

The SKYHOOK



HOLIDAY CITY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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June 2026

Toms River, NJ

“June 2026 President's Message



3 and possibly 4 stations on June 27 at the field behind the Christ Episcopal Church in Toms River. ARRL Field Day is the highlight of radio amateur activities during the year. Come join us for the experience and camaraderie. We will be on the air from 2:00 until 6:00.

At our June meeting we will be discussing the setting up for Field Day. This will include the types of antennas, equipment, and refreshments (water, ice, etc.) required for a safe and successful experience.

Doug Poray KC2TZC

On May 9, a few members of our club and their YL's visited the USS New Jersey Battleship Museum in Camden. This was planned in commemoration of our nation's 250th anniversary. We were given an extended guided tour of the battleship which featured a lengthy visit to the radio room.

The battleship was built at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard and launched December 7, 1942—just a year after the Pearl Harbor Attack brought America into WWII. On November 11th, 1999, the USS New Jersey arrived at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. Since that time, she has been restored, opened and established as an educational museum and a tribute to the brave sailors who served on her during her long and distinguished career. The Battleship New Jersey opened as a Museum and Memorial in October 2001.

In addition to the previous commemoration, the ARRL is dedicating this year's Field Day to America's 250th birthday.

Our club will participate in the celebration by operating



OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Thursday June 4th

at 7:00 PM

**Holiday City South Clubhouse A
Santiago Drive at Mule Road**

We Say Happy birthday To:



Tony Kuzinski KD2GSO
Michael Larkins WA2CWX
Pamela Barton

And Happy Anniversary To:



Jeff Pennel and Vickie

Holiday City Radio Club Minutes

May 7, 2026

President Doug Poray called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. followed by the pledge to the flag. Doug then asked the membership to introduce themselves by name and call sign.

John Perry read the April minutes and a motion to accept the minutes was made and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Larkins reported that there was donation of \$150.00 to the Holiday City South Homeowners Association for the use of the meeting room.

Volunteer Examination Report – Larry Puccio reported no candidates are scheduled.

Health and Welfare – Steve Jackson's mother died and a sympathy card was mailed.

Doug Poray presented a certificate of appreciation to Larry Puccio for his 29 years as treasurer of the club.

Club Business: Doug mentioned that he still has three attenuators for \$11.00. Carl Lee stated he would prefer to be reimbursed for the attenuators as they are sold.

The SKYHOOK – Editor Richard Wallace was hoping for more input from the membership.

Two Meter Net – Discussion centered around the lack of interest in the club's net. It was decided to discontinue the Thursday night's weekly net.

Doug Poray mentioned that chairmen for the Program and Membership committees are needed.

Fox Hunt – A date for the fox hunt will be determined in the future.

Field Day – After some discussion, the members decided to stay at the church grounds for field day.

USS New Jersey – Doug Poray was disappointed in the number of people attending the trip to the USS New Jersey, however, Doug stated that the club will have an exclusive tour of the radio room. Doug then polled the membership to see who will attend.

Doug mentioned that assignments for programs will be made in June for the months of July through December.

Larry Puccio received a call from Joe Militano's wife informing him that Joe had died. The call was concerning Joe's radio equipment. Larry will get more information as to how the equipment will be dispersed.

Larry Puccio noted that the club's license W2HC will expire in June of this year. Larry will look into renewing the license.

Presentation – Richard Wallace discussed the Vector Network Analyzer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.



QSO Parties

An easy and friendly way to "work" a US state to achieve Worked All States is to "work" the state's QSO Party. The best guide on the internet to upcoming QSO Parties is WA7BNM Contest Calendar.

June 6&7:
Kentucky QSO Party,

June 7&8
Atlantic Canada QSO Party
(NB, NF, NS & PE), and

June 20&21
West Virginia QSO Party.

At WA7BNM Contest Calendar,
just "Click" on the ones that interest you
to get more information.



