



LARA - W5LVC POTA Activation Plan 2H 2025

N5GG – Colin Buckup

7/13/25

PARKS ON



THE AIR

The Plan

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Objective

- To bring the LARA member community together by promoting a monthly outdoor POTA activation around the various Texas State Parks surrounding the DFW Metroplex area.
- This activity also allows members that do not have HF stations or license privileges to operate on the HF bands to experience the different bands/modes by using the W5LVC call sign.
- Main objective is to HAVE FUN and make QSOs!

Contest Calendar

PERIODIC TABLE OF SELECT AMATEUR RADIO CONTESTS

<https://Radiosport.World/>

2025

off-the-air

SSB

VHF/UHF

Multimode

CW

Digital

Start Day (UTC) — 1 — End Day (UTC)
Start Time (UTC) — 0000Z — 2359Z — End Time (UTC)
Contest Name — Select Contest of weekend as chosen by N3QE

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
4 1800Z ARRL RTTY Roundup	5 2400Z NA Sprint CW	2 0000Z ARRL DX SSB	1 0359Z SP Polish DX	2 2359Z 7QP/IIN/DE New England QSO Parties	5 1500Z ARRL Digital	6 1400Z Marconi Memorial HF	2 1400Z NAQP CW	3 0600Z All Asian DX	6 0000Z California QSO Party	7 2400Z ARRL SS CW	3 0300Z ARRL 160
11 1800Z NAQP CW	12 0559Z CQ WPX RTTY	8 0000Z NA Sprint RTTY	9 2400Z JIDX CW	9 0000Z Volta WW RTTY	9 0359Z ARRL June VHF	12 1200Z IARU HF	13 1200Z WAE CW	9 0000Z WAE SSB	10 2359Z Oceania CW	13 0000Z WAE RTTY	14 2359Z ARRL 10
18 1800Z NAQP SSB	19 0559Z ARRL DX CW	15 0000Z BARTG HF RTTY	16 2359Z CQMM DX	15 0200Z Contest University Dayton Hamvention	17 2000Z All Asian DX CW	19 1800Z NAQP RTTY	20 0559Z NAQP SSB	20 1200Z SAC CW	21 2000Z Worked All Germany	18 1500Z ARRL SS SSB	20 1400Z Xmas and New Years Wknd
24 2200Z CQ 160 CW	26 2200Z NAQP RTTY	22 1800Z NA Sprint SSB	23 0559Z Florida QSO Party	23 0400Z CQ WPX CW	26 1600Z ARRL Field Day	27 2159Z RSGB IOTA	23 varies KH6/OH QSO Parties	24 varies CQ WW RTTY	25 0000Z CQ WW SSB	26 2400Z LZ DX	27 0000Z Thanks Giving Wknd
		29 0000Z CQ WPX SSB	30 2400Z Labor Day Wknd			Labor Day Wknd				Thanks Giving Wknd	

