

Interested in amateur radio? Join us for the summertime classic ARRL Field Day.

Field Day is amateur radio's biggest communications party, global contest, emergency training exercise and chance for good fellowship of the year. The Raleigh Amateur Radio Society (RARS) will be participating in the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) 2015 Field Day event on Saturday June 27th and Sunday June 28th.

The ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend of June, more than 35,000 radio amateurs gather with their clubs, groups or simply with friends to operate from remote locations

The purpose of this event is to work as many radio stations as possible on the amateur bands (excluding the 60, 30, 17, and 12-meter bands) and to learn to operate in less than optimal conditions in the field using emergency power and antennas.

This event is open to the public and visitors were welcome on Saturday, June 27th from 11 AM until 9 PM. Also on Sunday, June 28th from 7 AM until 11 AM. Field Day is an opportunity to see Amateur Radio in action and learn about ham radio by participating. Our Get On The Air (GOTA) station is a great way to experience amateur radio without having a license.

Most groups conduct their operations in the classic tradition in the field. RARS will once again conduct operations from the Carroll Farm site (4501 Friendship Road, Apex, NC). Jim and Beth Carroll, N4CAE and KF4QMR have hosted the RARS operation for many years. Their property is nearly ideal for large multi-station operations with ample fields and strategically located tall trees so we can operate with the Field Day rules.

Planned events include:

- Field Day on air radio activities begin at 2:00 pm on Saturday
- Educational session at 3:00 pm Saturday
- Visitors Booth
- GOTA (Get On The Air station

To learn more, contact the RARS Field Day Coordinator, Dennis Keith, NC4DK