

FD 2017 a big Success

ACARC's field day for 2017 was a big success ! All that came out had a good time and good fellowship. We had at least 18 hams and could have been more. A lot of operators keep the radio going the whole time.

Our HF station did good while our 6 meter station didn't make any contacts. The magic was gone from the magic band.

What made this years FD was everyone pitching in and helping out. Things got off with a good start with a great TV interview on ch. 6 TV with Bill Jefferson K4BUX and Bill Morriner N2COP about Field Day.

Pete WB3FYR, took care of the PR at the FD site with numerous explanation nations of what we we were doing and why.

Brad WD4FTR, took care of the the hot dogs, baked beans and chips. Larry N4NXX took care of the cold drinks and sweets. Through Brad and Larry's efforts we never ran out of cold drinks and snacks on a very hot day. Great Job !

The 6 meter station was provided by Steve AJ4JJ. Steve built the 3 element Quad used on 6 meters, provide the radio and generator to provide emergency power for the station. Though 6 meters didn't provide and contacts it wasn't from trying. Steve and Rick K1IZ keep trying the whole time. Six meters was just closed down.

The HF station was the clubs Yaesu 450D and a simple $\frac{1}{4}$ wave vertical provided by WD4OIN with a emergency generator for power.

Joe W2KJ brought out his qrp rig and showed what can be done with 5 watts.

As with all events it's not over until the paper work is complete. Brad, WD4FTR is going to send in the paper work to the ARRL.

When it was time to tare down and put up the equipment we had plenty of help . FD was a big success because a lot of individuals pulled to gather to make it work.

On Monday night June 26 the club will be starting our 2 meter club rag chew net up again. Norman KI4YSY will be the net control. I hope everyone will support the net and keep your 2 meter rig on when you are in the shack.

It's the beach season and we have a lot of visitors in town using the 2 meter repeaters.

Jack WD4OIN