



the RF Carrier

September 2026

WHAT IS THE WCARC?

Our organization was created to bring new and seasoned amateur radio operators together through our desire to serve. We bring our experience, knowledge and wisdom into a long-term hobby with the focus of expanding one's understanding of it, as well as providing a solid foundation for those who have an interest in getting their amateur radio license.

We remain focused in greeting newcomers to our great hobby by offering them a warm welcome into the amateur radio family and are steadfast in providing help when they need it.

Calendar of Events

12 September – WCARC Annual Picnic

26 September – MC ARES Meeting

3 October – MC ARES SET

10 October – WCARC Monthly Meeting

24 October – MC ARES Meeting/CO ARES SET

7 November – WCARC Monthly Meeting

Please note the change of date for the November WCARC Meeting

28 November – MC ARES Meeting

12 December – WCARC Monthly Meeting & Board of Directors Election

26 December – MC ARES Meeting

President's Corner

Greetings from Archbold, Ohio. The trip to this point has been fantastic.

A big thank you to each and every one that volunteered, manned a table or simply attended the Hamfest. It was a great success.

As you know the next big event is the picnic, which is this Saturday. Bring a dish and enjoy the Brauts and Hamburgers that the club will be providing. Alas I will still be out of town so eat up and enjoy.

Success on the Grand Mesa Repeater upgrade!! Please give Keri, and Bill Frost along with the rest of those involved in this undertaking. I plan on trying it out on my way back into Grand Junction later this month.

Stay safe and 73's
Randy KD0NSP
President, WCARC



WCARC
More than
a Club....

.... A
Community
of Friends!

For questions regarding the Western Colorado Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
Please email: info@W0RRZ.org



Important Announcements

No Regular Club Meeting in September due to the Club Picnic

WCARC CLUB PICNIC

Saturday, 12 September 1100-1400
Eagle Rim Park – East Shelter
2747 Cheyenne Drive, Grand Junction



Come on out to the park and socialize a bit!
Enjoy some good food and great company.
The Club is providing hamburger and brats. Please bring your own drinks and a side dish or dessert to share.
There is no regular Club Meeting in September.

Repeater Expansion Project Status



We have reached our funding goal to support the project thanks to a large number of individual donors, the Western Slope ATV Club and MC ARES. In addition, a HUGE thank you goes out to Keri N2KNK, Two-Way Communications and the Emergency Services Division of the Mesa County Sheriff's Department for supporting this project.

The frequencies for the new WCARC UHF Repeaters are:

Grand Mesa - 449.300 MHz offset CTCSS 107.2

Baxter Pass - 449.950 MHz offset CTCSS 107.2 *coming soon*

This information is also available on the WCARC website at www.w0rrz.org

The new UHF Repeater on the Mesa has been installed and linked in with the other three WCARC Repeaters. Due to the higher location on the tower, we are expecting to see our coverage to the east improve/expand.

We are hoping to get the Baxter Repeater installed in the next few weeks and will let everyone know when it is completed.

Thank you to all the great people and organizations that came together to make this happen!

More Announcements

The Social Side of Things

Ham Lunches are every Wednesday at 1100. The location changes each week and is announced on the Oatmeal Net Wednesday morning then posted on the **WCARC Events Calendar** at:
<https://www.w0rrz.org/wcarc-events-calendar>

Ham Breakfasts are held the third Friday of each month at 0900 at **Stella's** 811 S. 7th Street, GJ
All are welcome to join us for our club lunches or breakfast!

License Testing

If you plan to take a test to get or upgrade your amateur license with the WCARC VE Team, **PLEASE register in advance** for one of our available exam sessions at:

<https://hamstudy.org/sessions/WCARC>

Full details about testing are available on the Club Website at:

<https://www.w0rrz.org/license-exams-in-grand-junction-co>

Please look over the pre-exam requirements on our site before registering for a test.
If you have any questions, please contact Andrew AE0WZ at ae0wz@outlook.com

What Is a "Net" in Amateur Radio?

