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President's Message

KG4IYS



It is elections month. We all now have the opportunity to help determine who will represent us in Congress as well as state government. At the same time you get to decide who will represent you in the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club as officers and directors for the 2027 term. While we have a full slate of nominees already, the list of candidates can be increased or competed for any position until the November club meeting voting time. If any of you desire to participate in the board next year, please see that your name is put forward.

The new **Ambassador Program** has a good start. I look forward to observing how well this works for new club members. I also look forward to seeing the kickoff of the new **Makers Program**. As our snowbird members return, the club activities are beginning to accelerate. Participation is vital to the success of these programs as well as the new programs. School programs we support such as Pine View School (PVS) and the Sarasota Military Academy (SMA) are great for securing future amateur radio enthusiasts. I look forward to the coming Pico Balloon launches with PVS and ourselves as well as the SMA International Space Station (ISS) contact soon. By the time you read this the SMA ISS contact will have occurred.

[**UPDATE: The SMA contact via ARISS on Oct 22nd was an outstanding success!!**]

I am pleased to see the great participation by most of you in the club's programs as well as the welcoming atmosphere for new members. This is a strong reason why this club attracts so many new members. It certainly attracted me a few years back, and I have heard many similar remarks. The more we can do for the community, the membership, the training programs and the research into new

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Welcome New Members

10/15/26	Member	Ronald Balaze	Extra	KE8B
10/11/26	Member	Mark Willoughby	General	W1EKU
10/05/26	Member	John Donovan	General	WA1PBJ
09/20/26	First Year	Cef Cruz	Technician	KR4OYH
09/12/26	Member	Julian Phillips	Technician	KR4OYF

We are on Facebook

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Upcoming Events

- Annual Meeting 11/11/26 Election of New Officers and Directors. ***Program***: WSPR ins and outs, Tom K7ONE
- POTA Open House Sat. Nov 14th, Jim N7JIM details inside the newsletter
- Holiday Party—RSVP Wed. Dec 2, 2026 https://tamiamiarc.org/store/?model_number=Res-1
- Club Meeting 12/9/26 **NO CLUB MEETING!**

TARC Has Elmers

Who or what is an "Elmer"? In "ham speak" an Elmer is any experienced amateur radio operator who helps a new or less experienced ham learn about the hobby in general or about specific radio related topics.

To help new hams get any help they may need, TARC has created the generic email address: "**askelmer@tamiamiarc.org**". Currently, Steve NS4P receives these emails and either he can provide the help requested or he will find another club member who can.

TARC Contact Emails

Board of Directors
bod@tamiamiarc.org

Secretary
secretary@tamiamiarc.org

Treasurer
treasurer@tamiamiarc.org

Volunteer Examiner Team
VE-team@tamiamiarc.org

Ask Elmer ham assistance
askelmer@tamiamiarc.org

The Communicator submissions
communicator@tamiamiarc.org

Quartermaster (equipment mgr)
quartermaster@tamiamiarc.org

Librarian (ham book library)
librarian@tamiamiarc.org

Membership Coordinator
membership@tamiamiarc.org

Ham Club Online HELP
hcolhelp@tamiamiarc.org

Webmaster—report a problem
websupport@tamiamiarc.org

President's Message (Cont'd)

technologies as well as expansion of basic radio technologies; then the greater the opportunities for all to expand our knowledge and enjoyment of this wonderful hobby.

Keep up the great work and happy election day.

73,

Chet Fennell de OM KG4IYS

TARC is an ARRL affiliated club. If you aren't already an ARRL member, please consider joining now to help support the club and the hobby.





Christmas in July? Food for Thought.

TARC Holiday Party for 2026 will be held at the Hotel Venezia in Venice on December 2, 2026 from 6 PM to 9 PM.
Address is:

Hotel Venezia
425 Us Highway 41 Bypass N.
Venice Florida 34285

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS DATE!

The menu options and pricing for this year's party are:

- Prime Rib … $65
- Salmon … $53
- Chicken Marsala… $52
- Vegan … $53

Please make your reservations and pay for them online at the club's website store ***by November 23rd, please***:
https://tamiamiarc.org/wp-easycart-parent/store/

Club Officer and Director Election in November

As of the publication date, the following candidate list will be voted on at the November 11th Annual Meeting:

OFFICE	Candidate and Call Sign
The "Executive"	
President	Dan O'Donovan W4DOD
Vice President	Frank Wroblewski W2XYZ
Secretary	Lou Ronnau KC4LR
Treasurer	Dwight Sullivan KT4DS
General Board of Director Positions	
Director	Steve Phillips NS4P
Director	Roger McEntarfer N9RM
Director	Allan 'Al' Culbert K0AL
Director	James 'Jim' Miller N7JIM
Director	Chet Fennell KG4IYS
Director*	Randy Aiken KO4IYS
Director*	Karl Downing K4RLX
Director*	Tom Ziroli N2UD

* 3 new Director positions have been added to the board of directors for 2027

Nominating Committee Chairman
John KQ4ELH

Committee Reports

Remote Station
Tom W8QJF
https://tamiamiarc.org/club-remote-hf-station

Several club members are regular users of the HF station and they give it great signal reports sent and received. If you are antenna or cost constrained from trying HF comms, this is for you!

