

Jamboree on the Air

October 18-20, 2024

Camp Kishwaukee, Plano, IL

14580 Millhurst Road

Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is the largest Scouting event in the world. It is held annually the third full weekend in October. JOTA uses amateur radio to link Scouts and hams around the world, around the nation, and in your own community. This jamboree requires no travel, other than to a nearby amateur radio operator's ham shack. For this event we set up stations for you to learn and experience amateur radio.

Radio Merit Badge class will be Friday night starting about 6pm. All Scouts are welcome to attend. Please have adult leadership appropriate for your level of Scouting. All are encouraged to camp out if they wish. This event is free to all. Units are responsible for their own food and camping supplies. Bring your own water. The water at the camp is not safe to drink. There is a kybo available.

This is a very laid back event. There is no "lights out" time. Being J.O.T.A. is a global event, time is relative to location. We may be up at 3am, but the World Scout Office is just going to lunch! Outside of the Amateur Radio program this is a pure camping event. You may come for the Radio Merit Badge class and come back the next day for the rest of the requirements if you wish. All Scouts remember to see your Scoutmaster for your Blue Card. This event also meets a requirement of the Webelos Build a Better World Activity Pin. It may be laid back, but you still need forms A and B of your Scout Physical! Registration opens at 5pm on Friday night. Please do not arrive really early. Setting up takes some time.

Anyone wishing to attend please call Jason Peeler at 815-981-1313 or email at BSA.N9OPP@gmail.com

