

Minutes-November 20, 2025, General Meeting

By Jim Gifford N8KET, Secretary
Executive Committee Members Present
President: Geoff Kline, KI5VNB, Relocation Committee
Vice President: Eric Bramini, KC8OPY, Relocation Committee
Treasurer: John Westerkamp W8LRJ, Webmaster, Relocation Committee
Secretary: Jim Gifford N8KET, Relocation Committee, Clubhouse Move-in
Junior Director: Don Macon KE8WVJ, Relocation Committee

Executive Committee Members Absent
Senior Director: Bob French AC8ZU, POTA, Tech Night

President Geoff Kline KI5VNB led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Introductions were made and we recognized visitors and new and advanced hams. The mic was passed around the room and each person relayed how he or she became involved in ham radio.

November meeting minutes

Ray Hitt N8VMX moved we accept; Ken Gunton W8ASA seconded; passed.

Treasurer’s report –John Westerkamp

John Westerkamp emailed the report earlier:

“Dues are starting to roll in to offset some of the over \$3000 in expenses this November. We are almost up to \$8000 in expenses for our move to the new clubhouse (Relocation Expenses attached). We are looking into other means of raising funds to replenish our bank accounts, but hopefully we are close to finishing the clubhouse upgrades.

Our balance as of the November 2025 Membership Meeting is \$8357.28.”

Thanks!

John
W8LRJ

Fund	31-Oct-25	Income	Expenses	30-Nov-25
General	\$9,049.86	\$241.55	\$3,183.55	\$6,107.86
Comm center	\$1,007.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,007.43
Refreshments	\$922.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$922.46
Repeater	\$319.53	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$319.53
All Liquid Funds	\$11,299.28	\$241.55	\$3,183.55	\$8,357.28
6 Month CD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ALL FUNDS	\$11,299.28	\$241.55	\$3,183.55	\$8,357.28

Jim Lusk moved we accept the report; Steve Siwecki seconded; passed.

Nominations Committee

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Steve Siwecki told attendees that we have a full slate: President, Geoff Kline N5VNB; Vice President, Eric Bramini KC8OPY; Treasurer, Tom McClory KE8FWZ; Secretary, James Gifford N8KET; Junior Director, Glenn Rodgers WI8O.

Don Macon KE8WVJ moves up to Senior Director automatically.

The floor was opened for additional nominations, and there were none submitted.

Kline asked for a motion to accept the nominations as presented (above). Ken Gunton W8ASA moved we accept; Ray Hitt N8VMX seconded; passed. Nominations are closed.

Officers/Coordinators Reports

Ray Hitt asked for inputs to Full Quieting newsletter.

Eric Bramini announded that Winter Field Day will be held at the Twin Aoks shelter at Hills and Dales Park in January. Watch for additional details via email.

Geoff Kline said the radio room is being completed and is going very well.

Jim Totten sent in via email:
I may not be at tomorrow's meeting. The lunch in December will be on Dec.9, 2025.
Place: The Chic-Fil-A in the Cornerstone complex.

November Presentation- POTA-Jim Gifford

Jim Gifford brought a presentation on doing Parks on the Air.



Rules •Getting Started for Hunters •Getting Started for Activators •Getting Started Video Guide (just under 10 minutes)
Rules 1. Rules 2. Key Definitions 3. Activations / Attempts 4. Eligible QSOs 5. Activation Location and Access 6. Hunter Location 6. Logging Requirements
Key Definitions • Activator: An activator is a licensed amateur radio operator in a park on POTA's designated list and contacts other licensed amateurs. • Hunter: A hunter is any other licensed amateur radio operator who contacts an activator at a park. The term "chaser" is sometimes synonymously used.

