

2026 FLARC Field Day Report and Summary

— reported by Jim W2JC

Field Day with FLARC this year was quite different than in the past years. There were no volunteers to plan and manage the various activities of Field Day (such as setting up and maintaining power, setting up tents, getting antennas in the air, and such) even up to the week before Field Day. So our president, Nomar NP4H, called a meeting on Friday evening, June 19th at the club and with Zoom access for any interested who could not be at the club physically.

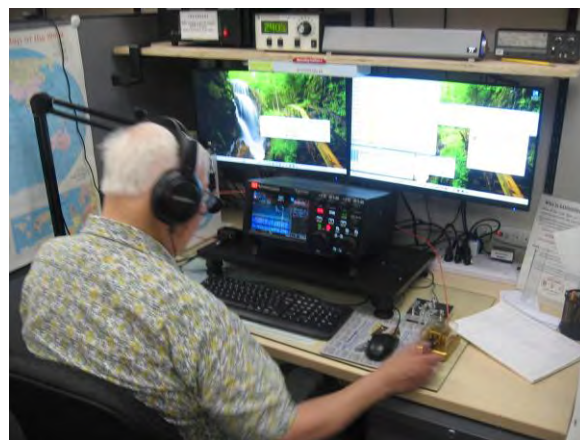
After much discussion, and considering the ominous weather forecast and only one person volunteering to manage one station setup, a motion was made and passed by voice vote to operate class 5D from the club station.

Aside from the lack of people taking responsibility for setup and operation of the “field” of Field Day, there was some rationale to using that type of operation — the two rooms we have for our club operations were originally, at the time of design of the Community Center building, specifically designed to be able to function as an EOC – Emergency Operating Center for communications. So, with the long-held reason for Field Day being “training for emergency communications,” using our club facilities makes a good fit for that goal. The building has an emergency generator, and we can have up to five HF stations on the air – on various bands depending on need and conditions – as well as VHF/UHF for local coordination.

If the Community Center ever had to be used as a public emergency shelter, we are right there to handle the “health and welfare” traffic from those being sheltered. (And, in reality, that is probably the only type of traffic hams will be asked to provide). The sheltered public would probably be in the gymnasium area, and we could set up a desk in the lobby there to accept outgoing messages from the public, “sneaker-net” them to our Radio Room and send them off by the most expedient mode (probably via WinLink – either VHF or HF, depending on what connections would be available).

So a 20+ hour exercise of using all, or most, of our operating positions for Field Day seems to be a very practical EmComm exercise.

As for setting up radios in the field, and having a picnic, the FLARC Portable Day and Family Picnic is coming up on Sunday, August 9th at Memorial Park.



Fred KR2H making CW points
Photo by W2ABE



Doug KG2T making SSB points
Photo by W2ABE



Skip KD2BRV & Jim W2JC making FT8 points
Photo by KG2T

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Ken W2SCT making points at Position 1.
Photo by KG2T



Chef Skip KD2BRV readies the sustenance
for everyone! Photo by KG2T



There's more to Field Day than just operating!
Photo by KG2T

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We were very appreciative to be allowed use of the Conference Room for both days.
Photo by KG2T



Noel W2MSA enjoyed operating Position 4.
Photo by KG2T



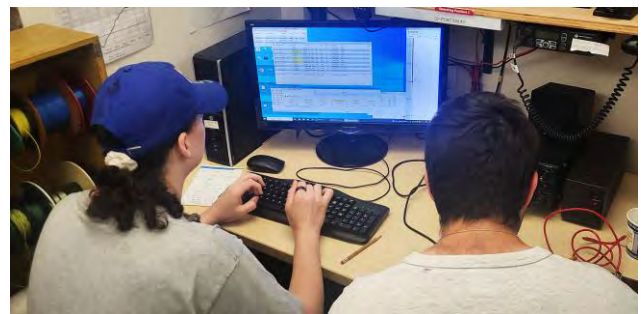
But as Station Manager, Noel W2MSA was very pleased to watch everything work smoothly!
Photo by KG2T



It's not a POTA setup, but Brian N2BTD even made some contacts at Position 4.
Photo by KG2T



It's not the Near & Far Net, but we had David KD2MOB operating Position 3.
Photo by KG2T



Madison N5NY and Raz KE2FEB took their turn at operating SSB at Position 3.
Photo by KG2T



Culinary Assistants Judith KC2LTM & Fred W2ABE setting out Saturday lunch, from Ray's Pizza
Photo by KG2T

