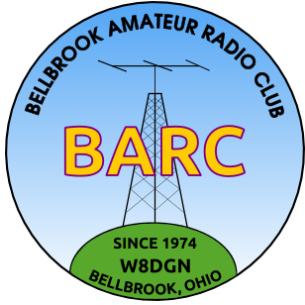


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BARC Newsletter

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[BARC 2019 Field Day Overview](#)

Amateur Radio's biggest annual operating activity is just a couple of days away.

The Bellbrook Amateur Radio Club invites and encourages all of its members, prospective members and Friends of BARC to visit its 44th annual **Field Day** exercise Saturday and Sunday, June 22-23, located in and around Shelter #1 at

Sackett Wright Park. 2019 marks the 21st straight year BARC has held its Field Day at Sackett Wright Park.

The Park entrance is located on SR-725 just east of Bellbrook, just east of the intersection of SR-725 and Lower Bellbrook Road. Enter the Park and turn left into the first parking lot on the left (at Shelter #1).

Field Day (FD) is an annual nationwide event in which over 2,500 amateur radio clubs and groups involving over 40,000 individuals across the United States and Canada set up and operate temporary emergency-powered stations as might be required in the event of a disaster situation with extensive loss of electrical power and other infrastructure.

The first **ARRL Field Day** event occurred in June **1933**. **BARC's 1st Field Day was held in June 1976** on the south lawn of what was the Bellbrook Grange and now is the Bellbrook Lions Club Clubhouse (southwest corner of Dayton-Wilmington Road at Conference Road).

To sharpen radio communication skills, the annual Field Day exercise also provides a challenge in which field day stations strive to make as many contacts with one another as possible during a 24-hour on-air operational period; however, Field Day **is not** a contest.

Field Day also provides an opportunity for clubs to set up a visitor exhibit and to demonstrate for the public the various modes of communication technologies permitted in the FCC Amateur Radio Service. BARC will set up four operational HF stations demonstrating voice, Morse code and data communications. A VHF Field Day voice station also will be operational.

The public has been invited to visit the site on Saturday & Sunday during daylight hours. BARC members and other hams are invited and encouraged to attend **any time** (keep in mind that we always can use additional operators and loggers for the overnight and early Sunday morning shifts).

Remember that Field Day is **NOT** a contest but an operating event to set up and operate communications capabilities as might be required in a disaster situation and to exhibit and demonstrate amateur radio technologies for the general public, elected officials and personnel of served agencies, and to also involve Youth. Field Day also offers a great educational and training experience and a great opportunity for non-hams to get on-the-air and make some contacts under the supervision of a licensed operator.

The "antennas Crew" and the "Power Crew" will report directly to the park at 0800 to begin setting

up the antennas in the field adjacent the Shelter and the electrical power distribution system for the Field Day stations within the Shelter.

Other Members are requested to report directly to the Clubhouse at 0800 to help load up BARC Field Day equipment and supplies for transport to BARC's Field Day Site at Sackett Wright Park.

A few other designated members have been requested to arrive at the park by 0800 to help with some of the preliminary set-up tasks—moving picnic tables out of shelter onto the paved area immediately in front of the Shelter and setting up canopies over those tables. Also, to make coffee and prepare breakfast for the set-up crew at 0930.

Field Day On-Air Operations commences at 1400 local time (2 PM) Saturday and continue through 1400 local time Sunday. Take down will commence at 1400 Sunday and we expect the site to be cleaned up and secured by 1600 Sunday.

Sufficient help will be required on-site at 2 PM to take down and load up antennas and antenna supports (towers and masts) and to pack up tables, chairs and station equipment to be transported to and unloaded at the Clubhouse. **Please plan to be available to help!**

BARC emphasizes ***Fun, Food & Fellowship*** in its Field Day activities. Plan now to participate!!

