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ARRL LOTW Still Down

By: Peter Kapetanakis, KN4OCX, HPARC Treasurer

For those who are unaware, ARRL experiences a cyber event in early May that led to the complete shutdown of all ARRL systems on May 15th that impacted many of the various different system. Some items are still down. Such as the ARRL Letter and the Logbook Of The World (LOTW).

As published on the main ARRL website (<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-systems-service-disruption>) ARRL has published the following update on 6/21/2024: "ARRL staff continue to work with outside industry experts to ensure that all servers have been remediated,

Field Day has been in the past a family-friendly activity, and I would like

tested, and all data has been confirmed. We have also been working to ensure that the network is secure.

As noted in previous updates, Logbook of The World® servers and data are fine and working. LoTW® has dependencies on other servers, for example membership data, which have not yet been returned to service. We will announce when LoTW is open for user access. We anticipate that the queue will grow quite large once live, and we are evaluating ways to manage that potential issue.

As a reminder, 2024 ARRL Field Day is this weekend. We note that some groups have scaled back or cancelled their

to keep it as such. Please invite your family and friends. And plan on having a

outdoor plans due to excessive heat or severe weather threats. Please use caution this weekend (visit Heat.gov for heat and health information). Enjoy Field Day. The Field Day bulletin will be transmitted from W1AW and K6KPH as scheduled (see PDF schedule). Your Field Day results may be uploaded to <https://field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php> or mailed to ARRL after the event.

This story will be updated with new developments."

As a helpful reference you may go to <https://status.lotw.arrl.org/> for an instant status check on their systems.

fun time at Field Day. See you there.

Ham Radio Classes

By: Peter Kapetanakis, KN4OCX

The Tri-County ARC, High Point ARC, and GARA (Greensboro Amateur Radio Association) have formed a partnership to provided online (Zoom) classes for those seeking to acquire their Technician Class operator's license, or to upgrade to a General Class license.

Each course is comprised of 6 class sessions. Each class session is held via Zoom on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 –

9:00pm ET and is free of charge.

The Technician & General classes are held in an alternating sequence. The next course is the **Technician** Course scheduled to begin **July 9th**. Please note, that the courses are meant to prepare you for the FCC license exam, but do not include the license exam itself.

Pre-registration is required for each course. Please contact Richard Weinbaum, KK4RR at 336-687-8001 or

KK4RR@mac.com to register.

The starting dates for each course in 2024 are as follows:

Technician Course:

~~January 9, April 2,~~ **July 9**, October 8

General Course:

~~February 20, May 14,~~ August 20

HPARC Meeting

Mario's Pizza & Zoom

2645 N. Main St.
High Point, NC27265

July 1 2024
6:30 p.m.

2024 ARRL Field Day Wrap Up

Source: 6/28/2024 -
<http://www.arrl.org/news/2024-arrl-field-day-wrap-up>

06/28/2024

It was a successful 2024 ARRL Field Day, despite severe weather and extreme temperatures impacting much of the country. Social media has hundreds of photos and stories from the United States. By Wednesday morning, nearly 2200 log entries had been received, with more arriving hourly. Just a reminder, the deadline for entries is July 23, 2024. Check out the ARRL Field Day website for the latest updates and information.

ARRL member-volunteers on the Board of Directors, along with Section Managers and other Field Organization staff fanned out to visit as many of the sites as possible in their areas. We've collected some of their photos and reports from the road on 2024 ARRL Field Day.

Kenzie Denton, KO4GLN, is the Assistant Section Manager for Youth in the ARRL Virginia Section, and she is the 2023 winner of the Roanoke Division Service Award, the Division's highest honor. A junior at Old Dominion University (ODU) majoring in pre-med,

she is president of the ODU Amateur Radio Club, and undertakes many youth outreach initiatives. Her latest was a fox hunt aimed at encouraging girls to participate by using the legacy of Amelia Earhart as inspiration. The Williamsburg Area Amateur Radio Club (WAARC) is known for having a high percentage of active YL members.

