



NCRC JOTA 2014

October Planning Status

Scouting Jamboree on the Air

The Glen

17-19 October 2014



JOTA – Background



- What is it?
 - Annual Scouting event that uses amateur radio to link Scouts around the world
 - QST reports explosive growth in JOTA participation over the last three years (5-10x growth in # of scouts)
 - 2012 JOTA had nearly 700,000 Scout participants from more than 13,500 amateur radio stations
- Why do it?
 - Scouts are “seed corn” for the future of amateur radio
 - Scouting’s proven focus on community service
 - Scouting has a renewed interest in STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Math)



JOTA 2013

20+ NCRC Members Participated



- On site (9)
 - John *WA1ABI*, John *K1JSM*, Bob *WB4SON*, Jim *KA1ZOU*, Willy *W1LY*, Mike *K1NPT*, Julian *N1UHP*, Rob *KB1ZZU*, Dave *KC1AAA*
- On “nets” (≈12)
- BSA (1)
 - Matt *KB1FUP*





JOTA 2013

20 Scout Camporee



**13 Boy Scouts from Troop 1
Portsmouth**

**7 Webelos Scouts: (5) Pack 77
Middletown, (2) Pack 50 Portsmouth**



**13 Scouts attended our Radio Merit Badge course - five completed on-site,
eight has approx. four requirement items out of 24 left to complete**



JOTA 2013

100+ QSOs



- 18 States & Territories

- Arizona
- Connecticut
- Florida
- Illinois
- Iowa
- Kentucky
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- New Jersey
- New York
- Pennsylvania
- Puerto Rico
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Texas
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin

- 7 Countries

- Argentina
- Canada
- Spain/Canary Islands/Tenerife
- Denmark
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Norway



JOTA – When is it?



- The 57th Jamboree-on-the-Air is Saturday & Sunday October 18–19, 2014
- The official hours are from Saturday at 00:00 hours local time to Sunday 24:00
- "JOTA Jump Start" is Friday from 18:00 to 23:59 local time to test setups



Participants



- Newport County Radio Club – host
- Boy Scout Troop 1 Portsmouth – confirmed
 - 13 Scouts
- Boy Scout Troop 77 Middletown – invited
 - 2 Scouts
- Cub Scout Pack 50, 82 Portsmouth – invited
 - 6 Sr. Webelos



Planned Events



- NCRC
 - Boy Scout Radio Merit Badge Course
 - Three counselors
 - 10 minute on-the-air requirement
 - Roughly 50% of Technician License requirements
 - HF station / antenna
 - VHF station / antenna



JOTA Layout Glen Park





Please Volunteer



- Friday afternoon setup
 - HF: Willy W1LY, Bob WB4SON & Rob KB1ZZU
 - VHF: Rich () & ??
- Saturday 0900 - 1700
 - Merit Badge Class: Bob WB4SON & Rob KB1ZZU
 - Station operators
 - VHF (on site & on net): ??
 - HF (on site): ??
- Sunday 0900 - 1200
 - Merit Badge class: Jim KA1ZOU (Rob & Bob)
 - Station operators:
 - VHF: ??
 - HF: ??



Glen "Parking"





PLEASE VOLUNTEER!



BACKUP





YOU'RE INVITED!

WHERE:

PORTSMOUTH
GLEN

WHEN: OCTOBER
18-19

WHY: A LOT OF
FUN!



Cooking by
Troop 1, Radio
Merit Badge by
NCRC

Also we'll be playing
Ultimate Frisbee and
"Ga-Ga" (Israeli Dodge
Ball)

TROOP 1 IS CAMPING OVERNIGHT. FEEL FREE TO JOIN
US OVERNIGHT AS A PACK OR A WEBLOS FAMILY OR
JUST DROP IN TO VISIT.





Final Thoughts



- **Please volunteer to assist NCRC JOTA**
- At the very least, contact a Scout/JOTA station on your favorite mode
- Contact details at
 - <http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx>
- HF SSB Voice
- HF CW
- HF PSK-31
- 2 Meter FM Simplex
- 70 CM FM Simplex
- D-STAR
- IRLP
- EchoLink
- APRS