



NCRC JOTA 2015  
October Planning Status  
**Scouting JAMBOREE ON THE AIR**  
**The Glen**  
**16-18 October 2015**

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# JOTA – Background



- What is it?
  - Annual Scouting event that uses amateur radio to link Scouts around the world
    - NCRC's 3<sup>rd</sup> straight year
  - QST reported explosive growth in JOTA participation over 2011-2013 (5-10x growth in # of scouts)
    - 2012 JOTA had nearly 700,000 Scout participants from more than 13,500 amateur radio stations
  - BSA reported 2014 JOTA had more than 1 million Scout participants from more than 11,500 stations, nearly 20,000 amateur radio operators, and reached 157 countries
- 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 – When is it?



- The 58<sup>th</sup> JAMBOREE ON THE AIR starts Friday evening (October 16<sup>th</sup>) local time and runs through Sunday evening (October 18<sup>th</sup>)
- Change this year according to BSA: “There are no official hours, so you have the whole weekend to make JOTA contacts.”



# JOTA – Who is it?



- Newport County Radio Club – host
- Boy Scout Troop 1 Portsmouth – confirmed  
– 20+ Scouts
- Boy Scout Troop 1 Wakefield – confirmed  
– 25+ Scouts
- Cub Scout Pack 50, 82 Portsmouth – invited



# What are we doing?



- 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
  - Fox Hunt
- BSA Narragansett Council
  - HF station / antenna (Matt - KB1FUP)



# Log



2015 JID: 6US21K



## W1SYE JAMBOREE ON THE AIR STATION LOG

Date	Time (UTC)	Operator Call	Scout	Frequency (MHz)	Station Worked	JamPuz ID (JID)	Remarks



# JOTA-Where is it?

## Glen Park





# Glen "Parking"







# Volunteer Opportunities







- Friday afternoon setup (1 PM)
  - HF: Willy W1LY, Bob WB4SON & Rob KB1ZZU
- Saturday 0900 - 1700
  - Merit Badge Class: Jim KA1ZOU & Rob KB1ZZU
  - Station operators
    - VHF (setup, on site): Rich KC1ARO, Chuck N1CKT
    - VHF (at Mini-Maker Faire): Mike K1NPT
    - HF (on site): Willy W1LY, Bob WB4SON
    - Fox Hunt: Paul N1PSX & ??
- Sunday 0900 - 1200
  - Merit Badge class wrap-up?: Jim KA1ZOU (Rob & Bob)
  - Station operators:
    - VHF: ??
    - HF: ??



# Forecast



THIS WEEKEND, 10/16					
DAY	HIGH/LOW	COND	PRECIP	WIND	HUMIDITY
<b>FRIDAY</b> Oct 16  <b>61°</b> 70% Partly cloudy in the morning then becoming cloudy with periods of rain later in the day. High 61F. Winds SW at 10 to 20 mph. Chance of rain 70%. Rainfall around a quarter of an inch.  Wind SW 16 mph Humidity 71% UV Index 3 out of 10  Sunrise 6:59 am Sunset 6:04 pm			<b>FRIDAY NIGHT</b>  <b>44°</b> 60% Rain showers in the evening with clear skies overnight. Low 44F. Winds WNW at 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 60%.  Wind WNW 10 mph Humidity 81%  Moonrise 10:11 am Moonset 8:28 pm		
<b>SAT</b> Oct 17	57° / 37°	 Mostly Sunny	10%	WNW 13 mph	60%
<b>SUN</b> Oct 18	50° / 34°	 Partly Cloudy	10%	NNW 14 mph	51%



# If You Can't Make the Glen...



- Contact a Scout / JOTA station on your favorite mode
- Contact details/freq.s at
  - <http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx>
  - [http://www.scouting.org/jota/operators\\_guides.aspx](http://www.scouting.org/jota/operators_guides.aspx)
- HF SSB Voice
- HF CW
- HF PSK-31
- 2 Meter FM Simplex
- 70 CM FM Simplex
- D-STAR
- IRLP
- EchoLink
- APRS



# Don't Miss It!



**Make sure you put JOTA-JOTI 2015  
in your diary and calendar**

[www.world-jotajoti.info](http://www.world-jotajoti.info)





# BACKUP





YOU'RE INVITED!

**WHERE:**

PORTSMOUTH  
GLEN

**WHEN:** OCTOBER  
16, 17, 18

**WHY:** A LOT OF  
FUN!



Radio Merit Badge  
On-the-air Stations  
Fox Hunt  
*hosted by:*  
*Newport County  
Radio Club*

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

RSVP & details: Rob White; [white-r-j@ieee.org](mailto:white-r-j@ieee.org)

