



SARA Field Day 2020

Thinking Differently

Agenda

- Field Day – Thinking Differently
- Activities
- Scheduled Gatherings
- Resources
- Q&A

Field Day – Thinking Differently

- SARA will not have a club station due to COVID-19 concerns
- Still the same Field Day we know and love – just no club station
- An opportunity to run your own station and test your own emergency capabilities
- SARA will have a number of activities and scheduled events to maintain some of the social elements of Field Day

Activities

- ARRL Individual Operator and Club Score
- SARA Club Competition
- Sprints
- Ham Radio Bingo

ARRL Club Score

- ARRL rule adjustments enable clubs to have a club score
 - Class D to Class D contacts score points
 - Individual operators can affiliate their score to a club
- Operators must submit their score to ARRL
 - Use "SARA MN" as affiliated club name
 - Detailed submission instructions will be provided
- Logging programs are being updated to calculate score correctly
 - Check with your logging program provider

ARRL FD Station Classes

- Class A: Club or non-club group of 3 or more persons
- Class B: 1 or 2 person Portable
- Class B – Battery: 1 or 2 person Portable (5 watts or less; Battery or Solar power)
- Class C: Mobile (in motion or fixed)
- Class D: Home (Commercial Grid Power)
- Class E: Home (Battery/Emergency Power)

SARA Club Competition

- For those who are in it for the points
- Rules designed to encourage participation by all members
- 2 Meter repeater contacts count
- Fabulous Prizes

SARA Club Competition Rules

- Point values are the SAME for ALL Modes (Points are the SAME for SSB, CW, Digital)
- 2 Points for each Contact made at 10 watts or less
- 1 Point for each Contact made at 11 to 100 watts
- 0.5 Points for each Contact made at >100 watts
- 100 Bonus Points (Once for FD '20) for operating a Non-Directional Antenna 50% of Time or 50% of Contacts
- 100 Bonus Points (Once for FD '20) for operating from Emergency/Battery 50% of Time or 50% of Contacts
- Repeater contacts count

SARA Field Day 2020 – Contest Score Sheet

Station Information

Call Sign	
Name	
ARRL FD Class (see class definitions below)	

QSO Score (use one row for each power level operated)

# Contacts	Transmitter Output Power	QSO Points 1-10W = 2 Points per Contact 11-100W = 1 Point per Contact >100W = 0.5 Points per Contact

Bonus Points



Station Power (Emergency/Battery) 100 Points (50% of operating time or 50% of total contacts on emergency / battery power)	
Antenna Type (Non-Directional) 100 Points (50% of operating time or 50% of total contacts on a non-directional antenna)	

Total Score (QSO score for all power levels operated + Bonus Points = Total Score)

QSO Score	
Bonus Points	
Total Score	

Sprints

- Provide an opportunity to focus your operating time
- Fun Themes
- Great for folks with limited time to operate
- Sprint Schedule

SARA FD Sprint Schedule

Time	Sprint Topic	Additional Information
12:00	Noon Warm Up	A time to get on the repeater, talk about plans
13:00	Kick off Bonanza	A 'get as many as you can, as fast as you can' sprint period
14:00		
15:00	Digital and CW - Groove On	Push those CW and Digital skills to the max during this hour.
16:00		
17:00	Pre Dinner - The Cocktail Party	Everyone tune up to 20m - how many club members can you reach? Go for the gold with distant club members!
18:00		
19:00		
20:00	Evening Gray Line	Go for the gold on 40 and 80m, take advantage of gray line!
21:00	Top Band Chase	An hour on 160m. How well can you do?
22:00		
23:00		
0:00	Midnite Chase	Show up on the repeater, and pick the focus! Chase contacts, districts, work on bingo cards, or something unique?
1:00		
2:00		
3:00	Can't Sleep, Band Together	For those who just can't help but wake up in the middle of the night, work as many bands as possible in this hour.
4:00		
5:00	Morning Gray Line	The bands are just waking up, and so are we, so let's warm up our rigs and get some early morning contacts!
6:00		
7:00		
8:00	Repeater Sprint	Breakfast at the Repeater - everyone stop by your favorite fast food and grab your HT, and use simplex to make contacts
9:00		
10:00		
11:00	Last Two Hours	Bum Rush - LETS DO THIS. As many different call districts as possible!
12:00	Last Two Hours	Bum Rush - Shift from districts to maximum contact numbers, go!
13:00	The Follow Up	Everyone to the repeater, what was your most memorable contact? Favorite aspect of FD 2020? What should we keep?

Ham Radio Bingo

- Score a bingo by completing operating challenges
 - Club Defined Cards
 - Generate your own custom card

YOUR HAM RADIO BINGO CARD

IN Indiana	WNY Western New York	OH Ohio	Contact with a National Park	IA Iowa
Contact with W1AW	EWA Eastern Washington	Contact with a Military Station	NE Nebraska	SD South Dakota
NM New Mexico	Contact with a State Park	FREE	OR Oregon	MS Mississippi
KS Kansas	NTX North Texas	AK Alaska	SCV Santa Clara Valley	MT Montana
EB East Bay	ENY Eastern New York	MB Manitoba	MO Missouri	PAC Pacific

Scheduled Activities

- WebEx Gatherings

Date / Time	Topic
June 27 – 1200	Warm Up / Kickoff -
June 27 – 1800	Progress Check – share your results and challenges
June 28 - 0900	Progress Check – prepping for the home stretch
June 28 - 1300	Post Event Follow Up – how did we do?

Resources

- ARRL Field Day Page <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>
 - ARRL Temporary Rule Waivers
- Field Day in Social Distancing <http://tiny.cc/fdsd>
- SARA Weekly Broadcast email
- SARA member participation survey

Q & A