Schedule

Saturday 22 June (all times are local—EDT)	
0800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members (<u>except</u> the designated <u>Antenna Crew</u>, <u>the Power Crew</u> and <u>Site Prep Crew</u>) report to the Clubhouse to help load up and transport Field Day equipment & supplies to the Field Day Site • The designated Antenna Crew, the Power Crew and the Site Prep Crew will report directly to the FD Site to begin preliminary setup: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Start the coffee ○ Move picnic tables out of the Shelter ○ Install emergency and utility power distribution within the Shelter ○ Install Flag Pole (Mast 7) with Dualband Antenna for Stations 6 and 7 ○ Raise American Flag over BARC Field Day Site

	Set up and activate Station 6 (Field Day Site Talk-in on BARC 147.045(+) 2m Repeater & On-site "Unicom Station" on 147.405 Simplex (bring your 2m HT)
0915	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start transporting Field Day equipment from Clubhouse to Field Day Site
0930	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set-up Crew gathers at Field Day Site for Breakfast (Sausage-Egg-Cheese Biscuits provide by Russ Roysden and Tudor's Biscuit World) (Coffee and Orange Juice provided by BARC – Coffee prepared by "Chef" Elizabeth King)
1000	Continue set-up of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antenna Supports & Antennas Generators & Electrical Distribution Tables & Chairs Stations Overhead Lights Logging System Signage / Banners Visitors Display Food Tables / Coolers / Ice / Drinks Picnic Area Canopies Other incidentals
1200	Lunch Break for Set-up Crew (prepared and coordinated by 'Chefs' Tink & Steve Siwecki): Sloppy Joes, chips, side dish, cookies, ...
1245	Continue Set-up & Checkout of Stations
1400	Commence 24-hr On-Air Operational Period
1730	BARC Annual Field Day Family Picnic
1830	Continue On-Air Operations
Sunday 23 June	
Over-night Snacks & Lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leftover chicken and "covered dishes" for overnight snacks & Sunday breakfast & lunch (or bring your own food/snacks) The night crew will keep the coffee brewing overnight Soft drinks and water also available
1400	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclude 24-hr Operational Period Secure Logging System (<u>DO NOT TURN OFF COMPUTERS UNTIL LOGS ARE SAVED!!</u>) Begin Tear Down
1545	Transport Equipment to Clubhouse / Unload
Apx 1600	Secure Field Day Site *** (a general inspection & clean-up of any trash/debris—to leave site as good as if not better than we found it)

Stations

There will be **four HF Stations** and **one 6m VHF Station** set up on five 6-foot tables.

- One HF Station will be designated a **CW Station**.
- Three Stations will be designated **primarily SSB Stations** but also may be capable of operating CW.
- One of the three SSB Stations also will be capable of operating **Digital modes**.

STATION 1 primarily will operate 80m SSB but also may operate CW.

STATION 2 primarily will operate 20-15-10m SSB but also may operate CW.

STATION 3 primarily will operate 40m SSB but also capable of operating Digital modes.

STATION 4 primarily will operate 80-10m CW but also may operate SSB when not being used on CW.

STATION 5 primarily will operate 6m SSB but also may operate 6m FM.

CW Operators: please bring your own favorite key if you desire to operate CW.

Site Coordinators will be responsible for managing the band and mode operated by each Station at any given time—please do not change band or mode without checking with Site Coordinator. Thank you.

BARC Operational Category

BARC will operate Field Day in the 4-A category this year. The "4-A" designates a Club or group with a maximum of **four HF transmitters** (Stations 1, 2, 3 and 4) operating simultaneously on emergency power and with maximum transmitter output power of 150 watts or less.

The 6m VHF Station 5 is not included in the Operational Category status but counts for QSO points..

Three VHF & UHF "Utility" Stations

will be set up on one end of the 6m Station 5 table. These three stations are not included in BARC's Field Day Operational Category and QSO's do not count for Field Day points.

- 2m FM Station 6-A** will be used for **TALK-IN** on the BARC 2m Repeater (147.045 +)
- 2m FM Station 6-B** will be used for **ON-SITE UNICOM** on BARC Primary Simplex (147.405 S) – Bring your HT
- VHF-UHF Winlink Station 6-C** will be used for Field Day message handling bonus points

Antennas & Antenna Supports

Five Antennas will be used for BARC's 24-hour Field Day operational period (4 HF and one VHF):

1. An 80m center-fed half-wave dipole supported by three 30-ft Towers (1, 2 and 3) for **STATION 1**
2. A 40m center-fed half-wave dipole supported between 30-ft Tower 3 and 32-ft tilt-up aluminum Tower 4 for **STATION 3**
3. A 20-15-10m dipole (tri-band driven element) will be supported atop an "Armstrong Rotatable Mast" on Tower 4 for **STATION 2**
4. An end-fed multiband (80-10m) random wire antenna supported by masts 5 and 6 for **STATION 4**
5. A 3-element 6m beam antenna atop "Armstrong Rotatable 30-ft Mast 7" for **STATION 5**

Two other antennas will be used for the "utility" VHF/UHF stations 6-A, 6-B and 6-C.

