

# The Great Hagerstown Hamfest



**Saturday, May 6, 2023**

**Washington County Ag-Center**

**7313 Sharpsburg Pike,**

**Rt. 65 South**

**Boonsboro, MD**

**GPS coordinates:**

**N 39° 30' 53.8", W 77° 44' 41.66"**

**Sponsored by:**

**Antietam Radio Association (ARA)**

**W3CWC/W3HPM**



15-Feb-2023

## Hamfest Features

- Large Indoor Vendor Area
- Covered Tailgating available.  
In case of bad weather, up to four Pavilions are available for tailgating.
- Paved Open Tailgating Area also available
- Overnight monitoring provided for Vendors who set up Friday evening inside main building. (Overnight monitoring not available outside main building. Set up at own risk.)
- LARGE Equipment Sale & Bargain Auction!
- Prize Drawings throughout the day!  
(Must be present to win non-cash prizes.)
  - Door Prizes
  - Grand Prize Drawing at 12:30 PM
- ARRL VEC TEAM Testing Session 1:00 PM  
Walk-Ins Accepted (check-in 12:30-12:45 PM  
**NOTE FRN Number is Required In Advance**)
- Checking QSL Cards
- QWCA -Quarter Century Wireless Association members are available for information
- Fox Hunt (Tentative)
- *Ham groups welcome to meet - ask us!*

## Features for the Whole Family

- Easy Access from I-70
- 4 miles from Antietam Battlefield
- Picnic & Playground Facilities
- Food Concession serving  
Breakfast and Lunch 7 AM – 1 PM
- Commercial Eating Establishments and Premium Outlets at I-70 exit

## Tickets and Admission

**General Admission: \$7.00 per person**

**(Children 12 & under free)**

**Outdoor Tailgating: \$7.00 per 8 ft space**

**Indoor Tables and 8 ft Spaces in Main Building:**

→ In Advance \$10.00 per table/space

→ Day of Hamfest \$15.00 per table/space

- General Admission Tickets are required of all tailgaters and vendors *in addition* to outdoor space or indoor table/space rental fee.
- All tables and spaces are rented on a First Come-First Served basis.
- All Payments must be by Cash or Check payable to Antietam Radio Association

**Friday night setup is available after 6:00 PM**

### ADVANCE REGISTRATION - GUARANTEES SPACE!

- => Reserve Tables and Spaces by mail, email, or phone:
- => Mail orders: Please pay by check only. Do not mail cash. Send to P.O. Box address shown under CONTACTS (next page)
- => Email or Phone Orders: Use information shown below.
- => Deadlines: All reservations must be received by MAY 1 (mail) or MAY 3 (email and phone)
- => All Orders received and paid by APRIL 25 will receive tickets by return mail. Later orders will be held for pickup at the Hamfest Club Table (Main Building Entrance).

**For more information or reservations contact :  
Hamfest Chairman:**

**Steve Struharik, WA8EIH**

**Email - struhariks@gmail.com**

**Phone - 240-818-1248**

**Alternate Contact:**

**William Collins, W3OS**

**Email - colli020@gmail.com**

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## FRIDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

After 6:00 PM - Vendors & Tailgaters may setup

## SATURDAY HAMFEST SCHEDULE

06:00 AM Gates Open for Vendors & Tailgaters  
07:00 AM Main Building Opens for Attendees  
08:00AM-12:00PM Various small prize drawings  
(Must be present to win non-cash prizes)  
09:00 AM ARRL Forum  
Led by Chris Van Winkle, AB3WG  
ARRL, MDC SM  
10:00 AM ARA Cake will be cut and ready to serve  
It goes good with a cup of coffee  
10:00 AM LARGE Bargain Equipment Auction  
12:30 PM Grand Prize Drawings  
12:30 PM Fox Hunt (Tentative) - after Prize Drawings  
01:00 PM ARRL VEC Team - Amateur License Exams  
(please check-in for exam between 12:30-12:45 PM)  
VEC details Contact: Brian Umbrell, W3PDW  
[w3pdw@earthlink.net](mailto:w3pdw@earthlink.net)

### Our Hamfest Philosophy:

*The emphasis has been and will always be on building an "old fashion" Hamfest. We will always try to include seminars, tailgate sales, inside sales, auction, the food concession, VE testing sessions, vendors and much, much more.....*

## Directions:

GPS coordinates : N 39° 30' 53.8"  
W 77° 44' 41.66"

### From The North

I-81 S to Exit 4 I-70 E,  
Go 3.9 miles on I-70 E to Exit 29A,  
Merge onto MD-65 S/Sharpsburg Pike  
Go 6.3 miles to "Washington County Agricultural Education Center" on your left.

### From The South

I-81 North to MD Exit 1 MD-63/MD-68,  
Turn Right onto MD-63 S/MD-68 E  
Go 5 miles to MD-65  
Turn Right onto MD-65 S  
Go 2.7 miles to "Washington County Agricultural Education Center" on your left.

## CONTACTS

For additional Information Contact:

<https://w3cwc.org/hamfest> (Check for updates)

W3CWC

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Hamfest Repeater 147.090 +  
(PL Tone 100 Hz)

Backup only 146.940 -  
(PL Tone 100 Hz)

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### Please Note:

- *Weapons, ammunition, or pornographic material may NOT be displayed or sold at the Hamfest site.*
- *NO alcohol or drugs are permitted at the Hamfest site.*
- *Commercial vendors are responsible for tax collections and should have proper tax/license certificate available.*

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### From The East

I-70 W to Exit 29 MD-65  
Turn Left (South) onto MD-65 S/Sharpsburg Pike,  
Go 6.6 miles to "Washington County Agricultural Education Center" on your left.

### From The West

I-70 East to Exit 29A  
Merge onto MD-65 S/Sharpsburg Pike  
Go 6.3 miles to "Washington County Agricultural Education Center" on your left.