Sunshine
Shaun KQ4YAX

Florida State POTA Contest
Jim N7JIM
https://fspota.org

We closed our very successful 2026 event in April and have taken notes to improve the 2027 event. Thanks to everyone who helped in the event planning and operations. We will be meeting in November to kick off the 2027 event. If you are interested in being on the planning committee, contact N7JIM Jim at V8MGB@yahoo.com

Net Manager
Paul KN4BAR

Thanks to our regular 2 meter net controllers Tony W4RFV and Steve KN4NFX for keeping a great rotating schedule. I'm sure Frank W2XYZ and Steve NS4P would like to have an occasional guest net control to relieve them on the Tuesday DMR and Wednesday 10 meter nets.
We really could use another 2m net control station for the Thursday 7:30 pm net. If you are interested, please contact me.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

VE Testing

Steve NS4P

Last Test Date: 10/10/26
Number tested: 1
Passed: 1
New Members: 0
Next Test Date: 11/14/26

QCWA Liaison

Al K0AL

Chapter 53 of the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) meets on the first Monday of the month at 11 am at the Perkins Restaurant & Bakery, 1331 US-41 Bypass in Venice. ***[new location beginning October 2026]*** You do not need to be a member of QCWA to attend and your "Plus 1" is welcome. There is an interesting program along with an excellent meal and fellowship. For more information on QCWA see the Chapter website – https://qcwa53.org

(no meetings Jun—Sep)

Repeater / Technical

Frank W2XYZ

https://tamiamiarc.org/tarc-repeaters/

No significant changes since last month. We are working on programming a new repeater controller that should improve EchoLink performance. We are considering next steps to resolve the feedback issue.

Digital Committee

The TARC Digital Committee is looking for enthusiastic members to help shape the future of our club's digital operations. Our mission is to explore and promote digital excellence through open-source technologies, ensuring our members stay on the leading edge of the hobby. We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with:

- Education & Mentorship: Helping fellow members get on the air with modes like FT8, JS8Call, and FreeDV.
- Technical Research: Testing open-source software and hardware configurations.
- Content Creation:Contributing to the "Digital Corner" in ***The Communicator***.

Please reach out to the Digital Committee chair, Lou,KC4LR at our next meeting.

Membership

Roger N9RM

As of: 10/23/26
Total Membership: 177
150 Regular Members
1 Associate Member
9 First Year Members
17 Life Members
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https://www.hamclubonline.com/
REVIEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP RECORD FOR ACCURACY. SEND CHANGES TO:
membership@tamiamiarc.org

Public Information Officer

Karl K4RLX

Pictures and videos of club activities and events are posted to Facebook, and notification of such pertinent posts will be sent out on Groups.io. To reach a wider audience I encourage you to "share" those posts that the community may be interested in on your own personal Facebook page.

<Facebook Link>

POTA See and Learn—Nov 14th



We had a mini POTA station demonstration in the church parking lot before the last club meeting. Paul KN4BAR hosted this one as a direct response to a newly licensed club member needing answers to radio and antenna questions.



Speaking of new members. **CONGRATULATIONS** to Llyr Phillips KR4OYF for making a DX contact with VK4IM along with about dozen other DX contacts logged on 10m SSB Technician part of the band for this brand new amateur radio operator.

Come See and Learn About POTA on Nov 14th

Jim N7JIM will be hosting an "Introduction to POTA" event on Saturday November 14, 2026 from 9:00am to noon at Myakka State Forest. He will stick around after the event for anyone to wants to take the opportunity to activate the park or observe a park activation. We will talk about and demonstrate:

- Basic Rules
- Researching a Park to Activate
- Equipment Setup
- Activating a Park, making QSOs
- Submitting Logs

The Myakka State Forest is located at 2000 S River Rd, Englewood, FL 34223. Drive down the shell road about 1/2 mile and there is a covered pavilion on the left just after the park offices. It would be very beneficial if you registered with the parksontheair.com website before attending. That way any contacts you make or if you make the minimum number of 10 contacts required you could actually "activate" the park under your own call sign.

Get more info and directions on the club's website.

Do You Attend Club Meetings?



We only meet once a month on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Venice Presbyterian Church in Venice. Meetings last about an hour and we almost always have an after meeting program given by one of our members about an amateur radio related topic. Can you spare a few hours once a month? We have over 170 club members but only see about 1/3 of you at the meetings!

https://tamiamiarc.org/events/event/tarc-monthly-meeting/

73, Paul KN4BAR

Content Needed!

With our large club membership representing years and years of professional experience in many different industries and locations, there should not be shortage of great articles submitted to ***The Communicator*** for publication in our monthly club newsletter.