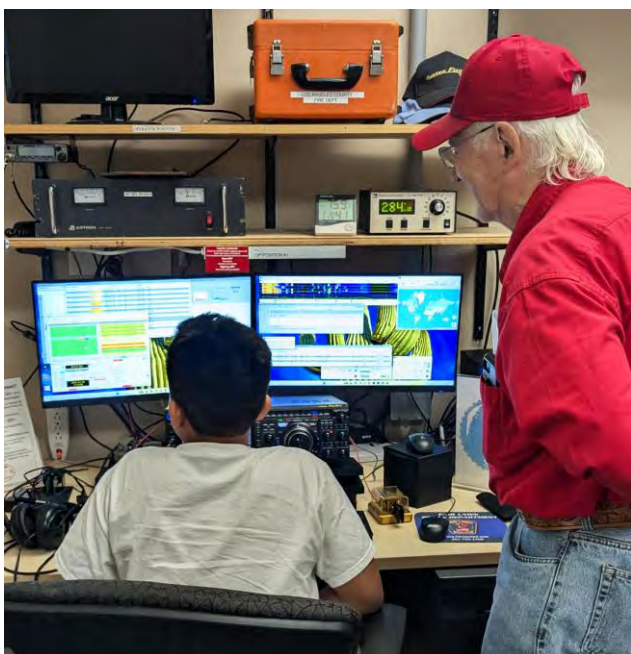
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For a break from CW and SSB pileups, we were serenaded by Troubadour Karl W2KBF!
Photo by KG2T



Diego KB2DAG is a fast learner and enjoyed making a dozen FT8 contacts before he had to leave.
Photo by KD2PHM, his dad.



One of our youth operators, Diego KB2DAG, learning about FT8 operation with mentor, Jim W2JC.
Photo by KD2PHM, his dad.



We were honored, and got some Bonus Points, with "a visit by an elected official."
L-R: Gene WO2W, Nomar KP4H, Eric Kulmala [Oakland NJ Mayor]



"The FT8 Gang" --
Skip KD2BRV, Diego KB2DAG, Jim W2JC, Madison N5NY
Photo by KD2PHM



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Results info —

W2NPT Score - 5,806 Points

Contest: FD

Band	Mode	QSOs	Pts	Pt/Q
3.5	CW	18	36	2.0
7	CW	341	682	2.0
7	FT4	25	50	2.0
7	FT8	71	142	2.0
7	LSB	10	10	1.0
14	CW	339	678	2.0
14	FT8	65	130	2.0
14	USB	311	311	1.0
21	CW	54	108	2.0
21	FT4	31	62	2.0
21	FT8	46	92	2.0
21	USB	206	206	1.0
28	FT4	26	52	2.0
28	FT8	165	330	2.0
50	FT8	7	14	2.0
Total Both		1715	2903	1.7

Score: 5,806
1 Mult = 1.0 Q's

[This 'raw score' does not include Bonus Points.]

Statistics for FD - 2026-06-27 18:00:00 - Mode 8: Band by Operator

Operator	CW 3.5	CW 7	CW 14	CW 21	FT4 7	FT4 21	FT4 28	FT8 7	FT8 14	FT8 21	FT8 28	FT8 50	LSB 7	USB 14	USB 21	Tot
K2DBK															149	149
KB2DAG														6		6
KC2TDL															60	60
KD2BRV														19		19
KD2MOB															25	25
KE2FEB															11	11
KE2MT															39	39
KG2T															9	9
KR2H															123	238
N2BTD															84	95
N2SU															22	97
N2WKS															6	104
N5NY															1	25
NP4H															23	71
W2JC															46	9
W2KAR															8	17
W2MSA															10	4
W2NPT															2	19
W2SCT															19	14
W2ZX															18	341
Total	18	341	339	54	25	31	26	71	65	46	165	7	10	311	206	1715

Operators vs. Band and Mode

Statistics for FD - 2026-06-27 18:00:00 - Computer Name by Operator

Operator	FLARC5	FLARCSTN1	FLARCSTN2	FLARCSTN3	FLARCSTN4	Tot
K2DBK						149
KB2DAG		6				6
KC2TDL				60		60
KD2BRV		19				19
KD2MOB				25		25
KE2FEB				3		11
KE2MT				39		39
KG2T		9				9
KR2H		123				238
N2BTD				95		84
N2SU		75		22		97
N2WKS						211
N5NY		11	145			156
NP4H		16				1
W2JC		1	77			78
W2KAR			25			25
W2MSA	10	4				24
W2NPT	2	19	127			148
W2SCT		21		14		35
W2ZX		21		1		41
Total	12	325	374	259	745	1715

Who operated at which FLARC Positions

APRL Field Day (June) - 2026-06-27 1800Z to 2026-06-28 2100Z - 1759 QSOs

W2NPT Max Rates:

