



The Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club

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MEDIA ADVISORY

2024 Amateur Radio Field Day - June 22 and 23

Ham Radio Operators On the Air for Nationwide Event June

WHO/WHAT

Members of the Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club will be participating in the national ARRL Amateur "Ham" Radio Field Day exercise, June 22 – 23 at Georgetown Airport. Hams from across North America ordinarily participate in Field Day by establishing temporary ham radio stations in public locations to demonstrate their skill and service. Their use of radio signals, which reach beyond borders, bring people together while providing essential communication in the service of communities. Field Day highlights ham radio's ability to work reliably under any conditions from almost any location and create an independent, wireless communications network. This event is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

WHERE

Georgetown Airport, 6245 Aerodrome Way, Georgetown, CA 95634

WHY

Field Day is a showcase for how Amateur Radio works reliably under any conditions from almost any location in the world to create an independent communications network.

"ARRL Field Day is the biggest event of the year for the Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club" said Aaron Bond (W1ATB), President of the Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club. "Year after year, we're excited to introduce people to amateur radio and how it can still be used in times of need but also get licensed" Bond added.

"Amateur Radio is so much more than a bunch of men and women playing with their childhood walkie talkies" said Mike 'Smitty' Smith (WB1G), Public Relations Director of the Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club. "Not only can you communicate across the world, you can send text messages, emails, and photos with no local Internet service" Smitty added.

Anyone may become a licensed amateur radio operator. There are more than 725,000 licensed hams in the United States, as young as 9 and as old as 100. And with clubs such as the Sierra Foothills Amateur Radio Club, it's easy for anybody to get involved right here in Sacramento, Placer, and El Dorado Counties.

For more information about Field Day or Amateur Radio, contact Mike 'Smitty' Smith at (530) 492-0920 or through the W6EK website at <https://www.w6ek.org>

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