

Minutes-July 18, 2024, General Meeting

By Jim Gifford N8KET, Secretary

Executive Committee Members Present

President: Ray Hitt N8VMX, Newsletter

Vice President: Jim Totten WA8HUB, Lunch Bunch

Treasurer: John Westerkamp W8LRJ, Communications Center, Assistant Field Day

Secretary: Jim Gifford N8KET

Sr. Director: Jim Lusk KC8EFD, Clubhouse

Jr. Director: Bob French AC8ZU, POTA, Tech Night

Functional Coordinators Present:

Tink Siwecki KD8NUA, Hospitality and Library

Paul Sharp WS8R, Education

Glenn Rodgers WI8O, Field Day

Don Parker KB8PSL, Community Service

Executive Committee Members Absent

At 7:30 pm, President Ray Hitt N8VMX welcomed attendees and led attendees in the pledge of allegiance. Guests and attendees with new or updated licenses were recognized. Hitt then introduced our program speaker, John Westerkamp.

Agenda Item 1. John Westerkamp presentation: “Field Day 2024” a Review

John Westerkamp W8LRJ presented a review on how BARC fared in the 2024 Field Day, which was held in the clubhouse because of the extreme heat. Field Day was moved from Sackett Wright Park. His PowerPoint presentation is below.

2024 Indoor Field Day Summary

BARC Membership Meeting

John Westerkamp, W8LRJ – Assistant Field Day Coordinator

Bellbrook Amateur Radio Club

July 18, 2024

Outline

- What is Field Day?
- BARC results
- Sections
- Results Map
- Scoring
- Field Day stats over past 10 years

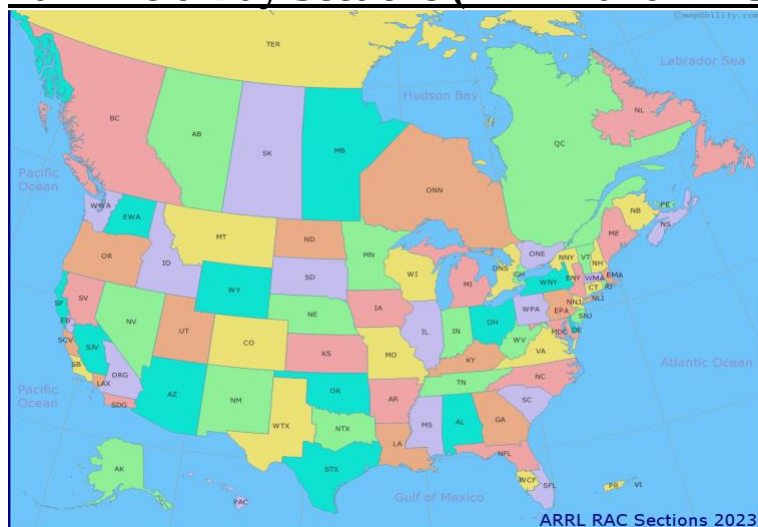
What Is Field Day?

- ARRL event held 4th full weekend every June

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- From 2pm Saturday to 2pm Sunday in our time zone
- Not a true “contest”, but an operating event
- Thousands of hams throughout US and Canada set up temporary communications stations and contact similar stations
- Opportunity for community outreach, emergency preparedness, sharpening your technical skills
- Opportunity to plan for a 24-hour field operation
- Fun way to bring the club members together
- Moved indoors to clubhouse due to excessive heat index

