

2012 MARS DAY OUT SCHEDULE

1. WE ARE SCHEDULING THREE MARS DAYS OUT (MDO) FOR 2012. THE DATES ARE:

APR 7 1700Z TO 2300Z
JUL 14 1700Z TO JUL 15 1700Z (24 HOURS)
OCT 13 1700Z TO 2300Z

THIS EVENT WILL OFFER PACIFIC AREA MEMBERS, ALONG WITH ARMY AND AIR FORCE MARS MEMBERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SET UP AND OPERATE FROM A SITE OTHER THAN THEIR USUAL HOME OPERATING STATION. HOME OPERATION IS PERMITTED.

2. THIS EVENT IS SIMILAR TO WHAT THE AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY HAS EVERY YEAR CALLED "FIELD DAY". WHERE THEY GO OUT, SETUP AND OPERATE THEIR STATION, MAKING CONTACTS ACROSS THE US.

ANY DIGITAL MODE IS AUTHORIZED. REMEMBER WE ARE PRACTICING OUR CORE COMPETENCY OF A RADIO ONLY METHODS OF COMMUNICATING SO DO NOT USE ANY OF THE VOIP MODES FOR VOICE MESSAGING OR TELNET FOR DIGITAL MESSAGING.

3. FREQUENCIES TO USE ARE: NCL, NFK, NMA (PRIMARILY VOICE)
NCK, NFN, NMH (PRIMARILY DIGITAL)
4. CONTACT INFORMATION SHOULD INCLUDE CALLSIGN, LOCATION AND A BRIEF WEATHER REPORT. THE FOLLOWING STATION CALLING PROTOCOL SHOULD BE USED:
 - A. WHEN USING VOICE: "MARS DAY OUT THIS IS NNN0AAA OVER"
 - B. WHEN USING DIGITAL: "MDO MDO DE NNN0AAA K"
5. EACH STATION WILL EARN A CERTIFICATE RECOGNIZING THEIR PARTICIPATION. A POINT SYSTEM IS ESTABLISHED WHERE PARTICIPATION CAN BE RECOGNIZED.

A. INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION POINTS ARE:

ANTENNA USED

COMMERCIAL	100
HOME BREW	150

POWER USED

COMMERCIAL	25
STORAGE BATTERY	50
GENERATOR	75
SOLAR/WIND/WATER	100
HUMAN	150

PER EACH CONTACT

SSB VOICE	25 (EACH CONTACT) *
SCD DIGITAL	50 (EACH CONTACT) *
SHARES STATIONS (NON-MARS)	200 (EACH CONTACT) *

*DOUBLE POINTS FOR CONTACTS FM/TO ALASKA

EACH RADIO MESSAGE SENT/RECEIVED

VOICE	10
DIGITAL MODE	20

PICTURES

PER PICTURE SUBMITTED	5
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(SEND JPG FILE BY EMAIL TO NNN0ASE2(AT)GMAIL.COM)

6. AT THE END OF THE EVENT, SEND A MESSAGE DETAILING YOUR POINTS EARNED TO NNN0FHA(AT)WINLINK.ORG. A COMMEMORATIVE CERTIFICATE WILL BE EMAILED TO ALL MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATE AND REPORT POINTS.