



Field Day 2013



First Planning Meeting
March 23, 2013 0700
Leesburg Armory

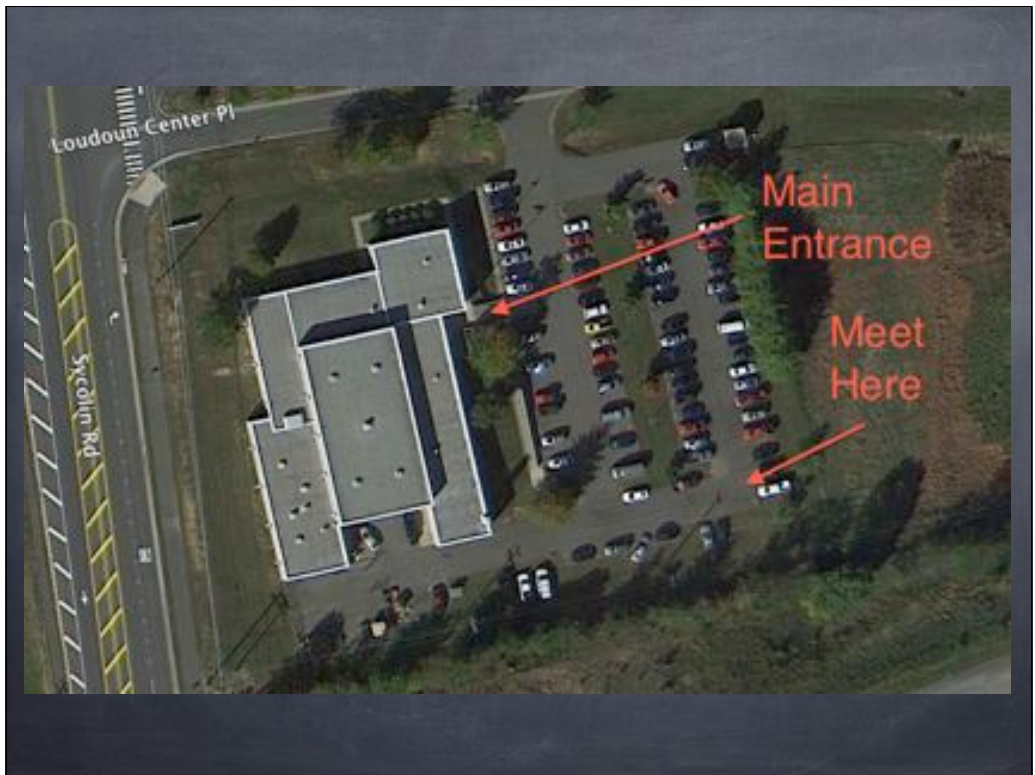
Building Safety Briefing



- Emergency Exits
 - Front Door you came in
 - 2 Doors at Front of Classroom

Building Safety Briefing

- Safe Meeting Place After Evacuation
- Far South East Corner of Parking Lot



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- Tornado Shelter
 - Weight room near center of Gym Floor

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Restrooms

- Turn Left out of class room thru gym to the far wall on left

QUESTIONS ?

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There is John Godfrey Saxe poem, based on writings from the Far East, where blind men are asked to describe an elephant. The poem begins:

It was six men of Indostan
To learning much inclined,
Who went to see the Elephant
(Though all of them were blind),
That each by observation Might satisfy his mind...

After touching the animal, they individually conclude that the elephant is like a wall, snake, spear, tree, fan or rope, depending upon where they touch. Though the debate is intense, they never come to a resolution – for while each was correct in their perspective, none of them had the complete picture.

- Field Day means a lot of different things to each of us.
- Some see it as a Contest, some a Emergency Drill, others just a great time to get on the air.
- Field Day 2013 should be **FUN**, productive, **FUN**, safe, **FUN**, educational and **FUN**.

So lets begin...

Introductions

- Field Day Co-Chairs
 - Chris Patton W3CUM
 - Dave Wendland KE4OKY
- Go around the room introduce yourself, Call sign and what your job is for Field Day 2013

Agenda

- Antennas / Station Placement
- Equipment
- Equipment Transfer to and from Site
- Set Up / Tear Down Schedule
- Power
- N1MM & Computers
- Food & Drinks
- Promotion of Field Day

Antennas & Station Placement

- Station 1
- Station 2
- Station 3
- Station 4
- Station 5
- GOTA
- VHF / UHF / 6 Meter / Satellite



Equipment

- Missing or Needed Equipment ??
- Label Label Label Label
EVERYTHING YOU BRING OUT!
- Tents? (VDF)
- Tables & Chairs

Equipment cont.

- Chemical Toilets (Ordered Johnny Blue)
 - Delivered Monday 6/17/13
 - Pick Up Monday 6/24/13
- Grill (Propane)
- Refrigerator
- Coolers

Equipment Transfer to and from Field Day Site

- Who is available
 - When
 - Vehicle / Trailer
- When can we start dropping equipment at Field Day Site

Set Up Schedule

- We have 24 Hrs to Set up Starting at 0000 UTC FRIDAY or 2000hrs Local (8PM) Thursday!
- Sunset for Thursday 2038 Local
- Friday ?
- Saturday ?

Tear Down

- ALL HANDS ON DECK!
- We need fresh bodies Sunday
 - More hands make light work
 - How do we get people out to help with tear down?

Power

- Generators

- Honda 2Kw Generator

- St. 1 - AI2C

- St. 2 - KE4OKY

- St. 3 - NC4S

- St. 4 - WB5ODJ

- St. 5 - N4PD

- VHF/UHF/6m/Sat - Shared Station 3 +
Solar & Battery

- GOTA - K5NOB

N1MM & Computers

- Version 13.3.1
- PLEASE make sure you have the correct version loaded.
- I would like to have all the computers to John Westerman at the May 18th Club Meeting (discussion)

Food & Drinks

- Nycole, Nancy N1NCY and Jay KI4TXP
- Thursday?
- Include VDF in meals?
 - Make the licensed VDF Honorary Members?
- Arizona Ice Tea?
- Must have solid numbers!
- Special Dietary Concerns?
- Pot Luck Sign Up!!!

Promoting Field Day

- We are not able to claim 100 points for Public Space HOWEVER....
- Ham Radio is a dying hobby (like it or not) We need to get people involved so....
 - How do we entice people to visit us in Lovettsville?
 - ...AND once they are there, how do we convey the fun & exciting hobby of Ham Radio?

Delivering Field Day

- Placement of a Sign by the motor home pointing to Info / Reg Table
 - "WELCOME the LARG 2013 Field Day! Please come to the information desk this way"
- Everyone working/operating/participating in Field Day
 - If you don't know someone, welcome them and introduce yourself. Ask them if they had any question and direct them to the info desk.
 - You don't need to baby sit or give them a tour at that time, however the visitor should feel welcome and not ignored.

Delivering Field Day

- We should identify "Ambassadors" who can answer questions and give tours.
 - If you are on a station, use the 2m Freq. to request an "Ambassador" to provide a tour
- Develop a plan to encourage and train new Hams to operate second seat, and operation above and beyond the scheduled N1MM training
- A letter of invitation should be sent to all recently licensed Hams. We invested in training them, now its time to utilize that investment and Get On The Air (GOTA). (remember we can make up those 100 pts)

Set Next Meeting Date

- Did This Location Work
- Did This Time Work
- Suggestions?

QUESTIONS

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