

Oklahoma ARRL Section Manager Mark Kleine N5HZR asked “Why aren’t you on the HF air?”

Most Important – SCARS Elmer Nights – Tuesday 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm – Zoom or
Norman Firehouse #7 – 2207 Goddard Ave, Norman, OK 73069 – <https://w5nor.org/elmernights/>

Listening to the bands from your computer or your phone

- Websdr – websdr.org

Operating Modes

- CW – <https://w5nor.org/morse/> – <https://longislandcwclub.org/> –
- Phone –
- Digital –
 - FT8, FT4 – <https://wsjt.sourceforge.io/wsjitx.html>
 - WSPR – <https://www.wsprnet.org/>
 - Meteor Scatter – <https://k5nd.net/2023/04/meteor-scatter-propagation-how-it-works-getting-on-the-air/>

Build an antenna

- Lots of info – <https://w5nor.org/antennas/>
- ARRL Antenna Book / Handbook – <https://www.arrl.org/arrl-antenna-book>
- Dipole specific info – <https://www.onallbands.com/tuning-your-dipole-antenna-installation>

Monitor HF signal propagation

- DXView map – <https://hf.dxview.org/>
- Maximum Useable Frequency (MUF) – <https://www.qsl.net/4x4xm/Propagation/Live-HF-Propagation-Map.htm#Current-MUF>
- DXLook – Live Ham Reports – <https://www.dxlook.com/>
- HF Solar Propagation – <https://hamqsl.com/>
- Space Weather Woman – <https://www.spaceweatherwoman.com/>

All of the great things you can do on HF —

- CW fox hunts [QRP Fox Hunt Home Page](#)
 - beacons – CW <https://www.reversebeacon.net/>
 - WSPR – <https://www.wsprnet.org/>
 - talk on local nets (6m 10m) – <https://w5nor.org/meetings/>
 - National Hurricane Net – <https://hwn.org/>
 - listen to the world
 - talk to the world
 - HF nets
 - Santa Net – <https://www.cqsanta.com/>
 - Tailgaters Net – Trivia – Rag Chew – Freewheelers – <http://www.tailgatersnet.com/>
 - work special event stations
 - Indianapolis 500 SES – <https://www.qrz.com/db/W9IMS>
 - Rt 66 on-the-air – https://w6jbt.org/?page_id=15
 - VA3RJ SES List – https://www.qsl.net/va3rj/spevents_dx.html
 - VA3RJ DX Calendar – https://www.qsl.net/va3rj/dx_cal.html
 - Operating awards – DXCC, WAS, VUCC, WAS, Triple Play – <https://www.arrl.org/awards>
 - Winlink email over the air – <https://winlink.org/>
 - QSL Cards – <https://www.arrl.org/qsl-service>
 - Parks On The Air (POTA) <https://pota.app/> <https://w5nor.org/pota/>
<https://ok.arrl.org/okpota/> POTA Party October 18th Lake T-bird – North Sentinel (Parking \$)
 - Summits on the Air – (SOTA) – <https://www.sota.org.uk/>
 - Islands on the Air – (IOTA)– <https://www.iota-world.org/>
 - National Traffic System – Winlink – [National Traffic System \(NTS\) Overview – Oklahoma ARRL](#) or
7290 Traffic Net <https://www.7290trafficnet.org/>
 - ARRL Contest Calendar – <https://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar>
 - Participate in contests – WA7BNM – <https://www.contestcalendar.com/>
 - State QSO parties – <https://www.contestcalendar.com/stateparties.php>
- and a whole lot more.