Jamboree on the Air
Radio Scouting Update

Amateur Radio and Scouting
How many of you were involved in Scouting?
How many of you were influenced through Scouting to enter Amateur Radio?
How many of you are actively involved in Radio Scouting?
Radio Scouting Path

Introduction

Jamboree on the Air

Rank Advancement

Radio Merit Badge

Special Recognition

Morse Code Interpreter Strip

Amateur Radio Operator Rating Strip

ARRL Service to Scouting Award
Jamboree on the Air

3rd Weekend in October
World Wide Event
Started 1957
Now includes JOTI
World JOTA-JOTI

- 1.3 million participants
- 157 active countries
- Nearly 20,000 radio amateurs
- 11,500+ stations
JOTA and JOTI

[Pie chart with sections for Radio, Internet, and Both, showing percentages: 38%, 42%, 20%]
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<th>Top Countries 2014</th>
<th>Participants From Reports</th>
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<td>Brazil</td>
<td>13,576</td>
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<td>Portugal</td>
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<td>Malaysia</td>
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2014 Results

- Participants: 13,326
- Ham Operators: 945
- 7,737 Scouts
- 5,589 Visitors
- 148 Scout Councils
- Stations: 205
- Contacts: 6,707
How to organize a JOTA event

- Work with your local Scout Council, District, or Unit.
- See JOTA Talking points at http://www.k2bsa.net/talking-points/
- Line up with an existing Scouting event that happens on JOTA weekend --- October 16-18, 2015
- Go where the Scouts are as one more supporting activity for their event --- camporee, etc.
Resources

- The go-to website [http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx](http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx)
- Leader guidelines, operator guidelines, planning and calendars, program ideas, success stories, activity books, participation certificates, graphics.
- Supporting website is [http://www.k2bsa.net](http://www.k2bsa.net)
- World JOTA-JOTI at [http://www.jotajoti.info](http://www.jotajoti.info)
Get on the Air – Get Involved

Make sure you put JOTA-JOTI 2015 in your diary and calendar
Radio Scouting
Radio Merit Badge

- Introduced in 1918
- 7,208 Earned in 2013
- Ranks # 73 out of ~ 135
- Up from 1,000/year in 1990s
Morse Code Interpreter Strip

- 5 words per minute, send and receive
- 1,200 Sold in 2014
- Ranks # 2 right after Español
Amateur Radio Operator Rating Strip

- Do you have a license?
- Sew it on.
ARRL Amateur Radio Service to Scouting Award

- Adult Leaders
- 10 Requirements, Meet 5
- Nomination to ARRL Section Manager
- ARRL issues certificate
- 26 Issued to Date
Icom America Sponsorship

- Started 2012
- Renewed up to 2018
- 10 Scouting Loan Stations
- 2013 and 2017 Jamboree
- 3 Repeaters at the Summit
- Jamboree on the Air
K2BSA Amateur Radio Association

- Call Sign Established in 1971
- Association Constitution and 501c3 in 1987
- Operates National Jamboree Station
- Call Sign Available for Scouting Events
- Lifetime Membership $12
It’s all about the next generation of hams.
More Information

K2BSA Website — www.K2BSA.net
K2BSA Facebook Page — K2BSA.Scouting
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