



# Largest Hamfest on Gulf Coast!!

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## 58<sup>th</sup> ACADIANA HAMFEST 2018

Rayne Civic Center - 112 Frog Festival Drive, Rayne, Louisiana 70578

ARRL LOUISIANA STATE CONVENTION

Sponsored by: Acadiana Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

Talk-in: W5DDL 146.820 (pl 103.5) EchoLink Node: 759629 - Admission at door \$8.00



### MARCH 9 & 10, 2018

Friday

3 PM to 8 PM

Saturday

8 AM to 3 PM



### FRIDAY NIGHT FUN

6:00 PM Crawfish Boil (Pre-register only)

7:00 PM Fais-Do-Do with Cajun Music

### MAIN PRIZE DRAWINGS

Must be present to win both days.

**FRIDAY 7:00 PM**

Kenwood TH-D74 144/220/430 handheld - MFJ 269 Antenna Analyzer - ARRL Gift Certificates

**SATURDAY 2:00 PM**

Ameritron AL811 600 watt amplifier with a MFJ 994B auto Tuner - Yaesu FT-70DR C4FM FDMA / FM 144/430 MHz Dual Band 5W Handheld Transceiver - MFJ 4230 MVP 30 amp Power Supply - Raspberry Pi3 computer Kit - RT System Kits - ARRL Gift Certificates.

### HAMFEST HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ LADIE'S Hi Q SWEETS (Homemade)
- ◆ CAFÉ CQ (Menu on website)
- ◆ LADIES BINGO (Saturday starts 8:30 AM)
- ◆ ATM on Site
- ◆ VE Testing (Saturday 9:00 AM - See website)
- ◆ GO KIT DISPLAYS
- ◆ QRP - FACTORY & HOME BUILT DISPLAYS
- ◆ ARRL Guest Speaker - To be announced
- ◆ RADIO TESTING TABLE AVAILABLE

Check website for details.

Manufacturers, Factory Representatives and Dealers scheduled to be at our hamfest.

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- Cajun RF
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### TABLES

Ham Radio Related Swap Tables: \$10.00 each

Flea Market (Craft) tables: \$20.00 each.

Overnight Security provided by Rayne PD

See website for downloadable forms.

### TAILGATING

FREE!!

FRIDAY

AND

SATURDAY

HAM  
RADIO  
2.0

LIVE FROM  
THE HAMSHACK

Jason KC5HWB a.k.a "Ham Radio 2.0" will be at our 2018 Hamfest. He has a YouTube / Facebook Podcast.

<http://www.livefromthehamshack.tv/>

### FEMA ICS TRAINING

Friday 0830 - til

25 seat limit

Skip Breeden, LA DOTD

Director of Emergency Operations

### FORUMS (Saturday Only)

◆ Louisiana Contest Club

◆ Louisiana Council of Amateur Radio Clubs

◆ SKYWARN

◆ AMSAT

◆ ARES/ARRL

◆ ARRL Delta Div.

Check website for updates & schedules

**Host Hotel:** Best Western Rayne Inn, 337-334-0060 - Mention "AARA Hamfest" and get a "Special Room Rates" of King \$78.74 or Double Queen for \$82.49 which is a 25% savings over regular price.

**Check Website for Directions, Map & Updates at:** <http://www.w5ddl.org/hamfest/>

# 58<sup>th</sup> Annual 2018 AARA Hamfest Schedule

Rayne Civic Center, Rayne, Louisiana 70578



## Friday, March 9

- 0830 ICS-700, 100, 200 Training - FREE (only 25 seats available)  
Pre-registration required - contact Brandon at: [brandonstelly@gmail.com](mailto:brandonstelly@gmail.com)
- 0900 Dealer & Swap/Flea Market Setup
- 0900 RV Park open - (Sign in at Front Desk)
- 1200 Pick up Pre-registration packets - (front Desk)
- 1200 Shrimp Fettuccini Plate Lunch available for workers & vendor / dealers
- 1500 – 2000 Registration and Hamfest Opens to General Public **New Opening Time**
- 1800 Fais-Do-Do - French Music & Crawfish Boil – Other refreshments on site (see menu below).
- 1900 Friday Prize Drawings**
- 2000 Hamfest Closes for Friday - will open Saturday at 0800 to General Public.

