

THE BANDSPREAD

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January 6, 2018 Breakfast at Ryan's in Rivergate. 8am. Everyone welcome to the first NARC breakfast of the year.

January 18, 2018 Regular monthly meeting of NARC. This will be the swearing in of the new Officers and Board Members. Time is 7pm. We will be meeting at Shoney's on McGavock Pike.

February 3, 2018 Breakfast at Ryan's in Rivergate. 8am.

February 15, 2018 Regular monthly meeting at 7pm at Shoney's on McGavock Pk.

President's Corner

Welcome everyone to 2018. I hope you all had a great holiday season. A new year always brings a chance for NARC to do new and improved things. We have a lot of events coming up and I hope everyone will have a chance to enjoy at least some of them if not all of them. They are a good learning opportunity for all radio operators both experienced and new. We pass along information for these as soon as we get definite dates.

We do know we will be having a Weather Spotter Class at our March meeting. Tell all your families and friends to join us. And, of course, Field Day is always the last full weekend in June. We hope everyone will keep that date on your calendar to join us in some way.

I can't let the year start without thanking everyone for last year and to ask once again to remember Teamwork. Let's work together to make 2018 shine. We want the NARC to continue to grow and to help the community we live in learn more about amateur radio.

If you ever have any problems or concerns please feel free to contact me at 615-480-6402 or at n1nut48@gmail.com

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*84 Years of
Community
Service*

Weekly Net 147.015 FM Monday 7:30PM

Net Information

ARES net is on Monday at 7pm. It is on 442.750 T 100 with a backup of 146.67

M-TEARS is on Monday at 8pm. It is on 443.725

The Nashville Davidson Co. Traffic net is on Sunday at 9pm. on 146.67

There is a Bible net on Monday thru Friday at 6am on 147.015

**Monthly Breakfast at Ryan's Steak House, Gallatin Road Rivergate
1st Saturday of each month 8AM**

2018 Dues are Due

For those who have not already paid your 2018 NARC dues remember they have to paid by the end of March. The dues are \$20 (twenty dollars).

New Newsletter Editor Needed

The Nashville Amateur Radio Club is looking for a Newsletter Editor to take over immediately. If anyone or any group of people are interest please let one of the officers know. If someone doesn't volunteer I'm afraid that the club will be without a newsletter. I have enjoyed doing this but have just ran out of ideas and I truly believe someone else would be much better with fresh ideas. Everyone else could help the new editor by providing information to put in the newsletter. I heard someone say at our November meeting that there should be a Board of Director corner in the paper but, I have never gotten any information from them. It's not just them I have rarely received information to include. Maybe the new year will be better. Good luck.

Martha Frederick KJ4RIQ

Second Annual AM Rally Special Event Set for February 2-4 Weekend

The [AM Rally](#) special event once again is inviting operators to explore the original phone mode over the February 2-4 weekend. Co-sponsor Clark Burgard, N1BCG, said the event "is intended to be both fun and educational." It encourages all radio amateurs to get on AM, possibly for the first time. "Because of resurgent interest in AM, the event is also an opportunity for amateurs new to AM to learn about proper settings and get the most performance out of their station, whether it's modern, vintage, tube, transistor, software-

defined, military, boat anchor, broadcast, home brewed, or commercially made,” Burgard said.

The [AM Rally website](#) includes tips and suggestions for various transmitter types as well as links to additional information. Certificates will be awarded for most states contacted and most contacts overall made by stations in five power-output classes. Some “special recognitions” will be made on an ad hoc basis, Burgard said.

The AM Rally gets under way at 0000 UTC on Saturday, February 3, and concludes at 0700 UTC on Monday, February 5. Band include 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, and 6 meters. The 2017 AM Rally, which was held in April, was [a huge success](#), with nearly 1,500 contacts reported on the 72 logs submitted. -- *Thanks to Clark Burgard, N1BCG*

For Those Who Like Winter Field Day

Purpose: To foster Ham camaraderie, field operation, emergency operating preparedness, and just plain on the air, outdoor fun in the midst of winter for American, Canadian and DX Amateurs. Don't let those winter doldrums keep you locked up in the house... get out and play some radio!!