Ham etiquette says no social issues, no religion, and no politics make for good ham discussion. This leaves a huge amount of other good ham related stuff to be talked about. Please give some thought to writing up something whether it be technical, operating, DX related or just good ham humor. Articles can be 50 words or 500 words or more and anything in between.

Pictures are always a good idea. Some of our members don't read so they only look at the pictures! Please send your pictures, jokes, one-liners and short stories to

communicator@tamiamiarc.org

Can anyone say "SHACK OF THE MONTH"?

Is Morse Code Making a Comeback? It Has For Me!

Morse code has been around for generations, and for many Hams, it represents the foundation of radio communications. Although technology has given us countless ways to communicate, CW remains an active and rewarding part of amateur radio. Today, I'm seeing continued interest in Morse code, particularly among operators exploring QRP, portable operating and the challenge of making contacts with simple equipment.



Lance Corporal Karl Downling Learning CW in 1989 to Keep Us All Safe

That renewed interest has me asking two questions: Is Morse code making a comeback, and why am I returning to CW? For me, Morse code is definitely making a comeback, at least in my own radio room. After being away from it for approximately 30 years, I'm experiencing a personal resurgence in CW, rebuilding my copy speed and learning new techniques along the way.

My history and relationship with Morse code began during my service in the United States Marine Corps. I served as a Manual Morse Intercept Operator, a military occupational specialty later designated Communications Signal Collection/Manual Morse Code Operator/Analyst.

After boot camp, I attended training at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, at the U.S. Army Intelligence School Devens. There, Morse code became much more than a series of dits and dahs. It was a skill that demanded concentration, discipline, accuracy, and countless hours of practice.

Learning to copy Morse code was a serious undertaking. Recognizing characters, following the rhythm of a transmission, and accurately interpreting what was being received required intense focus and dedication. Those lessons stayed with me long after my military training ended.

Eventually, life moved on, and for roughly three decades, playing radio and CW took a back seat to other interests. But the knowledge I gained during those years never completely disappeared. Now, as active Ham, I'm finding myself drawn back to the mode that played such a significant role in my earlier life.

Returning to CW after 30 years has been both exciting and challenging. While some of the old familiarity is still there, getting my receiving speed back up takes time and consistent practice. The goal is to recognize characters naturally, by their sound and rhythm, rather than mentally translating each dot and dash.

It's a reminder that even skills learned at a high level can become rusty when left unused. The good news is that the foundation is still there, and every practice session brings a little more confidence.

I'm also learning something new: sending with an iambic paddle key. During my earlier experience with Morse code, I was accustomed to mostly coping code and occasionally using a straight key. Moving to a paddle is a real change in technique and definitely a different way of sending code, and developing the coordination and timing takes practice. In a way, I'm both revisiting old skills and learning new ones. That combination makes the journey especially enjoyable.

Is Morse Code Making a Comeback? Although it's difficult to say that CW is experiencing a broad resurgence across the entire amateur radio community, there are encouraging signs of continued interest.

Portable operating activities such as Parks on the Air (POTA) and Summits on the Air (SOTA) provide excellent opportunities for CW operators. A small battery-powered radio, a simple antenna, and a key or paddle can be enough to make contacts from a park or mountaintop.

Is Morse Code Making a Comeback? It Has For Me!

Compact, affordable CW transceivers have also made the mode attractive to operators interested in low-power operating. Online learning resources and smartphone applications make it easier for newcomers to learn Morse code at their own pace.

CW remains an important part of amateur radio contesting and DX operating. Its ability to make effective contacts with modest power and relatively simple equipment continues to appeal to operators around the world.

Perhaps Morse code isn't making a comeback in the sense that everyone is returning to it. Instead, it may be finding a new audience among people who appreciate its unique combination of skill, simplicity, and tradition.

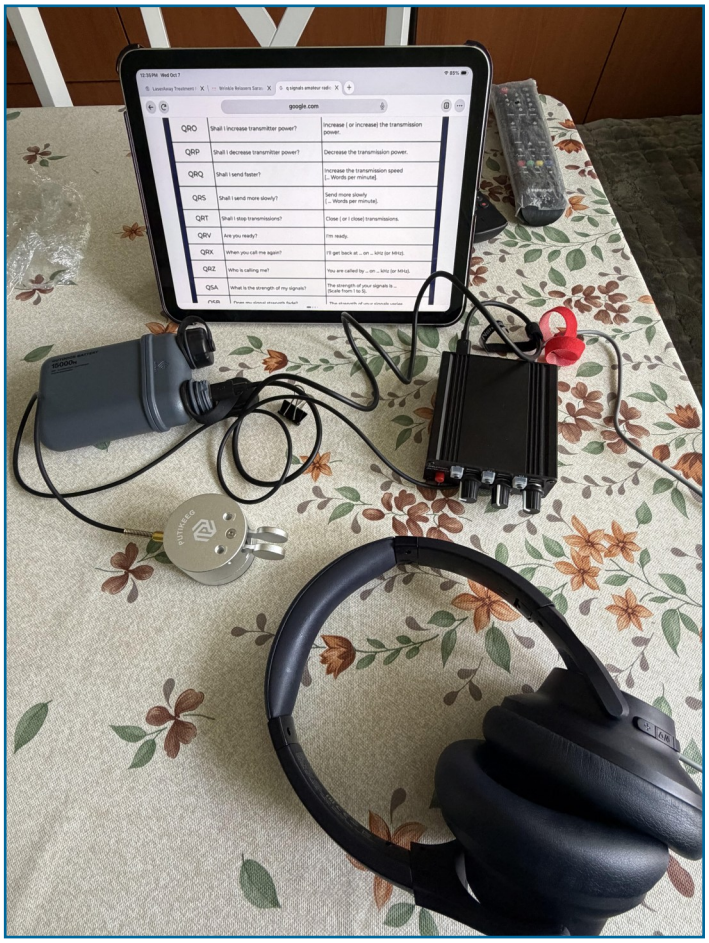
One of the things I appreciate about amateur radio is that there's always something new to learn, even when it involves revisiting something old.