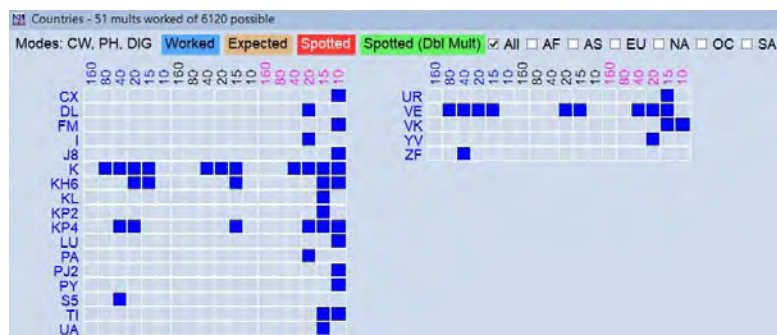
2026-06-27 2135Z - 7.0 per minute (1 minute(s)), 420 per hour by KR2H KC2TDL W2ZX
 2026-06-27 2137Z - 4.5 per minute (10 minute(s)), 270 per hour by KR2H KG2T W2SCT KC2TDL N2BTD W2ZX
 2026-06-27 2220Z - 3.5 per minute (60 minute(s)), 210 per hour by KR2H KG2T W2ZX KC2TDL N2BTD

Top Operators • Contacts per minute

Statistics for FD - 20...

Mode	Band	1	2	Tot
CW	3.5		18	18
CW	7		341	341
CW	14		339	339
CW	21		54	54
FT4	7		25	25
FT4	21		31	31
FT4	28		26	26
FT8	7		71	71
FT8	14		65	65
FT8	21		46	46
FT8	28		165	165
FT8	50		7	7
LSB	7	10		10
USB	14	311		311
USB	21	206		206
Total		527	1188	1715

Col. 1 = 1 point/contact
Col. 2 = 2 points/contact



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TOPIC	Points	People	Comments	Rule
100% Emergency Power	Not available for Class D			7.3.1. 100% Emergency Power: 100 points per transmitter classification if all contacts are made only using an emergency power source up to a total of 20 transmitters (maximum 2,000 points.) GOTA station and free VHF Station for Class A and F entries do not qualify for bonus point credit and should not be included in the club's transmitter total. All transmitting equipment at the site must operate from a power source completely independent of the commercial power mains to qualify. (Example: a club operating 3 transmitters plus a GOTA station and using 100% emergency power receives 300 bonus points.) Available to Classes A, B, C, E, and F.
Media Publicity	100	NP4H	Article published in neighborhood newspaper. See Attachment 7.3.2	7.3.2. Media Publicity: 100 bonus points may be earned for obtaining publicity from the local media. A copy of the actual media publicity received (newspaper article, etc.) must be submitted to claim the points. Any combination of bona fide media hits would qualify for the bonus points. For example, details of your upcoming or ongoing Field Day activity, or your Field Day results, as posted on a news media site (which could include the media site's Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram) would meet the bonus criteria. Available to all classes.
Public Location	Not available for Class D			7.3.3. Public Location: 100 bonus points for physically locating the Field Day operation in a public place (i.e. shopping center, park, school campus, etc) and actively welcoming the public. Person(s) shall be available to greet the public and be identified by some sort of name badge. The intent is for amateur radio to not only be on display to the public, but to also engage any visitors showing up at your location. Available to Classes A, B and F.
Public Info Table	Not available for Class D			7.3.4. Public Information Table: 100 bonus points for a Public Information Table at the Field Day site. The purpose is to make appropriate handouts and information available to the visiting public at the site. Available to Classes A, B and F.
Message to SM	100	W2KBF	W2KBF sent this message from FD site via Winlink; copy sent to W2JC for submission. See Attachment 7.3.5	7.3.5. Message Origination to Section Manager: 100 bonus points for origination of a formal message to the ARRL Section Manager or Section Emergency Coordinator by your group from its site. You should include the club name, number of participants, Field Day location, and number of ARES operators involved with your station. The message must be transmitted during the Field Day period and a copy of it must be included in your submission in either standard NTS or ICS-213 format (or have the equivalent content) or no credit will be given. The message must leave or enter the Field Day operation via amateur radio RF. The Section Manager message is separate from the messages handled in Rule 7.3.6. and may not be claimed for bonus points under that rule. Available to all classes.

