

Raleigh Amateur Radio Society, Inc. P. O. Box 17124 Raleigh, NC 27619

RARSfest 2023

The Raleigh Amateur Radio Society invites you to be part of our 2023 Hamfest. The Forty Ninth Annual RARS*fest*, ARRL NC State Convention and Huge Electronic Flea Market will be held on April 8, 2023 in the 100,000 square foot Jim Graham Building, on the NC State Fairgrounds, on Hillsborough Street in Raleigh.

Some of our special features:

- All buying, selling, forums, testing, equipment demos, prize drawings and award events are held in our huge air-conditioned building.
- Easy setup: drive to your area and unload Friday 12pm to 8pm and Saturday 6am to 7:30am. All vehicles must then leave the building right after unloading to help traffic.
- Security will be on duty Friday at noon until Saturday at 4PM, inside and outside.
- Dealer Booths are available with table, chairs, divider curtains and electricity. Additional booth tables are available at cost. See Page 2 for details. Bring your own power cords, distribution boxes and moving carts.
- Plenty of Recreational Vehicle space is available with full hookups. The \$35/night fee will be collected by Fairgrounds Authorities. Contact them on arrival at (919) 612-6767.
- * There are dozens of motels and hotels from \$75. Use Travelocity to search for "NC State Fairgrounds" and check in on April 7th.
- Free Parking. Enter Gate #5, on Youth Center Drive on the West side of the Fairgrounds, off Hillsborough St.

Important rules:

- No weapons may be sold or donated in the hamfest building or on Fairgrounds property.
- No food or drinks may be sold except by food concessions in the hamfest building.
- Only real SERVICE ANIMALS are allowed in the building.
- We are not allowed to have buying, selling or trading on Fairgrounds property except in the Jim Graham building.

Our hamfest is regularly attended by 1,600 amateur radio operators, electronic and computer buffs from approximately a 200-mile radius of Raleigh.

RARS*fest* is the only non-professional show for electronic enthusiasts in the Raleigh area. We feel the mix of our dealers and our large air-conditioned flea market provides a unique opportunity to present your goods and services in a friendly yet businesslike environment.

The Dealer Package includes the dealer/vendor Pre-Registration Form <u>(due by April 1, 2023)</u> and a flyer with a <u>map</u> and other details. Feel free to call Chuck Littlewood, K4HF, tel. (919) 630-9358 or <u>K4HF953@yahoo.com</u> or Jeremy Lindsley, K2HJX, tel. (919) 523-9631 or <u>K2HJX@att.net</u>

See our web page at http://rarsfest.org for updates and maps. Ask for a Dealer Package.