For me, returning to CW is about reconnecting with my past, challenging myself in the present, and keeping a valuable radio skill alive for the future. I look forward to improving my receiving speed, becoming comfortable with the iambic paddle, and making contacts on the air.

If you learned Morse code years ago and haven't used it in a long time, perhaps it's worth giving it another try. And if you've never learned CW, there are plenty of resources available to help you get started. You don't have to be a high-speed operator to enjoy it. Start at a comfortable pace, practice regularly, and enjoy the progress.

After 30 years away, I'm discovering that the old rhythm of Morse code still has a place in my life. Maybe the real comeback isn't just happening across amateur radio—it's happening one operator at a time. For me, the journey back to CW has begun!

73, de Karl K4RLX



You can read more about Karl's CW journey on his website: https://star2531.com/my-morse-code-beginnings

Unsure If Your Annual Dues are Paid?

It's easy enough to check your club membership status and to pay your club dues. You can always login to your Ham Club Online (HCOL) account (hamclubonline.com); but many of our club members don't seem to like doing that or they can't recall their password.

You can check the current membership roster to find out when you joined and when your annual dues are due without having to log in at all:

https://secure.hamclubonline.com/club/roster.php?id=504

Dues are good for 365 days from the last date you paid your dues. We stopped doing annual Jan-Dec dues 2 years ago when we converted to HCOL. If you happen to overpay your dues, that's OK, too, because HCOL will just keep adding paid up days to your account. Payment by cash or check at club meetings can always be made; but we really would prefer if you paid online:

https://secure.hamclubonline.com/payment.php

Elevate Your Operating with POTACAT



If you enjoy chasing Parks on the Air (POTA), Summits on the Air (SOTA), or working DX from your shack—or even from your smartphone—there's a game-changing tool in the amateur radio world you should know about "**POTACAT**".

Created by Casey Stanton (K3SBP), **POTACAT** is a free, open-source cross-platform desktop application (Windows, macOS, and Linux) designed to streamline live spot hunting, CAT (Computer-Aided Transceiver) rig control and mobile/remote station operation.

What Makes POTACAT Special?

1. All Your Live Spots in One Place

Instead of keeping multiple browser tabs open to monitor activity, POTACAT aggregates live spots from multiple networks into a single, unified view:

- **Parks on the Air (POTA)** & **Summits on the Air (SOTA)**
- **DX Cluster**, **Reverse Beacon Network (RBN)**, and **PSK Reporter**
- **WWFF**, **WWBOTA**, **GMA** and specialized event feeds

You can filter spots by band, mode, distance (calculated relative to your Maidenhead grid square), or even screen out parks and entities you've already worked.

2. One-Click CAT Tuning (QSY)

Fumbling between logger software and VFO knobs is a thing of the past. When you click a spot in POTACAT:

- Your transceiver automatically QSYs to the spot frequency.
- The correct mode (USB, LSB, CW, Digital) and CW offset are set instantly.
- A logging window pops up pre-filled with the callsign, operator name, and park/summit reference code.

POTACAT supports over 200 transceivers via **Hamlib**, direct serial connection, Icom CI-V/wfview, and native **FlexRadio** integration (including SWR protection and SmartSDR-less operation).

3. Built-In Digital Modes (FT8, SSTV & More)

POTACAT includes **JTCAT**, a built-in FT8/FT4 engine with auto-sequencing and clock synchronization checks. You can click a callsign anywhere in the app, and JTCAT will automatically handle the exchange for you. It also supports PSK31, SSTV image transmission, WSPR beaconing and JS8 message reading without needing separate software.

4. Take Your Station Anywhere with ECHOCAT

One of POTACAT's standout capabilities is remote station control through its mobile companion interface (**ECHOCAT**):

- **SSB / Voice:** Real-time WebRTC audio with hold-to-talk PTT and voice macros.
- **CW:** Plug a paddle into your phone or tap macros to send code through your desktop rig with local sidetone.
- **FT8 / SSTV:** Initiate FT8 contacts or send SSTV images right from your mobile browser or phone app while on the go.
- **Zero Complex Setup:** Connects securely over your local Wi-Fi, Tailscale or the built-in cloud tunnel—no port forwarding or static IP required.