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½ day



Sleep-over

Xmas
and
New
Years
Wknd

Labor Day Wknd

Thanks
Giving
Wknd

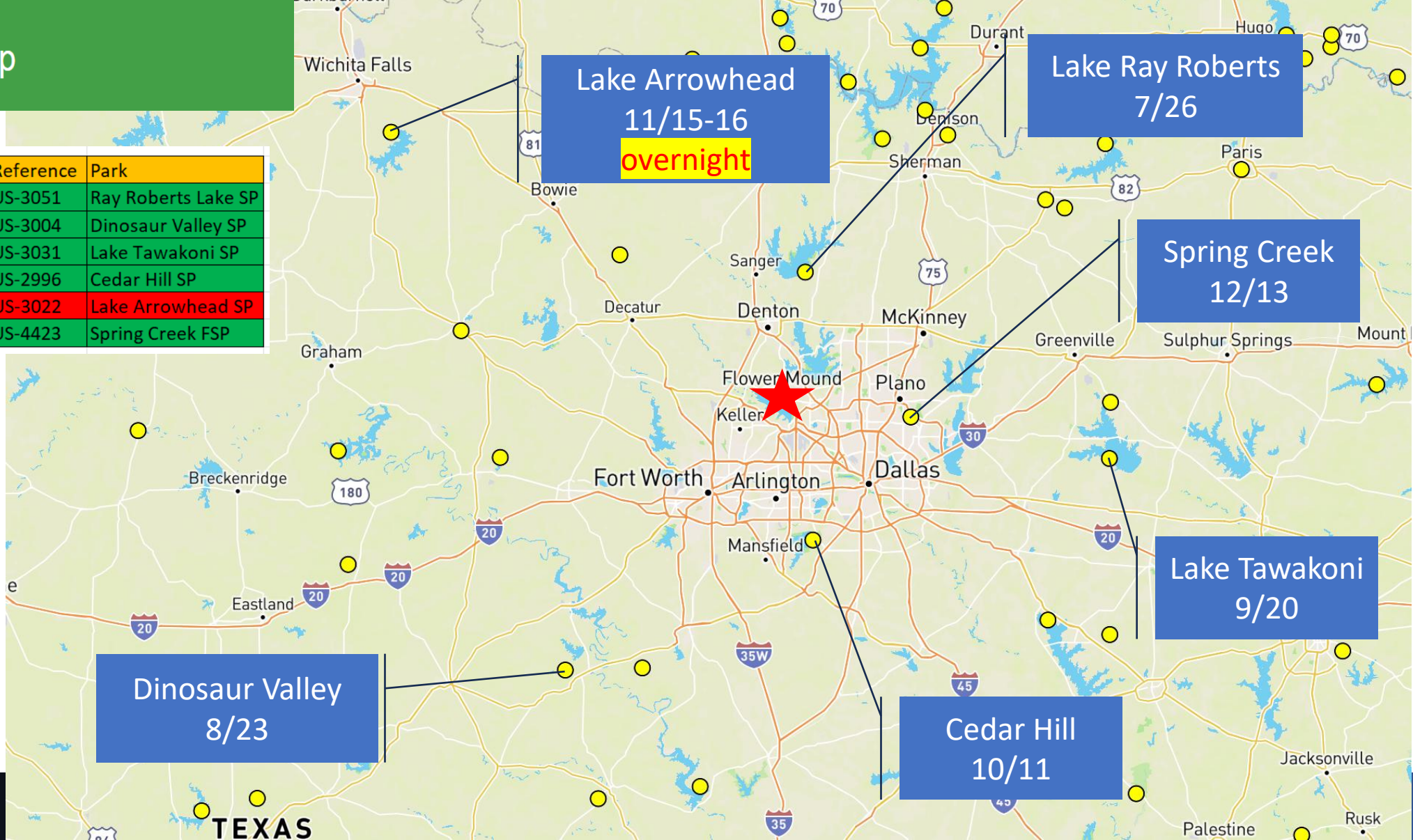
LARA POTA

Calendar

2H 2025

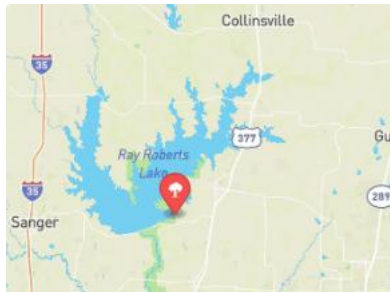
N5GG					
7/13/2025					1/2 day activation
					overnight activation
2025					
Month	Sat	Sun	Tue	POTA ID	Park
July	5	6			
	12	13	LARA 15		
	19	20			
	26	27		US-3051	Ray Roberts Lake SP
August	2	3			
	9	10			
	16	17	LARA 19		
	23	24		US-3004	Dinosaur Valley SP
	30	31			
September	6	7			
	13	14	LARA 16		
	20	21		US-3031	Lake Tawakoni SP
	27	28			
October	4	5			
	11	12		US-2996	Cedar Hill SP
	18	19	LARA 21		
	25	26			
November	1	2			
	8	9			
	15	16	LARA 18	US-3022	Lake Arrowhead SP
	22	23			
	29	30			
December	6	7			
	13	14	LARA 16	US-4423	Spring Creek FSP
	20	21			
	27	28			

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The Map

Park Details			
Reference	Park	Address	City
US-3051	Ray Roberts Lake SP	100 PW 4137	Pilot Point, TX 76258
US-3004	Dinosaur Valley SP	1629 Park Rd 59	Glen Rose, TX 76043
US-3031	Lake Tawakoni SP	10822 FM 2475	Wills Point, TX 75169
US-2996	Cedar Hill SP	1570 West FM 1382	Cedar Hill, TX 75104
US-3022	Lake Arrowhead SP	229 Park Road 63	Wichita Falls, TX 76310
US-4423	Spring Creek FSP	1770 Holford Rd	Garland, TX 75044



Ray Roberts



Dinosaur Valley



Tawakoni



Cedar Hill



Arrowhead



Spring Creek

Park Details

A top-down view of various construction and safety items laid out on a dark wooden surface. The items include a yellow hard hat, a pair of yellow work gloves, a rolled-up white blueprint with technical drawings, a black and white headlamp, a pair of brown leather work boots, a yellow and black tool, and several folding rulers. The left side of the image is faded to serve as a background for the text.

