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Are you an ARRL Member: [ ] Yes [ ] No

Name Badges: White letters on Black background with Gold embossed OARC logo.

[ ] Regular 3" x 1.5" @ $15.00 each

Name: _____ Call _____

All badges are to be picked up at the General meeting or add $7.00 for shipping & handling.
(Shipping only available to those members outside of Orange, Lake, Seminole, and Osceola Counties)

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