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HAPPENINGS

December 11 marks the 98th anniversary of the success of ARRL's Transatlantic Tests in 1921, organized to see if low-power amateur radio stations could be heard across the Atlantic using shortwave frequencies (i.e., above 200 meters). On that day, a message transmitted by a group of Radio Club of America members at 1BCG in Greenwich, Connecticut, was copied by Paul Godley, 2ZE, in Scotland. While

the first two-way contact would not take place until 1923, the 1921 transatlantic success marked the beginning of what would become routine communication between US radio amateurs and those in other parts of the world — literally the birth of DX. To commemorate this amateur radio milestone, Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will be on the air through the day on December 11 with volunteer operators.

The goal is to encourage contacts between radio amateurs in the US and Europe while showcasing the significance of the transmissions that pioneered global communication and laid the groundwork for technology widely used today. The event will run from 1300 until 0000 UTC. Some details are still being worked out, but operation will focus on 40 and 20 meters (SSB).

Club Christmas dinner is December 5 at 6:30 PM at Red Lobster on Merritt Island.

Contests in December:

6-8 [160 Meter](#)
14-15 [10 Meter](#)
22 [Rookie Roundup-CW](#)

HAPPENINGS

SKYWARN Recognition Day will mark its 20th anniversary on December 7, 0000 to 2400 UTC. ARES, SKYWARN and other amateurs will operate from National Weather Service (NWS) forecast offices across the country in a nod to the long relationship between the Amateur Radio community and the NWS SKYWARN program, developed by NWS and ARRL staff in 1999. Participants exchange contact information with as many NWS stations as possible on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, and 2 meters, plus 70 centimeters. Contacts via repeaters are permitted. Stations should exchange call signs, signal reports, and locations, plus a quick description of the weather at your location (e.g., sunny, partly cloudy, windy, rainy, etc.). EchoLink and IRLP nodes, including Voice over Internet Protocol Weather Net

(VoIP-WX), are expected to be active as well. [WX4NHC](#) at the National Hurricane Center will also be on the air for SRD, 1300 - 1700 UTC. Event certificates are electronic and printable from the main website at the conclusion of SRD. Please see the [SKYWARN Recognition Day website](#).

"Big Wire Antennas" is the topic of the new (November 21) episode of the ARRL [The Doctor is In podcast](#).

ARRL's EC-001-S online "Introduction to Emergency Communication" course is now available to students in an on-demand format, allowing students to register for the course and begin work at any time. This course is designed to provide basic knowledge and tools for any emergency communications volunteer.

In response to the great course demand and to expand access to EC-001, ARRL developed a self-guided version of the course, EC-001-S, which launched in June. This version of the course is designed for those who prefer to work independently and who do not need guidance from an online mentor. EC-001-S was previously offered only during specific sessions along with the traditional mentored version. The course opened for general enrollment on November 6. [Visit](#) the ARRL Online Course Registration page for more information and to register.

FCC seeks to clear radio amateurs out of 3.4 GHz. An FCC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) proposes to remove the existing non-federal allocations in the 3.3-3.55 GHz band. More

details in the FCC site: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking - WT Docket No. 19-348 <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DOC-360941A1.pdf>

The WSJT Development Group has announced the release of WSJT-X version 2.1.1. This is the free software suite that includes the FT4 and FT8 protocols. "WSJT-X 2.1.1 is a bug-fix release that addresses regressions in version 2.1.0," the announcement said. "The new version executes properly on Macintosh machines running macOS 10.15 (Catalina)." [Links](#) to installation packages for Windows, Linux, and Macintosh are available.

ON THE AIR

W2W – Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration Dec 1-Dec 8, 1300Z-2200Z, W2W, Baltimore, MD. Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum (ARCNEM). 14.241 14.041 7.241 7.041. Certificate & QSL. W2W - Pearl Harbor Special Event, PO Box 1693, MS 4015, Baltimore, MD 21203

Skywarn Recognition Day Dec 7, 0000Z-2359Z, NOW, Fruita, CO. Mesa County Skywarn. 14.286 7.235 3.990. Certificate & QSL. Al Acker, WA4HND, 1685 Mae Ct., Fruita, CO 81521.