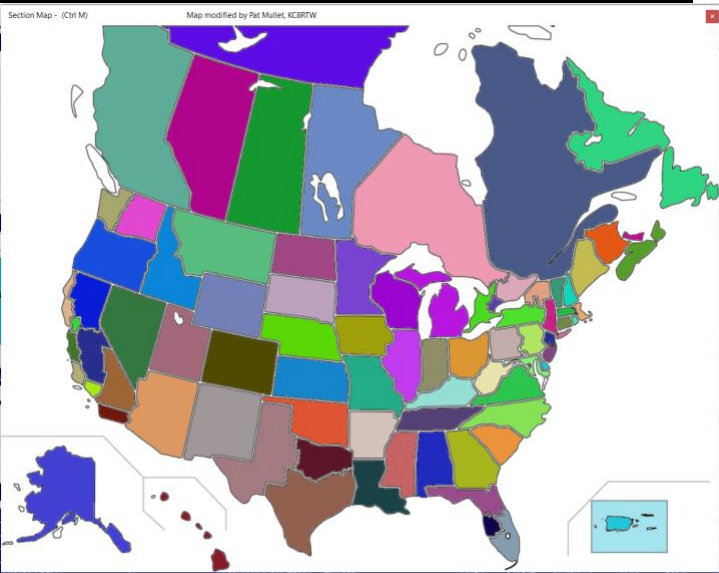
2024 Field Day Sections (ARRL and RAC)



Above are all sections available in Field Day

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W8DGN Results – Sections Contacted



Above are all sections contacted by W8DGN in 2024 – a clean sweep!

W8DGN Results – Sorted By Section

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Section	Abbr	Total	Section	Abbr	Total	Section	Abbr	Total	Section	Abbr	Total
Alberta	AB	6	Kentucky	KY	5	Nova Scotia	NS	1	San Joaquin Valley	SJV	8
Alaska	AK	4	Louisiana	LA	14	North Texas	NTX	51	Saskatchewan	SK	1
Alabama	AL	13	Los Angeles	LAX	10	Nevada	NV	6	Southern New Jersey	SNJ	8
Arkansas	AR	7	Manitoba	MB	1	Ohio	OH	52	South Texas	STX	46
Arizona	AZ	16	Maryland-DC	MDC	8	Oklahoma	OK	22	Sacramento Valley	SV	15
British Columbia	BC	18	Maine	ME	12	Ontario East	ONE	4	Territories	TER	2
Colorado	CO	36	Michigan	MI	14	Ontario North	ONN	5	Tennessee	TN	7
Connecticut	CT	8	Minnesota	MN	13	Ontario South	ONS	5	Utah	UT	9
Delaware	DE	1	Missouri	MO	10	Oregon	OR	18	Virginia	VA	21
DX	DX	12	Mississippi	MS	14	Orange	ORG	14	US Virgin Islands	VI	2
East Bay	EB	5	Montana	MT	8	Pacific	PAC	2	Vermont	VT	5
Eastern Massachusetts	EMA	11	New Brunswick	NB	4	Prince Edward Island	PE	1	West Central Florida	WCF	23
Eastern New York	ENY	6	North Carolina	NC	15	Puerto Rico	PR	11	Wisconsin	WI	14
Eastern Pennsylvania	EPA	11	North Dakota	ND	9	Quebec	QC	8	Western Massachusetts	WMA	5
Eastern Washington	EWA	2	Nebraska	NE	4	Rhode Island	RI	9	Western New York	WNY	7
Georgia	GA	21	Northern Florida	NFL	35	Santa Barbara	SB	6	Western Pennsylvania	WPA	11
Ontario Golden Horseshoe	GH	5	New Hampshire	NH	3	South Carolina	SC	11	West Texas	WTX	7
Iowa	IA	5	Newfoundland and Labrador	NL	1	Santa Clara Valley	SCV	13	West Virginia	WV	6
Idaho	ID	6	New York City-Long Island	NLI	9	South Dakota	SD	6	Western Washington	WWA	29
Illinois	IL	15	New Mexico	NM	7	San Diego	SDG	4	Wyoming	WY	3
Indiana	IN	11	Northern New Jersey	NNJ	7	San Francisco	SF	7			

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W8DGN Results – Band and Mode




