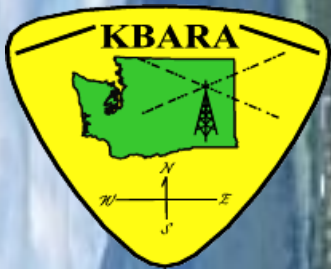


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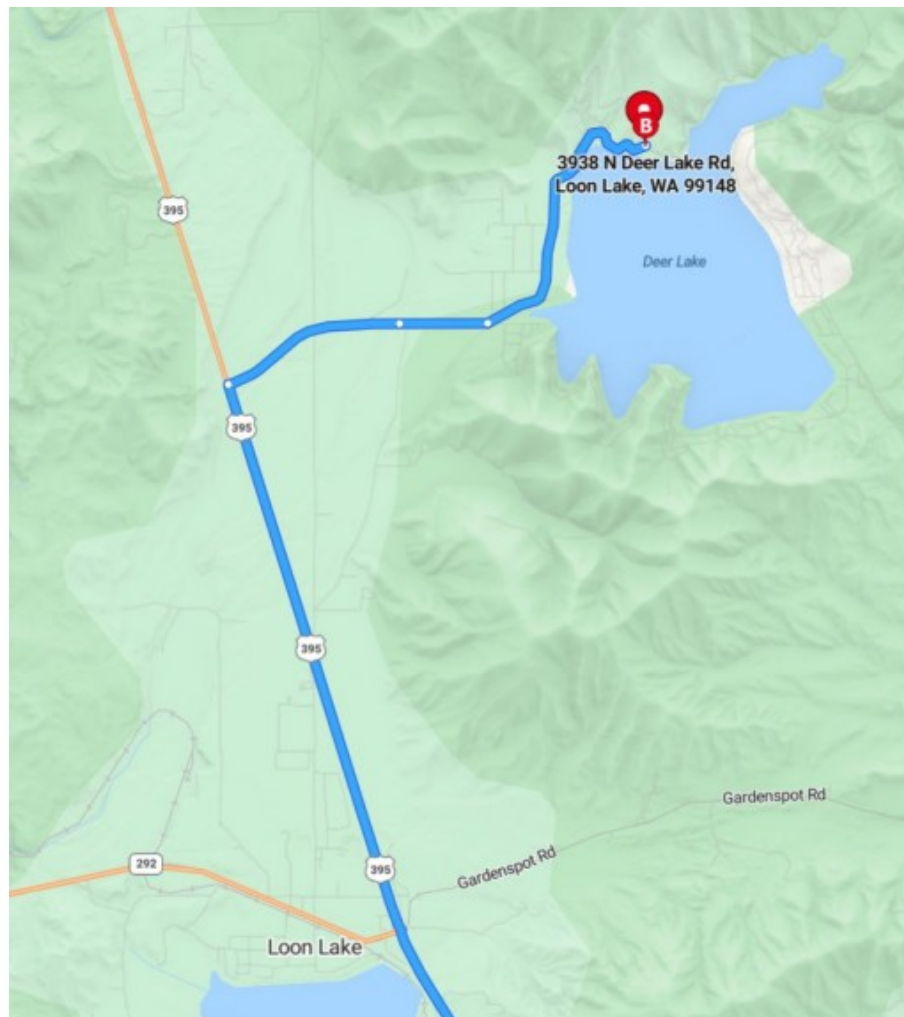


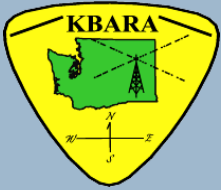
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KBARA Gazette

KBARA's 48th Annual Membership Meeting

Meeting will be held Sunday, August 15, 2026 at 1:00 PM, followed by a potluck lunch. The location is Deer Lake, WA this year at 3938 N. Deer Lake Rd, 3 miles north of Loon Lake. Please bring your favorite beverage & potluck goodie to go with smoked ribs, hosted by Jim & Betsy N7WRR & N7WRQ. Too, any KBARA member willing to offer their time in serving as a club officer, please contact the current officers.





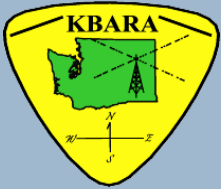
Valleyford Park

Our field day again this year was at Valleyford Park in Valleyford, WA just southeast of Spokane. Richard, the park caretaker, once again closed the park for our event. Thank you once again Richard for your hospitality.