Denton and her mother, Nicole, handmade 62 pennants to memorialize Silent Key members of the Williamsburg Area Amateur Radio Club (WAARC). The pennants were strung on two lines which hung adjacent to the park shelter where the club was operating category 3A. It took about 30 minutes to make each pennant, and the collection will remain a fixture for future club events.

ARRL Treasurer John Sager, WJ7S, joined the Utah Valley Amateur Radio Club (UVARC) at their Field Day operation in Trout Creek, Utah. "I joined what was supposed to be a three-man team of CW operators, John Mitton, KK7L, Ralph Nunn, K7RLN, and me ... as a 3A station operating under the UVARC callsign of K7UVA," said Sager. "We were joined by Forrest Stephenson, KI7QCF, a fairly new CW operator and POTA activator, who wanted to see our CW effort in action. We ended up making

about 500 CW 3A QSOs during Field Day for the K7UVA effort.

Ed Wilson, N2XDD, Vice Director of the Hudson Division, drove a total of 947 miles to visit 18 different Field Day sites within the Division. He started on Saturday morning visiting the Warren County (NY) Amateur Radio Club. After a last-minute cancellation of their original site, they quickly scrambled and secured a new location in Lake George, New York. "It was great visiting all the clubs and speaking about my passion for bringing more clubs together on joint efforts, as well as my strong beliefs on increasing education outreach within the hobby," said Wilson. "Along the way I got to meet various club officials and members, listening to their concerns and sharing my visions for the future. I was also able to meet 10-year-old Michael Jones and his 12-year-old brother, Zaydin Jones, grandchildren of April MacMurray, WU2BBY, at the Schenectady Curling Club joint site. On Long Island, at the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club (LIMARC) site, met two more kids, Aiden Reiter, KE2BXH, and Caleb Sullivan, who were busy making contacts when I arrived."

Letter from the Editor:

By: Peter Kapetanakis, KN4OCX

Hello readers,

My apologies for the short newsletter this month. Many of the articles presented in our monthly newsletters come direct from the ARRL Letter. ARRL Copyright permissions allow the reprint of the articles from the ARRL Letter as long as they are appropriately cited for as the source of the information. ARRL does not permit the same reprint/rebroadcast of articles from other ARRL sources such as QST, On the Air magazine, etc. Due to the cyber event that impacted ARRL, there have been no published issues of the ARRL Letter since May 9th. Until such time that the ARRL Letter is once again published, the HPARC newsletters surely can be expected to be shorter than normal. Please note, that if you have a topic of interest and would like to write and submit an article for publication, please feel free to do so. Submissions should be made by the deadline listed in the calendar section. As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Lastly, you will note another change in this month's newsletters. Specifically with the birthday calendar. Due to privacy concerns brought to me about the issue, I have decided to no longer list the actual day of the month. Instead, I am only listing the names of those members who have a birthday within the current month. Names will be listed alphabetically by last name and not necessarily in order of the date itself. If any of you have an issue with your name being listed at all, please let me know, and I will make notes in my files to not list your name in this way during your birthday month. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Peter Kapetanakis, KN4OCX.

HPARC JULY CALENDAR

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 — **HPARC Meeting**
- 4 — Independence Day
- 14 — W4VEC Greensboro VE Session
(Hinshaw United Methodist Church, Fellowship Bldg)
- 21 — HPARC Newsletter Deadline
- 26 — Summer Olympics 2024 Begin
- 27 — W4VEC High Point VE Session
(Hickory Chapel Wesleyan Church)

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**Breakfast every
Saturday**

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8:00 a.m.
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**Biscuitville,
2709 S. Main St.**

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The High Point Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of each month (except for holidays) at a local restaurant announced in the newsletter. Come early to enjoy dinner. The business meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by a short program of interest. Family and visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, please call or email one of the HPARC officers listed in this newsletter. Contributions and letters/emails to the editor are welcome.