WX3MAS Special Event Dec 12-Dec 15, 1400Z-2200Z, WX3MAS, Nazareth, PA. Christmas City Amateur Radio Club. CW and PSK31 on 20 and 40 meters; 14.265 7.270 3.850. QSL. Christmas City Amateur Radio Club, 14 Gracedale Ave, Greystone Building, Nazareth, PA 18064 Operation details at www.dlarc.org

NCDXA 5th Annual Worked All RST Special Event Jan 1-Feb 28, 0000Z-2359Z, KL7RST, Anchorage, AK. North Country DX Association (K7ICE). 14.250 14.075 7.190 7.050. QSL. J. Reisenauer, 2573 Old Georgetown Rd. W., Kershaw, SC 29067. www.grz.com/db/kl7rst

14th Annual Straight Key CW Event Jan 2-Jan 31, 0000Z-2359Z, K3Y, various cities. SKCC - Straight Key Century Club. 21.050 14.050 7.055 3.550. Certificate & QSL. SKCC c/o Jeremy Downard, KD8VSQ, 511 W. Pottawatamie St., Tecumseh, MI 49286. K3Y/O thru 9 plus KH6, KL7, KP4 and DX member stations in six WAC areas operating straight key, bug and cootie keys. QSL card confirms one QSO per area, up to 19 for all-area sweep. See URL for schedule, map, stats, etc. www.skccgroup.com/k3y

Jon, EA1VE will be active as HC2/EA1VE from **Puna Island, IOTA SA - 034**, Ecuador, in January 2020. He will operate on HF Bands.

Andre, ON7YK will be active as C5YK from Bijilo, **Gambia**, until March 2020. He will operate on HF Bands, Digital modes, CW, SSB.

Heye, DJ9RR will be active again as 8R1/AG6UT from **Guyana**, starting 20 November 2019. He is working on 40 - 10m.

Karl, DK2WV will be active as 7Q7W from **Malawi**, starting 18 November 2019 for about 3 weeks. He will be 40 - 6m, SSB, FT8, CW.

AU2JCB is a special event call-sign to commemorate the birth date (30 NOV) & to pay homage & to tell about the great **INDIAN** scientist Acharya JAGADISH CHANDRA BOSE who is recognized as the "Father of Wireless

Communication" by the scientific community of our world. VU2DSI- Datta Deogaonkar will operate with this AU2JCB special event call-sign. The Details of operation--- Period---23 NOV 2019 to 16 DEC 2019 Frequencies--- 10 M-- 28545, 28510, 28490. 21 M--21235, 21310, 21350. 20M--14210, 14250, 14310. 40 M--7040, 7150. 80 M -- 3710. IN FM MODE--- 6M -50800, 51500. 10 M--29700.

80th Anniversary of the Sikorsky VS-300 Helicopter Dec 7-Dec 15, 0000Z-2359Z, K1S, Stratford, CT. Stratford Amateur Radio Club SARC. 18.150 14.240 7.230 3.925. QSL. SARC c/o Dave Arruzza, 32 Benz Street, Ansonia, CT 06401. SASE for commemorative QSL card.

Field Day by Armando Delgado, KN4JN

It's been six months since the last Field Day, and it will be six months before the next one. Now is a good time to reflect on the meaning and purpose of Field Day.

Field Day is the one day of the year when hams in North America set up and operate stations away from commercial power sources, and in many cases, away from modern conveniences, in an effort to simulate the emergency conditions of a disaster. During these twenty-four hours, operators try to make as many contacts as possible with as many stations as possible, testing their technical, operational, and endurance skills. It is a learning environment that repeated over the years builds teams of highly skilled operators willing and able to tackle the most adverse conditions for communications.

Although stations tally score points, the ARRL, the sponsor of Field Day, claims that it is not a contest. And indeed, there are no declared winners for Field Day. Actually, most groups compete against themselves, trying to outperform their previous year's results. The scoring actually is one of the gages that allow operators to compare their performance vis a vis their previous years. The score also gives a sense of value to the activity.

But Field Day is more than an exercise in emergency preparedness. The ARRL encourages participants to set up their stations in public places and to invite the public at large to see the stations and to educate the public on the activities of Field Day and of amateur radio in general. They also encourage operators to invite local government officials and the news media to visit the sites. In other words, Field Day is a public relations activity as well as an emergency training exercise.

Many hams take their amateur radio activities for granted. We all, at one time or another, forget that in order to transmit on the air one has to be licensed by the govern-

ment. In reality, what that means is that the ability to get on the air is a privilege granted by the government. And what the government gives, the government can take away.

The radio spectrum is a very valuable commodity today, and the amateur portion of the spectrum is extremely valuable. The amateur service acquired the HF portion of the spectrum at a time when the frequencies above 1800 KHz were considered useless. Amateurs not only found a use for these frequencies, but they determined that they were the best for long distance communications. Unfortunately, for those commercial operators who later might have wanted those frequencies, by the time their value was determined, they had been assigned to the amateur service by international agreement.