None of us really made a lot of contacts but we had fun trying our field setups.

Jim, N7WRQ, JJ, W7JJR, Geoff, KK7YFH, Tim, K6JXN, and Scott, KA7FVV had stations setup around the park. JJ, Geoff and Scott spent the night.





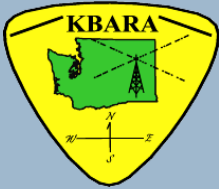
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Field Day 2026 in the books. Looking forward to the possibility of Winter Field Day.

<https://winterfieldday.org/>

January 23rd & 24th, 2027



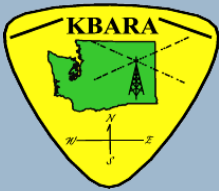
Technical Update

Jim, N7WRR

The 147.36 repeater on Stensgar Mountain went down on May 16th. The controller and 220MHz hub repeater were still working, so it was the repeater itself or antenna system. I programed up a replacement repeater, and also was able to obtain a replace power supply for the Motorola Quantar repeater on the 20th of May. Betsy N7WRQ and I went to site on May 21st and found it was the internal power supply module within the Quantar repeater that had failed. We replaced it and all has worked well since. A big thank you to Motorola technician Jeremiah KD7DMP, for providing the refurbished power supply.

Next on the list is to update the 147.38 repeater on Mica Peak. I have been working on programing a new controller and reprograming a UHF link repeater for Mica to try and connect with Naneum ridge.

