



ARASWF

News Letter



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June 3rd, 2026**

The June 3rd Meeting will be held at
PERKINS ON PINE RIDGE
3585 Pine Ridge Rd, Naples, FL 34109. Time is 6 pm

Link to balloon site <http://sites.google.com/view/blueoceanadventures> updated site, new location.

The 146.670 repeater has Echo link reinstalled. New repeater 145.300 -136.5 145.150 -141.3

Club Nets are held on the 146.670 -136.5 or the 147.030 +136.5 repeaters.

ARESCC Nets will be when called for.

ARASWF Information Net is Tuesday at 7:30 pm.

please volunteer

Net coordinator:

And are in need of Net Control operators,

Foster Kawaler K4FEK

Sunday's Backwoods Net on 147.030 Mhz +136.5 at 7:30pm

efrain1@juno.com

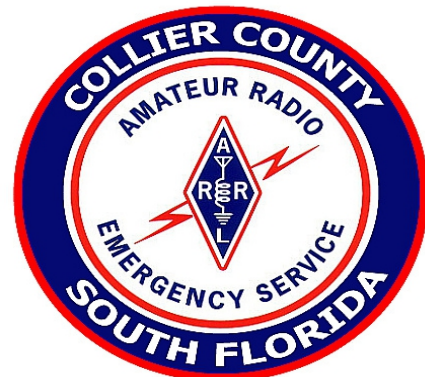
Allstar node 41860. See <http://stats.allstarlink.org/nodeinfo.cgi?node=41860>

Amateur License Exams
Monthly, 1st Tuesday, 5:30 pm
Doors open at 5 pm
appointment required
text, phone, or email
for information and location

Mark Harms
239 331-9616
AC4ZM@ARASWF.ORG



Club Meetings for June, July, and August
will be held at Perkins on Pine Ridge
the first Wednesday at 6pm



Meetings now held at
Naples Aviation Pilot's Lounge
250 Aviation Dr. South
Naples, FL. 34104

CLUB OFFICERS

New member alert from passing an Amateur License Test

President	AC4ZM	Mark	Director	K4FEK	Foster	Mathew A. Brainerd	KR4LZQ	Technician
VP		OPEN	Director		OPEN	Dennis B. Slabaugh	KM4GJC	General
Finance	KBOJL	Rob	Director	WA2FHX	Dennis			
Secretary		OPEN	Director	N4YE	John	In Person	Online computer testing	
VE Testing	AC4ZM	Mark	Web Master	NC2H	Craig			

We have tested 4 people for 2026

Looking for a VP, Secretary, and Director !

NEW 145.300 -136.5 K1NEW Repeater on the
NEW 145.150 -141.3 CCSO Repeater on the

“ BES Building “ Give it a try – often.
“SAR tower near US-29 & US 41

Thank you from the President
AC4ZM Mark

FT8 A Digital Mode

A few General Questions from the Pool

- T1B05 (D) [97.301, 97.305]** Which of the following bands include frequencies where Technicians are authorized to use digital modes such as FT8?
- A. 10 meters
 - B. 6 meters
 - C. 2 meters
 - D. All these choices are correct
- T2C08 (A)** Which of the following relays messages using email addresses based on amateur callsigns?
- A. Winlink
 - B. FT8
 - C. PSK31
 - D. AMTOR
- T4A04 (B)** How are the audio input and output of a transceiver connected in a station configured to operate using FT8?
- A. To a computer running a terminal program and connected to a terminal node controller unit
 - B. To the audio output and input of a computer running FT8 software
 - C. To an FT8 conversion unit, a keyboard, and a computer monitor
 - D. To a computer connected to the FT8converter.com website
- T4A10 (A)** What function does a digital mode hotspot perform for nearby transceivers?
- A. Communication with a digital voice or data network
 - B. FT8 digital communications via AFSK using a smartphone connected to the internet
 - C. RTTY encoding and decoding without a computer
 - D. High-speed digital communications for meteor scatter
- T8D01 (D)** Which of the following is a digital communications mode?
- A. Packet radio
 - B. IEEE 802.11
 - C. FT8
 - D. All these choices are correct
- T8D02 (B)** What is FT8?
- A. A wideband FM voice mode
 - B. A digital mode capable of low signal-to-noise operation
 - C. An eight-channel multiplex mode for FM repeaters
 - D. A digital slow-scan TV mode with forward error correction and automatic color compensation

If anyone is aware of other members who are not well or in the hospital please notify
AC4ZM Mark so we can reach out to them.