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Band	CW	Phone	Dig	Total	%
160	0	0	0	0	0.0%
80	1	3	69	73	7.7%
40	38	48	118	204	21.5%
20	41	346	19	406	42.9%
15	118	43	24	185	19.6%
10	8	4	66	78	8.2%
6	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Satellite	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	206	444	296	946	
%	21.7%	46.9%	31.2%		

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W8DGN Results – Bonus Points




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100 % Emergency Power	0
Educational Activity	100
Field Day Responsibilities (new for 2024)	50
Formal NTS Messages Handled (max=10x10)	100
Media Publicity	0
Natural Power QSOs Completed (min=5)	0
NTS Message to ARRL SM/SEC	100
Public Information Table	0
Public Location	0
Safety Officer	0
Satellite QSO Completed	0
Site Visit by Invited Agency Official	0
Site Visit by Invited Elected Official	100
Social Media	100
Submitted via the Web	50
W1AW Field Day Message	100
Youth Participation (1x20)	20

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John Westerkamp explained how we scored bonus points.

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W8DGN Results – Final Results



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Score Summary:	CW	PH	DIG	Total
Contacts	206	444	296	946
Total Points	412	444	592	1448

Claimed Contact Score = 2896 (Power Multiplier: 2X)
 Total Bonus Points = 720
Total Claimed Points = 3616

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W8DGN Results – Past 10 Years



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Score Summary	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020*	2021	2022	2023	2024
Club Class	6A	4E	6A	5A	5A	4A	n/a	4A	4A	4A	4D
Total Bonus Points	1510	890	1710	1930	1870	1750	4277	1750	1450	1690	720
Total QSO Points	1674	1225	2436	2258	2102	2814	4181	2464	1998	2712	2896
Total Claimed Points	3348	2450	4146	4188	3972	4564	8458	4214	3448	4402	3616
Actual Number of Contacts											
CW	578	303	454	262	312	417	531	174	220	210	206
Digital	81	35	17	60	21	84	752	143	47	180	296
Phone	356	549	276	485	385	405	1615	598	465	576	444
Total QSOs	1015	887	747	807	718	906	2898	915	732	966	946

*Overlooked club member score, no W8DGN station due to pandemic lockdown

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THANKS!!!



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Agenda Item 2. Don Parker Field Day Video

Don Parker KB8PSL produced a photograph and music video of the 2024 Field Day.

Agenda Item 3. Minutes

Ken Gunton W8ASA moved we accept the minutes that were emailed; Jim Totten WA8HUB seconded. Passed.

Agenda Item 4. Treasurer's Report

John Westerkamp presented the Treasurer's Report. His emailed report is below:

"July was a very slow month and there was almost no activity with only some small income from the refreshment jar and our regular Spectrum Internet bill. Our balance as of the July Membership meeting is \$10,777.08.

We continue to be in excellent financial shape.

Thanks!

John Westerkamp, W8LRJ
Treasurer"

Fund	30-Jun-24	Income	Expenses	31-Jul-24
General	\$2,884.72	\$0.00	\$114.98	\$2,769.74

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Comm center	\$1,586.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,586.22
Refreshments	\$856.73	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$886.73
Repeater	\$319.53	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$319.53
All Liquid Funds	\$5,647.20	\$30.00	\$114.98	\$5,562.22
6 Month CD	\$5,214.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,214.86
ALL FUNDS	\$10,862.06	\$30.00	\$114.98	\$10,777.08

Jim Totten moved we accept the report; Joe Muchnij N8QOD seconded. Passed.

Agenda Item 5. Comments and Coordinators' Reports

Jim Totten reported on the upcoming the Lunch Bunch schedule.

Tink Siwecki KD8NUA announced the next movie night.

Jim Gifford N8KET announced the following month's Tech Night Oscillator project. It was also announced that there is a two-night Tech Night building and operating a hotspot, taught by Ray Hitt.

Larry Darner KD8RER moved we adjourn; Milo Davis KE8NJY seconded. The meeting ended about 8:15pm.