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# HPARC NEWSLETTER

High Point Amateur Radio Club



## HPARC 2022 Field Day Recap

By: Peter Kapetanakis, KN4OCX

Well, Field Day 2022 is in the books. We had a fantastic turnout this year. We had a total of 41 participants from new hams, existing hams, non-hams, and visitors. Our GOTA station for this year was K4AGV – Patti Bitner. The club’s preliminary score in the contest that’s not a contest, but

rather amateur radio’s open house event, was 3,932 points. Of course, we will have to wait for the official publication in QST this December to find out the official score and our national ranking. We killed it on bonus points this year. Of the preliminary 3,932 points, 1,310 were from earned bonus points. Fun was had by all. Special Thanks goes

to all of those who helped with set-up, tear down, photographers, and provision suppliers. As a reminder, if you operated on Field Day from home, and have not yet submitted your scores, please remember to do so. And while you’re at it, put down High Point ARC as your club affiliation and your points will be aggregated in with the club.

## Sign Up Or Renew Your ARRL Membership (UPDATE)

By: Peter Kapetanakis, KN4OCX

**UPDATE:** ARRL increased the amount a club gets for renewals from \$2 to \$5.

Original story from July 2022

Are you an ARRL member? Would you like to be? Whether you wish to sign up as a new member, or simply renew your membership, consider doing that through the club. By doing so, the club gets to keep \$15 of new

memberships and ~~\$2~~ \$5 of renewals.

As an ARRL member, you will benefit from getting the QST Magazine or the On The Air magazine, plus digital access to all four ARRL magazines such as QEX, technical articles, and the National Contest Journal. ARRL members have access to The Learning Center and product reviews, along with e-newsletters. Other benefits include Technical Information Service,

outgoing QSL Service, ARRL E-mail forwarding service, and the availability to Ham Radio equipment insurance; as well as, supporting the ARRL which represents Ham Radio in Washington, DC.

To start your ARRL membership or renew, please contact the HPARC Treasurer at [Treasurer@W4UA.org](mailto:Treasurer@W4UA.org)

## Upcoming Hamfests

August 13 – Tidewater Hamfest and Swap Meet – Portsmouth, VA

August 20-21: Huntsville Hamfest – Huntsville, AL

September 2-4: Shelby Hamfest – Shelby, NC

September 17-18: QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo – Online event

**HPARC Meeting**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**August 1, 2022**

**Mario’s Pizza**  
 2645 N.Main St.  
 High Point, NC 27265

**& Zoom**

# FCC Legacy CORES System to be Retired

Source: ARRL Letter, July 7, 2022

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will retire the [Legacy version](#) of its COMmission REGistration System (CORES) on July 15, 2022. CORES is the FCC's public-facing database that enables and tracks certain types of FCC and FCC applicant actions, including amateur radio applications and licenses. Its implementation has enabled routine amateur applications and licenses to be issued overnight instead of over weeks, as was the case with earlier methods. ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio® advises the amateur radio community to transition to the [updated version of CORES](#) as soon as possible.

In essence, CORES is designed to identify those who hold certain types of FCC licenses and FCC authorizations, including amateur licenses, and organize them in an easily accessible manner under a common FCC Registration Number (FRN) regardless of whether one holds a single such authority or thousands. The new CORES, in addition to assigning individual FRNs, allows holders of multiple FRNs to aggregate them under a single account where the licenses and authorization, fees and

payments, and related actions can be administered from within the same account.

In effect, new CORES can be conceptualized as an electronic interactive file folder. The [updated version of CORES](#) has been available since 2016, and now its use will be mandatory for all amateur licensees when submitting amateur-related applications.



Starting on July 15, 2022, the Legacy CORES website will re-direct users to the [Commission's updated CORES](#) site. Although some functionalities in the old system will continue to work for a short time, the [FCC has urged all users](#) to transition to the updated CORES system to take advantage of its enhanced security and functionality.

*Register with the FCC*

Licensees that do not already have an FCC CORES Username Account must

create one with a unique username (a valid email address) and password. After creating the account, when logged in, users should associate their existing FRN or FRNs with this account. Instructions for doing so are on the [FCC Registration Help](#) page. One's FRN is printed on all current amateur applications and licenses, and will not change. FRNs can also be found by looking up one's call sign in the Commission's ULS (<https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/UlsSearch/searchLicense.jsp>) or by using the FCC's [advanced search](#) page.

The FCC has posted [Tutorial Videos](#) to assist with the transition. ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, recommends viewing the videos

"Getting Started With the New CORES," which explains how to register for a CORES Username Account, and "Associating an FRN to a Username," which instructs Legacy CORES users on how to link one or more existing FRNs to a username. [FCC CORES Registration Instructions](#) can also be found on the ARRL website.

Additional information is available on the [FCC](#) website or by calling the FCC Licensing Support Center at (877) 480-3201, Option 4, and on the FCC's [e-support](#) page.

## ARRL Field Day 2022 Contacts Rise to Over 1.2 Million

Source: ARRL Letter, July 28, 2022

Updated numbers from ARRL Field Day 2022 now show 1,235,265 total reported contacts as of July 26, 2022. ARRL Contest Program Manager Paul Bourque, N1SFE, reported that 4,774 Field Day entries have been submitted, and there were 28,250 Field Day participants.

The class breakdown is as follows:

**1,141 Class A** (club / non-club portable)

**598 Class B** (one or two person portable) and Battery (one or two person portable)

**56 Class C** (mobile)

**2,093 Class D** (home stations)

**735 Class E** (home stations using emergency power)

**151 Class F** (Emergency Operations Centers)

The last day to submit entries was Tuesday, July 26, so the numbers will change in the coming weeks.

Bourque added that 237 entries are missing, either the required dupe sheet (or in lieu of that, a Cabrillo-formatted log) or supporting documentation for claimed bonus points. He encourages all entrants to check the ARRL Field Day Entries

Received page at <http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentriescvcd.php> to verify that their entry has been accepted, and if it is complete or pending any supporting documentation.

Additional documentation and log files can be added to previously submitted Field Day entries by using the link that was provided in the confirmation email that was received upon submittal. Any questions regarding Field Day entries should be directed to [fieldday@arrl.org](mailto:fieldday@arrl.org)

## HPARC AUGUST CALENDAR

- 1 — **HPARC Meeting**
- 13 — W4VEC Greensboro VE Session  
(Hinshaw United Methodist Church)
- 10 — Technician Class begins.  
(Contact Richard Weinbaum [KK4RR@mac.com](mailto:KK4RR@mac.com) for information)
- 21 — HPARC Newsletter Deadline
- 27 — W4VEC High Point VE session  
(Hickory Chapel Wesleyan Church, Fellowship Bldg)

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- Terrance Crandall – 1
- Peter Kapetanakis – 4
- Bob Witt – 6
- Chris Riewe – 13
- Derek Brown – 14
- Nicole Penn – 18
- Craig Bondy – 22
- Mike Cumbo – 23
- Jimmie Sexton – 25
- Warren Gallemore – 27

For W4VEC Test information, call or email David Macchiarolo, AJ4TF, (336) 420-9424, [aj4tf@arrl.net](mailto:aj4tf@arrl.net)

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**Breakfast every  
Saturday**  
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**8:00 a.m.**  
—  
**Biscuitville,  
2709 S. Main St.**

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The High Point Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of each month (except for holidays) at a local restaurant announced in the newsletter. Come early to enjoy dinner. The business meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by a short program of interest. Family and visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, please call or email one of the HPARC officers listed in this newsletter. Contributions and letters/emails to the editor are welcome.