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Message Handling	100 10/msg; 100 max	W2KBF	Message handling was done. See Attachment 7.3.6	7.3.6. Message Handling: 10 points for each formal message originated, relayed, or received and delivered during the Field Day period, up to a maximum of 100 points (ten messages). Copies of each message must be included with the Field Day report. The message to the ARRL SM or SEC under Rule 7.3.5. does not count towards the total of 10 for this bonus. Messages claimed under this bonus must be in either standard NTS or ICS-213 format (or have the equivalent content). All messages claimed for bonus points must leave or enter the Field Day operation via amateur radio RF. Available to all Classes.
Satellite QSO	Not available for Class D	No QSO made.		7.3.7. Satellite QSO: 100 bonus points for successfully completing at least one QSO via an amateur radio satellite during the Field Day period. Groups are allowed one dedicated satellite transmitter station without increasing their entry category. Satellite QSOs also count for regular QSO credit. Show them listed separately on the summary sheet as a separate "band." You do not receive an additional bonus for contacting different satellites, though the additional QSOs may be counted for QSO credit unless prohibited under Rule 7.3.7.1. The QSO must be between two Earth stations through a satellite. Available to Classes A, B, and F. 7.3.7.1 Stations are limited to one (1) completed QSO on any single channel FM satellite.
Alternate Power	Not available for Class D			7.3.8. Alternate Power: 100 bonus points for Field Day groups making a minimum of five QSOs without using power from commercial mains or petroleum driven generator. This means an "alternate" energy source of power, such as solar, wind, methane or water. This includes batteries charged by natural means (not dry cells). The natural power transmitter counts as an additional transmitter. If you do not wish to increase your operating category, you should take one of your other transmitters off the air while the natural power transmitter is in operation. A separate list of natural power QSOs should be submitted with your entry. Available to Classes A, B, E, and F.
W1AW FD Message	100		Waiting for someone to submit copy.	7.3.9. W1AW Bulletin: 100 bonus points for copying the special Field Day bulletin transmitted by W1AW (or K6KPH) during its operating schedule during the Field Day weekend (listed in this rules announcement). An accurate copy of the message is required to be included in your Field Day submission. (Note: The Field Day bulletin must be copied via amateur radio. It will not be included in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be posted to Internet BBS sites.) Available to all Classes

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Educational Activity	100	W2KBF Educational presentation done on using WinLink to send messages. Students then individually sent a FD message via Vara FM.	See Attachment 7.3.10	7.3.10. Educational activity bonus: One (1) 100-point bonus may be claimed if your Field Day operation includes a specific educational-related activity. The activity can be diverse and must be related to amateur radio. It must be some type of formal activity. It can be repeated during the Field Day period but only one bonus is earned. For more information consult the FAQ in the complete Field Day packet. Available to Classes A & F entries and available clubs or groups operating from a club station in class D and E with 3 or more participants.
Govt. Official visit	100		Visited by mayor of Oakland NJ See Attachment 7.3.11	7.3.11. Site visitation by an elected governmental official: One (1) 100-point bonus may be claimed if your Field Day site is visited by an elected governmental official as the result of an invitation issued by your group. Available to all Classes.
Served Agency visit	100		Official visit by Red Cross rep; recvd letter and certificate of confirmation.	7.3.12. Site Visitation by a representative of an agency: One (1) 100-point bonus may be claimed if your Field Day site is visited by a representative of an agency served by ARES in your local community (American Red Cross, Salvation Army, local Emergency Management, law enforcement, etc.) as the result of an invitation issued by your group. ARRL officials (SM, SEC, DEC, EC, etc) do not qualify for this bonus. Available to all Classes.
GOTA Station	Not available for Class D	Not available for Class D		7.3.13. GOTA Bonus: Class A and F stations operating a GOTA station may earn the following bonus points: 7.3.13.1. Any successfully completed contacts made by an operator at the GOTA station are worth five (5) bonus points, regardless of mode used. There is no limit to the number of contacts a single GOTA operator can make. The GOTA station bonus points are not multiplied by the power multiplier (this is a clarification of the rules published in 2023.)
GOTA Coach	Not available for Class D	Not available for Class D		7.3.13.2. If a GOTA station is supervised by a GOTA Coach, a single 100-point bonus will be earned. 7.3.13.2.1. The GOTA Coach supervises the operator of the station, doing such things as answering questions and talking them through contacts, but may not make contacts or perform logging functions. 7.3.13.2.2. To qualify for this bonus, there must be a designated GOTA Coach present and supervising for at least 10 contacts.
Web score submission	50	W2JC		7.3.14. Web submission: A 50-point bonus may be claimed by a group submitting their Field Day entry via the https://field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php web app. Available to all Classes.

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Youth participation	20/QSO; 100 max 3 * 20 = 60	3 youth ops	3 youth ops. See Attachment 7.3.15 Gavin Barker 12. Jace Barker 9. Diego Gregorio 12.	7.3.15. Field Day Youth Participation: 7.3.15.1. A 20-point bonus (up to a maximum of 100 points) may be earned by any Class A, C, D, E, or F group for each participant age 18 or younger at your Field Day operation that completes at least one QSO.
Social Media	100	N2BTD	Public invitation posted on Facebook. See Attachment 7.3.16	7.3.16 Social Media: 100 points for promoting your Field Day activation to the general public via an active, recognized and utilized social media platform (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc). This bonus is available to bona fide Amateur Radio clubs and Field Day groups that welcome visitors to their operation. Individual participants do not qualify for this bonus. Club websites do not qualify for this bonus. Available to all classes.
Safety Officer	Not available for Class D	Not available for Class D		7.3.17 Safety Officer Bonus: A 100-point bonus may be earned by having a person serving as a Safety Officer for those groups setting up Class A stations. This person must verify that all safety concerns on the Safety Officer Check List (found in the ARRL Field Day Packet) have been adequately met. This is an active bonus - simply designating someone as Safety Officer does not automatically earn this bonus. A signed copy of the Safety Officer Check List must be included in the supporting documentation sent to ARRL HQ in order to claim this bonus. Available to Class A entries only.