A net—short for *network*—is an organized on-air gathering of radio operators. Nets usually meet at a specific time and frequency, often using a repeater.

A net control operator manages the meeting by welcoming participants, explaining the purpose of the net, and calling operators in turn. Participants may check in, share information, practice communication skills, or handle messages.

To join a net, listen first, note the procedure, and wait for the net control operator to invite check-ins. Then briefly identify yourself using your call sign and follow the instructions given.

Club Nets

Oatmeal Net - Monday – Friday except some Holidays 07:30-08:00 on the WCARC linked repeaters

(see www.w0rrz.org for frequencies)

This net is conducted to check equipment, pass along club messages and continue our ham education.

Visitors are encouraged to check in!

Radioactive Net - Every Tuesday at 19:30 on the club repeaters & the WestCo Repeater System. **This is the place to ask questions and discuss your current radio projects.**

Jerry KF0RSI and Terry WB0RBA host this net and would love to have more participation.

Both Nets are open to ALL licensed amateurs

Call for Nominations - 2027 Board of Directors

If you are interested in helping direct the future of the Club, this is your chance to make a difference.

Don O'Malley AE0IF, Mark Feil KF0NYB and Cathy Maddox KF00KV have volunteered to be our Nominating Committee this year. If you are interested in becoming a part of the WCARC Board of Directors or would like to nominate someone, please speak to any of the Nominating Committee Members or email info@w0rrz.org and we can give you more details.

Position descriptions can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Nominations for the 2027 Board of Directors are due at the October Meeting on Saturday, 10 October. Elections will be held at the December Meeting on Saturday, 12 December.

PLEASE NOTE: Randy Stringer KD0NSP, current WCARC President and Cathy Maddox KF00KV, current WCARC Secretary will not be running for a Board Position for 2027. Cathy will continue doing the RF Carrier Newsletter as part of the Communications Committee.

WCARC Member Spotlight

Not Quite the Cover of the Rolling Stone

Ryan Lackey
KF0VMF

Ryan's Story from Ryan:

I want to say something that might be the real heart of this: joining this club has meant more to me than most people would guess. I spent a lot of years without a community of people who shared my interests – that part of my life was pretty starved. Meeting this group and finding people who actually care about the same things I do, has been one of the best things to happen to me in a long time. And of course, a lot of you already know Cerby better than you know me – he's at every meeting, sometimes howling through it and at every activity we do. People remember him long before they remember my name, and honestly, I love that.

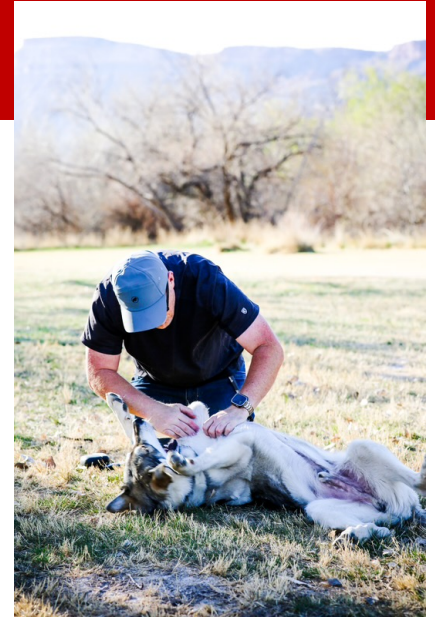
A little about how I got here: I got my Technician license last November – not even a year ago – and upgraded to General about a month after that. I actually got my FCC commercial license first to support radio command training with Cerberus, my Northern Inuit Dog who is training toward search-and-rescue work. That led me into ham radio. Once I had my ticket, I talked my dad, Chuck, into reactivating his own license. He used to be into radio decades ago, back when I was a kid, before things got hard for our family. Getting back on the air together has become one of the ways we're reconnecting.

Some background on "hard" – I'm open about it, and it's already on my website: www.cerbydog.com if you want to see how I've told it there. For over 20 years, I lived with disabling essential and Parkinson tremors, on top of persistent psychosis. There was a long stretch of my life defined by survival, not stability. I was always comfortable with radios and technology – if I hadn't had such an uphill battle with my physical and mental health, I probably would've ended up as an engineer. I just never got the chance to pursue it that way.