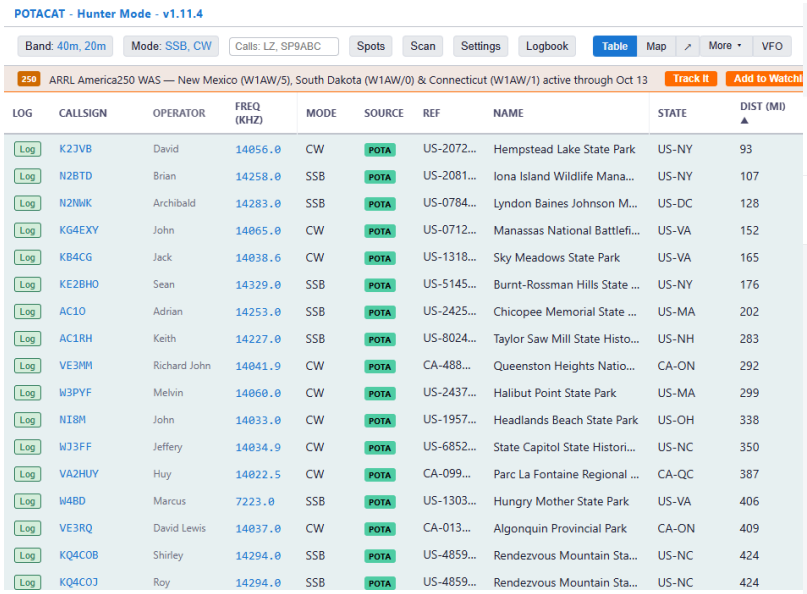
5. Seamless Logging & Integration

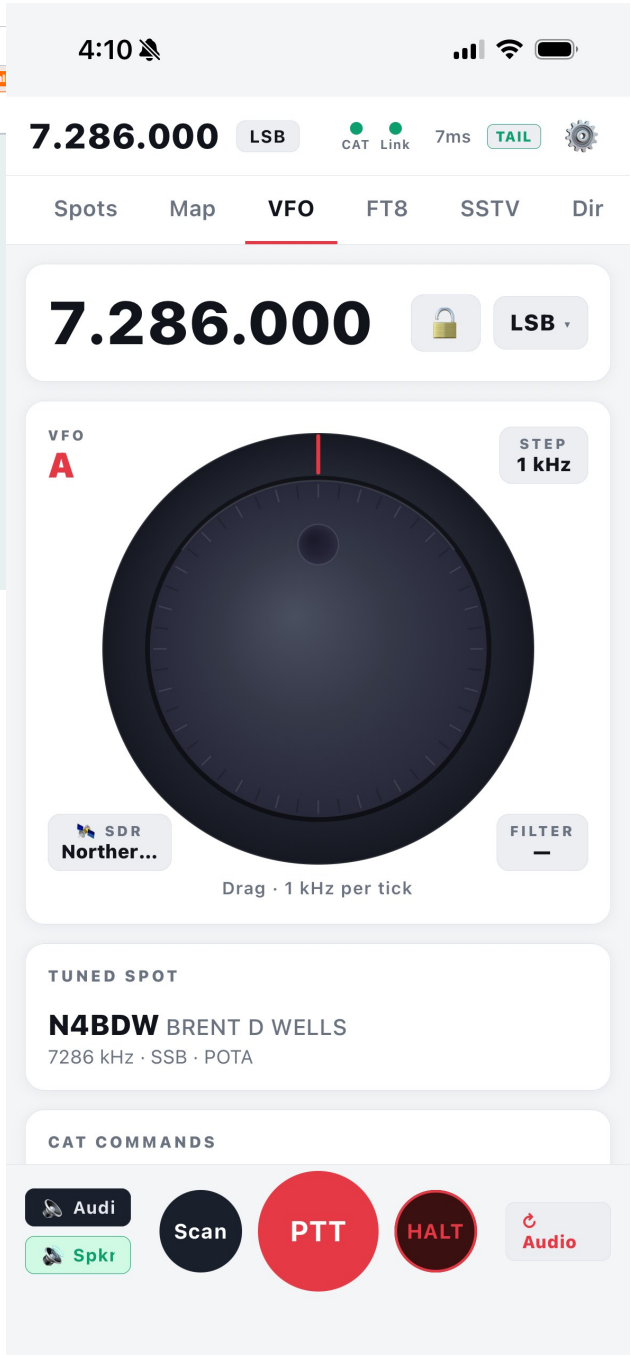
Your QSOs are saved locally in ADIF format and can be forwarded live to popular logging programs like **N3FJP**, **Log4OM**, **Ham Radio Deluxe (HRD)**, **DXKeeper** and **Wavelog**.