Also if anyone would like to donate their equipmet to the club :

Text or phone (239)-331-9616

Email AC4ZM@hotmail.com

South of the orange tree !

VE, ARASWF, Board, and ARESCC Meeting Dates (2026-2027)

VE Testing
5:00 pm Doors open
By Appointment

Tuesday

Year 2026

05/05/26
06/02/26
07/07/26
08/04/26
09/01/26
10/06/26
11/03/26
12/01/26

Year 2027

01/05/27
02/02/27
03/02/27
04/06/26
05/04/26

ARASWF Club Meeting
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Veterans Community Park
Off Immokalee Road
Wednesday

05/06/26
06/03/26 Perkins
07/01/26 Perkins
08/05/26 Perkins
09/02/26
10/07/26
11/04/26
12/02/2026 (Restaurant)

01/06/27
02/03/27
03/03/27
04/07/26
05/05/26

Board Meeting
12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Perkins Restaurant
Pine Ridge Road
Wednesday

05/20/26
06/17/26
07/22/26
08/19/26
09/23/26
10/21/26
11/18/26
12/16/26

01/20/27
02/17/27
03/24/26
04/21/26
05/19/26

ARESCC Meeting
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Naples Airport
250 Aviation Drive S
Thursday

05/28/26
06/25/26
07/30/26
08/27/26
09/24/26
10/29/26
11/19/26
12/17/26

01/28/27
02/25/27
03/25/27
04/29/26
05/27/26

ARRL Field Day

Is the most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend of June, more than 31,000 radio amateurs gather with their clubs, groups or simply with friends to operate from remote locations.

Come and join in
SUN - June 28 12:am to 5:pm



AMATEUR RADIO
FD★26
A NATIONAL RESOURCE

AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION OF SWFL

SIGN IN SHEET		DATE: <u>May 6 2026</u>
	NAME	CALL SIGN
1	John Bea Hie	N4YE
2	MARK HARM S	AC4ZM
3	DAVE DU CETT	WB8VQU
4	RAY Zollo	W2RAY
5	DENNIS BUONOCORE	W4ZFA
6	ED JONES	K44FMS
7	Scott Krell	K1SMK
8	Janina Nell	K44PVJ
9	CJ Billmas	K4CJB
10	ROB TIMM	KBØJL
11	BRUCE HANDEL S	-
12	Allen Haglestad	W9PCI
13	Rich Naples	KØYIK E
14	Bud HOWARD	N1BUD
15	TIM GREEN	WB9QLM
16	Vern Brownell	W1VB
17	CHRIS BURAS	KR4IAZ
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Join in on the club's fun activities and radio practices.

**AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
of
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.**

Invites you to the 2026

ARRL Field Day

W4SFL

Time:

Setup is at 11:pm

CQ starts at 12:noon

Sunday June 28, 12:noon till 5:pm EDT

Place:

Veterans Park

1895 Veterans Park Drive

Naples, FL. 34109

off Immokalee Road in the

small pavilion by the dog park

Class 4A

Section SFL

Learn how to set up the clubs antenna and radios.

Work one of the radios, or computer software.

How to clear a pile up.

Join in on the club's fun activities and radio practices.



Rules:

4.0 Entry Categories:

Field Day entries are classified according to the maximum number of *simultaneously* transmitted signals, followed by a designator indicating the nature of their individual or group participation.

4.1 (Class A) Club / non-club portable:

Club or a non-club group of three or more persons set up specifically for Field Day. Such stations must be located in places that are not regular station locations and must not use facilities installed for permanent station use.

5.0 Exchange:

Stations in ARRL / RAC sections will exchange their Field Day operating Class and ARRL / RAC section. Example: a four transmitter Class A station in South Florida.

**Our exchange will be
W4SFL 4A SFL**

We use N3FJP Software for logging contacts

FT8 will be persented June 3 at Perkins

Amateur Radio Association of SWF

FT8

June 2026

John Beattie – N4YE & Vern Brownell – W1VB

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Disc Cone Antenna to follow in July
Circular sectors for $a = 60^\circ, 90^\circ, 120^\circ$

