



GET ON THE AIR HAMS

Helping HAMs Get On The Air and keeping the Amateur Radio Community
"Radio Active"
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Get On the Air Hams Values

The Get on the Air Hams (GOTAhams) club is an ARRL affiliated club conceived as a radio club truly of the membership and for the membership (and local community) and including a fun and welcoming social component. The following values and interests define who we are as we interact with fellow members and with our community.

"Radio Active" – As reflected in the club's name, a core purpose of GOTAhams is to encourage operators to Get On the Air and engage in other hands-on related activities. A major thrust is to create opportunities for members and guests to participate, whether as a group or as individual operators.

Community Service – The "Amateur Radio Service" exists both to develop technical skill and to provide service to the community at large. Active members of GOTAhams provide valuable services to both the amateur community and to the community at large.

Social and Family Oriented – We value the Social aspects of our club as much as the technical ones including family friendly activities that engage children and spouses. GOTAhams activities are part of our hobby and should never interfere with duties owed to family, job, school or community. We exhibit G-Rated conduct at all times.

Courteous and Inclusive – GOTAhams are friendly and welcoming to all and demonstrate courtesy in speech and in action with tolerance and respect for divergent opinions. We are considerate and never knowingly operate in a manner which lessens the pleasure of others.

Fun – GOTAhams activities include a strong emphasis upon social activities that engage members, their families, guests, prospective hams and the community at large. Amateur Radio is a hobby and should be enjoyable. Our activities are fun, interesting and attractive.

Open to New Ideas – Just as GOTAhams welcomes people, the club is highly receptive to new ideas and suggestions. We strongly emphasize informality (rather than hierarchical approaches) such that members and guests are immediately comfortable when expressing or discussing ideas. As such, our activities will evolve and vary and will thereby maximize both interest and impact.

Mentoring and Collaboration – GOTAhams leverage the broad range of skills and experiences of its members to encourage and mentor new hams and to help existing hams further develop their skills and interests. GOTAhams members are ready to listen to inquiries from interested members club and of the public and connect those inquires to those members who may be able to assist. We seek and encourage collaborative activities between members and with other groups including outreach efforts whenever opportunity presents itself. Combining the diverse skills and interests of others can maximize the scale, technical scope, fun and community service impact of our activities.

Positive Presentation of the Amateur Radio Service - The combination of these values and interests presents the Amateur Radio Service to the community in the most positive light, thereby enhancing its effectiveness, acceptance and growth.