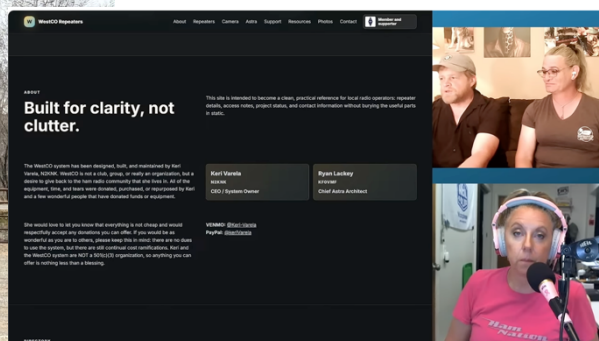
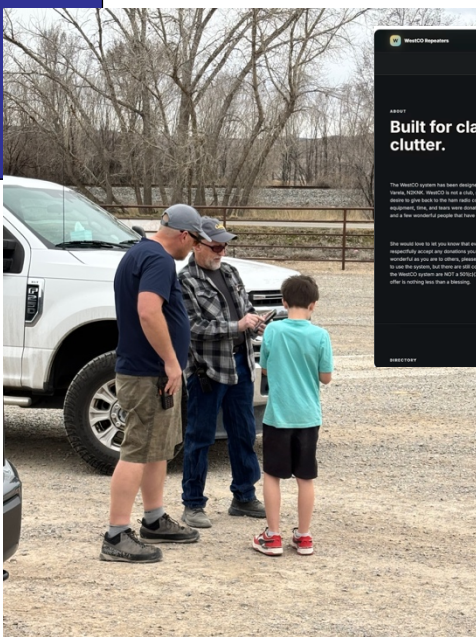


The turning point was Deep Brain Stimulation. It took four months of surgery and healing to get the hardware installed – in my brain and my chest. But the moment they turned it on was the most amazing thing I've ever experienced. In ten seconds, symptoms that had stolen half my life were 99% gone. Just gone. For the first time I had to ask myself a question I never thought I'd get to ask: what kind of life do I want now?

Part of the answer walked in on four legs. My late service dog Shadow carried me through the darkest years. Best Friends Magazine did a feature on us in 2023 – <https://bestfriends.org/stories/best-friends-magazine/how-adopting-dog-changed-one-mans-life> After Shadow passed, Cerberus picked up where Shadow left off. Training him has given me structure and purpose I didn't have before.



You know I was out there for Desert Rats, but here's a piece you might not know: I'd already been building an AI assistant for my own life – helping manage things I struggle with – and that got me thinking about how much AI could help with code I'd never have been able to write myself. At one meeting, Bill KØDZ was getting the mesh nodes ready for the race and mentioned wanting an interactive dispatch display. I stood up and told him I thought I could help. After the race, Keri asked if I could build AI transcription for WestCO – and that turned into something bigger. We ended up designing Astra and built it together in my garage.



My guiding belief with AI, on Astra and in general, is that it should help us do less of what we don't like and more of what we do – and with Astra specifically, I wanted to give people another reliable way to get information over the radio when they can't reach another human. Astra is always there.

That same drive to build things that matter is why I'm putting together a Jeep with my dad – loaded with ham, GMRS, and commercial radio gear, and an off-grid setup so we can get him to as many national parks (and just beautiful places, in general) as we can, while we still can.

I'm setting up www.Cerbydog.com and building our clothing line, Wear Wolf Gear, which will fund Cerberus's training and care.