Classified Section"

1. NAME: Jeff Pennel KA2DHE
 - a) Contact Info: 609-668-3070
 - b) Equipment wanted: Small vertical TV antenna rotor for small Yagi. SWR Meter.





AMATEUR RADIO
FD★26
A NATIONAL RESOURCE

Field Day
June 27-28, 2026

Start: 1800 UTC Saturday
End: 2059 UTC Sunday (see rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3)

Always the fourth full weekend in June

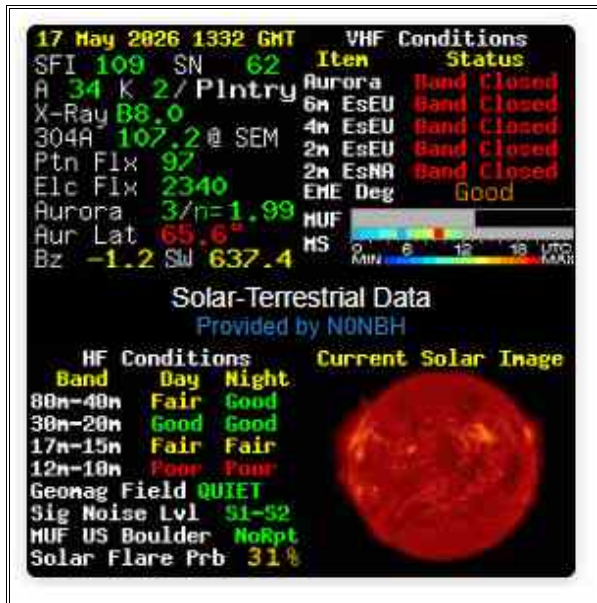
For information contact:

Field Day Information
ARRL
225 Main St.
Newington, CT 06111
fdinfo@arrl.org

(860) 594-0232

<http://www.arrl.org/field-day>

Propagation



Submitted By Steve D'Onofrio

SFI (70 = poor / 160 = good / 280 = fabulous)

SN (2 = poor / 90 = good / 220 = fabulous)

304A (80 = poor / 150 = good / 240 = fabulous)

A PIntry (4 = calm / 40 = minor storm / 80 = severe)

K PIntry (1 = calm / 5 = minor storm / 7 = severe)

Bz (20 = good / 2 = ok / -2 = not ok / -20 = disruptive)

X-RAY (A1.1 = good / C5.0 = moderate / X2.3 = severe)



Ptn Flx (0.10 = good / 2.0 = moderate / 20.0 = heavy)

Elc Flx (<1000 = poco impacto / >1000 = fuerte impacto)

SW (100 = good / 500 = moderate / 700 = disruptive)

Aurora (1/n=1.99: weak... 6/n=0.8: moderate)

Aur Lat (70 = weak / 60 = moderate / 50 = strong)

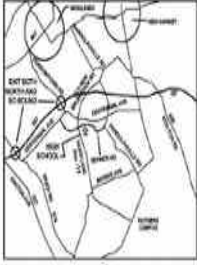
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Raritan Valley Radio Club
W2QW HAMFEST
ARRL Approved
June 20, 2026
Piscataway High School, Piscataway, NJ
100 Behmer Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854
Open to sellers at 6:00AM / Buyers at 8:00AM

WWW.W2QW.ORG

Large Outdoor Area

- Ample Parking
- XXC's & Kids FREE
- Hot and Cold Food
- Hourly Door Prize Drawings
- Hams, VUL & Computer Equipment Dealers
- Demonstrations
- New & Used Electronics & Test Equipment
- Volunteer Examiner Session 9:00AM
- ORCC, VUCC and WAS Field Checker



Directions : 287 S take exit 8, 287 N take exit 7 – then follow HAMFEST SIGNS
GPS – Use address : 100 Behmer Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854

Admission and Fees


General Admission: \$7.00
Teaching Assistants: \$7.00 + \$7.00 jam.
\$7.00 each additional space and/or jam.