How to Get Started in 5 Minutes

- **Download:** Head over to potacat.com and download the free installer for Windows, Mac, or Linux.
- **Configure Your Rig:** Open **Settings → My Rigs** and select your radio connection (FlexRadio auto-discovery, Hamlib or serial CAT port).
- **Set Your Location:** Enter your Maidenhead Grid Square to enable accurate distance and bearing calculations.
- **Start Hunting:** Select your desired spot sources (POTA, SOTA, DX Cluster) and click on an active spot to instantly tune your rig!

Elevate Your Operating with POTACAT (cont'd)





Need Help Setting Up?

If you'd like assistance setting up CAT control, configuring soundcards or pairing POTACAT to your shack radio at your QTH, reach out to the **TARC Digital Committee**! We are here to help club members navigate and master digital radio tools.

Editors Notes:

1. The latest version of POTACAT now includes a built-in Winlink email feature.

   https://docs.potacat.com/nested/winlink.html

2. You can download any version (Windows, macOS, or Linux) of POTACAT from their website.

   https://potacat.com/

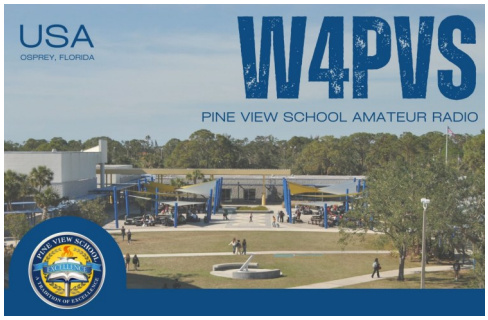
3. ECHOCAT is a paid Android or iPhone app that integrates with your POTACAT station over Wi-Fi or Internet tunnel. Visit your cell phone's download store to obtain it. Read more about it <here>

Upcoming Club Events. Mark You Calendar!~

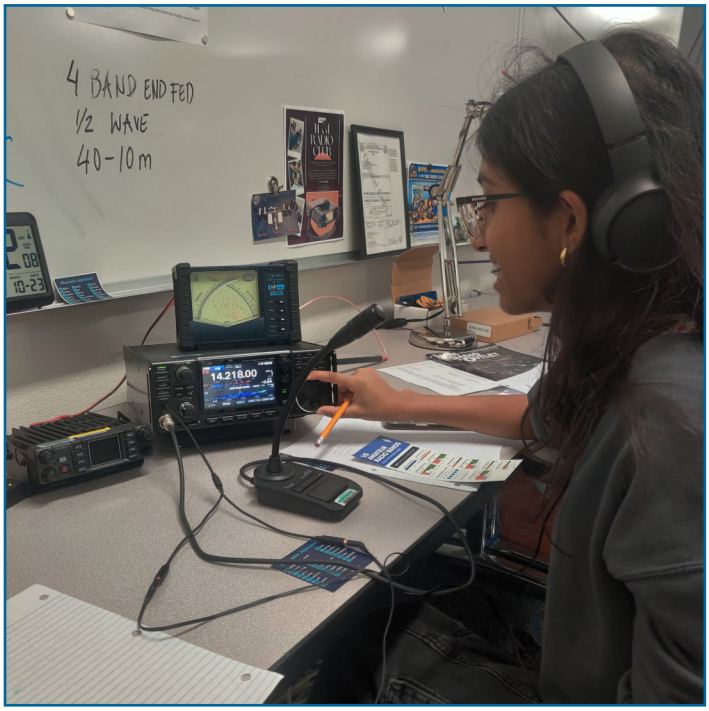
- Nov 3, 2026—Election Day. VOTE!
- Nov 11, 2026—Club meeting and elections
- Nov 14, 2026—POTA Open House at Myakka State Forest
- Dec 2, 2026—TARC Holiday Party at Hotel Venezia
- Jan 23-24, 2027—WINTER FIELD DAY at VGCA
- Feb 13-14, 2027—HamCation in Orlando. Ride the bus!
- Mar 21, 2027—TARC Picnic at Oscar Shearer SP
- Apr 16-19, 2027—Florida State POTA Event

Pine View School (PVS) Update

The new class of 6th graders is now studying for their Technician Class license. There are about a dozen or so interested new hams. Jon W4OMX has been working with them every Friday getting them on the HF bands and learning how to make contacts using the school's club station, W4AC. Well done Jon!



The 7th graders (last years club members) with some help from a few 6th graders and HS students participated in the ARRL School Club Roundup Oct 16-23. Every afternoon for 2 or 3 hours students would be on the radio logging contest contacts. This hard work paid off with over 240 Qs during the week. Almost half of those Qs were made by the club's Amateur Extra vice president, Diya KZ4ZT. Well done Pine View ARC.



The school's score for the Roundup should be somewhere around 19 to 20,000 points. An almost 3 fold improvement from the spring event. We still have a few busted Qs to try and track down before submitting the log to ARRL before the November 7th deadline.

Last year's 6th graders are now 7th graders and they are almost all still active in the school club. I will have to get a group picture of the new 6th grade class the next time I'm at the school. Last year's, and still this year's, club members are shown in the picture below.