7.3.2. Media Publicity: 100 bonus points may be earned for obtaining publicity from the local media. A copy of the actual media publicity received (newspaper article, etc.) must be submitted to claim the points. Any combination of bona fide media hits would qualify for the bonus points. For example, details of your upcoming or ongoing Field Day activity, or your Field Day results, as posted on a news media site (which could include the media site's Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram) would meet the bonus criteria. Available to all classes.

El Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club participa con éxito en el Arrl Field Day 2026 mientras Celebra su 70 Aniversario

FAIR LAWN, NJ - El Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club (FLARC), que este año celebra su **70 aniversario de servicio a la comunidad**, participó con gran éxito en el ARRL Field Day 2026, celebrado los días 27 y 28 de junio en el Fair Lawn Recreation Center, uniéndose a miles de radioaficionados de toda Norteamérica en el mayor ejercicio anual de comunicaciones de emergencia. Cerca de 40 socios y visitantes participaron en el evento, donde el club demostró cómo los radioaficionados pueden establecer comunicaciones confiables cuando otros sistemas fallan durante emergencias o desastres naturales. Operando desde cinco estaciones de radio, los miembros de FLARC lograron establecer comunicaciones con todas las Secciones de la American Radio Relay League (ARRL) en los Estados Unidos y con todas las provincias de Canadá, excepto una. Los contactos se realizaron utilizando diversas modalidades, entre ellas HF, VHF/UHF, SSB, código Morse (CW) y el modo digital FT8. Durante la actividad también se ofrecieron recorridos por las estaciones del club, participaron jóvenes interesados en conocer la radioafición y se recibió la visita de representantes de la Cruz Roja Americana y del alcalde del Borough de Oakland, **Eric Kulmala, K2EPK** quien además es radioaficionado desde hace muchos años.

"El Field Day demuestra que la radioafición es



Izq a Der: Gene Ottenheimer, WO2W, Vicepresidente de FLARC; Nomar Vizcarrondo, NP4H, Presidente de FLARC; Eric Kulmala, K2EPK, Alcalde de Oakland, New Jersey.

mucho más que un pasatiempo; es un servicio público basado en la preparación, el conocimiento y el voluntariado. Además de fomentar la amistad entre radioaficionados, nos permite demostrar a la comunidad que seguimos siendo un recurso importante para apoyar las comunicaciones cuando

más se necesitan", expresó **Nomar Vizcarrondo, NP4H**, presidente del Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club. Haciendo eco de esas palabras, el Vicepresidente de FLARC, **Gene Ottenheimer, WO2W**, añadió:

"El Field Day saca lo mejor de la radioafición. Reúne a operadores experimentados, nuevos radioaficionados, jóvenes y líderes comunitarios en una actividad que fomenta el aprendizaje, la amistad y el servicio público, al mismo tiempo que fortalece las destrezas que pueden marcar la diferencia durante una emergencia. Mientras FLARC celebra su 70 aniversario, nos sentimos especialmente orgullosos de abrir nuestras puertas a la comunidad y demostrar que la radioafición continúa siendo un recurso valioso y relevante en el mundo de hoy." Fundado en **1956**, el Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club continúa promoviendo la educación, el servicio comunitario y las comunicaciones de emergencia, celebrando este año siete décadas de historia al servicio de la comunidad.

Para más información sobre el Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club o cómo obtener una licencia de radioaficionado, visite www.FairLawnARC.org.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club Celebrates 70 Years of Service
During National ARRL Field Day

FAIR LAWN, N.J. — The Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club (FLARC), celebrating its 70th Anniversary of service to the community in 2026, successfully participated in the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Field Day on June 27 and 28 at the Fair Lawn Recreation Center, joining thousands of amateur radio operators across North America in the nation's largest annual emergency communications exercise.

Nearly 40 club members, families, and visitors gathered throughout the weekend to demonstrate the capabilities of amateur radio and its vital role in emergency and public service communications. Field Day provides amateur radio operators with an opportunity to establish temporary communications stations under simulated emergency conditions, testing equipment, operating skills, and preparedness while educating the public about the importance of amateur radio.

Operating from five fully equipped stations at the Fair Lawn Recreation Center, FLARC members made contacts with every ARRL Section in the United States and all but one Canadian province. Communications were completed using a variety of amateur radio

modes, including HF, VHF/UHF, Single Sideband (SSB), Morse Code (CW), and the digital mode FT8.

Visitors were invited to tour the club's five operating stations, where demonstrations highlighted the versatility of modern amateur radio technology and the many ways licensed operators communicate around the world. Young visitors also had the opportunity to experience amateur radio firsthand, helping inspire the next generation of operators and emergency communicators.

The club was honored to welcome representatives of the American Red Cross, who learned more about the capabilities amateur radio volunteers provide during emergencies and disasters when conventional communication systems may become unavailable. FLARC also welcomed the Honorable Eric Kulmala, Mayor of the Borough of Oakland and a longtime licensed amateur radio operator, whose visit underscored the strong partnership between amateur radio and public service.