For Information Call:
Mark, K2YHW, 732-687-0875
Or Neil, W2PQ, 732-750-8180
*please call before 9:00PM

Participating Vendors
All Electronics


Tablets:
346.625 – pl 341.3
442.250 – pl 341.3
146.500 Inverse

V.E. Testing
Testing at HAMFEST?
Please notify Mark, K2YHW
in advance at 732-687-0875
K2YHW@ARRL.NET




**Need help with your
ARES Standardized Training Plan?**

Let us know!
It is important we all complete that
lessons and stay certified!



Are you in SKYWARN?





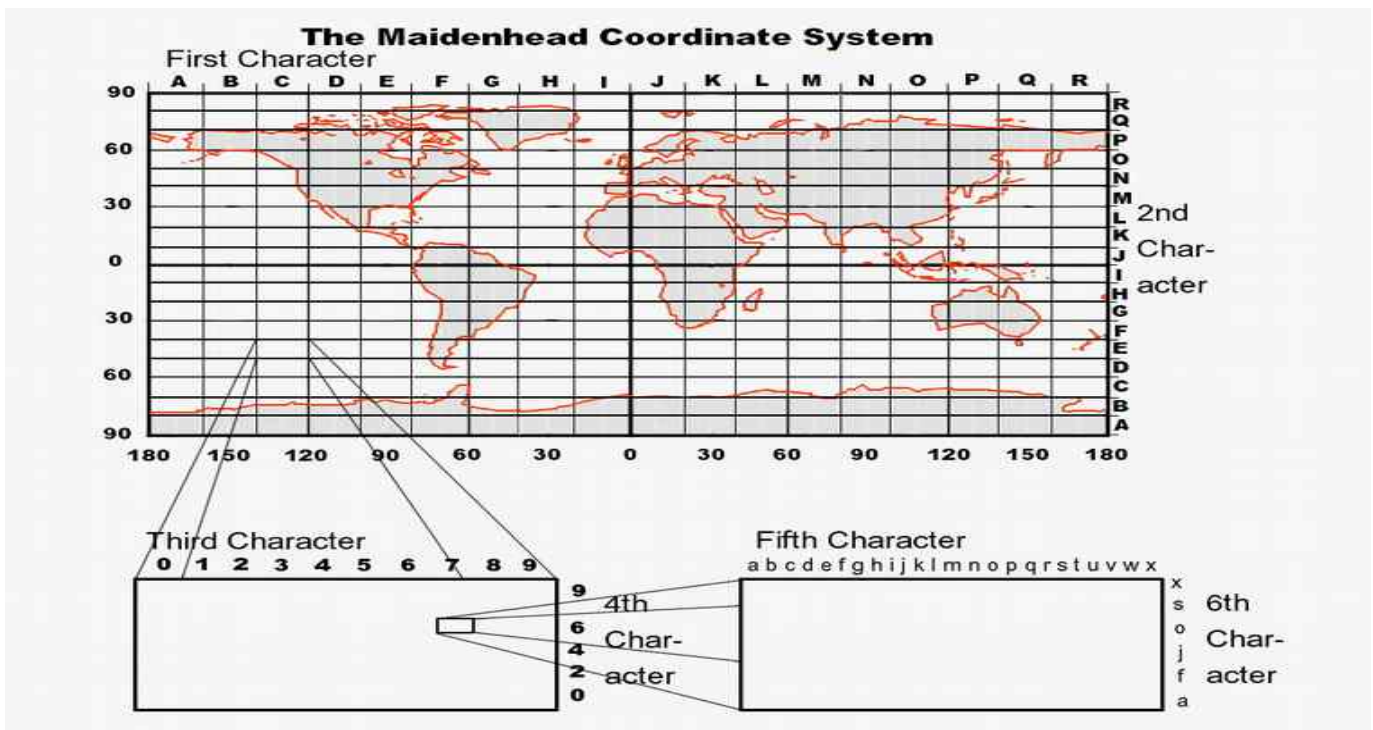
Some DX Opportunities

Opportunities shown in alphanumeric order of callsigns.