With the help of Jim N7JIM we have begun getting the club ready to launch a Pico Balloon of their own sometime in late November or early December. Jim has been working with the kids on the 15m antenna for the U4B tracker that will be used and he is explaining how the WSPR system is used to track the balloon once it has been launch. I'm working with them on the balloon itself and in how to weigh the balloon and payload to calculate a theoretical float altitude after launch.

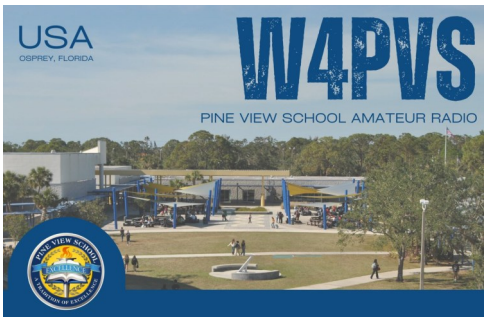
The TARC balloon team meets again on November 21st to review weather pattern forecasts and to gaze into our crystal ball and plan a tentative launch window for the PVS and TARC balloons. Yes, we are planning to have a dual launch event at PVS with PVS!

73, de Paul KN4BAR



Pine View School Update (Cont'd)

All in a day at Pine View School 10/16/26



Measure, Cut and Tune a 15m Antenna for a Pico Balloon Tracker







Stretch to Maximum Inflation and Leak Test a Pico Balloon.





Getting Ready for the ARRL October School Club Roundup 10/19-23/2026





Looking for Something New to Do?

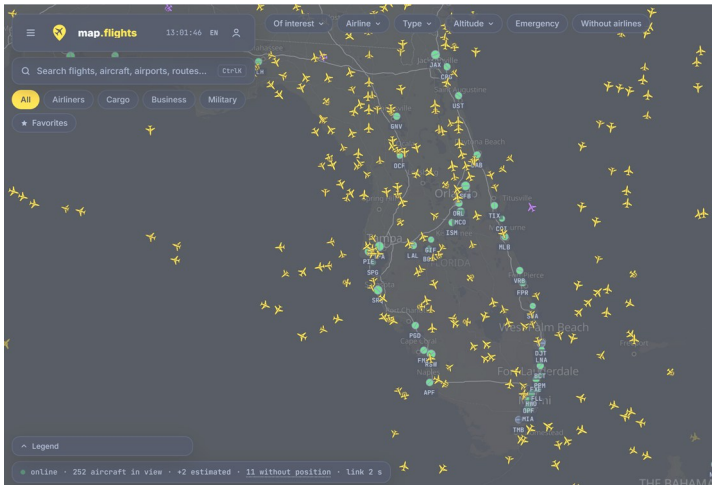
The club secretary received an unsolicited email from the author(s) of a flight tracking website:

https://map.flights/

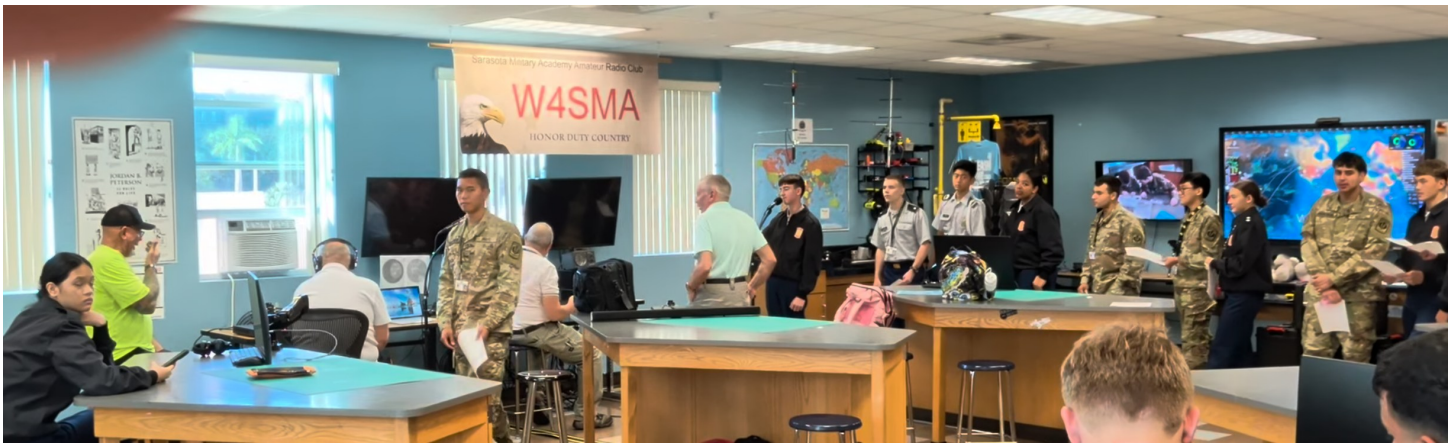
They found our club website and since many hams are current or former pilots, they wanted to know, “Does anyone in the club run an ADS-B receiver on 1090 MHz? If it is already feeding Flightradar24 or ADS-B Exchange, adding us takes a few minutes and nothing changes there: https://map.flights/en/pair“.