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Activations/Attempts

- A successful activation requires a minimum of **10** QSOs from a park in the designated list within a single UTC day.
- Courteous activators **still submit logs** for unsuccessful activations
- Multiple activities at the same park in the same state/province/entity and the same UTC day = **one activation**

Eligible QSOs

- Bands/Modes
- Land repeaters are **not** allowed
- Satellite repeaters are **allowed**
- Spotting is encouraged
- Power limits – legal limit
- Fully automated QSOs are **prohibited**
- Relays are **prohibited**

Activator Reference

- [Submitting Logs](#)
- [Activator Guide](#)
- [Station Footprint Styles](#)
- [Club Activation Guide](#)
- [Park to Park](#)
- [Logging Made Easy](#)
- [ADIF for POTA Technical Reference](#)
- [Logging with N3FJP](#)
- [Park Additions and Edits](#)

Logging

- **Hunters** do not submit any logs to POTA.
- It is **recommended** to upload your log to LoTW, QRZ, ClubLog, eQSL, or any other online confirmation service.
- In particular, **LoTW** is used by most award hunters.
- The POTA system works based **only on the logs submitted by the activators.**

Logging

- PoLo (<https://polo.ham2k.com/>)
- HAMRS (<https://hamrs.app/>)
- Smart Logger (<https://smartlogger.app/>)
- World Radio League (<https://worldradioleague.com/mobile-apps/>)
- Others like N3FJP

Logging Example HAMRS



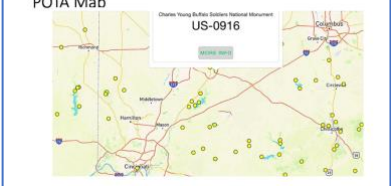
Submitting Activator Logs



Spots



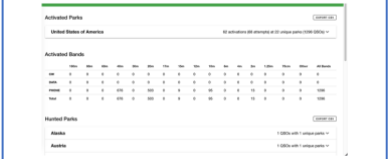
POTA Map



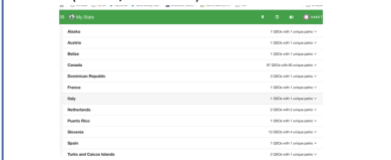
Park Site Specifics



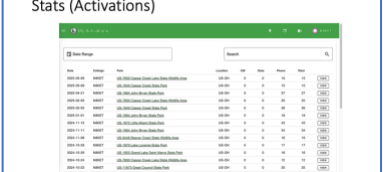
Stats (Activated Bands)



Stats (States/Countries)



Stats (Activations)



Hunter Logbook



Hunter Logbook



Awards



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All over the world

The screenshot shows a web application with a green header bar. Below the header is a table with two columns: a country name and a numerical value. The countries listed are Austria, Belarus, Canada, Colombia, Dominican Republic, France, Italy, Netherlands, Slovenia, Spain, and United States of America. Each row has a corresponding numerical value in parentheses, such as (1,000,000 with 1,000,000) for Austria. The table is scrollable, as indicated by the scrollbar on the right.

Country	Value
Austria	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Belarus	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Belize	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Canada	(10,000,000 with 10,000,000)
Colombia	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Dominican Republic	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
France	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Italy	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Netherlands	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
Slovenia	(10,000,000 with 10,000,000)
Spain	(1,000,000 with 1,000,000)
United States of America	(100,000,000 with 100,000,000)



But the greatest reward is having fun



Finally, all of us can enjoy it

date	flight	from	to	price	availability
2009-11-18	AA0001	LAX	SEA	200	20
2009-11-18	AA0002	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0003	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0004	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0005	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0006	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0007	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0008	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0009	LAX	SEA	5	10
2009-11-18	AA0010	LAX	SEA	5	10

SASGB - **Spain**
 CTX000 - **Spain**
 ICE271 - **Italy**
 PRS006 - **St. Petersburg**
 EPZ002 - **Spain**
 HST000 - **Honduras**
 PRX002 - **Ireland**
 KCT003 - **Malabo**
 KNY - **New Mexico**
 KJG000 - **Armenia**
 KJG000 - **Texas**
 NLY000A - **in Carolina**
 NNY001 - **China**

Ken Gunton moved we close the meeting; Larry Darner seconded; closed at 8:55pm.