

ALL IDAHO AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS

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Idaho Amateur Radio Operators.

ALLIDAHOHAMS@gmail.com

Please send your news, events, activities, and pictures.

Be sure to include recent Silent Keys (SKs)

Do you have questions or comments? Send them.



May is the fifth month of the year in the Gregorian calendar.

May is associated with the spring season.

May is the only month in the year that is also a word:
“may.”

May brings flowers, the sun, migrating birds, and lots of fun.

May is available for amateur radio in that it gives us
Hams 31 days to work the bands.

How well does your club advertise its presence within your community?
Published articles in magazines or newspapers, a newsletter, such as this one?
Today's youths follow all sorts of platforms including Facebook and Instagram.

Clearwater Valley ARC and 3 Rivers ARC cosponsored a Hamfest and a reporter happened to stop by and make some friends. She left her business card wanting to be included in future amateur radio happenings.

ENTHUSIASTS HIT HAM SALE IN KAMIAH

The annual HAMFEST auction and sale was held at the Eagles Hall in Kamiah on Saturday, April 20. Essential for communicating in natural disasters or emergency situations, Ham radio operators can chat with other amateur radio operators all over the world with their own equipment at home.

Progress / Lyn Krzeminski



Polly Smith and Mark Thorp sell manuals and other literature relating to Ham radio operating.



Vinnie MacIntosh with his dad, Ross, check out an assortment of equipment, cables, parts, and other necessities of amateur radio operation. The MacIntosh family live high above Orofino in an area unable to receive mobile phone service. With a growing number of people living in the rural place, MacIntosh said, "It's a wildfire area, and it's my goal that all my neighbors have Ham radio communication in emergencies." Vinnie, age 10, is getting ready to take his test to become a licensed radio operator (and the Morse Code requirement has been dropped).

[RATPAC](#)

RATPAC Amateur Radio presentations are **FREE** and available for viewing and/or download.

Does your club, group, or organization need a presentation? We have well over 300 of them and growing. <https://tinyurl.com/3zjnunw6>

If anyone needs an article for local or section newsletters

Anthony Luscre

K8ZT

Ohio Section: Section Youth
Coordinator & Education
Outreach

K8ZT Radio website—

www.k8zt.com

Amateur Radio Resources for
Students/Youth —

www.k8zt.com/hry



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2128884758?pwd=RG94eEY2L3FiMEg0U3ZlWmhXaEdwdz09>

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This new series will focus on Radio Fundamentals, On-Air Operations & Techniques for new or veteran Emergency Communicators.

Check out this short 8 minutes video:

[First Steps in Amateur Radio Emergency Communication Prep from RATPAC ~03/212024 \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03/212024)

First Steps in Emergency Communications Prep- Setting Up a VHF/UHF Station

Anthony Luscre, K8ZT



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an email to
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with the day, time, and time zone, please.



HeartCraftyThings.com

Clearwater Valley Amateur Radio Club

Sundays

7:30 PM 145.49 (no tone)

7:30 PM 145.75 (tone)

Magic Valley/Twin Falls Amateur Radio Club

hosts a weekly net on 146.76 Mhz (tone 88.5)
in the Twin Falls area every Tuesday at 7 PM
(CST). You do not need to be a member of
MVARC to participate in the net. Questions—
Lee at lee@leeandjeanne.com



3 Rivers Amateur Radio Club

Tuesdays

6:30 PM 145.62 88.5

Followed by Simplex Net 145.54

Info3riversarc@gmail.com

Camas Prairie Amateur Radio Club

Tuesdays

7:30 PM 145.68 100 MHz

Global Radio Email

Idaho Winlink Net for 2023

–Don Gardner W7PJ, Idaho SEC

We began taking Winlink seriously in December 2022. Two years later, by the end of 2023, we had 112 participants who checked in 2,062 times throughout the year.

Each month, we assign different tasks to the participants, such as using various ICS and Winlink forms. You can find more information about this at

<https://winlinkofidaho.blogspot.com/>

Soon we will have Idaho-specific ICS forms to use.

To make this activity more engaging and enjoyable, we have a special event called **Winlink Wednesdays of Idaho Net Century Club** for participants who have checked in 100 times are awarded a certificate of achievement.

Join the Net:

[Winlink Wednesdays of Idaho
\(winlinkofidaho.blogspot.com\)](https://winlinkofidaho.blogspot.com/)



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Is Your Club Wanting To Become an ARRL Sanctioned Hamfest or Convention?

Check out these links!

Please refer your club to this on-line guide:

<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Hamfest/ARRL%20Hamfest%20and%20Convention%20Guidelines.pdf>

The ARRL Convention and Hamfest Planner is the most comprehensive guide that I know of, and a link to this pdf document can be found on the ARRL Web's site at the bottom of the page that discusses how to "Become an ARRL Sanctioned Hamfest or Convention."

<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-sanctioned-events>

It's very good to know that KARS is already approved to host the ARRL Idaho State Convention on August 3. <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/2024-kars-arrl-idaho-state-convention>

If there are questions or clarifications that are needed about the information in this booklet or elsewhere about hosting a convention, please let me know. I will be happy to try to provide answers and updates.

Best wishes to KARS and to you as you prepare for a great ARRL Idaho State Convention.

73,

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Field Organization Supervisor

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ARRL Idaho State Convention And KARS Hamfest 2024



2130 N Meyer Road, Post Falls, ID

08/03/24, 8AM – 3PM

Tailgaters Arrive 7AM, Visitors Arrive 8AM, Sales Begin 9AM

\$5 per Visitor, \$10 per Tailgate (includes entry)

Kids under 18 free

Raffle tickets \$1, or 6 for \$5

Grand Prize tickets \$5

Breakfast and Lunch Available

Club Resale Table and Program Your Radio Table

Commercial Vendors

Many Raffle Prizes

Grand Prize: ICOM 7300 HF Transceiver

Contact Persons

Jay Bremner (KK7BVY) – (208) 640-4878

Ed Stuckey (AI7H) – (208) 699-7743

Visit us on *K7ID.ORG*

Talk-In: 146.98 Mhz, PL 127.3



2024 Events

Email to have yours
listed



[ARRL Field Day](#)

This is the link to the 2024 Field Day Portal. It has all the information clubs or individual operators need for this year. Field Day is the last full weekend of June, which is June 22-23.

<https://field-day.arrl.org/>

ARRL Idaho State Convention

August 3, 2024 2130 N Meyer Road

Post Falls

Outdoor venue

Host: Kootenai Amateur Radio Society



15th Annual Tailgate Swap Meet Mini-Cassia Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Saturday, August 17, 2024

9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Minidoka County Fairgrounds
085 East Baseline Road Highway 25
Rupert, Idaho

For further info:
Kevan KD7IYA 208 431-8802 // yogtak6057@gmail.com

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- The ARRL Extra Class License Manual
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From the desk of Kelly Klaas K7SU

Need help getting your Club organized. Here is the information on the Ham Club Online web site. This is a site where you can get your club organized.

<https://www.hamclubonline.com/>



Final Comment

Finally, as with any newsletter, we need your contributions, your Idaho related articles, your photographs.

Please submit your Idaho news to ALLIDAHOHAMS@gmail.com

The next page is contact information for the Idaho ARRL Leadership



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Idaho ARES website: <https://www.idahoares.info/>

Idaho ARRL Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/754341968344002/>

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