Since the secretary, Lou KC4LR is a former pilot and he knows that we have many former pilots in the club, Lou thought this would make a good addition to the newsletter content. So, for whatever it is worth, here is the request and link to the website. I took a quick look at it and it impressed me.

73, de Paul KN4BAR



Sarasota Military Academy Cadets Talk to Space Station



Dress rehearsal on Oct 21st. The TARC support team helped make it all happen. From left to right, Randy KO4PIV, Mark KQ4EKK, Steve NS4P and on the camera, Paul KN4BAR (not pictured).

High school students at Sarasota Military Academy spoke directly with an astronaut aboard the International Space Station on October 22nd. The school was one of only 13 selected nationwide for the amateur radio contacts this year by the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station organization (ariss.org).

Instructor and club member SMA-CPT John Geimer (K4GEI) called the accomplishment a "cumulation of a lot of preparation, a lot of practice and a whole lot of luck." George Becht, who started the club in 2009, said watching the event unfold felt incredible. He said Geimer called him in 2023 to reboot the program. "I said, sure, I just turned 80. For a man in his 80s doing this is so exciting for me." George (N2SQ) is also a club member.

Members of the Tamiami Amateur Radio Club from Venice assisted with setting up two ground stations and managing the actual contact. Steven NS4P noted, "the students did a good job, their practice paid off. Also helping with the effort was Mark KQ4EKK, Randy KO4PIV and Paul KN4BAR.

Watch the video of the contact: <link>

73, de John K4GEI

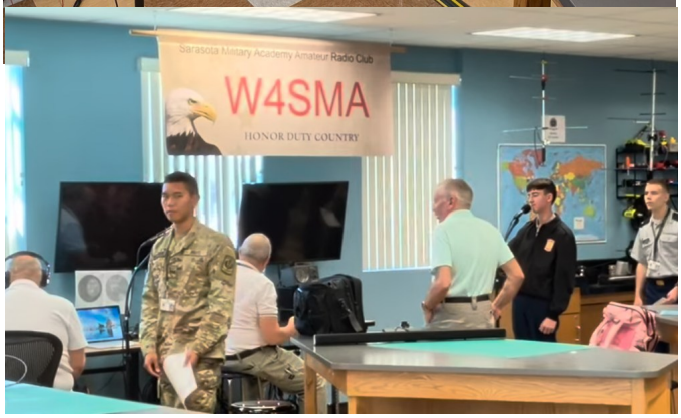
Pictures from the SMA ISS Contact













Tamiami Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

The Tamiami Amateur Radio club was organized in 1960 to serve Venice and the surrounding area with emergency communications. The founders of our club realized that it is of paramount importance to organize the amateur radio operators in the area, to promote training and provide community service. We have a proud history.

Following Hurricane Donna of 1960, a number of the radio amateurs in the Venice area decided to unite into a formal club. At 7:30 PM on 06 October 1960, twenty interested parties met at the Sunshine Kitchen, and E. B. Roberts was elected as temporary chairman. During the two-hour gathering, a committee consisting of Joe Barone, P. D. Baird and Martin Sharp was appointed to study and draw up bylaws for the organization.

In January 1985 the TARC was incorporated under the laws of Florida as a not-for-profit corporation and, in 2001, as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with the IRS.



CLUB REPEATERS

DMR Repeater - 444.100 MHz (+) Color Code 1 — Use TS-1 for TARC Private Talk Group (TG) 310442 and local TG 2 and 9. Use TS-2 for ALL other possible Brandmeister TGs available dynamically on TS-2.

Analog 2m Repeater - 146.805 MHz (-) PL 100Hz — EchoLink W4AC-R (Node # 513309)

ALL TARC Repeaters bear the FCC Callsign of W4AC . Repeater trustee is Lou KC4LR. Location: 565 Paul Morris Dr., Englewood, FL

<FULL REPEATER INFORMATION HERE>

WEEKLY RADIO NET SCHEDULE

MONDAYs, 1:30 pm (HF net)

7255 KHz LSB

TUESDAYs, 7:30 pm (DMR net)

444.100 MHz, color code 1,
TS 1, Talk Group 310442

WEDNESDAYs, 7:30 pm (HF net)

28.460 MHz USB

THURSDAYs, 7:30 pm (FM net)

146.805 MHz PL 100 Hz (-)
ECHO LINK: 513309 (W4AC-R)

Net Manager, Paul KN4BAR

<FULL NET SCHEDULE >

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Annual Club Dues are due each year on the anniversary date of your last dues payment. The club's membership system sends automatic renewal notices by email 30 days in advance of a due date.

Regular member: $25.00/year **Family membership: $30.00/year**
Non-voting student: $5.00/year.

New licensee: Tested by TARC VE– gets a free first year of club membership.

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