

Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA)

Saturday, October 21, 2006 9 AM - 4 PM at the Merit Badge University Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Georgia



Join in the annual "Jamboree-on-the-Air" this October! This event is a gathering of Boy and Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and guides from all over the world. By means of Amateur (Ham) Radio, your Scouts can make contact with other scouts around the United States and all over the world. Last year Scouts from over 100 countries participated in the Jamboree-on-the-Air. BSA Troop 204 Boy Scouts will have a ham radio station. W4JO, on the air for this event.

Every Scout and Scouter that talks on the radio can earn a distinctive multi-colored patch.

Make plans to join us for an interesting and unique opportunity to share the wide world of Scouting with your Scouts. For Scouting program considerations,

- Participants in the Jamboree-on-the-Air receive a multi-colored patch.
- You can complete the "on the air radio conversation" requirement for the Radio Merit Badge.
- You can fulfill requirement #9b in the "Citizenship in the World" Eagle required merit badge by taking part in this international event in your area.
- Participating in the Jamboree-on-the-Air completes one of the requirements toward the International Activity Badge (available to Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Scouters).
- You could incorporate Cub Scout belt loop activities such as Communication, Languages and Culture, and Geography.

Den Leaders: Schedule JOTA as an hour long Den activity. Your Cubs will get a chance to talk on the radio and ask plenty of questions. If you would like to volunteer to teach a belt loop activity, please let me know.

Scout Leaders: Schedule JOTA as an hour long (or more) outing. Your Scouts will get to talk on the radio and ask plenty of questions. If you have Scouts that are interested in the Radio Merit Badge, please let me know. We may be able to spend some time covering a portion of the MB requirements during the day.

For more information regarding Jamboree on the Air visit the following web sites:

- http://www.w4jo.com/Scouts/JOTA2006.htm
- http://www.w4jo.com/JOTA2006flyer.htm

Atlanta Area Council International Committee member James Olson will be the activity leader for the observance of JOTA 2006 at the Merit Badge University at Kennesaw State on Saturday, October 21. This event draws Scouts from all over north Georgia and beyond. For anyone who is interested in hosting their own JOTA event, James Olson is available to serve as a mentor for their preparation. Contact James Olson at: w4jo@bellsouth.net.