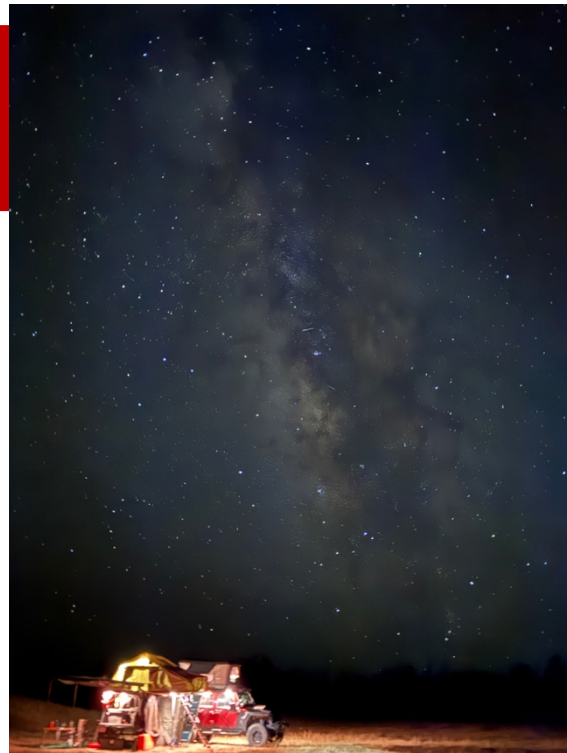
You will find Ryan at nearly all of our WCARC meetings and events. He has really become a great asset to the Club.

Take a moment next time you see Ryan & Cerberus and say Hello!

WCARC has so many different members with so many different stories. Get to know someone new and share your stories!



**Ryan Lackey
KF0VMF**



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September 2026 is National Preparedness Month



Anyone can visit Ready.gov at any time to get preparedness tips for emergencies, no matter the size or cause. A variety of resources are available at: www.Ready.gov. Learn more about how to take control of your preparedness today.

Are you signed up for local emergency alerts? Sign up for Grand Junction Regional Comm Center Emergency & Community Notification System at <https://member.everbridge.net/892807736721759/login>. Disasters can happen suddenly, so it's important to have multiple ways to get alerts. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio also provide emergency alerts.

Other Links:

<https://www.ready.gov/stand-ready>

<https://crimewatch.net/us/co/mesa/sheriff/134177/content/emergency-preparedness>

Are You Prepared?

Most amateur radio operators have a plan for almost everything—power outages, severe weather, antenna problems, and emergency communications. But have you made a plan for your radio equipment if something were to happen to you?

For many of us, our radios, antennas, test equipment, books, and accessories represent decades of collecting, building, and operating. To family members who do not share our interest, however, the shack may simply look like a room full of unfamiliar equipment. Without instructions, valuable or meaningful items may be discarded, sold for very little, or separated from the people who would appreciate them.

Take some time to make a simple plan. Prepare a list of your equipment, including model numbers, serial numbers, approximate values, and any sentimental items. Identify who should be contacted—perhaps a trusted amateur radio friend, club member, or local organization—to help your family understand what they have.

Write down information about antennas, towers, feed lines, power supplies, batteries, and other equipment that may require special knowledge or safety precautions. Make sure your family knows where to find the list and whom to call. You may also wish to label equipment or prepare separate instructions for items you want given to particular people.

This is not a gloomy subject. It is a thoughtful act that can spare your family difficult decisions and help ensure that your equipment continues to be useful. A little preparation now can protect years of effort, preserve important memories, and perhaps give another operator the opportunity to enjoy the hobby you have valued.

Buy ~ Sell ~ Trade ~ In Search Of (ISO)

It was suggested that we add a "Buy, Sell, Trade" Page to the WCARC Newsletter. If you wish to post items, please get the information to me by **Monday, 28 Sept** to be included in the October Newsletter. You must include the details about your item, your price and your contact information. Send the information to secretary@w0rrz.org.

Don't forget there is also a Buy, Sell, Trade Forum on the WCARC website at www.w0rrz.org in the members only area.



IN SEARCH OF: 13-to-18-foot coax cable with a NMO connector on one end for my mobile installation. It will go from the radio to a hood/fender mount bracket.
Contact Larry Hern KF00LX
ldhearn438@gmail.com

Hamfest T-Shirts

There are a limited number of t-shirts available from Hamfest
I have 3-XL in Fan Blue, 2-L in Fan Blue and 1-M in Dark Heather.
I will have them at the Club Picnic and the October Club Meeting.

