

# *Winter Field Day*



CRHRC Tech Net #26  
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# Agenda

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- Comparison to Summer Field Day
- CRHRC 2026 Winter Field Day Event
- Event Summary Form
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# Winter Field Day Overview

- Inaugural Event Held January 2007
  - Sponsored by SPAR (The Society for the Preservation of Amateur Radio)
- In 2015 Winter Field Day Association (WFDA) Formed
- In 2022 New Board of Directors Took Over – Processed 2,500+ Logs
- Three WFDA Core Principles
  - Natural disasters are unpredictable and can strike when you least expect them.
  - Your training and operating skills should not be limited to fair-weather scenarios.
  - Preparedness is the key to a professional and timely response during any event.



[WFDA Web Site](http://www.wfda.org)

# Original and Current Board Members

## Original Members of the WFDA



Tom W8WFD



Dave W3DET  
Silent Key



Ken N8KC



Erik WX4ET



Bill VE3FI

## Current WFDA Board Members



Marvin W0MET



James KD0ICP



Jason KC5HWB



Mikel W4OPS



Andrew KD8YRA



Mike KY4LV



Craig K5AYO



Travis W0DTM

# Comparing Winter Field Day to Summer Field Day

## Summer Field Day

- Began 1933
- Last Full Weekend June
- 4,373 entries in 2025
  - All 85 ARRL and Canada (RAC) Sections, as well 35 entries from 20 countries outside
- Objective
  - To contact as many stations as possible on the 160-, 80-, 40-, 20-, 15- and 10-Meter HF bands, as well as all bands 50 MHz and above, and to learn to operate in abnormal situations in less-than-optimal conditions.
- 90 Deg. F. Avg. SE Texas ☹️
  - & Humid!

## Winter Field Day

- Began 2007
- Last Full Weekend January
- 2,500+ entries in 2022
- Objective
  - *"This isn't a contest—it's an experience. We call it an Operating Event."*
  - WFD is a multi-objective event. The primary objective is to set up an amateur radio field station and successfully make multiple contacts.
- 62 Deg. F. Avg. SE Texas 😊