Mode codes: 3 = PSK31, 4 = JP4, 8 = JT8, C = CW, D = "digital", F = FM, O = Olivia, R = RTTY, S = SSB, T = Pix
 Many thanks to Bill Feidt NG3K for ADXO. Also to Wikipedia, the ARRL, the RSGB, DX World, The Daily DX & QRZ.com.

START	FINISH	ENTITY	PFX	CALLSIGN	IOTA	BANDS	MODES	QSL via	LOC*	MILES	DIR	INFO by
2026 May18	2026 Jun01	Rodrigues I	3B9	3B9IDX	AF-017	80-10m	C s	UR9IDX	MH10rg	9579	ENE	TDDX
2026 May19	2026 Jun07	JUAN FERNANDEZ IS	CE0Z	3G0Z	SA-005	160-6m	8 C S	M0URX	FF06oi	5094	S	OPDX
2026 Jun03	2026 Jun12	Tanzania	5H	5H1KB	AF-032	6m	?	LoTW	KI94pg	7713	E	TDDX
2026 Jun08	2026 Jul07	Tanzania	5H	5H3DX		40-6m	C 8 4	LoTW	KI73tu	7540	E	TDDX
2026 Apr19	2026 Jun16	Kenya	5Z4	5Z4/MM0ZBH		80-10m	C S 8	LoTW	KI88ks	7383	ENE	OPDX
2026 May28	2026 Jun01	Maldives	8Q	8Q7QR	AS-013	80-10m	C s	JJ1DQR	MJ64se	8765	NE	TDDX
2026 Jun04	2026 Jun13	Rwanda	9X	9X5KM		80-10m	C S D	LoTW	KI47ts	7050	E	DXW.Net
2026 May23	2026 Jun02	Tonga	A3	A31WW	OC-049	80-10m	C	W6NV LoTW	AG28js	7712	S	DXW.Net
2026 May26	2026 Jun06	Bolivia	CP	CP7DX		160-2m	C S 8	OQRS	FG78pl	4292	W	OPDX
2026 Jun17	2026 Jun24	Cape Verde Is	D4	D44EC		40-6m	?	LoTW	HK84fw	3497	ESE	TDDX
2026 Jun20	2026 Jun22	Armenia	EK	EK/DL2JRM		?	C S	DL2JRM	LN20ge	5693	NE	OPDX
2026 May05	2026 Jul20	French Polynesia	F0	F0/F6BCW	OC-027	80-6m	C S	LoTW	CI00lf	5370	WSW	TDDX
2026 Jun27	2026 Jul14	St Pierre & Miq	FP	FP/KV1J	NA-032	80-6m	S C 8	LoTW	GN17tc	1019	NE	TDDX
2026 Jun10	2026 Jun24	St Martin	FS	FS/K9EL	NA-105	80-6m	C 8	LoTW	FK88lc	1651	SSE	OPDX
2026 May28	2026 Jun02	Galapagos	HC8	HC8M	SA-004	?	C	M00XO	EI49kd	3014	SSW	TDDX
2026 May30	2026 Jun06	Market Reef	OJ0	OJ0MN	EU-053	80-6m	S C D	OH1MN	JP90nh	3981	NE	DXW.Net
2026 May30	2026 Jun06	Market Reef	OJ0	OJ0Z	EU-053	80-6m	S C D	OH1LEG	JP90nh	3981	NE	DXW.Net
2026 Jun12	2026 Jun29	Curacao	PJ2	PJ2/PH2M	SA-099	80-6m	8 4 s	LoTW	FK52lf	1942	S	TDDX
2026 May27	2026 Jun08	Bonaire	PJ	PJ4CB	SA-006	20-10m	S C	WA7RAR Dir	FK52uf	1950	SSE	OPDX
2026 Jun10	2026 Jun18	Palau	T88	T88AR	OC-099	160-6m	8 4 S M	LoTW	PJ77g1	2267	S	TDDX
2026 Jun19	2026 Jun22	Palau	T88	T88TB	OC-099	80-10m	?	LoTW	PJ77fi	8690	NW	TDDX
2026 May26	2026 Jun02	Martinique	FM	T03E	NA-107	?	C	LoTW	FK94mp	1924	SW	AB2E
2026 Jun11	2026 Jun22	St Kitts & Nevis	V4	V47JA	NA-104	160-6m	S 8	LoTW	FK87pg	1713	SSE	W5JON
2026 May24	2026 Jun01	St Kitts & Nevis	V4	V4/WW6W	NA-104	?	C	LoTW	FK87oi	1706	SSE	OPDX
2026 May20	2026 Jun19	Namibia	V5	V5/N7XOB		40&20m	S	LoTW	JG87nk	7279	ESE	TDDX
<u>2025 Apr01</u>	<u>2027 Apr01</u>	Marshall Is	V7	V73HW	OC-028	80-10m	S 8	KX4QD	RJ39re	7244	WNW	ARLD014
2026 Jun01	2026 Jun14	Lord Howe I	VK9L	VJ1L	OC-004	40-10m	C 8 BS	LoTW	QF98mm	9436	W	TDDX
2026 May25	2026 Jun03	CHATHAM ISLAND	ZL7	ZL7IO	OC-038	160-10m	C S D	LoTW	AE16ra	8588	WSW	ZL3IO