When: Winter Field Day runs for 24 hours during the last full weekend in January each year from 1900 UTC (2pm EST) Saturday to 1900 UTC (2pm EST) Sunday. For 2018, the dates are January 27th and 28th. Station set-up may commence no earlier than 1900 UTC (2pm EST) on Friday, January 26th. Station setup may consume no more than 12 hours total. How & when you schedule/spend those 12 hours is up to you.

Bands: All Amateur bands, HF, VHF, & UHF except 12, 17, 30 and 60 meters.

Modes: Any mode... CW, SSB, AM, FM, DStar, C4FM, DMR, Packet, PSK, SSTV, RTTY, Olivia, Satellite, etc...

Suggested Frequencies: (to make it easier for entrants to find each other)

HF CW – 1810-1820, 3.530-3.550, 7.030-7.050, 14.035-14.055, 21.030-21.050, 28.030-28.040

HF SSB – lowest 30 kHz of the US General Class Phone bands (160m- 15m), 28.400-28.425MHz (10m)
6m/VHF/UHF – adjacent to, but not on, nationally recognized simplex calling channels.

Entry categories: (..if operating as a group under one call, **all** stations in your entry must fit the category you choose. Also see further clarification in “definitions” below)

Indoor: Operation from inside a **remote, insulated**, heated (or cooled, depending on your local weather), and weather-protected structure where an Amateur station is normally not available. (Park buildings/cabins, community center, EOC, senior center, club shack, etc).

Outdoor: Operation from a location partly or fully exposed to the elements and at least 30 feet away from your normal station location and not using any part of a previously erected antenna system or ham station. A campground, park pavilion, canopy, picnic table, tent, pop- up camper, or a backyard shed/tent/deck, etc may be used. Operation from a non-insulated car/truck/van/boat (mobile or not) is considered “outdoor”.

Home: Operation from inside a home or inside another structure attached to a home that could or would be the usual location of an Amateur station (garage, sunroom, etc), generally using a previously erected antenna system. A “Home” entrant may still be eligible to claim the “alternate power” bonus if not using commercial power. Use of any pre -existing (on site) or permanently installed antenna system or station components renders your station a “Home” station.

Entry Class: your entry “**class**” is a number designated by the number of stations in your entry that are capable of **simultaneous** transmission. (Explained further in summary below)

Exchange: Your WFD exchange will be a combination of your “class” and “category” and your ARRL section as described below, using an appropriate letter designator or phonetics (examples: 1I, 2H, 5I, 6O, 3H, 9I, etc) In short: Call sign, Class + Category, ARRL Section.

Example: K4YM this is KB8X, we are Two Hotel, Ohio ..or in CW: K4YM de KB8X TU 2H OH...

KB8X this is K4YM, thank you, we are Twelve India, West Central Florida ..or in CW: KB8X TU 12I WCF

"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."

— **Edith Lovejoy Pierce**

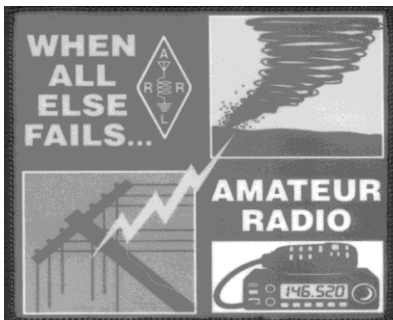
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Don't Miss These Next Meetings!

Next Meeting:

Thursday

January 18, 2018

7:00 PM

Shoney's McGavock Pike

Breakfast Meeting

January 6, 2017 8:00 am

Ryan's at Rivergate

February Meeting February 15, 2018

7pm.

Shoney's McGavock Pike