Shirts are \$20.00 each



2026 WCARC Hamfest/Swapmeet Report



BY THE NUMBERS

15 total vendors – 14 full indoor tables, 2 half tables and 2 tailgate spots

WCARC had two tables of donated equipment to sell

72 total attendees; 51 WCARC members and 21 visitors

19 volunteers with approximately 68 volunteer hours - set up to clean up

Total Tickets 525

Total Profit \$633.10







This year we added an option for other local groups to join us at Hamfest. The Civil Air Patrol, Grand Mesa Contesters of Colorado and the Grand Junction Gem & Mineral Club all had informational tables. We had guests from all over the state this year – Divide, Olathe, Hayden, Silverton and Rifle as well as St. Louis, MO



Door Prize Winners

Item	Winner
HRO Gift Certificate \$200	Mike Kuper KDØRKW
HRO Gift Certificate \$75	Steve Delaloye KEØBPD
HRO Gift Certificate \$25	Gottfried Schaub
ARRL Gift Certificate \$50	Don Brown KCØDON
ARRL Gift Certificate \$50	Ray Farrell KFØDMD
ARRL Gift Certificate \$25	John Daley AJ6LI
ARRL Gift Certificate \$25	John McElroy KDØVDV
DigiRig Lite	Randy Stringer KDØNSP
DigiRig Lite	Chip Ferron WØWKR
Radioddity Radio	Wayne McCormick K1TXS
TalkPod Radio 1	Joseph Brown
TalkPod Radio 2	Steve Delaloye KEØBPD
TalkPod Radio 3	Larry Hern KFØOLX
TalkPod Radio 4	Rory Young KFØSVE
TalkPod Radio 5	Dave Bratcher AKØMR
TalkPod Radio 6	Dave Bratcher AKØMR
TalkPod Radio 7	Steve Delaloye KEØBPD
TalkPod Radio 8	Danny Lange KFØSVC
Ham Radio School Technician Study Guide	John McElroy KDØVDV

WCARC would like to express our appreciation to the following businesses and people who donated doorprizes for the 2026 Hamfest



digirig a tidy digital modes interface



- Audio and rig control
- Single USB connection
- Small & rugged



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Denis Grisak KØTX



HamRadioSchool.com

Stu Turner WØSTU
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FCC License Prep Courses
Instructor Resources
Online & Print Content

Quality materials for exam
prep and class instruction.

Bob Witte KØNR
Bob@HamRadioSchool.com

Talkpod

Ralph Grover AEØRE

ARRL Information



What Is ARRL?

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) is the national Nonprofit association for amateur (ham) radio operators in the United States.

Founded in 1914, ARRL works to promote and protect amateur radio through advocacy with regulators, education and licensing support, technical resources, and public service programs.

It benefits amateur radio operators by representing their interests, providing trusted training and publications, supporting emergency and public-service communications, and helping grow and sustain the amateur radio community.

<https://www.arrl.org>

WCARC has been an ARRL
Affiliated Club for 87 years!
Since 21 October 1939

ARRL Membership

There are a lot of benefits to being an ARRL member. Go to <https://www.arrl.org/membership> for more information about the benefits of ARRL Membership.

ARRL has a Club Commission Program. By joining or renewing your ARRL Membership through WCARC under the ARRL Club Commission Program, the WCARC receives a small commission (\$20.00 for new members, \$5.00 for renewals) from ARRL. If you renew through WCARC, you do not receive any promotional items offered by ARRL

Go here:

<https://www.w0rrz.org/club-membership-information>

or talk to Cathy KF00KV for information on how to join or renew your ARRL membership.



ARRL
The national association for
AMATEUR RADIO™

A background image of the American flag, with the stars and stripes visible.

SAVE THE DATE!

FIND YOUR NEXT TREASURE AT THE
**21ST ANNUAL ARRL
ONLINE AUCTION**

OCTOBER 16-22, 2026
PREVIEW BEGINS OCTOBER 13

Whether you're looking for a rare book, a station upgrade,
or a surprise find, you'll find something for
every radio amateur.

