

THE SILVER COMET AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY



APRIL NEWSLETTER

GEMA MCV Exercise 2026



From Eric, K4EMW:

through 2 and one half days we handled 30 separate task requests and the majority flowed through us. We either completed the task or were instrumental in assisting the COML and the rest of the team with input.





- I had never been in the COMT position but my years on Incident Management Teams allowed me to be effective. Ed and Bruce had never been on anything like this but Ed's "People Skills" and Bruce's military and pilot skills helped him. We didn't have an "experienced AUXCOMM person with us" but utilizing our collective skills, we didn't really need one. It was a great feeling to be so effective in that way. Oh Ed got some POTA in too!!!



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Upcoming Documentary on the life of MFJ's founder, Martin Jue.



Martin F. Jue Documentary (MFJ Enterprises) | Preston Booth

Support a feature documentary on Martin F. Jue (K5FLU) and the legacy of MFJ Enterprises: an American story of ingenuity, work, and community. Watch the trailer, contribute archival media, or donate (tax-deductible via Southern Documentary...

 Preston Booth Cinematography



On February 21st, SCARS was represented at the GARS tech fest. We had a table set up and spent the day not only hanging out with our club members, but networking, learning, meeting and inviting new hams to check us out, if we were reasonably close to their QTH. GARS puts on an excellent tech fest, and we heard the attendance was north of 400.



The Atlanta Track club is still needing ham volunteers for this years 2026 Peachtree Road Race.

.... We are in the early stages of sign up and planning for the 2026 Northside Hospital Peachtree Road Race (PRR), the world's largest 10k road race. Yes there is a New Title Sponsor. Shifts range between 0400 and 1100 on Saturday 04 July 2026, depending on assignment. Positions include Water Stops, pace cars, shadows, start and finish line assignments, and call takers in the Multi-Agency Coordination Center (MACC). Please sign up as early as possible so we know how many volunteers we'll have, which will dictate what services we can provide the medical branch during the event.

To sign up go to:

<https://atlantatrackclub.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=110344> and enter PRR26HAM in the password field.

Speaking of...



Dave Fuller volunteered for the polar opposite race back in January.

“...I participated in the second annual Peachtree Polar Opposite Road Race on Saturday, January 3. This is the sister event to the July 4 Peachtree Road Race, but this one was run in reverse...

We had a smaller ham radio footprint than usual for the July race, with only two water stops instead of five. We also had a couple of bicycle-mounted hams tracking with APRS who followed the runners, capable of arriving on scene quickly. I only heard one call for assistance as one runner slipped and fell on a slick spot on the road (it rained that morning), but no other emergency traffic.

April 25th - DigiDog Day



don't forget that April 25th is DigiDog day at White Oak park! Noon meeting time, we will set up and operate varieties of digital modes, and grille out.

looking to see you then!

April 20- May 2, SCARS will be operating as K4M, in celebration of the birthdate of Guglielmo Marconi

Celebrating the Birthdate of
GUGLIELMO MARCONI
K4M April 20-May 2, 2026
SPECIAL EVENT STATION

OPERATOR:

QSO DATE:	UTC:	BAND:	MODE:	RST:

<https://www.silvercometars.com/>

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W4RSC

A big thank you to Dave Walk, and Chuck Duval for helping organize this event. A sign up sheet will be out soon, to ensure we aren't operating same mode, same band, same time.

Conselations for 1st and 2nd place operators who receive the most card/cert requests!