## Saturday, March 10

**Forums** Times and schedule listed below may not be correct at this time.

Green Room A	Green Room B
<p><b>0900-1000</b> Louisiana Council of Amateur Radio Clubs <b>Session I</b> Matt Anderson KD5KNZ <b>1000-1030</b> :30 minute break <b>1030-1130</b> LA ARES <b>Session II</b> <b>1130-1200</b> :30 minute break <b>1200-1300</b> ARRL - David Norris K5UZ - Delta Division <b>Session III</b> Director</p>	<p><b>0900-1000</b> AMSAT - Nick Pugh K5QXJ <b>Session I</b> <b>1000-1030</b> :30 minute break <b>1030-1130</b> Louisiana Contest Club <b>Session II</b> <b>1130-1200</b> :30 minute break <b>1200-1300</b> YAESU Repeater Forum <b>Session III</b></p>

**1230-1330 BINGO ROOM - SKYWARN CLASS - Roger Erickson KD5BUI - NWS Lake Charles.**

- 0700 - 0800 Dealer / Vendor & Flea Market setup
- 0700 RV Park Registration Open
- 0700 Breakfast for Table Holders Only
- 0700 Registration Desk Opens
- 0800 Hamfest re-opens to General Public  
Café CQ – Opens for Breakfast
- 0830-1200 Bingo by Sandra - XYL of John Allen NØJA & Ramona KG5HNO
- 0900-1030 ARRL VE Testing – by Greg K5LFT (Fish Bowl Room). Please bring copies of FCC License (no copy machine on site), Photo ID, CSCE's and \$15.00 cash or checks only.
- 1100 - 1200 Go-Kit Owners Table Display & Q&A
- 1100 Café CQ – Opens for lunch
- 1100 Fox Hunt – Nick Pugh K5QXJ  
(Bring your Fox Hunting equipment and see who is best).
- 1300 - 1400 QRP Rig Owners Table Display & Q&A
- 1400 Grand Prize Drawings - Must be present to win.**
- 1500 Hamfest Closes

**CAFE CQ MENU (Refreshments)**

**Friday Noon** - Shrimp Fettuccine - for dealers, vendors, and workers.

**Friday Night (6:00 PM)**  
 \$8.00 Chicken & Sausage Gumbo with potato salad  
 \$7.00 Chicken & Sausage Gumbo w/o potato salad  
 \$24.00 Crawfish Boil 4 pounds with 2 potatoes and 1 corn - must pre-register (see website)

**Saturday (Breakfast 0800)**  
 \$3.50 Egg and sausage sandwiches  
 \$3.00 Egg sandwich  
 \$1.50 Sausage biscuit  
 \$ .50 Biscuits

**Saturday (Lunch 12:00)**  
 \$9.00 BBQ pork steak plate lunch with rice, dressing, beans, potato salad and slice of bread.  
 \$3.00 BBQ Burger  
 \$8.00 Chicken & sausage gumbo with potato salad  
 \$7.00 Chicken & sausage gumbo w/o potato salad  
 \$.50 Chips

Soft drinks, coffee & bottle water available  
 Catering by Chris Trahan - [boogtrahan@yahoo.com](mailto:boogtrahan@yahoo.com)

**TAILGATING IS FREE!**  
**Friday & Saturday. In designated area in front main building parking lot.**

**ATM  
On Site**

**LADIE'S Hi Q SWEETS (AARA Club Ladies)**

All day Friday & Saturday, the Hi Q Sweets Ladies will be serving a variety of Homemade Cookies, Cakes, Brownies, Fudge, etc. Can Soft Drinks (regular and diet), Bottled Water and Coffee. Special sugar free goodies upon request. Served in main room and bingo room.

**DXCC Card Checking all day Saturday by Bobby Baker WM5H of West Monroe, LA.**  
**Rules:** <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-field-checking>