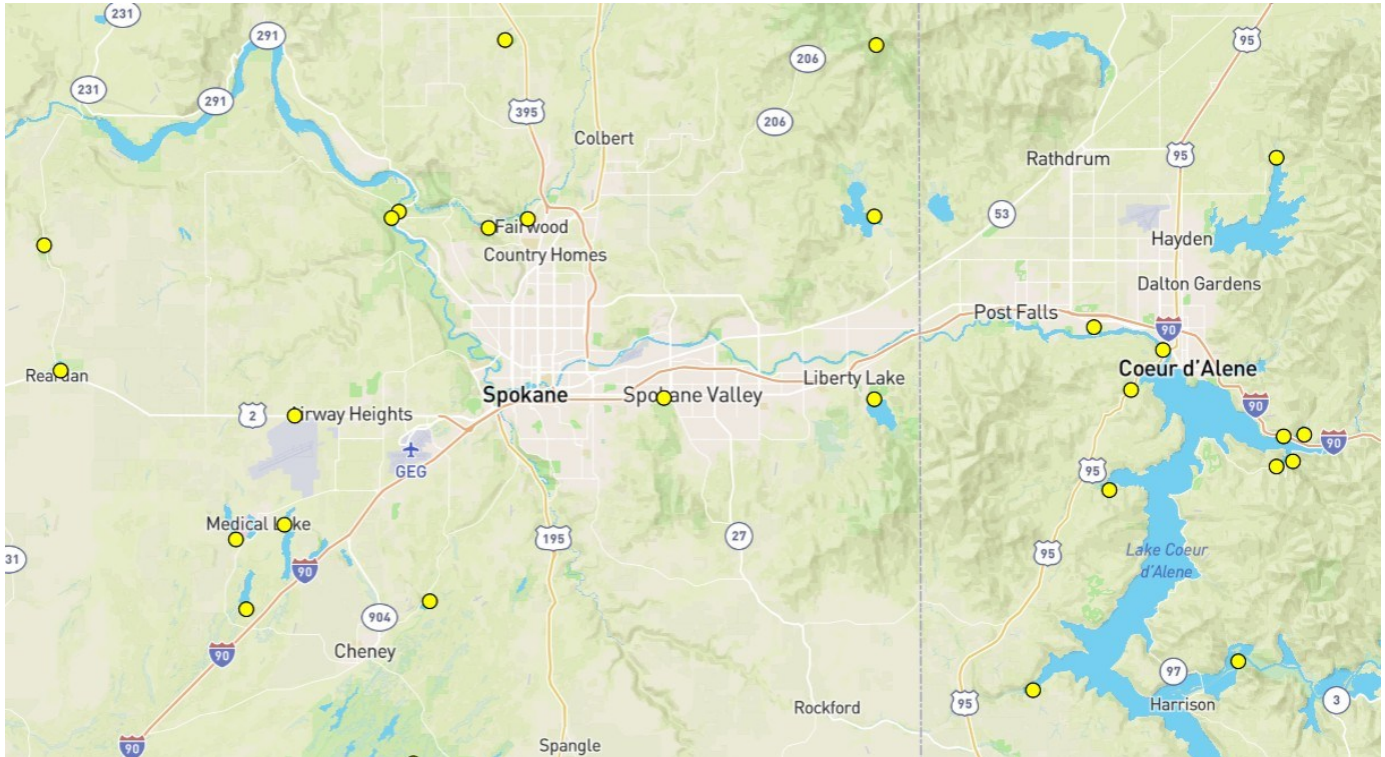




Parks on the Air

Parks on the Air (POTA) is an international radio sport award program that encourages licensed amateur radio operators to visit, enjoy and operate portable equipment in a variety of parks and public lands, always respecting other park users and local regulations. POTA issues awards to participants based on a wide range of criteria including the total number of radio contacts made, number made on each amateur radio band, and for different modes of communication including voice, Morse code or FT8.

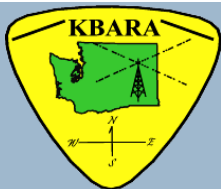
Local Spokane/Coeur d'Alene POTA Activation Locations



Yellow dots represent parks that can be activated. See the [Parks on the Air website](https://www.pota.org/) to review the details of each location. You must have a minimum of 10 QSOs to have a successful activation of a park.

Activators: Stations that operate from a POTA parks.

Hunters: Usually home stations that hunt for activators.

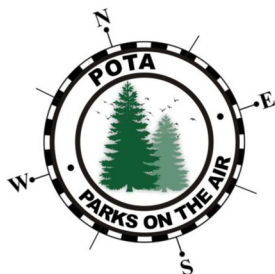


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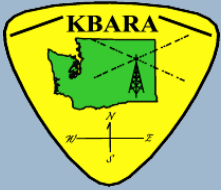
KBARA Member activators and setups



Andy KM7CCG. Badger Lake



Andy KM7CCG, Dishman Hills



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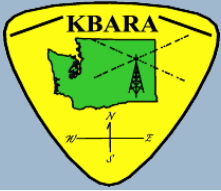
Andy KM7CCG Setup



Geoff KK7YFH Dragoon SP



Selene KM7TTO Dishman Hills



Parks on the Air



Nick K7MCC Eloika Lake



Jim KK7EW Liberty Lake



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KB7ARA
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147.380 MHz N7WRQ on Mica Peak near Spokane, WA, owned by Betsy N7WRQ & Jim N7WRR
147.360 MHz N7WRR on Stensgar (Stranger) Mt. near Chewelah, WA, owned by Jim N7WRR & Betsy N7WRQ
147.320 MHz (103.5 Hz tone) KA7FVV on West Twin near Moscow ID, owned by Scott KA7FVV & KBARA
147.280 MHz KB7ARA on Pikes Peak in the Blue Mountains near Walla Walla, WA, owned by KBARA
147.020 MHz KB7ARA on Lookout Pass on the Idaho-Montana border, owned by KBARA
223.900 MHz KB7ARA hub repeater on Stensgar (Stranger) Mt. near Chewelah, WA, owned by KBARA
444.350 MHz N1NG (192.8 tone) on Mica Peak near Spokane, WA, owned by Mike N1NG
IRLP Node #3638 in Spokane WA owned by Glen, K1RR

All licensed Amateur Radio operators are welcome to use this open repeater system.

To support KBARA, please send your contributions to: **KBARA, P.O. Box 30801, Spokane, WA 99223-3013**

Name _____ Call Sign _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Amount Paid _____

Email Address _____ ARRL Member? _____

Dues are \$15.00 per year for individuals and \$20.00 for a family (all must be living at the same address), but any amount will be greatly appreciated. Dues are due January of each year. If they are paid between September 1 - December 31, they will be applied through the entire following year. Also, any contribution to the Repeater Fund will be gladly accepted. For more info, please visit our website at www.kbara.org. See us on Facebook.