"Field Day reminds us that amateur radio is much more than a hobby," said FLARC President Nomar Vizcarrondo, NP4H. "It is a public service built on knowledge, preparedness, and volunteerism. Every contact we make represents our ability to communicate when other systems fail. At the same time, Field Day allows us to share our passion with the public, encourage young people to become licensed, and demonstrate that amateur radio continues to play an important role in supporting our communities during emergencies."

Echoing those sentiments, FLARC Vice President Gene Ottenheimer, WO2W, added:

"Field Day brings out the very best of amateur radio. It unites experienced operators, newcomers, young people, and community leaders in an event that promotes learning, friendship, and public service while strengthening the skills we rely on during emergencies. As FLARC celebrates its 70th Anniversary, we are especially proud to open our doors to the community and demonstrate that amateur radio remains a valuable and relevant resource in today's world."

Founded in 1956, the Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club has proudly served Bergen County and the surrounding communities by promoting amateur radio, technical education, emergency preparedness, and public service. As the club celebrates seven decades of service, it remains committed to introducing new generations to the hobby while supporting local emergency communications and community events.

For more information about the Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club, upcoming meetings, or how to become a licensed amateur radio operator, visit www.FairLawnARC.org

7.3.5. Message Origination to Section Manager: 100 bonus points for origination of a formal message to the ARRL Section Manager or Section Emergency Coordinator by your group from its site. You should include the club name, number of participants, Field Day location, and number of ARES operators involved with your station. The message must be transmitted during the Field Day period and a copy of it must be included in your submission in either standard NTS or ICS-213 format (or have the equivalent content) or no credit will be given. The message must leave or enter the Field Day operation via amateur radio RF. The Section Manager message is separate from the messages handled in Rule 7.3.6. and may not be claimed for bonus points under that rule. Available to all classes.

Shown below is the message sent, via WinLink, from our Field Day site to our Section Manager --

[a second message was sent to our SEC, even though it does not get additional points.]

General Message (ICS 213)		
** THIS IS AN EXERCISE **		
1. Incident Name: Field Day Message		
2. To (Name/Position): Nomar Vizcarondo/NJ Section Manager		
3. From (Name/Position): K Frank/W2NPT Radio Operator		
4. Subject: Field Day Message to NJ SM	5. Date: 2026-06-27	6. Time: 16:34
7. Message Greetings from the Fair Lawn ARC Field Day site. We have 16 participants at this time. Location is Fair Lawn, NJ Community Center. We have 4 ARES operators on site. 73 (Karl W2KBF)		
8. Approved by: K Frank/Radio Operator 8b. Position / Title: Radio Operator/Radio Operator [Express Sender: W2NPT Lat: 40.937500, Lon:-74.125000, MGRS: ; Location source: Grid square]		
How to create a reply to this ICS213 You can print this page with your browser, if you need to obtain a written response to enter.		
9. Reply:		
10. Replied By:	Position / Title:	Date / Time:
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General Message (ICS 213)		
** THIS IS AN EXERCISE **		
1. Incident Name: Fair Lawn ARC Field Day Messag		
2. To (Name/Position): Jim "Doc" Kennedy/NJ ARES SEC		
3. From (Name/Position): K Frank/ Radio Operator		
4. Subject: Field Day Message	5. Date: 2026-06-27	6. Time: 16:23
7. Message Greetings from the Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club. We have 16 participants at this time. Location: Fair Lawn, NJ Community Center 4 ARES operators 73		
8. Approved by: K Frank 8b. Position / Title: Radio Operator at W2NPT [Express Sender: W2NPT Lat: 40.937500, Lon:-74.125000, MGRS: ; Location source: Grid square]		
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The following email messages were sent, via WinLink Vara FM, from our Field Day Site on 2m --

Message ID: CHEAI3CGDB0X
Date: 2026/06/27 21:15 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: k2dbk@k2dbk.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: My first winlink message

Greetings from W2NPT Field Day!

Message ID: XESKLSJK1T2M
Date: 2026/06/27 21:35 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: allynluke316@gmail.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: andythin

now is yh time for all good mentr o come

Message ID: H9Q2BZXYU5SU
Date: 2026/06/27 21:51 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: henryfowler5@gmail.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day Message

Henry KB2BEE, thanks for visiting the FLARC Field Day event today.

