Local council name and number: Bronx River Council GNYC 640

Unit number: Troop 182 Bronx N.Y., First Lutheran of Throggs Neck

Amateur call sign used: N2WGF

Amateur call signs heard and worked:
IS0IFX
GB5JTS
K4ZZY
MO5YCM
W9GJG
LA4I
N4PN
K4G
VE1FO
GB0WOR
CR5BRG

States contacted:
North Carolina, Illinois, Georgia

Countries contacted:
Italy, Norway, Nova Scotia, Great Britain (UK), Portugal
Number of stations participating in your JOTA event: 1

Number of participants in JOTA

Cub Scouts: 0
Boy Scouts: 12
Venturers: 0
Girl Scouts: 0
Radio amateurs: 1
Visitors: 10

Please add your story, funny incidents, discoveries, etc. in this space.

We kind of found out about JOTA by accident. I checked into the Big Apple NTS Traffic Net on Wednesday October 12th for the first time in too many years. After the net the net manager KC2LEB and I had a QSO during which it somehow came out that I was a Scoutmaster. He asked me “What are your plans for JOTA?” To which I replied “What’s Jota?” He explained what it was, I relayed this info to my PLC and here we are.

We had a camping trip planned for the weekend so I suggested to my PLC that we participate and they agreed. It turns out that the site we had reserved for the trip at the Baiting Hollow Scout Camp on the northern end of LI was just perfect for a portable Ham Station. We were on a Hill overlooking Long Island Sound. We set up the Station on a picnic table, the antenna on a tripod, turned on the power and within minutes we contacted Italy. Could not have asked for a more perfect day. Many thanks to the organizers of Jota, Kc2leb, and the Scouts of Troop 182.

73’s

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