Upcoming Hamfests and Events

Courtesy of N7CFO.com

July 25. Chehalis Valley ARC Swapmeet. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned Event.* Lewis County Fairgrounds, 1909 S. Gold Street, Centralia, WA [Flyer in PDF](#)

August. Pacific Northwest DX Convention. Canceled!

August 14-17 Washington SOTA Campout. Curlew Lake State Park. Contact: Corrinne, KK7ULL, corrinnehenderson@hotmail.com

August 16. Puget Sound Antique Radio Association Annual Swapmeet. <https://psararadio.com/> [Site map in PDF.](#)

August 22. Star Swapmeet. Star Riverwalk Park, 999 Main St., Star, ID. <https://www.starhamradio.com/>

September 5. Arctic Amateur Radio Club Hamfest. 32 College Rd, Fairbanks, AK. *This is an ARRL Sanctioned Event.* <http://kl7kc.com/>

October 4. Delta ComFest. Delta Amateur Radio Society. Tsawwassen/South Delta BC. contact: info@deltaamateurradio.com . <https://deltaamateurradio.com/>

October 10. Kitsap County Amateur Radio Club Hamfest. <https://kcarc.org/hamfest/> *This is an ARRL Sanctioned Event.* [Flyer in PDF.](#)

October 17. Swaptoberfest. Rickreall, OR. www.swaptoberfest.com .

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January 23. LaPine Swap Meet and Winter Field Day. Location TBA. [Flyer in PDF](#)

March. Mike & Key Hamfest, Puyallup, WA.

May. Stanwood Camano ARC Swapmeet. Stanwood, WA.

May 22. Pateros Tailgate Hamfest. <https://www.facebook.com/W7ORC> . Okanogan County ARC. Contact Mike Mauk, W7MCM. (509)449-0605. w7orc1@gmail.com

June 4-6. SEA-PAC Hamfest and ARRL Northwestern Division Convention. Seaside Convention Center, Seaside, Oregon. www.seapac.org/ .

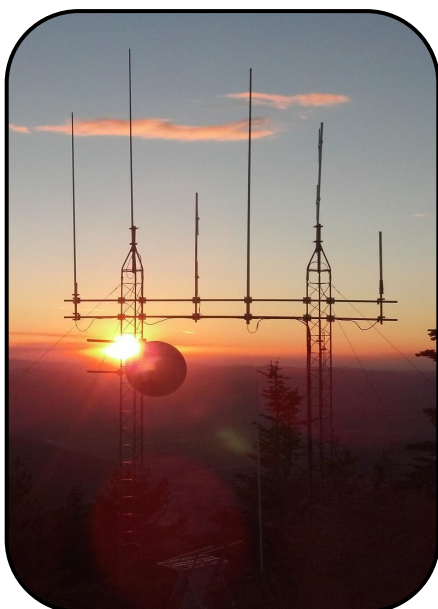
June 11-13 Wenatchee Apple City ARC Hamfest, Dryden, WA. <https://www.applecityarc.com/>

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KBARA Repeaters and Echolink/IRLP Nodes

Frequency	CTCSS Tone	Location	Call sign	RF Link
Repeaters				
223.90 MHz	None	Stensgar Mtn	KB7ARA	Hub
147.38 MHz	100.00	Mica Peak	N7WRQ	KB7ARA—223.90
147.36 MHz	None	Stensgar Mtn	N7WRR	Hard wired Hub
147.02 MHz	None	Lookout Pass	KB7ARA	N7WRQ—147.38
147.28 MHz	None	Pikes Peak	KB7ARA	KB7ARA—223.90
147.32 MHz	103.5	West Twin, Moscow	KA7FVV	IRLP
444.350 MHz	192.8	Mica Peak	N1NG	Stand Alone
Links				
Echolink KB7ARA-R	N/A	Spokane, WA	KB7ARA-R	KB7ARA - 223.90
IRLP Node 3638	None	Spokane, WA	K1RR	KB7ARA—223.90



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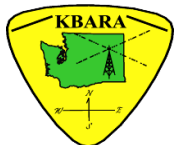
Officers

President: Jim Gladden, KK7EW
Vice President: James Rowe, W7JJR
Secretary: Tim Timm, N6JXN
Treasurer: Betsy Ashleman, N7WRQ

Testing is held the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Brought to you by Jim Palmer, K7LFN. If you have any questions please contact Jim at jim1palmer@yahoo.com or 951.813.0043.



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