- A 2m Ringo antenna will be supported atop the 17' Flag Pole (Mast 8) for **Talk-in Station 6-A** and **Unicom Stations 6-B**
- A dualband J-Pole antenna will be supported atop 19' Mast 9 for **Winlink Stations 6-C**.

Summary of FD Stations & Antennas

STN	BAND	MODE	ANTENNA
1	80m	SSB-CW	80m Dipole
2	20-15-10m	SSB-CW	20-15-10m Rotatable Dipole
3	40m	SSB-DATA	40m Dipole
4	80-10m	CW	80-10m End-Fed
5	6m	SSB-FM	6m Yagi

UTILITY STATIONS	ANTENNAS
6-A 2m FM TALK-IN Station (147.045 +)	2m Ringo on 17' Mast that also supports the American Flag
6-B 2m FM UNICOM Station (147.405 S)	
6-C 70cm WINLINK Station (445.010 S)	2m/70cm J-Pole on 19' Mast

Logging

The N3FJP Field Day Logging Software (networked version) will be loaded on the five (5) Comm Center Laptops configured in a wireless network for logging all Field Day QSO's. The wireless router also provides wired ports, if needed.

BARC Field Day Guest Operators

Both licensed and non-licensed visitors to BARC's Field Day site are invited to take a turn at operating one or more of the stations. Non-licensed visitors are permitted by FCC Rules & Regulations to operate under the guidance of a licensed amateur acting as Control Operator.

One way to get started and gain some experience is by "logging" for a station operator. You can learn by listening to what an experienced operator does and then give it a try. It's not difficult and it's OK if you don't do everything exactly right. That's how you learn. So come on out and do some operating!!

BARC Annual Field Day Family Picnic

Don't forget to invite your family to join us for **BARC's Annual Field Day Family Picnic at 5:30 PM Saturday 23 June** at the Field Day Site—Shelter # 1 at Sackett Wright Park.

The Club will provide Broasted Chicken from Dot's Market and participants are requested to bring a veggie, salad or dessert "side dish" to share.

BARC also will provide soft drinks, coffee and water along with plates, cups, utensils, etc. Soft drinks include regular and diet Pepsi, Coke and Sprite. If you desire something else, you are welcome to bring your own. **No alcoholic beverages** are allowed in the Park or in the vicinity of a BARC activity.

If you plan to attend the picnic and have not already sent your RSVP to BARC's Field Day Food Coordinator Tink Siwecki KD8NUA, please email or call her ASAP (nsiwecki@woh.rr.com) or **937-478-7831**) and let her know how many will be attending in your party. A preliminary chicken order already has been placed but can be adjusted Saturday morning.

Coordinators

Field Day Coordinator	Ray Hitt N8VMX
Antenna System	Roger Parrett NQ8RP John Westerkamp W8LRJ Lynn Rogers KE8FLL
Station Setup	Ken Gunton W8ASA Greg Goffe N8DRG John Ackermann N8UR

Power & Electrical	Paul Sharp KD8OPN Jim Lusk KC8EFD Greg Goffe N8DRG John Rawson KE8HUV
Station Setup	Ken Gunton W8ASA Greg Goffe N8DRG John Ackermann N8UR
Site Coordinators	???
Visitors' Exhibit	Tink Siwecki KD8NUA Steve Siwecki KD8NUC
Social Media	Tink Siwecki KD8NUA Steve Siwecki KD8NUC
Lunch & Picnic	Tink Siwecki KD8NUA Steve Siwecki KD8NUC
Mailings & Invitations	Ray Hitt N8VMX
Safety Officers	Jim Totten WA8HUB Ken Cornett N8SPW Jim Gifford KD8APT
Logging	Joe Muchnij N8QOD
Press Release	Henry Ruminski W8HJR
Local Calendar Notifications	Henry Ruminski W8HJR
Photography	Don Parker KB8PSL
Message Handling	Fred Stone W8LLY
Copy W1AW FD Bulletin	???
Table & Chairs Logistics	Darryl Fowler KD8JQE
Tables & Chairs Transport	Jim Totten WA8HUB Darryl Fowler KD8JQE
Tower Transport	Jim Lusk KC8EFD Ken Cornett N8SPW
Night Shift	Ray Hitt N8VMX
Inventory	Darryl Fowler KD8JQE
Education Program	John Westerkamp W8LRJ
Copy W1AW FD Bulletin	Ken Gunton Others BARC Members

Emergency Power

Two 2000 Watt Honda 2000i generators, provided by Paul Sharp KD8OPN, will be alternated to provide near continuous 120VAC power for transceivers and other station equipment. A 100-ft 12-2 w/g extension cable will feed the generator output to the Over-Voltage Protection (OVP) at the Shelter. Individual 16-2 w/g extension cables will distribute power from the OVP outlet box to each station. A 120VAC [emergency power] outlet strip will be available to power each station.