BID ON:

- VINTAGE BOOKS
- MYSTERY JUNK BOXES
- EQUIPMENT & ACCESSORIES
- BRAND-NEW DONATED GEAR
- ARRL LAB PRODUCT REVIEW ITEMS

Proceeds benefit ARRL education programs and projects.
www.arrl.org/auction

A small version of the ARRL logo, a yellow diamond with a black border and a stylized radio symbol.

Mesa County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (MC ARES)

Region 9 District 4



MCARES meets at the First Christian Church 1326 N. 1st St,
Grand Junction at 09:30 on the 4th Friday of each month.

<https://ares-mesacounty.org/>

Joining MCARES is simple. There are no dues. You can chose how involved you'd like to be. We rely on volunteers for all our activities which help fund our organization.

For More Information Contact:

MCARES Coordinator: Chip NØWKR chip.ferron@gmail.com

September MC ARES Meeting Saturday, 26 September 2026 – 09:30

Simulated Emergency Test 3 Oct 2026 0900-1300

Every year, the ARRL schedules the annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET) in October for ARES groups to practice preparation and readiness to serve their community. This year, ARES Region 7 (Four Corners area), Region 8 (West Central counties) and Region 9 (Northwest Colorado) will join together for a Western Slope focused activity on 3 October. Our goal will be to provide situational awareness between the counties using a variety of modes and equipment. We have put together an Ops Plan and will discuss the specifics at our regular ARES meeting on 26 September.

New Repeaters!

A huge "Thank You" to everyone who has been involved in the project to establish new repeaters in the Grand Valley!

From an emergency communications standpoint, I'm particularly excited to have more repeater coverage in the west end of Mesa County into Grand County, Utah. We cover several races and other events in the area from Loma and Mack across the Utah border. Coupled with the existing WestCO Uranium machine, it gives us great new geographic reach.

Thanks to WCARC, Keri N2KNK and Bill WØBX along with many others who worked to make it happen. See the WCARC webpage for details on frequencies and tones.

ARES/EMCOMM NETS

Mesa County/Region 9 ARES NET

Every Thursday at 1900 MST

Check In via UHF on WestCO , Meshtastic or WinLink
Once a quarter on the second Thursday, the net starts on the WestCo System and moves to the Rocky Mountain Ham Rocky Mountain Central talk group for those members with a DMR radio.

Colorado ARES Net

Every Sunday at 2000 MST

Check in via VHF-FM on Colorado Connection and various digital modes

SW Colorado ARES Net

Every Wednesday at 1930 MST on SJC Connection

Check in from here using the Raspberry repeater
448.825 MHz, 100.0 tone

Four Corners Winlink Net

Check in between 1000 Wednesday -1000 Thursday
via Winlink to W4IFI

For more info: www.swcoloradoares.org

Colorado ARES APRS Training

Mark your calendars! Colorado ARES will present a training session on APRS for EmComm on 18 Oct.

This will be an online class presented by Frank Watervoort ABØWV, who has developed several mapping applications for APRS. This will be on Zoom, and more details will be provided as the date approaches.





Colorado Hams Invited to “ACTIVATE THE STATE” During the 2026 Colorado QSO Party — September 12

Statewide on-air event offers plaques, certificates, and a friendly, mentor-rich environment for hams of all experience levels

WHEN

Date: **Saturday, September 12, 2026**
Operating Hours: 8:00 AM to 9:59 PM MDT.
A full day of operating fun!
(That's 14:00 UTC Saturday through 03:59 UTC Sunday.)

WHY PARTICIPATE

Whether you work one station or chase all 64 counties, the goal is simply to get on the air and have fun. The COQP is an excellent training ground for sharpening operating skills, testing your station, and — for newer hams — getting that all-important first contact under your belt. Rules allow unlimited operators at a single station, making COQP a perfect “Elmering” opportunity for clubs to mentor new operators in a low-pressure environment.