Notes and Comments

- We will be sending out reminders via e-mail during the week prior to the activation, so you can prepare
- The POTA outdoor activities are supposed to be fun, bring your spouse/kids with you for a day outdoors.
- Safety FIRST! Always be mindful where to set up your equipment (clear of power lines, hazardous equipment, etc.)
- REMEMBER to STAY HIDRATED!!!

Ambassadors

- When getting to the park, explain to the Rangers what you are doing and ask for directions where they want you to set up the operation
- When operating, you will attract attention from the neighbors, you are an ambassador of the hobby and the club, take the opportunity to explain what you are doing
- When leaving the park, leave no trace... take back all you brought with you, including additional good memories.



No Job is Finished until the Paperwork is DONE!

- Please remember to hand/e-mail all POTA logs to N5GG to be uploaded to the POTA site to validate the activation.
- POTA is a “two-for-one” when it comes to Club Operations: W5LVC AND YOU, both, receive credit for a successful activation (more than 10 QSO's)

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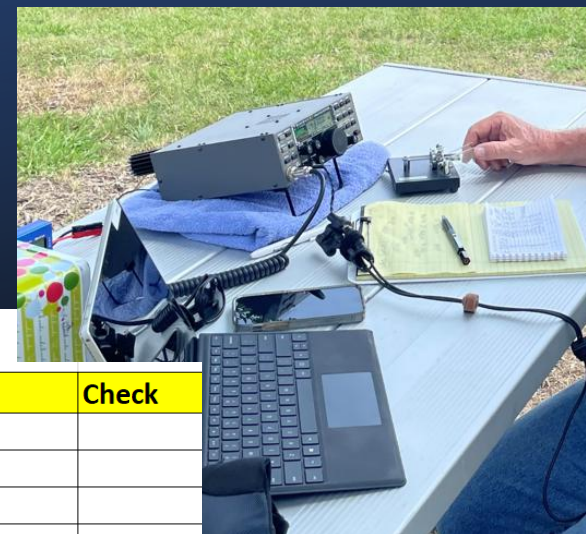


Check List:

Radio	Check
HF Radio	
CW Key - Single Paddle	
CW Key - Iambic Paddle	
Microphone	
Headset	
BNC male - UHF Female adapter	
Power	Check
12V Inverter	
Battery Clamps to PowerPole	
Solar Panel	
Solar Controller	
Watt Meter	
Power Cable	
12V Battery - LiFePo - CHARGED	
LiFePo Battery Charger	
12V Battery - Lead Acid - CHARGED	
Accessories	Check
QRP Dummy Load	
External Speaker	
VNA	
Computer	Check
Surface PC	
Power Supply	
Mouse	

Antenna System	Check
Multiband End Fed Antenna	
Ground Wires	
BalUn 49:1	
Long Wire Antenna	
BalUn 9:1	
Linked Dipole Antenna	
BalUn 1:1	
20m HamStick Dipole Antenna	
HamStick Mounting Bracket	
Coax UHF to Banana Adapter	
BalUn 1:1	
Coaxial - BNC / UHF - 3 ft	
Coaxial - UHF/UHF - 10 ft	
Coaxial - UHF/UHF - 20 ft	
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Coaxial - UHF/UHF - 40 ft	
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Coaxial - UHF/UHF - 50 ft	
Coaxial - UHF/UHF - 50 ft	
RF Current Choke #1	
RF Current Choke #2	
Fiberglass Pole	
Heavy Tripod	
Guy Wire System	

Paperwork and Docs	Check
Log Book	
Pencil / Pen	
Note Block	
Contest Rules	
Licenses / Letters	
CASH \$\$\$	
Amenities	Check
Table	
Chairs	
Parasol Umbrella	
Screw Spike	
Personal Items	Check
Glasses	
Sun Glasses	
SPF	
Hat/Cap	
Boxes / Backpacks	Check
Radio Box	
Antenna Box	
Battery Box	
Pole HW Box	
Accessories Box	
Personal Backpack	



Also:
Don't forget
your FOOD
and
DRINKS!!!

Thank You
and see you
at the park!
73!