Commercial Power

120VAC commercial power will be used for logging computers, overhead work lights, fans, coffee pot, crock pots, food warmers, etc. 15A outlet strips will be dropped from ceiling outlets to stations and food tables. Clamp-on work light fixtures will be attached to ceiling joist over each station and plugged into ceiling outlets.

Logging

The N3FJP Field Day Logging Software (networked version) will be loaded on the five (5) Comm Center Laptops plus two older Club laptops and configured in a wireless network for logging all Field Day QSO's. The wireless router also provides wired ports, if needed. The data laptop provided by Ray Hitt N8VMX for the 40m station will also be loaded with the N3FJP software, and configured in the same manner.

Internet Service

A secure Wi-Fi Router will be available at BARC's Field Day site for members and visitors. See Joe Muchnij or the sign at the Visitor Display Table for User Name and Password. This internet "hotspot" will accommodate multiple users

Shelter Layout Plan

Attached is a drawing of the Shelter Floor Plan showing the location of the Stations, the Visitors Information Table and the Food Tables. The Educational Program will be presented under the tent in the parking immediately in front of the Shelter.

Tables

The Shelter Layout Plan calls for ten (10) tables:

- Five 6-ft tables for Stations
- One 6-ft table for Educational Presentation
- One 8-ft table for Visitors Information Display
- One 6-ft table for Food Support & Coffee Pot
- Two 6-ft tables for Food Set-out and Serving

Chairs

Eighteen (18) metal folding chairs will be transported for the station operating/logging position and the Educational Presentation table.

Picnic Tables & Chairs

The picnic tables in the shelter will be moved onto the parking lot under tent and canopies Field Day.

Members are requested to bring folding lawn chairs and portable tables to provide additional seating for members and guests during the Saturday BARC Annual Field Day Family Picnic.

Operators & Loggers

All BARC members are encouraged to take a turn at operating and logging. We will have plenty of stations so that everyone will have an opportunity to do some operating. We also recommend teams of two for each station—one to operate and one to log. Logging is an excellent way for newer hams and prospective hams to learn Field Day and contesting procedures and to gain experience. Operators and Loggers can trade off periodically as desired.

Training on equipment operation and the logging program will be provided, as needed, for both operators and loggers.

This year, we will be using members' personal equipment rather than disturbing the BARC Comm Center Transceivers and associated equipment.

Headphones

Please use headphones when operating stations in the shelter in order to minimize ambient noise and distractions. With multiple stations operating in close proximity, the use of headphones is very important. "Y"-adapters are provided to permit two sets of headphones per station.

Operational Courtesy

During the Field Day operational period, **PLEASE hold your casual conversations and discussions away from the immediate vicinity of the stations and operators. The picnic table area under the tent and canopies is an ideal area** for casual conversations and socializing. This will reduce the background distractions within the Shelter and help operators focus on their QSO's.

Food Plan

Breakfast: Sausage-egg-cheese biscuit breakfast sandwiches, coffee and orange juice will be provided for the set-up crew at 0930 at the Field Day Site in the picnic table area. A big thank you to Russ Roysden and Tudor's Biscuit World for providing the breakfast sandwiches and to Elizabeth King for preparing the coffee.

Lunch: BARC will provide lunch for the set-up crew from around 12 noon to 1 pm, along with the usual variety of soft drinks, coffee and water. Thank you to Tink and Steve Siwecki for preparing the hot lunch.

Picnic: The Club will provide Broasted Chicken from Dot's Market for the annual BARC Field Day Family Picnic at 5:30 PM. Members are requested to bring a side dish (salad, vegetable, casserole or dessert) to share. Soft drinks, water, ice and coffee will be provided by the Club all during Field Day set-up, operations and tear-down.

