



WE'RE LOOKING FOR TALKS!

August 25, 26, 27

- ▶ Trying to get away from “the same old stuff”
 - ▶ Idea: build excitement, satisfy attendees, build attendance
- ▶ Intentionally soliciting talks at all levels: introductory, general interest, advanced
- ▶ Looking for talks of preferably about 45-50 minutes in length
 - ▶ Absolutely no longer than 50 minutes, unless it's a multi-block talk

A Moderate Convention, but lots of Information Exchange

		ticket (pre-ordered)	Attendance	FRI venues	FRI talks	SAT venues	SAT talks	SUN venues	SUN talks	Total TALKS
NE HamXpo	2022	forgot!	1404	2	3	12	42	7	18	63
Huntsville	2022	15	5420	0	0	5	28	2	6	34
Hamcation	2022	20	19500	3	15	3	19			34
Hamvention	2022	26	31367	4	22	4	21	4	8	51
Friedrichshafen	2022	30	~17000	9	28	11	35	4	5	68
NEAR fest	2022	15	1750	1	6	1	2	0	0	8
SEA-PAC	2022	10	1500	0	0	6	31	2	8	39

We provide more talks—more information—than other conventions.

Ideas? Subject Areas

- ▶ Antennas and Propagation
- ▶ Contesting
- ▶ Dxing
- ▶ EMCOM, Public Service, and Traffic
- ▶ History, Invention, and Reinvention
- ▶ League, Division, and Section Activities and News
- ▶ Modes, Building, Experimentation, and New Technology
- ▶ Non-Traditional Operating Activities
- ▶ Training and Education

If you have any other suggestions, let us know.

Antennas and Propagation Subject Area

Simple antennas for the newcomer. Making antennas out of aluminum. All about transmission lines and connectors. Knowledgeable purchasing. Rotators. Tower safety. When should I get on the air, and on which band? What are all these A and K factors, anyway? The decibel. What's next in the solar cycle. Results of your propagation studies. HamSCI activities.

These are all starting suggestions. What do you want to hear about or talk about?

Contesting Subject Area

Introduction to contesting. Configuring your station. Maximizing your score. Breaking through pile-ups. Tips for the “little pistol” competitors. Logging programs and techniques. Field day war stories. The World Radiosport Team Championships.



More starting suggestions.

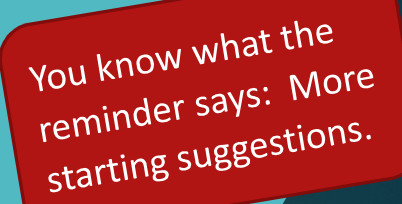
DXing Subject Area

Introduction to DXing. Wallpaper opportunities. Organizing and managing a DXpedition. Getting started with LotW. Spots and spotting. Amateur Radio demographics around the world. Tips for the “little pistol” DX chasers. Travelogues.

Still more starting suggestions.

EMCOM, Public Service, and Traffic Subject Area

Introduction to public service. Go-kits. Portable power. The Incident Commander concept. Introduction to traffic handling. Restructuring of the NTS. What happens to “When all else fails” when the Internet fails. Local EMCOM relationships.



You know what the reminder says: More starting suggestions.

History, Invention, and Reinvention

Subject Area

Where did we come from. Historical ham artifacts and their stories. Amateur Radio's contributions to the art and technology of radio. How can Amateur Radio thrive: where are we going, how do we get there. Rejuvenating clubs and club meetings. **...more.**

League, Division, and Section Activities and News Subject Area

What's next, what's big in Amateur Radio. Rules and regulations. Major operating activities. Supporting scouting activities and college clubs. League resources. **...more.**

Modes, Building, Experimentation, and New Technology Subject Area

Introduction to the digital modes. Introduction to repeaters, DSTAR, DMR, *etc.* The analog modes aren't dead. Physical circuits versus programming. The basics of software defined radios. SMD soldering. Parts and programs resources. RFI chasing and fixing. Using clusters, spotters, and reporters. How to remotely control your station. Frontiers in the hobby.

...and on, and on

Non-Traditional Operating Activities

Subject Area

Introduction to fox hunting, to ARDF, to -OTAs. Away-from-the-shack equipment. Geography and topography. VHF+ hilltopping and roving. Tips and techniques for your successful activity. Activity travelogues. **...more.**

Training and Education Subject Area



T&E planning for your club. T&E success (or failure) stories.

Demonstrations, and how to present them. Long format versus short format license preparation. Tech Nights.

Finding candidate trainees. Elmering. Bringing the next generation on board. **...more.**

Timing?

- ▶ January through March – solicitation
 - ▶ But never too late!
 - ▶ Replies by May
 - ▶ Commitments by June
- ▶ Late June – abstracts
- ▶ July – talks ready
- ▶ Late July – presentation schedule complete
- ▶ Early August – program published

A great way to publicize
your club or special
interest

- ✓ Volunteer.
- ✓ Volunteer someone else.
- ✓ Request a topic.

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