

**Bonner County Amateur Radio Club**

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6/11/2022

Mr. Dan Parkin  
City Council Representative  
City of Dover  
PO Box 115  
Dover, ID 83825-0115

Dear Mr. Parkin,

As president of the Bonner County Amateur Radio Club, I would like to extend an invitation for you to meet with the amateur radio operators of your community as we participate in the national Field Day event, 25-26 June 2022 at Forrest Bird Charter School.

Amateur radio operators provide a critical public service for our community; during times of disaster, we are able to provide reliable communications when the normal infrastructure is offline. Licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and trained in the art and science of radio communication and basic electronics theory, we own and maintain our own communications equipment and are prohibited by federal law from receiving payment for our services. ARRL, our national organization, has built relationships with several served agencies including FEMA, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and many others.

This public service is easily extended during non-emergency civic events, such as parades, marathons, and street festivals.

Field Day is our chance show the science, service and skill we can offer to our community free of charge.

We would love the opportunity to show you our capabilities in person.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Ailport', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the left.

John Ailport  
President, Bonner County Amateur Radio Club



Figure 1: John Allport, K7BSV and President Bonner County Amateur Radio Club greets Dover City Councilwoman Dan Parkin during the K7JEP Field Day. Dan also happens to be ham, W7BID.



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

## The Office of the Governor Proclamation

State Capital  
Boise

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice transmitted over the airwaves; and

WHEREAS, amateur radio continues to provide a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators have a long history of providing countless hours of community services both in emergencies and to local organizations; and

WHEREAS, these amateur radio services are provided wholly uncompensated; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho also recognizes the services that amateur radio people provide to our many emergency response organizations during power outages and other natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, these same individuals further demonstrate their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events throughout Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "Hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the National Weather Service; and

WHEREAS, amateur radio again proved its relevance in the modern world by providing emergency communications when other systems failed in the devastation of hurricanes Katrina, and Maria, in the United States, in the Southeast Asian tsunami catastrophe, and recently in Idaho, by providing a ready source of emergency incident trained radio operators to the US Forest Service during the extended 2015 fire season; and

WHEREAS, the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) is the leading organization for amateur radio in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day – a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the radio amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure, which takes place June 26th and 27th, 2022, and involves more than 200 Idahoans participating at approximately 25 Idaho locations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June 20-27, 2022, to be

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in Idaho, and I encourage all Idaho citizens to recognize the many accomplishments and opportunities in communications that these amateur radio operators make possible for people everywhere.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 8th day of June, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.

BRAD LITTLE  
GOVERNOR

  
LAWRENCE DENNIS  
SECRETARY OF STATE