Yet, we retain those frequencies because the consensus between governments and people in general is that amateur radio provides a useful societal service. We are there to provide communications in emergencies, when all other forms of communication are down. We also engage in experimentation and research at no cost to taxpayers or governments and generally provide the results of our findings to the world for free. Yet, we live in a very competitive world, where all values are relative.

If at any point in time the societal usefulness of amateur radio were to come into question, our radio spectrum would likely disappear to go into the hands of commercial, tax-paying operators. Recently, we saw the French government request the International Amateur Radio Union Region I, which encompasses Europe and Africa, to shift allocation of the amateur 2m (144MHz-146MHz) spectrum for aeronautical naviga-

tion uses. Around the world, this amateur band is the most popular and most used for repeater communications, including many emergency operations. It was only a proposal and after a strong negative response from the world amateur community it was withdrawn, but it illustrates how easily our radio spectrum can be challenged.

The World Radiocommunication Conference 2019 (WRC-19), a meeting that occurs every four years to discuss radio frequency allocations around the world, was held last month. The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) participates in this meeting in a non-advisory capacity; that is, those representing IARU may attend meetings but may not participate unless asked by the chairman to provide information. Following a few days of contentious debate, David Sumner, K1ZZ the IARU secretary, stated: "The pressures for spectrum access to accommodate new uses for commercial purposes are intense; for an established service such as ours, any WRC that does not reduce our own useful spectrum access is a success,"

So when Field Day comes around, remember that it is more than just an emergency operations exercise: Field Day is part of the life blood of amateur radio.



W1AW CW PRACTICE TRANSMISSIONS

7 PM EST Slow CW : 5-15 WPM
Mon, Wed, Fri

7 PM EST Fast CW: 35-10 WPM
Tue, Thu

FREQUENCIES:

1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475,
14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675,
28.0675, 50.350, 147.555