POTA and SOTA activators can double-dip: schedule your activation during the COQP and enjoy **increased band activity** while logging contacts for both events.

MODES AND CATEGORIES

Operators may participate using CW and Phone (SSB, AM, FM) on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, and 2 meters. (Digital modes are not permitted.)

Entry categories include:

- In-State Fixed Stations: CW, Phone, or Mixed (QRP, Low Power, or High Power)
- In-State Mobile Stations: CW, Phone, or Mixed (Low Power)
- In-State Portable Stations: CW, Phone, or Mixed (QRP or Low Power)
- Out-of-State Stations: QRP, Low Power, or High Power (fixed, mobile, or portable)

Mobile and Portable operations activating Colorado counties can also earn a 500-point bonus per county activated (minimum 15 QSOs required).

HELP ACTIVATE ALL COLORADO'S COUNTIES

A key part of the COQP's success is having stations on the air from as many of Colorado's 64 counties as possible — especially the rare ones! Hams planning to activate a county (mobile, portable, or POTA/SOTA) are encouraged to **sign up in advance** so other operators know where to listen and chase. **Don't wait. If your plans change, you may easily modify the listing on the website.**

 **VIEW** the full list of planned activations here:
<https://coloradoqsoparty.org/activations/>

 **SIGN UP** to activate a county here:
<https://coloradoqsoparty.org/announce-activation/>

AWARDS

The top finisher in each category will be recognized with a plaque. There are special achievement plaques to be awarded as well. Full award details are posted on the official rules page.

All submitting log receive a certificate.
<https://coloradoqsoparty.org/getting-started/rules/>

GET INVOLVED

Full rules, county abbreviations, suggested frequencies, **logging software recommendations**, and **log submission instructions** are available at:
<https://coloradoqsoparty.org/getting-started/>



2026 marks America's 250th anniversary and Colorado's 150th anniversary — a great year to get on the air and be part of Colorado amateur radio history!



The Colorado QSO Party is hosted by the Grand Mesa Contesters of Colorado (GMCC). For more information, visit coloradoqsoparty.org or email info@coloradoqsoparty.org



Contesting Information

A Few Upcoming Contests

5-6 Sep – EME Contest; 2.3 GHz & up
<https://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>

12 Sep – Colorado QSO Party
<https://coloradoqsoparty.org>

12-14 Sep – September VHF
<https://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>

19-21 Sep – 10 GHz & Up – Round 2
<https://www.arrl.org/10-ghz-up>

3-4 Oct – Collegiate QSO Party
<https://www.arrl.org/collegiate-amateur-radio>

Contest Calendar Links

<https://contests.arrl.org>
<https://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar>
<https://groups.arrl.org/g/ARRL-Contesting>
<https://hamradiolive.org/contest-calendar>
<https://www.contestcalendar.com/index.php>
<https://www.contesting.com>
<https://ncjweb.com>
<https://www.onallbands.com/amateur-radio-contesting-101/>

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HAM RADIO



Mission Statement

GMCC's mission is to promote and encourage contesting enjoyment for its members while striving to be the best statewide contesting club in Colorado, involving all levels of contest operations, encouraging contest use and activity of all models, all bands and frequencies and increasing contesting operations and activities in the state.

Benefits of Membership

- * Colorado's statewide contest club
- * No dues or membership fees
- * Web reflector for contesters

Awards Presented For

- "Top Gun" Award
issued at 1 Million contest points
- "Contest Club of Champions"
in SSB - CW - RTTY - Digital

<https://grandmesa.org>

Club Member Businesses



John Fuller WJ0NF

Etsy Site featuring
customized club name
tags & other
customized
amateur radio items

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/JohnnyFLLC>



digirig a tidy digital modes interface



- Audio and rig control
- Single USB connection
- Small & rugged



digirig.net

Denis Grisak K0TX

<https://digirig.net>

Denis is also a great resource for mentoring
anyone interested in digital modes and/or
portable operations

Club Member Business Promotions

WCARC would like to support our members who own businesses by promoting them in the newsletter and on the club website. If you are a 2026 WCARC Member and own a business, send a business card sized ad to secretary@w0rrz.org and we will include it in the next RF Carrier Newsletter and post it on www.W0RRZ.org.

