

MEET THE MEMBERS CONTEST

(A contest for GARS members only)

1. Contest begins Oct 10th at 6:00 PM and ends Oct 12th at 11:59 PM
2. Only GARS members may participate
3. Bands
 - UHF VHF
 - 2 Meters
 - 1.25 Meters
 - 70 cm
 - 33 cm
 - 23 cm
 - Any amateur GHz freq
 - HF
 - Any HF frequency where Tech class license is allowed to operate
4. Modes
 - SSB (voice)
 - FM
 - Digital (CW is a digital mode)
 - D-STAR (is a voice mode)
 - DMR (is a voice mode)
5. Contacts may be simplex or repeater
 - Any simplex frequency is allowed
6. Any station can be worked once per band per mode (Once on simplex or repeater. These are not two separate modes)
7. Exchange
 - Call Sign. Old GARS member or New member - add OM or NM (ie. AF4FG/OM or KI4QCI/NM)
8. Personal Greeting.
 - Since one purpose of this contest is for members to get to know each other, a face to face greeting after the contact is made should be attempted
9. Scoring
 - 1 point for each voice contact
 - 1 point for each digital contact
 - 1 bonus point for successful Personal Greeting

* New members are those who have joined GARS since 10/1/24. Anyone who was a member in the past but has not been a dues paying member for at least 10 years prior to rejoining after 10/1/24 is considered a new member for purposes of this contest. (Since a new member cannot contact himself he automatically receives 1 bonus point)

10. Awards

Top Ten scores receive a GARS hat unique to this year's contest

All participants who turn in a log receive a GARS patch or decal

11. Logging

Log Call Sign of station contacted, NM or OM, Frequency, Mode, date of contact and Personal Greeting (yes or no)

Logs must be submitted electronically by midnight October 31, 2025
to af4fg@arrl.net

12. Suggested Simplex Frequencies

Voice	CW	Other Digital
146.505	144.03	145.07
446.00	432.075	430.45
52.525	50.050	50.530
28.345	28.050	28.150
	3530	
	7090	
	21050	

Any repeater

13. Arranged Contacts

Times for contacts and frequencies to be used may be arranged

14. Visual Rule

Individuals cannot be within sight of each other except in the case where one or both are in a moving vehicle. Both cannot be in the same vehicle

15. Net Rule

The net control for any net may not count each check in as a contact nor may each check in count the net control as a contact