Message ID: 62K9EW6WDXDHG
Date: 2026/06/27 21:37 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: kc2rss@gmail.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: hello from field day

Hi Jim

have fun with all the emails

Thanks,
Madison
N5NY

Message ID: XPN56JKGP8RP
Date: 2026/06/27 21:57 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: gizmospider2@aol.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day Message

Skip, thanks for helping out at FLARC Field Day today.
73

Message ID: 0RJESJFPUQ2E
Date: 2026/06/27 21:59 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: techrat@obsolyte.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day Message

Brian KD2KLN,
greetings from the W2NPT Field Day site.
73

Message ID: 67ZDYPZ40WIL
Date: 2026/06/27 22:11 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: faley_d@yahoo.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: field day win liunk

hello from w2npt

Message ID: 4IGIF3NG9HRH
Date: 2026/06/27 22:02 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: ko2ok@arrl.net
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day Message

Hi Bennett K02OK,
greetings from the Fair Lawn ARC Field Day site.
73

Message ID: OQDVNKS9QJML
Date: 2026/06/27 22:15 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: n2btd@aol.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day

This is a Field Day message to N2BTD from W2NPT during Field Day

Message ID: 53BXSASRPOIO
Date: 2026/06/27 22:04 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: n2su@arrl.net
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day Message

Bob N2SU,
greetings from the Fair Lawn ARC Field Day station.
73

Message ID: 5SU27705IBP7
Date: 2026/06/27 21:47 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: kbfrank3@verizon.net
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: WINLINK MESSAGE FOR FIELD DAY

Greetings,

Thanks for your participation during FD 2026.

73,
Nomar, NP4H
ARRL NNJ SM

Message ID: P5YBYJY02VB8
Date: 2026/06/27 21:32 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: kenkai62@gmail.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day 2026

Test for Field Day 2026

Message ID: 5SU27705IBP7
Date: 2026/06/27 21:47 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: kbfrank3@verizon.net
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: WINLINK MESSAGE FOR FIELD DAY

Greetings,

Thanks for your participation during FD 2026.

73,
Nomar, NP4H
ARRL NNJ SM

Message ID: P5YBYJY02VB8
Date: 2026/06/27 21:32 (UTC)
From: W2NPT
To: kenkai62@gmail.com
Cc: W2JC
Source: W2NPT
Downloaded-from: Telnet:cms.winlink.org
Location: 40.937500N, 74.125000W (GRID SQUARE)
Subject: Field Day 2026

Test for Field Day 2026

7.3.10. Educational activity bonus: One (1) 100-point bonus may be claimed if your Field Day operation includes a specific educational-related activity. The activity can be diverse and must be related to amateur radio. It must be some type of formal activity. It can be repeated during the Field Day period but only one bonus is earned. For more information consult the FAQ in the complete Field Day packet. Available to Classes A & F entries and available clubs or groups operating from a club station in class D and E with 3 or more participants.

A half-hour in-person educational session explaining WinLink usage for preparing various types of email and form-based messages. Each student was given the opportunity to actually create a "new message" in WinLink and then send that message to a local RMS using the laptop, a portable radio and VARA-FM software.

There were twelve students participating, and six of them actually prepared and sent a message.

[Documentation of the messages sent is contained in Attachment 7.7.6]

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|-----|---------|--------|---|
| 1) | RaZ | KE2FER | |
| 2) | Doug | KG2T | ✓ |
| 3) | David | KD2MOB | ✓ |
| 4) | NOMAR | W4HH | ✓ |
| 5) | DAVID | KLDBK | ✓ |
| 6) | DALE | W02X | |
| 7) | MADISON | N5NY | ✓ |
| 8) | Ken | W2SCT | |
| 9) | Alynn | WB2ZKZ | ✓ |
| 10) | George | W3EH | |
| 11) | Jim | W2JC | |
| 12) | Brian | N2BTD | ✓ |

Introduction to Winlink

Karl Frank, W2KBF

June 27, 2026

What is Winlink?

- **GLOBAL email system;**
- **Created in late 1990s by the nonprofit Amateur Radio Safety Foundation (ARSF);**
- **Provides gateway to the Internet via Radio (HF, VHF, UHF);**
- **Early adopters were owners of recreational ocean-going sailboats;**
- **Now used by Government Stations, e.g. the DHS/OEM S.H.A.R.E.S. program and NGOs e.g. American Red Cross;**
- **And of course ARES and RACES;**
- **For Radio Amateurs, there is no cost to use Winlink; expenses are paid by voluntary donations to ARSF.**

When Would We Use Winlink?

- **To send/receive email messages to/from an area that is experiencing a disruption to communications;**
- **e.g. storm, power failure, fire, vandalism/hacking, war;**
- **Useful for EMCOMM;**
- **Useful for basic Health and Welfare Traffic.**

How Do We Use Winlink to Send/Receive email Messages?