We are more than a **CLUB**. We are a **COMMUNITY**. We want to support **EVERY** member.

Club Sponsors

The following organizations have provided services or monetary donations in support of the mission of WCARC




Community Rewards Program

Link your digital loyalty card to Western Colorado Amateur Radio Club (NPO SS693) and City Market donates a percentage to WCARC every time you purchase using your loyalty account. Works at all Kroger owned stores in Colorado.



THE UPS STORE



Store #1349
2695 Patterson Rd Ste 2
Grand Junction, CO 81506
Village Fair Plaza
12th & Patterson

970-241-6103

Mon - Fri 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Sat 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sun 10:00AM - 3:00 PM

www.twowaygj.com

(((TWO-WAY)))

Communications

970-243-9823



N2KNK
KERI VARELA

WestCo Systems
REPEATER NETWORK

<https://westcorepeaters.org>

WCARC THANKS THESE GENEROUS SUPPORTERS OF OUR CLUB

Are you a City Market Customer? **Help Support WCARC**

The *City Market Community Rewards Program* is a great way to support the Club.

You can select us as your charity either by name or use our NPO Number: **SS693** on your app. Once you have enrolled and linked your loyalty card City Market contributes to WCARC every time you buy groceries.



Here is the link on the to enroll:

<https://www.citymarket.com/i/community/community-rewards>

Thank You for Supporting WCARC!

Questions? Contact Cathy (KF00KV), secretary@w0rrz.org



Content Needed for the RF Carrier

Do you have information that you think would be valuable for other members to know? Are you a contester & would like to help list upcoming contests? Do you have something funny to add or saw a Ham related meme? Do you have photos of your radio equipment or an event? Please send it to secretary@w0rrz.org by the first Monday of the month and I will add it to the RF Carrier!



The Mission of the Western Colorado Amateur Radio Club, Inc. (WCARC), EIN 81-4225701, a 501(c)3 Colorado charitable organization, is to recruit, train and help committed Ham Radio operators carry on the tradition of amateur radio by using our network of technical resources and expertise. Promoting new technologies and expanding the use of these in all areas of communication. Providing equipment and skilled operators when called upon to assist local agencies in emergency and non-emergency events ensuring a reliable source of communication. WCARC is dedicated to community service and providing education to the general public about the history, operation and benefits of the Amateur Radio Service and to develop the next generation of radio amateurs.

2026 WCARC Board of Directors

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WCARC Board of Director Position Descriptions

President – Chairman of the Board of Directors; presides over all meetings; appoints special function committees as needed; and is authorized to sign all disbursement checks.

Vice President – Serves as the Chairperson of the Educational Committee; assumes the duties of the President, if necessary; becomes President if that office becomes vacant; assists the President at all meetings; performs other duties assigned by the President; and is authorized to sign all disbursement checks.

Secretary – Keeps and maintains records of all activities and proceedings; receives all applications for membership, keeps an accurate list of all members, receives all dues (records and forwards to the Treasurer); preserves all the books and correspondence of this organization; brings copies of the Constitution & By-Laws to each meeting; and is responsible for the Club mailbox.

Treasurer – Receives all funds of this organization; deposits all moneys in the appropriate account as directed by the Board; maintains records of all receipts and disbursements; reports financial transactions at all regular meetings; is authorized to sign all checks; submits all books of account for audit at the end of the elected term and at other times as specified by the Board; submit any and all reports as required by the laws governing not-for-profit organizations in Colorado and insure all checks be endorsed by a designated signatory.

The Board Officer positions are all a one-year term.

3-Year Trustee – Uphold the mission and values of the organization. Be financial oversight and stewardship. This includes: monitoring financial performance and reviewing financial statements; safeguarding assets and ensuring funds are used efficiently and effectively to further the mission and keeping an accurate accounting of all physical assets of the organization.

This is a three-year term.