*Some LOC data shown is approximated



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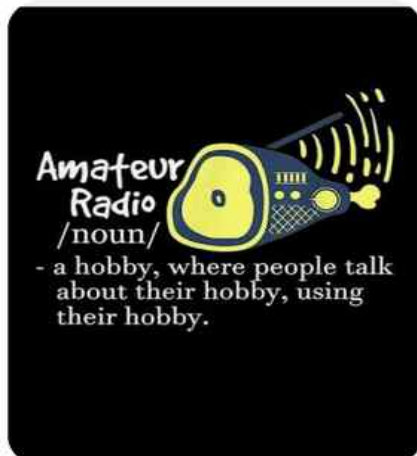
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 NJ Primary Election Day	3	4 HCARC MEETING 8:00 PM	5	6
7	8	9	10 Fortune Buffet 12:00 PM	11 HCARC Net 8:00 PM	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 HCARC Net 8:00 PM	19 Nineteenth	20
21 FATHERS DAY	22	23	24 Holiday City Diner 12:00	25 HCARC Net 8:00 PM	26	27 FIELD DAY BEGINS
28 Field Day continues	29	30				
					Updated on	6/1/2026



Thank You To All Who Contributed!

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 and QRZ.com.



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Membership-is-open-to-all-interested-persons.-Ham-license-is-not-required.-Dues-are-\$40.00-per-year,-payable-Jan-1st.-

Members-joining-during-the-year-will-have-the-dues-prorated.-Family-membership-\$50.00-per-family.-¶

Meetings-are-held-at-7:00-p.m.-on-the-first-Thursday-of-every-month-except-December.-¶

Location:-Meeting-Room-#1-in-Holiday-City-South-Clubhouse.-¶

Directions:-From-either-Route-37-W-or-Davenport-Road,-take-Mule-Road-to-Santiago-Drive.-Turn-into-the-parking-lot-from-Santiago-Drive,-park-near-the-pool.-Enter-Building-A-(the-building-nearest-the-street-intersection).-¶

Newsletter:-The-SKYHOOK-is-the-HCARC's-official-newsletter,-circulation-about-75.-Original-articles-and-photos-are-appreciated.-Editor-is-Richard-"Wolf"-Wallace-KD2ZIW-732-575-6429--kd2ziw@comcast.net¶