

# TEN-TEN at TARC



**Ten Ten International**  
You have to make contacts to get results!

A small group of Amateur operators in Southern California formed the Ten-Ten International Net, Inc. in 1962, to promote good operating practices, as well as proliferate the hobby and it's usage of the 10m band. The net began operating by meeting Monday thru Saturday, at 10 am (1800 UTC). It still does, 61 years later.

The tenant of membership was decided upon as such; A prospective new member must communicate with 10 existing members, obtain those operator's Ten-Ten number, and then submit their log.

Thirteen years later, there were over 10,000 numbers issued world-wide. It is over 75,000 today!

## WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Your membership is as active as you want to be. You will receive a number. Then, you can:

- Actively seek/exchange numbers with other members or prospective members *on the 10m band*.
- Check in to the National and/or Chapter nets on the air, which occur daily on published schedules.
- You can "Paper Chase" which means working towards the many International and Chapter- awards and events.
- Get "BARS" which are awarded at specific QSO number levels (1 bar at 500 QSO's etc.)
- Participate in a Chapter and organize events, Elmer or Mentor others, etc.

OR, just *Ride Along*, give out our number if asked, and know you're part of the club.

You must continue to pay dues to participate in any BAR levels, awards, contests, etc. However, you can continue to swap numbers (Or give yours to new membership seekers) after your initial membership period, for life.

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

\$10 Dues can be paid yearly or \$25 for 3 years. This is the "Electronic" rate where most communications are via email. If you want paper mailed copies of the quarterly newsletter, that is an option. There are no employees, salaries, or commercial interests associated with Ten-Ten International, Inc.

## HOW DO I GET STARTED?

The membership application is attached. You will fill out your personal information, as well as the log for your first 10 contacts which is what it takes to become a member. Once your log is complete, you will mail it in and your number along with membership materials will be sent back to you.

## WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

On the web, visit [www.ten-ten.org](http://www.ten-ten.org)

An excerpt:

*"Ten meters had been roaring during the fifties. Then came the sixties and with it a bad case of the doldrums. Lack of good propagation, and the resulting lack of interest, caused many amateurs to abandon ten meters for greener pastures. This mass exodus from the band was cause for concern on the part of a lot of ten meter enthusiasts, for fear that this lack of activity might cause the FCC to consider reassigning this portion of the radio frequency spectrum to some other service. Sometime in 1961, Irv Hunter, K6PWO, started talking about forming an amateur radio organization to promote activity and every day use of the ten meter band. In March of 1962 word got around that a meeting would take place at the San Dimas Canyon Park, near Irv's home in Glendora, for the purpose of forming such an organization. A picnic lunch was held on a Saturday and several hams from that local area attended....and thus the seed was planted.*

*It was decided by this small group of stalwarts that the net would meet every day of the week except Sunday at "10:00 am local time...or 1800 UTC. (Aha, 'see you on Ten at Ten'....a natural)". So the name quickly became "10-10 Net". The frequency of 28.800 MHz was chosen as the primary daytime net frequency. "*

**These Nets still run, daily, all over the world. Here is a sample of a daily schedule:**

Nets for Tomorrow -- Timezone Offset = -04:00						
ZDay	ZTime	LDay	LTime	Chapter	Freq	Mode
TUE	04:30	TUE	00:30	Aloha	28490	USB
TUE	15:00	TUE	11:00	New Mexico Mud Ducks	28835	USB
TUE	18:00	TUE	14:00	Ten Ten International Net	28380	USB
WED	00:00	TUE	20:00	Possum Trot	28345	USB
WED	00:00	TUE	20:00	Possum Trot	28345	USB
WED	00:00	TUE	20:00	ESCA-ROSA (non chapter)	28375	SSB
WED	00:01	TUE	20:01	Castle Craig	28375	USB
WED	01:00	TUE	21:00	Houston SHOT	28488	USB
WED	01:00	TUE	21:00	Cincinnati Area Ten Tuners	28430	USB
WED	02:00	TUE	22:00	10-Bar-X	28445	USB

**It is TARC's intent to add Ten-Ten Time into our 10m Net, for the purpose of building the organization's membership, and provide one more excellent activity that can bring TARCians together, making each of us, and the hobby better.**