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Scouts and leaders should follow any of the following tips for help in preparing for participation in the JOTA program:

- Contact a local amateur radio operator or club.
- Contact the American Radio Relay League's Educational Activities Department toll free at 800-326-3942; or visit the ARRL Web site www.arrl.org/ead/jota.html
- Request the More About Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA) guide from the International Division at Boy Scouts of America, International Division, S221, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079.
- Learn more about Amateur Radio at www.arrl.org.

Certificate Cards

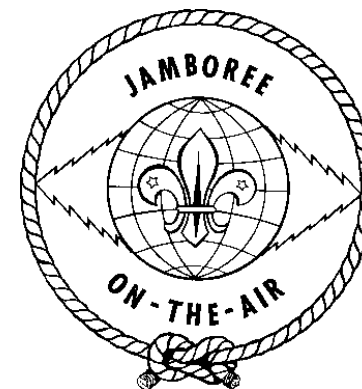
Wallet-size cards are free and are available to anyone participating. They may be ordered beforehand for presentation during JOTA, or they may be awarded at Scout meetings later. Send requests to:

Boy Scouts of America,
Jamboree-on-the-Air Cards,
S221,
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane,
P.O. Box 152079,
Irving, TX 75015-2079.

Pocket Patches

Temporary insignia to wear on the Scout uniform or on jackets/vests will be available after August 15 for \$4.00 each (total). This insignia, like the certificate cards, will be available in LIMITED QUANTITY only and will not be reordered when supplies are exhausted. ORDER EARLY. Allow FOUR weeks for delivery on all orders. Only checks or money orders will be accepted and must be made payable to the Boy Scouts of America. We cannot accept cash or credit cards for payment. Orders for patches are to be sent to the same address as for the cards.

52nd Annual Jamboree On The Air



October 16-18, 2009

Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is an annual Scouting and amateur radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. Thousands of amateur radio stations around the world participate. If the conditions are right, it is common for over a hundred Scouting countries to talk to each other during the weekend!

What

In the United States, Cub Scout dens and Boy Scout patrols visit a local amateur's ham shack during JOTA. Many districts and councils hold events that coincide with JOTA, where amateurs set up stations giving Scouts and leaders a chance to exchange greetings with Scouts from other areas.

The exchanges typically include information such as

- Name
- Location
- Scout rank
- Hobbies
- Age

Some exchanges lead to long-lasting friendships and the exchange of photos, badges, pins, and patches.

The usual communications method calls for speaking into a microphone. However, the following specialized communications are also used during JOTA:

- Slow Scan TV, or SSTV
- Amateur TV, or ATV

- Orbiting Satellite Carrying Amateur Radio, or OSCAR
- Packet radio, or modem communication without a phone--PSK-31
- Radio Teletype, or RTTY
- Earth-Moon-Earth, or EME, contacts

Who

JOTA welcomes participation by Scouting and amateur radio enthusiasts of all ages:

- Cub Scouts
- Boy Scouts
- Venturers
- Brownie Scouts
- Girl Scouts
- Former Scouts and Scouters
- Amateur radio operators
- Anyone interested in doing a Good Turn for Scouting

When

The JOTA program always falls on the third full weekend in October.

JOTA will begin on Friday, October 16, 2009, at 22:01 hours local time, and end on Sunday, October 18, 2009, at 23:59 hours local time.

Where

In the Cradle of Liberty Council, The SPARK Lodge Amateur Radio Club (K3BSA) hosts an open house for Scouts at its club station at Camp Delmont. The Open House is from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on JOTA Saturday. If your unit is bringing more than one den or patrol of Scouts, we will have different activities outside and inside of SPARK Lodge so they can all get a chance to talk on the radio.

The SPARK Lodge Amateur Radio Station was dedicated by the council at JOTA October 15, 1994.

If you have questions, see www.k3bsa.org for details or contact Richard A. (Rick) Blank, WB3BSA at 484-636-6093 or SPARK@k3bsa.org

In other districts or councils, please locate a local amateur radio club at the ARRL web site www.arrl.org to arrange for a similar visit or program. If your district is having camporee or other event that weekend, most clubs will set up a portable station right at your event for your Scouts to participate.



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16th Annual JOTA at S.P.A.R.K. Lodge

SATURDAY *OCTOBER 17, 2009*
Camp Delmont, Musser Scout Reservation
Hours: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Every October, almost 500,000 Scouts from around the World team up with licensed Amateur Radio Operators to practice the JAMBOREE'S motto:
"PEACE and FRIENDSHIP through COMMUNICATION".

Boy & Girl Scouts of all ages are welcome to visit "S.P.A.R.K. Lodge"
Camp Delmont's very own Amateur Radio Station - "K3BSA"
This is the largest official event held in Scouting worldwide and
YOU can be a part of IT.

See and hear the excitement as "Hams" help Scouts
talk to each other in almost 100 countries.

Several modes of Amateur Radio will be demonstrated.
Learn how easy you can get licensed.

So mark your calendars now and plan on participating
in the "best kept secret in Scouting."

Bring your Den, Patrol, Pack, Troop, Crew or Post.
You're all welcome.

Remember, THIS EVENT IS FREE!

STAFF positions are open to Scouts and Scouters,
who are licensed Amateur Radio Operators.

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:

Richard A. Blank, WB3BSA, (610) 534-7217 or Rick@k3bsa.org

*****Hosted by the S.P.A.R.K. Lodge Amateur Radio Club*****
Scouts Practicing Amateur Radio Knowledge

