

How Do I... An Occasional Series

This Week: Cumberland Amateur Radio Club Parks On The Air Standings Report

Members of the Cumberland Amateur Radio Club enjoy a bit of friendly competition as they work to improve their Parks On The Air standings.

Club Leadership captures their member's POTA Statistics at the beginning of each month, then reports and publishes the standings as part of the Club's Monthly Newsletter and Meeting Agenda

The process of collecting and reporting the POTA Standings is described in this How Do I... article.

Visit website parksontheair.com

Have a copy of the CARC Membership Roster or a similar call sign list at your fingertips.

Sign-In using your own POTA ID and Password

Or

Click POTA Spots in the menu bar. (No sign-in required.)

Use the SEARCH bar to find the CARC Member Call Sign of interest

Your PC screen will display information similar to this screen snapshot:

N3EPY Richard R Johnson Other callsigns:	All-Time Statistics <table border="1"><thead><tr><th></th><th style="text-align: center;">Activator</th><th style="text-align: center;">Hunter</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Activations</td><td style="text-align: center;">1 / 2</td><td style="text-align: center;">----</td></tr><tr><td>Parks</td><td style="text-align: center;">1 / 1</td><td style="text-align: center;">24</td></tr><tr><td>QSOs</td><td style="text-align: center;">23 / 24</td><td style="text-align: center;">26</td></tr></tbody></table>		Activator	Hunter	Activations	1 / 2	----	Parks	1 / 1	24	QSOs	23 / 24	26
	Activator	Hunter											
Activations	1 / 2	----											
Parks	1 / 1	24											
QSOs	23 / 24	26											

We are interested in the **Call Sign** and the **All-Time Statistics** section.

That information will be entered into the CARC Parks On The Air Standings spreadsheet as shown on the next page partial screen snapshot.

Repeat the Call Sign and Data lookup for each CARC Member.

Spreadsheet example showing the top participants:

❖ Parks On The Air Standings

As of July 07, 2024

CARC Member Call Sign	Total Successful Activations	Total Attempted Activations	Unique Parks Activated	Unique Parks Attempted	Parks Hunted	QSOs as Activator	+ QSOs as Hunter	= Total QSOs	CARC Ranking
N3AIR	101	107	17	18	616	3255	2448	5703	1
N3FWE	7	7	7	7	2163	111	2744	2855	2
KC3CPT	1	3	1	3	1297	34	1981	2015	3
KC3UVH	33	33	10	10	412	533	768	1301	4
KC3UVG	30	30	9	9	402	515	748	1263	5
N3GTY	0	0	0	0	693	0	1209	1209	6
KB3PQT	4	5	3	4	144	81	173	254	7
KC2FLY	1	1	1	1	116	13	137	150	8
W3JJB	0	3	0	3	59	0	60	60	9

This table illustrates the mapping of data from the POTA screen into the CARC spreadsheet columns.

	Activator	Hunter
Activations	B / C	(dashes)
Parks	D / E	F
QSOs	G / H	I

Explanation of Spreadsheet Columns:

- A = CARC Member Call Sign
- B = Total Successful Activations
- C = Total Attempted Activations
- D = Unique Parks Successfully Activated
- E = Unique Parks Attempted Activation
- F = Parks Hunted
- G is not used
- H = QSOs made as an Activator
- I = QSOs made as a Hunter

A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	Calc-ulation. H + I	Manual Entry. Sorted by Total QSOs
CARC Member Call Sign	Total Successful Activations	Total Attempted Activations	Unique Parks Activated	Unique Parks Attempted	Parks Hunted	QSOs Made as Activator	+ QSOs Made as Hunter	= Total QSOs	CARC Ranking
N3AIR	101	107	17	18	616	3255	2448	5703	1
N3FWE	7	7	7	7	2163	111	2744	2855	2

Final Steps:

Calculate TOTAL QSOs for each row as Column H plus Column I.

Sort or manually edit the list based on TOTAL QSOs.

Edit the **CARC RANKING** to have the highest entry in the TOTAL QSOs column as #1 and subsequent entries ascending numerically

Highlight the highest entry in **QSOs as Activator** (Column H).

Highlight the highest entry in **QSOs as Hunter** (Column I).

Summary:

POTA active participants probably know award structure better than anyone else.

CARC collects and reports the information we find on the POTA page.

We offer recognition to the person having the greatest number of QSOs Made as Activator.

We offer recognition to the person having the greatest number of QSOs Made as Hunter.

And, if a CARC Member earns a special POTA award please tell your Newsletter Editor for recognition.

This link is a good place where you can learn about the many awards offered for POTA achievements.

<https://parksontheair.com/pota-awards/>

Enjoy.