Snacks: Leftover Broasted chicken and leftovers from lunch and the picnic will be stored on-ice in coolers and available for overnight snacks and Sunday breakfast and lunch. Also, soft drinks, water, ice and coffee will be available.

If you prefer something else, you are welcome to bring your own snacks, food and drinks. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the Park or in the vicinity of a BARC activity.

Coolers

A number of large coolers will be used for storing soft drinks, bottled water, food leftovers and extra ice. BARC will provide the ice.

Each cooler will contain one specific beverage—Diet and Regular Coke, Pepsi and Sprite, and Bottled Water. Others will store left-overs.

Dining Canopies

Dining canopies will be set up on the paved parking lot in front of the shelter to cover the picnic tables and members' provided tables and chairs. BARC now owns four 10' x 10' canopies plus a large 12' x 20' tarp canopy.

Site Coordinators

A designated **Site Coordinator** will be available at all times to coordinate any band/mode changes. Each designated Site Coordinator will be an Extra Class licensee and will be responsible as **Control Operator** for all of BARC's Field Day operations during his/her shift. Check with the Site Coordinator regarding any questions about frequencies, modes, transceiver operation, antenna matching, logging or suspected problems, etc.

Field Day Equipment Transport

All Members (**except Antenna Crew, Power Crew and Site Prep Crew**) are requested to report to the Clubhouse at 0800 Saturday to load up and transport items to the Field Day site. Field Day items include tables, chairs, station equipment, antennas, coax, guy ropes, guy stakes, support items, food serving supplies and associated items. Most will be in totes and tubs ready to load up and transport.

Help will be needed again Sunday afternoon to take down antennas, pack equipment and return these items back to the Clubhouse. Please plan to help!

Field Day Points Scoring

A point system is used to evaluate the performance of Field Day sites and operational activities. In essence, this creates a sense of friendly competition between Field Day groups while honing technical and operating skills and demonstrating ham radio for the public.

QSO Points:

- One point for each phone (Voice) contact.
- Two points for each CW (Morse Code) contact.
- Two points for each DATA contact.

Power Multipliers:

- Five point multiplier if **all** contacts are made using 5 watts or less transmitter power and using battery or alternate power source (only two points if using commercial or generator).
- Two point multiplier if **all** contacts are made using 150 watts or less transmitter power.
- One point multiplier if **any** contacts are made using transmitter power greater than 150 watts.

All BARC Field Day HF transmitters will operate at 100 watts or less and earn the 2X multiplier.

Bonus Points

Bonus points may be earned by accomplishing specific extra requirements. BARC's current Field Day Plan anticipates accomplishing the following bonus points:

100% Emergency Power: 400 bonus points earned for four HF transmitters operating on emergency power.

Media Publicity: 100 bonus points for press release to newspapers and for Bellbrook TV spot (now running on Bellbrook TV (Spectrum Cable Ch-5 in Bellbrook area).

Social Media Publicity: 100 bonus points for actively promoting BARC's Field Day Exercise on Social Media during Field Day operations.

Public Location: 100 bonus points for setting up at a public location (Sackett Wright Park).

Public Information Table: 100 bonus points for Visitors Display and Public Relations.

Message to SM or SEC: 100 bonus points for originating and sending the BARC Field Day report to the Ohio Section Manager or Ohio Section EC.

Message Handling: 10 bonus points each for up to 100 points max for originating, receiving or relaying messages in standard NTS format via RF from the Field Day site.

Site Visit by Elected Official: 100 bonus points for site visit by at least one elected official.

Site Visit by Served Agency Representative: 100 bonus points for site visit by at least one representative from a served agency.

W1AW Field Day Bulletin: 100 bonus points for accurately copying the special ARRL Field Day Bulletin transmitted by W1AW several times during Field Day weekend via CW, phone & digital modes.

Educational Activity: 100 bonus points for conducting a formal diverse educational activity related to amateur radio during Field Day.

Youth Participation: 20 bonus points for each person age 18 or younger who completes at least one QSO from the Field Day site during the FD operational period (maximum of 100 bonus points)

Alternate Power Use: 100 bonus points for making five (5) QSO's without use of commercial or petroleum driven generator (such as solar, wind, methane, water, hand-cranked generator or battery charged by natural or alternate power source.

Safety Officer: 100 bonus points for having site Safety Officers observe all Field Day related activities, promote safety and prepare an evaluation report for submittal with BARC's Field Day entry to ARRL HQ.