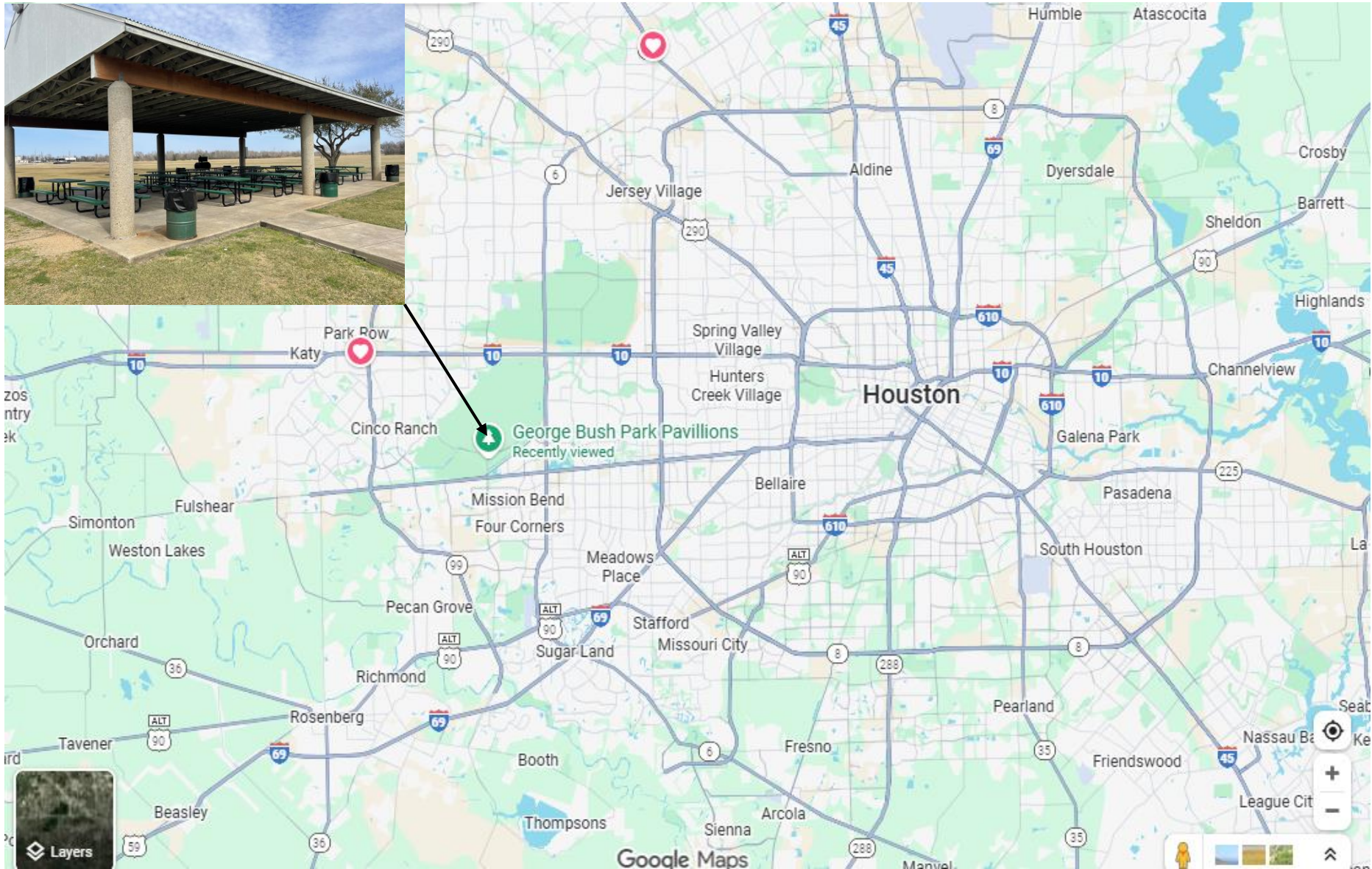
# CRHRC Winter Field Day

- Saturday, Jan. 24
  - 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Operating
  - 8:00 AM Setup, 12:00 PM Lunch
- George Bush Park, West Houston
  - [Pavillion #1 Google Maps](#)
    - GPS 29.720588, -95.686354
  - [WFD Location Map CRHRC](#)
- CRHRC Repeater Talk-ins
  - HOU RPT (443.725+ T 110.9)
  - KATY RPT (443.325+ T 123.0)
- Goals
  - Have Fun & Meet Other Hams!
  - Practice Outside Operating Skills
  - Promote Hobby To Public
  - More Club Members Volunteering
- CRHRC Category and Class
  - 2 Stations \*
  - 0 Outdoor
  - “W5LCR 20 STX” Our Exchange
- Latest Event Information
  - CRHRC WFD Web Page (<https://crhrc.org/wfd/>)
  - Email [info@crhrc.org](mailto:info@crhrc.org)
  - Bill #9, K5LK (832-510-3722)
- Current Event Leaders
  - KJ5ADO (Food), N5CHB (Station 1), KI5HVF (Station 2), K5LK (Publicity & Log Submission)
- Additional Volunteers Welcomed!
  - Setup
  - Welcome Table
  - Food
  - Equipment, Antennas, Operating and Logging
  - Rig Down

*\* Current Plan 2 Stations*



# George Bush Park, West Houston



# Event Summary Form

## Event Summary

Call sign used during WFD \_\_\_\_\_ Location identifier \_\_\_\_\_

### Point Multipliers

<u>Objective</u>	<u>Multiplier</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automatic one multiplier for participating	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Operate 100% on alternative Power	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Operate away from home	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Deploy multiple antennas	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Make a satellite contact using FM	2
<input type="checkbox"/> Make a satellite contact using SSB or CW	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Send and receive at least one Winlink email	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Copy the Winter Field Day Special Bulletin	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Operate on at least six different bands	6
<input type="checkbox"/> Operate on at least twelve different bands	6
<input type="checkbox"/> Use multiple modes	2
<input type="checkbox"/> Operate the event QRP	4
<input type="checkbox"/> Operate six continuous hours during the event	2

**Your objective multiplier number (OM#)** \_\_\_\_\_

(out of a possible 33)

You should have at least the number 1 on the line above

### Point Totals

Number of phone contacts \_\_\_\_\_ x 1= \_\_\_\_\_ points

Number of CW & digital contacts \_\_\_\_\_ x 2= \_\_\_\_\_ points

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total QSO Points

### Final Points

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total QSO Points x (OM#) = Total Points



# CRHRC WFD Flyer

## Amateur Radio

## Winter Field Day

Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 2026

10 AM – 4 PM

CQ, CQ, CQ...

We invite the public to join us as we participate in Winter Field Day. Come experience amateur radio!

Learn more about this amazing hobby.

See operators make world wide contacts.

Ask questions and see how what it takes to set up a radio and external antenna.

Listen to operators use Morse code, digital signals, and voice to exchange information.

Pick up the microphone and make contacts yourself.

Learn why ham radio is still considered the last means of communication "when all else fails"

### Local Information:

- George Bush Park, West Houston
- Hot Dog Lunch!
- Cross Roads Ham Radio Club
- [www.crhrc.org/wfd](http://www.crhrc.org/wfd)
- [info@crhrc.org](mailto:info@crhrc.org)



Q&A