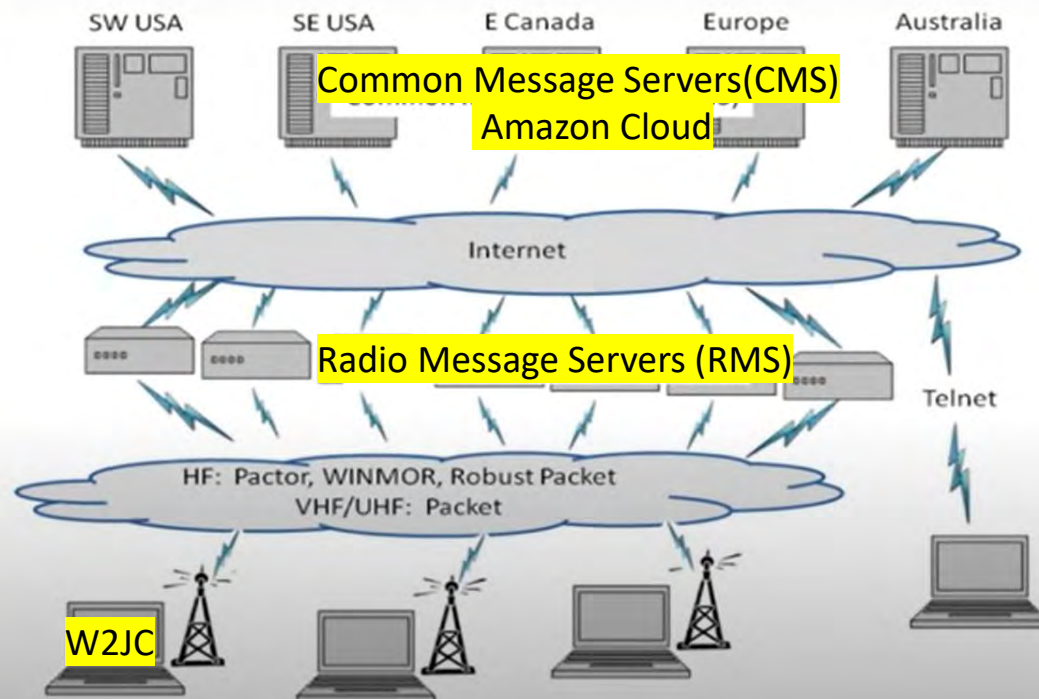
- **A Radio Operator, e.g. Jim, W2JC, who is in an area without Phone or Internet, uses radio to connect to a Radio Message Server (RMS Station), e.g. N2JLF-10;**
- **The Radio Message Server N2JLF-10 has an Internet Connection and communicates with a Common Message Server (CMS) hosted on the Amazon Cloud (lots of security, robust, mirroring etc.);**
- **If any messages are waiting for W2JC, the RMS pulls them from the CMS and sends them when W2JC connects;**
- **The RMS also accepts any messages that W2JC wishes to send and relays them via the CMS to any valid email address that is reachable via the Internet.**

How Does Winlink Work?

Digital Mode

Winlink Architecture (Conventional Mode)

- CMS
- RMS (gateway)
- Client (you)



Field Day Messaging Bonus Points

- **100 Bonus Points for ICS-213 Message to ARRL NNJ Section Manager and/or Section Emergency Coordinator;**
- **10 Bonus Points/Message after that (up to 100 points).**
- **-----To Get Going at Home-----**
- **Download the application Winlink Express from Winlink.org;**
- **Register your account/callsign (you will receive an email with Registration Key);**
- **Install softmodem (e.g. VARA or VARA FM) and sound card if needed (e.g. Signalink), hook up your radio, then Communicate!**

7.3.11. Site visitation by an elected governmental official: One (1) 100-point bonus may be claimed if your Field Day site is visited by an elected governmental official as the result of an invitation issued by your group. Available to all Classes.

Since the mayor of Fair Lawn NJ was not available to visit, FLARC invited our friend the mayor of Oakland NJ, who did make a visit to our Field Day Site.



**Left to right: Gene WO2W [FLARC VP], Nomar NP4H [FLARC Prez],
Eric Kulmala [Oakland NJ Mayor]**

7.3.15. Field Day Youth Participation:

7.3.15.1. A 20-point bonus (up to a maximum of 100 points) may be earned by any Class A, C, D, E, or F group for each participant age 18 or younger at your Field Day operation that completes at least one QSO.

We had three youth make contacts while visiting our Field Day Site. 3 ops * 20 pts = **60 points claimed.**

Brothers Gavin (12) and Jace (9) each made a couple of FT8 contacts, after having the mode explained to them and guidance on the sequence procedure. Neither has a ham license.

Diego (12) has call sign KB2DAG, with his father, was introduced to the FT8 mode and grasped the procedure quickly. He got so excited that he made ten FT8 contacts!



Diego KB2DAG enjoying making contacts using FT8

7.3.16 Social Media: 100 points for promoting your Field Day activation to the general public via an active, recognized and utilized social media platform (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc). This bonus is available to bona fide Amateur Radio clubs and Field Day groups that welcome visitors to their operation. Individual participants do not qualify for this bonus. Club websites do not qualify for this bonus. Available to all classes.

This public invitation to our Field Day operation was posted on FACEBOOK --



During the Field Day weekend, we had a large wide banner
"AMATEUR RADIO DEMONSTRATION HERE"
displayed outdoors near our entry doorway at the town Recreation Center.

