

RARSfest 2011

The Raleigh Amateur Radio Society invites you to be part of our 2011 Hamfest. The Thirty-ninth Annual RARSfest, NCS ARRL Convention and Huge Electronic Fleamarket will be held on April 23, 2011 in the Jim Graham Building, on the NC State Fairgrounds, on Hillsborough Street in Raleigh. The Jim Graham Building offers 100,000 square feet to contain ALL the hamfest activities.

To remind you of some of our special features:

o FREE PARKING. Enter Gate #4, on Youth Center Drive on the West side of the Fairgrounds, off Hillsborough St. Radio talk-in: 146.04/146.64 with backup on 146.28/146.88. Easy setup: drive to your area and unload Friday 3pm to 10pm and Saturday 6am to 7:30am. All vehicles must then leave the building.

o Security on duty at all times inside and outside the building

o Dealer Booths available with table, chairs, divider curtains and electricity. Additional booth tables are available at cost. See Page 2 for details. Please bring your own power cords, distribution boxes and moving carts.

o All activities are held under one roof; no outside selling is allowed. NO FOOD, DRINK or WEAPONS may be sold or donated by attendees in the hamfest building. Also, NO ANIMALS are allowed in the hamfest building on hamfest day.

o Plenty of Recreational Vehicle space is available with full hookups. The \$25/night fee will be collected by Fairgrounds Authorities. Motels are not far away. Red Roof Inn (919)319-0311; Fairfield Inn Crabtree (919)881-9800; Hampton Inn- Raleigh I-40 (919)233-1798.

o Restaurant is in the hamfest building.

o Welcoming Supper - Please accept our invitation to join us at Friday night, 7-8pm, in the Hamfest Building.

Our hamfest is regularly attended by 1700 amateur radio operators, electronic and computer buffs from approximately a 200 mile radius of Raleigh. The RARSfest is the only non-professional show for electronic enthusiasts in the Raleigh area. We feel the mix of our dealers and our large fleamarket provides a unique opportunity to present your goods and services in a friendly yet businesslike environment. Enclosed are the dealer/vendor Pre-Registration Form (DUE by April 16, 2011) and a flyer with a map and other details. Feel free to call Hank Montgomery, tel. (919) 577-1254 or [hank@k4hm.net]. Alternate is Chuck Littlewood, Tel. (919) 872-6555 or [k4hf@arrl.net].

OVER PLEASE

RALEIGH HAMFEST
APRIL 23, 2011

===== **EXHIBITOR INFORMATION & RATES** =====

Dealer/Manufacturer Booth: 10' X 10' space with 8' backdrop and 3' divider curtains; one 8' x 2.5' table and 2 chairs; 120VAC power; **Non Eligible Door Prize Guest Passes for each of your staff. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN POWER CORDS AND BOXES.**

Fleamarket Table: One 8' x 2.5' table (our furniture only); chairs available at no additional charge; 120 VAC power available at additional cost and advance request.

A RARSfest ticket is **REQUIRED** before getting tables in the fleamarket area.

DEALER BOOTH FEES: First Booth _____ \$ 55.00

Each Additional Booth _____ \$ 45.00

Booth Add'l 8' x 2.5' Table, each ____ \$ 10.00

FLEAMARKET AREA TABLE(S):

Table at Pre-registration (BY April 16) _____ each \$ 18.00

No multiple table discount

Table After Pre-Registration Date _____ each \$ 20.00

120 VAC Power to Fleamarket table _____ \$ 25.00

Pre-Reg RARSfest Ticket (BY April 16) _____ each \$ 7.00

RARSfest Tickets at the door _____ each \$ 8.00

TERMS: Payment in full with Reservation

PRE REGISTRATION CUTOFF DATE IS April 16, 2011

RV/CAMPER Parking is \$25.00 per night and will be collected at your campsite by the Fairgrounds Authorities. Tel. (919) 612-6767.

Your Dealer/Vendor Coordinator is Chuck Littlewood, K4HF, tel. (919) 872-6555 or k4hf@arrl.net or Alternate Hank Montgomery, K4HM, tel. (919) 577-1254, or hank@k4hm.net

Mail **ALL** reservations to Steve Ferrarini, KJ4BX, 107 Thomas Place, Knightdale, NC 27545. Your reservations will be confirmed. Tel (919) 247-8690 E Mail: steve.kj4bx@gmail.com

RALEIGH HAMFEST AND NCS ARRL Convention
April 23, 2011

Fleamarket - Vendor - Dealer Information

Thank you for registering to attend the 39th Annual RARSfest!

The following information is presented to help you have an even better time.

** The setup times in the Jim Graham Building for all are Friday, April 22, 3pm to 10pm and Saturday, April 23, 6 to 7:30am. ALL vehicles must be out of the building by 10pm and 7:30am respectively. Hamfest hours are Saturday, 8am to 3:30pm.*

** Drive in through Gate #4 on Youth Center Rd, which runs between Hillsborough St. and Trinity Rd. on the West side of the Fairgrounds. Park in the area on the West Side or North sides the Exposition Center(hamfest) Building, outside the entrance to the Fleamarket. Free Parking.*

** RV/Camper parking is welcome in designated areas and Fairgrounds authorities will collect the \$25 per night fee at your site. Info: <http://www.ncstatefair.org/facilities/rvaccess.htm>*

** Please bring all your own moving CARTS and POWER extension cords.*

** NO FOOD, DRINKS, WEAPONS or PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIALS are allowed to be sold or donated in the hamfest building.*

** There will be NO SMOKING and NO ANIMALS in the Hamfest building.*

** There will be the WELCOMING PARTY/SUPPER for all Friday night, 7 to 8pm, in the Foyer in the front of the hamfest building. Please join us!*

** Security will be provided in and around the Hamfest building all during setup, overnight and through hamfest closing time.*

** If help is needed go to the Information Booth next to the stage. The Jim Graham Building has a full service restaurant.*

** Please be patient in leaving the hamfest after 3:30pm. Vehicles will not be allowed to enter until after this time.*

** No transmitting on HF except to a dummy load and a maximum of 5 Watts on higher frequencies. The Exception will be for the Special Events Station, N4C.*

** Alternative activities available in the area include the Fairgrounds General Fleamarket outside the Hamfest Building, NC Museum of Art, and the Blue Ridge Cinema. Crabtree Valley Mall is a short drive away; see the map on flyer or on www.rars.org/hamfest*