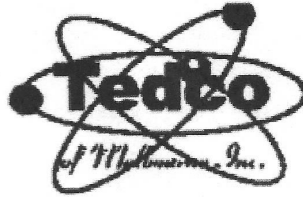
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Repeaters & Packet are open for all licensed amateur radio operators to use.							
OUTPUT FREQ.	STD. NAME	OFFSET	TONE/CC	CALL	LOCATION	OWNER	NOTES
WBFM							
145.130	130 VB	-600	107.2	AB4AZ	VERO BEACH, INDIAN RIVER	AB4AZ	
145.350	350 SC	-600	108.5	K4O9C	SL. CLOUD, OCEOLA	K1XC	Radio Science Club, Ft Club
145.370	370 CO	-600	156.7	W2SDB	COCOA-BROADCAST CT.	KBARC	Yaesu Repeater replaced with Bridgecom FM
145.470	470 ME	-600	107.2	K4HRS	MELBOURNE- RIALTO PL.	KBAC	
145.490	490 TI	-600	100.0	WN3DHI	TITUSVILLE SPBOS & Fox B rd.	WN3DHI	
146.630	630 ME	-600	None/107.2	W4MLB	MELBOURNE- HOLMES HOSP	PCARS	Tone Downlink only
146.625	625 MM	-600	100.0	KE4NUZ	NW of MIMS NEAR HARRISON RD.	KE4NUZ	Limited coverage
146.775	775 MM	-600	100.0	K4K5C	NW of MIMS Hog Valley, W of B5	K4K5C	
146.850	850 ME	-600	None/107.2	W4MLB	PALM BAY- Port Malabar Rd.	PCARS	Tone Downlink Only
146.880	880 RO	-600	107.2	W4NLX	ROCKLEDGE- WUESTHOFF HOSP.	KBARC	FUSION Repeater replaced with Bridgecom FM
146.895	895 PB	-600	107.2/107.2	K4EOC	PALM BAY- DeGroot Library	EOC	TSQJ as of 5/2018
146.930	930 TI	-600	107.2	K4K5C	TITUSVILLE Water Tower on south st.	KBARC	
146.940	940 RO	-600	None	K4G6C	ROCKLEDGE Carver Rd WURD Tower	ISATS	
146.970	970 TI	-600	107.2	K4K5C	TITUSVILLE-T'VILLE TOWERS	KBARC	
147.075	075 SC	+600	107.2/107.2	K4EOC	SCOTTSMOOR Near US1-Auranta Rd.	EOC	TSQJ as of 5/2018 Relocated 4/2019
147.135	135 RO	+600	107.2/107.2	K4EOC	ROCKLEDGE-EOC	EOC	TSqJ as of 5/2018
147.240	240 DE	+600	123.0	KV4EOC	DELAND	KBARS	
147.255	255 PB	+600	107.2	K4D5C	Near Babcock & Palm City 5 City limit	KBARC	
147.330	330 TI	+600	107.2	K4NBR	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	NBARC	
147.380	380 TI	+600	107.2	N4TDX	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	NBARC	DSTAR Gateway In work
442.850	850TH	+5000	107.2/107.2	N4TDX	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	NBARC	TSqJ-FUSION/WBFM/WIRES-X
444.325	325ME4	+5000	107.2	K4D5C	MELBOURNE-TRINITY TWIS-E	KBARC	
444.375	ONLBR	+5000	107.2		B5 FDT Twr 1/2 Mile N of County Line	SARNET	"SARNet Sebastian Repeater"
444.425	425ME4	+5000	107.2	W4MLB	MELBOURNE- RIALTO PL.	PCARS	
444.525	525RO4	+5000	108.5/108.5	K4EOC	ROCKLEDGE-EOC	EOC	TSqJ; VOICE/NBEMS
444.650	ONMBRE	+5000	107.2	W4NLX	COCOA-FHP SR520	KBARC	"SARNet Cocoa Repeater"
444.750	750TH	+5000	156.7/156.7	N4TDX	TITUSVILLE- TGO WATERTOER 230 ft.	NBARC	TSqJ
444.875	875MH	+5000	107.2	KC2LFO	MERRITT IS. COURTNEY SPBS	KAU2M	
444.925	925KS4	+5000	131.8/131.8	N1K5C	KENNEDY SP. CTIL-VAB	K5CARC	FM TSqJ; P25 capable
234.120	120C02	-1600	123.0	AA4CD	COCOA Broadcast CL	AA4CD	
DMR							
444.750	750TH	+5000	CC3	K4D5C	TITUSVILLE-PARRISH HOSP.	KBARC	DMR
444.575	575CO4	+5000	CC3	K4D5C	COCOA BROADCAST CT.	AA4CD	DMR Brandmeister
444.675	675TH	+5000	CC3	K4D5C	TITUSVILLE-T'VILLE TOWERS	AA4CD	DMR Brandmeister
ATV							
477.250	250CO4			K4ATV	COCOA BROADCAST CT.	ISATS	NTSC INPUT 439.25 See www.isats.org
PACKET STATIONS:							
145.090	W120PB	WINLINK	W2PH-3D		PALM BAY-W2PH QTH	KBARC	WINLINK GATEWAY
145.090	090 ME	PCARS	W4MLB-2		MELBOURNE-TRINITY TWIS-EAST	PCARS-K1YON	BBS W4MLB-4 EASTNET
145.770	770 PB	SEDAN	K4EOC-7		PALM BAY	K2DB	http://www.fh-sedan.com
146.770	770 TI	SEDAN	W4NLX-7		TITUSVILLE	K2DB	W4NLX-7 BBS
BREVARD RACES/ARES SIMPLEX							
146.480	CENTX	SIMPLEX	N/A		CENTRAL REG	KBARC	CENTRAL NET SIMPLEX BACKUP
146.550	SOUTHX	SIMPLEX	N/A		SOUTH REGION	KBARC	SOUTH NET SIMPLEX BACKUP
146.580	MLBX	SIMPLEX	N/A		MELBOURNE REGION	PCARS	MELBOURNE REGION NET SIMPLEX BACKUP
146.595	NORTHX	SIMPLEX	N/A		NORTH REGION	KBARC	NORTH NET SIMPLEX BACKUP
147.540	EOCROX	SIMPLEX	N/A		BACFS Bay	EOC	EOC VOICE/NBEMS
SIMPLEX							
146.520	CALLS2	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		UHF national simplex calling freq
146.490	TAC A	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
146.560	NBRX	SIMPLEX	N/A		NBARC -Club/Parrish Hospital Activities		
146.580	TAC B	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
147.420	TAC C	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
147.420	KBARC	SIMPLEX	N/A		KBARC "FUN NET" and CLUB ACTIVITIES		
147.450	TAC D	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
147.570	TAC E	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
446.000	CALL46	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		UHF national simplex calling freq
446.500	TAC A4	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
446.600	TAC B4	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
446.700	TAC C4	SIMPLEX	N/A		Station to station, anywhere		Standardized tactical option since 2006
2 Meter & 70 cm WBFM repeaters use CTCSS; if one frequency is listed it is for uplink (user Tx), if two are listed the repeater is set for uplink and downlink (user Tx and Rx) TSqJ							
Repeater Call Signs in bold are owned by Brevard Emergency Management and are maintained by the county. Repeater Trustee: Ron K2RU							
Ysg/CSqJ/A							
Standard Names in Bold are recommended for Emergency Radio in Brevard *							
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