Web Entry: 50 bonus points for submitting BARC Field Day entry to ARRL HQ via web site

Winlink Station

A UHF Winlink Station will be set-up for Message Handling bonus points and to demonstrate Winlink. The BARC Field Day Winlink station will be used to send email messages through the Winlink amateur radio Global Email Network via the recently installed Greene County ARES W8GCA-10 UHF Winlink Gateway. A Winlink HF Station also may be used to access HF Gateway stations in the USA and other locations in North America.

BARC 2019 Educational Program

BARC will earn an extra 100 Bonus Points for presenting an Educational Program during its 2019 Field Day event.

John Westerkamp W8LRJ has prepared and will present a special program focused on Software Defined Radio (SDR). His presentation will show how even without an amateur radio license, people can enjoy radio and be Short Wave Listeners (SWL). Learning about what amateur radio offers may inspire some to get a license. The following applications will be demonstrated.

1. A VHF/UHF scanner application to listen in on repeater traffic including digital radio (DMR and D-STAR).
2. An ADS-B application which displays information about aircraft flying over the Miami Valley much like an air traffic control radar.
3. APRS Decoder and plotter on a map. This will be like a Harry Potter *Marauder's Map* just for fun.
4. A P-25 Police/Fire Trunking System decoder for the Greene County MARCS radio system (This requires two dongles so I may not do this unless someone wants to hear it).
5. A Slow-Scan TV decoder from the ISS if available.

Antennas and equipment I will provide:

1. VHF/UHF vertical telescoping dipole
2. 1090 GHz quarter wave ground plane
3. Mast
4. Laptop computer and Rpi
5. A poster with an overview of the Education Program

Addendum:

Ray Hitt, N8VMX will have a laptop remotely logged into his Raspberry Pi and Airspy/Spyverter SDR at his home QTH. This SDR will be tunable across the HF band and will not be interfered with by the high power at the Field Day site. It can decode voice, PSK-31, FT-8 and perhaps CW.

Thank you for taking time to sit in on John's SDR presentation.

[Bring Your Camera](#)

Please bring your digital camera to Field Day and help document the event. We would like more photos of people and things—set up, operations, meals, stations, equipment, operators, towers and antennas, educational activities, visitors, generators, signage and banners, etc. Compose some good shots that help tell the story of a BARC Field Day. Then, after Field Day, send your photos to the Field Day Coordinator for BARC's annual **Field Day Photo Review** at the August Club meeting and for

BARC's Field Day archive. We also want to have a great Field Day photo presentation on our website.

[BARC's 1st Field Day Event](#)

2019 marks BARC's 44th annual Field Day event. BARC's first field day was held on June 26, 1976, on the south portico of the Bellbrook Grange building located at the intersection of Wilmington-Dayton Road and Conference Road—near the Sugarcreek Reserve.

The set-up of one station commenced around 10:00 AM and Field Day on-air operation began at the usual 2:00 PM ET and continued to around 8:00 PM. Details are a little foggy at this time but Henry Bussey, Fred Stone and a few other BARC "charter members" participated in this short but fun event. We've come a long ways in the past **43** years!!

[BARC Turns 43 on the 4th of July](#)

Happy Birthday, BARC !!

The Bellbrook Amateur Radio Club was officially founded on July 4, 1976, our country's 200th birthday, by 20 charter members. However, the group was initially organized in the summer of 1974 as the **Communications Support Group** for the Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Disaster Plan established following the April 3rd 1974 "Xenia Tornado."

[Questions, Suggestions, Feedback](#)

Questions, suggestions, feedback, concerns and complaints are welcome to help BARC evaluate its Field Day activities. Most of what BARC does for its Field Day activities and how it is done has been optimized over the past 43 years based on members' interest and preferences. Send your comments via email to BARC President Tink Siwecki KD8NUA at: KD8NUA@ARRL.net or BARC Field Day Coordinator Ray Hitt N8VMX at HittRA@yahoo.com.

[Field Day Talk-in Station](#)

BARC's Field Day Talk-in Station will be operational on BARC 147.045 (+) (no PL) Repeater as early as possible to help guide members and visitors to Sackett Wright Park on the west side of SR-725 just southeast of the intersection of SR-725 and Lower Bellbrook Road. Enter the park driveway and turn left into the first parking lot on the left—you'll see Shelter #1 there. Please leave the row of parking spaces in front of Shelter open for off-loading equipment and supplies—park in center of parking lot. Thank you.