



BONNER COUNTY PROCLAMATION AMATEUR RADIO WEEK/FIELD DAY

Whereas, Amateur Radio operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice broadcast over the airwaves; and

Whereas, Amateur Radio has continued to provide a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and

Whereas, Amateur Radio Operators have also provided countless hours of community services both in emergencies and to other local organizations throughout these decades; and

Whereas, these Amateur Radio services are provided wholly uncompensated; and

Whereas, the State also recognizes the services Amateur Radio's people also provide to our many Emergency Response organizations, including Bonner County Emergency Management and other Public Safety Agencies; and

Whereas, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events; and

Whereas, Bonner County recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the US Government Weather Bureau; and

Whereas, the ARRL is the leading organization for Amateur Radio in the USA; and

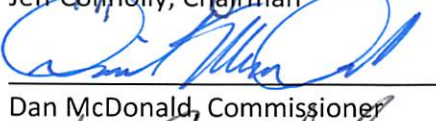
Whereas, the ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise will take place on June 22-23, 2019 and is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the Radio Amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure being required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Bonner County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of June 17-23 as Amateur Radio Week, and June 22-23, 2019, as Bonner County ARES/RACES Field Day.

DULY APPROVED by the Bonner County Board of Commissioners this 11th day of June, 2019.
BONNER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Jeff Connolly, Chairman



Dan McDonald, Commissioner



Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner

ATTEST: Michael Rosedale

By 
Deputy Clerk



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June 5, 2019

Emergency
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Item #1

MEMORANDUM

To: Commissioners

Re: Proclamation of recognition for Amateur Radio Field Day

Description: June 22 – 23, 2019 will be a 24 hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration at which more than 150 Idaho radio amateurs will display their skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure. This is known as Amateur Radio Field Day.

The ARES/RACES group is a ham radio organization in Bonner County that is dedicated to providing countless hours of community services both in emergencies and to other local organizations, demonstrating their value in public assistance.

On behalf of Bonner County ARES/RACES Bob Howard is urging the Commissioners to officially proclaim June 16 – 23, 2019 as Amateur Radio Week, and recognize June 22-23 2018 as Amateur Radio Field day.

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A suggested motion would be: **Mr. Chairman based on the information before us I move to approve that the County proclaim June 16-23, 2019 as Amateur Radio Week, and recognize June 22-23, 2019 as Amateur Radio Field Day.**

Recommendation Acceptance: yes no

Jeff Connolly
Commissioner Jeff Connolly, Chairman

Date: 6-11-19